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## THE DRUM

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## **From The** Commander

By Mark Erway, AP

### **View From The Bridge**

September already!? What a busy and crazy summer. District Rendezvous, ABC courses, safety movie, paddle craft seminar, heat, humidity, and rain, rain, rain, topped off by a flood. It's hard to know where to start, but as you read through the other articles in this issue you should get a good overall idea of how busy many of our members were.

In July Captain Tom Alley on SV *Tomfoolery*, along with skipper Howard Cabezas on SV Ruthie set off for the District 6 Rendezvous in Clayton, NY. They spent nearly two weeks on their voyage and actually enjoyed a pretty decent weather window. It was my privilege to crew for Tom on the way back from Oswego, giving me my first opportunity to travel on the Oswego Canal, Erie Canal, and the Cayuga-Seneca Canal.

We enjoyed traveling together, combining food stores for shared meals, and motoring gently



through incredible vistas filled with cottage lined stretches as well as miles of wildlife sanctuary. One especially memorable evening was spent in Seneca Falls where we enjoyed a meal featuring lamb chops, after which we went in search of much needed ice cream. Finding that Meg Cabezas' favorite ice cream store closed we did the next best thing which was to make our way over to the local Byrne Dairy Store where we got two half gallons of ice cream. Back at the canal we enjoyed unlimited amounts and shared with others that were spending the night there, too.

Having videographer Marty Lafferty and his wife Sari (pronounced like Mary) here for a week, being wonderfully hosted by Jim and Lynne McGinnis, was

a real joy. Their command of the situation and capable direction of the "actors" made the shooting of all the scenes not only fun but educational as well. Special thanks to Phil Cherry for lining up volunteer actors, John Flick who brought his motor boat over for days of filming, and for Don and Marge Kloeber, who brought their Mainship MV Bacchus down from Sampson, to be used in the filming of the cold water safety portions. Despite the difficulties Charlie and Helene Fausold faced (and are still enduring) because of the flood, Charlie managed to teach the Paddle Craft Safety seminar at the Watkins Glen Yacht Club and be part of a video sequence as well. Marty says that the finished versions of Cold Water Safety and Paddle Craft Safety Tips will be released sometime during the first quarter of 2019 on America's Boating Channel. However, they will send some "behind-the-scenes" stills and video to us to be shared with our membership within the next few

weeks. Additionally, one of our guest actors enjoyed himself so much that he is inquiring about membership! We had a "cast party" to celebrate this special event and all enjoyed a good time together.

I imagine that everyone is aware of the flooding that took place, especially up in Lodi. Charlie and Helene Fausold were spared from major damage but will still have lots of storm damage to clean up once the roads and bridges to their house are restored. Stay tuned for emails detailing how we can help.

Many thanks to everyone for all your participation. What a great club we have!!

Regards,

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## From the Education Officer

By Jim McGinnis, AP



On August 6<sup>th</sup> I made the trip back to Oswego from Sacketts Harbor across Lake On-

tario with Tom and Katie Alley on *Tomfoolery*. We encountered 18 knots of wind and 4 to 5-foot

seas in the morning. The afternoon saw the lake turn as flat as a mill pond and we made the last part of the trip under power. *Ruthie* and the Cabezas crew followed quickly behind and we all docked in Oswego for the night. The next day Mark Erway joined us all for the trip back through the locks to Seneca Lake. The trip through the canal and the 12 locks can restore your soul. We saw herons, osprey, deer and

many other birds crossing the Montezuma Swamp. I took an Uber to the TOPS market to get more supplies in Baldwinsville in the pouring rain – but that let up pretty quickly. The next night, we

met Margot and Tom on *M/V Blue Oyster* at the dock in Seneca Falls and invited them for ice cream. The last day we made it back to Watkins Glen in early afternoon on a beautiful day.

OK - Talk about having a bad day on the water – Top this!

## Charter boat lands on top of sailboat in Chesapeake Bay crash



Photo 1: Photo: Anne Arundel Fire Department image.

This very thing almost happened

We were out on the lake just a lit-

tle after dark admiring the nearly

full moon when a power boat

came out of the marina and di-

rectly up the lake into our path.

lights on their bow headed our

We could see both red and green

way as they accelerated. I shined

a bright flash light in their direc-

power and turn to avoid any mis-

tion and they were able to cut

hap. Stay ready!

to S/V Brewster the other night.

