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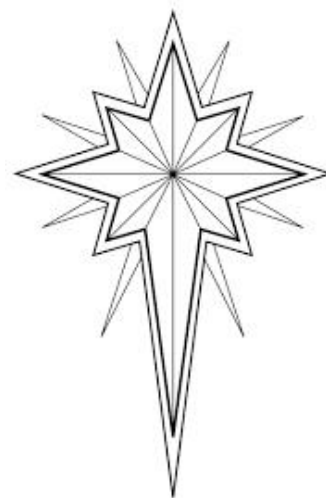
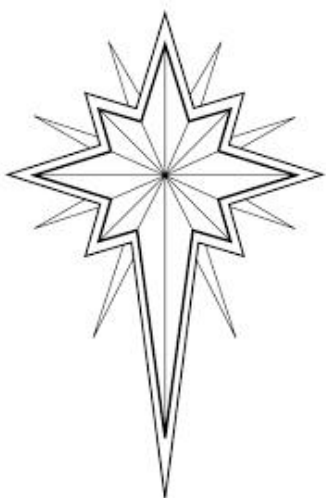
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## Commander's Comments

The mild autumn weather was a welcome surprise and allowed us to spend a little more time outside in the sunshine. For me, the summer seemed so short that it was good to have a few more days of pleasant weather to finish working around the house. I expect we soon will be shoveling the white stuff.

Last month I mentioned there was much to report from the recent District 6 Fall Conference. One of things I learned was that some District 6 squadrons have developed Strategic Plans for their local units. They may have followed suit from our National USPS organization that developed a similar plan in 2014. Simply put, the plan outlines the expectations and goals for the organization going forward. The three general goals outlined in the USPS National plan are "Marketing the Organization and Brand", "Membership" and "Financial Stability and Administration".

We are fortunate that our Squadron has a very active and steadfast core membership, but we continue to suffer the same slow loss of members as do many other squadrons. Some of our past loyal members are now scattered in the warmer south or elsewhere. Some of our loss is normal attrition and it's no revelation that most of us are seniors. Unfortunately, this situation has contributed to the difficulty we have attracting and keeping new and younger members.

At our next meeting, we will discuss the success that some squadrons have enjoyed with increased membership and I will go over the highlights of the Strategic Plans developed by a few of these squadrons. I will ask if you believe it is useful to consider developing a plan for Susquenago. Please try to attend our next meeting on 16 December at Brother's 2 in Endwell. I would appreciate hearing your thoughts, comments and ideas.

The Holiday season is a special time of year when we enjoy coming together to celebrate with our families and friends. We are so thankful for all the blessings we have enjoyed during the year, including those good times on the water with other folks sharing the experience. This is what our Squadron is all about; with a civic purpose we share our knowledge and experience, and especially the good times with our members and our community.

Please join us for our Holiday Party on 5 December at the Owego Treadway Inn.

Missy and I wish you all a joyous Holiday season and a wonderful New Year.

**Warmest Wishes,**

**Dave**

Cdr David Olds, AP



## Family Feud



### The Game



### The Families

There was a last minute change in plans at the Turkey Party. *Family Feud* was played instead of the *Fire-house Mystery*. Everyone had a good time and the turkey dinner was a taste treat.

### How Smart Are You?

A woman from New York married ten different men from that city, yet she did not break any laws. None of the men died, and she never divorced. How was this possible?

An electrician and a plumber were waiting in line for admission to a home show. One of them was the father of the others son. How could this be possible?

Answers in next issue (if you need them).

### Change of Watch

**Reserve this date—19 March 2016**

**More details to follow in later issues.**



### On the Horizon

#### Susquenango Events

5 December	Holiday Party
Cocktails 6:00 PM	Owego Treadway Inn
Dinner 7:00 PM	Owego, NY
16 December	Executive Meeting
7:00 PM	Brother's 2
	Endwell, NY
COW	19 March 2016



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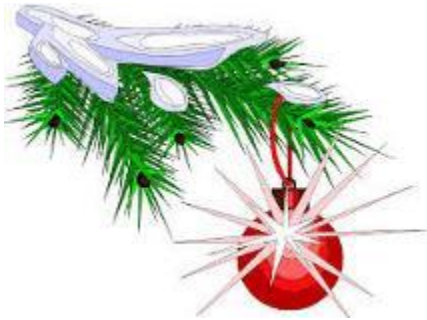
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