



Commodore's Report

Gary Sheneman

I want to begin my comments this month by thanking everyone for their positive thoughts, prayers and support for me and Donna during the past month. I could never express how much it helped having such wonderful friends to help strengthen our faith during such a difficult period. Your well wishes will remain with us always.

For those of you unable to attend the general meeting this past month you missed an exceptional meal (if I can say so myself) prepared (mainly) by the men of PSYC. We also enjoyed a visit from the Trio, Admiral Jay McEwen, Admiralette JoAnne Ovens, and Vice Admiral Neil Duncanson, from Seattle Yacht Club and a presentation on Opening Day. This year the Opening Day 2008 theme is A Three-Ring Circus. We owe a great thanks to SYC for all of their efforts in sponsoring by far one of the greatest maritime celebrations in the nation. Some 200 volunteers work many months to provide festivities including a morning of crew races, a sailboat race, and, of course, the grand Opening Day Boat parade on Saturday, May 3, 2008. For more information or to register for any of the events of the weekend please visit <http://www.seattleyachtclub.org/OpeningDay>.

This past month's meeting also included a feature that I hope becomes an annual tradition at PSYC. **Judy Quick** and **Paula Spina** hosted a New Member Orientation event following our monthly business meeting for the purpose of providing greater insight into club activities and to encourage new members to get involved in managing the club. By all accounts it was very successful in making connections and providing greater insight into our operations as a club. If you were unable to stay for the event or want to know more about how you can get involved don't hesitate to ask any of your Bridge or Board members.

While the official start of boating season is still two months away, many of us at PSYC kicked off our cruising season the past month with an Ice Breaker cruise to Edmonds. I can't express how wonderful it was to be cruising on the bay and once again enjoying time on the docks with our members. Donna and I had a fantastic time and as usual the Cruise Captains outdid themselves in providing a wonderfully sunny, entertaining and delicious weekend for everyone. What a great start to the 2008 cruising season.

For those of you interested the Des Moines Commodore's Ball is being held March 8th at the DMYC. The Des Moines Yacht Club do a great job with their Ball and it promises to be a great evening.

The cost is \$80/couple for a Prime Rib and Salmon dinner. It's also time to begin thinking about the Daffodil Marine Regatta, once again sponsored by Tacoma Yacht Club. This year's festivities will take place the weekend of April 19th with the parade on Sunday the 20th. I'll be in attendance on Sunday representing all of you during the flag ceremony and would welcome anyone who wants to join in the fun. If you'd like more information please visit http://www.daffodilfestival.net/Marine_Parade/marineparade.htm for all the details. Take care and see you soon.

March Calendar

3/12 Board Meeting
 3/13 Thursday Lunch Bunch
 3/19 General Meeting
 3/28-3/30 St. Paddy's Cruise to Port Orchard

April Calendar

4/9 Board Meeting
 4/10 Thursday Lunch Bunch
 4/11-4/13 GAFIA to Portland
 4/16 General Meeting
 4/26 Spring Work Party

March Birthdays

3/1 Carol Andrus
 3/3 Evelyn Nickerson
 3/3 Lois Toroni
 3/10 Norm Arno
 3/10 Chris Kullman
 3/11 Kevin Davlin
 3/17 Shannon Pound
 3/26 Carol Cass
 3/26 Harry Evensen
 3/26 Larry Newton
 3/27 David Morton
 3/28 Susan Dils

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Vice Commodore's Report

Kevin Haistings

Last month I mentioned that we were installing some new stoves in the Clubs Galley. At that time the expected delivery date was March 3rd. and that the timing was okay because the men were cooking dinner in February and we didn't want to risk the damage to the new stoves. Well, Maytag was able to get the stoves in early. Those of you at last month's dinner meeting saw the new stoves. They were delivered and installed on the 19th. One project down.... Next on the list is installing the new water lines on the Dock. Right now I'm looking toward the last part of March for the project. If anyone is interested, I will need some help and I am in need of a small raft or sturdy (able to withstand being under the pier and getting a little dirty) dinghy. This is a job that needs to be done before the Spring work party (I don't know about most folks, but I'd rather not be under the dock installing water lines while someone else is on top pressure washing the pier).

