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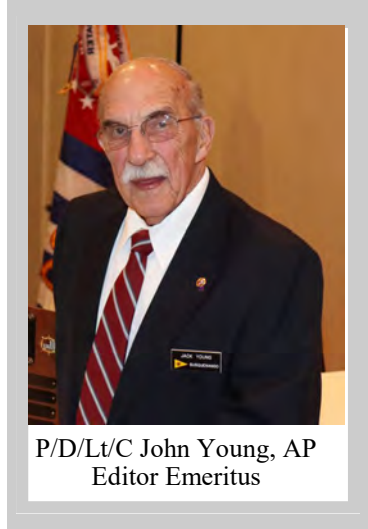
17 January 2023— Executive Meeting—Denny's 4024 Vestal Parkway East —6:00 PM
RSVP: Contact Lt/C Linda Rought, P @ 607-760-6388

17 February 2024—Change of Watch—Jonathans on Hooper Road—6:00 PM
Details to follow in the February of the SeaChest.



Joe Lennon 12.3.20 facebook.com/joepetelennon

WELL, THIS IS AWKWARD...



P/D/Lt/C John Young, AP
Editor Emeritus





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Commander's Comments

Happy New Year! My wish for you in 2024 is for good health, much happiness and calm waters!

Thanks to all who attended our Holiday Party and to Lt. Linda Rought, P for arranging the event. The food was delicious and the company enjoyable. Special thanks to our trivia expert extraordinaire, P/D/C Nancy Bieber, P, for challenging us with lots of good questions.

Our new Bylaws have been approved and accepted by the National Committee. Thanks to P/C Dave Olds AP and Lt. Jane Park for all their work on this endeavor.

The Nominating Committee, chaired by Lt/C Linda Rought P, has been preparing their report of the 2024-2025 Bridge and Executive Committee. A full slate of officers appears in this newsletter. I urge each of you, if you are contacted about joining a committee, please say YES! If you look at our roster, you will see there are several openings where you could step forward and help our squadron.

The ABC class will be starting on Monday, February 26th – Monday, March 25th, 2024 (7 – 9 p.m.) If you are interested in helping, please contact SEO Les Smith, JN. The Boat Handling class is scheduled for Monday, April 8th – May 20th, 2024 (7 – 9 p.m.). Both are located at the Johnson City High School. Public Relations Chair, Lt. Ann Smith, S, will have new flyers available soon so if you know a location where they can be posted, contact Ann.

I hope to see you at our 17 January meeting at Denny's on the Vestal Parkway and our Change of Watch on 17 February at Jonathan's in Endwell

And remember... **"Life's roughest storms prove the strength of our anchors".**

Commander Mary



Nominating Committee Report

23 December 2023

In accordance with the provisions of the Susquenango Sail & Power Squadron By-Laws, *Sections 5.5 & 6.8, and Article 11*, the Nominating Committee submits the following nominations for office for the 2024-2025 year:

Elected Executive Committee Members with voting privileges at all meetings

Squadron Bridge

Commander	Mary Kucharek, P
Executive Officer	David Olds, AP
Squadron Educational Officer	Leslie Smith, JN
Administrative Officer	Linda Rought, P
Treasurer	Nancy Bieber, P
Secretary	Christina Broderick

Members at Large

Michael Acciai, AP (Immediate P/C)
Margaret "Peg" Acciai, P
Ronald Bieber, S
Donna Gould
Robert Gould, AP
William Herrick, JN
Robert Kucharek, P- IN
Margaret Olds, S
Anna Smith, P

Elected Officers and Committees (not part of the Executive Committee with no voting privileges at Executive meetings)*

Asst. Squadron Education Officer	Bill Herrick, JN
Asst. Secretary	Margaret Acciai, P

Asst. Treasurer	Justin Park, SN
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Bylaws and Rules Committee:

David Olds, AP
Elizabeth "Jane" Park, S

Auditing Committee:

Carol Herz, S
Donna Gould

Nominating Committee 2023-2024: Chair

Linda Rought, P
Robert Kucharek, P-IN
John Parnica, P

Each nominee has been personally contacted, made aware of the duties of the office and has accepted the nomination for that office.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Rought

Chairman Nominating Committee

***All Squadron members may vote at General Membership Meetings**

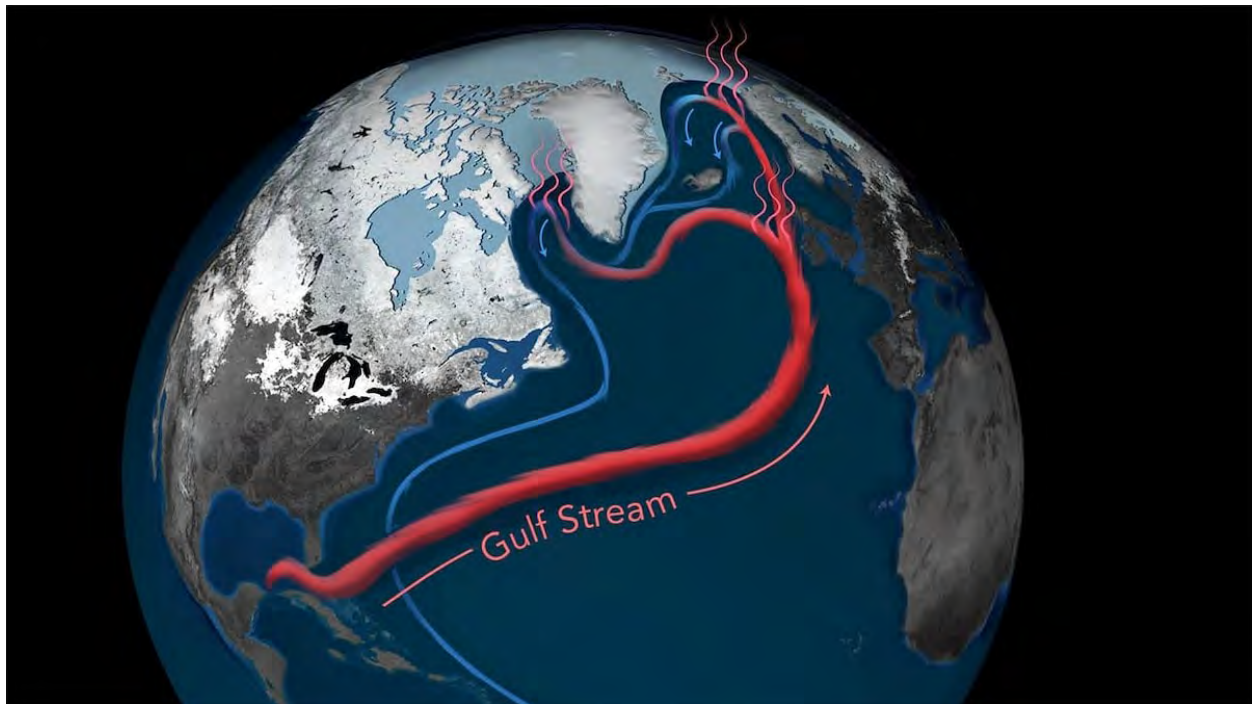
Susquenango's Holiday Christmas Party 2023





GULF STREAM WEAKENING CONFIRMED WITH 99% CERTAINTY IN NEW STUDY

By: Paige Bennett, Published: September 26, 2023, EcoWatch



The Gulf Stream carries warm water to the Labrador Sea and the Nordic Seas, where it releases heat to the atmosphere and warms Western Europe. The cooler, denser water sinks to great depths to propel currents around the world and eventually circulate water back up to the Gulf Stream. Illustration by Natalie Renier / Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

A new study confirms that the Gulf Stream, a strong current of warm water flowing from the Gulf of Mexico into the Atlantic Ocean, has slowed by 4% in the past 40 years. Further, the study authors came to this conclusion with “virtual certainty” greater than 99%, although the paper doesn’t confirm the cause of the weakening.