Marty and Sari Lafferty of United States Power Squadron from Annapolis MD and America's Boating Channel stayed with Lynne and me last week to complete the filming of a safety video for America's Boating Club. They were extremely skilled in camera work and organized nearly 300 film snippets over the 7 days. That footage will all get edited down and organized into the training video. They were able to visit Cornell University (where Sari went to school) and Corning

Liz Holland, Salisbury Daily Times Published 4:11 p.m. ET Aug. 17, 2018 | Updated 9:03 a.m. ET Aug. 19, 2018

No serious injuries were reported in boat collision off of Thomas Point in Anne Arundel County when a charter fishing boat ran into a sailboat.

The 37-foot fishing boat Hunter owned by Chesapeake Bay Charter Services of Kent Island collided with and landed on top of the J105 sailboat owned by Chesapeake Boating Services of Annapolis, said Candy Thomson, spokeswoman for Maryland Natural Resources Police.

The Anne Arundel Fire Department responded to the scene at about noon Friday, followed by Natural Resources Police, she said.

The investigation was later turned over to the Coast Guard, Thomson said.

Museum of Glass on their few off hours. Our Squadron was well organized by Phil Cherry and in addition to many boats from the Squadron, many people assisted in donning life jackets and even jumping into the lake for the cause! Marty and Sari thanked us over and over for all the help and support their received.

Education continues through the summer season. We completed a second ABC class at the Watkins Glen Yacht Club the weeks of August 9 and 16. Charlie Fausold

taught the first session and I taught the second session. We had to restrict the "On the Water" segment to the marina and stay on the dock as the debris floating in the lake from the recent storms

had made any trips out on the lake hazardous. Carrie and Merrill Sproul taught segments of the class as well and conducted the examination. Thanks very much to the Watkins Glen Yacht Club for allowing us to use their facility for the class.

- Jim

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## From the Assistant Education Officer

By Tom Alley, SN



So much to talk about! Our Squadron is forging ahead at hull speed and it doesn't

look like we will be slowing down any time soon.

Two boats and crews from Seneca

### D/6 Rendezvous

Squadron made the journey from Watkins Glen to Clayton, NY to attend the District 6 Rendezvous in early August. The two-week journey involved traversing a dozen locks in the New York Canal system and then crossing Lake Ontario to get to the St. Lawrence Seaway and, eventually, the Thousand Islands. Weather was mostly cooperative, and the boats and crews enjoyed some significant time out on "bigger water". The trip provided opportunities for the crews to put into practice many of the concepts they had previously learned about in the various classes offered by our Squadron. This included Cruise Planning, Piloting, Advanced Pi-

loting, Junior Navigation, transit-

ing locks, coping with commercial marine traffic, weather forecasting, and dealing with various international regulations for boats.

At the Rendezvous we had the pleasure to reunite with old friends and to meet some new ones. We toured some famous Thousand Island landmarks and also had time to savor the Antique Boat Museum and its annual Antique Boat Show while we were there. Our hosts at the Clayton Yacht Club were extremely gracious and welcoming.

Did everything on the trip go perfectly and as planned? No, of course not. While we didn't have any dramatic events that are worthy of a story in a national magazine, we did have our share of little things that didn't go quite the way we would have liked. But that's what builds experience and confidence. It also teaches you to anticipate and manage those unplanned events that get tossed your way and to have the confidence to face them on future trips. All in all, it was a very satisfying trip and I highly recommend you consider taking your boat to next vear's Rendezvous in Buffalo, NY.

## Junior Navigation Class

We have seven enthusiastic students in our Junior Navigation (JN) class this year. In mid-July we took everyone out on Seneca Lake to get some sun sights and to get familiar with marine sextants. Four of the students took part in the voyage to the D/6 Rendezvous and one of them managed to complete her sight folder while crossing Lake Ontario. (Way to go, Andrea!)

More sight-taking sessions will be held in September and October and classroom sessions will begin in mid-September. We hope to complete the class before Christmas so that everyone (including the instructors) can relax over the Holidays.

### **America's Boating Channel**

A new initiative of the USPS is America's Boating Channel, an online collection of boating safety videos available to the public. Seneca Sail & Power Squadron will be featured prominently in two of the videos that will be released in early 2019.

If you were at the Watkins Glen Village Marina in late August, you may have seen a small film crew recording video of various volunteers engaged in paddle sports or cold-water survival techniques. Comments from Marty and Sari Lafferty, the production crew, were lavish with praise for Seneca Squadron volunteers who have made their stay comfortable, welcoming, and productive.

