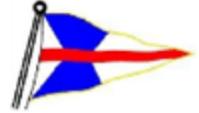




THE HALYARD



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From the Desk of the Commander

Cdr Marty Schwartz, SN-ACN



Thanksgiving!

Thanksgiving is more than a holiday, it is an attitude. I know we all learned the history of the Thanksgiving holiday. While I thoroughly enjoy the holiday, I prefer to focus on the meaning. I am thankful I was born in a country where I could grow up (so to speak) and own a boat, not to mention live on it full time. I am especially thankful for the friendships I have formed as a result of my association with the United States Power Squadrons.

We had a great time on the SSS Odyssey cruise on the 13th, you can read of that elsewhere in this issue.

With the holiday season fast approaching we will again have the collection boxes for toys and food items set up in the entry way of the Poulsbo Yacht Club to collect donations.

I am sad to report that our dear friend and log-time Squadron Secretary Linda Swolgaard left us on Wednesday 17 Oct. Services are scheduled for 2 PM 17 November at the Eagle Harbor Congregational Church.

Marie McBride volunteered, and was approved by the executive board, to assume the position of Secretary for the remainder of Linda's current term.

On a lighter note, we have some fun things planned in November and December. Also, New Years and the Seattle Boat Show are just around the corner in January.

I guess that is all for now. I look forward to seeing you at the dinner meeting on 15 Nov.



From the XO

Lt/C ????????

Sure could use the help of an XO.



From the Admin Department

Lt/C ????????

Our next dinner meeting is on Thursday 15 Nov.

Our theme for November is, you guessed it, Thanksgiving. Details for the menu are at the end of this issue. The usual \$7 applies and remember to bring in your set-up and favorite beverage.

Christmas is less than 45 days away so it is not too soon to be thinking about the holiday season. **In that light we have made reservations at Arnie's restaurant in Edmonds for Saturday 8 December at 1700.** All the details are in the flyer at the end of this issue.



From the Education Department

P/C Jacqui Stevenson, AP-IN



HOLY TURKEY DINNERS - so hard to believe it is November already!

Just celebrated my grandson's 11th birthday, that is also very hard to believe.

It was a costume party and I went as *Nurse Grandma* (of course I can show you a picture)! Lots of fun!

Holiday Challenge - again this year we will have donation boxes for North Kitsap Fishline food bank for food and for new, unwrapped toys. I challenge each of you to put together a food donation bag of 30 items. This is sooooo very easy - there are so many food and health items that you can get for less than \$1 each and if I can afford to spend just under \$30, I think you can too. Remember to utilize the *Dollar Store*

and remember baby food and items for pets! Let's see how much we can do for those who are not as fortunate as we are!

SSS Odyssey cruise - our day sail aboard the SSS Odyssey was so much fun! It was such a gorgeous day and we all had a great time. Our dear friend/member Linda Swolgaard was able to attend this event and she really enjoyed it and I am so glad she was there. We will miss her so very much!

FUTURE PLANS:

- We are looking ahead to 2019 and are working on scheduling an ABC class to be held at Poulsbo Yacht Club on 16 & 17 February.

WRAP UP & LOOKING FORWARD:

- Looking forward to Squadron activities – by land and sea (well, not so much by sea, it is not the time of year for us to be venturing out on *Cowboy's Sunset*).
- Hope to see lots of you at the 15 November (yes, the 15th) meeting and also at the 20 December meeting. Time to start looking for a recipe for the December P/C Cookie Bake Off!

As always - remember to check www.nwboatertraining.com for all courses and seminars coming up throughout the District.

Come for the boating education - stay for the friends!



Cruise on board SSS Odyssey

On Saturday 13 Oct we met at the dock in Eagle Harbor Park to board the SSS Odyssey for a three-hour tour. (I know what you are thinking; there was a skipper but no Gilligan.) By the way, in case you wonder the SSS is Sea Scout Ship. Steve Erickson, from the Seattle Sail and Power Squadron, joined us as our official photographer. I am sure he just wanted to get a ride on a sailboat again but we do appreciate the photos he took. Both photos in the article were taken by Steve.



We had 33 members and guests from both Agate Pass and Bremerton squadrons plus the ships crew of eight

and only one of them was an adult. It was truly fascinating to watch these teenagers operate this 27-meter sailboat. A few intrepid folks joined the crew in operating the ship. A couple helped hoist the sails and some others took turns steering.

Once we cleared Eagle Harbor we set the Jib and Mizzen sails and headed for Alki Point. The wind was brisk, you might say, and the skipper determined that the main sail was not needed. We reached a speed of about 8 knots as we crossed the sound with just the two sails up. Once we reached Alki Point we turned north and sailed up into Elliott Bay. Just south of Elliott Bay Marina we turned west and sailed back to the entrance to Eagle Harbor. At that point we lowered the sails and started the main engine for the return to the dock in Eagle Harbor Park.

You can see all the photos Steve took on the D16 SmugMug website:

<https://usps-d16.smugmug.com/P177-Agate-Pass-outing-on-the-SSS-Odyssey-2018/i-RLHN5CW>

Everyone on board had a great time. Some in operating the vessel and some of us just being passengers enjoying the very pleasant day sailing. I really hope we get another opportunity to sail on board the SSS Odyssey. We really owe gratitude to Dick Shipley for offering this opportunity to us. Dick is one of the Scout Master who are the adult skippers of the SSS Odyssey and a great friend to the USPS.



Squadron Activities

15 Nov	Squadron Dinner Meeting at PYC
08 Dec	Christmas dinner and Kingston Lights
20 Dec	Squadron Dinner Meeting at PYC
25 Dec	Christmas Day
1 Jan 2019	New Yeas Day
25 Jan – 2 Feb	Seattle Boat Show



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through April.**

**Squadron meetings are held on the third Thursday of
each month, September through May, at 1830 at
Poulsbo Yacht Club.**

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Thanksgiving Dinner

Entrée

Roasted Turkey w/Gravy

Ham w/Honey Glaze

Stuffing

Cranberry (relish and jellied)

Cheesy Garlic Potatoes

Pumpkin Pie

Decaffeinated Coffee

Side Dishes and Desserts by members

A – M Side Dish

N – Z Dessert

Suggested sides

Green bean casserole, peas, Brussels sprouts

December Land Cruisin'

Dinner at Arnie's Restaurant in Edmonds and viewing the Kingston Marina light display

We enjoyed it so much last year we are doing it again! If you are interested in attending the land cruise set for Saturday 8 December please contact Marie as soon as possible. We will meet at the Kingston ferry in time to take the 1600 ferry to Edmonds; a dinner reservation at Arnie's Restaurant has been made for 1700. After returning to Kingston, we will view the lights around the Marina. The light display grows bigger every year so, if you haven't seen them in a while, it is worth doing.

It's approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile from the ferry to the restaurant, so if you need transportation to and from the ferry in Edmonds, let Marie know.