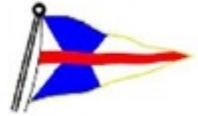




# THE HALYARD



April 2019 *The newsletter of Agate Pass Sail and Power Squadron* VOLUME 63 NO. 04

## From the Desk of the Commander

Cdr Marty Schwartz, SN-ACN



### *The more things change...?*

Normally I would be writing a farewell message as the outgoing Commander but, since you elected me as Commander for next year I will be writing a message of reflection instead. This past year we have continued implementing some new ideas to increase our membership and help the squadron continue. The progress is slow but we are starting to see some positive movement in the UP direction. We are not out of the woods yet and I continue to ask you to help in any manner you are able to help us keep the squadron going.

We recently held an ABC class at the Poulsbo Yacht Club and from that class we gained two new members. Steve and Gretchen Lordon have joined us and were present at the March dinner meeting. Please join me in welcoming them to the squadron and be sure to say hi when you see them.

What could you possibly do the help? I am glad you asked that question. In May we will have the safety booth set up for the annual Viking Fest celebration in Poulsbo. The booth will be at the head of the dock at the Port of Poulsbo. We could definitely use some assistance manning that booth during the day Saturday 18 May. Rhonda Chen and Jacqui Stevenson are coordinating that effort so contact them directly to volunteer.

There are other jobs within the squadron that need doing as well. We have a few people doing multiple jobs and it would be much better spreading that effort around.

How about taking over as editor of this newsletter? I have been doing it for the past couple of years and, to be honest, I am not convinced I am doing a very good job of it. If you are willing I would love to turn this job over to someone who can devote the time and effort it requires to publish a top-notch news letter for our membership.

Or perhaps taking on the role of Assistant Treasurer. Currently Dave McBride is doing both jobs as Treasurer AND Executive Officer. While he is doing an excellent job it would be much easier if someone were to help him with some of the Treasurers duties.

Remember, this is a volunteer organization. That means we need people to volunteer to keep it alive. I hope in the next year you will consider stepping in to help rather than just watching it disappear.

### **Education Conference and Incoming Officers Meeting**

This is a great opportunity to find out what is coming up in the USPS Education world. Everyone is invited to attend and see how stuff happens. This conference will be on Saturday 20 April and will be held at the **116 COAST Hotel**, Bellevue, WA. You can also see the details for this conference on the [News and Events](#) page on the District web site.

Like last year, this year the Incoming Officers Meeting is being combined so we can accomplish both in the same time frame. While the Education Conference is focused on

the Education department the Incoming Officer Meeting is a chance to meet folks from all the squadrons and the D16 bridge to make sure we are all on the same page (or close). Information and registration are at the end of this issue.

I guess that is all for now. I look forward to seeing you soon.

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**From the XO**  
Lt/C Dave McBride, S

Hello Agate Pass,

I was informed that I am the acting Executive Officer until I become the XO in April. So, I thought I'd say a few words in the Halyard. First, I would like to once again welcome Steve and Gretchen Lordon to our squadron. It was a pleasure meeting both of you at the March Dinner Meeting. We hope to see you at our annual Safety Rendezvous at the Brownsville Marina, you can come by land or by sea. It promises to be a good time by all.

If you are in the mood for a great Salmon Bake outing, there is another rendezvous scheduled for 14-16 June, also at the Brownsville Marina. The outing is sponsored by the Bellevue Sail & Power Squadron. You can also come by land or by sea to this gathering as well. The Bellevue Squadron requests a RSVP, so they know how much food to bring and how many boat slips to reserve. You can register for the Salmon Bake at <https://www.bellevuepowersquadron.org/social-events>.

Your Executive Bridge members are trying hard to come up with ideas for rendezvous by land and by sea and schedule speakers for our dinner meetings, so if you have any ideas please let us know.