Stay tuned for more information on when the videos will be released. We've also been promised a disc with outtakes and bloopers, which sounds like a good excuse to have a party!

### **Squadron Web Site**

As was reported in prior issues of the *Drum*, the USPS is in the midst of rebranding itself as America's Boating Club. Earlier this year you saw the results in a new look to our newsletter. The next step will be to give our web site a makeover which incorporates the new branding. This will result in a new URL and new email addresses for Bridge officers and committee members.

Stay tuned to both your email and to this newsletter for additional information as these updates get rolled out!

### **Extra Curriculars**

Last spring the Seneca Squadron held an informal seminar on Marine Refrigeration where several students had a short, hands-on session on commissioning a refrigerator aboard the author's sloop, *Tomfoolery*. An article outlining the process of converting an ice box to a refrigerator appears in the September/October 2018 issue of *Good Old Boat* magazine.

Another article, also based on a project undertaken aboard *Tom-foolery*, will appear in the November/December 2018 issue, where details on building an electrical distribution panel for your boat are presented.

- Tom

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## **Long-Term Class Schedule**

Seneca Education Department

Courses	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Public	ABC	ABC	ABC	ABC	ABC	ABC
Basic	Sail	Boat Handling	Sail	Boat Handling	Sail	Boat Handling
Advanced Level	Advanced Piloting	Piloting	Advanced Piloting	Piloting	Advanced Piloting	Piloting
Senior Level	Junior Nav- igation	Navigation			Junior Nav- igation	
Electives	Engine Maint.	Cruise Planning	Marine Electronics	Electronic Navigation	Instructor Training	Marine Comm.
Seminars	Anchoring	GPS Nav	Power Boating	Paddle Smart	Trailering and Docking	Partner in Cmd.
Self Study	Any Class	Any Class	Any Class	Any Class	Any Class	Any Class

## **Upcoming Classes & Seminars**

### **Upcoming Webinar: Waves**

### October 2018

A new webinar (web-based seminar) will be released by the USPS to cover the science behind waves and the seamanship needed to handle them. Stay tuned for details.

## Upcoming Webinar: Living Aboard

### **November 2018**

A new webinar (web-based seminar) on living aboard will be released this November. Stay tuned for details.

### **Boat Handling**

### Starts May 2019

Formerly known as the Seamanship class, this course has just received a major overhaul as part of the overall restructuring of the Advanced Grade courses.

Available beginning September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Boat Handling course consists of six two-hour seminar sessions, an overview of USCG rules (COLREGS), Power-Point slides, videos and animations. Boat Handling is also the first of the Advanced Grade courses to have its textbook in a digital (eBook) format.

Completion of all six seminars along with passing a comprehensive written examination will result in the award of the grade of "Seaman" (S).

### **How To Register**

If you are interested in getting more details about any of these courses, or better yet, to sign up, please contact either of the following individuals:

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Or you can go to the national web site (www.usps.org) and register under the "Find A Boating Class" tab on the member home page.

## **USPS News: Local, District, National & More**

# Mud Lock (Cayuga Lake) Boat Launch to Close for Renovation September 4



DEC announced today that the Mud Lock boat launch at the north end of Cayuga Lake in the Town of Aurelius (Cayuga County) will close for renovation starting Tuesday, September 4.

Site improvements to be completed include a new concrete launch ramp, floating boarding docks and a paved launch access and parking area. Funding for the project was provided through Governor Cuomo's Adventure NY initiative.

The site is expected to remain closed through much of October. Boaters looking to access the north end of the lake during this period can use the boat launch at <u>Cayuga Lake State Park</u>, 2678 Lower Lake Road, Seneca Falls.

For more information on the project, please contact <a href="mailto:fwboat@dec.ny.gov">fwboat@dec.ny.gov</a>.

- NYS DEC

### **Notice to Mariners**

Cayuga Seneca Canal – Cayuga Lake

August 29, 2018

Mariners are advised that as of Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> the Mud Lock Boat Ramp on Cayuga Lake will be closed for the rest of the season for repairs. This is not to be confused with Cayuga-Seneca Canal Lock CS1 in Cayuga, which is commonly and informally referred to as "Mud Lock" and hence the name of the boat launch immediately upstream of its upper approach wall.

