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AND POWER SQUADRON**

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Membership Newsletter - Volume 23 Issue 5

# Running Lights

**May 2023**

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**May Member Dinner Meeting - May 20, 2023**  
**Nolan's at Illinois Beach Resort**  
**Cocktails 4:00 PM; Dinner 5:00 PM**

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NATIONAL  
**SAFE**  
BOATING  
WEEK

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**MAY 20-26, 2023**

*Always*  
**WEAR A  
LIFE JACKET**

**TAKE THE  
PLEDGE**



#safeboating



**A MESSAGE FROM OUR COMMANDER**

May marks the beginning of the boating season for most with boats already in the water and others getting ready to launch.

Before we get into May events like Safe Boating Week and our last dinner meeting for the summer; I want to take a minute to thank our P/C Tony Palazzo for all the work and all his dedication to Skokie Valley for the last 2 years. I also want to thank the bridge for all the work that they put in during the last term. I welcome the chance to continue to lead the squadron in our new adventures, like the public boating class at the Lake Villa Metro Station, and I know that the current bridge will keep me on track.

Thank you to all the members that attended the Change Of Watch to show their support. We were fortunate to have D/C Mike Ludtke and his wife Ellen attend and officiate the event. Lastly, I want to thank Ron and Joanne Zingler for setting up and taking reservations for the COW. Take a minute to view the new Bridge (under my picture) and feel free to reach out to us with questions, ideas, or comments.

Now I'm looking forward to the May Member meeting at Nolan's (Illinois Beach Resort) on 20 May. Consider coming to this meeting since the next one is not until September. Even though we have many events planned for the summer, the General Meeting allows us all to get together. We will be kicking off National Safe Boating Week, which runs 20-26 May.

We started installing our new America's Boating Club signs. The first set of signs is already installed at Kenosha Harbor, with the other 2 going to North Point Marina and Sequoit Harbor Marina. The signs include our new website address [NorthShoreBoatingClub.org](http://NorthShoreBoatingClub.org) and email [SVPscontact@gmail.com](mailto:SVPscontact@gmail.com) for people to reach out to us. I think these signs will definitely get our squadron name out to many more people.

As a reminder, we have monthly Executive Meetings. They are held on the first Wednesday of every month at 1900. It is a Zoom Meeting, and all are welcome. The link to the meetings can be found in each Running Lights.



**America's Boating Club North Shore 2023-2024 Bridge**

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—Cdr. Frank D'Amico, AP





# Mark Your Calendar



## May 2023

|       |         |                                      |                                                                              |
|-------|---------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 3     | Wed     | Executive Board/Bridge Meeting, 1900 | Zoom meeting (page 7)                                                        |
| 15    | Mon     | Publication Deadline—Running Lights  | Karen D'Amico (224-238-7372)                                                 |
| 20    | Sat     | May Member Dinner Meeting            | Zion, see below                                                              |
| 20-26 | Sat-Fri | National Safe Boating Week           | <a href="http://www.SafeBoatingCampaign.com">www.SafeBoatingCampaign.com</a> |

## June 2023

|       |           |                                      |                               |
|-------|-----------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 5     | Wed       | Executive Board/Bridge Meeting, 1900 | Zoom meeting                  |
| 10    | Sat       | Fishing Derby/North Point Sundowner  | Dave and Sue Anthony (page 6) |
| 15    | Thurs     | Publication Deadline—Running Lights  | Karen D'Amico (224-238-7372)  |
| 22-24 | Thurs-Sat | Summerfest                           | Milwaukee, WI                 |



## May Member Dinner Meeting Nolan's at Illinois Beach Resort May 20, 2023

Cocktails 4:00 pm  
Dinner 5:00 pm

If you have never been to the Illinois Beach Resort and Conference Center, come see this beautiful location with a sandy beach on our very own Lake Michigan. The dinner meeting will be held at Nolan's Restaurant off the lobby, overlooking the lake.

We will order from the menu with separate checks.

