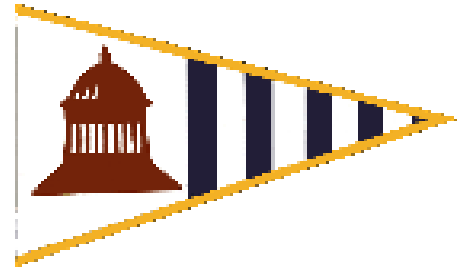




THE SEAMAN'S LOG

The Voice of the
OLYMPIA SAIL & POWER SQUADRON
April 2012.

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DON'T FORGET THE CHANGE OF WATCH!!

It's almost here! The Olympia Sail & Power Squadron Change of Watch will be April 16, 2012.

Time: 1745

Place: Chambers House Restaurant at Panorama, 1650 Circle Drive SE, Lacey, Washington.

Please make your reservation with Rose Ann Walker, 360-754-0393, by April 9, along with your choice of entrée--Honey Mustard Baked Salmon, Apricot Glazed Beef Brisket, or Chicken Marsala.

FROM THE BRIDGE

Rainy Days at the Beach

This year's District 16 Spring Conference resembled the last conference held in Ocean Shores, rain-wise. Indeed it was wet, and most often windy, a cold wind at that. However, the hospitality provided by the Friday Harbor Squadron in the warm confines of the Shilo Inn made up for what Mother Nature was providing outside. Paul and I arrived early enough on Friday to see a bit of the town and to have lunch (how I love razor clams) before registration opened at 3:00. There was time to chat with friends and to compare thoughts in answering the Mardi Gras trivia quiz (Should have found a more knowledgeable friend.) before the first event, the reception to greet the C/C's rep. R/C Ken Grilling, SN, from Southern California.

Ken is the chairman of the USPS Nominating Committee and encouraged members to go to the USPS web site, learn about the many opportunities to volunteer for national committees, and to get more involved with the organization, especially since you can do that from the comfort of your own home . . . or boat.

Post dinner there was more time for socializing, although for those who brought their dogs it was time to bundle up and head out for walkies in the weather. At breakfast with the Cdrs and XOs there was a brief discussion of Hank Willis's suggestion that the three administrative positions be for two years, one to learn how to do the job and one to do it right. The two ministerial jobs, secretary and treasurer, could be out of the line and held longer by persons who find them, well, a piece of cake.

Much of the program day was taken up by formal requirements: agenda/changes,

introductions, rules, roll call, quorum, approval of minutes. Peter Raiswell, D/C of USCG Aux D 13, spoke and showed photos of what can make nautical activities pretty exciting. (At the Mason County Sheriff's Breakfast on Friday we had heard Cdr Mike Schoonover speak. He's the Emergency Response Coordinator of the Seattle CG Station, and his were moving pictures with music. We were sitting close enough to the front that we could feel the spray off the CG boats as they took some really big waves! WHEE!)

The Chief Commander's message, given by Ken Grilling, emphasized, as you might expect, public education and membership. Effort put into improved marketing, both by national and by the locals, is aimed at expansion in both areas. More boaters and fewer members is not a good ratio, since the more boaters have less boating education, generally none.

Officers' reports, lunch, the navigation quiz (although you'd get the wrong answer if you live in that part of Oregon in Mountain Time), announcements of upcoming events (check our squadron calendar), and break-outs on Nom Comm, marketing, and On The Water Training.



MARCH MEETING

Election was held at the March 19th squadron meeting to determine who will be serving as our officers for the upcoming year. Results are as follows:

Commander:	Paul K. Davis, AP
Executive Officer:	Viki Sharp, S
Administrative Officer:	Pete Peterson, P
Education Officer:	Jim Harden, JN
Treasurer:	Rose Ann Walker, JN

John Chen from Agate Pass walked us through the development of the nwboatertraining.com website and explained the difficulties (time, talent, money, or their absence) involved in broadening the site and keeping it user friendly. Way beyond me. Plus, we have new hand-out business cards for District 16. Get yours at the Change of Watch. You'll also want to come to the Change to see what awards our squadron and its members received for this past year. Some will surprise you!