Lock CS1 will be open every day of the week from 7am until 10pm through September 12<sup>th</sup>, and then 7am until 5pm through October 10<sup>th</sup> according to the lock and lift bridge schedule published at <a href="http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/maps/in-dex.html?layer=ramp&id=mud-lock&open=true">http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/maps/in-dex.html?layer=ramp&id=mud-lock&open=true</a>

Alternative boat ramps are listed at <a href="http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/wwwapps/boat-ing/boatlaunches.aspx">http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/www.ca-nals.ny.gov/maps/in-dex.html?layer=ramp</a>

Features along the Cayuga-Seneca Canal (trunk line) are listed by mileage at <a href="http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/wwwapps/navinfo/navinfo.aspx?waterway=cayugaseneca">http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/wwwapps/navinfo/navinfo.aspx?waterway=cayugaseneca</a>

Chart 14786 CS-5 & CS-4 covering the affected area can be

found at <a href="http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/navinfo/charts/1478">http://www.ca-nals.ny.gov/navinfo/charts/1478</a>
6cs4.png.

For updates and information, please visit <u>Canals.NY.gov</u> or follow us on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>Twitter</u>

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### **Red Tide Update**

Florida Governor Rick Scott has declared a state of emergency for seven southwest Florida counties suffering the effects of the persistent algal bloom, Karenia brevis, commonly referred to as "red tide." The harmful bloom, which currently covers 145 miles of coastline, is killing fish and other marine animals and causing respiratory problems for residents

The red tide, along with the odor from washed-up fish has impacted boating and fishing in the area and has chased tourists away. Although red tide is not uncommon, this year's occurrence started earlier and is covering more territory than usual.

NOAA suggests checking the <u>status of the bloom and its</u> <u>severity</u> as things change from week to week.

> - Nautical Charts Online Newsletter

## New Member Intro: The Seip Family



Photo 2: The Seip's - Laurie & Fred with granddaughter Keira

Fred and Laurie Seip have been married since December of 1983. They live in Millerton, PA with their granddaughter, Keira, and grandson, Gabriel. Prior to living in Millerton, they were stationed at US Navy commands in Florida and California. Both are graduates of Mansfield University.

Fred has retired from the USNR as a Chief Petty Officer after 5 years of active service and 27 years in the Reserves. He is currently an electrician for Corning Incorporated.

Laurie is the Director of a child care center in Lawrenceville, PA where she also teaches the Pre-Kindergarten class.

Keira is attending kindergarten and likes to play softball and soccer.

The Seip's can usually be found on *Xanadu*, their Hunter 31, at the Village Marina slip 208 (the boat with no name on it). They bought their boat three years ago in Erie, PA and brought it through the Erie Canal at the beginning of the 2017 season.

Fred and Laurie enjoyed taking the Sail class and look forward to taking more classes soon. They also enjoy the town of Watkins Glen and especially like the homemade ice cream at the Colonial hotel

### **Happy Birthday!**

Best wishes to Seneca Squadron members who are celebrating their birthday in next couple of months.

### September

Charlie Fausold Dave Snyder Kiera Eddy Grayson Rubble Howard Cabezas

### October

Mary Margeson

Charles Honsberger

Ken Mansfield

Christine Brazil

Fred Seip

Cliff Geer

### **Got News?**

By Tom Alley, Editor

Do you have any squadron-related news or announcements? Contact your editor and have it printed here. We're happy to publicize anything of interest to our members, whether it's for the Seneca Squadron or one of our neighboring squadrons.

Contact Tom Alley -

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## **Potential Interference Caused By LED Lighting**

From the United States Coast Guard





The U.S. Coast Guard has received reports from crews, ship owners, inspectors and other mariners regarding poor reception on VHF frequencies used for radiotelephone, digital selective calling (DSC) and automatic identification systems (AIS) when in the vicinity of light emitting diode (LED) lighting on-board ships (e.g., navigation lights, searchlights and floodlights, interior and exterior lights, adornment).

Radio frequency interference caused by these LED lamps were found to create potential safety hazards. For example, the maritime rescue coordination center in one port was unable to contact a ship involved in a traffic separation scheme incident by VHF radio. That ship also experienced very poor AIS reception. Other ships in different

ports have experienced degradation of the VHF receivers, including AIS, caused by their LED navigation lights. LED lighting installed near VHF antennas has also shown to compound the reception.



