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## Commander's Message

Cdr Jeffrey Short, JN-IN

Happy holidays!

We had a wonderful holiday dinner meeting. Those prime ribs were huge. Everyone seemed to have great time at the gift exchange, and everybody went home a winner. Thank you to Santa's elves– P/C Lee Myers, AP, Lt Linda Sweeting, JN, Lt Peggy Slattery, S, and P/Lt/C Denise and Lars Lindenhall. Thank you to Terry Slattery for taking the photos. Thank you to the Marines- Lance Corporal Mazzuco and Lance Corporal Leech, from Ft Meade, who shared their evening with us representing the Marine Corp Toys for Tots campaign. Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron provided a large table full of new unwrapped toys, including a new bicycle, for the Marines to take back to their Toys for Tots

warehouse for distribution to less fortunate children in Anne Arundel County. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this campaign. It makes such huge difference to so many families.

For many years I wondered what happened to the toys once they were dropped off in the boxes labeled "Toy for Tots" that you see in the lobbies of businesses. One year I was fortunate enough to volunteer in the Toy for Tots warehouse in Virginia near Hampton Roads. The process for toy distribution was really quite remarkable. At this Virginia location, the toys arrived at the warehouse and were sorted for age appropriateness and put on shelves down long isles. Several weeks prior to Christmas, needy families would fill out an application and go through a surprising thorough interview and background check. Those families that were truly in need were accepted and given credentials for the warehouse.

A few days before Christmas, the parents would show up at the warehouse. On entry, their credentials were verified and they were given shopping cart and a volunteer assistant "shopper." The assistant shopper would take the parent up and down the isles full of toys appropriate for the ages of their children. The parent would then choose a specific number of toys per child and put them in the shopping cart. It was just like shopping at Walmart! It was so much fun for the parents and the volunteers. When they had the number of toys allowed for their family, they would "check out" by having them counted and wrapped. It was a great experience and comforting to know that there is a well established process so that those in need are taken care of during the holidays.

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## Executive Officer

Lt/C Anthony Martin, JN

The best thing about the holiday season is family. The worst thing about the holiday season is family. Unlike friends, we don't get to choose our family. Fortunately, friends help mitigate the angst experienced by that "crazy uncle" that you have to see every year. Friends help alleviate the stress and anxiety of the season and they are the balm that makes complete recovery possible. Our squadron is blessed with a membership of good people, who make the best of friends.

Given the number of friends that showed up for the annual Christmas Dinner Meeting, the Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron (ASPS) had an early dose of anxiety relief. We had fun! The Christmas Gift Exchange proved to be as entertaining as ever. We missed our beloved Santa, but his elves did a good job of welcoming guests and spreading good will toward all. Don't take my word for it, just look at the pictures that follow.

With the holiday season behind us, we look toward the coming year. We start it off with two courses being offered in January by our Education Department- Advanced Piloting and Marine Electrical Systems. Then we are off to the Annual Conference in Orlando, Florida from 18 February to 25 February 2018. In March, we have the Change of Watch and D5 Conference. Those are followed by a number of annual events, such as our May Blue Angels Raft Up and culminating with our Fall Crab Feast. In between are our monthly dinner meetings and social events. In short, we will have many opportunities to share time, make new friends and keep existing ones.

It would be inappropriate to mention all of this, without saying that it doesn't just happen. It takes commitment, communication and teamwork. We here at the ASPS are fortunate that we have so many talented and dedicated individuals, who selflessly give of their most limited and valuable asset- time. In an age when the pace of life can be exhausting, these folks make time to sustain the ASPS. In so doing, they endear themselves to each other and reinforce the bonds of friendship.

If you are reading our Anchor Watch for the first time and would like more information about membership, contact our member chair, Lt Kathy Slattery, AP. She can be reached at [kslatteryasps@gmail.com](mailto:kslatteryasps@gmail.com) or you can call her at 410-280-5468 for additional information on how to meet some great people and make new friends.



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Winter weather has arrived. Be especially mindful while driving when conditions are wet and near the freezing mark. I know you've heard it before, but overpasses and ramps will get icy before the road way does. I learned this the hard way once by simply taking my foot off the gas pedal while on an overpass. The engine slowed my rear drive wheels down enough for them to lose traction and sent me off into a tailspin. An overpass up over a highway is not a good place to be doing a tailspin. To make matters worse, my wife was driving the car behind me, so I had no deniability. Plus... she freaked out big time! When approaching an overpass, take your foot off the gas BEFORE you get there and drive straight over it. Do not turn the wheel or touch the brakes. The technique has worked well for me ever since my witnessed overpass spinout (and freak out.)

