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2020 D/5 Spring Conference

America's Boating Club® Mid-Atlantic 2020 Officer Training, Spring Conference and Change of Watch 26 – 29 March 2020 Princess Royale, Ocean City, MD

The America's Boating Club Mid-Atlantic district squadrons' officer training, Spring Conference and Change of Watch will be held at the Princess Royale Hotel & Conference Center in Ocean City, MD from Thursday 26 March through Sunday 29 March 2020.

On Friday morning there are training sessions for squadron officers, followed by an afternoon of informational seminars. Friday evening will shows how "D5 Works" as we enjoy one another's company and conviviality at hospitality rooms hosted by the various squadrons. Saturday morning is the Spring Council meeting followed by several seminars of interest before we sit down for the luncheon. In the afternoon is the Conference meeting and then the new bridge takes over. Saturday evening is Commander Neese's final cocktail party, followed by the installation banquet. Sunday morning our new district commander, Jeff Short will host a reception where you can meet the new bridge and enjoy some refreshments before heading home. The entire weekend will be a celebration of the successes and accomplishments of our fellow district and squadron members who prove again how "D5 Works!"

The raffle table will be full of exciting goodies, not least the famous "basket of cheer" donated by the past district commanders. We also will run a 50/50 raffle.

Our district Spring Conference is a very timely break from the seasonal "cabin fever" and gives everyone the chance to meet up with boating friends and work on plans for the upcoming boating season.

Mark your calendar, 26 – 29 March 2020, Princess Royale, Ocean City, MD. Please find registration forms for the event in this issue so you can conveniently sign up and find information on making reservations at the hotel. Be sure to send in your registrations early so you don't miss out on the best conference ever!

So, "Come on down the ocean" and join the America's Boating Club Mid-Atlantic for another fabulous gathering where "D5 Works!"

We all look forward to seeing you there!!

P/C Steven Dalgarno, SN, Chairman. America's Boating Club Baltimore



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Commander's Message

D/C Walter K. Neese, SN



Most of my tenure as your district commander is now past, but I'm still looking forward to squadron events throughout the winter season. "D5 WORKS!" will be demonstrated yet again as my team of district commander representatives, along with myself take great pleasure in getting together with friends from all over the district.

I would like to express my thanks to everyone who helped make the Fall Educational Conference in Fredericksburg, VA a success. Cdr Art Walz as event chair and commander of the host squadron Mid-Potomac planned and arranged the weekend at Fredericksburg Hospitality House, whose staff were helpful and courteous. Mid-Potomac team members ran the event like a well-oiled machine. Our district Educational team did a marvelous job in arranging the conference content and awards presentations. And our thanks go to guests AF Coronel Joao Carita, Portuguese Defense Attaché, and to Captain Scott Johnson, USCG Office of Auxiliary and Boating Safety, as well as several of the Coast Guard Auxiliary 5th District Southern leadership; Commodore Michelle Thornton, Immediate Past Commodore Dave Adams, and Commander John Krogmann. We enjoyed renewing friendships and making new ones across organizations and we look forward to continuing our partnerships into the future.

More thanks go to all the district commander's aides headed up again by John Wilmot and Betty Rouse Wilmot who hosted the commander's reception Friday evening in Fredericksburg. We enjoyed quite a spread of delicious nibbles thanks to everyone's contributions and hard work.

The national Governing Board meeting in Louisville in September has had several important outcomes deserving our note. The first is how changes envisioned in the national planning committee's Strategic Transition Plan are to be interpreted in districts and squadrons. The plan's "Appendix A" lists dramatic changes proposed with the goal of making the organization friendlier and easier to deal with, and more appealing for a new generation of members. Also with our membership dwindling, it seeks to streamline operations at squadron, district and national levels to make operating easier. Since first published it had been presented as a work-in-process and feedback was being sought from around the organization to gather acceptance and refinement of the ideas. It appears there was extensive feedback from the membership and maybe not all constructive. Many in agreement with the goals of changes, took exception to details of what it suggested. Thus the leadership encouraged us to consider the listed changes one by one and to decide which of them makes sense for us locally, at squadron and district levels.

Second the Governing Board voted on a measure which would amend national bylaws to permit districts to reduce the number of conferences held annually to one, at the discretion of the districts. I only offer this for your information, I have not heard anyone in District 5 voice interest in having fewer meetings.

And third, not having been announced at the Louisville meeting, but arising from the work of the nominating committee, and soon to be published in the Call to the Annual Meeting in February we are proud to have two members of District 5 nominated for the national bridge in 2020. R/C William J. McManimen III, SN is nominated for National Educational Officer, and R/C Ralph A. Bernard, AP is nominated for National Administrative Officer. It has been some time since a District 5 member held a position on the national bridge, and we offer Ralph and Bill our full support in the years to come.

