

THE BITTER END

News from Skagit Bay Sail and Power Squadron

March 2015

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CALENDAR

12 March, General Meeting and Election, Farmhouse

20-22 March, D16 Spring Conference, Ocean Shores

30 March, Cruise Planning Class Starts, Anacortes Marina

10 April, Anacortes Boat Show, Cap Sante Marina



Come on down to Ocean Shores! The D16 Conference is always fun . This is also the officer elections but we can have a squadron kite contest of something if enough of us show up. See registration in this issue!



Commander's Message Kari Randall-Secret, N

Wow – It is March already! These last couple of months seem to have flown right by. Our Langley day-trip and lunch at Primo Bistro was wonderful, as usual. What a great way to spend a very pleasant Valentine's Day with lots of good food, good friends and good weather. Deanna and I are really looking forward to the upcoming rendezvous in Oak Harbor during Holland Happening. It's a great time of year to get the boat out for a shake-down cruise, so come on out and join us!

The boating season is rapidly approaching and our first squadron rendezvous is just around the corner. We've got lots of great cruises and get-togethers on our calendar and I encourage you to come along by boat, by car, by RV or whatever form of transportation you prefer.

Our next meeting will be back at the Farmhouse Restaurant, Thursday, March 12th and social time begins at 6:00 pm. The meeting starts at 6:30 and dinner will be at 7:00. The program this month promises to be a good one from Rod Proctor where we get to "take an armchair adventure on the Aurora Explorer with Rod and Mike Ackley as they cruise the Broughton Archipelago. Their vessel is a 135-foot self-powered barge, which

moves freight around Desolation Sound and the Broughtons. The vessel has room for 12 paying passengers in six staterooms on five-day trips. You will hear and see why you might want to make this trip even if you have your own boat." Sure hope to see you all there!

As you embark on your spring cleaning endeavors, don't forget about donating items for this year's Shipwreck Day which is our annual fundraising event in Anacortes on July 18th. We are in need of some larger items to sell and keep in mind ... one person's junk is another person's treasure!

Time to get our boats prepared to weigh anchor, so let's go boating!

March Program—

Take an armchair adventure on the Aurora Explorer with Rod Proctor and Mike Ackley as they cruise the Broughton Archipelago. Their vessel is a 135-foot self-powered barge, which moves freight around Desolation Sound and the Broughtons. The vessel has room for 12 paying passengers in six staterooms on five-day trips. You will hear and see why you might want to make this trip even if you have your own boat.

Skagit Bay Sail and Power Squadron 2015 Slate for
Elected Positions

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| Commander | Kari Randall-Secret, N |
| Executive Officer | Mark Richey, SN |
| Administrative Officer | Deanna Randall- Secret, N |
| SEO | Debbie Richey, AP |
| ASEO | (Vacant) |
| Secretary | Sharon Knowles, AP |
| Treasurer | Michael Connell, AP |
| Exec Committee | Robert Miller, JN Donna Mason, AP Sandy Johnson, P Kelly Libby, S |
| Auditing Committee | Sharon Knowles, AP Robert Miller, JN Judy Bennett, S |
| Nomination Committee | Kelly Libby, S Jean Miller, N (Vacant) |
| Rules Committee | Bill Stewart, JN John Bellinger, SN Ruth Peterson, SN |

Submitted by P/C Jean Miller, N, on 24 February,
2015

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM

*A place for articles and items of general interest,
Jokes, recipes, etc.*

Did you know...

Amos Bowman in charge of the state geological survey, was so impressed with Skagit County that in 1876-1877 he moved his family from California to Washington and purchased land in Anacortes. He named the town after his wife Anna Curtis but alter the spelling to give it a Spanish flair.

The Thought for the Month...

*"When we seek to discover the best in others, we somehow bring out the best in ourselves."
William Arthur Ward*

Something Nautical...

"Red sky at night, sailors delight. Red sky in morning, sailors take warning."
Comes from ...Matthew 16: 2-3

Dale Libby 's World Renown Crab Cakes-

Ingredients:

1 pound crabmeat, picked free of shells
1/3 cup crushed crackers (recommend Ritz)
3 green onions (green and white parts). Finely chopped
1/2 cup finely chopped bell peppers
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1 egg
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon dry mustard
1/2 lemon, juiced
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
1 teaspoon salt
Dash cayenne pepper – optional
Flour for dusting
1/2 cup peanut oil
Favorite dipping sauce, for serving –(I like to use thousand island dressing)

Directions:

In a large bowl, mix together all ingredients, except for the flour and peanut oil. Shape into patties and dust with flour.

