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A monthly report for the members of the United States Power Squadron



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Commander's Message Cdr Ron Crenshaw, AP

This is my last message to you as Commander as I will be handing the reins over to Marc Forlenza as our Commander for 2007-2008 at our Change of Watch on April 5, 2007 at the Yacht Club. You really should not miss this event. Not only will it be fun, but also we will be honoring several of our members for achievements throughout the year and hopefully accepting a few awards from D/16 on behalf of the Squadron. I am amazed at what we have been able to accomplish this year and it is due to the willingness and dedication of the membership to support our Squadron. It is no small coincidence that our Bridge Members and Committee Members have worked tirelessly to make the Squadron what it is today. We were extremely lucky to have most of them working as Bridge members in the past years and perhaps even luckier to have them as Bridge members again next year. Some of them are in different positions, but you know what...it has never really mattered what position they held as they have all worked together to get the job done regardless of whose job it was. I have great hopes that Commander Forlenza with their and your support will bring the Squadron to a new level of member participation and enjoyment. The ultimate benefit will be to our boating public as we help support them in water safety, education, and enjoyment.



Last newsletter, I reminded you of our Goals and Objectives for the year. In this newsletter you will find a very brief accomplishment summary for those Goals and Objectives as we reported to D/16. As you peruse these goals and

objectives please understand that they are but a small part of the total work we do. They were identified as emphasis items, which were key in successfully moving the Squadron ahead. Many of these are continuing in nature and will be emphasized again next year. Some have lived their useful life as emphasis items and as they continue, they will move to the background. Such is the nature of change as organizations like ours mature and move ahead. It is important that you help guide the changes because as members you are the governing body for the Power Squadron.

Marc and the new Bridge are working on a draft of new Goals and Objectives for next year, which will be presented for your review and approval by the May General Meeting. Many of these were crafted from our Operations Training Session in January and from discussions and comments from several of

you. You need to pay special attention to them. They are our guiding vision for the year and we need you to actively participate in helping craft them as well as support them. They will include activities such as the Life Jacket program for kids, "pocket cruises" for members, a replay of Safe Boating Week flare shoot and activities, and educational seminars for members and the public. If you see something you like and want to participate in, let the Bridge or our committee chairpersons know and feel free to suggest other objectives or emphasis items for next year.

Thank you for your support this past year. I know this next year is going to be even better.



Educational Department

Lt/C Ann Einboden, AP SEO

SEO Report - March 2007

A View From The Crow's Nest

**Executive Committee Mtg.
30 January 2007**

Attendees:

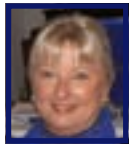
XO Marc Forlenza, P/C
Travis Smith, SEO
Ann Einboden, Secretary
Carolyn Bowen, John
Kalbert & John Towson.

**Executive Committee Mtg.
28 February 2007**

Attendees:

XO Marc Forlenza, AO
Fred Bowen, SEO Ann
Einboden, Assistant A/O
Mike Griffin, Treasurer
Dan Wittkopp, Secretary
Designate Jan Ferro,
P/C Travis Smith, Burke
Critchfield, John Kalbert,
John Towson and Joyce
Ragsdale.

A summary of Ex/Com Minutes
may be obtained by contacting



Carolyn Bowen at
378-5445 or
carolyn@execuserve.com

**If you can't repair it,
maybe it shouldn't
be on board.
Larry Parkey**



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The Spring **Boat Smart** class concluded Feb. 27th with 24 successful students and excellent scores overall. 20 of them took **Chart Smart**. Many thanks go to the excellent instructors: P/C Travis Smith, AP, Lt/C Marc Forlenza, AP, Lt/C Fred Bowen, AP, Susan Ley, AP, Lt John Kalbert, AP, Rainer and Susan Eberhard, Carl Johnson; and to all of those who helped grading exams and greeting the students: Mike and Jean Griffin, Ed and Jan Ferro, Acting Commander Marc Forlenza and Denece Kost, John Kalbert, and Ron Einboden. Special thanks go to John Towson, who assisted with every class.

The GPS Seminar was held on March 21st, with David Good teaching. West Marine's manager Brian, and his wife Megan, assisted and brought extra GPS units to learn from. P/C Travis Smith and Lt/C Ann Einboden were there to help also. We had 15 members who participated in the Seminar which met at the San Juan Island Yacht Club.