Please submit your requests for district representatives at your squadron Holiday Parties, Founders' Day celebrations and Changes of Watch. We look forward to being with you. And please get your reservations in early for USPS Annual Meeting in Ponte Vedra, Florida in February and for District 5 Spring Conference on 26 March in Ocean City, Maryland. See you there!









RESERVATION FORM United States Power Squadrons D/5 Spring Conference 26 - 29 March 2020 Princess Royale Hotel, Ocean City, Maryland



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MAKE ROOM RESERVATIONS DIRECTLY WITH HOTEL - Call Reservations Dept. at 800-476-9253

Dress Code for other portions of the Spring Conference will be published separately

Use the Reservation ID Code: U.S. Power Squadron, District 5 Princess Royale Hotel

9100 Coastal Highway, Ocean City, Maryland Non-Smoking Venue - Handicapped Rooms available on a request basis

Rates: Ocean view/pool view Suite: \$121.00 per night Ocean Suite: \$167.00 per night 2BR/2BA Oceanfront Condo: \$259.00 per night, 3BR: \$289.00 per night (Rates listed above do not include taxes)

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE BY 15 MARCH 2020 TO ENSURE USPS RATES





HOSPITALITY SUITE RESERVATION FORM USPS D/5 Spring Conference



26 - 29 March 2020

Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel & Conference Center 9100 Coastal Highway Ocean City, MD 21842

Hospitality Suites MUST be reserved for both Friday 27 March & Saturday 28 March 2020

RESERVATION DEADLINE Wednesday 26 February 2020 Rooms assigned on a first come first served basis

Normal check-in time is after 1600 (early check-in dependent on availability)

Check-out time before 1100

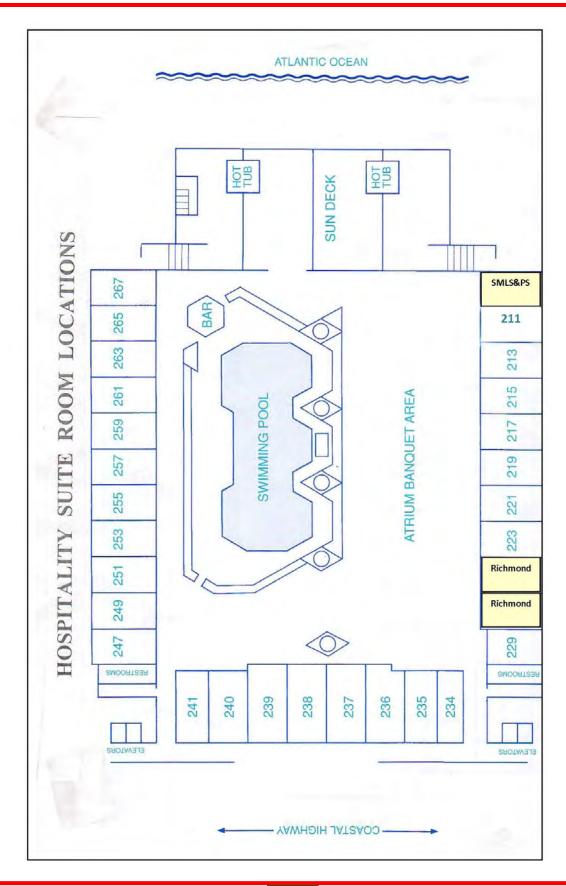
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2019 D/5 Fall Conference Awards

CHAPMAN AWARD NOMINATIONS

The following instructors that were nominated by their squadron for the "Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching."

Michael Maszczenski
John O'Reilly,JN
Ward Gypson, AP
Ken Finck, AP
Annapolis
Cambridge
Colonial
Dundalk

Carl R. Smith SN Nansemond River
Patricia Lookner Ocean City
Brian Becker, AP Patapsco Riv-

er

Pat Farrar, AP Patuxent River Jim Zeigler, SN Richmond

D5 CHAPMAN AWARD NOMINEE

Selected by a committee to represent District 5 in USPS National Chapman Award selections.

Jim Zeigler, SN Richmond

PRINCE HENRY AWARD

Presented to the Squadron showing the greatest percentage increase in completions of the Junior Navigation and Navigation courses over the previous year.

1st Place Mid-Potomac 2nd Place Richmond

CARVELLE TROPHY

Presented to that Squadron showing the greatest percentage increase in completions of the Seamanship, Piloting and Advanced Piloting courses over the previous year.