Kindly Respond by May 15<sup>th</sup> 2023

Ron Zingler 847.634.3806 or [zingleron@comcast.net](mailto:zingleron@comcast.net)



Kicking off National  
Safe Boating Week



**Illinois Beach Resort**  
**1 Lake Front Drive**  
**Zion, IL 60099**  
**847.625.7300**

[https://illinoisbeachhotel.com/  
dining/](https://illinoisbeachhotel.com/dining/)



# America's Boating Club North Shore Change of Watch



Frank D'Amico & Tony Palazzo



Ellen & Mike Ludtke



Sue & Dave Anthony



Sue & Tony Palazzo



Don & Gail Sidman



Mary & Jim Soyka



Karen & Frank D'Amico



Joe Paldo & Ron Zingler



Lori & Joe Ratajczak with Joanne Zingler



Natalie Witty & Chuck Burger



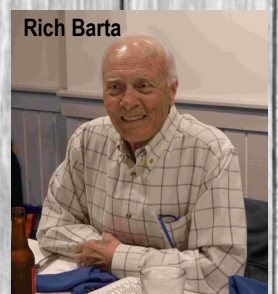
Lori & Stuart Zwang



Nancy Koenen with Lori & Joe Ratajczak



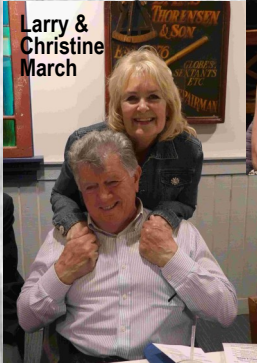
Sue Palazzo & Lori Zwang



Rich Barta



Gary Vinzant, Chuck Burger & Frank D'Amico



Larry & Christine March



Gary Vinzant



Chuck Burger



Christine March & Sue Palazzo



Jim Soyka, Stuart Zwang, Larry March, Ron Zingler, Don Sidman



Lori & Joe Ratajczak



Ellen Ludtke, Natalie Witty



# America's Boating Club North Shore Change of Watch

Many thanks to our immediate past commander, Tony Palazzo



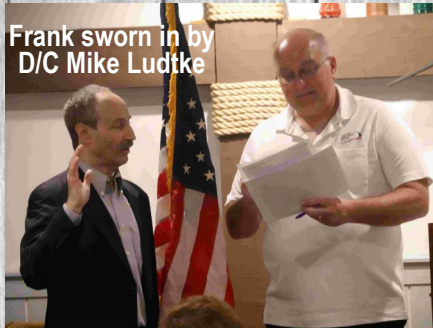
Congratulations to our new commander Frank D'Amico



Tony receives his past commander flag



Frank sworn in by D/C Mike Ludtke



Tony thanks his outgoing bridge



Presentation of gifts to the new P/C



Ron Zingler receives the Commander's Award for outstanding contribution to Skokie Valley



Jim Soyka receives the Joseph A. Mack award for outstanding contribution to education



Also Ray and Deb Adam were not able to attend, but they were awarded the Past Commander's Award with thanks for their work on the D20 Spring Conference and other squadron events.



## America's Boating Channel Smart TV Launch

Click here to learn more: [SMART TV LAUNCH - YouTube](#)

America's Boating Channel's new smart TV offerings officially launched at the 2023 International Boating & Water Safety Summit (IBWSS). Sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard, America's Boating Channel is the boating safety and boater education video service of United States Power Squadrons.

Subscribe now for free to the on-demand app on Roku or FireTV and tune-in to the continuously playing live channel on Sports.TV. To get the app, on Roku, select Store using your Roku remote, select Channels and search for Americas Boating Channel, select Add Channel. On FireTV, go to Apps on your Fire TV Main Menu, search for Americas Boating Channel, select Get to download the app. For the channel, add the Sports.TV app on Roku or FireTV, select Live Channels and scroll down to America's Boating Channel, click the program grid to watch now.



# North Point Sundowner Saturday June 10 *After the Fishing Derby*



Gather in the outdoor BBQ area by Q dock at 5:00 PM. We will order pizza and salad for everyone present.

Later our Fire Master Tony Palazzo will light the bonfire!

Contact Dave or Sue with questions  
[dave-sue-anthony@comcast.net](mailto:dave-sue-anthony@comcast.net)

*Bring your own beverages  
and a chair for the bonfire*

## The Boating Safety Seven

<https://www.safeboatingcouncil.org>

1. Wear your life jacket
2. Take a boating safety class
3. Carry all required safety gear
4. Use your engine cut-off switch
5. File a float plan
6. Be aware of weather and water conditions
7. Boat sober, and be considerate of others