Seamanship is scheduled to start March 27th at the San Juan Island Yacht Club, however the new Seamanship books should be here on time.

On Board Weather Forecasting Seminar will be held on April 25th at the San Juan Island Yacht Club, with Dave Cable teaching. We have 26 people signed up and can accept a couple more. The materials cost \$30.00, and can be shared by a couple.

Junior Navigation has been ongoing in Mount Vernon, and our P/C Travis Smith, AP has been traveling there every Monday for the classes and spending the night, because no ferry is available that late. His dedication to this class and the education received is deserving of our highest praise.



Courtesy of
Fred Hoepfner

Test Your Knowledge

The correct answer will be given
as a **BOLD** letter to be found
somewhere in the Harbor Lights.

NAUTICAL QUIZ

Which vessel is **NOT** "restricted"
in her ability to maneuver:

- A. A vessel servicing an aid to navigation.
- B. A vessel constrained by her draft.
- C. A towing vessel with tow, unable to deviate from its course.
- D. A vessel engaged in dredging.

"Pocket Cruise" - May 5th, 2007

If you have not been to a recent Grange meeting you may not know that the Friday Harbor Power Squadron is having a one day cruise/picnic to the Park area on Stuart Island in Prevost Harbor on May 5th. Our May General Meeting will be held during this outing so the Squadron is organizing a flotilla to accommodate as many people as possible without boats on the boats of other members.



A sign-up sheet was passed around at the March meeting. If you missed it please send an e-mail to johnh@rockisland.com or call John at 378-3843, indicating whether you (a) have a boat and would like to attend, (b) have a boat and are willing to take "x" number of passengers, or (c) would like to attend but don't have a boat. Please e-mail soon, as space may be limited! It will be a fun event. **More details will follow once we know how many are going.**

Destination: Stewart Island
Prevost Harbor

THE YACHT

Any recreational craft whose owner or user is not responsible for her upkeep, or whose owner recognizes sufficient tax benefits from his ownership to defray all operating expenses. Also commonly used to describe any boat prior to its purchase, and by many boat owners to describe their vessel to persons who have never seen it and are never likely to do so.

YACHT BROKER

Form of coastal marine life found in many harbors in the Northern Hemisphere generally thought to occupy a position on the evolutionary scale above algae, but below the cherrystone clam.



Seafaring Words In Everyday Speech

WEATHERING A STORM
(survive in good condition)

The weather or windward side of a ship takes the brunt of head seas in foul weather. A "weather eye" was explained by Admiral William Smyth in his *Sailor's Wordbook* as "the eye which is specially used for observing the weather." In his *Storm at Hastings* (1839), Thomas Hood observed that "his weather eye the seaman aimed across the calm, and hinted by his speech a gale the next morn."

Used in figurative speech, such as "to keep a weather eye opened," the expression means "to be on guard," or "on the alert" for change. Many colloquial expressions adapted for general use have arisen from sailors' descriptions of raging elements at sea. When weathering a figurative storm, for example, a person comes safely through a period of trial and tribulation.



Membership Department
John Kalbert, AP - Chairman



New Members Inducted
Since September 2006

Profile - New Members
Rainer and Susan Eberhard

Welcome to new members, **Rainer and Susan Eberhard** ! They have been involved in the "boating community" for many years. They became active in the San Francisco Bay Coast Guard auxiliary in the early 1990's. Rainer's first boat was a 30 foot, 1910 wooden captain's gig power boat. It was a "sturdy boat which "did well in a following sea". For many years, he and a friend spent weekends participating in "safety patrols" rescuing boaters in distress in the Bay.



Susan and Rainer met while fellow employees in the computer department at U S Steel. Susan's first boating experiences were with Rainer on the captain's gig. Susan's enthusiasm for boating increased significantly following a cruise to Alaska on a 150' yacht in the early 1990's. She enjoyed the camaraderie among the 80 passengers and the scenic beauty of Vancouver Island and the inside passage to Alaska.

After the trip, she mentioned to Rainer they should "maybe get a boat". "Very soon" thereafter, they were the owners of a 32' Grand Banks. As a team, they continued to do safety patrols and vessel safety checks in the San Francisco Bay area. They cruised the waters off the California and Oregon coasts. Currently they have a 47' Rozema aluminum Pilothouse power boat named Raven, which they cruise to Alaska each summer.



