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ANCHORAGE AHEAD:

26 MAY - Squadron Meeting - Turnagain Restaurant, 8:00 P.M.

FROM THE BRIDGE - YOU, the Bridge and The Gap!

Turn to your Constitution and By-Laws for guidance on how to run a Squadron and you will find that as long as you stay within the parameters of the By-Laws you have only to listen to the members.

Then Rule One is: What the members want is what the members should have!

Next Step: Rattle the Commander's cage and shake up the Bridge.

Now, how can you do this? Well, you can face to face it with the Commander or if you have paid your phone bill you can call him up. A twenty cent stamp and you can write several pages worth, including filling out the Questionnaire you got in one of your HARBOR LIGHTS. Perhaps, best of all, come to the General Meeting and give your Bridge an earful.

Your Bridge is going to be making decisions and plans. Are you going to be in on them? We are talking about the Educational Program, our social events and our boating activities.

How many of you want to participate? In what? And how?

Let's put it another way -- we have a lot of beautiful water out there, sunshine too, nice guys and gals with lots of ideas and get up and go. So, let's get together and have some fun!

My phone number is 378-2437 and P.O. Box 1157.

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR QUESTIONNAIRE!!!!

Frank Hudson, JN - Commander

FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT:

The Squadron is pleased to announce a gold star and two bars go to Ed Carlberg, our first AP of 1982.

Engine Maintenance and Weather classes are chugging along nicely with all students cutting through the fog in great style.

A Navigation course has three brave "lads" taking a deep breath before plunging in. Class Chairman, Ralph Rich, N, who got them through JN, will be taking them on this course.

Fred Hoepfner, AP - Educational Officer

FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT:

This Administrative Officer is pleased and honored to have the opportunity to serve the Squadron for the coming year. I pledge to do my best to continue a smoothly functioning organization. With the cooperation of the members, we will achieve that.

Our Squadron has, in the past, operated on a 'bare bones' budget. This has created a nearly zero margin for error in financing the operations and tends to impose a timid approach to our events. To relieve this situation, we will, in the future, ask a door donation of one dollar per person and when the bar is member operated, \$1.50 per drink.

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FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT (Continued)

In addition, there will be raffles on donated prizes. We also hope to sell advertising as many other squadrons do, displayed in the HARBOR LIGHTS and ROSTER.

Programs will be conducted by Howard Schonberger, but the separate task of set-up and clean-up at potluck meetings will be accomplished by 'assigned volunteer' committees. Each committee will have a Chairman and four member helpers. It will be the responsibility of the Chairman to contact the committee members and organize to accomplish the following with my guidance and help:

1. Set-up and clean-up the meeting place.
2. When the meeting is a potluck affair, organize the food and bar service.
3. Coordinate with the Telephone Committee Chairman regarding attendance and food.

If, for some reason, the Chairman is unable to meet the responsibility for that particular date to which he is assigned, he will find his own replacement.

This task is no more than has worked well in many other organizations, and your cooperation will make light work for all. The Duty Roster of Committees will be published in the next HARBOR LIGHTS.

Gordon Steele, P - Administrative Officer

WOMEN'S CERTIFICATES:

Information recently received from USPS headquarters and a decision made by FHPS will be of interest to the 36 or more holders of Woman's Certificates in the Squadron. The following may help to clarify the situation.

In 1980 the USPS Governing Board established an annual \$2 fee for maintaining certificate records at National headquarters. At that time the Squadron also initiated an annual \$2 fee. Both were collected by the Squadron for the July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 year. As a result, headquarters' Woman's Certificate files were updated and divided into "Active" for those who paid and "Inactive" for those who didn't. The next year headquarters billed direct the holders of "Active" certificates. There are at present fourteen of these in the Squadron.

That brings us to the July 1, 1982 to June 30, 1983 certificate year. FHPS has decided that the \$2 Squadron record-keeping fee will not be charged. That leaves only the \$2 National fee which will again be billed direct for "Active" certificates.

Why keep your certificate "Active"? You must have an "Active" certificate in order to take any USPS course. Otherwise, there is no disadvantage to letting your certificate revert to "Inactive" status. Headquarters intends to keep a record of "Inactive" certificates in their files indefinitely.

Whenever a certificate holder whose file is "Inactive" wishes to take a course it is necessary only to notify the Squadron Secretary (direct or through class chairman) and pay the \$2 current year fee. Headquarters will activate the record and mail a "maintenance fee paid" card direct to the certificate holder. That card will allow taking any course(s) or exam(s) during the then current July to June certificate year. Usual course and exam fees are still extra.

For those who have never had a Woman's Certificate, they are issued by the USPS Chief Commander upon the recommendation of the Squadron Commander. The initial fee continues to be \$5. They open the door to every course USPS gives and they provide a frameable record of each course passed.

RESERVE

Evening 26 May - 8:00 PM
TURNAGAIN RESTAURANT

No Host Cocktails 7:30 - 8:00

General Business

Plus Discussion of:

Noon vs Evening Meetings

Cruise Date

Summer Social

Fund Raising

Speaker: Paul Burkhardt, Editor
Pacific Yachting Magazine

Topic: "Cruising In The Northwest"

Ralph Rich, N - Secretary

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE THE BY-LAWS:

In our March meeting we proposed a change in our By-Laws. The object is to give your Commander greater flexibility in scheduling Executive Board Meetings. One of the major reasons for doing this is to give us more lead time in getting information to members via our HARBOR LIGHTS. We hope you will come to the 26 May meeting to vote on this change.

The proposed change refers to Section 5.021 to read as follows:

"Meet monthly at a date and time designated by the Commander. This Board shall have general charge of the policy, management, and finances of the Squadron."

(The remainder of the Section to remain as is.) The underlined portion is the only significant change.

Frank Hudson, JN - Commander

YOUR SQUADRON BUDGET:

You will find enclosed a copy of a budget proposal for the current Squadron year. The Treasurer will be present at the 26 May meeting to answer any questions you may have. It will then be presented to you for your approval.

Frank Hudson, JN - Commander

NEW MEMBERS:

DAN & DOROTHEA SHULL - Dan is transferring from the Eugene, Oregon Power Squadron. He is actually coming home as he was born on San Juan Island. He has retired from the Borden Chemical Company so he will have time to pursue his interest in skiing, back-packing and, of course, sailing his 27' sloop, DOROTHEA.

NOBLE & JUNE STARR - Noble is reinstating after having been a member of the Westchester Squadron, White Plains, New York and the St. Louis, Missouri Squadron. He has retired from NABISCO where he was involved in Sales & Marketing. His interests include fishing and boating in his 17' Boston Whaler, JUNO.

Walter Earp, S - Membership

SIXTH ANNUAL DISTRICT 16 RENDEZVOUS:

WHERE: Poulsbo

WHEN: 21 and 22, August, 1982

Saturday, 21 August, will feature games for all ages and skill levels. A scrumptious dinner, at just \$4.00 per person (\$2.00 each for children 11 and under), will follow a suitable "attitude adjustment hour", all at the Poulsbo Yacht Club. Bring your own plates and silverware.

Sunday morning the traditional Pancake Breakfast will be prepared and served by the District Bridge.

Mark these dates on your fun calendar and make your plans. Contact Commander Frank Hudson at 378-2437 if you plan to attend or if you would like more information. Frank will take care of the reservations and coordinate the arrangements for our Squadron members who plan to enjoy this big event.

Noble Starr, S - Editor

