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DISTRICT 20

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMANDER

With the 1st day of summer just a few weeks ago and Independence Day just around the corner, summer has finally arrived. Most boats are in the water now, so this is the time to plan a relaxing day / night on the boat, weekend getaways and some longer cruising trips around Lake Michigan. Summerfest in Milwaukee has already been running for 2 weekends and the 3rd (final weekend) will be 06 July to 08 July. This is a great event to attend either by boat or car.

I want to thank Sue and Dave for the fishing derby last month. The weather was good, fish were caught and afterwards pizza and extras for all that stayed. Our Bonfire Master Tony Palazzo made sure we had plenty of wood to burn that night and it was a great time to be with friends.


Skokie Valley's summer cruise will be kicking off on July 18 through July 24. This cruise will include port of call at Kenosha (starting point), Port Washington, Milwaukee for the Air and Water Show and then returning to Kenosha. Each leg of this trip has great entertainment and plenty to do. The ports can be reached by boat or by car. If time does not allow you to do the total trip, consider meeting up with your fellow members at any of the destinations.

The District 20 Cruise & Rendezvous will be at East Port Marina in East Peoria, IL from 21 July to 23 July. There will be dinner Friday night, a trip from East Port Marina to Henry Marina for lunch and back to East Port for dinner on Saturday. There will also be a brunch on Sunday at Kuchie's on the Water, before departing for home. This event does coincide with our summer cruise, but I would highly recommend it to those who will be around and would like a cruise on the water. It would be nice to support our District and officers.

One last item to cover, thanks to our Rules Committee (Pat Antoni, Natalie Witty, William Bellinger and Dennis McNamara) for all the hard work in updating our bylaws. The bylaws were emailed to all members and if you did not receive that email, let me know. Also, thanks to Pat Antoni (again) for completing the new Roster, which should be going out shortly.

Have a great and safe July!

—Cdr. Frank D'Amico, AP

America's Boating Club North Shore 2023-2024 Bridge

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Mark Your Calendar



July 2023

5	Wed	Executive Board/Bridge Meeting, 1900	Zoom meeting (page 6)
6-8	Thurs-Sun	Summerfest	Milwaukee, WI
15	Fri	Publication Deadline—Running Lights	Karen D'Amico (224-238-7372)
18-24	Tues-Mon	Lake Michigan Summer Cruise	Port Washington + Milwaukee (page 7)
22-23	Sat-Sun	Milwaukee Air & Water Show	Milwaukee, WI (page 8)

August 2023

2	Wed	Executive Board/Bridge Meeting, 1900	Zoom meeting (page 6)
15	Thurs	Publication Deadline—Running Lights	Karen D'Amico (224-238-7372)
20	Sun	Sundowner at the Shanty	Wadsworth, IL (below)
27-3	Sun-Sun	Fall Governing Board Meeting	Kansas City, MO (page 7)

North Shore Sundowner Event at the Shanty – Sunday August 20th

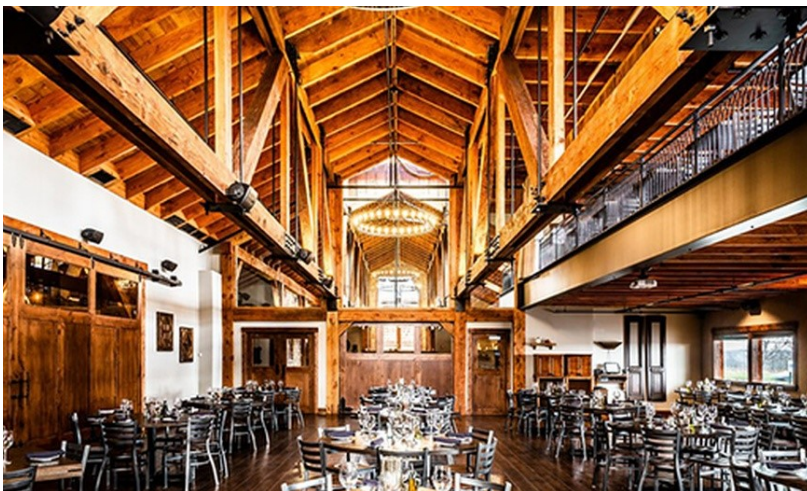
38985 US Hwy 41
Wadsworth, IL 60083

The Shanty is a restaurant that was built by the people for the people. The building was locally sourced and constructed with the menu developed by patrons and staff. The restaurant is a meeting place for the community. It is truly a unique dining experience that needs to be seen.