They moved to the San Juan Islands during the Christmas holidays of 1999. They joined the Bellingham flotilla of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and later started a detachment of the auxiliary in Friday Harbor. They have a strong commitment to boater education and safety. Since joining the Power Squadron, they have helped teach classes and do vessel checks. They would like to continue their involvement in both these areas.

They have many interesting stories to share about boats, cruising, vessel safety checks and their hobbies! **Welcome Rainer and Susan!**

Interview conducted by Georgia Paden, P

2007 - 2008
Friday Harbor
Power Squadron
BRIDGE

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Marc Forlenza, AP

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Fred Bowen, AP

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Ann Einboden, AP

Administrative Officer
Carolyn Bowen, P

Secretary
Jan Ferro

Treasurer
Dan Wittkopp, AP



Appetizers provided
Please bring your own beverage
Yacht Club will provide glasses

BE THERE !!

VSC Report
Burke Critchfield
VSC Chair



Burke Critchfield has been working very hard to see that he is not the only FHPS vessel inspector. The Eberhardts are still doing inspections. Ed Ferro has finished his required fifth supervised inspection and Jan Ferro has done several supervised ones.



Send your Clip-n-Mail ASAP
Deadline 29 March

These photos were taken from Eagle Point on Saturday 01-20-17. The US Coast Guard vessel, "Henry Blake" recovered the Salmon Banks buoy (G"3" FI G 4s GONG) just outside Eagle Cove. All three Coast Guard vessels seen in one of the included photos were involved. The activity was confirmed through US Coast Guard, Port Angeles OPS. A beautiful day for the recovery work.

Recovery of the Salmon Banks Buoy



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ARTICLE AND PHOTOS COURTESY OF SUSAN LEY

February's Meeting
Speaker
Sue Hoglund



AO Fred Bowen, AP

Our past two monthly programs have been outstanding successes. On February 1, we were privileged to have Officer Sue Hoglund, U.S. Customs, advise us of the processes we need to follow this summer when we re enter US ports from our Canadian cruising adventures. If you haven't yet obtained your NEXUS pass, now is the time to apply!

On March 1, before a packed house at the Grange, Jim and Sue Corenman presented the story and pictures from their round-the-world cruise in their 50 foot Schumacher designed sloop, Heart of Gold. Their stunning adventures over a nine year period that led them through the Suez Canal as well as the Panama Canal had us on the edge of our seats. During the journey through serious open water stretches, they realized they needed better communications with family and friends, so Jim and a colleague invented the Sail Mail concept, using a radio/ internet connection, which still is in use today for open water cruisers. Thanks Jim and Sue!!

Don't forget the Change of Watch at the San Juan Island Yacht Club on April 5 and the "pocket cruise" to Prevost Harbor on Saturday, May 5th!

Finally, we will host the annual Pig War "battle" with the Canadian Brentwood Bay Power Squadron on July 6-8, 2007, on Canadian soil at Port Browning—the first Canadian venue that our squadron has served as host, but Port Browning is just too good to pass up!! **Mark your calendars.**



WOW ...
Virgil's 80th Birthday!
Thanks, Laura,
for sharing his cake with us!!



MARCH MEETING

*Fun
Food
Friendship*



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April 2007 Celebrations

National Car Care Month
 Counseling Awareness Month
 April Fool's Day
 Foot Heath Awareness Month
 Frog Month
 Garden Month
 Guitar Month
 National Humor Month
 Math Education Month
 National Kite Month
 National Poetry Month
 Welding Month
 Astronomy Day 4/1
 National Peanut Butter and Jelly Day 4/2
 Library Day 4/2
 Tiger Day 4/12
 Good Friday 4/14
 Easter 4/16
 Income Tax Day 4/17
 Picnic Day 4/22
 Passover 4/22
 National Wildlife Week 4/23
 National Volunteer Week 4/23
 Administrative Professionals Day 4/26



May 2007 Celebrations

Candy Month
 Dairy Month
 Better Sleep Month
 Egg Month
 Older Americans Month
 Teacher Appreciation Day 5/1
 Wildflower Day 5/1
 Cinco de Mayo 5/5
 National Hospital Day 5/7
 Nurse Day 5/10
 Mother's Day 5/14
 Peace Officers Memorial Day 5/15
 Safe Boating Week 5/20
 Malcom X Day 5/21
 Memorial Day 5/29