Heat oil in a large skillet over medium heat. When oil is hot, carefully place crab cakes, in batches, in pan and fry until browned, about 4 to 5 minutes.

Carefully flip crab cakes and fry on other side until golden brown, about 4 minutes. Serve warm with preferred sauce.



Education Department
George Johnson, SN

Marine Electrical Systems finished with 17 students passing the final exam. Nine students were non-members. By all accounts it was one of our best classes ever presented. The students loved and appreciated it. A great job by John Bellinger and George Brooks.

Next up is Cruising and Cruise Planning. Bob Miller will be teaching it. As most of you know, Bob has many years as skipper of the Millers' Loon Songs cruising Puget Sound and the Inside Passage, with extended trips to Alaska. He has endless knowledge of all aspects of cruising our beautiful Salish Sea and "up north", and shares it with entertaining descriptions of situations and solutions. We strongly encourage anyone wanting to do more than spend a weekend on the boat to "step aboard" and enjoy a very important learning experience. Here is the promotional announcement that has secured 13 students so far:

"USPS Cruising and Cruise Planning Course will be taught by Skagit Bay Sail & Power Squadron at Anacortes Marina, Mondays and Wednesdays, 7 to 9 p.m., March 30 to April 29. Covers cruise preparation and planning, boat and equipment, anchors and anchoring, security, chartering, cruising outside the United States, crew and provisioning, voyage management, communications, navigation, weather, emergencies. Cost for non-members is \$150, or \$175 for two sharing a book. Contact Bob Miller, 360-588-9950 or bobmillerwa@hotmail.com. Registration closes March 10." (Note that members pay \$55, or \$65 for two sharing a book, and we can delay the close of registration until March 17.)

Debbie Richey's Partner-In-Command seminar is planned for April at Stanwood PUD. If you would like to survive, or to help your skipper survive, when things go wrong on the boat, consider this 4-hour Saturday seminar. Contact Debbie directly for this one at drichey@rocketmail.com, or 425-750-9551. Cost is \$40, or \$50 for two sharing a book.

Sadly, we had to cancel the Engine Maintenance course. Only 3 students applied, and we can't ask our instructor to come on the ferry from Hood Canal for 9 sessions without having more students. Me thinks that people will tackle some electrical problems on the boat, but for engine stuff, they leave it to the shop.

| COURSE | INSTR | DATES | LOCATION | *PRICE | CLOSES |
|---|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---|
| Partner-In-Command | D. Richey | April | Stanwood PUD | \$40/50 | Members and non are welcome at same price |
| Cruise Planning | Miller | Mon-Wed 3/30-4/29/15 | Anacortes Marina | \$55/65 or \$150/175 | 3/10/2015 |
| Marine Communications | Bellinger/ Brooks | Wed 6/3-8/5/15 or fall? | Skagit Valley Hospital | \$55/65 or \$150/175 | |
| Electronic Navigation | Miller | fall 2015 | | \$55/65 or \$150/175 | |
| Weather | Jacobson | fall 2015 | | | |
| *\$55/65 is for members - one/or two sharing a book. \$150/175 is for non-members - one/or two sharing a book. | | | | | |



And this is what a February sunset can look like around here.

And how about those snow geese?



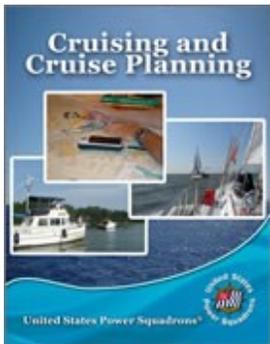
Our Langley Lunch gang



What should we do for Safe Boating Week?

It's a good way to get us in front of public if we can come up with an activity. It's May 16 thru 22 and any local marina might be a good spot for something . Contact Debbie Richey with ideas. We have been lax lately and it is what we do.

