# **Colonies Zone**

## Natalie Taylor, Chair; Rand Vaillancourt, Vice Chair

Members: Everyone who attend convention and is registered within the Colonies Zone

Ex-Officio: n/a

### Introduction

It has been a pleasure to serve as Colonies Zone Chair for the last two years. We have a vibrant zone with members from 10 LMSCs: New England, Connecticut, Niagara, Adirondack, Metropolitan, New Jersey, Delaware Valley, Maryland, Potomac Valley and Virginia who are heavily involved in USMS.

With the changes to my responsibilities at home, I am not able to commit as much time to USMS as I would like, so I have to step back from some of my positions. I know there are great leaders in our Zone who will take on the job of Zone Chair for the coming years.

## **Discussions and Projects Since Last Convention**

- 1. LMSC Standards Survey and Results.
  - 1.1.Each LMSC Chair and Treasurer was surveyed on the new LMSC standards. Standards that were not met, were corrected, or LMSCs were put on a remediation plan.
- 2. Zone Championships held:
  - 2.1.Pool: SCM (Worchester Polytechnic Institute), SCY (GMU-Fairfax)
- 3. Solicitation for new Zone Chair
- 4. Solicitation for nominations for the Colonies Zone Dorothy 'Dot" Donnelly Award
- 5. LMSC Development Committee projects

#### **Action Items (for Convention)**

- 1. Elect a new Zone Chair
- 2. Award 2017 Colonies Zone Dorothy 'Dot' Donnelly Award
- 3. Award 2017 2018 Zone Championships
- 4. Solicit bids for any available 2017-2018 Zone Championships
- 5. Encourage more communication between LMSC Chairs in the Zone

#### Agenda

- 1. Call to Order/ Introductions
- 2. Presentation of the 2017 Colonies Zone Dorothy 'Dot' Donnelly Award
- 3. Nominations for a new Zone Chair
- 3.1.Introduction of nominees 3.2.Voting
- 4. LMSC Development Committee Standards Survey Results
- 5. LMSC Development Committee Updates
- Zone Championship Recap 6.1.2016 SCM 6.2.2017 SCY
- 7. New Business

- 8. Events
- 9. Adjourn