

(As of 8-28-17)

**PVA Rivers Region Meeting**  
November 1-3, 2017  
Padelford Packet Boat Company  
St. Paul, MN

**Wednesday, November 1**

**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**      **PVA Welcome Reception**  
*Aboard the Anson Northrop*

**Thursday, November 2**

**8:30 a.m.**                      **Welcome Remarks**  
Steve Jones  
PVA Rivers Region Chair  
Gateway Clipper Fleet  
Pittsburgh, PA  
  
Gus Gaspardo  
Padelford Packet Boat Company  
St. Paul, MN

**8:45 a.m. –9:30 a.m.**      **What's New in Credit Card Processing?**  
Joanna Reckert  
ePaymentAmerica  
Memphis, TN

**9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.**      **Avoiding Delays at the Coast Guard Regional Exam Center**  
Regional Exam Center  
United States Coast Guard  
St. Louis, MO

**10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**      **Break**

**10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.**      **Mass Rescue Operations: A Case Study**  
Kevin Maehler  
Passenger Vessel Safety Specialist  
Eighth Coast Guard District  
United States Coast Guard  
New Orleans, LA

- 10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.      Reconsideration and Appeals: Know the Process and Your Rights**  
Peter Lauridsen  
Passenger Vessel Association  
Alexandria, VA
- 11:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.      Sharing the Waterways**  
Ed Huntsman  
Manager, Recreational Boating Safety Program  
Eighth Coast Guard District  
United States Coast Guard  
New Orleans, LA
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.      Lunch**  
RADM Paul Thomas (Invited)  
Commander  
Eighth Coast Guard District  
New Orleans, LA
- 1:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.      Sales and Marketing Roundtable**
- 1:45 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.      Passenger Vessel Safety Specialist Update: Lessons Learned**  
Kevin Maehler  
Passenger Vessel Safety Specialist  
Eighth Coast Guard District  
United States Coast Guard  
New Orleans, LA
- 2:15 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.      Break**
- 2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.      Know Your Revised Alternate Security Program (ASP)**  
Jen Wilk  
Passenger Vessel Association  
Alexandria, VA
- 3:13 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.      U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Issues and Update**
- 3:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.      PVA's NEW Crew Training Portal**  
Ben Bernstein  
BB Riverboats  
Newport, KY
- 4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.      Roundtable Discussion: Trends in Food and Beverage**  
Executive Chef  
Padelford Packet Boat Company  
St. Paul, MN

## **Friday, November 3**

### **9:00 a.m. –10:00 a.m.      Impact of Subchapter M on Coast Guard Inspection Resources**

CAPT Roxanne Tamez  
Commander  
Sector Lower Mississippi  
United States Coast Guard  
Memphis, TN

CAPT Mike Zamperini  
Commander  
Sector Ohio Valley  
United States Coast Guard  
Louisville, KY

CAPT Scott Stoermer  
Commander  
Sector Upper Mississippi  
United States Coast Guard  
St. Louis, MO

### **10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.      Challenges Facing Operators on the Rivers**

Moderator: Kevin Stier  
River Cruises  
Scales Mound, IL

### **10:45 a.m. –11:30 a.m.      A View from Washington, DC: Legislative and Regulatory Update**

Ed Welch  
Passenger Vessel Association  
Alexandria, VA

Jen Wilk  
Passenger Vessel  
Association  
Alexandria, VA

### **11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Region Old and New Business and Closing Remarks**