1st Place Virginia Beach 2nd Place Northern Neck 3rd Place Rockville

KEN SMITH SEAMANSHIP AWARD

This award is presented to that Squadron in District 5 with the highest percentage of eligible members completing the Seamanship course during the year

1st Place Northern Neck
2nd Place Rockville
3rd Place Susquehannock

HENRY E. SWEET AWARD FOR BEST TEACHING AID

Computer Aided Instruction P/C James Heckman, SN Traditional P/C John Wilmont, AP Best In Show P/C James Heckman, SN

USPS EDUCATIONAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Those who have completed all advanced and elective courses to become Senior Navigators
Stephen Charles Dalgarno, SN Dundalk
David G. Wilder, SN Mid-Potomac

USPS EDUCATIONAL PROFICIENCY AWARDS

Those who have achieved Educational Proficiency status have completed at least Seamanship, Piloting, and Advanced Piloting, and minimum of three elective courses.

Joseph S. Littleton Mid-Potomac

HENRY E. SWEET EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD

Presented to that Squadron which has shown the greatest percentage increase in completion of the Advanced Grades and Elective Courses over the previous year.

1st Place Delsea
2nd Place Dundalk
3rd Place Northern Neck

DISTRICT CDR'S TROPHY FOR ADVANCED GRADES

Presented to that squadron which has shown the greatest percentage increase in completions of the Advanced Grade classes over the previous year

1st Place Northern Neck
2nd Place Virginia Beach
3rd Place Mid-Potomac

DISTRICT CDR'S TROPHY FOR ELECTIVE GRADES

Presented to that squadron showing the greatest percentage increase in completion of the Elective Courses taught during the previous year.

1st Place Dundalk 2nd Place Delsea

3rd Place Hampton Roads

WORKBOAT AWARD

The Workboat award recognizes Squadrons that have done the most work in teaching members in both elective and advanced courses. It is based on the total number of members that have completed these courses.

1st Place Dundalk
2nd Place Rockville
3rd Place Northern Neck







2019 D/5 Fall Conference Awards







2019 D/5 Fall Conference Friday









2019 D/5 Fall Conference Commander Party





2019 D/5 Fall Conference Saturday









2019 D/5 Fall Conference Saturday Banquet





2019 D/5 Fall Conference Sunday







2020 D/5 Summer Cruise & Rendezvous

Smith Mountain Lake Squadron has organized a new and exciting District 5 Summer Cruise, Rendezvous, and Council for 2020 taking place Monday 20 July through Sunday 26 July. If you weren't one of the many D/5 members who took advantage of pre-December D/5 exclusivity for houseboat charters and condominium rentals, please act now before the holidays. All ten of the 53' houseboats have now been chartered by members and more than half of the condos have been reserved.



AS OF 9 DECEMBER



You can still reserve a 39' houseboat at *Parrot Cove.* Call 540-721-5363 with questions and mention "D/5 Summer Cruise."

You can still reserve a condo at *Mariners Landing*. Call 540-297-4100 with questions and use the booking code "USPWR" for a special discount.

Local squadron organizers have made it possible to fully participate in scheduled activities whether chartering a houseboat on site, trailering your boat to the lake, renting a runabout, or reserving a condo.

Every element in the itinerary has been designed to facilitate joining the fun with or without a boat. By following this step-by-step process, you can be assured of having a memorable summer vacation.



STEP-BY-STEP

- 1) Determine how you want to participate and whether you want to share accommodations or book yours privately. The cruise runs 7/20-7/23 followed by the rendezvous weekend 7/23-7/26. Most participants are chartering a houseboat for the cruise and renting a condo for the rendezvous. Others are renting a condo for the entire event.
- 2) Our exclusive hold on charters expired 12/1 December, and houseboats are now being made available to the public. You can still reserve a 39' houseboat at Parrot Cove: up to 6 people / 1 stateroom / 1 head / 2 convertible salon berths. Follow the directions outlined above.
- 3) Our exclusive hold on condos also expired 12/1, and units are now being made available to



the public. Mariners Landing offers 1, 2, and 3-bedroom condos and still has availabilities. Follow the directions outlined above.

- 4) Congratulations, you're on your way. Your houseboat and/or condo reservations automatically register you for the Monday 7/20 Summer Cruise Kickoff Cocktail Party, Tuesday 7/21 Crazy Horse Marina Rendezvous, Wednesday 7/22 Smith Mt. Lake Dam Excursion, and Thursday 7/23 End-of-Cruise Cocktail Party.
- 5) At your convenience, decide the optional activities you'd like to add the Thursday evening "Virginia Dare" dinner cruise and the Saturday late morning National D-Day Memorial flag-raising and tour. The Summer Rendezvous Registration Form now available on the USPS D/5 website includes these activities as well as the Saturday evening Awards Banquet at Mariners Landing and the Sunday morning Departure Breakfast at Mariners Landing restaurant.
- 6) If in the time leading up to or during your stay, you decide you'd like to rent a lake boat for cruising, fishing, or water sports, there are endless configurations available. For late model vessels, check out Bridgewater Marina, which rents from 5 locations including Mariner's Landing at 540-297-3642.