Cocktail Hour starting at 4:00 pm (meet at the bar).

Dinner at 5:00 pm. Order from the extensive menu. Separate checks.



RSVP by Aug 13th
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America's Boating Channel Reminder: Knowledge of the Navigation Rules Helps Prevent Boating Accidents

As we prepare to celebrate July Fourth, don't forget that knowledge of the rules of navigation helps prevent boating accidents. If you need a refresher before getting out on the water, you can access an invaluable library of videos produced by America's Boating Channel. These videos are available to USPS members to view and download for free at <https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel/videos>. There is an index to help you find exactly what you need, which is very convenient for instructors who want to use these videos in the classroom without the need for an internet connection.

For example, Season Four's "[Behavioral Consequences](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yWq-jshx8yU&t=44s)" (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yWq-jshx8yU&t=44s>) video covers the importance to recreational boat operators of having a working knowledge of the navigation rules. Viewers learn about the dangers of not following the rules of the road. Also featured are tips for responsible boating. Boating responsibly can lead to lasting memories, while bad boating behaviors can cause issues ranging from mere embarrassment to major catastrophe. Thinking Boner Award?



America's Boating Channel™ produced a sequel to this video in Season Five titled "[Collision Avoidance](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cXv6s7wqjE&t=1s)" (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cXv6s7wqjE&t=1s>), which covers the most basic and essential navigation rules. Viewers learn how to determine stand-on and give-way vessels in various circumstances. It also features tips for steering clear of potentially dangerous situations. For example, at night not using navigation lights or not learning how to interpret them can lead to incidents with more serious outcomes than during the day. Again, these two videos are good refreshers before visiting your local waterway at a time of year when it will be most crowded.



You can visit <https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel> to find these and other safe boating videos, which also are an excellent tool to help recruit participants to our educational program and to membership. Invite your friends and neighbors to watch, like and subscribe to America's Boating Channel to introduce them to what our organization has to offer.

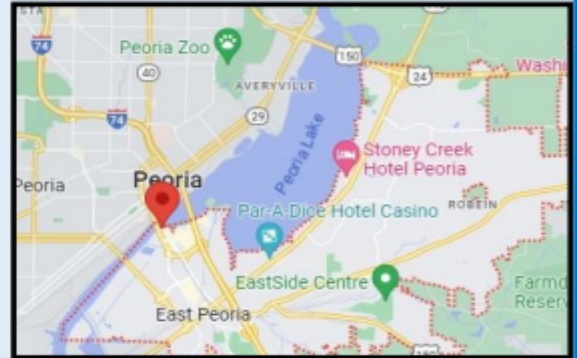
In addition, these professionally produced high-definition safe boating and boater education videos are available via the America's Boating Channel on-demand app on Roku or FireTV. [America's Boating Channel](https://www.youtube.com/@AmericasBoatingChannel)™ is produced by the United States Power Squadrons® (USPS) under a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund administered by the U.S. Coast Guard.



District 20
Cruise and Rendezvous—July 21—23, 2023
East Port Marina, East Peoria IL
PRELIMINARY PLAN

Friday July 21, 2023

- 1600** Arrive in East Peoria Friday afternoon.
- 1800** Dinner Friday evening at 1800 – Location TBD
 Looking at the **Storm Shelter, East Port Marina**—they have a wide selection of sandwiches, burgers, salads, tacos, quesadillas and appetizers..



