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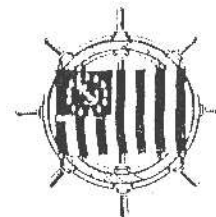
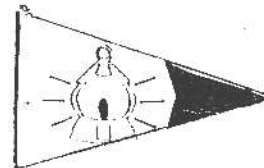
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YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

2 February - Piloting Class starts at Skagit College, FH branch

2 February- **Executive Committee Meeting** - Garlick's House 1300

4 February - **Annual Meeting, Election of Officers, Valentine Potluck - Grange Hall**

6 February - D/16 Spring Conference Everett Masonic Hall

16 March - "Boat Smart" course will start at the FH High School

23 March - Reservations for the **Change of Watch** must be received.

9 April - **Change of Watch** - San Juan Golf and Country Club
(NOTE the Date and Place on your calendar)

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Our January meeting was a real success. Cdr James Spillane, AP, was present to officiate at the meeting and was ably assisted by Exec. Officer Victoria Baker, S. Many thanks to the featured speaker Mike Kaill, Coordinator for the Bottomfish Recovery Program in San Juan County, for a very informative update on this important resource management program. Mike reported that substantial strides were made since last spring in implementing program objectives. Eight voluntary, "No Take" zones have been established in the San Juan Islands. These are voluntary "No Take" zones so the success of this program depends on the goodwill of people to recognize the value of allowing spawning age fish to survive in the protected areas. It is early in this program to see positive results of the attempt to restore depleted fish stocks. However, other area where fishing was restricted, notably the Edmonds underwater park, have shown remarkable recovery of bottom fish populations. We wish Mike every success with operations of this important resource management program.

VALENTINE'S DAY POTLUCK will be held 4 February in the Grange Hall. Happy hour will start at 1800 and dinner will be served at 1830. Please bring one dish of your choice to serve 8, your own table service and BYOB. There will be a raffle for the \$50 gift certificate to King's Marine (\$1 per ticket, \$5 for 6 tickets and \$??? for Victoria Baker's arm length of tickets).

D/16 Spring Council meeting will be held on 6 February in the Everett Masonic Hall. There is no registration charge but a \$10 (payable in advance) per attendee that covers morning goodies and lunch. Directions to the meeting and address for the cover charge are available from P/C Myrle Garlick, P. Leave a message on the answering machine if she is not home when you call.

L/C Keith Van Cleve, AP
Administrative Officer

WE WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT YOU

On the following page is a questionnaire we will be sending to future new members, but we would like any current member to use this form now if you like. The title page will normally go out on letterhead with the overview below.

Dear New Member

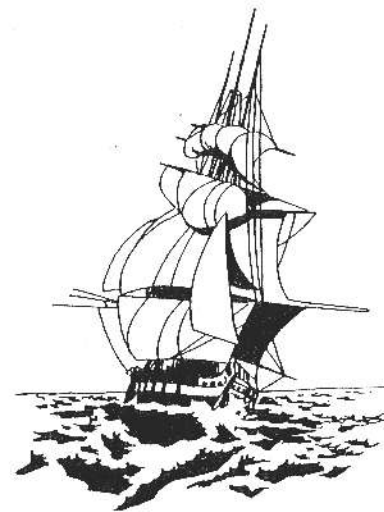
Please provide us with a little autobiographical information about yourself and your family by filling out the enclosed New Member Information Form and returning it in the enclosed envelope.

This form was designed to help us know a little more about you and to prepare an article for our publication, *HARBOR LIGHTS*, as a way of introducing you to our membership. You may also help with the article by writing a short paragraph about yourself that you would like to include.

Thank you for taking the time to complete and return this for. Again, I would like to welcome you to the Friday Harbor Power Squadron. If we may be of any assistance to you or answer any question about the Squadron, please call any member of the Bridge. (List on first page of *Harbor Lights*).