# SVPS 2023 Event & Cruising Schedule



| When                                               | Event                        | Location                                     | Host                               |
|----------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| May 20th<br>Saturday                               | Dinner Meeting               | Illinois Beach, Zion                         | Ron Zingler                        |
| <b>National Safe Boating Week: May 20-26, 2023</b> |                              |                                              |                                    |
| June 10th<br>Saturday                              | Lake Michigan Fishing        | North Point Marina                           | Dave Anthony                       |
| June 10th<br>Saturday                              | Sundowner                    | North Point Marina                           | Tony Palazzo, Dave and Sue Anthony |
| June 22-24<br>June 29-July 1<br>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<br>Saturday                         | Dinner Meeting               | Reflections, Lake Villa                      | Ron Zingler and Joe Paldo          |
| October 14th<br>Saturday                           | Lake Geneva Boat Cruise Tour | Lake Geneva, WI                              | Frank D'Amico                      |
| October                                            | District 20 Fall Conference  | TBA                                          | TBA                                |
| November 4th<br>Saturday                           | Anniversary Dinner           | TBA                                          | Ron Zingler                        |
| December 10th<br>Sunday                            | Commanders Holiday Party     | Hoffman Estates                              | Commander                          |

The Safe Boating Campaign is a worldwide effort focused on responsible boating, encouraging boaters to always wear a life jacket while on the water.

[About - Safe Boating Campaign](#)

## Team North Shore

**May Executive Committee Meeting: Wed May 3rd at 7:00 pm Central**  
**Zoom Meeting ID: 886 8635 3567, Passcode: 494049**

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88686353567?pwd=Wng0dHhhWWVXY0R6QytVUU8rUTE3dz09>

**Dial by your location : +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)**

**One tap mobile: +13126266799,,88686353567#,,,,\*494049# US (Chicago)**

## 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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.milwaukee.org) for information about hotels and activities in Milwaukee.



### CAPTAIN AHAB'S QUIZ

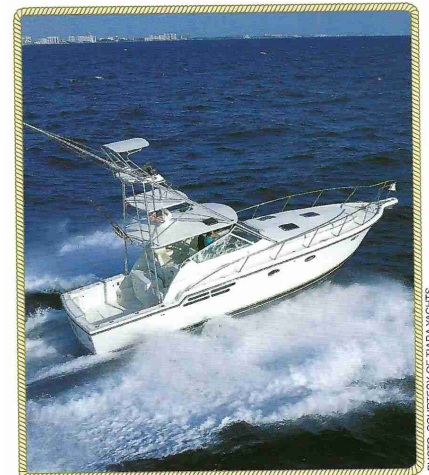


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You are cruising offshore on a beautiful, clear, sunny day. The sea state is calm, but large swells indicate the presence of a distant or imminent storm?

(see answer on back page)

### May Anniversaries

|                         |      |        |
|-------------------------|------|--------|
| Sue Anthony             | 2011 | 12 yrs |
| Stuart Zwang            | 2000 | 23 yrs |
| Rich Davidson           | 1998 | 25 yrs |
| Robert & Charles Schult | 1991 | 33 yrs |
| William Bellinger       | 1988 | 36 yrs |
| Frank Zimmerman         | 1979 | 45 yrs |
| T Cepuritis             | 1967 | 57 yrs |

Congratulations on reaching another milestone with the squadron. We appreciate your support!

**Cdr Tony Palazzo, AP**

Tom Clark, AP, Contributing Editor  
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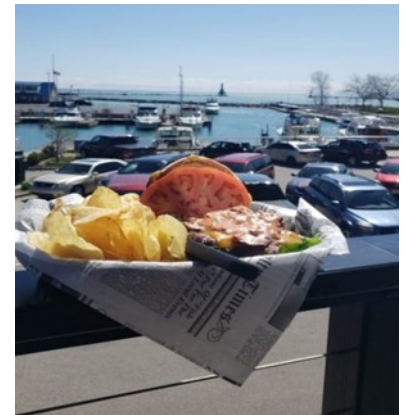
## Summer Cruise 2023

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 18<sup>th</sup> 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<br>262-284-6606 | 58    |
| Fri 7/21 | Port Washington | Milwaukee       | McKinley Marina<br>414-273-5224     | 25    |
| Mon 7/24 | Milwaukee       | Kenosha         | Southport Marina<br>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](mailto:zingleron@comcast.net)



### Judy Sommerfeld receives her Life Membership Submitted by Joanne Zingler

Joanne had the pleasure of presenting Judy with her Life Membership Award at her new home in Belmont Village. Judy has a lovely apartment and is actively involved with the classes, programs, and activities at Belmont Village.

Judy would welcome a visit, email or call from her boating friends. She can be reached by phone 847-712-1670 or email [hughnjudy@gmail.com](mailto:hughnjudy@gmail.com). Her new address is 500 McHenry Road in Buffalo Grove.

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**District 20:** [www.uspsd20Boating.org](http://www.uspsd20Boating.org)

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Captain Ahab answer:  
distant storm



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