Be sure to check on your boat regularly this winter whether it is in the water or on the hard. And double check to make sure the scuppers and drains remain free of leaves, debris and ice. Have a safe and happy New Year.





## Administrative Officer

Lt/C Noni Rondeau, JN

What a fabulous year we had with great boating events, special socials and dinners with engaging speakers. This could not have happened without all the volunteers who stepped up to the plate and helped...a BIG THANK YOU to all.

As 2017 comes to an end, it reminds us **Change of Watch** is fast approaching. That means new officers and bridge. The outgoing bridge tries very hard to help make the transition smooth. One of the very best things you can do to help is send suggestions for future events and speakers to [admin@aspsmd.org](mailto:admin@aspsmd.org).

Remember this is YOUR squadron and we are here to serve.

Our membership dinners at the Elks Club every first Thursday have a terrific line-up of speakers, so mark your calendars. Consider bringing a guest. Look forward to:

**January 2018** –Chief Curator Pete Leshner of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum will be our guest speaker. The topic is “A Perfect Paradise: Early Yacht Cruises on the Chesapeake.”

**February 2018**–**NOTE DATE CHANGE**. FOUNDERS DAY Brunch/Lunch replaces our dinner meeting and will be at Renditions Golf Club on **11 February**. Besides a guest from D5, Art Pine will entertain us with “Salty Language” — Modern-day words and phrases that derive from the age of sail. Art Pine is an Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron member and also with CAPCA, the Chesapeake Area Professional Captains Association. This popular event has a FIRM cut-off date of **21 January** for RSVP. Checks payable to ASPS in the amount of \$27 per person should be mailed to:

Judy Michaelsen  
3201 Chrisland Drive  
Annapolis MD 21403-4351

In the first quarter 2018, P/C Stu Myers Jr., AP, will be conducting Operations Training. This is open to all Members. Considering the organizational changes being made in United States Power Squadrons<sup>®</sup>, it is recommended that all members take the Operations Training Program at least once every 5 years.

Wishing all a Healthy and Happy 2018. Remember, Spring is March 20, 2018 and we will be boating before long! Cheers.

Please remember the  
Food Drive  
at the January  
Membership Dinner Meeting





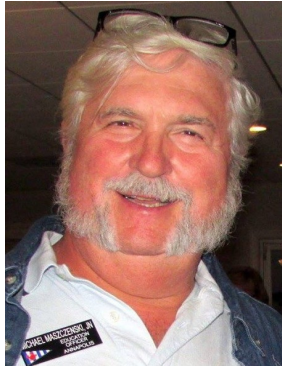
## Holiday Festivities Continue with an Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron Road Trip to Longwood Gardens - 6 Saturday January 2018



- ★ A French-inspired holiday display . . . *c'est magnifique!*
- ★ The exquisite Conservatory is reminiscent of the splendor of France's Versailles with fanciful topiaries, imaginative wreaths, ornate mirrors, and more than 50 trees trimmed in classic holiday hues and sparkling crystal ornaments.
- ★ Outside, colorful fountains dance to holiday music, strolling carolers herald the season with song, and a wonderland of a half-million twinkling lights await.
- ★ Non-refundable Individual Timed Entry Tickets to Longwood Gardens are:
  - ★ \$23 adults
  - ★ \$20 Senior Citizens (62+)
  - ★ \$12 Youth
- ★ We will travel by van. A minimum of 12 is required to make the trip. Max for the van is 15.
- ★ Departure will be at 1330 hours. We will meet off Rt 97 in Millersville at the Benfield exit. Watch the Lunch Hook for exact details. Driving time is approximately 2 hours.
- ★ Once at Longwood Gardens you will be free to explore on your own. Dress warmly and in layers. Wear comfortable shoes as there is a lot of walking! Wheelchairs available on a 1<sup>st</sup> come basis. We will spend approximately 3 hours at Longwood Gardens.
- ★ Before heading home, we will stop for dinner in Kennett Square where some of the best mushroom soup is made!
- ★ To reserve your spot call, text or e-mail Noni at [nonirondeau@gmail.com](mailto:nonirondeau@gmail.com)
- ★ **Cutoff date for RSVP is Thursday, 28 December 2017**







## Educational Officer

Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N

With the start of a new year I hope one of your resolutions is to keep your boating education up to date. I also know you will encourage your boating friends to do the same. Now is the time to register

and get your friends to register for a boating course and/or a couple of seminars. I cannot stress it enough- if you think you or someone you know would want to take a course or seminar, sign up now. Books need to be ordered.

