



USMMA KP Alumni - Chapter Presidents Alliance, Inc.

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Please pass the information along to your Chapter, fellow Alumni and Friends of Kings Point!

1... USMMA KP Alumni – Chapter Development

Our Chapter Development Committee has been very active, in a coordinated effort with our 6 Regional Vice Chairmen, to bring our *NEW* Alumni Chapters aboard. We are making every effort to engage as many of our 17,000 active Alumni in our Mission Support activities and our wonderful, fraternal organization.

USMMA KP Alumni – Chapter Presidents Alliance, Inc. – Mission Statement:

"The Chapters shall exist to serve, assist and perpetuate the United States Merchant Marine Academy, its Regiment of Midshipmen, faculty, staff, alumni and the United States Merchant Marine..."

We congratulate Bruce Howie '65 – (N. Georgia Chapter) Chairman, Chapter Development, and our 6 Regional Vice Chairman for the extraordinary *NEW* and *RE-start* Chapter results of **60** Chapters to date.

The goal is clear – greater numbers of Chapters, greater Alumni affiliation, greater support for Kings Point!

2... Welcome USMMA KP Alumni – Alaska Chapter - # 56!

We welcome the membership one of our *newest* chapters, to the **60** Chapter strong Chapter Presidents Alliance!

Welcome aboard Captain Jed Dixon '81– President, USMMA KP Alumni – Alaska Chapter! Captain Dixon is a true native Alaskan. He resides in Anchorage with his wife Susan and their two daughters – both of whom are currently looking at colleges to attend. Jed is the owner of Aurora Technical Services. His career includes sailing aboard a University of Washington research ship and attaining is Masters License. He also completed a Masters Degree in International Supply Chain Management and Logistics.

Jed is eager to bring the Alaskan resident KP Alumni together as an active and serving Chapter. Please lend your support to Jed's efforts. We thank Captain Dixon for providing the interest and service to our valued KP Alumni organization.

Our new Alaska Chapter brings our West & International Region - one of six CPA regions worldwide – to a total of 17 Chapters! We thank Ken Fidyk '71 – West & International - Regional Vice Chairman and Bruce Howie '65 - CPA Chairman - Chapter Development, for encouraging the growth and development of our new Alumni representative Chapters.

3... Welcome USMMA KP Alumni – Galveston Bay-Brazosport Chapter - # 57!

We again welcome the membership of one of our *newest* chapter, to the **60** Chapter strong Chapter Presidents Alliance!

Welcome aboard Captain John Peterlin '76– President, USMMA KP Alumni – Galveston Bay-Brazosport Chapter! John is also an active member of the Port of Houston Chapter. He and his wife Julia reside on Galveston Bay.

Captain Peterlin has more than thirty-two years of diverse maritime industry experience, and currently serves as the Senior Director of Marketing and Administration for the Port of Galveston, Texas. Over the course of his eighteen year shore-side career, Captain Peterlin has been involved with the ocean transportation of petroleum products, marine survey, logistics, ocean-cargo and truck brokerage, in the development and operation of vessel services and seaport operation and administration. Captain Peterlin has been a U.S. Coast Guard licensed master mariner for more than twenty-six years, with more than fourteen years' service sailing in both the U.S. flag deep-sea commercial shipping and deep-sea oceanographic and geophysical fleet. Prior to joining the Port of Galveston, Captain Peterlin was involved in both the terrestrial and maritime aspects of U.S.-Mexico trade for six years as an entrepreneur.

Our new Galveston Bay-Brazosport Chapter will include KP Alumni residing in Freeport, Texas City, Galveston, Brazoria and the Texas Inter-coastal area. Our South-Central Region Chapters now number 7! We thank CDR Rob Smith '92 – South-Central - Regional Vice Chairman and Bruce Howie '65 - CPA Chairman - Chapter Development, for encouraging the growth and development of our new Gulf Coast Alumni representative Chapters.

4... Welcome USMMA KP Alumni – New Hampshire Chapter - # 58!

We welcome the membership of our *newest* chapter, to the **60** Chapter strong Chapter Presidents Alliance!

