

Prince William Yacht Club

Lifeline

Member Club Of: Chesapeake Bay Yacht Clubs Association (CBYCA) & Potomac River Yacht Club Association (PRYCA)

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## FROM THE HELM



Mike Connolly

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Commodore

still have a ton of very important PWYC events on the horizon...please watch for notifications of PWYC activities around the marina as well as on our recently-released "Wild Apricot" application (more on Wild Apricot later in my article).

The 2021 boating season is winding down. We

Your Board of Directors is watching the current resurgence of COVID. As we've done for over a year and a half, we must be flexible with our scheduled events. Please continue to bear with us as we make last-minute, COVIDrelated adjustments to our calendar. Also, please continue to be mindful of our fellow boaters around the docks who are more susceptible to infection than others.

PWYC's new Wild Apricot application is up-and-running! Please take some time to load this application on your computers and mobile devices. Once you do this, please take some additional time to surf the application and familiarize yourself with its various functions. It's taken us about three years to bring this to fruition. Your Board of Directors' expectation is that Wild Apricot will help automatically "push" information to club members, rather than club members being forced to "pull" information from vehicles such as a traditional web site or "fat-fingered" emails. Having said this, it's incumbent upon each of us to explore the application in order to get the most out of it. During your exploration of Wild Apricot, if you see a means to improve the application, please don't hesitate to send a note to one/all of the Top 3 (commodore@pwyc.org, vicecommodore@pwyc.org, or rearcommodore@pwyc.org). This will be a learning experience for all of us. Ultimately, and bluntly, one of my objectives with this application is...when somebody comes up to me and says "hey...I didn't participate in that event because I didn't know about it"...I'll be able to say "well...do you have Wild Apricot up-and-running on your computer and/or mobile device so that you know what's going on?"



Before I leave the Wild Apricot topic, we need to recognize the tireless efforts of Immediate Past Commodore J Gaston...and especially Rear Commodore Jim Khoury on getting our club's new application across the goal line. If I continue with the football analogy, J got us to the one-yard line, but against a stubborn defense, it took Jim to get us across the goal line. Rear Commodore Jim Khoury needs to be "hoisted on our shoulders and carried off the field" to recognize his monster effort to finally get us to where we need to be. PWYC owes these two a collective 'thanks' and 'well done.'

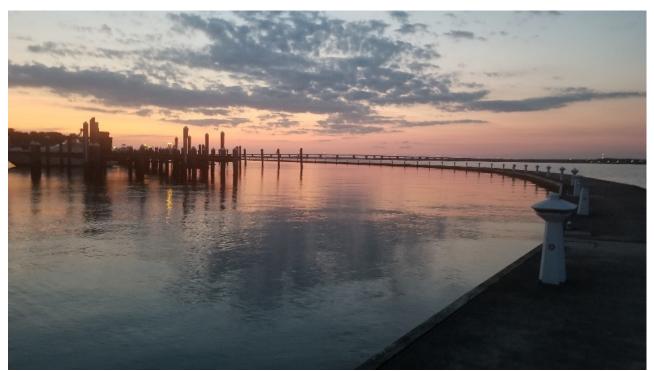
Speaking of jobs well done...the club (once again) needs to thank Social Chair Denise Parsons for the outstanding job she did in pulling together our Founders' Day celebration. Along with Carol Vasquez, Beth Lu, and Sherri Connolly, our Social Committee once again outdid themselves. It was no easy task to set up the scavenger hunt, pulled-pork lunch, and corn hole competition. Additionally, we need to thank Vice Commodore Rick and Kris McHarg for their efforts in championing our Three Sisters Raft Up, which has been rescheduled due to inclement weather. September 3rd- 6th is the new timeslot.

Another note of thanks...we are grateful for Jenna Burum stepping up to the plate and taking over as PWYC Secretary for the remainder of PWYC's fiscal year! Thanks Jenna!!!