Cruising and Cruise Planning Course



When: 30 March to April 29,
Mondays and Wednesdays, 1900-2100
Where: Anacortes Marina
How Many: 13 people have signed up, room for seven more
How Much: \$55 per person/\$65 per couple (USPS)
\$150-per person/\$175 per couple (non-member)
Instructor: Lt Robert J Miller, JN
Deadline: 13 March 2015



Boating **Activities (for the year)**
P/C Donna J. Mason, AP

April 24-26 Oak Harbor, Whidbey Island “Holland Happening” Hosts: Bill and Lynn Stewart
Come by boat, RV or car to enjoy this Dutch-themed weekend. Boaters register on your own at the Oak Harbor Marina (360) 279-4575, www.whidbey.com/ohmarina. The usual RV site is closed, so the RV location is TBD.

Some RVs may arrive as early as Wednesday. Lynn and Bill will announce more later.

May 29-31 Sucia Island Remote Dock and Anchor Out Rendezvous, Hosts: Kari and Deanna Randall-Secret
Enjoy a peaceful weekend at this remote island setting with some dock space and 48 mooring buoys. There are water and toilets, but no power or showers. Kari and Deanna will announce more later.

June 5-7 Anacortes Waterfront Festival, June meeting and Vessel Safety Checks Hosts: Paul and Donna
This popular weekend offers much entertainment all weekend, vintage and Corvette car shows, festival booths, the Quick and Dirty Boat Race, the Milk Carton Derby boat race, and more.
Saturday afternoon we'll have our June Members' Meeting followed by a cookout on our own party float near our boats. This is a convenient time to get your Vessel Safety Check decal.

June 26-28 is the USPS District 16 Rendezvous in Poulsbo, WA.
D16 hosts and will announce information about this rendezvous.

July 3-5 Bellingham's Squalicum Harbor July 4th Weekend Rendezvous, Hosts: Paul and Donna
We have the entire U-Visitor's Dock reserved for us to enjoy the weekend activities. Some boaters may want to arrive July 2.

July 11 Dinghy trip up the Snohomish River, Hosts: George and Jeanne Brooks
There'll be more news from George on this one!

July 18 Shipwreck Day, Anacortes
Not a boating activity but I always try to plug the one and only revenue-generating activity for our squadron. Donate items, join us aiding the public to find treasures in our booth, help our squadron stay in the black! We always enjoy dinner on our own in a local restaurant afterward.

August 7-9 Bell Harbor Marina and Mariners baseball, Seattle, Hosts: TBD
I paid a reservation fee upfront for this, but we have space reserved for five boats on B Dock at Bell Harbor Marina, Bell Street Pier 66, www.portseattle.org. I need to confirm with the marina by July 24. The Mariners play Texas that weekend; a few members already have tickets. Check Mariners' website: <http://seattle.mariners.mlb.com>. E-mail me at donnajmason@gmail.com or call 360 595-1083.

August 21-23 Deer Harbor Marina, Orcas Island, Hosts: Paul and Donna
This popular destination is a great place to relax and do nothing or explore the walks, beaches, go crabbing, or shop in town. Your choice. Friday evening we'll probably walk to the Deer Harbor Inn for dinner, or have dinner on your own at your boat. We'll have a Happy Hour - BBQ potluck dinner Saturday. For those with more than a weekend to cruise, this weekend will segue into...

August 23 – 30 Our 3rd Big Deal Canada Cruise, Hosts: Paul and Donna
Sunday morning, we'll leave from Deer Harbor and head to Poet's Cove, S. Pender Island, BC and beyond, like Ladysmith Harbor on Vancouver Island, with possible stops at some of these picturesque and entertaining ports: Maple Bay, Cowichan Bay. We'll end our cruise at Roche Harbor, San Juan Island August 28-29, and head for home ports Sunday morning August 30. Dock space at marinas will be available, but some boaters may prefer to anchor out. Some boaters may be able to do part of this cruise; that's o.k. too.

ASAP: Please let me know if you are interested in this cruise: a short planning meeting over coffee will include your preferences: donnajmason@gmail.com. Some marinas require early reservations. I'll have lots of info available at the meeting.

September 4-7 Point Hudson Marina, Port Townsend, Hosts: Everett Sail and Power Squadron
The Everett Squadron has invited us to join their and Seattle's squadrons in Pt. Townsend. So far Dale Libby from Skagit is going. Others may visit by RV, Car, walk-on ferry.

September 18-20 Fisherman Bay, Lopez Island, Host: TBD
Saturday Farmer's Market, Crabbing, Lopez Island Ice Cream, need I say more?