### Courses:

#### **America's Boating Course 16 hrs**

**Instructor: P/C Bruce Arey, JN & Patrick McGeehan, P**

**Tuesdays, 13 February to 10 April 2018, 1845 to 2100 (6:45 PM to 9:00 PM)**

**Cost: \$50.00**

This is the first course you should take as a boater. The following will be covered:

- ♦ Types of boats and their use
- ♦ Boating laws—both federal and state
- ♦ Safety equipment—both required and recommended
- ♦ Finding your way and adverse conditions
- ♦ Communications
- ♦ Trailering, knots and water sports
- ♦ Intro to piloting and electronic charts and GPS

Upon passing the test you will get a proof of passing a boating safety course, satisfying the Maryland State requirements to operate a recreational vessel. As a bonus, the United States Power Squadrons® will be offering 18 month membership for the price of one year to all who pass ABC.

#### **Advanced Piloting**

**Instructor: P/C Richard Hughes, SN-IN**

**Tuesdays, 23 January to 24 April 2017 1845 to 2100 (6:45 PM to 9:00 PM)**

**Cost: \$80.00, without Weekend Navigator or \$100.00 with Weekend Navigator**

**Note: Non-Member- additional fee of \$20.00 for record maintenance and testing.**

#### **Optional Items: 4"X 15" Plotter- \$8.00 and 4" Compass- \$8.00**

This is the second part of the inland and coastal navigation series. The material builds on the base developed in Piloting, and includes practical use of additional electronic navigation systems and other advanced techniques for finding position. It is such a change from the old AP course, it will be worthwhile for those already having taken AP to tune their skills with this new course. Among topics covered are:

- ♦ Finding position using bearings and angles
- ♦ Collision avoidance using GPS and RADAR
- ♦ What to do when the electronics fail
- ♦ Tides, currents and wind and their effect on piloting
- ♦ Electronic navigation with - GPS
- ♦ Chart plotters, RADAR, Autopilots, etc.

Application of course lectures through practical, in class, exercises.

#### **Marine Electrical Systems**

**Instructor: P/C Stu Myers Jr., AP**

**Wednesdays, 24 January to 25 April 2017- 1845 to 2100 (6:45 PM to 9:00 PM)**

**Cost: \$75.00 member. Non-Member- additional fee of \$20.00 for record maintenance and testing.**

Marine Electrical Systems (MES) covers the practice of wiring your boat, including boat electrical wiring practices and diagrams, direct and alternating current power, galvanic and stray current corrosion, and lightning protection. Troubleshooting is emphasized throughout. Therefore, students should feel comfortable performing even tricky wiring tasks after passing this course.

**Seminars:** Most seminars are one session each. They will be to be offered Wednesdays starting 7 February 2018 at Annapolis High School. Check the [ASPSMD.org](http://ASPSMD.org) website and the next Anchor Watch for dates as they become final. Please register now for any seminar you would be interested in as it will greatly facilitate planning.



**Knots, Bends and Hitches**

**Instructor:** Lt/C Carol Rechner, SN and Lt Linda Sweeting, JN

**Date:** 14 February

**Cost:** \$35.00 **Optional Book:** \$15.00

This seminar is a hands-on "learn how to tie knots" program geared to a wide range of audiences. Participants learn about knots and learn to tie a set of the most useful knots. The kit comes with a 6" x 8.5" color manual of the slides with documentation suitable to be kept on the boat or your bookshelf.

**How to Use a Chart**

**Instructor:** Lt/C Carol Rechner, SN and Lt Linda Sweeting, JN

**Date:** 21 February

**Cost:** \$35.00 **Optional items:** Chart symbols-\$20.00 and Plotter- \$8.00

The NOAA Chart No. 1 is the quintessential reference to chart details, but is difficult to understand. This seminar walks you through what you really need to know in an entertaining and interesting fashion. In addition to showing you all about your chart, this seminar takes you through the essentials of laying out a safe course, and the steps to measure a course with the United States Power Squadrons® plotter.

**Man Overboard**

**Instructor:** P/C John W. Nash, SN-IN and P/C Kathy Nash, AP-IN

**Date:** 28 February

**Cost:** \$35.00

This seminar is designed to teach boaters how to react, and then, how to recover a crew member or passenger who accidentally falls overboard. The seminar covers vessel set-up and MOB equipment, maneuvering to keep the rescuer close to the MOB, the responsibility of the MOB in this emergency situation, and methods of recovering the MOB.