One of our club's defining events is rapidly approaching: our annual Patriot Cruise and Salute (PCS) is scheduled for 9 October. We still need volunteers to do everything from hosting Patriots on their boats to folks who help coordinate movements and activities around the docks. This year, we're making a concerted effort to expand the type of Patriots that we intend to salute to include first responders, such as law enforcement, emergency medical technicians, and fire fighters. Obviously, we're watching how the resurgence of COVID might impact our ability to execute this event. Nevertheless, since the club has agreed to make the PCS one of our most important annual events, we're going to press ahead and make this happen. Many thanks to Doug and Jenna Burum for volunteering to be the overall champion of this event!!!



As part of my monthly Lifeline input, I generally include pictures I've taken with my drone. Unfortunately, my drone decided to commit "hara-kiri" in front of the club during our Founders' Day festivities. For those of you who witnessed the event, you saw my drone impact the water at a high rate of speed. I assure you that was not my intention when my drone independently decided to go for an unscheduled swim! I plan to purchase a replacement drone...but please bear with me as I mourn the loss of my original drone which is mingling with the fish at the bottom of the Occoquan!



Sunset at Cambridge Hyatt Marina on 21 July.

Please be safe, remain healthy, continue to check on each other, and stay flexible.

See you on the water, Mike Connolly Summer Daze, D-9

### ...AND FROM THE VICE



Rick McHarg Vice Commodore vicecommodore@pwyc.org Greetings to all Prince William Yacht Club Boaters! Hard for me to believe I'm writing the September '21 commentary...Summer is passing us in a flash, but the 90 degree temps are making boating a great alternative to sitting in a car on the way to the beach! Just beware of the mighty afternoon thunderstorms...I keep an eye to the southwest, as they always seem to come from the Shenandoah Valley.

Just a quick mention that the "Delta" version of COVID is wreaking havoc with our Pandemic recovery, so please be aware that some folks around the marina may be more susceptible. Its great to not have to wear a mask if vaccinated, but some may not have a choice.

I wish to thank our Social Chair, Denise Guess-Parsons, for the wonderful celebration of our Club's Founder's Day. The activities and pulled pork lunch were terrific... & by the time you read this we should have had the 3 Sisters raft up on the Potomac above Key bridge. However, the weather gods were not smiling upon us and we cancelled the event in August. However, 3 Sisters Raftup lives again over Labor Day Weekend 3-6 Sept, in place of the Kent Island or Chesapeake Bay cruise. I am the Cruise Raft Captain, so I hope we can make it a joyous weekend on Labor Day Weekend (and not have a washout like the last 2 times for weather).

Like the Commodore, I wish to thank Rear Commodore Jim Khoury and IPC Jay Gaston for their tireless efforts to enroll PWYC in "Wild Apricot" organizational software for administration of our Club. It will make all the functions of running a non-profit social club easier and coordinated. You get there by going to https:// pwyc.org and you can try it out by signing up for events (like the Seafood Boil, below).

September means Labor Day, Back to School, the Fabulous PWYC Seafood Boil, an outdoor movie to kickoff Pirates Week, then Pirates Night on the Hook (PNOH) and a CAPT's hour with a Tropical theme sponsored by E/F/& G Docks. It's a busy month as you with kids all know, but there's still time and good weather for boating.

Sept 11 - The fabulous PWYC Seafood Boil, one of our signature events, is on. It will be held in the Used boat Pavilion. You must register by Fri Sept 3 on our new Web site https://PWYC.org under "Events" and follow the instructions. Members may have up to 4 family members. We will be asking for volunteers to help set up, cook with expert Kim Harrison, Serve, and cleanup. Look for the Flyer later in this issue. The feast will be followed by a commemorative 9/11 Fireworks display by PWM. Sept 18 - Pirates Week kicks off with an outside Movie presentation of "Pirates of the Caribbean" after dark. You can start talking like a Pirate this day. There might be a Pirates Hour happy hour beforehand (scheduling in work).

Sept 25 - Pirates Night on the Hook (PNOH) – A raftup in Mattawoman Cove 1 on Sat like no other. A joint event with PWM... Imagine 40-50 Boats anchored off the 4 corners of a central party barge, guarded by fully dressed Pirates and Wenches. As the sun goes down, the catered dinner/Pot luck breaks down to dancing into the night. On Sunday morning the pirates are gone, and yachtsmen/women emerge from their yachts to a catered brunch buffet. Again, register on the web site to participate.