September 26 SBSPS Anniversary Cookout, Coronet Bay, Deception Pass, Hosts: Kari and Deanna Randall-Secret.

We'll reserve the canopy picnic tables for a cookout and potluck to celebrate our squadron's anniversary. It is a State Parks free day!

October 2-4, Rosario Resort, Orcas Island, Hosts: TBD
Relax with a weekend at this wonderful resort marina. Winter rates in effect so we save on moorage!

October 16-18, Stewart Island Reed Harbor Remote Anchor Out, Hosts: TBD
State park with campsites, water and composting toilets, no electricity or showers. Walk to historic buildings and trail to the lighthouse.

November 7 Day trip by car, destination TBD

November 25-29 Fort Casey RV Thanksgiving Weekend, Hosts: TBD
RV for the weekend, or join the RVers for a day trip. Past trips have been a day trip ferrying to Pt. Townsend and a drive to Prima Bistro for lunch.

December 5 Argosy Christmas Ship Cruise, Seattle
This trip in Kirkland last December was so popular, folks want to do it again this year, except we'll try to get a Christmas Ship cruise in Seattle.

December 12 LaConner Lighted Boat Parade and Squadron Holiday Party, Hosts: Paul and Donna
The LaConner Pub already has us penned in for this event! Let's not repeat last year's fiasco...

Canada Cruise Planning over Coffee on Sunday, March 15 at 2 p.m. A small group of participants is meeting at Starbuck's on Cook Road off I-5 in Burlington to plan our August cruise to Canada. Please join us if you are interested in bringing your boat on this cruise. We have the beginning and end of this cruise planned and need to firm up the middle part which will be in Canada. The cruise begins with the Deer Harbor Rendezvous on Orcas Island August 21-23, and we end the cruise with a weekend rendezvous at Roche Harbor, San Juan Island August 21-23.

Speaking of cruises, have you signed up yet for Bob Miller's Updated Cruise Planning Course which begins March 30? This should be a fun as well as educational course, with lots of sea stories.

If you'd like a suggestion for armchair reading as spring approaches, read *The Boys in the Boat* by Daniel James Brown. Just about everyone in Whatcom County has read this book about how a rough and tumble crew of lads at UW, an amazing coxswain, a racing shell builder, and a team coach came

together and won the 1936 Olympics right under Adolph Hitler's bent-out-of-shape nose. Even though we know the outcome, it is a real page turner! My heart (and a tear or two) went out to one of the crew members. It is worth your time.

Ferry trivia On another note, when Paul and I car ferried to Victoria over Christmas, I found some interesting facts in the newspaper about the BC ferries. There are three kinds of ferries from Tsawwassen to Swartz Bay. The old Queen of New Westminster, one of the oldest in the B.C. fleet, can go faster than the larger Sprit ferries thanks to new engines installed in the 1990s. It is not as fast as the three newest Coastal ferries. The Spirits have power at only one end, and it takes six minutes to turn around in good weather. In windy weather they may take 20 minutes to turn around. The Coastals have propellers at both ends and can head straight from one terminal to another.

If a medical emergency is life-threatening, the ferry will go to the nearest dock. People in pleasure boats often cause significant delays for the ferries because the boaters are less aware of what is expected of them on the water. (They need a USPS course!)

Marine rescues occur about 20 times a year. If ferry crew see another vessel in trouble, they respond. Ferries often serve as windbreaks to make rescues easier.

Food facts: Annually, the ferry system goes through 954,149 pounds of French fries, serves 187,887 bowls of clam chowder, 1,967,922 cups of coffee (unless George Johnson is on the ferry and the number increases by 20), and 1,185,776 burgers.

Scratch your head over these passengers: People drive on the ferry, then walk off at their destination, expecting to find their car on shore. Meanwhile, ferry personnel are searching for the driver of an abandoned vehicle on board, worrying that someone might have fallen overboard. Some people are surprised to find there is no valet service for their cars. Some people drain the vehicle's battery by watching videos or playing CDs with the engine off during the one hour 35 minute crossing. And then there are the loose children and pets...

These excerpts are thanks to Dave Obee of the Victoria Times Colonist for his article on Dec 26, 2014.

