



Commander Message

By George K. Williams, AP

I hope each and every one of you had a wonderful Christmas and Holiday season. Can you believe it, yet another year has passed – Happy New Year 2024.

Just as an update on the Squadron and happening this past year.

- Chart sales picked up in 2023 as last reported. We really can use your help in their assembly. This is the Squadron's only source of income! Please consider volunteering a little of your time packaging charts this spring. More details will follow regarding our next chart rolling gettogether.
- Educational opportunities while significant, unfortunately, our SEO reported that no LGPS members took the opportunity to order USPS course materials including some offerings like weather, marine electronics and cruise planning. Wintertime is an excellent time to self-teach a course – contact the SEO at (518) 372-7220.
- With the passing of Treasurer Max Gollmer this past summer, our SEO has temporally taken on the treasurer's responsibility. We continue to seek a volunteer to fill that position – please contact me if you are interested.
- 4) Lastly, we were sadden by the passing of so many of our dear friends and fellow Squadron members. Woman's Certificate Holder Elizabeth Williams and Sarah Jane Story as well as Treasurer Max Gollmer.

In closing, enjoy thumbing through the latest boating magazine in front of a cozy fireplace, but most of all, consider taking a USPS course.

Stay safe and think Spring!!

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Quality - high resolution digital photographs for the Squadron Website Photo Gallery Page

All photo's should be submitted in landscape - digital jpeg format Mail a CD or e-mail your photo's to Armand at lgpsinfo@nycap.rr.com



Now Hear This...

Squadron Nomination Committee Needs Your Help

The Squadron Nomination Committee is presently seeking LGPS members interested in serving on the upcoming 2024-25 Bridge/Executive Committee. If interested, please call P/C Armand Canestraro at (518) 372-7220 or P/C George K. Williams at (518) 393-6414 to discuss your interest. Without you – there is <u>NO</u> Squadron!

The Great Northeast Boat Show – Queensbury Dome Is Back!!!

The Great Northeast Boat show will again be at the Adirondack Sports Complex located at 326 Sherman Ave in Queensbury for the weekend of March 31st through March 22 – 24, 2024. For more details please visit <u>http://www.thegreatupstateboatshow.com/</u>

Things to Do in Lake George in the Winter

Lake George is the Crown Jewel of the Adirondacks, especially in the winter. The fun doesn't stop when the lake freezes and snow falls. This mountain region embraces the cold season, making it a true winter wonderland you must experience. Not a fan of ice and snow? The area has plenty of indoor attractions that will keep you warm and cozy while enjoying one of the best towns in the Adirondacks.

- Lake George Winter Carnival. You can visit the Lake George Winter Carnival every weekend starting in February Lake George Village.
- New Year's Day Lake George Polar Plunge Shepard's Park Beach
- Snowmobile Tours contact LG Visitor's Bureau for tour & rental details.
- Snow Tubing West Mountain Ski area.
- Ice Skating on Lake George (bring your own skates no rentals available).
- Winter Realms Ice Castles Charles R. Wood Park West Brook Drive
- Hot Chocolate Stations located throughout the village.
- Skiing or Snowboarding West Mountain Ski area.

Vessel Safety Check Decals Have Arrived for 2024

It's never too early to begin thinking about having your vessel examination completed for 2024. For details on the requirements please contact VSE P/C Armand Canestraro at (518) 372-7220. Before you know, it will be spring and the perfect time to schedule your 20-24 VSE.