Beyond that, we have events in October, November and December to look forward to, but please note that the dates have changed for the shore-based activities outlined below:

Oct 2 CAPT Hour (H Dock) now on Fri Oct 8 at 7 pm after the All hands briefing for Patriot Cruise Boat crews & staff at 6 pm

Nov 6 (Sat) Closing Day activities: General Membership mtg/Flag lowering/Chili Cookoff & Photo Contest results is Rescheduled to a week later now Nov 13 (Sat)

And just a quick reminder that we have a PWYC Annual Photo Contest. There are six categories: Boats, Places, People, Humor, Wildlife, and the Grand Prize. You can submit as many photos as you wish for each category. Send them to me, vicecommodore@pwyc.org and include the Category, Title, Photographer/Submittor, Your boat name, and the device used to take the picture. They must be in my inbox by Midnite, Sunday Oct 31, 2021. Prizes will be awarded at the Chili/Mac n CHeese contest Closing day CAPT hr on Nov 13.

Dec 4 (Sat) Christmas Boat Lighting Contest Rescheduled to a week later Dec 11 (Sat)

Please check the Calendar later in this issue for the updates...& look for the individual event flyers...

See you on the docks !

Rick McHarg PWYC Vice Commodore EAGLE ONE K-40



James Khoury *Rear Commodore* rearcommodore@pwyc.org

### ...AND FROM THE REAR



As the summer weather begins to get to the "sizzling stage", we should all be headed out to the river to enjoy the cooling and relaxing effect it has on our wellbeing!

Those still at risk are still practicing CDC guidelines, keeping themselves and everyone around them safe. With the new variant and all the headaches that come with it, boating is the best place to get away from it all!

The August on-water activities were abreviated as a result of bad weather conditions.

Unfortunately, our Three Sisters Raft-Up, to be led by "The Vice" – Rick McHarg was cancelled at the 11th hour due to predicted inclement weather. The prediction of severe thunderstorms is enough to sour any on-water event.

Since the Labor Day Cruise was previously tabled, the Vice Commodore has rescheduled the Three Sisters Raft-up for that weekend. Please see the PWYC Website for registration details.

Late August has a Poker Run sponsored by PWM. This publication should be out before that event, so if you aren't aware, see our events page on the website for more details, or touch base with PWM.

There are no other on-water events currently on the schedule, but if you would like to put something together, and lead your flotilla... We would welcome the suggestion as a last minute "unscheduled event".

The September Kent Island trip is currently off the table, but has been replaced with the rescheduled Three Sisters Raft-up. Since the raft-up was trashed by the weather, our Vice Commodore worked to move this event to the open slot.

Also, remember that the PWM is sponsoring a joint event with PWYC. The Pirate's Night on the hook event is scheduled for late September, so be on the lookout for that event coming up very soon. Register on the PWYC website as soon as you can!

One of our most satisfying and worthwhile events is coming up on October 9th. The Patriot Cruise & Salute is a wonderful experience for both our boaters, as well as the folks that have given so much to us and our country. You will see advertising, web links, and other information around the marina as well as our website. Please consider participating and getting involved in any way you can... You will not regret it!

Contact Doug Burum (ddouglasburum@gmail.com) for additional information, and you may want to take a chance on a raffle ticket to win a tidy sum at the event!

Hoping to see you all out on the water... - Jim Khoury [PWYC Rear Commodore]

## **Safety Bob**



Bob Schwartz Safety Officer safety@pwyc.org Let's Pay Attention Out There

The Commodore forwarded this to Safety on or about July 13, 2021. It came from Skyler and Becky, Anger Management docked at G-23.

"On July 4th, while heading up to DC to raft up for the DC fireworks, there were 4 people in the water around the Wilson bridge. 2 were floating through the main boating corridor while 2 others were floating through the far left throughway of the bridge.

Becky called out to the 2 to the far left to make sure they were ok. They responded they needed immediate help as one said they couldn't swim. I immediately went over channel 16 that there were people in the water in need of assistance and diverted to assist. Luckily, they were wearing life jackets. Nick "Off Ice" was following and blocked area with his boat as to not allow other boats to come through. Deployed the life ring and pulled the two back to our boat and up onto the swim platform. MPD Harbor patrol arrived and we transferred the two to the MPD boat."