**Skagit Bay Sail & Power Squadron
Meeting Minutes
January 8, 2015**

Meeting Location: Farmhouse Restaurant

Start Time: 1755 hours

Attendance:

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| George Johnson | Sandra Johnson | Albert Miller | Sharon Knowles |
| Jeanne Brooks | George Brooks | Marlene Bellinger | John Bellinger |
| Bob Miller | Jean Miller | Debbie Richey | Dale Libby |
| Deanna Randall-Secrest | Kari Randall-Secrest | Bob Miller | Paul Rosetter |
| Donna Mason | Ruth Peterson | Bill Stewart | Lynn Stewart |
| Mike Wytychak | Sheryl Wytychak | John Bennett | Judy Bennett |

Invocation was given by Ruth Peterson

Flag salute was led by Albert Miller

Secretary's Report was included in the Bitter End.

Treasurer's Report by Michael Connell: The balance on 12/31/14 was \$3,128.63.

Administrative Report by Deanna Randall-Secrest: Still working on the details of a first-aid/CPR class.

Executive Officer Report by Debbie Richey: The Skipper in Command seminar has been postponed until April.

Education Report by George Johnson: The current Marine Electrical Systems class is the best class he's been a part of, as there is lots of conversation and participation. Bob Miller will hold a 4-week course in Cruise Planning, beginning in April.

Dale Libby remarked that the Everett squadron uses a "buddy system" to hook up new members with the old members, as a way of helping the new-comers take part.

George Brooks has lined up Rod Proctor to speak at our March 12th meeting. Rod will give a presentation about a landing barge cruise.

Old Business: None.

New Business: This was our "Annual Rendezvous-Planning" Meeting. Donna Mason once again did a terrific job with her pre-planning, so as to have all the needed information available to assist with our choices of dates and locations.

Meeting was adjourned at 1932 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Skagit Bay Sail & Power Squadron
Meeting Minutes
February 12, 2015

Meeting Location: Conway Fire Hall

Start Time: 1900 hours

Attendance:

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|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| George Johnson | Sandra Johnson | Albert Miller | Sharon Knowles |
| Jeanne Brooks | George Brooks | Marlene Bellinger | John Bellinger |
| Bob Miller | Jean Miller | Bob Miller | Dale Libby |
| Deanna Randall-Secret | Kari Randall-Secret | Debbie Richey | Paul Rosetter |
| Donna Mason | Bill Stewart | Lynn Stewart | Beth Ford |
| Joe Ford | Mike Wytychak | Sheryl Wytychak | Dick Hunter, guest |
| Deputy Brad Holmes | | | |

Invocation was said by George Brooks

Flag salute was led by Albert Miller

Over-view of January's Rendezvous-Planning meeting was given by Kari in lieu of a Secretary's Report.

Treasurer's Report by Michael Connell: The balance on 1/31/15 was \$3,112.84.

Administrative Report by Deanna Randall-Secret: The first-aid/CPR course is still being planned. Deanna wanted to know what dates simply did not work for those who hoped to attend. It is tentatively being set for March 28th. Tonight's program will be presented by Deputy Brad Holmes of the Skagit County Sheriff's Search and Rescue.

Events: Donna asked those who plan to attend the day trip to Langley, on February 14th, about a change in time. She also asked that those who were thinking of participating in the August cruise, get together for some planning. Lynn gave the bad news that the Oak Harbor RV park will be closed during our April rendezvous, and an alternate location will have to be decided upon by those with RVs.

Education Report by George Johnson: Due to lack of interest, the Engine Maintenance course has been cancelled. The dates were changed for the Cruise Planning course, and it will be held in May. There will be no ABC class until fall, as the Coast Guard has one coming up soon.

George asked for permission to pay the \$160 fee for a booth at Shipwreck Day. Motion was made by Dale Libby, seconded by Albert Miller. Motion passed. He asked that we collect new stuff, so that the booth will have fresh stock.

The USPS is seeking \$100,000 as a consultant's fee to receive better "branding" and is asking each squadron to give \$100. Motion was made, by Bob Miller, for Skagit Bay to kick in their share. Seconded by Deanna, motion carried.

Commander's Report by Kari Randall-Secret: A flyer was passed around, advertising the D16 Spring Photo Contest, in which \$3,600 worth of prizes were up for grabs. The Incoming Officer's meeting will be February 28th in Federal Way. She also made order forms available, for those who were still wanting to get their rendezvous shirts during the first order, which she will be putting in soon.