PACKING & PROVISIONING

Plan meals with your fellow condominium mates. The nearest supermarkets to Mariners Landing are Kroger and Food Lion. There are two scheduled pot-luck dinners – the Wednesday covered-dish picnic on the beach and the Friday pitch-in-dinner at the pavilion. Monday and Tuesday dinners are order-from-the-menu at your choice of Bridgewater restaurants and Crazy Horse Marina respectively.

ADDITIONAL INFO

All kinds of other boats can be rented for day excursions, fishing, tubing, and chilling at Parrot Cove. The She-Doos (an amazing group of Smith Mountain. Lake female jet-skiers) will make a surprise appearance. For more details, please call or email P/D/C Randy Stow at 540-588-0270 or smlstow@gmail.com or DXO Jeff Short at 443-757-6784 or jeshortmd@gmail.com.











2019 YOUTH POSTER CONTEST RESULTS

In 2019, America's Boating Club kicked off the 22nd Annual Boarman National Youth Poster contest, sponsored by the National Membership Committee. This contest promotes youth appreciation and respect for recreational boating, and the message that safe boating is always fun boating. The theme for 2019 was "America's Boating Club Saves Lives".

The Contest is open to children ages 6-14, and is divided into three age groups: Ages 6-8, Ages 9-11, and Ages 12 – 14. Winning posters from each participating squadron were submitted to District 5 for judging. District 5 then advanced the District winners to the National Membership Committee for judging. This year, District 5 was once again well represented at the national level, with two excellent entries submitted. In the 12-14 artist age category, our entry was submitted by Leon Zarraga Dominguez from Northern Neck squadron. In the 9-11 artist age category, Chloe Brann, also from Northern Neck squadron, submitted our entry.

The following First, Second and Third Place Winners were announced for each age category during the Governing Board Meeting held this year in Louisville, KY:

2019 Youth Poster Contest

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Arabella Herring	Shallotte River/27
Renee Bingham	Manatee/22
Helen "Elle" Johnson	Dayton/24
Autumn Young	Shallotte River/27
Ava Richardson	ABC Marco Island/22
Sophia Castro Chacon	Daytona Beach/23
Kesslor Sophia Bradley	Charleston/26
Elana Cummings	Des Moines/30
Karol Nathalia Flores Zunigo	Daytona Beach/23
	Renee Bingham Helen "Elle" Johnson Autumn Young Ava Richardson Sophia Castro Chacon Kesslor Sophia Bradley Elana Cummings



9-11 Category submitted by Chloe Brann from Northern Neck



12-14 Category submitted by Leon Zarraga Dominguez from Northern Neck.







Annual Meeting 11-15 February 2020 Ponte Verde, FL

Two America's Boating Club Mid-Atlantic members are moving up the National Bridge: R/C Ralph Bernard, AP will be the National Administrative Officer and R/C Bill McManimen, III, SN will

Cost: \$0.00

be the National Educational Officer. Come on down and support them and our District Commander, Walter Neese, SN. Hotel and event registrations along with the schedule of events are on the USPS web page; www.usps.org.

Complimentary Outings

Tour historic TPC Golf Club at your leisure. Travel by hotel shuttle for short ride to TPC. Lunch available at Clubhouse Dining Room.

Enjoy a day at the Ocean at the Marriott's private beach at your leisure. Lunch available at on-site restaurants. Travel by hotel shuttle for short ride to beach.

Registration is not required for any of these outings.

Registration Fee

Includes Continental Breakfast on Saturday, February 15, 2020

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

The St Augustine Distillery Time: 1700-2200

Cost: \$92.00 Price until 10 January 2020 \$88.00

The venue for our evening tour and dinner is located in The Ice Plant, a 1907 building which is part of the Lincolnville Neighborhood on the National Register. Bus departs hotel at 1700 for St. Augustine. Limited to 60 people.

Wednesday, February 12, 2020

Scenic Cruise Time: 0930-1500

Cost: \$65.00

Cost: \$35.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$60.00

Scenic Cruise of St. Augustine Waterways aboard Victory III.

Depart Marriott by bus at 0930 and travel to St. Augustine. Following Cruise explore and enjoy lunch on your own in downtown St. Augustine. Bus will depart for Marriott at 1500.