1. Kudos to the people in the water who were wearing life jackets. This might have saved at least one life.

2. Kudos to Anger Management, Off Ice and anyone else who helped during this event.

3. Kudos to Anger Management, Off Ice, and anyone else who realized that something was amiss.

4. Kudos to Anger Management and Off Ice because they were not so excited about their trip to see the fireworks that they forgot about being situationally aware. The waterways approaching the Wilson Bridge are particularly busy the days around July 4, especially if the weather is nice. It might be interesting to calculate how many vessels passed by the individuals in distress and did not realize that help was needed. The people needing help were lucky that those aboard Anger Management and Off Ice had the situational awareness and skill to act quickly and effectively. Situational Awareness (SA). What happened on the 4th is as probably a good example of SA as one can find. SA is a way to describe how we pay attention to our surroundings. It also involves the way we process elements in a situation to make informed decisions.

SA can be divided into three levels. These are:

1. An awareness of information (or perception). This is the ability to gather information from everything around us.

2. Comprehension. This involves the way we understand and analyze information.

3. Projection. This is the ability to use information from our surroundings to predict potential outcomes.

People with high SA are always aware of their surroundings. They pay close attention to the details sur-rounding them and use that information to predict future emergencies.

SA provides to us the tools to avoid accidents and disasters to ourselves. It also prepares us to act in the event anyone around us gets themselves into a pickle. Because this skill involves the ability to project fu-ture events based on our surroundings, many accidents and mishaps can be avoided.Factors Affecting SA. SA is not a permanent, fail-proof skill. There are factors that can decrease our situational awareness. Some of them we can control. Others we may not be able to control.

Stress and large workloads can limit SA because they leave less brain processing space to sort out current events. Likewise, illnesses and medications can affect the speed at which the brain processes information. This also affects SA.

While projection is important, holding strong preconceptions about a situation could limit our ability to re-act. Instead of focusing on one or two preconceptions, it's important to focus on your current surround-ings continuously, drawing new preconceptions of events as they continue to change.

How To Improve SA. Here are a few tips to help refine our SA skills:

1. It is helpful to begin by first practicing perception then proceeding to comprehension and projection. This means paying attention to our surroundings and asking ourselves if there's anything we might be missing. We should be using all of our senses, not just our eyes. The more we practice awareness of our surroundings, the more it will become a habit.

2. We should limit any overload situations as much as possible. Whoever is driving the boat should pay attention to driving the boat. For example, party time, socializing, focusing too much on the electron-ics, and thinking deep thoughts don't always go with good SA. These things limit the ability to process information, and be proactive (comprehension).

3. Anyone who has played baseball or softball probably has been asked by their coach, "What are you go-ing to do if the ball is hit to you?" The same goes for good SA. Following a plan(s) of action can proceed quickly if we imagine multiple potential situations and how we should react to each instead of just one.

Here are the sources used for this piece.

Wikipedia.

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## Ship's Manifest



Amy Marshall Membership Chair membership@pwyc.org



# There is still plenty of time to enjoy it with the PWYC!!!

If you know someone who would like to become a member or renew for the 2021 season, applications can be found attached, at the blue bathhouse or they can email membership at pwycmembership@gmail.com

All membership packets for 2021 renewing members that have not picked them up from the bathhouse will be placed on their boats.

If you are unsure of how to renew, you can mail a check for \$100 payable to PWYC at:

PWYC Membership Committee c/o Prince William Marina 12849 Gordon Boulevard Woodbridge, VA 22192-3240

Or via PayPal or Credit Card PayPal or Credit Card at pwyc.org (click on "Payments")