Saturday July 22, 2023

- 0930** Underway from East Port Marina to head north to Henry, Illinois for lunch. Depending on the group size, lunch location to be determined from one or more of three choices. (Mexican, Italian or American Bar & Grill)
 We will have a short meeting after lunch to discuss district business.
- 1400** Underway to head back. Arrive back at East Port approximately 1700.
- 1900** Dinner at location TBD.

Sunday July 23, 2023

- 1000** - Underway from East Port Marina to head south to Pekin, Illinois for brunch at Kuchie's on the Water. They are known for their "Shipwreck Bloody Mary", a meal in itself.
- 1300** After brunch, depart Pekin and head back to East Port Marina.
- 1400** Load all boats and head home.
- While we won't have an official registration process, please plan to let us know if you are attending. We want to have multiple pontoon boats available and be able to have room for all who attend to make the cruise. If you are planning to bring your own boat and are willing to take a few passengers along, we'll add your availability to the list.
 - Transient boat slips are available in East Port Marine and we will have contact information and prices available soon.
 - There is a hotel very close to East Port Marina – Stoney Creek Inn - and many other choices nearby. We will have links available to several of those in the area. We do not plan to block any rooms for this event. Make your reservations early to get your choice, but there should be plenty of rooms available in the area.



East Port Marina: [East Port Marina | East Peoria, IL \(cityofeastpeoria.com\)](http://cityofeastpeoria.com)
Stoney Creek Inn: <https://stoneycreekhotel.bookonline.com>
Storm Shelter: [Storm Shelter at East Port | East Peoria, IL \(stormshelter-ep.com\)](http://stormshelter-ep.com)
Kuchie's on the Water: [Kuchie's on the Water \(kuchiesonthewater.com\)](http://kuchiesonthewater.com)

SAVE THE DATE !!



SVPS 2023 Event & Cruising Schedule



When	Event	Location	Host
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	
July 21-23	D20 Cruise & Rendezvous	East Port Marina, East Peoria IL	District 20
August 20th	Sundowner at the Shanty	Shanty, Wadsworth	Ron Zingler
Aug 27-Sept 4	ABClub Governing Board	Kansas City	USPS
September 17th Sunday	Dinner Meeting	Reflections, Lake Villa	Ron Zingler and Joe Paldo
October 14th Saturday	Lake Geneva Boat Cruise Tour	Lake Geneva, WI	Frank and Karen D'Amico
October	District 20 Fall Conference	TBA	TBA
November 4th Saturday	Anniversary Dinner	TBA	Ron Zingler
December 10th Sunday	Commanders Holiday Party	Hoffman Estates	Commander Frank D'Amico

New Signage for America's Boating Club North Shore

Last month we featured pictures of the new signs we purchased to increase awareness of our club and services we offer like boating classes and events. The last sign was recently installed at SkipperBud's Sequoit Harbor.

Thank you again to our members who worked with their local marinas to secure space to put up the signs!

- ⇒ **Tony Palazzo at Southport Marina in Kenosha, WI**
- ⇒ **Dave Anthony at North Point Marina in Winthrop Harbor, IL**
- ⇒ **Chuck Burger at SkipperBud's Sequoit Harbor in Antioch, IL**



Team North Shore

Executive Committee Meeting: Wed July 5th 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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AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS

Fall Governing Board
August 27 - September 4, 2023

USPS Governing Board Meeting Kansas City Marriott in downtown MO

Visit the city of fountains to enjoy KC barbeque, jazz music and baseball. The hotel complex is part of the famous Muehlbach Hotel, now owned and operated by Marriott. It is just a block away from the KC Streetcar and many of the planned activities are located along this 2.2 mile stretch of downtown from the City Market to the historic Union Station which opened in 1914.

Also the hotel is walking distance to the KC Power & Light District, an 8 block entertainment hub with more than 50 bars, restaurants and shops.