Old business, new business, recess for a nap, more socializing (but never enough), dinner with toasts, more awards, remarks, installation of the new bridge, presentations, more remarks, and adjournment . . . to more socializing, until age took its toll. If you weren't there, you missed a very good conference. Don't miss out come fall; mark the dates, October 26-28, on your personal calendar **RIGHT NOW**. Agate Pass will host us at the Suquamish Clearwater Resort. See you there.

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EDUCATION REPORT

We had a successful ABC class on March 17 at the main Lacey Fire Department. There were eight students and six passed the exam. SEO Jim Harden will re-examine the other two at a later date, in conjunction with a VSE on their boat.

The class was conducted by Jim Harden and Bill Walker. Yours truly was there with computer and printer to do the record keeping. Cdr. Donna brought refreshments.

ASEO Paul Davis, AP

HANDS ON CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

For several years we have coordinated with HCM to present a program on water safety for children.

We've had a supply of life jackets for kids to try on, a small inflatable boat for them to get in, hand-outs of coloring books and crayons, safety material for parents, and so on. This is E218507 a great program for our squadron to use as our event for National Boating Safety Week. Remember, Merit Marks come to those who participate in our activities.

The Museum has invited us again this year, and we've chosen Friday, May 4th as our night. Please mark this on your calendar right now, and help us to plan and staff this event. Got kids or grandkids? Be sure to bring them. There's a lot of water

around us to enjoy, and we want children (and parents) to be safe from the start.

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Each month we honor the birthdays of our members born in that month. No birthday pie this month, but cake will be included with our dinner. Enthusiastic singing? Well, singing maybe.

APRIL

Clyde Shiner, 04/12; Mike Contris, 04/14; Mark Johnson 04/14; Genevieve Kluck, 04/20; and Deanna Schnatterly, 04/30.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! to all of you, and come join us at our Change of Watch on April 16.

BOATING FOR WOMEN BY WOMEN SHARING OUR PASSION FOR BOATING

A seminar presented by Bellingham Sail & Power Squadron & friends

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, April 21, 2012
at Squalicum Yacht Club hall

Whether you are a woman sailor or power boater, or just becoming interested in boating, the Boating for Women by Women seminar is a chance to learn skills and meet like-minded boaters.

Experienced women boaters will lead the discussions. The \$35 advance registration fee includes lunch, snacks, and a chance at door prizes.

For more information or to register, visit www.boatingisfun.org and click on "Women's Workshop", call Penny at 360/366-3348, or email your questions to waverleypenny@gmail.com

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**VSC's will be performed by OSPS
at the Olympia Yacht Club on May
5, 2012**

Pat Brower and other members of the Olympia Sail and Power Squadron will again lead our efforts by conducting this year's vessel safety checks.

- 1) 0900: Start of FREE Vessel Safety Checks until 1300
- 2) AmeriSafe will be on site to service vessel and home fire extinguishers.
- 3) 1100 and 1300: Live, on-site, use of a fire extinguisher to put out an actual fire
- 4) 1130 and 1330: Experience firing a 12 gauge flare gun and lighting a hand-held flare.



EDITOR'S COMMENTS

At both the Spring Council and the Spring Conference a great deal was said about the Boat Operator's Certificate and On the-Water-Training, and who can teach what to whom. The two programs aren't the same, but when I sop up more understanding I'll attempt to pass it along.

In the meantime there is buried somewhere in this newsletter a membership number belonging to one of our members. If that member spots it, and tells Jim Harden before the end of April, the lucky individual will be entitled to take any of our advanced courses, for which the member has completed any prerequisites, without payment of tuition. Isn't that great?