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WA NEW CARBON MONOXIDE LAW

The new boating Carbon Monoxide law is now in effect. Any new or used motor driven vessel will be required, other than PWC's, to display a CO warning sticker, visible to passengers, on the inside of the vessel. There is a two year phase in period to the program and the Washington State Department of Licensing will be distributing the stickers to all boaters when they renew their registration. Any dealer purchased vessel will be required to have the stickers installed, by the dealer, prior to sale. For private party vessel purchases, DOL will issue the stickers installed, by the dealer prior to sale. For private party vessel purchases, DOL will issue the sticker when the vessel ownership is transferred.

All vessel examiners need to become familiar with these requirements and should look closely during examinations to insure that if the boat owner meets any of the three requirements above the stickers should be displayed. Those that are not yet at their renewal date should be educated on the requirement but should not fail the exam solely on the fact that the sticker is not displayed.

Comment from Commander Crenshaw: I have been advised that contrary to popular belief, the law applies to outboards as well. Seems to be a rumor that the law is just for inboards.

April 2007
 Patti Crenshaw
 Rainer Eberhard
 Peg Hoepfner
 Mary Kalbert
 Steve Percer

May 2007
 Heidi Broward
 Dave Cable
 Bill Cannam
 Lizz Divers-Smith
 Thorsten Johnson

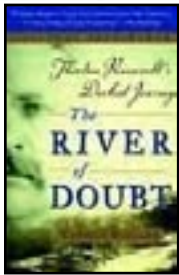
Susan Ley
 Laura Long
 Sammy Long
 Bill Paden
 Mike Sear
 John Tong

March's Meeting
Speakers
Jim & Sue Corenman
Round-the-World
Nine Year Cruise
Heart of Gold



THE PERILOUS JOURNEY

By P/C KEITH VAN CLEVE, AP



Election day, November 5, 1912, saw the election of Democrat Woodrow Wilson President and the defeat of incumbent Republican President William Howard Taft. Also defeated in Wilson's landslide victory was Theodore Roosevelt who ran as the Progressive Party candidate. Originally he had vied for the Republican nomination but the

Party powers denied him the bid so he formed the Progressive Party. Following the election, Roosevelt spent the winter hunkered down at Sagamore Hill, the family home. He was shunned by others of his class, who turned against him because of his election bid. At five feet eight inches tall and more than 200 pounds weight, Roosevelt was a burly man. "His unbounded energy and vitality impressed one like the perennial forces of nature", wrote naturalist John Burroughs. Roosevelt had overcome early life adversity of illness by strong will and physical conditioning that lead to "the strenuous life". His active physical life was the most effective weapon against depression and despair.

In her book "The River of Doubt, Theodore Roosevelt's Darkest Journey" (Broadway Books, 2005), Candice Millard describes Roosevelt's breakaway from the consequences of his electoral defeat in 1912. The book describes TR's early years, his response to life-wrenching family losses and how these experiences shaped his life.

In February 1913, three months after his election defeat, Roosevelt received a letter from Argentina's Museo (Museum) Social, an institution dedicated to progressive intellectual agendas of the type appealing to TR. They wanted Roosevelt as a guest lecturer in Argentina. Although Roosevelt had chosen politics professionally, he was a naturalist at heart with these interests continuing

from his younger days. In addition to the stipend from speaking engagements, the recognition and a chance to advise a fledgling democracy, a trip to South America would give TR a chance to visit with his second son Kermit who had been living and working in Brazil for more than a year.

Following the speaking tour with only a handful of men, Roosevelt set out to explore the River of Doubt, "an ink black, churning" tributary of the Amazon that winds for nearly a thousand miles through the Brazilian rain forest in the remote Mato Grosso section of western Brazil. Although Roosevelt's will and force of character had shaped his remarkable past achievements, on the River of Doubt he faced the absolute limits of his strength. Following months in the wilderness the harsh jungle conditions and the river's punishing rapids left the expedition in a state of starvation and near disaster. They had lost five of seven dug-out canoes, their main source of transportation on the river, along with most of their provisions. Hunting for meat in the jungle did not provide any additional sustenance because they failed to understand the ways of jungle animals. Candido Rondon, the expedition's Brazilian co-leader, had no idea where the uncharted river might lead them. And, Rondon had explored more of the Amazon than any living man! Fever-wracked with malaria, the former President drifted in and out of consciousness as the expedition inched its way along the River of Doubt. Was salvation around the next bend of the river, or would they be attacked by the ever-present Indians who captured their game with curare tipped arrows and stalked their enemies at night to club them to death as they slept?

