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# SeaChest



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## Last Issue for the Summer



The Staff of the SeaChest wishes all the Squadron members a safe and enjoyable summer season with warm days, cool nights and calm waters.  
Remember to send us some of you're memorable pictures.

## **SUSQUENANGO SAIL & POWER SQUADRON SUMMER RENDEZVOUS 3-5 AUGUST 2018 THOUSAND ISLANDS TRAILER PARK 40861 STATE ROUTE 12, CLAYTON, NY**



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**19 September 2018**

**General Membership Meeting (Everyone is Invited)  
and  
Pizza and Wings**

**Jonathan's  
Hooper Road  
Endwell, NY**

**Food 6:00 PM      Meeting 7:00 PM  
Pizza, Wings, Salad, Soda and Coffee    \$12.00 Including tax and tip**





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## Commander's Column

Well, the best laid plans of mice and men often go astray and that was the case for our June meeting. We made a lot of plans, designed and purchased new "America's Boating Club" banners, had a battery powered sound system and music stand podium and our flags on hand all to give a very professional and organized look for our guest speaker. Unfortunately, our Assembly Woman, Donna Lupardo could not attend the meeting as the Assembly stayed in session this week and she had to stay in Albany. But, the main purpose of this meeting was to honor our members for their educational achievements and attainment of a merit mark for the year and we did just that. Therefore I would like to congratulate everyone who took taught or proctored a USPS course, and all who received a merit mark by working and putting in their time to fill our Squadron Bridge and the Committee positions that make our Squadron a successful organization. I would also like to thank everyone who helped make our picnic a success: P/C Dave Olds, AP, for shopping, manning the grill and bringing the sound system. Lt Missy Olds, S, and Lt/C Mary Kucharek, P, for setting up the tables and Lt Bob Kucharek, P, for helping Dave put up the banner and sound system.

Plans for our "Rendezvous on the River" have been completed and all members should have received their information packet via e-mail. Please fill out the registration form and return it to our Rendezvous Committee Chairperson Nancy Bieber, at [nancybieber@twc.com](mailto:nancybieber@twc.com) by 27 July. There are two nice dinners planned, a Bumper Boat ride event slated for Saturday morning and a tour of Singer Castle Saturday afternoon. This should be a fun filled weekend and I want to thank Nancy for setting up and planning our weekend event.

This is our last meeting until September so I want to wish everyone a wonderful summer season, lots of safe boating and water activities and time with family and friends. Please join us for our Rendezvous on the River, 3-5 August to catch up on all the Squadron news and happenings. Then I'll see everyone again 19 September at Jonathan's for Pizza and Wings.

Safe boating through education is why USPS and our Squadron exist. One of the reasons Assembly Woman Lupardo stayed in Albany was to vote on *Brianna's Law*.

"*Brianna's Law* says that everyone, regardless of age or length of time they have owned a boat, must complete a state-approved boating course, covering rules of the road, boat handling, navigation and basic safety. There are 450,000 registered powerboats in New York State; officials estimate that about one-third of their owners have taken a boating safety course. So far, Brianna's Law has only passed the State Assembly. It did not pass a Senate vote. It probably will not be brought up again this session." *By Peter Janssen · On June 21, 2018, Spectrum News.*

Should this bill pass the Senate and be signed into law, our Squadron will have to be ready to hold more ABC classes and certify and recruit more instructors and proctors. I believe we are up to the challenge.

Until we meet again — God Bless

Commander Mike



## Getting to know your Bridge Officers

### Peg Acciai, S, - Squadron Secretary

My name is Peg Acciai. I am the current secretary for the Susquehanna Sail & Power Squadron and have been a member of USPS and the Squadron since 2005. I joined after taking a boating safety course that helped me become a more informed and competent boater and boat owner. This is my second time serving as squadron secretary and I have also served as treasurer.

The squadron secretary is a member of the Executive Committee and a member of the Squadron Bridge. The secretary attends Squadron Meetings, Executive Committee Meetings and bridge meetings and takes detailed notes converting them into the minutes for the meeting. The minutes are the official record of the business conducted at the meetings and also serve to keep members informed about Squadron business when they are unable to attend the meeting. The meeting minutes are located on our Squadron web page and should be read by all members to keep informed of Squadron business.

Serving as secretary has given me the opportunity to learn more about what the USPS organization and its Squadrons contribute to boating safety education, issues related to recreational boating, and my favorite topic, the history related to our lakes, rivers, canals and coastal areas.