If you are interested in seeing what is scheduled so far for the upcoming year, please visit our website at <https://www.abcpoulsbo.com/>. Click on **What's Happening** under the **News and Events** Tab. If you would like to see what is in the **Members** tab, please email me at

[davmcb@comcast.net](mailto:davmcb@comcast.net) and I will send you an encrypted email with the password.

Vacation time is coming, enjoy and be safe.

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**From the Admin Department**  
Lt/C ???????

There are a lot of activities coming up in the near future (and some a little further out). All of these will be listed on our new web site so check there on a regular basis to stay up with what is happening.

**April Change of Watch**



The APSPS Change of Watch will be Thursday 18 April (regular meeting date and time) at the Poulsbo Yacht

Club. The theme is **The Great America's Boating Club Picnic**. We will have hamburgers, with all the fixin's, potato salad and baked beans. We will have guests from other squadrons and D16. See the registration form at the end of this issue of *The Halyard* for details.

If you have not already sent in your reservation form please do it now so we can be sure to have enough food on hand. The **Early Bird pricing ends on Monday 8 April** so send your RSVP now to get the discounted pricing.

This will be a fun event and you will get to boot out the old bridge and cheer in the new one. This is a special meeting and preregistration is needed to make sure we have enough food.

**Annual Safety Rendezvous**

The joint (with Bremerton Squadron) Safety Rendezvous is being arranged by us this year. It will be at the *Port of Brownsville* Marina 26-28 April. This rendezvous is close so you can hopefully attend by boat but come by car if you need to. As we get closer we will have a schedule of seminars and events. Mark your calendar and plan on attending.



has said that he would like to do a Boat Handling (formerly known as Seamanship) in the fall and perhaps Piloting after that and maybe an ABC class in there somewhere also. Please give him your support.

**WRAP UP & LOOKING FORWARD:**

Looking forward to Squadron activities – by land and by sea – *when it gets warmer!*

- 26-28 April - Safety Rendezvous with Bremerton Squadron at Brownsville Marina
- 18 May - Safety & Education Booth & Vessel Safety Checks, Viking Fest, Port of Poulsbo. **We could use a few more volunteers to help us *Man the Booth* on 18 May. Please contact me, or Rhonda Chen, if you can stop by and help us for 3 hours or so on 18 May!**
- 7-9 June - Port Ludlow Rendezvous & Marker Cleaning
- 21-23 June – District 16 Rendezvous at Port of Poulsbo

As always - remember to check [www.nwboatertraining.com](http://www.nwboatertraining.com) for all courses and seminars coming up throughout the District.



**Squadron Activities**

- 18 Apr** Squadron Change of Watch at PYC
- 26-28 Apr Safety Rendezvous at Brownsville
- 16 May Squadron Dinner Meeting at PYC
- 18 May Viking Fest Safety Booth
- 7-9 Jun Port Ludlow Back-Bay rendezvous
- 14-16 Jun Bellevue Salmon Bake at Brownsville
- 20-23 Jun D-16 Rendezvous, Port of Poulsbo
- 23-25 Aug Blues & Brews rendezvous, Des Moines



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***The Halyard* deadline is the Monday after the Executive Board Meeting each month, August through April.**

**Squadron meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month, September through May, at 1800 at Poulsbo Yacht Club.**

<https://ABCPoulsbo.com>

<https://www.nwboatertraining.com>

<https://www.usps.org>

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## Incoming Officer / Education Seminar 2019 Agenda

20 April, 2019, Saturday

116 Coast Hotel | 625 116th Ave. N.E. | Bellevue, WA 98004

Contact Trudy Brown for lunch choice [trudyb36@outlook.com](mailto:trudyb36@outlook.com) (see Registration Form)