This is a well written, gripping tale of adventure, exploration and survival in the early 20th century to a remote, unexplored part of the Amazon River basin by our youngest and charismatic former President.

On Board Weather Forecasting 2-Hour Seminar

April 25th
7:00 - 9:00 PM
San Juan Island Yacht Club

COST: \$30.00 Power Squadron & SJIYC Members
(Materials Included) \$40.00 The Public

Presented by Dave Cable and
The Friday Harbor Power Squadron

To register call
Ann Einboden at 378-3288

Registration
Sunday - May 6th
10-1 PM SJIYC

Events Begin at 2 PM
Boats Pass in Review 2:30

Call Jim & Sue Corenman
for more information 378-5156



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**P/C Virg Boyt, AP
Vessel Examiner**

SAVE YOUR OLD LOCATOR FLARES?

In the past, Vessel Examiners have been told to encourage boaters to augment their required VDS flares with old past-due-date flares.

However there has never been any proof offered that these old flares are useable.

Several public flare shoot-outs & squadron hands-on demonstrations have given me reason to distrust old flares, so over the last ten years I have set aside 300 of the ubiquitous Orion hand-held red locator flares, for the express purpose of testing them for serviceability.

Basically, most handheld locator flares operate the same as road flares, or a book of safety matches – The scratch surface is pressed against the igniter button and rubbed to produce a spark that ignites the tip of the flare. If any moisture is present on the scratch surface it will not spark and ignite the flare.

After sorting the out-of-date flares into piles according to the year of expiration, I proceeded to strike each scratch surface with a safety match to see if it was dry enough to light a safety match.

Here is what I found:

Scratch Surfaces no more than six years out-of-date were 100% reliable, lighting the safety matches every time.

Scratch Surfaces from seven to eleven years out-of-date were about 50% unreliable, due to moisture.



Scratch Surfaces twelve to sixteen years out-of-date were about 80% unreliable, due to moisture.

Scratch Surfaces older than sixteen years had about zero chance of activating the Igniter Button.

The 2nd test was to find out if the igniter button itself was working. For this test I used caps with a good striking surface to activate the igniter button of the 300 flare specimens.

The results in the 2nd test were very good – 294 of the 300 specimens fired right away, although 13 burned only part way before going out.

As a result of these tests I recommend, and Stf/C Bob Miller, VSC National Committee concurs, that Orion Handheld Locator Flares that are more than six years out-of-date should not be kept onboard.

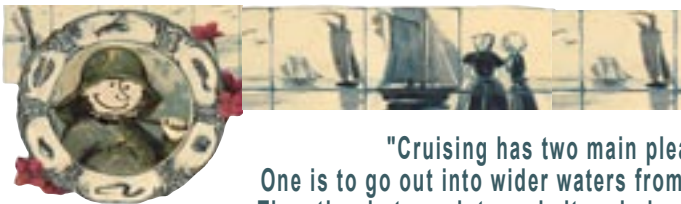
It isn't practical to try salvaging them as the moisture appears to be a chemical breakdown of the scratch surface material and never dries out.

Time did not permit analytical tests of aerial rocket flares. However, based on personal experience, Bob and I agree that they should not be kept onboard more than 10 years after their expiration date.

All VDSs must be immediately available and protected from moisture.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!!

THE BILGE OF SEAFARING LORE



"Cruising has two main pleasures. One is to go out into wider waters from a sheltered place. The other is to go into a sheltered place from wide waters."