The Gulf Stream can [influence weather and climate](#), even impacting sea levels and hurricane activity. In addition to warm water, this major ocean current carries heat and carbon and has far-reaching impacts, even affecting temperature and rain in Europe, the study authors explained.

According to the study authors, who published their findings in the journal *Geophysical Research Letters*, scientists have spent years trying to determine whether there has been weakening in the Gulf Stream because of global warming.

Researchers analyzed data from observations, undersea cables and satellites gathered at the Florida Straits since 1982. The authors used Bayesian modeling to arrive at their conclusion. While the authors couldn’t confirm the reason for changes in the Gulf Stream, they noted that the slowing trend was only made evident in the past 10 years.

Chris Piecuch, lead author of the study and a physical oceanographer with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, compared Bayesian modeling to gathering independent witnesses in a court case.

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Gulf Stream continued:

“We brought all the witnesses to the stand that we could technically involve to bring all these data sets together,” Picuch explained in a statement. “Once we synthesized the testimony from all the different witnesses, they painted a very clear picture that, indeed, over the past 40 years the Gulf Stream has weakened by about 4%, which is significant. It’s more than you would expect if the current was stable; so, it’s an important change.”

The study is part of a six-year project that will measure changes in the Gulf Stream; however, the authors noted that more research will be needed to determine what is causing the weakening.

“The Gulf Stream is a vital artery of the ocean’s circulation, and so the ramifications of its weakening are global. I used to think of the ocean as our last remaining frontier, wild, pristine, and indomitable,” Lisa Beal, co-author of the study and professor of Ocean Sciences at the Rosenstiel School of Marine, Atmospheric, and Earth Science at the University of Miami, Florida, said in a statement. “It saddens me to acknowledge, from our study and so many others, and from recent record-breaking headlines, that even the remotest parts of the ocean are now in the grip of our addiction to fossil fuels.”

In July 2023, a separate study found that the Atlantic Meridional Overturning Circulation (AMOC), of which the Gulf Stream is a part, could collapse this century, between 2025 and 2095.

Holiday Recipes from: by land or by sea Cuisine of the United States Power Squadrons

HOT DAMN! CHERRIES

- 1 (10-ounce) jar
maraschino cherries,
drained**
- Hot cinnamon
schnapps**

Drain all juice from cherries. Refill jar with schnapps. Marinate cherries. Drain before serving. Great alone, in a drink or on ice cream.

Yield: about 30 cherries

**Creighton Maynard
Fort Worth Power Squadron
Texas**

Tangy Cheese Ball

- 2 (8-ounce) packages
shredded sharp Cheddar
cheese**
- 1 (8-ounce) package blue
cheese, room
temperature**
- 1 (8-ounce) package cream
cheese, softened**
- Juice of one lemon**
- 2 tablespoons sherry**
- 2 tablespoons
Worcestershire sauce**
- 1 medium onion, minced**
- Salt and sugar to taste
(optional)**
- Assorted crackers**

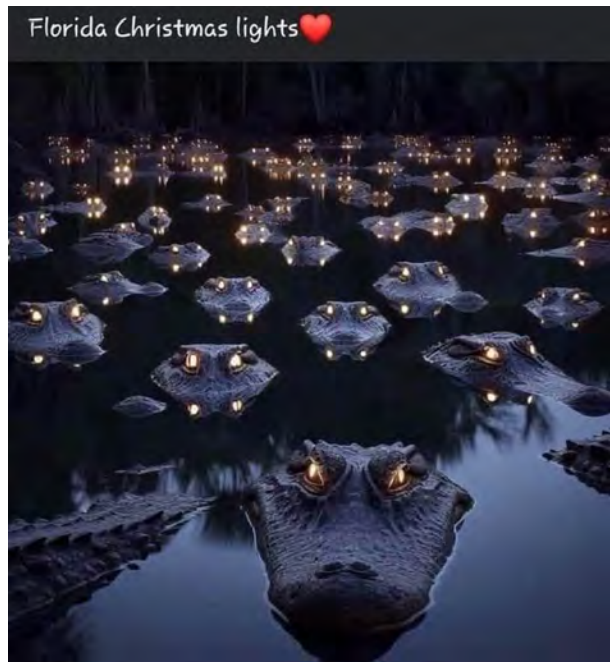
Combine Cheddar cheese, blue cheese, cream cheese, juice, sherry, Worcestershire sauce, onion, salt and sugar in a food processor. Process until well blended and smooth. Shape mixture into a ball and refrigerate. Serve with crackers.