Strong radio interference from LED sources may not be immediately evident to maritime radio users. Nonetheless, it may be possible to test for the presence of LED interference by using the following procedures:

- 1. Turn off LED light(s).
- 2. Tune the VHF radio to a quiet channel (e.g. Ch. 13).
- 3. Adjust the VHF radio's squelch control until the radio outputs audio noise.
- 4. Re-adjust the VHF radio's squelch control until the audio noise is quiet, only slightly above the noise threshold.
- 5. Turn on the LED light(s).
  \* If the radio now outputs audio noise, then the LED lights have raised the noise floor. (Noise floor is generally the amount of interfering signals / static received beyond the specific signal

- or channel being monitored.)
- 6. If the radio does not output audio noise, then the LED lights have not raised the noise floor.

  If the noise floor is found to have been raised, then it is likely that both shipboard VHF marine radio and AIS reception are being degraded by LED lighting.

In order to determine the full impact of this interference, the Coast Guard requests those experiencing this problem to report their experiences to Coast Guard Navigation Center. Select "Maritime Telecommunications" on the subject drop down list, then briefly describe the make and model of LED lighting and radios effected, distance from lighting to antennas and radios effected, and any other information that may help understand the scope of the problem.

SAFETY ALERT - LED LIGHTING INTERFERENCE VHF FREQUENCIES see original alert here

United States Coast Guard Inspections and Compliance Directorate Washington, DC August 15, 2018 Safety Alert 13-18

United States Coast Guard

## GPS III Space Vehicle No. 1 "Vespucci" Arrives in Florida

### **Prepares for December Launch**

By the Civil GPS Service Interface Committee



### Civil GPS Service Interface Committee



Los Angeles Air Force Base 23 August 2018

The U.S. Air Force's Space and Missile Systems Center (SMC) Global Positioning Systems (GPS) Directorate achieved a major program milestone Aug. 21, successfully delivering the first GPS III satellite to Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida to begin launch processing.

"The shipment of the first GPS III satellite to the launch processing facility is a hallmark achievement for the program," said Lt. Gen. John F. Thompson, SMC commander and Air Force program executive officer for Space. "The modernization of GPS has been an outstanding collaborative effort and this brings us another step closer to launch."

The satellite, dubbed "Vespucci" in honor of Amerigo Vespucci, the Italian explorer for whom the Americas were named, was transported in a custom container from the Lockheed Martin factory facility in Waterton, Colorado to the Space Coast Regional Airport in Titusville, Florida, by a C-17 Globemaster III originating from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington. The transportation crew consisted of both contractor and government



Photo 3: A government and contractor team loads the first GPS III satellite for transport aboard a U.S. Air Force C-17 Globemaster III from Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington, Aug. 20 at Buckley AFB, Colorado to begin processing for a December launch aboard a SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida. (U.S. Air Force photo by Lt. Col. Erin Gulden)

personnel who oversaw the entire operation to ensure that the conditions of the transport environment would not damage any of the satellite's sensitive components.

The delivery of Satellite Vehicle 01 (SV01) starts the clock for final testing and checkout of the space vehicle prior to launch. The satellite will be processed at the Astrotech Space Operations Florida facility. A government and contractor team will ensure the integrity of the satellite after shipment by performing a Mission Readiness Test to verify the health and safety of the vehicle, as well as communication compatibility with the ground operations center. The team will then prepare for propellant loading and encapsulate the satellite in its protective fairing. At the completion of these activities, the satellite will be headed for a first of its kind horizontal integration with the SpaceX Falcon 9 launch vehicle.

"While the launch of the last GPS IIF satellite marked the end of an era, the upcoming GPS III launch will be the start of a brand new one," said Col. Steven Whitney, director of the GPS Directorate. "It is the first of our new GPS III satellites, first to integrate with a SpaceX rocket, first to interact with elements of GPS' Next Generation Operational Control System (OCX) Block 0, and first to have spacecraft acquisition and on-orbit checkout from Lockheed Martin facilities. We are excited to be at this point and

we are ready for the upcoming launch of Vespucci."

The modernized GPS III SV01 is slated to launch in December. It will augment the current constellation of 31 operational GPS satellites. GPS delivers the gold

standard in positioning, navigation, and timing services supporting vital U.S. and allied operations worldwide, and underpins critical financial, transportation, and agricultural infrastructure that billions of users have come to depend on daily.

- Rick Hamilton CGSIC Executive Secretariat GPS Information Analysis Team Lead U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center 703-313-5930

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### The Last Word

By Tom Alley, SN



OK, everyone, stop what you're doing. Where did the summer go? Who used it and didn't put it back where

it belonged? One moment it's spring and now, all of the sudden, I'm carting a kid back to college and I'm looking at a calendar page that says "September". What happened to summer?