Looking ahead, we have the work party Saturday April 26th. It's not too early to get that on your calendar; the more the merrier and the quicker we all get done.

Finally, kudos to the cruise captains last month, what a cruise. I was particularly impressed with their ability to bring us such great weather for the Hawaiian themed cruise. Add about 30 degrees and I might have thought I was actually in Hawaii. Okay that last part may be stretching it a bit, but I can't remember the last time we had an Ice Breaker cruise, let alone most of our winter/early spring cruises, that had warm, dry weather and calm seas. Nicely done cruise committee.

OOPS!! The St. Paddy's Day Cruise is actually being held from 3/28-3/30 instead of the dates listed in last month's Sound Waves.

Thursday Lunch Bunch

Every 2nd Thursday of the month (except July & August). We gather at 11:30 and eat at noon. Please join us. Just bring a dish to share. For information, please call Marilyn Sullivan or Lorraine Brooks.



Rear Commodore's Report

Paula Spina

What a couple of months! First we had a fabulous wine social; and then a crowded boat show brunch. The new member orientation meeting, albeit new and unusual, turned out wonderfully as well. Many of our newer members signed-up as volunteers and I believe just about everybody is now fully staffed. Kudos to **Judy Quick** for this new and important event.

Having just concluded February with another spectacular Ice Breaker Cruise (see Fleet Captains Report for details), March is going to be a slower planning month. This girl has to catch her breath!

Our next big social event will be the April GAFIA to Portland. I really need feedback from anyone interested in attending so that I can figure out the best way to get us there. The train is one option, chartering a bus another. Of course there is always driving on your own, but I think either of the two first options would be a lot more fun. So get me names.

Finally, I am also interested in any other ideas anyone has for either speakers at our meetings or for fun social events. You'll even get credit for your great ideas, so pass them along. That's all for now.



Fleet Captain's Report

Chris Kullmann

Well people dusted off their boats and came out. The Ice Breaker Cruise to Edmonds drew 14 boats and 45 people. The weather was great and everyone had a great time. Next is the Port Orchard Cruise March 28-30. This was a well attended cruise last year and will be great this year. Contact **Cindy Josephson** 425-765-0379 to sign up for this cruise. Next will be the Memorial Day Cruise May 24-26 to Everett. It has been a year or two since we could book in Everett so this will be a huge event. Contact **Barry Ellingson** 360-651-2838 to get on the list. The weather is improving so get out and cruise.

Special Recognition

This section of the Sound Waves newsletter is dedicated to the members of the club who go above and beyond each month to contribute to the success of the club. Thank You!

Kevin Haistings purchased and installed the long awaited stoves & ovens for the galley including a new convection microwave.

Judy Quick & **Paula Spina** organized and hosted a New Member Orientation event to promote activities and committees with the intent on raising member participation.

Bill & Sue Dils, Lance Loomis & Paula Spina, Rich Tremaglio & Echo Summers were Cruise Captains for our Ice Breaker cruise to Edmonds – they brought Hawaii to the Puget Sound!





The time is fast approaching for the Pt Orchard Cruise. First of all...to clear up any confusion - the dates for this cruise are **March 28-30**, NOT March 14 - 16 as reported on the PSYC web site and calendar. Sorry, if this creates a problem for any of you.

Dave and Carol Cass and Bob & I are excited to captain this cruise and have a fun weekend planned for all. At this time, we would like to know how many boats to plan on. We have 15 slips reserved and can possibly get more if we need to.

Please email us - joseycc@aol.com or moonshiner01@msn.com with your day of arrival (Fri or Sat), the size of your boat, and how many people in your party.

We will have more info for you via email and at the PSYC general meeting March 19th.

Thanks,

Bob & Cindy Josephson

Dave & Carol Cass



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Birthday – Evelyn Nickerson Birthday – Lois Toroni	4	5	6	7	8
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