**VHF/DSC Radios**

**Instructor:** Ron Ricketts

**Date:** 7 March

**Cost:** \$35.00 **Optional Quick Guide:** \$10.00

VHF radio is the mainstay of coastal communication and essential for emergency communications. Digital Selective Calling (DSC) is rapidly becoming a reality as more Coast Guard

Rescue 21 System operations go live. This seminar explains basic VHF operation along with the operation of the new DSC radio, MMSI numbers, making emergency calls, and radio selection.

**Trailing Your Boat**

**Instructor:** Lt Gary Antonides, AP

**Date:** 14 March

**Cost:** \$35.00 **Optional Book:** \$15.00

This seminar was updated in 2014. It explains how to select a tow vehicle, discusses the correct towing hitch for the intended use, and has information to aid in choosing a trailer that has the features that meet your needs. It explains how to safely trailer your boat, why you must match the trailer hitch ball to your trailer hitch, the need for and types of trailer brakes, and the importance of correct electrical connections.

**Tides and Current**

**Instructor:** P/C LT John W. Nash, SN-IN and P/C LT Kathy Nash, AP-IN

**Date:** 4 April

**Cost:** \$35.00

The seminar deals with how the sun and moon create tidal patterns, sources of information about tides and tidal currents, simple ways to predict height of tide and current flow, and how to use both print and electronic tide tables. Each student receives a full color text booklet on the subject for future reference.

**Anchoring**

**Instructor:** Purnell Delly

**Date:** 11 April

**Cost:** \$35.00 **Optional Quick Guide:** \$10.00

The new Anchoring Seminar has been prepared to assist boaters in understanding the issues and problems involving the theories of anchor weight, the methods used to anchor, and the choices of anchor types for the area of boating. The slides and notations on anchoring are intended to raise awareness of the need for correct anchor choices and the mechanics of proper anchoring techniques. The knowledge gained from completing this seminar will increase the student's understanding of the conditions and situations involved in anchoring a boat and the need for a proper anchor choice. The kit comes with 6" x 8.5" color manual of the slides with documentation suitable to be kept on the boat or your bookshelf.



**Introduction to Navigation (will be taught in two sessions)**

**Instructor: P/C Richard Hughes, SN-IN, Lt/C Michael Maszczenski, Jr., N, and Purnell Delly**

**Date: 25 April and 2 May**

**Cost: \$35.00**

The Introduction to Navigation seminar replaces Basic Coastal Navigation, and presents information to enable beginning recreational boaters to practice safe passage using navigation charts with Global Positioning System (GPS) technology on devices such as chart plotters. This seminar introduces recreational boaters to navigation using charts in combination with GPS and the electronic navigation software, Open CPN. Continued education on using Open CPN software is provided in the continuum of education in advanced courses such as Piloting and Navigation. Navigation chart and Open CPN data is introduced through no-cost website access. (<https://opencpn.org>).

**Visual Distress Signals with Flare Demo and Practice**

**Date: April**

Joint seminar with Kent Narrow Sail and Power Squadron will be held in April just in time for everyone to be digging out those old flares before spring commissioning. The site will be at the Kent Island Yacht Club. Complete details will be coming in future Anchor Watches and on the [aspsmd.org](http://aspsmd.org) website.

**Register now! Having your registration now lets us plan the future.**

If you would like to add your name to a class list for any of the offerings, please use the ASPS registration link below to reserve a seat now. You may cancel your reservation at a later date, but putting in your name early gives me approximate numbers to facilitate ordering materials. To suggest an additional course or seminar offering, please contact me.

Register online.

Go to: <http://bit.ly/qKN8ad>. You can also email me at [michaelm\\_aacps@hotmail.com](mailto:michaelm_aacps@hotmail.com) or [aspsmd.class@gmail.com](mailto:aspsmd.class@gmail.com). Or you can call 410-739-7800. Please include your full name, the class you want to sign up for, and a phone number in case further information is needed.

**Location for all courses and seminars:**

Annapolis Sr. High School, Riva Road,

Please watch the website <http://www.aspsmd.org> for course and seminar updates.