Welcome aboard Bill Riehl '82– President, USMMA KP Alumni – New Hampshire Chapter! Bill, and his wife Janet, share a special distinction – they are also the proud parents of Plebe son Alex “Al” – KP Class of 2013!

The Riehl's share the honor of being one of THREE KP Alumni Chapter Presidents who are also Plebe Parents. The other two include: Eileen (Heneghan) Miller '83 – President, USMMA KP Alumni – Maine Chapter, and Daniel Miller '82 – Vice President (son Zachary '13), and Scott O'Connor '83 – President, USMMA KP Alumni – Jacksonville Chapter and his wife Glenda O'Connor '85 (daughter Kate Lynn '13)!

Bill and Janet reside in Etna, NH. They have a daughter working as a Math teacher and living in Los Angeles, CA. Janet works in the White Mountain skiing business and Bill serves as Chief Engineer for the Power Co-generation plant at Dartmouth University in Hanover, NH. He has extensive experience with co-generation - waste to energy cycle plants. We anticipate that Alex “Al” '13 will soon be playing Lacrosse on the Mariner team.

Our New Hampshire Chapter brings our North East Region - one of six CPA regions worldwide – to a total of 12 Chapters! We thank Rich Roche '81 – North East - Regional Vice Chairman and Bruce Howie '65 - CPA Chairman - Chapter Development, for encouraging the growth and development of our new Alumni representative Chapters. <>We certainly appreciate Bill Riehl '82 for his interest and service to our valued KP Alumni organization.

5... Welcome USMMA KP Alumni – Oregon-Columbia River Chapter - # 59!

We welcome the membership of our *newest* chapter, to the 60 Chapter strong Chapter Presidents Alliance!

Welcome aboard Lt Michael St. Louis '01, USCG – President, USMMA KP Alumni – Oregon-Columbia River Chapter! Michael and his wife Shannan Marie reside in Scappoose, OR with their two sons – age 4 and 5. Michael is an active duty USCG Officer, and serves as the Assistant Chief of the Investigations Division. He had recently served in Rhode Island. Michael played Rugby and on the Soccer team at Kings Point.

Our new Oregon –Columbia River Chapter will provide Alumni affiliation for KP residents on both the Oregon and Washington State sides of the Columbia River- including Chapter Oregon and Washington cities along the Columbia River including Vancouver & Longview (WA) and Beaverton & Portland (OR).

Our new Oregon-Columbia River Chapter brings our West & International Region - one of six CPA regions worldwide – to a total of 17 Chapters! We thank Ken Fidyk '71 – West & International - Regional Vice Chairman and Bruce Howie '65 - CPA Chairman - Chapter Development, for encouraging the growth and development of our new Alumni representative Chapters. We sincerely appreciate LT St. Louis in advance for your valued service!

6... Welcome USMMA KP Alumni – Wisconsin Chapter - # 60!

We welcome the membership of our *newest* chapter, to the 60 Chapter strong Chapter Presidents Alliance!

Welcome aboard Brian LaRue '01– President, USMMA KP Alumni – Wisconsin Chapter! Brian is single and resides and works in Milwaukee. He currently serves as Superintendent for Federal Marine Terminals. He had recently served that role in the Tampa operation. Brian was a member of the Football & Sailing Teams at Kings Point.

Brian will soon begin the process of building his new Chapter, and will appreciate the support of fellow Alumni. We thank Brian for accepting this leadership role in an area populated by a significant number of Kings Point graduates. The USMMA Parents Association also has a very strong Wisconsin based organization. Great teamwork awaits in support of Kings Point!

Our new Wisconsin Chapter brings our Mid-Continent Region - one of six CPA regions worldwide – to a total of 6 Chapters! We thank Dick Hannan '63 – Mid-Continent - Regional Vice Chairman and Bruce Howie '65 - CPA Chairman - Chapter Development, for encouraging the growth and development of our new Alumni representative Chapters.