#### Please help me welcome the following new and renewing members

#### who have paid their 2021 dues

Tim Abel **Kimberly Anchell** Don & Michelle Anderson Edward & Laura Angle Eric & Shawna Armstrong Ray & Cynthia Armstrong David & Sonia Astle Frank Beatty & Deborah James Randy & Teresa Becker Hunter Rell Zach & Fadoua Benaich Trov Black Jason & Kris Blanchette Brent & Elaine Bogar Chris Borner Brad Boston Lawrence Botts Eric & Linda Bradbury Barry & Carrie Braden James & Dawn Brady Corev Briscoe & Amber Dozier Joshua & Emily Brown Cheryl Brown & Bart Scesney Corev Brown Steve & Kristin Bruck Shawn Burget Doug & Jenna Burum Ken & Debbie Campbell Ryan & Ashley Carmen Bob & Vicky Carr Gregory & Deirdre Chevrier Craig & Lisa Chuba Roxana & Jorge Chumpitaz David "Keith" Clouser & Julie Finocchiaro Dean & Debbie Cognetti Mike & Sherry Connelly Kathy & Justin Cordelli Thomas Cornbrooks Michael Cozad

Thomas & Mary Craig Victor & Cristen Crawford Pam Cressev Scott & Sarah Cryder Carl & Caroline Cunningham Steven & Gina D'Antuono Frank & Erin DeGeorge Rui & Ana Domingues Sarah Dowd Jay Dowling William Duggan Mark Dungan Nicholas & Melissa Durgin Jerry & Debbie Eatherly William Embry Rob & Sarah Evers Peter & Veronica Ewald Arthur Fernandes & Rebecca Miranda Bob & Jen Fertig **Christopher Feucht** David Fisher John & Sara Fitzgerald Brian & Kathleen Fitzpatrick Greg & Sandy Fletcher J & Ginger Gaston Pete & Claire Giambastiani Bob & Donna Giesler Corev & Yvette Gilmore Idris Grant Thomas Griffin Michael & Diane Grimm Al and Diana Gross Sean & Misty Hagerty Michael Hahn & Michael Harmon Fred Hanscom Martin & Natalie Harris Steve & Kim Harrison Fred Hauck & Michele Kennedy Bruce & Catherine Haynes

Gerd & Sharon Henssen Cameron & Bree Moore Oscar Murguia & Elizabeth Alvarez Verd Walt & Joy Heuer Jaime & Shanese Hirmas Frank Murray, Jr & Amy Marshall Keith & Rebecca Hudson Jonathan Murray John & Heather Ingram Jesse & Elizabeth Nangauta Kristen & Robert Ittig John Neher James & Nancy Jackson George Novak Harold & Lisa Jenkinson Ralph & Pat Ocasio Steve & Krista Johnson Christopher Ogden & Amanda Demotte Rich & Christine Jones Billy Oldridge Skip and Kristyn Jones David & Diana Ottignon Pamela Juelharte Ray & Gail Palmer Jim & Judy Khoury James & Lisa Pappas Scott & Denise Parsons Rose Marie Killeen David & Katherine Kimmel Peter Pasek & Carol Grav Robert & Marge Kirby Daniel & Simone Payne Philip & Vicki Kirby Pete & Stephanie Perhach Werner Knapp Michael & Debra Perrella Michael & Barbara Kropp Joseph Peruzzi Joan & BC Lam Keith Phelps & Maria Manno Chris & Susan Regan Sean Lam Anna Le Kent & Carolyn Renk Mark Lancaster Fred Roggero Laura Lee Charles & Kim Roland James & Tuula Ross Steve Levenson & Una Murphy Durel Lewis Kevin & Laurie Ryan Jason & Shannon Leydig Sina & Kimia Salimi Jerry & Ranae Little Christopher & Sabrina Salter Doug Livesay & Holly Shenk Jack & Sherry Samar Gus Lopez Stephen & Linda Scheid William Loughlin Greg & Debbie Schick Sheldon Lu John & Robin Schleifer Pete & Michele Maravas Philip & Heidi Schoepflin Steve & Pam Marsters Robert Schwartz Nick & Erin Marvel Walt & Jeanne Seiberling Stefano Marzano & Evelyn Aleman Pam Sessoms Matt & Lisa Shaw Chris McCalla John & Marcie McCauley Michael Shelkin Mark & Mary Lou Sikorski Brian McCormally Rick & Kris McHarg James Smith Oscar "Mac" McNeil, Jr Brian & Sara Snyder Skylar Stegall Brian & Karen McNeice Myles & Lisa Stover Brian Miller & Tonya Markowicz Mike & Teresa Strano Ted & Stephanie Miller