**Check KNSPS for additional courses**  
If ASPS doesn't have the course you need, check out our friends across the Bay Bridge - Kent Narrows Sail and Power Squadron

**Electronic Navigation**

**Date: 08 January 2018**

Six Monday evenings 1830 - 2130 (6:30 PM to 9:30 PM)

Location: Kent Island Volunteer Fire Dept. Community Room, 1610 Main St. Chester MD

To register contact John Locke, 443 262-8271 or [locke806@gmail.com](mailto:locke806@gmail.com)

Registration deadline Dec 27

**Junior Navigator**

**Date: March 2018**

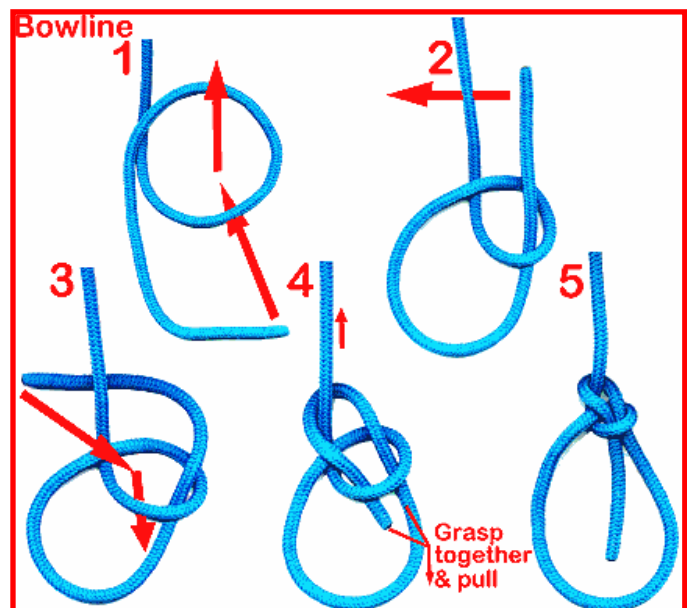
Check out their Newsletter "Tidelines" Nov/Dec Newsletter ( <http://bit.ly/2y8pmpn> )

**For KNSPS Courses and Seminars, Contact:**

Joe Burke, 410-279-0862 or register on-line at [www.usps.org](http://www.usps.org).

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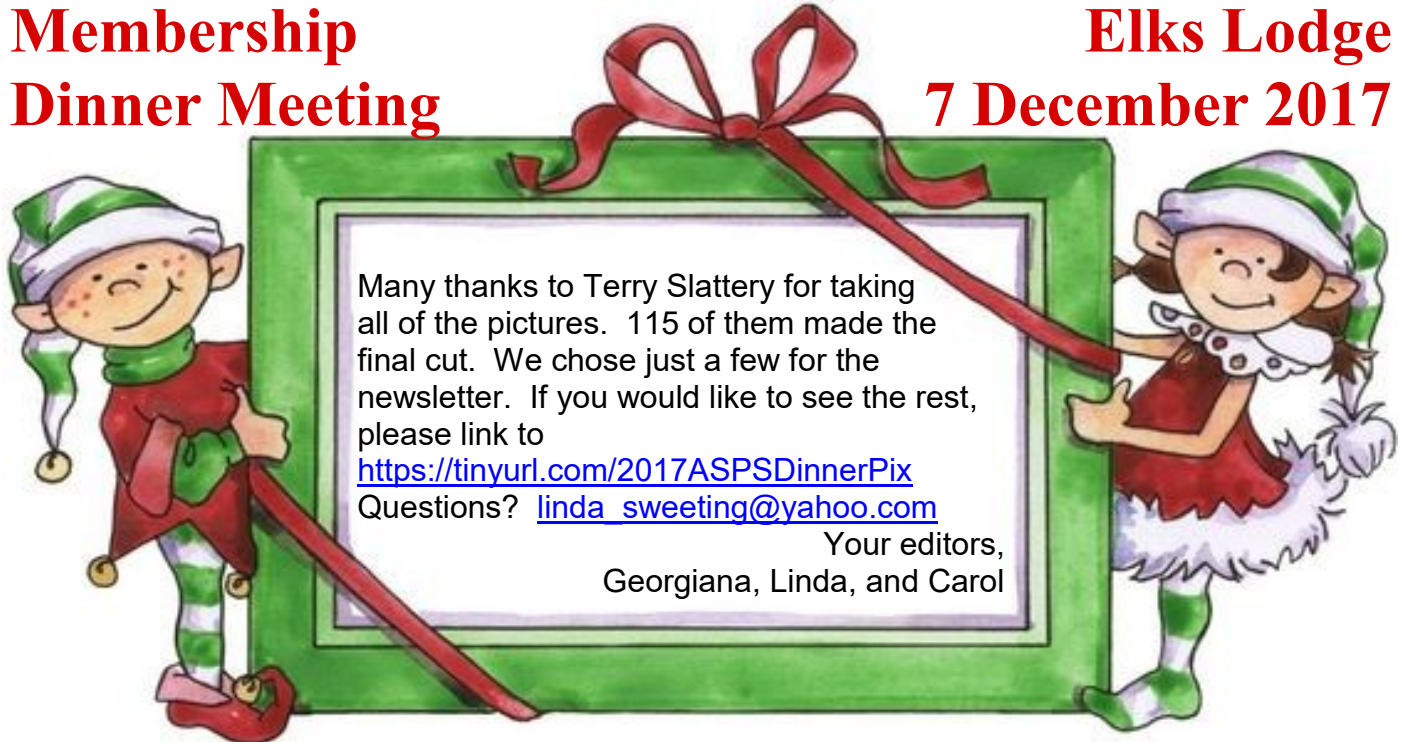
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# Membership Dinner Meeting

