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Thank You P/D/Lt/C John Young AP Our SeaChest Editor Emeritus

Jack has been the editor and publisher of the SeaChest for the last twenty years. Due to other obligations he is moving away from his active role as editor and publisher. As editor he always maintained most current USPS branding standards and the high quality expected of a Squadron publication. He took his obligation as editor very seriously and kept the SeaChest as vibrant, colorful and informative as possible. As Editor Emeritus we will not let him completely off the hook and look forward to his continued input while we strive to keep the SeaChest a valuable source of information and entertainment to our Susquenago members.

P/C Michael Acciai, AP and Lt/C Peg Acciai, S
SeaChest Co-Editors



Congratulations to P/D/C William Herrick JN on 25 years of membership and service to the America's Boating Club Susquenago Chapter and to District 6.





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Commander's Comments

What an amazing summer we had – both good and not so good! The weather certainly made for great boating, but COVID 19 made getting together difficult. Now it's almost time to pull our boats and ready them for winter. As you may have noticed, our newsletter has new editors – P/C Mike and Lt. Peg Acciai have graciously accepted the position. Thanks Mike & Peg! Due to other responsibilities, P/C Jack Young has stepped away from this role which he has had for 20 years! Thank you Jack, for an amazing job! I know you always kept me on my toes!

It was so great to see many Susquenago friends at our September recognition picnic and meeting at Grippen Park. Of course masks were worn and social distancing was practiced. Special thanks to Past Commanders Mike Acciai and Dave Olds for doing a great job shopping and cooking our meats. And thanks to all the good cooks who shared their special dishes with us. At that meeting, I was honored to present P/D/C Bill Herrick with his 25 year member pin. Congratulations, Bill and thanks for being such a dedicated Susquenago member.

Take note of our October meeting details in this issue. Lt. Linda Rought has been coordinating this event at the Kirkwood Elks. Again, masks and social distancing will be observed.

Don't forget our annual fund raiser – Boscov's Friends Helping Friends. Due to COVID, this year is a little different ... instead of having a shopping pass, you simply mention Susquenago Sail & Power Squadron when you check out at the register or online. It will run for 2 days – 14 & 15 October – so even more time to shop. You will receive 20% off most purchases and our squadron will get 5% of all sales. This effort helps to raise money for our educational programs.

Stay safe and stay well. I hope to see many of you at all of our events, and remember.....-

"America's Boating Club... is YOUR Boating Club".

Commander Mary Kucharek, S

Welcome New Members

Cris & Frank Broderick
Diana & Jerry Lenzo





Susquenago October Happenings



Boscov's Friends Helping Friends

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21 October 2020 General Membership Meeting Kirkwood Elks Club

6 PM Pizza & Wings Dinner

Call Lt/C Linda Rought at (607) 760-3506 by October 13 to make reservations
Price per person: \$14.00

GREEN WINTERIZING TIPS

From Boat US

Use less toxic propylene glycol anti-freeze. If practical capture any anti-freeze in a bucket when flushing to prevent overboard discharges.

When performing engine work, place an oil-only absorbent pad under the area to catch drips or small spills. Use small containers of oil and other hazardous cleaners; small containers mean smaller spills. Keep containers near the center of the boat to minimize the chance of an overboard spill.

Temporarily plug all scuppers and drains and disable your bilge pump while performing maintenance. (Be sure to turn the bilge pump back on when finished.)

Look for used oil and antifreeze recycling at your marina and dispose of hazardous wastes properly.

Visit earth911.org to learn about local waste disposal.



On the Horizon Susquenago Events

18 November
6 PM
7 PM Meeting

Executive Committee Meeting
Thanksgiving Holiday Dinner
Kirkwood Elks Club

13-15 November

District Events
D/6 Fall Council &
Conference
Corning, NY

Please see page 7 for more information on this event.

Boating Memory Aids & Rhymes

Submitted by SEO Les Smith JN and PRO Anna Smith S

Here is a list of important terms to remember. To help, there are some memory aids and rhymes (known as mnemonics /ne'maniks/).

General Boat Parts

Port – the left side of the boat when facing forward. Remember that both “port” and “left” have four letters.

Starboard – The right side of the boat when facing forward. (The opposite of port.)

Forward – The direction towards the front of the boat.

Aft – The direction towards the back of the boat.

Bow – The front end of the boat, typically the pointy end.

Stern – The back end of the boat, typically the blunt end.

Life Jackets and Buoyancy Aids (Personal Flotation Devices “PFD”s)

Type I – Off Shore – designed to turn an unconscious person face up in the water.

