



USPS District 12, 14 and 19

Fall Conference

October 22, 23 and 24, 2021

Samoset Resort, Rockport, Maine

Register early! All day Saturday including continental breakfast and lunch only \$99!!

All details can be found on the link at the bottom.



Chief Commander Mary Paige Abbott!

Boats and our on-line courses are selling well. What will national be doing and what should you and your squadron do to take advantage of the changes in a post Covid world?

Survival training for boaters and coastal residents -John McMillan teaches Ocean Survival at Maine Maritime as well as courses in personal survival techniques.

Treasure fleets of the Ming Dynasty Andrew Wilson, PhD, of the Naval War College, will tell the astonishing tale of how China sent seven fleets of up to 250 ships as far as the Horn of Africa in the 1400's. These fleets included "treasure ships", the largest wooden ships ever constructed!



What's up with charts? - Because paper charts are going away, NOAA has created an application so you can print vector charts. But it isn't easy and some information may be missing. P/V/C Bob Sweet, SN will show you how to do it right!



Reaching boaters with new tools – People are accustomed to learning on line and want to do so. To reach a broader audience and build our organization, P/VC Bob Sweet, SN, will show us a hybrid approach using on line sessions with local hands-on coaching.

But wait, there's more! – sessions include: *An update on weather forecasting, "Environmental Canaries" in the Gulf of Maine, How to do paddle sports and do it safely and How NOT to recruit new members!* For more information about all of these presentations click on the link below.

Other stuff

For those who would like to arrive on Friday or stay over Saturday a special rate of \$139 per night in an ocean view room is available until Oct. 10. Limited number of rooms have been set aside at this price. Make your reservations soon!

For all details including agenda and speaker information, conference registration and payment, directions and hotel reservations go to

<https://usps.org/d12/fallconf.shtml>