- ⇒ **Tues 8/29:** KC Chiefs vs Pittsburg Pirates
- ⇒ **Weds 8/30:** open committee meetings, Western BBQ Dinner in the evening
- ⇒ **Thurs 8/31:** Keynote breakfast, AO, XO & Secretary Dept meetings, dinner at the Muehlebach
- ⇒ **Fri 9/1:** Seminars all day, hospitality suites open
- ⇒ **Sat 9/2:** Governing Board mtg, Evening of Jazz



For more information about planned activities, read the National Meeting newsletter.
Book now and save 20% on all tours, meals and activities.
 Click this link: [202306192222580.KCNews060723b.pdf \(usps.org\)](https://202306192222580.KCNews060723b.pdf)

Summer Cruise 2023

Come for the fun by boat or car and join us for a good time in Port Washington and Milwaukee. Our cruise schedule begins July 18th in Kenosha, WI traveling to beautiful Port Washington which is well known for its fishing and fish festival. Port Washington was settled in the 1600's and named Wisconsin City. The city name was changed in honor of George Washington. Next we travel on to Milwaukee, where we will see the Blue Angels and other performers at the Air & Water Show.



You can join us for all or any part of the cruise by boat or by car. Our cruise plan is as follows:

Date	Leave	Arrive	Harbor	Miles
Tue 7/18	Kenosha	Port Washington	P Washington Marina 262-284-6606	58
Fri 7/21	Port Washington	Milwaukee	McKinley Marina 414-273-5224	25
Mon 7/24	Milwaukee	Kenosha	Southport Marina 262-657-5565	26

Call the marina or use the online application Dochwa for slip reservations. Contact Ron Zingler for additional information and to participate: 847-634-3806 or at zingleron@comcast.net



Milwaukee Air & Water Show—July 21-23

Book your slip now at the McKinley Marina in Milwaukee to have an awesome view of the US Navy Blue Angels and see the Navy’s first female combat fighter Blue Angel Lt. Amanda Lee.

The Milwaukee Air and Water Show located at the beautiful Milwaukee Lakefront, between Bradford Beach and McKinley Beach, with the show center-point located at 2272 North Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Join us on our Summer Cruise or drive up and spend a day with squadron members on their boat. Contact Ron and Joanne Zingler with inquiries 847-634-3806 or zingleron@comcast.net



Marina Information

McKinley Marina 1750 North Lincoln Drive Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Reservations being taken now for slips at 414-273-5224

Schedule

- ⇒ **Friday, July 21st**—Air show practice 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
Cruisers arrive from Port Washington. Dinner at Mader’s or Harbor House Milwaukee
- ⇒ **Saturday, July 22nd and Sunday, July 23rd**—Gates open 9 AM.
Water Show 10:30-11:30 AM. Air Show noon-4:00 pm. Navy Blue Angels: 3 PM
- ⇒ **Monday, July 24th**—the cruising group departs for home

Visit: www.milwaukeeairshow.com for the show schedule and performers, including US Navy Blue Angels, C130 Hercules Fat Albert, US Air Force, National Guard and US Coast Guard performances.

Visit www.milwaukee.org for information about hotels and activities in Milwaukee.



July Anniversaries

Bonni Breen	2018	5 yrs
Michael Palazzo	2008	15 yrs
Stephanie Palazzo	2008	15 yrs
Dorothy Hughes	2005	17 yrs
Bud Lemke	1984	40 yrs

Congratulations on reaching another milestone with the squadron. We appreciate your support!
Cdr Frank D’Amico, AP

CAPTAIN AHAB’S QUIZ

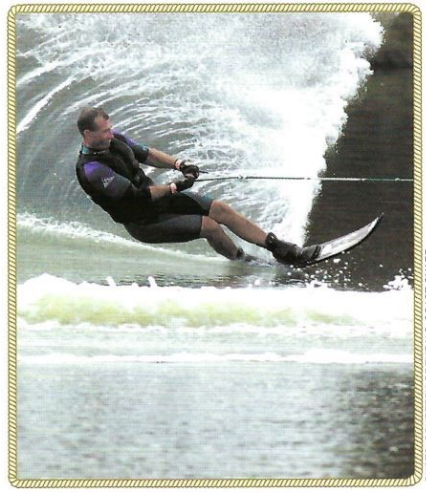


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When a water skier says he/she is skiing “22 off”... how long is his/her ski rope?