It doesn't seem fair. We spend all winter preparing for trips and trying to get our boats "just right" for the various things we want to do with them, and it feels like we barely get launched and it's time to start thinking about our last few weekends before putting everything away again.

On the other hand, there are days when the prospect of laying up the boat for the winter seems like a relief. Our summers are so short, and we try to cram so much stuff into them that, frankly, by the end of many seasons I'm downright exhausted and need a break. (I know, I know..., Blasphamous!)

On the bright side, look at all our squadron accomplished this season –

- We had a capacity crowd taking our Sail class this summer.
- We completed our 4<sup>th</sup> year of Junior Sailing.
- We sent a fleet of two boats to the D/6 Rendezvous in the Thousand Islands.
- We organized and provided support for the filming of not one, but <u>two</u> boater safety videos for America's Boating Channel.
- We have local representation at both District and National levels.
- We have a strong and stable membership. (Not many squadrons can say this.)

In some respects, you could look back and say it's "only" the end of August. What more are we going to accomplish this year?

A couple years ago I published a variation of the "Stewardship

SV Tomfoolery

Prayer" in the District newsletter. I won't repeat it here (you can look it up on the district web site http://uspsd6.org), but we've accomplished all of these things because we have members being what they want their organization to be. They are welcoming, generous, involved, engaged and enthusiastic. This, in turn, makes Seneca Squadron welcoming, generous, involved, engaged and enthusiastic. Not every member is all of these things, but with individual members concentrating on one or two of these attributes, it makes our Squadron all of these things.

What one thing can you be that you want to see reflected in your Squadron? Call me. Together we'll make it happen.

See you on the water!

- Your Editor, Tom

As always, send your thoughts about this newsletter to:

editor@SenecaPowerSquadron.US.

### **Calendar of Events**

### September 2018

- O1 Seneca *Drum* September issue publication date.
- 11 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- Junior Navigation classroom sessions begin (1900), *location TBA*

#### October 2018

- 09 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- NYS Canals close for the season (1700)
- Deadline for *The Deep 6* articles (D/6)
- 25 Deadline for *Drum* articles

### November 2018

- 02-04 District 6 Fall Council & Conference (D/6)
- O7 Seneca *Drum* November issue publication date (delayed to cover Conference activities)
- 07 The Deep 6 fall issue publication date. (Delayed 1 week to cover Conference activities.) (D/6)
- 13 Bridge Meeting (1900)

### December 2018

17 Deadline for *Drum* Articles

### January 2019

- O1 Seneca *Drum* January issue publication date.
- 08 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- Deadline for D/6 *The Deep 6* articles. (D/6)
- TBD Seneca Change of Watch

### February 2019

- 01 The Deep 6 winter issue publication date. (D/6)
- 12 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- 17-23 USPS Annual Meeting, *Orlando*, *FL* (National)
- 22 Deadline for *Drum* Articles

#### March 2019

- O1 Seneca *Drum* March issue publication date.
- 12 Bridge Meeting (1900)

### **April 2019**

- 09 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- 12-14 D/6 Spring Conference & Change of Watch (D/6)
- 17 Deadline for *The Deep 6* articles (D/6)
- 24 Deadline for *Drum* Articles

### May 2019

- O1 Seneca *Drum* May issue publication date.
- 01 The Deep 6 spring issue publication date. (D/6)
- 14 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- 18-24 Safe Boating Week (National)

#### **June 2019**

- 11 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- 14-15 Waterfront Celebration & Cardboard Boat Race, Watkins Glen. NY.
- 24 Deadline for *Drum* Articles

### **July 2019**

- TBA D/6 2019 Rendezvous. Buffalo, NY. (D/6)
- O1 Seneca *Drum* July issue publication date.
- 09 Bridge Meeting (1900).
- Deadline for *The Deep 6* articles. (D/6)

### August 2019

- 01 The Deep 6 summer issue publication date. (D/6)
- TBA USPS Governing Board Meeting. (National)
- 13 Bridge Meeting (1900)
- 23 Deadline for *Drum* Articles

Calendars are "living documents." For the latest information on squadron activities, please check our web site:

http://www.SenecaPowerSquadron.US

or our Facebook page:

http://facebook.com/SenecaPowerSquadron

for any last-minute changes.