# Elks Lodge 7 December 2017

















## Membership Dinner Meeting 4 January 2018

Annapolis Elks Lodge

2 Pythian Drive Edgewater, MD 21037

1800 Social Hour - Fresh cheese & veggie platter  
1900 Dinner

Choose from:

- ★ Slow Roasted Pork Loin w/ Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, and Peas and Carrots
- ★ Honey Teriyaki Salmon, Mashed Potatoes, Peas & Carrots
- ★ Spinach Quiche w/ Peas and Carrots
- ★ All Dinners Served with Salad and Dessert (Oreo Cream Pie)

RSVP by 1600 on Tuesday, 2 January 2018

<http://tinyurl.com/ASPSdinner>

or ASPS Voicemail at 410-263-8777, Option 4.  
Be sure to include your dinner choice.

Dinner Cost: \$27/ per person  
payable by cash or check at the door.

Please bring something for the Food Drive.

Chief Curator Pete Leshner  
of the Chesapeake Bay  
Maritime Museum will be  
our Guest Speaker.

The topic is A Perfect  
Paradise: Early Yacht  
Cruises on the  
Chesapeake





## Navy Museum Excursion

Lt/C Noni Rondeau, JN



On Saturday, 18 November, twelve members travelled in the luxury of a van to the National Museum of the U.S. Navy in Washington DC. With Phil Rondeau, N, at the helm and Lt/C Tony Martin, JN, navigating, it was smooth sailing! Two others self-drove.

The National Museum of the U.S. Navy was established in 1961 and opened to the public in 1963. As one of 14 Navy museums throughout the country, it is the only one that presents an overview of U.S. naval history. Permanent and temporary exhibitions



commemorate the Navy's wartime heroes and battles as well as its peacetime contributions in exploration, diplomacy, space flight, navigation and humanitarian service.

We had the good fortune of having a tour led by Melissa Mullins, Education Specialist, who readily answered questions.

After an exciting and informative tour, the members headed to lunch at Scarlet Oak. Did you know the official tree of the District of Columbia is the Scarlet Oak, best known for its brilliant autumn red color and usually found in the Appalachian Mountains? But, it is also found on the corner of K & New Jersey Ave. in SE DC. The newest addition to the Navy Yard neighborhood,



Scarlet Oak did not disappoint. The wide-ranging American menu offered something for everyone. Eat, drink and have a great time is what we did. Then, we headed back to Annapolis.







CLOSEOUT



For this winter, you deserve a new fleece jacket or cap embroidered with the logo of the Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron

**ASPS Logo Clothing at**  
**<http://asps.qbstores.com>**



# Founders' Day Celebration

- ★ *Fresh Fruit Display*
- ★ *Breakfast Breads with Assorted Jellies*
- ★ *Scrambled Eggs*
- ★ *Maple Sausage Links and Hickory Smoked Bacon*
- ★ *Campfire Potatoes*
- ★ *Crème Brule French Toast*
- ★ *Maple Syrup and Butter*
- ★ *Crab Cake Benedict*
- ★ *Omelet Station*
- ★ *Carved Baked Ham*
- ★ *Gourmet Coffee, Decaf Coffee and Herbal Tea*
- ★ *Chilled Juices*

Join Annapolis Sail and Power Squadron  
for Brunch

11 February 2018 at 1100 hours  
Renditions Clubhouse  
1380 West Central Avenue (Hwy 214)  
Davidsonville, MD 21035  
Buffet—\$27 per person  
Please Sign Up Now!