(see answer on back page)

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North Point Sundowner

Saturday June 10



Jack & Sue Anthony



Bailey Sidman



Gail & Don Sidman



Gary & Lorraine Vinzant



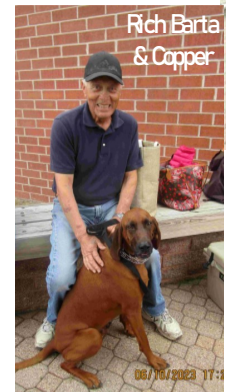
Ron Zingler with Ben, Dave & Jack Anthony



Adrian, Rich Davidson, Stu & Lori Zwang



Karen DAmico & Sue Anthony



Rich Barta & Copper



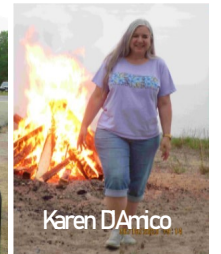
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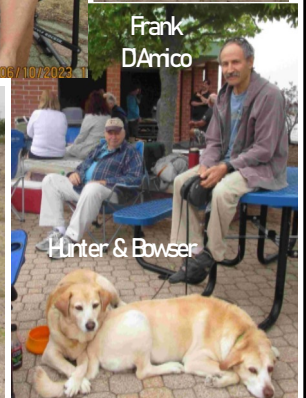
Lori Patajczak



Dave & Jack Anthony



Rich Barta & Copper



Frank DAmico



Bowser & Hunter



Tony & Sue Palazzo



Gary & Lorraine Vinzant



Adrian & Lori Zwang



Fire Master Tony Palazzo



Joanne & Ron Zingler, Lorraine & Gary Vinzant, Sue Anthony



Fire Master Tony Palazzo

Fishing Derby

Saturday June 10

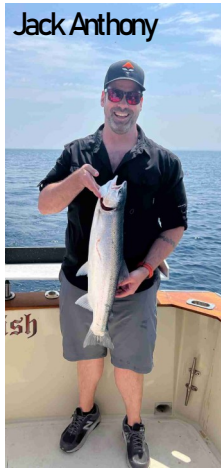
Boat 1: Jack & Dave Anthony, Ray Adam, John Bagan, Dan Luczac, Ben Anthony

Boat 2: Stu Zwang, Rich Davidson, Ron Zingler, Lori & Joe Ratajczak

Photos by Dave Anthony, Ron Zingler & Lori Ratajczak



Boat 1



Jack Anthony



John Bagan



Boat 1



Lori Ratajczak



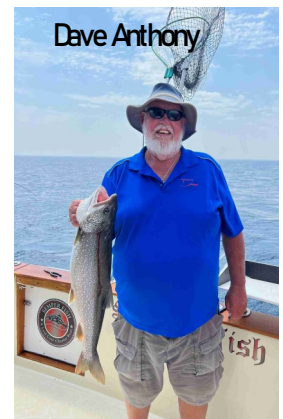
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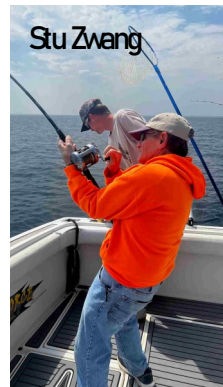
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America's Boating Club North Shore September Member Meeting Sunday September 17th 1 PM

Enjoy great Polish home cooking at Reflections in Lake Villa. Sunday afternoon cocktails on the deck and a meeting with a beautiful views of Deep Lake.

After dinner, Joe Paldo has invited everyone to his lodge on Crooked Lake, just 3 blocks from the restaurant.

Reflections
K6LIGC10U2

38564 N. Edgewood

Lake Villa, IL 60046

847.265.4170



Cocktails: 1:00 PM

Dinner: 2:00 PM order from the menu with separate checks

After Party: Joe Paldo's Lodge (3 blocks away)



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Captain Ahab answer:

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