Yield: 6 to 8 servings

Keith Williams • Wabash Valley Power Squadron • Indiana



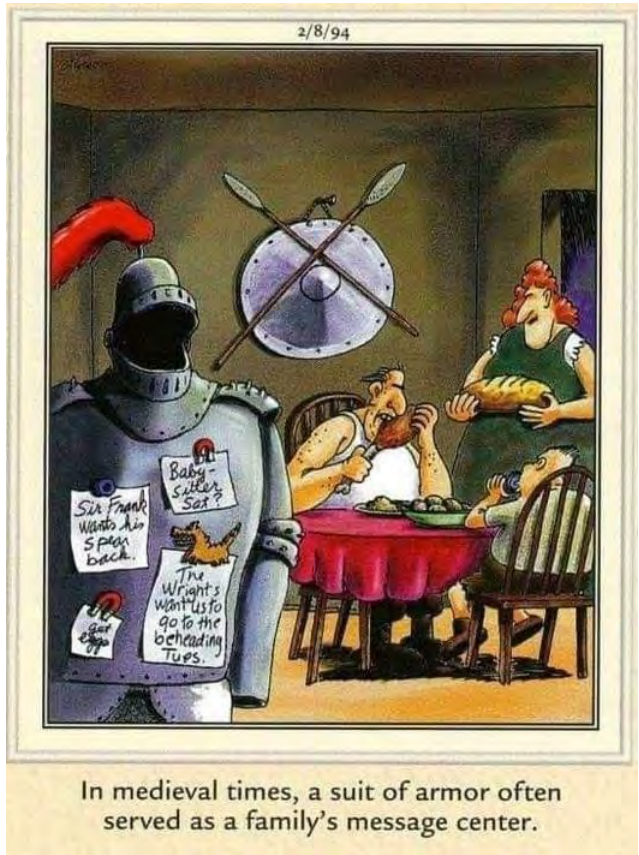
WHEN YOU OPEN A BOTTLE OF WINE AND SOMEONE SUGGESTS YOU "SAVE THE CORK IN CASE YOU DON'T FINISH IT ALL"



This joke panes me.



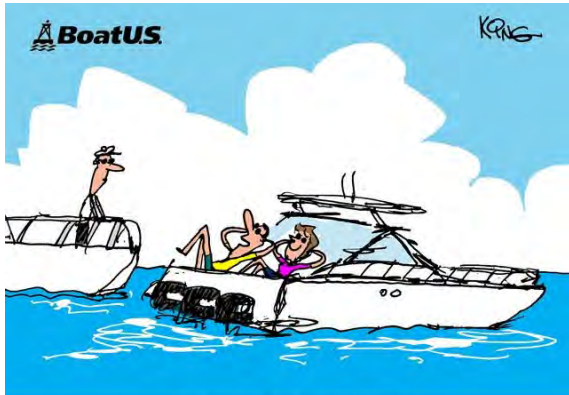
Insurance companies are warning campers if your tent is stolen during the night you won't be covered



In medieval times, a suit of armor often served as a family's message center.



"My husband will be home at any moment—quick, take the accordion!"



"No, we're not stranded. We're taking a vacation from reality."



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