Questions? Call P/C Lee Myers, AP, 410-647-4793.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of reservations \_\_\_ @ \$27.00 for a total of \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a check to ASPS with this slip and send to:

Judy Michaelsen, AP  
3201 Chrisland Drive  
Annapolis MD 21403-4351

**Please make your reservation  
ASAP but NO LATER than  
21 January 2018.**







**Safety Officer**

**1st/Lt Ron Ricketts**

*Winter Musings from your Safety Officer*

We had our first snow early here in Annapolis this year on 9 December. And, now a few days later, we are deep into single digits temperatures. The Bay is looking like a cold and forbidding place this time of year.

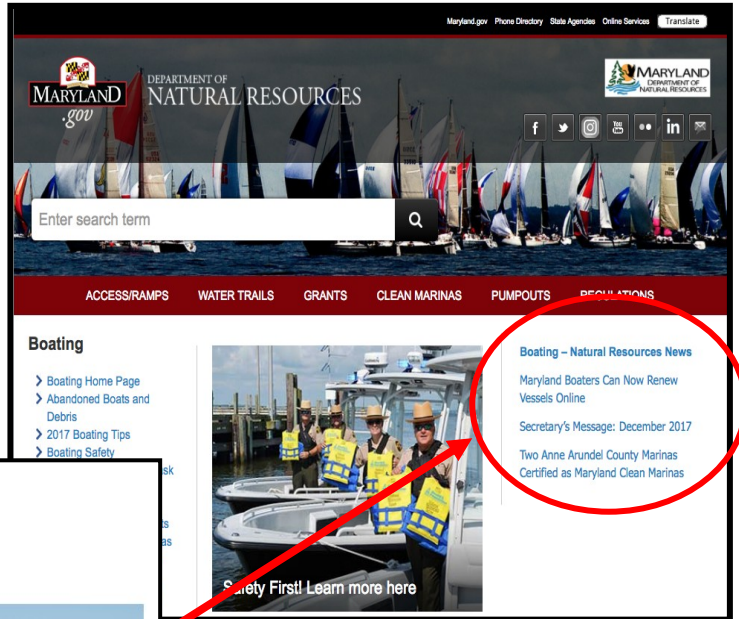
*Oh, the weather outside is frightful  
But the fire is so delightful  
And since we've no place to go  
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow*

*P.S.: the squirrels in my neighborhood  
have informed me this is going to be a  
long cold snowy winter ...burr..*

This makes it a good time to stay inside warm and look around the World Wide web for boating items of interest .... Here a few that I believe you will find useful.

From our own **State of Maryland DNR** web site ... *as of 17 December*, Boater Registration Renewals can be done completely On-Line. In the past, it was either done by mail or you had to make a trip to your local DNR office.

No more stamps. Once you get your renewal notice, you can go on-line and complete the process.




**Maryland Boaters Can Now Renew Vessels Online**

December 11, 2017

*New Interagency Platform Enhances Renewal Process*

As part of Governor Larry Hogan's Customer Service Promise to provide government services in an accessible and convenient manner, the [Maryland Department of Natural Resources](#) announced today that Maryland boat owners can now renew their vessel registration online.

The new digital platform can be accessed through the department's [online licensing and registration service](#) or through the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration [eStore](#).



Users only need their hull identification and vessel numbers to complete the transaction. Upon completion, the customer will receive a receipt that will serve as a 30-day temporary registration and should be kept on the vessel at all times. Original registration and decals will be sent by mail within 10 business days.

You might notice that this DNR web page above is focused on 'Boating' related topics .... You can get to this site from the main DNR web page of directly with the link below.

It is full of great information on up to date information around boating all over the State of Maryland.

<http://dnr.maryland.gov/boating/Pages/default.aspx>


Another item of interest is for anyone who is a member of BOAT US. If you are a BOAT US Member you may have already downloaded their Smart Phone app .... It is **free** for Members.






HOWEVER, ... they have recently upgraded it significantly .... And unfortunately, the App does not automatically update itself (as do many smart phone applications). You need to go to the App Store and download the new version. *Look closely below to see how the look is different...*

**UPDATE YOUR APP**



**New App**  
Download & Enjoy!



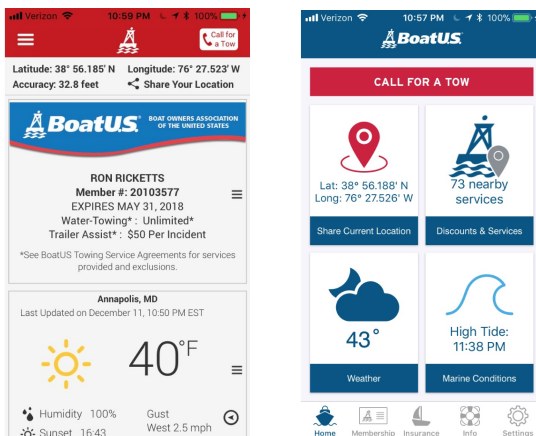
**Old App**  
Delete From Phone

\*We suggest you do not delete your old BoatUS app until you get the new version successfully loaded onto your phone.  
Visit the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#) to download and set up your new BoatUS App, then you can delete the old version off of your phone.