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| 0830-0900  | Registration (free)  |
| 0900-0915  | Flag salute, Invocation, Commander's opening remarks   |
| 0915-0945  | P/D/C Matt Lombardi, P   DB2000 Download / using Direct Download   |
| 0945-1000  | P/C/C Frank Dvorak SN   The Commanders Challenge   |
| 1000-1010  | Brief break  |
| 1010-1155  | Incoming officer meetings   Incoming officers assemble with respective district officers in Break-out rooms.<br><br>Commanders   Executive Officers   Educational Officers   Admin Officers, Secretaries   Treasurers: HQ800 Brief, demo with Direct Download. |
| 1200-1300  | Lunch  |
| 1300- 1320 | D/Lt/C Al Keim SN   Go to Meeting: how it works  |
| 1320-1350  | S/C Jim West, AP   BOC Update  |
| 1350-1400  | Brief Break  |
| 1400-1415  | Commanders closing comments  |
| 1400-1500  | Assistant District Education Officer meets with SEOs in Main Hall  |
| 1400-1500  | District Education Officer runs hands on assemble/operate / disassemble of BSVT  |
| 1415       | Incoming Officers meet with Bridge Officers for unanswered questions   |
| 1415-1515  | Recertification of teaching credentials in breakout conference room  |



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## District 16 Educational Seminar/ Incoming Officers Meeting

Saturday, 20 April 2019 – 0900 to 1600  
**116 COAST Hotel**, Bellevue, WA  
Hosted by District Education Department

**The 116 Coast Hotel** located at 625 116<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004 is the venue for this year's District 16 Educational/ Incoming Officers Meeting. The conference room doors will open at 0830. We ask that you preregister and send a check indicating your lunch selection, which will be catered by the hotel.

For those members driving and planning to stay overnight there will be a special guestroom rate of \$109.00 per night for Friday 19th and 20th. To take advantage of this rate call Shari at 425-709-1102 or email: [skimball@coasthotelsusa.com](mailto:skimball@coasthotelsusa.com).

**Please attend the lunch as we have a food & beverage requirement to cover the cost of the meeting rooms. Choose either of the three lunch selections for \$22:**

**Chef Salad:**

**Julienne strips of turkey & ham**, cheddar & swiss cheese, eggs, peppers and tomatoes with choice of dressing.  
Cookies, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted teas.

**Spinach Salad:**

Spinach and boiled eggs, mushrooms and red peppers topped with warm bacon vinaigrette.  
Cookies, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted Teas.

**Vegetarian Lasagna:**

Served with fresh seasonal vegetables and garlic bread.  
Cookies, Starbucks regular & decaffeinated coffee, assorted Teas.

To register for lunch, send a check for \$22.00 and indicate your lunch preference to P/R/C Trudy Brown, AP, 3220 98<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004-1813, Phone (425) 454 0115. Email: [trudyb36@outlook.com](mailto:trudyb36@outlook.com)

Make checks payable to D-16 ED Seminar.

Need lunch count **by Monday, 15 April.**

Please address any additional questions/comments or suggestion to the agenda to Al Keim, (206) 779-5346 [al@keimco.net](mailto:al@keimco.net). or Jim West Ph: 330-495-4442, E-Mail: [phnx789@msn.com](mailto:phnx789@msn.com)

The agenda will be distributed separately.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Squadron \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# Agate Pass Sail & Power Squadron

invites you to



## And Change of Watch

Thursday 18 April 2019  
Poulsbo Yacht Club\*  
1800 social hour, 1900 dinner  
Installation of Officers to follow

### Meal will be Picnic Style

Hamburgers with all the fixin's  
Jacqui's Excellent Potato Salad  
Tedd's Famous Baked Beans  
Carrot Cake w/cream cheese frosting (Yum)

\*Poulsbo Yacht Club, 18129 Fjord Dr. NE, Poulsbo, WA

All reservations must be accompanied by a check  
made payable to APSPS

Please mail your RSVP to:

Agate Pass Sail and Power Squadron  
PO Box 842  
Poulsbo, WA 98370

1. Name, Rank and Grade

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2. Name, Rank and Grade

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**On or before 8 April \$18.00 each (\$20 each  
after 8 April)**

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