Sincerely

Commander's signature



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Friday Harbor Power Squadron

New Member Information Form

NAME _____ M F NICKNAME _____

HOME ADDRESS _____ ZIPCODE _____

HOME PHONE _____ FAX _____ E-MAIL _____

OCCUPATION _____ EMPLOYER _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS _____ ZIPCODE _____ PHONE _____

IF RETIRED, FORMER OCCUPATION/EMPLOYER _____

YOUR BIRTHDATE _____ SPOUSE'S FIRST NAME _____

CHILDREN'S NAMES AND AGES _____

HOBBIES AND/OR SKILLS _____

Are you a former member of the USPS? Yes No

Name of Club _____ Date Left _____ Length of membership _____

Do you own a boat? Yes No Years of Boating Experience? _____

Name of Boat _____ Make _____

Length _____ Where berthed? _____

Favorite local place to cruise? _____

Other Comments (You may brag a little here):

DATE JOINED _____ SIGNED _____

SAFETY CORNER

Now that the cruising season is over (for a few months anyway), it might be appropriate to add one additional item to your winter check list. You may be surprised the next time you try to have your propane tanks refilled.

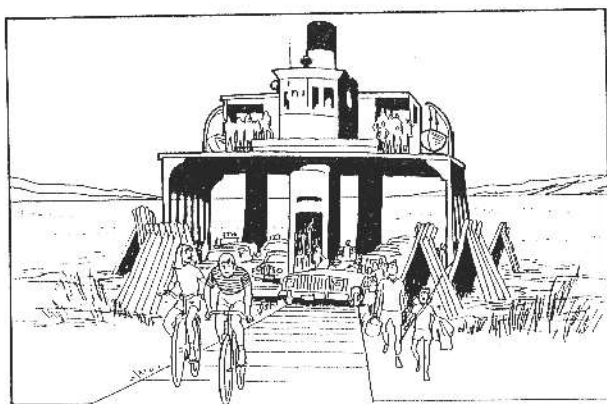
A new federal law will take effect starting in April of 2002. At that time all propane tanks must have an overfill prevention device (OPD). Meanwhile though effective since October 1998), all tanks will be checked for their twelve year expirations date prior to filling. The manufacturing date is embossed right into the carrying handle. Older tanks will have to be changed and recertified to be filled. Then they have to be recertified every 5 years after that.

So if you are buying a new propane tank, you want to be sure that it is equipped with the OPD. Be aware that with all new devices, you can only fill your tank to 90% capacity. The tank connection is different also. No longer will there be a left-handed thread, but a new adaptor will allow you to hook up to your present boat plumbing.

The OPD costs between \$30-\$40, and is currently available for tank of 5 or more gallons. However, when I asked about my humongous one gallon size, I was informed that they haven't made an OPD to fit it. Looks like I may have to retrofit to accommodate a larger tank.

Bruce Becker, AP
North Olympic Power Squadron

As published in January 1999 *Straightlines*



MERIT MARK AWARDS

The Chief Commander awards 1 Merit Mark per year to persons in our Squadron who gave substantially of their time and efforts to make our squadron operate. Following are our squadron recipients:

Margaret A. Andrews	Richard W. Baker	Victoria Baker
Steven J. Billmyer	Bonita S. Blaisdell	James A. Blaisdell
H. Lance Crosby	Audra W. Crosby	Ann E. Einboden
Ronald J. Einboden	Myrle L. Garlick	Lewis R. Garlick
John R. Gibson	George W. Henderson	Fred R. Hoepfner
Margaret J. Hoepfner	Frank Hudson	Donald E. Kauffman
William J. LaPorte	Susan M. Ley	Charles Milne
James R. Mitchell	Jean E. Mitchell	William J. Pierson
Keith Van Cleve	Frank A. Woodward	

Come join this group of active members who make the wheels go around. There are plenty of things going on that can use your expertise or just wanting to help.

Merit Mark Committee

CHART CORRECTIONS

18400 Strait of Georgia and Strait of Jan de Fuca. Change Vancouver approach Lighted Buoy QA to: Y, Fl y 4s Racon (-.) Roberts Bank LB TA to: Y A Y 4s., Racon (-..). LMN 49/98

18460 9th Ed. 07/25/98 Last NM 38/96 NAD 83 Strait of Juan de Fuca. NEW EDITION

18400, 18421, 18423, 18431 Delete Ewing Island Daybeacon 48 45' 41.4" N 122 52' 34.7" W LNM 41/98

18423, 18431 Delete Orca Island North Shore Daybeacon 48 42'55.7" N 122 53'34.7" N

P/C Fred Hoepfner, AP

EDUCATION REPORT

The Weather Class started on 6 January with 12 members. (Eight are new members). P/C Frank Woodward, N, is their instructor. Piloting will start on 2 February. (Five new members have preregistered). If you wish to register for the class call me at 378-4722. Chuck Milne, AP is the instructor. Coarse materials for Piloting cost \$25.