7... USMMA KP Alumni - CPA, Inc. - Communication Forum 081209 SUMMARY REPORT

These Communication Forums are provided as an ongoing opportunity, to facilitate an increased understanding of the KP Alumni - Chapter Presidents Alliance Members and the Senior Management of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy.

August 12, 2009 WED 12:30PM E.D.T. Conference Call

12:30PM – 1:00PM Presenter: Shashi N. Kumar, Ph.D., USMMA, Academic Dean

1:00PM – 1:30PM KPA-CPA, Inc. Membership Business Agenda

Fellow Alumni Chapter Presidents (or their officially designated Chapter representative), CPA Advisory Panel Members and USMM this valuable Alumni Communication Forum. We also held a productive CPA Member Business Meeting following our guest prese

- **12:30PM – 1:00PM** Presenter: Shashi N. Kumar, Ph.D., Master Mariner – USMMA, Academic Dean
 Shashi N. Kumar, Ph.D., Master Mariner - Assistant Superintendent for Academic Affairs & Academic Dean, has published his Annual Maritime Review. This review provides a much-anticipated annual economic analysis of the world maritime industry. Dr. Kumar also provides a valuable forecast for our industry.

Kumar, Shashi Dr. "2009 U.S. Merchant Marine and World Maritime Review" U.S. Naval Institute: Proceedings Vol. 135/5/1,275 (May 2009): 100 - 106.

Please find this insightful publication available as linked for your reading. **KumarS USNIAR09.pdf**
<http://kpchesapeake.com/USMMAAF%20CPC/KumarS%20USNIAR09.pdf>

Dr. Kumar's presentation was well received by our participants. He presented a summary of his article and addressed a number of questions posed by our audience. Dr. Kumar always provides great value to our forums, and we sincerely thank him for yet another great presentation! The following audio link is provided for your review:

USMMA KPA-CPA Conf Call Audio Recording 081209 <http://67.55.209.50/conferences/conf1679898-335266.0.wav>

- **1:00PM – 1:30PM** KPA-CPA, Inc. Membership Business Meeting – Agenda (including linked documents)

(1) USMMA KPA-CPA, Inc. Conference(s) Schedule

a. NO Fall Conference 2009 at Kings Point, or at any location. We agreed further that we will focus our attention, energies and finances on building our NEW organization, assist all 60 (plus!) Chapters on board, continue with our regularly scheduled Conference Calls, Communication and e-mail forums, and look forward to a great Spring Conference 2010 at Kings Point! We also agreed that we will never again schedule or participate in Thursday Conferences, out of consideration for the business obligations of our Members.

b. USMMA KPA-CPA Spring Conference 2010 "Chapter Presidents Alliance – Building Successful Chapters – United in Mission Support"

Site: U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N.Y.

Dates: Fri March 19, 2010 & Sat March 20, 2010.

c. USMMA KPA-CPA Fall Conference 2010 "Chapter Presidents Alliance – Alumni Leadership Conference"

Site: Maritime Institute of Technology and Graduate Studies - Conference Center, Baltimore, MD.

Dates: Fri September 10, 2010 and Sat September 11, 2010.

(2) Annual Chapter Activity Report And Distinguished Chapter Award Qualification – Due!

The most updated report form is provide via link USMMA KPA-CPA AnChActivRpt & DCA Qual 110508_

<http://kpchesapeake.com/USMMAAF%20CPC/USMMA%20KPA-CPA%20AnChActivRpt%20%26%20DCA%20Qual%20110508.doc>

(3) USMMA KP Alumni Chapter Handbook – Revised Edition Available

Please click the link to access the recently revised USMMA KPA-CPA Chapter Handbook 072209

<http://kpchesapeake.com/USMMAAF%20CPC/USMMA%20KPA-CPA%20Chapter%20Handbook%20070809.doc>

(4) KPA-CPA By-Laws WORKING DRAFT 060309-v1

<http://kpchesapeake.com/USMMAAF%20CPC/KPA-CPA%20By-Laws%20WORKING%20DRAFT%20060309-v1.pdf>