HOWARD BLOOMFIELD

FLARE SHOOT-OUT

WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 19TH
WHERE: JACKSON'S BEACH
TIME: 1300



LEARN HOW TO SHOOT A FLARE. IT MAY SAVE YOUR LIFE.
(Details Forthcoming)

Goals and Objectives for the year:

- 1. Continue "EXCELLENCE" in what we have done well in the past:**
 - a. *Boater and Member Education*
 - b. *Vessel Safety Checks*
 - c. *Squadron Newsletter (Harbor Lights)*
 - d. *Squadron Web Site*
- 2. Increase visibility of USPS in the Community**
- 3. Strengthen member recruitment and retention through:**
 - a. *Develop mentorship program*
 - b. *Increase member involvement in FHPS operations*
 - c. *Develop and/or encourage member participation in USPS activities such as rendezvous, District meetings, and other D/16 Squadron meetings.*
 - d. *Member benefits.*
 - e. *Find and develop active membership chairperson and committee.*
- 4. Score in top 80% of the Commander's Challenge Program**

Accomplishment of Goals and Objectives:

- 1.**
 - a. Continued with regular schedule of classes including Boat Smart, Chart Smart, Engine Mechanics, Seamanship, Weather, and Piloting. Began implementing USPS University by conducting seminars on GPS and On-Board Weather forecasting. Conducted first class in years of Operations and Leadership Training. Session was coordinated by the Commander and conducted by the Bridge. Training was mandatory for the Bridge members and several new members attended. Two attendees were recruited for vacant AO and Asst AO position.
 - b. Met Vessel Safety Check goal of 125 VSC's. Trained replacement for Virgil Boyt position of Safety Officer and Chairperson Vessel Safety Check.
 - c. Published 6 Newsletters and received Excellence Award.
 - d. Maintained Web Site and received Excellence Award.
- 2.** Accomplished through several joint activities:
 - a. 1st successful public session kicking off Boating Safety week by hosting and coordinating Flare Shoot and Public Safety Session with Friday Harbor Fire Department and West Marine. Report sent to D-16.
 - b. Participated in Boat Parade opening the Boating Season with Friday Harbor Yacht Club, Friday Harbor Sailing Club, Sheriff Department, and Coast Guard Auxiliary.
 - c. Co-hosted and conducted the Friday Harbor Annual Predicted Log Contest with the Friday Harbor Yacht Club and Friday Harbor Sailing Club.
 - d. Identified the manager of West Marine as Honorary Member of FHPS and designed and conducted seminars at store for public in subjects such as provisioning for a cruise. Conducted seminars for various boat owner rendezvous such as Selene in topics such as use of charts and GPS.
 - e. Co-hosted Annual Pig War celebration with Brentwood Bay PS (Canadian) on South Pender Island.
 - f. Participated in all D-16 Rendezvous and meetings for first time in many years.
 - g. Developed Commander's Coin to reward attendance at D-16 or other off-island events.
- 3.**
 - a. Mentorship program developed. All new members have experienced mentor assigned who encourages attendance at events and mentors member in customs, activities, and opportunities.
 - b. Most events have had about a 50% member attendance, which has been a slight increase over past years. Interest has been increasing as activities have varied. With the development of Membership Involvement Chairperson and Committee several on the water events have been planned which should significantly increase member involvement next year.
 - c. A Commander's Coin for Excellence (see design attached to this report) was designed and minted from brass for the purpose of encouraging member attendance and participation. The Commander or any member of the Bridge may present the coin to anyone (including a non-member) who goes beyond expectations in contributing to the Squadron. An automatic award is made to those who participate in meetings off-island. If a bridge member is at a USPS function or gathering and is challenged to display his/her coin and fails to do so they must buy a round for FHPS members present. Goal is to present coins to about 50% of the membership. Next year coins will be minted from a different metal to continue interest.
 - d. A member benefit topic is presented at each monthly meeting to the General Membership to keep benefits in front of the membership.
 - e. Done. John Towson and Georgia Paden were recruited and have been active in developing the program. Fruits of their labors will most notably appear this spring and summer including some on water activities, which the Squadron has avoided in the past.
- 4.** We believe we will score in the top 80% but have no way of knowing at this point.