The old version was functional but the new version provides the Boater easier access to key functions and a more intuitive interface. As you can see on the New Version, to summon a TOW, see your location, temperature and tides are all on the front screen. Settings and other information are selected at the bottom of the screen.

A very nice update, but again, to get it you must **DOWNLOAD** the new version from the APP Store and then 'Log On' to it with your membership information.

**OLD VERSION** ▶▶▶ **NEW VERSION**



For a more detailed update on the application, here is a link to the BOAT US website

<https://www.boatus.com/membership/app>

BRAND NEW SMARTPHONE APP




Well, is time to put another log on the fire. I hope you all had a Merry Christmas with friends and family. We are now in darker days of January and February which will leads us to yearn even more for those breezes of spring. Until next time, take care and stay warm... **Ron**



# Calendar of Coming Events



<http://www.usps.org/>



<http://www.uspsd5.org/>



<http://www.aspsmd.org/>

## United States Power Squadrons® Events

18-25 Feb USPS National Annual Meeting  
Orlando, Florida

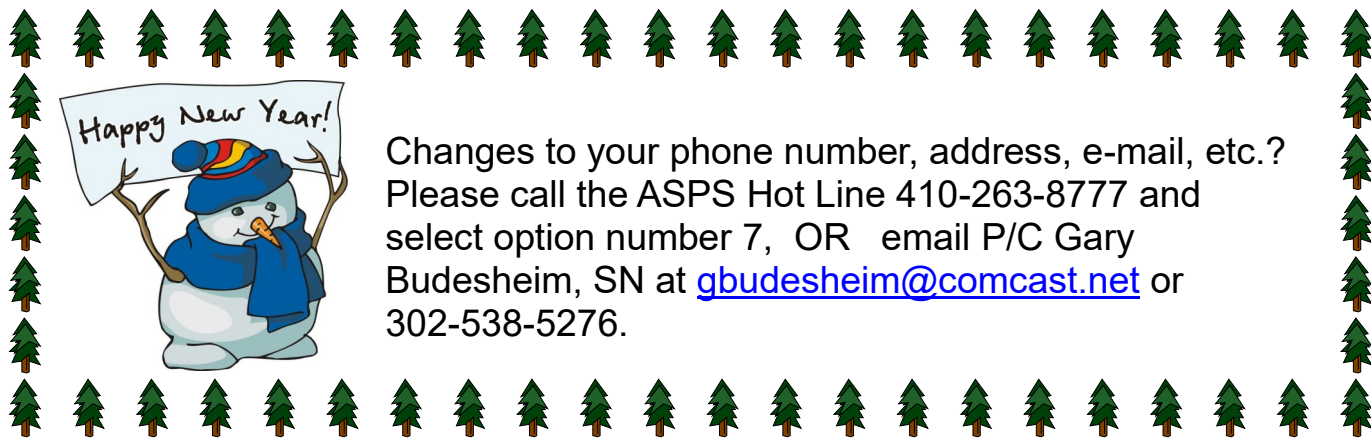
## District 5 Events

22—25 Mar D5 Spring Conference  
Ocean City, Maryland

## Annapolis Sail & Power Squadron Events

- 4 Jan ASPS Dinner Meeting And **Food Drive**
- 6 Jan Longwood Gardens
- 23 Jan Advanced Piloting Course begins
- 24 Jan Marine Electrical Systems Course begins
- 25 Jan Executive Committee Meeting
- \*11 Feb Founder's Day Brunch—Renditions  
**\*Note date change**
- 13 Feb ABC Course begins
- 14 Feb Knots, Bends, Hitches Seminar
- 15 Feb Executive Committee Meeting
- 21 Feb How to Use a Chart Seminar
- 28 Feb Man Overboard Seminar
- 1 Mar ASPS Dinner Meeting
- 7 Mar VHF/DSC Radio Seminar
- 10 Mar Change of Watch
- 14 Mar Trailing Your Boat Seminar
- 22 Mar Executive Committee Meeting

For a complete list of ASPS Squadron Events, see:  
<http://www.aspsmd.org/calendar.htm>



Changes to your phone number, address, e-mail, etc.?  
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select option number 7, OR email P/C Gary  
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