(5) Memorandum of Understanding – Statement of Cooperation – KPA-CPA and USMMA Parents Association 072409

The USMMA KP Alumni – Chapter Presidents Alliance, Inc. (aka CPA) and the USMMA Parents Association (aka Parents), as equal partners, share the common goals of Mission Support of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and the Regiment of Midshipmen. The leadership of the CPA and Parents organizations will foster and encourage innovation and cooperation of our memberships in support of our common Mission goals. The leadership will focus upon a Regional approach for implementation and cooperation of Mission Support activities. The existing 60 Chapters of the KPA-CPA, Inc. and the near 40 Chapters of the USMMA Parents Association, and all future chapters will make every effort to foster an alliance facilitating greater Mission Support. We will also respect and appreciate all cooperative relationships that have historically been in place, and encourage those relationships. The leadership will maintain regular communications in order to advance our common Mission Support agenda. We will encourage a greater understanding and respect for the efforts of each organization to realization of a common goal. Further, the leadership of each organization is encouraged to participate regularly in the meetings and conferences of the CPA and Parents organizations when invited to do so.

(6) Government Affairs Committee

CPA presenting the role of the Chapters in Legislative Affairs, on behalf of Kings Point. Action required.

(7) USMMA KPA-CPA Inc Business Plan 060309 – Update / Revision

Previously provided to all Chapter Presidents

(8) CPA Discussion Items

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8... USMMA KP Alumni - Chapter Presidents Alliance, Inc. - Communication Forum 091609

The following Alumni Communication Forum is scheduled as a Conference Call. These Communication Forums are provided as an ongoing opportunity, to facilitate an increased understanding of the Chapter Presidents Alliance Members and the Senior Management of the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy. The 60 CPA Member Chapters are welcome and encouraged to participate in these important forums. We appreciate the interest, cooperation and participation of the Senior Management of the Academy.

September 16, 2009 WED 12:30PM E.D.T. Conference Call

12:30PM – 1:00PM Presenter Address with Q/A

Allen B. Worley, Rear Admiral, U.S.M.S. - Superintendent, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy

1:00PM – 1:30PM KPA-CPA, Inc. Membership Business Meeting (*Agenda forthcoming...*)

9... NASA Assigns Crew for STS-134 Shuttle Mission, Change to STS-132

WASHINGTON -- NASA has assigned the crew for space shuttle mission STS-134 to the International Space Station. The flight will deliver the Alpha Magnetic Spectrometer, or AMS, to the station. The AMS is a state-of-the-art cosmic ray particle physics detector designed to examine fundamental issues about matter and the origin and structure of the universe.

Navy Captain Mark Kelly will command the STS-134 mission. Retired Air Force Col. Gregory H. Johnson will serve as the pilot. Mission Specialists are Air Force Col. Michael Fincke, Greg Chamitoff and Andrew Feustel. European Space Agency astronaut and Italian Air Force Col. Roberto Vittori also will serve as a mission specialist. The flight will include three spacewalks and the installation of the AMS to the exterior of the space station using both the shuttle and station arms. The AMS will be attached to the right side of the station's truss, or backbone.

Kelly previously served as the pilot of STS-108 in 2001 and STS-121 in 2006, and commander for STS-124 in 2008. He was born in Orange, N.J., and considers West Orange, N.J., to be his hometown. Kelly (KP '86) has a bachelor's degree from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, Kings Point, N.Y., and a master's degree from the Naval Postgraduate School in Monterey, Calif.

10... USMMA Athletic Hall of Fame 13th Induction 100209

The Blue & Gray Club of the USMMA Alumni Foundation invite you to celebrate the 13th induction of the USMMA Athletic Hall of Fame and the second recipient of the "Skip" Prosser Achievement Award. On Friday, October 2 during the Academy's Homecoming celebration, VADM Joseph Stewart (Honorary), Richard McGuire '49 (Football/Baseball), Mike Novak '74 (Pistol), Larry Hadley '84 (Cross Country/Track & Field), Wes Stearns '93 (Football) and Anna (Maly) Stewart '93 (Track & Field) will be officially inducted into the USMMA Athletic Hall of Fame. Rob Atkinson '84 becomes the second recipient of the "Skip" Prosser Achievement Award, which is given annually to a USMMA Alumnus who epitomizes the true spirit and qualities of Skip Prosser '72. Skip's qualities included honesty, integrity, dedication and determination to serve others. In his work, he was an educator, motivator and leader. He made a difference in the lives of all the student athletes he worked with.