2007 - 2008 FHPS BRIDGE

Change of Watch

Commander
Executive Officer
Educational Officer
Administrative Officer
Assistant Admin Officer
Secretary
Treasurer



Marac Forlenza, AP
Fred Bowen, AP
Ann Einboden, AP
Carolyn Bowen, P
Mike Griffin
Jan Ferro
Dan Wittkopp, AP

**SAN JUAN ISLAND YACHT CLUB
237 FRONT STREET**

1730 - 1900 APPETIZERS PROVIDED

**Please bring your own beverage - Yacht Club will provide glasses
1900 DINNER - DESSERT - CHANGE OF WATCH - AWARDS**

**CLIP-N-MAIL RESERVATION FORM
FHPS 2007 CHANGE OF WATCH
R.S.V.P. BY 29 MARCH**

Member(s) and Guest(s) Names

MY DINNER SELECTIONS ARE:

Wild Salmon _____
Prime Rib _____
Total Dinners _____ **(\$25.00 per person)**
Total Enclosed \$ _____ **(Payable to FHPS)**

**Kindly Return To:
XO Marc Forlenza
286 First Street North
Friday Harbor, WA 98250**

Questions: Call Marc Forlenza at 378-6727

WINTER RETREAT
Dave and Carol Good

Imagine our excitement when two beach lovers discovered the beach condo package at the December Power Squadron Fundraiser. Because of the gracious donation of Bob and Tony Bailey, we spent two wonderful nights at their Westport by the Sea luxury condo, enjoying all the uniqueness of winter beachcombing. Because the Bailey's are also dog lovers, we were able to take our golden retriever, Lenni. Here favorite pastime in the world is running on beaches and chasing waves, and she indulged herself heartily!

Westport by the Sea is located 2 hours south of Seattle, and is a beautiful, unspoiled development of first class condos right on the eighteen miles of beach. There is a paved walking trail that wraps around the dunes, beach, and wetlands and leads into the small town of Wesport, where a marina, restaurants, and shopping are all at your disposal. During the summer, the town is full of visitors, but our winter retreat was especially enjoyable due to the peace and solace of having the beach all to ourselves.

We highly recommend a visit to this resort, and if the Bailey's condo is available through the rental program, you won't go wrong reserving it. An oceanfront location combined with luxury furnishings of every description – stocked gourmet kitchen, washer/dryer, and yummy beds- will ensure that you will have special get away too.

Westport by the Sea
Luxury Condos



DISTRICT 16 SPRING CONFERENCE AND CHANGE OF WATCH
Ocean Shores, Washington
16-17 March 2007



Aberdeen Choir



Incoming D/C Kari Black
Outgoing D/C Pete Betlam



Honoring Past D/C's

This year's 2007 District 16 COW was held at the Shilo Inn in Ocean Shores Washington on March 16th and 17th. Representing Friday Harbor were X/O Marc Forlenza, AP, P/C Travis Smith, JN, and SEO Ann Einboden, AP. Attending also were FHPS members Denece Kost and Lizz Divers-Smith.

Besides seating the 2007-2008 Bridge, commanded this year by Carolyn Black, AP, several speakers provided useful information regarding the USPS' reorganization goals, and the status of the Washington State Boaters Education Card. Several awards were given and the Friday Harbor Squadron can be very proud of its haul of plaques and certificates which included:

1. Biggest Squadron Membership Gain 2006. (Since District 16 was the biggest gainer of new members nationwide, and Friday Harbor was the Squadron with the biggest gain in the District, it could be inferred FHPS had the biggest membership gain in the entire USPS.)
2. USPS Educational Fund Certificate of Merit
3. VSC Century Club 5th Year Award to Virgil Boyt
4. Distinction in Journalism Award for the Harbor Lights
5. 2006 Website Award for web design, information and ease of use.
6. Power of One pins to John Towson and Athlene Schneider

At the sit down dinner out going Commander Peter Betlem, AP was honored for his tenure and fêted by the Aberdeen High School Symphonic Choir.

FHPS Attendees
Ann Einboden
The Forlenza's
The Smith's



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COMING EVENTS

- APRIL**
5th 1730
FHPS
Change of Watch Banquet
San Juan Island Yacht Club
25th
On Board Weather Forecasting
SJIYC
- MAY**
5th
Pocket Cruise
Prevost Harbor
6th 1400
Opening Day Boat Parade
Port of Friday Harbor
19th 1300
2nd Annual Flare Demo and Shootout
Jackson Beach
- JUNE**
5th 1300
FHPS
Executive Committee Meeting
Library
7th 1800
Potluck General Meeting
Grange Hall
9th
Predicted Log Contest
- JULY**
6th - 8th
Annual Pig War Battle
Port Browning