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# **Treasurer's Report**



Sherry Samar Treasurer

Treasurer's	Report
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Opening Balance (checking and PayPal) on 07/01/2021:	\$ 25,723.33
Receipts (dues, interest)	\$ 396.41
Expenses (Father's Day cruise, Capt Hour, Pig Roast)	\$-2,524.92
Final balance (checking and PayPal) on 06/01/2021:	\$ 23,595.42

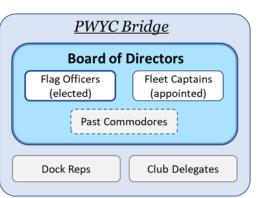
Our club has also paid dues to PRYCA, CBYCA, and ORMA for 2021.

#### Call for Nominations – PWYC 2022 Bridge!

Adapt, improvise, and overcome. This year's boating season has been anything but typical and our Bridge has done a magnificent job living up to Semper Gumbi – Always Flexible! Through their resilience and commitment, our members have been able to safely enjoy our Father's Day Cruise, Captains' Hours, and look forward to Founder's Day and our annual Seafood Boil. The thread that ties all these spectacular activities together? – the volunteers who make 'em happen.

Our club is run by our Board of Directors. This consists of the five elected Flag Officers and the appointed Fleet Captains. Past Commodores are non-voting members of the Board. The Bridge is made up of the Board plus our Dock Reps and Club Delegates.

Each year, it's important to bring some fresh ideas and new energy to the PWYC Bridge, and that comes from our members. Being part of the Bridge is one of the most exciting and satisfying parts of boating with PWYC. You get to meet new people, learn how our club operates, and share the fun involved in running the best yacht



club on the Potomac. Hey, I know of what I speak...Ginger and I have been involved in some capacity now for over 17 years (nod to Tim and Barb Abel who were here at our founding)!

So, it's time to begin planning next year's Bridge as 2021 heads for the home stretch. As Chair of the Election Committee, I'm responsible for providing a slate of candidates to the Board of Directors for the five Flag Officer positions. I encourage each of you to talk with current and past leaders of the club to see where your unique talents and interest can help pay it forward and contribute to next year's Bridge.

Commodore ~ Vice Commodore ~ Rear Commodore ~ Secretary ~ Treasurer

Members currently serving in these positions may volunteer to run for office again. The Commodore, Vice Commodore, and Rear Commodore, however, may not serve more than two consecutive years in a position. This means we need new candidates for Commodore and Vice Commodore. If more than one volunteer is nominated for any of the elected positions, the Election Committee will prepare ballots for election by the general membership.

Though not elected, we encourage and welcome volunteers for the following nominative Fleet Captain and Delegate positions. At the December Board meeting, when the new Bridge takes office, one person for each position will be appointed by the 2022 Commodore and confirmed by the Board:

Membership ~ Social ~ Safety ~ Lifeline Editor ~ Webmaster

Potomac River Yacht Club Association (PRYCA) Delegate

Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Association (CBYCA) Delegate

Those currently serving in these positions may volunteer to stay on. If more than one volunteer is nominated for any of the non-elected positions, the Board will identify the best way to appoint the nominees, showing respect for their initiative and acknowledgment of their respective talents and wishes.

If jumping right into one of the elected or nominated positions seems daunting, why don't you volunteer to be a Dock Rep, event champion, or serve on a committee? This is YOUR club so grab the wheel with both hands and dive in – anyone can step up and make a difference.

Please submit your nominations or questions via email to ipc@pwyc.org NLT 30 Sep 21. The Election Committee will confirm all nominated individuals before submitting the official slate of nominees at the October Board meeting.

Thanks very much for making our great club great!

J. Gaston

IPC, PWYC Election Committee Chair

Patriot Dreams, H-43





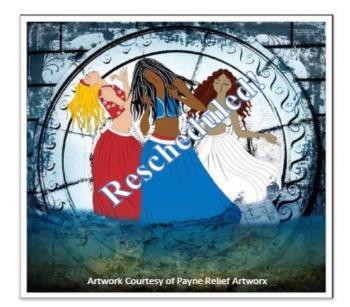
# E/F/G Captain's Hour

When: August 28, 2021 @ 6PM Where: Blue Bath House

Best Luau attire wins a prize!!!