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<i>April 2012</i>			
9	Bridge (Executive) Meeting 1800 No-Host Dinner 1900 Meeting	1800-2100	Nickelby's Restaurant 660 Trosper Road SW Tumwater All members welcome
14	Swantown Safety Day	1000-1300	Swantown Marina Olympia
16	Change of Watch 1745 Social Time 1830 Dinner, followed by Installation of Squadron Bridge	1745-2030	Chambers House at Panorama 1650 Circle Drive SE Lacey WA 98503
<i>May 2012</i>			
4	Assist at Children's Museum (set up at 1700)	1800-2000	106 11th Ave SW Olympia
5	OSPS VSEs at Olympia Yacht Club	0900-1300	Olympia Yacht Club 201 Simmons St NW
13	Bridge (Executive) Meeting 1800: Dinner 1900: Meeting	1800-2100 All members welcome	Nickelby's Restaurant 660 Trosper Road SW Tumwater
19	Women's Boating Seminar	0830-1700	Olympia Yacht Club
20	General Meeting	1930-2100	Olympia Yacht Club
<i>June 2012</i>			
11	Bridge (Executive) Meeting 1800: Dinner 1900: Meeting	1800-2030 All members welcome	Nickelby's Restaurant 660 Trosper Road SW Tumwater
15-16	District 16 Rendezvous		Poulsbo Marina Registration Form next page
18	General Meeting 1830: Potluck 1930: Meeting	1830-2100	Olympia Yacht Club 201 Simmons St NW Olympia WA
<i>July - August 2012</i>			
	Summer Activities to be determined		
<i>September 2012</i>			
10	Bridge (Executive) Meeting 1800: Dinner 1900: Meeting	1800-2030 All members welcome	Nickelby's Restaurant 660 Trosper Road SW Tumwater
17	General Meeting	1930-2100	Olympia Yacht Club
<i>October 2012</i>			
8	Bridge (Executive) Meeting 1800: Dinner 1900: Meeting	1800-2030 All members welcome	Nickelby's Restaurant 660 Trosper Road SW Tumwater
15	General Meeting	1930-2100	Olympia Yacht Club
26-28	District 16 Fall Conference		Suquamish Clearwater Casino Resort on Agate Passage

Annual District 16 Rendezvous at Port of Poulsbo: 15-17 June 2012

Alice in Wonderland

Registration:

Name: _____ Squadron: _____
 Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Meal Reservations: Reservations for all meals must be received on or **before 02 June**. No guarantee for Four Star BBQ dinners will be given after this date!!

Friday Night Social: No host (BYOB) "Dock Tail Party" from 1700 to 1930 on "E Dock." **Dress in Fantasy attire or come as you are.** We will have tables set up between our boats on the finger docks for your favorite hors d'oeuvre to share with District Members and guests.

	# Attending	\$ Amount
Saturday Evening BBQ: Carolina Style Pulled Pork or BBQ Chicken with three side dishes: \$13.00 / person.	_____ (Adults)	_____
Children (10 and under): \$6.50.	_____ (Children)	_____
Please note selection and quantity: Pork _____ Chicken _____		

Saturday during the day – Advance Boat Operator Certifier Qualification: Inland Navigation & Coastal Navigation will be offered again. Check your squadron newsletters for more information of plans for classes and activities being offered. ???

<u>MOORAGE RESERVATIONS</u>	<u>Docking Request: (Please Circle)</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For mooring reservations, pay \$5.00 to D/16, as an advance guarantee (to be paid on or before 02 June, 2012, Non Refundable). Pay Port of Poulsbo Marina after arrival for all moorage: \$.90 / foot with 30' minimum charge; includes electrical hook-up (30amp). 	<p>(Bow or Stern) (Port or Stbd)</p> <p>Reservation Fee: \$5.00 \$ _____</p> <p><small>This fee is non refundable, D16 has to prepay.</small></p>

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please Check Arrival Day: (Tuesday) (Wednesday) (Thursday) (Friday) (Saturday)
 If you are coming by boat for any part of the D16 events PLEASE register with us by using this form. **And hail on Ch72 on arrival**

Boat Name: _____ LOA _____ Beam _____ Draft _____

Special Considerations: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS:

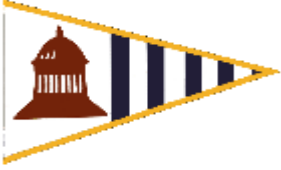
Poulsbo Inn: 360-779-3921 Reference: **Power Squadron 2012** for group rate of **\$80.**
Eagle Tree RV Park: 360-598-5988

Please mail no later than 02 June 2012 to: (Make checks payable to: District 16)

Mail Reservations to:	For Rendezvous information or questions, contact:
P/D/C Joanna Webster, AP	D/Lt/C Rod Barnes, SN
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Squadron meetings are held the 3rd Monday of each month starting at 1930, unless otherwise specified. Call one of the Officers for the location. Summer meetings (July & August) are usually held at different locations.

Executive Committee meetings are held the 2nd Monday of each month at places *to be announced* in the Seaman's Log, starting at 1900 except in July and August when they are held at Rendezvous. **THEY ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING.**