Golf Outing at Jacksonville Beach Golf Resort

Time: 1215-1600

Cost:

CALLING ALL GOLFERS! Plan on arriving the Annual Meeting early for a fun, inexpensive (\$55) golf scramble at a beautiful course not too far from Sawgrass. The recently renovated Jacksonville Beach Golf Club will host our group on Wed, 12 Feb. starting at 1230. Please respond ASAP to Dawn Eckhart if you are interested in playing. More details to follow including registration, transportation, club rentals, etc.

Email interest to DAWN ECKHART (dawneckhart94@gmail.com)

NOTE: Based on the number of responses received, Dawn will handle the arrangements and price at a later date, after you contact her directly. This is placed on the activity registration form for informational purposes only. No need to check the box; just email her instead.

Thursday, February 13, 2020 Keynote Breakfast Time: 0730-0845

Cost: \$43.00 Price until 10 January 2020 \$38.00

"Salty Superstitions" -

A Lighthearted Look at the Culture of Sailors and Ships At Sea







Seminar by Robert N. Macomber Time: 1000-1100 Cost: \$0.00

"The Italian Navy's Decima Mas" - an incredible World War II story of the 1st naval special operations unit in history; the professional predecessor of the famous U.S. Navy SEALS. Registration is not required to attend.

Luncheon for Life Members District and Squadron Cdrs and XOs

Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$45.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$40.00

A combined luncheon for Life Members, District and Squadron Commanders and Executive Officers. Everyone is invited to attend to welcome our newest group of Life Members!

Friday, February 14, 2020

Treasurer's and Donors' Breakfast Time: 0730-0900 Cost: \$45.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$38.00

Spa Seminar Time: 0930-1100

Cost: \$30.00 Price until 10 January 2020 \$25.00

Take time to relax and enjoy this special SPA DAY which includes...An explanation of types of skin, and the benefits of professional vs. home care regimen. How diet plays a role in our overall health of our skin. Hands on activity in which everyone will be able to participate and go through the process of a Refresher Facial by Cleansing – Exfoliation – Toning – Moisturizing and Protecting your skin. Each step will be covered as it is being performed so that everyone understands the importance of healthy skin. Limited to 40 People

Lunch - Administrative Department Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$45.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$40.00

The National Administrative Officer invites all members of the Administrative Department from the Squadron, District and National levels and all conference attendees to this luncheon.

Lunch - Education Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$45.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$40.00

The National Education Officer invites all members of the Education Department from the Squadron, District and National levels and all conference attendees to this luncheon.

Lunch - Executive Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$45.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$40.00

The National Executive Officer invites all members of the Executive Department from the Squadron, District and National levels and all conference attendees to this luncheon.

Lunch - Secretary's Time: 1215-1345 Cost: \$45.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$40.00

The National Secretary invites all members of the Secretary's Department from the Squadron, District and National levels and all conference attendees to this luncheon.

Saturday, February 15, 2020

Award's and Member's Reception and Luncheon Time: 1200-1400 Cost: \$49.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$44.00

Enjoy lunch in the fellowship of other ABC members, and celebrate the achievements of Districts, Squadrons and Members.

Social Reception, Luncheon and Entertainment Time: 1200-1430 Cost: \$49.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$44.00 "Nothing could be finer

than to be in (North) Carolina"... the Cotton Bolls and beach theme will transport everyone there for an enjoyable luncheon. Join both old and new friends as we honor our First Lady.

Reception and Dinner Dance - Pork or Salmon Time: 1830-2230 Cost: \$80.00

Price until 10 January 2020 \$75.00

Come join an evening of celebration as we welcome the 2020-2021 Board of Directors.

Entertainment and Music for Dancing provided by GATLIN.

UIPCOMING EVENTS

2020 23-26 Jan **Baltimore Boat Show** Baltimore, MD 9-16 Feb **USPS** Annual Meeting Ponte Verda, FL 26 Feb-1Mar Atlantic City Indoor Boat Show Atlantic City, NJ. D/5 Spring Conference Ocean City, MD 25-29 Mar 17-19 Apr Bay Bridge Boat Show Stevensville, MD 24-26 Apr Annapolis Spring Sailboat Show Annapolis, MD 20-26 July D/5 Summer Rendezvous & **Smith Mountain** Council Lake, VA Atlantic City Powerboat Show 9-12 Sep Atlantic City, NJ 1-4 Oct **US Powerboat Show** Annapolis, MD 8-12 Oct **US Sailboat Show** Annapolis, MD 5-8 Nov D/5 Fall Conference Gettysburg., PA



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