



PVA ORIGINAL COLONIES REGION MEETING

NOV. 4-6, 2026

Embassy Suites by Hilton Wilmington Riverfront
Room: Riverfront Grand Ballroom | Wilmington, N.C.

Program subject to change.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 4

5:00 – 6:30 p.m. **Welcome Reception**
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THURSDAY, NOV. 5

8:15 – 8:30 a.m. **Welcome Remarks**

James Robinson
Robinson & Son, LLC, Hudson Falls, N.Y.

Tabor Young
True Course Coaching & Consulting, Wiscasset, Maine

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. **Leveraging Technology in Shoreside Management**

Craig Parkhurst
Hornblower Group, Orlando, Fla.

9:15 – 10:00 a.m. **PVA's Flagship Safety Management System**

Lee Boone
Passenger Vessel Association

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. **Networking Break**



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AGENDA (CONTINUED)

10:30 – 11:15 a.m.

From Captain to Coach: Developing People Without Lowering the Standard

Tabor Young

True Course Coaching & Consulting, Wiscasset, Maine

11:15 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Achieving Quick Wins in Cybersecurity

Alex Soukhanov

True North Group, LLC, Plymouth, Mass.

12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

Room: Riverfront Grand Ballroom

District Commander's Intent and Force Design Update

CAPT Matt Meskun

U.S. Coast Guard
Coast Guard East District
Portsmouth, Va.

1:15 – 1:30 p.m.

Associate Council Update

Jayne Russell

JE Russell Consulting, Seattle, Wash.

1:30 – 2:15 p.m.

Improving the Mariner Credentialing Experience: Navita Rollout

REC Charleston (Invited)

U.S. Coast Guard
Regional Exam Center
Charleston, S.C.

2:15 – 3:00 p.m.

Reducing Premiums Through Safety and Risk Mitigation Plans

Crista Larochelle

Starkweather & Shepley Insurance, Providence, R.I.

Charlie Pugliese

Starkweather & Shepley Insurance, Providence, R.I.

3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Networking Break



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**3:30 – 4:30 p.m. Repower, Life-Extension, or New Construction:
Assessing Pros and Cons**

Moderator:

Dave Anderson

Fire Island Ferries, Bay Shore, N.Y.

Mike Walsh

Derecktor Shipyards, Mamaroneck, N.Y.

Peter Duclos

Gladding-Hearn Shipbuilding, Somerset, Mass.

Andy Lebet

Dejong & Lebet, Jacksonville, Fla.

FRIDAY, NOV. 6

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. Roundtable – Managing Generational Change

Moderator:

Tabor Young

Wiscasset, Maine

9:00 – 10:00 a.m. From Accommodations to Contracts: A Legal Refresher

Steve Bers

Whiteford, Baltimore, Md.

10:00 – 10:30 a.m. Networking Break

10:30 – 11:15 a.m. The Advantages of Remote Fleet Management

Luiz Barbarini

Boeing USA, Inc., Boca Raton, Fla.

11:15 – 11:45 a.m. The View from Washington, D.C.: Issues that Affect You

John Groundwater

Passenger Vessel Association

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Region Old and New Business and Closing Remarks

Location Proposals for 2027 Region Meeting