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**SKOKIE VALLEY SAIL  
AND POWER SQUADRON**

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**DISTRICT 20**

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**Membership Newsletter - Volume 23 Issue 2**

# Running Lights

## February 2023



**FEBRUARY MEMBER MEETING  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH  
AT 2:00 PM**

**PALM COURT RESTAURANT  
1912 N ARLINGTON HEIGHTS RD  
ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, IL**





**A MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMANDER**

We are about half way through winter and enjoying the relatively above average temperatures. Although now the snow has arrived and seems like it will stick around with the cold forecast in the upcoming weeks.

Our January dinner meeting was a lot of fun. We had very good attendance. We had a private room at Gusto Italian Restaurant. The food was excellent. It was great to see everyone. We had a brief meeting. P/C Ron Zingler went over our upcoming events. P/C Frank D’Amico filled us in on the upcoming Winterfest in Lake Geneva.

Winterfest is a unique event where artists display their talent using snow as their canvas. Their works are truly amazing. This is a fun event and you can participate by voting for your favorite sculpture. We are meeting at the Starbucks at 9:30 am on February 4th. There will be lunch at Popeye’s around 1:00 pm.

At the meeting, D/C Richard Davidson spoke on the upcoming District Change of Watch. He will let us know what the theme is and give us more details at our February 1<sup>ST</sup> Executive Committee meeting. The District COW will be on March 24th and 25<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn in Elgin. Look for the District 20 Trident Extra from Pat Antoni in the near future for details. We hope to see you there.

February’s dinner meeting will be at the Palm Court Restaurant in Arlington Heights on February 18<sup>th</sup>. We will order from the menu and have separate checks. Try to join us for another great meal.

SVPS Change of Watch will be held at Dover Straits in Mundelein on April 16th. Our host P/C Frank D’Amico has a fun afternoon planned. I am looking forward to working with our new Commander in the upcoming 2023/2024 season.

Please keep an eye on Running Lights for all the upcoming events. Our Bridge does a great job scheduling events so we all can enjoy the comradery of our members and friends. I am looking forward to seeing you at Winterfest in Lake Geneva February 4<sup>th</sup>. Stay warm!



**America’s Boating Club North Shore 2022-2023 Bridge**

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—Cdr. Tony Palazzo, AP





# Mark Your Calendar



## February 2023

1	Wed	Executive Board/Bridge Meeting, 1900	Zoom meeting, below
4	Sat	Winterfest Snow Sculpting Competition	Lake Geneva, below
15	Wed	Publication Deadline—Running Lights	Karen D'Amico (224-238-7372)
18	Sat	February Dinner Meeting	Palm Court, Arlington Heights, pg 6
20-26	Mon-Sun	2023 ABClub Annual Meeting	Orlando Florida, pg 6

## March 2023

1	Wed	Executive Board/Bridge Meeting, 1900	Zoom meeting, below
15	Wed	Publication Deadline—Running Lights	Karen D'Amico (224-238-7372)
24-25	Fri-Sat	D20 Spring Conference	Holiday Inn Elgin

# WINTERFEST

LAKE GENEVA

## FEBRUARY 4, 2023

Mark your calendar to join us for the **28th Annual Lake Geneva Winterfest** February 1-5, 2023. We are planning a visit to Lake Geneva, WI on Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup> to view the **Snow Sculpture Championships**.

Voting for the snow sculptures will be from 9:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>. We are planning to meet in Lake Geneva at **Starbucks at 685 W. Main Street at 9:30am**. After grabbing a hot beverage, we'll head down to **Flat Iron Park and Riviera Plaza** to view and vote on the snow sculptures. If one wishes to cast a vote, there are 2 ways to do so.

1. Online – log onto WinterfestLG.com and click on "Vote Here" button.
2. On-site – submit your ballot in person at The Riviera Ballroom (812 Wrigley Drive).

We will also be going into the downtown area to view the various ice sculptures on display. After a morning of walking, viewing, voting and maybe some shopping, we are planning on lunch at **Popeye's at 811 Wrigley Drive**. We will meet there **around 1:00pm** for a bite to eat. The menu can be viewed at <https://www.popeyeslkg.com/menu>. Afterward activities will depend on what the group wishes to do. The winner of the Peoples Choice Award will be announced at 5pm for those who want to stay.

**RSVP to Frank D'Amico at 224-238-7372 by January 28th** if you are planning to attend. For more information about the event, parking, free shuttles and hotels in the area, go to the Winterfest website. <https://www.visitlakegeneva.com/winterfest/> There are many options for parking, including two free lots and metered parking locations. Metered parking increased to \$4 per hour for the event. Here is a parking map: [Document \(2015x1639\) \(civicplus.com\)](#)

# Team North Shore

**January Executive Committee Meeting: Wed Jan 4th at 7:00 pm Central**  
**Zoom Meeting ID: 886 8635 3567, Passcode: 494049**  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88686353567?pwd=Wng0dHhhWWVXY0R6QytVUU8rUTE3dz09>