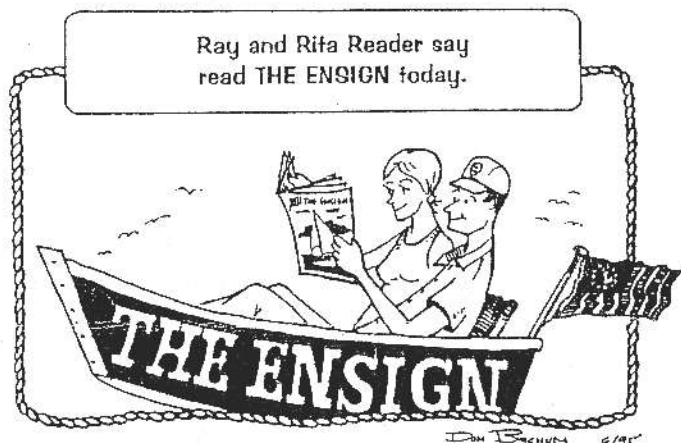
Seamanship Course will start 16 February. P/C Brian Calvert, S, will be the instructor. There are many members who have not taken Seamanship, so now is your chance. Call me at 378-4722. Cost of materials is \$20.

All the above classes will be held at Skagit Valley College, SJ Campus, Friday Harbor.

Ann Einboden, AP, (chairman), will be starting the Boating Course on 16 March 99 at the Friday Harbor High School.

Congratulations to **Michael Close** for completing and passing SEAMANSHIP

P/C Lewis R. Garlick, AP
Squad. Education Officer



USPS has commissioned marine artist Donald Demers for a historic painting in commemoration of our 85th Anniversary.

Renowned marine artist Donald Demers has been commissioned by USPS to paint a historic scene of 1915 Power Squadrons boats engaged in drills and maneuvers with the U.S. Navy in Marblehead Harbor. The 1915 Boston Yacht Club station will be shown in the background, as will the U.S.S. Virginia, one of the battleships which participated in drills with USPS during that period. Sailboats of the period will also be in the scene.

Nineteen hundred and fifty limited edition prints will be offered for sale at \$200 each plus shipping, and 50 limited edition prints, with remarking (an additional sketch on the mat board by the artist) will be offered for sale for \$300 each plus shipping. These limited edition prints, signed and numbered by the artist, are expected to increase in value.

The original painting will be officially presented to USPS at an 85th anniversary party that Chief Commander Arthur H. Farr has set for Saturday, 10 April 1999 at the Boston Yacht Club in Marblehead. The prints are expected to be ready for shipment in March 1999. Mail orders are being accepted now through **Grace Penny** at P.O. Box 3292, Friday Harbor, WA. or call 378-8619.

Note: A copy of the color sketch of painting will be available for viewing by our Squadron in February. For more information, you may also read pages 14 and 15 of the January Ensign.

**FRIDAY HARBOR POWER SQUADRON
FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 1998**

OPERATING STATEMENT

INCOME		
Cooperative Advertising	\$	83.25
Dues	\$	63.00
Education/Sales of Materials	\$	320.00
Meetings/Activities	\$	15.00
Raffels	\$	128.25
Interest	\$	19.46
Total Income	\$	628.96
EXPENSE		
Administration Department	\$	574.61
Education Department	\$	389.57
Total Expense	\$	964.18
Net Profit/(Loss)	\$	(335.22)

**BALANCE SHEET
31 DECEMBER 1998**

ASSETS		
Islanders Bank checking account	\$	1,508.18
Islanders Bank time deposit	\$	3,562.93
Total Assets	\$	5,071.11
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities	\$	-
Equity - Opening balance 01/01/1998	\$	4,775.81
Year-to-date income/(loss)	\$	295.30
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$	5,071.11

SQUADRON ADDRESS

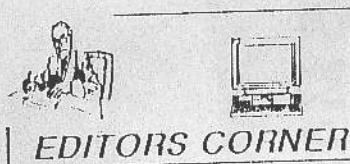
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ARE WE BEING SELFISH?

We've edited Harbor Lights and the Roster for well over 10 years. We do not want to be selfish and are slightly scorched around the edges, so if you have some fresh ideas and want to take over as Editor, call me at 379-3028,

Jim Mitchell