



~ HAPPY HALLOWEEN ~
to all the great Boys and
Ghouls of the
7.272 Chew!



KRING POINT 2026

This issue will be dedicated to the annual Kring Point Party held on Saturday, September 26, 2026. I will include as many of the great photos taken there showing off the gang having a great time, under blue skies and sunshine.



The "Chew"

SEVENTY-TWO



"Where
Choosy
People

Choose
to
CHEW!"

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One draw for everyone, like a magnet bringing us back year after year is, of course, meeting up with great friends in beautiful surroundings. There is nothing like an early fall day along the mighty St. Lawrence Seaway. Kring Point State Park offers spectacular views of the waterway along with views of a few of the nearby Islands.

Even though it is called the Thousand Islands, there are actually 1,864 of them. Each ranging in size of acres with castles and mansions built upon them, to simple stones in the water with a single tree growing on it. Included are a few man-made islands millionaires from the gilded age, decided that they liked the view so they actually ordered crews to dump rocks and earth to build them their own private island. Once the base was installed, yes a mansion followed.



There are several boat tours available from "A-Bay", and I took the famous 3 hour tour around the islands. (Without Gilligan) Uncle Sam's tours offer various sizes in water craft including the large 3 level paddlewheel steamer. We ran on both the American and



Canadian side to view many of the castles and sumptuous home of the millionaires.



One place that is a favorite stopping place is Hart Island where there is a magnificent, yet unfinished castle. At the turn of the century, (1900's that is.) A



millionaire business man decided to build a grand mansion for his wife and family. Work began and in 1904 when most internal rooms were completed, his wife tragically died. He was so broken up, he immediately called the work crews to stop work and this home was never completed. It lay fallow until the 1950's when a consortium of museum specialists took over the island to repair damage and open it for public tours. This photo



shows the DC Powerhouse and water pumping station to dower the island and supply water to all Areas of the island.

The lower photo is the children's own multi-story play house. (castle)

It is fully equipped with heat and bath-rooms to pamper their whims. This, and the powerhouse, were the first buildings built and served as HQ for the architects and construction team.



One of the interesting sights was the 17 foot tall statue of Saint Lawrence, an early martyr of the church. In 258AD, the pope was killed and Lawrence, in charge of the church treasury, was ordered to turn over all to the Roman government. He steadfastly refused so, he was bound and roasted alive on a large metal gridiron over hot coals. Legend records that Lawrence showed incredible endurance and humor during his torture, famously telling his executioners, *"Turn me over; I am well done on this side!"*



Meanwhile back at the Party...

A few early arrivals stopped by at 11 Am to help Dean-WA5UCQ begin setting up the pavilion. Dean-L and Randy-R fired up the grills and got



things ready for cooking.



Inside all hands were on deck setting up the tables with fall colored tablecloths and putting the goodies and condiments out for all to enjoy. (see next page)

A note from your editor ...

Our monthly newsletter **"THE CHEW"**, contains information about the activities and participants in the 7.272 Rag-chew Net. We rely on contributions of stories and pictures from the members to keep all of us up to date, impart information we can all use and, of course, to raise a smile and a chuckle or two. If you find a new "Taz" photo that can be used for future certificates and QSLs, that too is greatly appreciated. Without you, there is no Chew!

Please, e-mail your stories, tech info and photos to Lobby at wa2axz@arrl.net

Many Thanks!



Volunteers Wanted!

If you would like to be one of our Net Control Stations on a regular schedule or as an occasional fill-in, please contact our net scheduler, Lobby-WA2AXZ.



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Bill-KB1PKS and XYL-Jan set out the dinnerware.

The dessert table was filled with sweet goodies everyone would enjoy after the meal. The sign-in table was set up where door prize tickets were handed out and



50/50 tickets were sold to help out the repeater clubs in the area.

For the third year in a row, the main door prize was a beautifully constructed and finished handmade chest from the wood shop of Chad-KB1HPV. Having removable shelves this truly is great piece of furniture.



Old friends meet up for a friendly handshake... and below is the patriarch of the 72 Chew Ken W3XAF along with Loby WA2AXZ



Putting on the "Feed Bag"



More Food Please!



After we got our fill, Dean started with the proceedings thanking those who helped out and noted that for 2027, he will try to get the pavilion at least a week earlier Around the 15th or so. He will let everyone know the exact date.



Chad-KB1HPV and his lovely XYL Nancy, got up to describe how he made the chest and

his XYL reached in and picked the winning ticket. David-WX2CIB.

To pick the 50/50 winner, David reached in and surprisingly picked Chad's ticket!

Dean (L) David (M) and Chad (R)



All our "Usual Suspects" gathered for the annual 2026 Group photo. There are many more camera shy friends. back inside...

