

The Northumberland Association  
for Progressive Stewardship  
*welcomes you to the*

# NAPS Fall Social

Saturday, October 26, 2019  
Bay Quarter Shores  
Heathsville, Virginia

*Honoring*

**Ida Hall**

**NAPS Distinguished Citizen 2019**

*and Celebrating NAPS' 30th Year!*

# NAPS Fall Social 2019

## 2019 NAPS Social Committee and Volunteers

Janice Mahoney (Chair)	Martha Tallent
Gena McKinley	Lynton Land
Judy Lang	Janice Manyak
Sue Lindsey	Alice Imbur
Jeanne Stevens	Jay Walker

## Our Special Thanks and Appreciation to:

- NAPS Members – for the wonderful food
- Tom Jeffries of Awesome Oysters for the awesome oysters – visit [AwesomeOysters.com](http://AwesomeOysters.com) to get more
- The Chesapeake Bay Garden Club – for the marvelous decorations
- Bay Quarter Shores Community – for arranging for and allowing us to use this beautiful location

**Hosted by the NAPS Board of Directors**



# Angel List

We thank these NAPS members  
who contributed additional funds  
for the Fall Social:

Jane Towner  
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# IDA HALL – NORTHUMBERLAND DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN 2019

The Northumberland Association for Progressive Stewardship has selected Ida Hall to receive the 2019 Northumberland Distinguished Citizen Award.

Ida has been a career waterwoman in Northumberland County for 45 years and has been a strong advocate for environmental stewardship of the Chesapeake Bay and its watershed. Ida was a strong supporter of the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act when it was proposed in 1988 with the sponsorship of Northern Neck Delegate Tayloe Murphy. In 2002, she was the first woman from Virginia to be appointed to the bi-state Potomac River Fisheries Commission and has served several terms, including as chairwoman. She was also a member of the Virginia Blue Crab Industry Panel, an organization that worked to sustain the population and harvesting of the species.

Ida currently serves as secretary for the Virginia Waterman's Association. She participates in the Heritage Ecotourism program, taking others out to experience first-hand what watermen do and teaching students about Bay ecology in the classroom. She has also served on Congressman Rob Wittman's Environmental Advisory Panel since 2008. In 2009, Ida was asked to represent Northumberland County on the Tidewater Resource Conservation and Development Council, promoting prosperous and sustainable communities. She is also a long-standing member of NAPS and has served as secretary and as a



member of the board of directors.

In 2007, Ida spoke out against the environmental risks of a 288-unit cluster development plan in the Bluff Point area of Northumberland County, which was later voted down by the Board of Supervisors. From 2010-2013, Ida spearheaded efforts to educate the public about plans for another development project in the county, where 440 acres of the property were Zoned C-1 Conservation. Ida and NAPS deemed the higher densities and usages proposed inconsistent with any concept of conservation, and that the entire project would be severely affected by rising sea levels and damaging floods. Although the county Board of Supervisors approved the project early on, the developer decided not to go through with it, gifted a 37-acre parcel to James Madison University, and placed nearly all the remainder into a perpetual conservation easement.

In 2014, National Fisherman magazine, the country's largest publication for commercial fishing, named Ida Hall as a Highliner Award winner, recognizing commercial watermen who "display a passion for fishing and advocate for the sustainability of fish and fishermen."

Ida grew up in Danville, Virginia, but spent most summers and many vacations at her family's farm on the Chesapeake Bay in Northumberland County. She attended the College of William & Mary and graduated in 1972.

# NAPS' 30th year has been busy...

## ***Stewardship:***

- Conducted a big Creek Cleanup on the Great Wicomico River with 62 volunteers
- Conducted bi-annual Adopt-A-Highway cleanups (Join our Fall highway cleanup, Thursday, Nov. 7)
- Mentored student Community Problem Solvers as they continue to promote solar energy for county schools
- Sponsored an Eagle Scout project to replace a bridge on the schools' nature trail
- Maintained the Too-Good-to-Throw-Away Shed at the Horsehead transfer station
- Provided guidance to help homeowners and communities control *Phragmites* infestations and other shoreline issues

## ***Monitoring & Advocacy:***

- Promoted the use of renewable energy for homes, municipal buildings, businesses and vehicles
- Advocated for expansion of broadband internet
- Monitored and participated in meetings of the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, and advisory boards
- Advocated shoreline conservation landscaping (Bayscaping)
- Advocated against improper development on Chesapeake Bay Act riparian buffer land and conservation land

## ***Education:***

- Awarded scholarships to four college-bound seniors, and prepared students for the college interview process
- Sponsored student STEM programs, including solar labs and project-based learning tools
- Taught about resource conservation in county schools and other venues, and sponsored an expanding recycling program in the elementary school

## ***Outreach:***

- Presented a "Solar in Northumberland" informational program for the public
- Held NAPS 5th Annual Earth Day Festival featuring the "Pledge Tree," an all-electric car exhibit, and dozens of displays from area organizations.
- Participated in several community events, including the Strawberry Festival, Gardening in the Northern Neck Seminar, Farm & Field Day, RFM Cleanup Day, Boots & BBQ, National Night Out, and Farmers Markets
- Launched the "Don't throw it out, throw it IN" campaign to help stop roadside littering, featuring the "Duchess of Ditches" robe and crown.
- Continued other environmental awareness campaigns, promoting using reusable grocery bags and paper straws
- Published a quarterly newsletter and frequent posts on [www.NAPSva.org](http://www.NAPSva.org), and Facebook and Twitter posts @NAPSva.

## **You can be active in NAPS!**

- Talk with a NAPS board member about current projects
- Read the newsletters and news releases
- Visit the website: NAPSva.org, and follow @NAPSva on Facebook and Twitter
- Volunteer to help plant, clear, clean, teach, monitor, represent
- Maintain your membership – NAPS speaks for *you* in Northumberland County
- Encourage your neighbors and friends to join

### ***Remember –***

NAPS works to protect the beauty and quality of life that we love in Northumberland County.

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