The nominating committee is in need of someone to step up to be nominated as the Assistant Squadron Education Officer.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Bob Miller addressed the condition of the squadron's computers. There are three sets of computers and projectors. One computer is of a good age, while two aren't much good, but one has software needed for N & JN classes. The older ones won't reliably run the videos for the ABC classes. Donna suggested a possible donation to "Computers for Kids," when the time comes to decommission them. For now, they will be kept for back-up.

Meeting was adjourned at 1927 hours.

The Pledge

I do solemnly pledge to: Abide by the bylaws of the United States Power Squadrons®; Promote high standards of navigation and seamanship; Maintain my boat and operate it legally; Render assistance whenever possible; and conduct myself in a manner that will add prestige, honor and respect to the United States Power Squadrons.®

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|  <p style="text-align: center;">HAPPY MARCH</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">BIRTHDAYS John Bellinger Mike Connell Peter Haradine Gary Mohr Joan Scarboro</p> |
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~ General Meeting Information ~

Our General Meetings are held monthly on the 2nd Thursdays of each month (except July & August), at The Farmhouse Restaurant, corner of SR20 and La Conner-Whitney Road. Greetings and social time starts at 1800 with dinner at 1900. Meeting is normally held just before dinner. When a program is available it usually starts about 1930. The meeting is sometimes moved to another date or venue for special occasions, but that will be advertised in the newsletter or an email notice.

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|  <p>ANACORTES BOAT SHOW <i>Coast in. Hang out.</i></p> |  | <p>April 10 - 12, 2015 • 10am-5pm anacortesboatshow.com 1019 Q Avenue - Anacortes, WA</p> |  |  |
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| Course Passed | 2009 2010 2011 | | | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 |
|--|----------------|----|----|------|------|------|
| ABC | 42 | 20 | 29 | 15 | 24 | 19 |
| Seamanship | | 8 | 2 | | 10 | |
| Piloting | | 4 | 1 | | | |
| Advanced Piloting | 3 | 3 | | | | |
| Junior Navigation | 8 | | | 1 | | |
| Navigation | | 9 | | | | |
| Cruise Planning | | | | | | |
| Instructor Development (Instructor Recert) | | | | | 8 | |
| Engine Maintenance | | | 8 | | | |
| Marine Electronics | 9 | | | | | |
| Marine Communications | | | | | 7 | |
| Marine Electrical Syst | | | | | | |
| Weather | | | | | | |
| Sail | | | | | | |
| Operations Training | 3 | 2 | | | | |

| Bridge Officers | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Commander | Kari Randall-Secrest, N | 360-387-1194 |
| Executive Officer | Mark Richey, SN | 360-387-1260 |
| Education Officer | George Johnson, SN | 360-588-8125 |
| Administrative Officer | Deanna Randall-Secrest,N | 360-387-1194 |
| Secretary | Sharon Knowles, AP | 360 333-7808 |
| Treasurer | Mike Connell, AP | 425 327-3557 |
| Executive Committee | | |
| | Bob Miller, JN | 360-588-9950 |
| | Lynn Stewart, P | 360-424-1270 |
| | Sandy Johnson, P | 360-588-8125 |
| | Kelly Libby, S | 425-359-7078 |
| Commander Department | | |
| Chaplain | Ruth Peterson, SN | 360-293-1888 |
| Flag Lt. | Albert Miller, P | 360-391-1897 |
| Port Captain | Vacant | |
| Law Officer | Vacant | |
| Merit Marks | Debbie Richey, AP | 360-387-1260 |
| | Vacant | |
| | Vacant | |
| Executive Department | | |
| Co-Op Charting | Lynn Stewart, P | 360-424-1270 |
| Liaison | Debbie Richey, AP | 360-387-1260 |
| Public Relations | Deanna Randall-Secrest,N | 360-387-1194 |
| Asst Public Relations | Vacant | |
| Radio Technical | Vacant | |
| Safety | Bill Stewart, JN | 360-424-1270 |
| Vessel Exams | Rick Anderson, SN | 360-757-6241 |
| Education Department | | |
| Assistant Education Officer | Paul Rosetter,AP | 360-595-1083 |
| Local Board Public Boating | George Johnson, SN | 360-588-8125 |
| Local Board Advanced | Rick Anderson, SN | 360-757-6241 |
| Grades | John Bellinger, SN | 360-757-8091 |
| Local Board Elect Courses | Vacant | |
| Administrative Department | | |
| Boating Activities | Donna Mason, AP | 360 595-1083 |
| Galley | Vacant | |
| Greeting | Vacant | |
| Membership | Debbie Richey, AP | 360-387-1260 |
| Operations Training | Debbie Richey, AP | 360-387-1260 |
| Programs | Vacant | |
| Property Officer | Vacant | |
| Supply Officer | Vacant | |
| Telephone | Vacant | |
| Secretary's Department | | |
| Editor "Bitter End" | Mark Richey, SN | 425-876-6274 |
| Historian | Lynn Stewart, P | 360-424-1270 |
| Roster | Bob Miller, JN | 360-588-9950 |
| Scrapbook | Vacant | |
| Webmaster | Kari Randall-Secrest, N | 360-387-1194 |
| Auditing Committee | | |
| 1 Yr Chair | Dale Libby, P | 360-435-3835 |
| 2 Yrs. | Sharon Knowles, AP | 360 333-7808 |
| 3 Yrs. | Jean Miller, N | 360-588-9950 |
| Nominating Committee | | |
| 1 Yr. Chair | Jean Miller, N | 360-588-9950 |
| 2 Yrs. | Vacant | |
| 3 Yrs. | Kelly Libby, S | 425-359-7078 |
| Rules Committee | | |
| 1 Yr. Chair | Bill Stewart, JN | 360-424-1270 |
| 2 Yrs. | John Bellinger, SN | 360-757-8091 |
| 3 Yrs. | Ruth Peterson, SN | 360-293-1888 |