Please bring a dish to share

For questions please email social@pwyc.org



## PWYC Three Sisters Raft-Up

#### When: September 3-6, 2021

#### Where: Potomac River North of Key Bridge in Calm waters

Come join our raft-up for 2 days of fun in the peaceful N Potomac R. (You'll think you are in a National Park, but we'll be anchored in clean water just NW of Georgetown/Rosslyn.)

Cruise CAPT - Rick McHarg

Please RSVP on the PWYC Website or send an email to vicecommodore@pwyc.org

\*\*Please note: Your boat must have an air draft of less than 18' to clear the 14th St. RR Bridge.



Patriot Cruise and Salute Bio:

Patriot Cruise and Salute is a non-profit charitable organization formed to organize free recreational boating events to benefit US Armed Forces, Gold Star Families, First Responders and Law Enforcement.

Founded by two retired military officers, Patriot Cruise and Salute provides recuperating veterans and their families a day of boating and camaraderie on the Potomac River, recognizing that healing veterans and their families at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and Fort Belvoir Community Hospital are often separated from their homes, extended families and their friends. Each year the community comes together to say "Thank You" to these heroes and their families by providing a much-needed mental respite.

In its 15th year, the original Patriot Cruise and Salute, typically held in early June, had to be postponed due to the unforeseeable circumstances surrounded by the pandemic. However, we are back this year and more excited than ever to honor our heroes this October! The day includes an afternoon of boating on the Potomac River, a cookout, music, activities for kids, and a coin ceremony. Each event promotes camaraderie and offers the community a chance to give back to these veterans for their service and sacrifice to our country.

Thank You so much :)

Jenna & Doug

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Doug and Jenna Burum

Patriot Cruise and Salute Inc. 703-477-3022 or 703-930-2095 pcspwm@gmail.com www.patriotcruise.org

# 15th Annual Patriot Cruise & Salute

Saturday, October 9th, 2021

# **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

Boats with Captain + Crew, Escorts, Ground Crew, Social + Welcome Committee

# **SIGN UP TODAY!**

Your support benefits current service members, veterans, Gold Star Families AND First Responders!

PCS Shirts + Gear available for purchase!

Contact us at <u>PCSPWM@gmail.com</u> for more details or to sign up!



*Important Note:* Check the PWYC.org website for updates or changes to the calendar.

# **2021 PWYC CALENDAR**

**Contact Denise Guess-Parsons, Beth Lu, Carol Vasquez, Jenna Burum, or Sherri Connol-Iy** social@pwyc.org, to help with an event or captain a new one.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

3-6 Three Sisters Raft up

11 PWYC Board Meeting @ 9:00 am

11 Seafood Boil @ 5:00 pm

11 Patriot Day Fireworks (Friday at dusk) (PWM event)

17-19 Start of Pirates' Week

17 Move Night - Pirates of the Caribbean @ 8:00 pm (deck by E dock)

18 Fireworks at Tim's Rivershore

25-26 Pirates Night on the Hook (Joint PWM event) AAAAARGH!!!

#### **OCTOBER**

2 PWYC Board Meeting @ 9:00 am

8 Patriot's Cruise Meeting @ 6:00 pm

8 Captain's Hour #5 @ 7:00 pm (Host: H Dock)

9 Patriot's Cruise

30 Halloween Party @ 6:00 pm

#### NOVEMBER

13 CLOSING DAY

• PWYC General Membership Meeting @ 4:00 pm

• Closing Ceremony @ 5:00 pm (including flag retirement)

• Chili Cook-off @6:00 pm (Host: I/J/Boatel)

• Photo Contest Results @ 6:45 pm

Chili and Mac N Cheese awards @ 7:00 pm

#### DECEMBER

4 PWYC Board Meeting @ 10:00 am

11 Christmas Boat Lighting @ 5:00 pm (PWM event)

18 Wreaths Across America at Arlington National Cemetery

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