**Submitted by Peg Acciai, S**

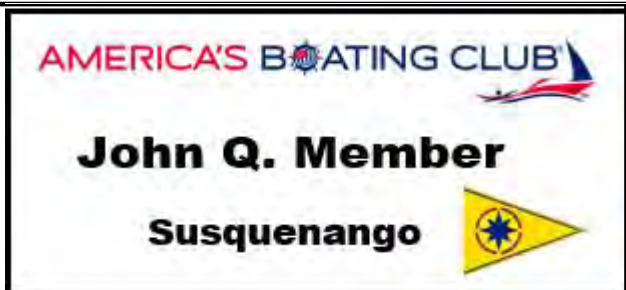
## Les and Anna Smith manning the Squadron Safe Boating Table at Dicks Sporting Goods



**Please note the location of the table is in the boating and boating accessory section of the store. Great job Les and Anna.**

## Our New Name Tags

This is the new name tag that has been selected for our Squadron members. Lt Carol Herz, S, will order the tags and needs to have the exact spelling of the name you want on the tag, and the size and the type of fastener. Please contact Carol at [cjsheerz43@gmail.com](mailto:cjsheerz43@gmail.com) or call her at 607-722-2739 or 607-222-7144.



2018 Name Tag Pricing				
Fastener Types				
Tag Sizes	Pin Back	Ribbon Bar	Standard Magnet	Power Magnet
1" x 3"-3-1/4"	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$8.00	\$9.50
1-1/4" x 3"-3-1/4"	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$8.50	\$10.00
1-1/2" x 3"-3-1/4"	\$8.00	\$8.00	\$9.50	\$12.50





**SUSQUENANGO SAIL & POWER SQUADRON  
SUMMER RENDEZVOUS 3-5 AUGUST 2018  
THOUSAND ISLANDS TRAILER PARK**

**ACTIVITIES & EVENTS:**

For Full Info, Reservation Form  
& Map - Click on this link: <http://susquenango.org/files/susq-rend-2018-pac.pdf>

**FRIDAY, 3 AUGUST:**

5:00 PM – 8:00 PM ...

Registration at Bieber Camp Lot #29 (see map) and pick-up pre-paid tickets for Saturday.

Singer Castle Cruise

Spaghetti and Meatball dinner including salad, bread, wine, soda & dessert.

Cost \$10.00 each

(Optional, Weather Permitting) 8:00 PM until .... Camp Fire at 'Bieber's' in the park (all welcome)

**SATURDAY, 4 AUGUST:**

11:00 AM – Meet at *Bumper Boats* – for a new adventure in boating as we race around the pool in electric powered boats.

12:00 PM - Lunch at the Alexandria Bay Pavilion overlooking the St. Lawrence River, consisting of ½ sub sandwich, chips, soda & bottled water. There will be time to shop, enjoy the riverside and socialize before we once again convene at Uncle Sam's Boat Tour.

Cost is \$6.00 each for lunch and \$8.00 to drive the Bumper Boats or \$4.00 to be a passenger, per ride.

1:30 PM (Sharp) Uncle Sam's Boat Tour to Singer Castle and back. At Singer Castle on Dark Island you will live your own historical adventure & discover Secret Passageways, a Dungeon, an Underground Tunnel, Sliding Bookcases, and much, much more on your guided tour.

Cost is \$38.00 which includes your boat tour and entrance to Singer Castle.

6:30 PM PRIME RIB Buffet at Edgewood Resort in Alex Bay.

Your buffet dinner consists of the following items:

Soup and/or salad

Prime Rib of Beef au jus

Beaf Tips

Roasted Turkey

Garlic Pizza

Peel & Eat Shrimp

Pasta & Meatballs

Potatoes

Vegetable Blend

Dessert

Cost is \$30.00 each which includes meals and gratuity.

**SUNDAY, 27 AUGUST:**

9:00 AM - Breakfast at Kountry Kottage Restaurant – 43641 New York Rt 12, Alex Bay, NY  
Order from Menu (Pay your own, Tax Exempt)

***End of 2018 Susquenango Rendezvous activities***

Nearby Accommodations: PJ's Motel (315) 686-9886 - Bassett's Motel (315) 285-5161  
Bridgeview Motel (315) 482-4906

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SUMMER RENDEZVOUS 3-5 AUGUST 2018  
THOUSAND ISLANDS TRAILER PARK  
40861 STATE ROUTE 12, CLAYTON, NY**

**Reservation Form**

**Please Submit by 27 July 2018**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Squadron \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

To download form, click on this link:

<http://susquenango.org/files/Susq-Rend-2018-Res-Form.pdf>

Fill out the responding reservation form, save it and e-mail it to Nancy Bieber at:

[nancybieber@twc.com](mailto:nancybieber@twc.com)

by 27 July 2018.

For reservations and planning, we need to know how many will be attending each event even though you are paying for your own meal, etc.

The events in Red below are reserved and paid in advance and owed to: Susquenango Sail & Power Squadron.

**FRIDAY, 3 AUGUST:**

**5:00 PM – 8:00 PM ...**

Registration at Bieber Camp Lot #29 (see map) and pick-up pre-paid tickets for Saturday Singer Castle Cruise on Uncle Sam's Boat Tour.

**Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner including salad, bread, wine, soda and dessert.**

**Cost \$10.00 ea.**

**#Attending \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

(Optional, Weather Permitting) 8:30 PM until .... Camp Fire in the park (all welcome)

**SATURDAY, 4 AUGUST: Bumper Boats**

**11:00 AM – Meet at River Golf Adventures, the River's newest attraction. Pilot an electric powered boat as we race around the pool. Water guns included (but no head shots). You may get wet but you will not be soaked. This is a whole new adventure in boating.**

**Driver is \$8.00 and passenger is \$4.00 ea ride. Weight limit per boat is 450 lbs.**

**# Rides \_\_\_\_\_ # Drivers \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**  
**# Rides \_\_\_\_\_ # Passenger \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**12:00 PM – 1:15 PM**

**Lunch at Alexandria Bay Pavilion overlooking the St. Lawrence River**

A lunch consisting of ½ sub sandwich, chips, soda and bottled water will be provided.

**Cost is \$6.00 ea.**

**# Attending \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**1:30 PM (sharp) Uncle Sam's Boat Ride and Singer Castle Tour**

For approx. 3 1/2 hours you will cruise through some of the most romantic channels in the 1000 Islands, stopping to live your own historical adventure at Singer Castle on Dark Island. There you will discover Secret Passageways, a Dungeon, an Underground Tunnel, Sliding bookcases and much, much more before cruising back to Alexandria Bay.

**Cost is \$38.00 ea which includes cruise and guided Tour of Singer Castle**

**#Attending \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**6:30 PM PRIME RIB Buffet at Edgewood Resort 22467 Edgewood Rd, Alex Bay**

**Cost is \$30.00 ea including gratuity**

**#Attending \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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**9:30 AM - Breakfast at Kountry Kottage Restaurant, 43641 NYS Rt 12 Alex Bay - Order from menu on your own. Meal will be tax exempt.**

**#Attending \_\_\_\_\_**

**Payable to: Susquenango Sail & Power Squadron**

**Total owed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

## Marine VHF Channels Available for Recreational Marine Use

16	Distress – safety and calling channel monitored by the Coast guard
06	Safety boat to boat
09	boat to boat and boat to coast and alternative calling channel
13	Locks and bridges – limited to 1 watt transmit
22A	US Coast Guard to relay marine information
68	Boat to boat and boat to coast
69	Boat to boat and boat to coast
70 70	Digital selective calling only
71	Boat to boat and boat to coast
72	Boat to boat
78	Boat to boat and boat to coast

Channels 9 and 16 are used for “hailing” (calling another vessel) only. Once you have contacted a vessel, you should move your conversation to a “working channel”. That is, one designated as non-commercial” such as 68, 69, 71, 72 or 78.

Note: Handheld marine VHF radios are not to be used for transmitting from land.

### NOAA Weather Frequencies:

Syracuse WX1	162.550
Elmira WX2	162.400
Binghamton WX3	162.475
Ithaca WX6	162.500

Also, in the Binghamton area on AM Radio 1640

Submitted by Robert Kucharek, P, Radio Technical Chair

### Looking to Purchase

I'm looking to purchase a good used winch to pull a small (16 ft., approximately 700 lb.) pontoon boat out of the water onto wooden skids on the shore. The shore is somewhat elevated.

Prefer a cable type winch, but a strap could work.

Jack Young, 607/729-4205



### On the Horizon Susquenango Events

03-05 August

Susquenango Rendezvous  
Bieber Camp  
Thousand Island Trailer Park  
State Route 12  
Clayton, NY

19 September  
6:00 PM Dinner  
7:00 PM Meeting

General Membership Meeting  
and Pizza & Wings Dinner  
Jonathan's  
Endwell, NY

#### District Events

01-03 August

District/6 Rendezvous  
Clayton Yacht Club



**AKZO Nobel Coatings**  
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3104 Ash Road  
Vestal, N.Y. 13850  
(607) 798-9343





## Education Recognition and Merit Mark Appreciation Picnic at Grippen Park



### Friends Helping Friends

Again this year, our Squadron will be participating in the **Boscov's Department Store "Friends Helping Friends" Day on Tuesday, October 16 at the Binghamton store (13-23 Court St.).** Our organization will sell 25% discount passes at \$5 each that are good for purchases made on that date. In addition, shoppers will be eligible to win fabulous *register to win prizes* including shopping sprees and more!

The best part is Susquenango keeps the entire \$5 from every shopping pass sold. What a great way to help our squadron and save money for yourself!

If you would like to purchase a pass or are interested in selling passes, please contact Mary Kucharek 607-722-5136 or [marykuch47@gmail.com](mailto:marykuch47@gmail.com). Passes will be available at our June picnic and September meeting. Just think if every one of our members sold just one pass the squadron would make over \$300. What an easy way to keep us afloat

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