Please note the vacancies. We would love to have someone fill these spots. They are just little fun spots and don't take much time. They really help out the squadron and make us better. Contact the Commander or department head if interested.

REGISTRATION FORM
District 16 Spring Council/Conference
20-21 March 2015
Shilo Inn Suites Hotel
Ocean Shores, WA
“Reaching the next Level”

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Spouse/Guest name: _____

City/State/Zip: _____ Squadron: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Will you be attending just the district conference without meals? YES _____

Please Note: This is an activity registration form. There is no charge for attending conference meetings.
 Early Bird prices apply for reservations postmarked no later than March 1, 2015
 Regular hotel prices apply to reservations postmarked after March 1, 2015 (Space Available)

| Activity | Early Bird | After 03/01/15 | No. People | Total |
|--|------------|-------------------|------------|---------|
| Registration: 1600 - 1830 | | | | |
| Friday Reception: 1730 - 1930 | | | | |
| 'No Host Bar': 1730-1930 | | | | |
| Dinner Buffet: 1830-1930 | \$19 | \$22 | _____ | \$_____ |
| Classic Cajun Jambalaya – w/Chicken, Sausage, Seafood, Green Salad, Rolls & Butter, Coffee, Decaf, Tea, Iced Tea | | | | |

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| Saturday Breakfast: 0800 – 0900 | \$17 | \$20 | _____ | \$_____ |
| Sunrise Buffet: Ham & Cheese Scrambled Eggs, Breakfast Potatoes, Bacon Strips and Biscuits and Sausage Gravy | | | | |

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| Saturday Luncheon: 1200 - 1330 | \$19 | \$22 | _____ | \$_____ |
| Deli Sandwich Bar: Honey Cured Ham, Smoked Turkey and Roast Beef, sliced cheeses, Assorted Bread and toppings include Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles. Fresh Green Salad with Assorted Dressings, Chips and Dip and Pasta Salad. | | | | |

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| Saturday Evening No-Host Bar: 1800 | | | | |
| Saturday Evening Conference Banquet: 1900 – 2100 | \$35 | \$39 | _____ | \$_____ |
| The Bounty Buffet: Sirloin of Beef, served w/ Marsala Wine Pepper Sauce or Marinated Lemon Herb Chicken Breast, Rice Pilaf, Pasta Salad, Seasonal Vegetables, Fresh Green Salad w/ Assorted Dressings, Rolls & Butter, Cake for Dessert | | | | |

Dietary Restrictions? _____

Total (US) \$_____

Make reservations directly with Shilo Inn Suites Hotel – not later than March 5, 2015.
 Ask for "United States Power Squadron" room block, to get the conference rate; \$99 plus tax, per night.

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