If you would like to attend the event, please review and complete the attached invitation which details the registration process. If you have any questions, please contact Gregg Matalas, Manager of Blue & Gray at gregg.matalas@alumni.usmma.edu or 516-773-5544.

11... Mid-Atlantic Region Cruise 092609 – All Regions, All KP Alumni Chapters Invited!

The USMMA Alumni Delaware Shore Chapter invites you aboard MV TWIN CAPES on Saturday, September 26, 2009 to enjoy historic lighthouses, picturesque harbors, oceangoing vessels, unique seabirds and, no doubt, some great sea stories during a round-trip cruise aboard the Cape May - Lewes Ferry. Although we will be free to enjoy all of the vessel's public areas, our "Cruise Headquarters" will be the Forward Lounge with our own full-service cash bar. This is where we will assemble for exclusive tours of the wheelhouse and engine room, and hear a presentation by Heath Gehrke '93, Director of Operations. A buffet lunch will be provided featuring Crab Bites, a Cold Shrimp Platter, a Petite Sandwich Tray, Mini Croissants, as well as Fruit & Cheese, and Dessert Displays.

The cruise schedule is as follows:

1015 New Jersey contingent arrives at the Cape May Terminal Foot Passenger parking lot for an 1100 departure
 1200 Delaware contingent arrives at the Lewes Terminal Foot Passenger parking lot for a 1245 departure
 1415 Vessel arrives in Cape May - New Jersey contingent disembarks
 1430 Vessel departs for Delaware
 1600 Vessel arrives in Delaware - Lewes contingent disembarks.

The price for this Alumni Chapter event, including lunch, is \$35, and of course associate members and guests are welcome. Those choosing to visit the ferry's food concessions rather than the buffet may attend this event at a reduced price of \$20. This may be an appropriate option for children accompanying you on the voyage. **Reservations are required no later than COB**

Wednesday, September 16 to: Kevin Smith '66 – Vice President, Delaware Shore Chapter, at mahalomuchly@msn.com or 732-887-4776.

The KPA-CPA, Mid-Atlantic Region supports this event and encourages participation by all for whom a day at sea will bring back memories from cadet days or years as a career mariner. Think of the response when you say to your partner, “Honey, I’m taking you on a cruise!”

12... Sixth Annual AcademyWomen Conference, September 18-20, 2009

“VOICES: Shining Light on the Story Within” is the theme of the sixth Annual AcademyWomen Fall Leadership Symposium scheduled for Sept. 18-20 at the Women in Military Service for America Memorial, Arlington, VA. Some three hundred participants, mostly current and former women military officers, cadets and midshipmen representing every branch of the service, will travel from around the country to attend the three-day conference. This leadership development event is an opportunity for women in the military and non-traditional career fields to come together and share their unique experiences on the battlefield, in the boardroom and at home. The weekend includes inspirational and informative panels, keynote speakers and workshops on a wide range of topics. Visit AcademyWomen's [Web site](#) for more information about the symposium and to register.

Registration is now open. Please visit <http://www.academywomen.org/index> for more details.

The USMMA KP Alumni – Chapter Presidents Alliance, Inc. will be providing support for our attending Midshipmen and recently graduated Alumni. If you or your Chapter would care to provide support, berthing, transportation, or attend the Saturday evening dinner 091909 with our Midshipmen, please contact Connie Buhl '81 – (President, Washington-Puget Sound Chapter) Chairman, CPA Women's Programs cbuh@aol.com

USMMA KPA-CPA News 081809 <http://kpchesaapeake.com/USMMAAF%20CPC/USMMA%20KPA-CPA%20News%20081809.pdf>

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