Type II – Near Shore – for general boating activities – will roll most wearers face-up

Type III – Buoyancy Aid – for general boating or specialized activity (ie. Water skiing)

Type IV - Throw-able Buoyancy – buoyant cushions, ring or horseshoe buoys

Type V – Special Use Device – slim design, cartridge or manual inflation

Fire Extinguishers

A – fires that result in ASH (ie. Paper or other combustible materials)

B – fires that result in BOIL (ie. Liquid or chemical)

C – fires that result in CURRENT (ie. Electrical fires)

Using a Fire Extinguisher

P.A.S.S. – Pull the safety pin, Aim at the base of the fire, Squeeze the handle and Sweep from side to side at the base of the fire.

Navigation

Red, right, returning – this is a reminder to keep red lateral buoys on the vessel’s starboard (right) side when returning from the sea in the U.S. and North America.

Even red nuns are right when returning from sea – this mnemonic expounds on the red, right, returning phrase by helping you to remember that red lateral buoys are even numbered and the shape is cone shaped (like the nun buoy).

Green buoys are odd numbered cans or square shapes. They will be on the left when returning from sea.

Sound Signals

1 short horn blast – I intend to pass you on my port side.

2 short horn blasts – I intend to pass you on my starboard side.

3 short horn blasts – I am operating astern (going backwards).

1 long horn blast – I am departing from a dock, pier, mooring or I am approaching a bend in the channel or obstruction.

5 short horn blasts – DANGER – I do not agree with your above blast(s).

Running Lights

The bow lights are red and green. The red light is on the port (left) side and the green on the starboard (right) side. You can remember that the port light is red because port wine is red.

The stern light is white.

To recognize the type of boat you are seeing by the running lights, use the following:

Red over white, fishing boat lights

Green over white, trawling tonight

Two whites in a row, is a tug and a tow

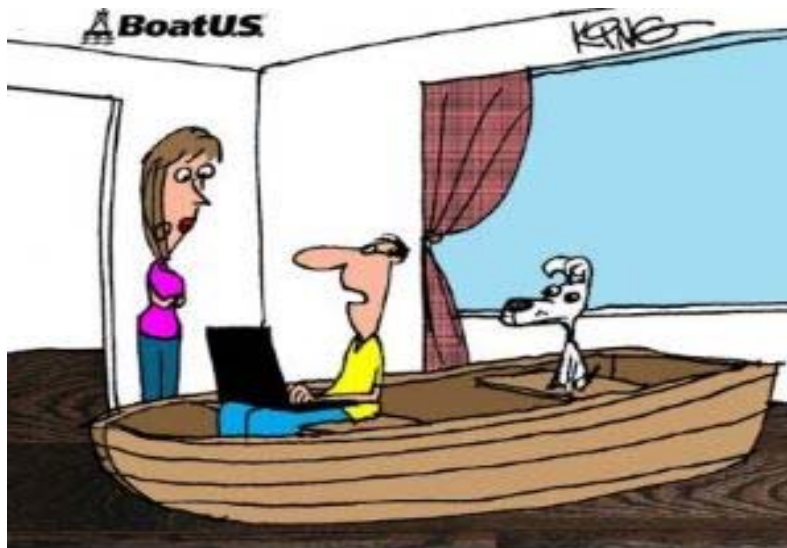
Weather

Red sky at night, Sailor's delight.

Red sky at morning, Sailors take warning.

When the wind is at your back, the low (pressure system) is on your left.

(Note: A formula for finding the center of a weather system in the Northern Hemisphere.)



"I'm taking an online boating class. I thought it would help me if I were actually in a boat."

SSPS-Education Recognition and Merit Mark Picnic



D/6 Fall Conference update from Conference Chair: D/Lt Bridgett Arieno, JN

Hi All ... D/6 will have a face-to-face District Fall Conference in November 2020 at the Radisson Hotel in Corning, NY.

First, COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols

The Radisson Hotel has implemented COVID-19 safety protocols for employees and guests. We also have plans to keep you safe, such as changing to a served lunch rather than a buffet and allowing for social distancing during the conference meetings and meals. We have also cancelled the Hospitality Room.

Please wear a mask at all times in common areas of the hotel and during the meeting, except during meals.

The Corning Museum of Glass has implemented strict guidelines for your visit to maintain your health and safety. Advance purchase of tickets for a timed visit are required.

The entire conference plan, details and registration form have been sent to your Squadron Commander. Please obtain the 6-page document from your CDR.

DATES: Conference November 13 - 15, 2020; RESERVATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 23, 2020

Location: The Radisson Hotel Corning, 125 Denison Parkway East, Corning, NY 14830

Host Squadron: America's Boating Club – Finger Lakes Chapter led by Jim McGinnis

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