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# January Dinner Meeting

Gail Sidman, Sue Palazzo, Deb Adam, Sue Anthony, Tony Palazzo



Kathy & Keith Parker, Joanne Zingler, Karen & Frank D'Amico



Tony & Sue Palazzo



Ron & Joanne Zingler



Rich Davidson, Don Sidman, Rich Barta



Bonni Green with friends Lucia & Keven Wilberding



Kathy & Keith Parker, Joanne Zingler



Deb & Ray Adam



Jim Soyka & Ron Zingler



Sue Anthony, Tony Palazzo & Dave Anthony



Joe Paldo & Frank D'Amico





# SVPS 2023 Event & Cruising Schedule



When	Event	Location	Host
February 4th Saturday	Lake Geneva Snow Sculpture Competition	Lake Geneva, WI	Dave Anthony & Frank D'Amico
February 18th Saturday	Dinner Meeting	Palm Court, Arlington Heights	Ron Zingler
February 20-26	ABClub Annual Meeting	Rosen Plaza, Orlando FL	National Meeting
March 24-25 Friday-Saturday	District 20 Spring Conference & Change of Watch	Holiday Inn, Elgin	District 20
April 16th Sunday	SVPS Change of Watch	Dover Straits, Mundelein	Frank D'Amico
April 22nd Saturday	America's Boating Course (open to public)	Lake Villa Metra Station 126 Railroad Ave, Lake Villa	Jim Soyka
May 20th Saturday	Dinner Meeting	Illinois Beach, Zion	Ron Zingler
June 10th Saturday	Lake Michigan Fishing	North Point Marina	Dave Anthony
June 10th Saturday	Sundowner	North Point Marina	Tony Palazzo, Dave and Sue Anthony
June 22-24 June 29-July 1 July 6-8	Summerfest	Milwaukee, WI	
July 18-24	Lake Michigan Summer Cruise	Port Washington + Milwaukee Air & Water Show	Ron Zingler and Tony Palazzo
July 22-23	Milwaukee Air and Water	McKinley Harbor	
August 19 or 20th	Sundowner	Shanty or Stage Stop	Ron Zingler
August	D20 Cruise & Rendezvous	TBA	District 20
Aug 28-Sept 4	ABClub Governing Board	Kansas City	National Meeting
September 16th Saturday	Dinner Meeting	Reflections, Lake Villa	Ron Zingler and Joe Paldo
October 14th Saturday	Lake Geneva Boat Cruise Tour	Lake Geneva, WI	Frank D'Amico
November 4th Saturday	Anniversary Dinner	TBA	Ron Zingler
December 10th Sunday	Commanders Holiday Party	Hoffman Estates	Commander





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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH  
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Palm Court is a traditional chophouse that has been a long time favorite. Joanne and I have been here recently and the Prime Rib is their specialty. After tasting the small portion, it is the best prime rib I have had in a long time paired with an old-fashioned cocktail.

We will order from the menu with separate checks.  
Come out and celebrate with your valentine.



RSVP by February 14th

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ABClub Annual Meeting - Rosen Plaza, Orlando FL  
<https://www.usps.org/php/reservations>

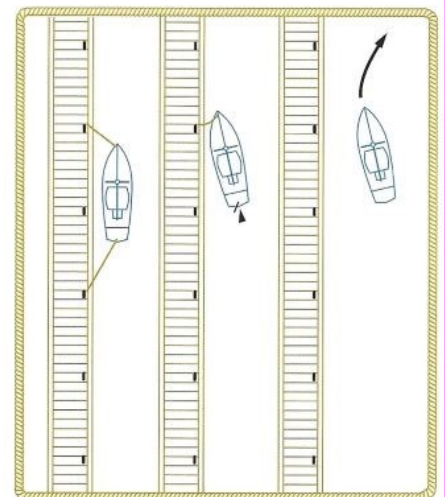


**February Anniversaries**

Barbara O'Connell	1980	20 yrs
Dixie Widner	1983	41 yrs

Congratulations on reaching another milestone with the squadron. We appreciate your support!  
**Cdr Tony Palazzo, AP**

**CAPTAIN AHAB'S QUIZ**



The unberthing procedure shown above would be proper with the wind and current coming from: ahead, the starboard beam, or behind?

(see answer on back page)

Tom Clark, AP, Contributing Editor  
Courtesy of Perchant Publishing



# Skokie Valley Sail & Power Squadron 2023 - 2024 Slate of Officers & Committees

## Executive Committee

Commander	Frank D'Amico, AP
Executive Officer	Tony Palazzo, AP
Education Officer	Chuck Burger, SN
Asst. Education Officer	Joe Paldo, SN
Administrative Officer	Ron Zingler, AP-IN
Secretary	Karen D'Amico, AP
Treasurer	Sue Anthony, P
Immediate Past Cdr	Tony Palazzo, AP
Elected Member	David Anthony, P
Elected Member	Gail Sidman, S
Elected Member	Ray Adam

## Rules Committee

Pat Antoni, SN (Chair)  
William Bellinger, SN  
Dennis McNamara, JN  
Natalie Witty, JN

## Audit Committee

Keith Parker, P (Chair)  
Gail Sidman, S  
Open

## Nominating Committee

Gary Vinzant, JN (Chair)  
Joe Lokaj, JN  
Richard Davidson, SN  
Stuart Zwang, SN-IN

**Respectively Submitted  
by Nominating Committee:**

Gary Vinzant, JN (Chair)  
Joe Lokaj, JN  
Richard Davidson, SN  
Stuart Zwang, SN-IN

***Voting will be at our February 18th Dinner Meeting***



We are excited to report our friends Richard and Marilyn Calfa are doing well after their car accident. Marilyn has been moved to a rehab facility close to home, so Richard can visit often. Marilyn still has a long road to recovery, but we are happy to see she is looking great. Contact Richard for updates; he would love to hear from you.

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**USPS:** [www.AmericasBoatingClub.org](http://www.AmericasBoatingClub.org)



Captain Ahab answer:  
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