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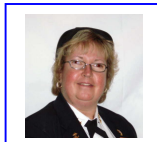
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Well its here, time for the Sweethearts Dinner honoring Susie Johnson, Viking's 2010 Sweetheart at the Tacoma Elk's. Susie stepped in for Bill since he doesn't look good in a Tierra and robe :^). Way to go Susie! I can't believe that January is almost over for I don't remember most of it. I can't remember a month ever being so hard on all of us since we became members in 1995. This month alone we lost Louise Stephenson who was a Sweetheart in 1980. On the same day we lost Pam and Steve Larsen's son Orrin's longtime girlfriend Nadia and then days later Pam Krinbring's nephew. Hoping that it would all go away, we now have received news that Bob McGrath has pancreatic cancer. We have not heard the doctor's report as of today, but I ask each one of you to say a prayer and remember their privacy at this time. But remember, a positive card or e-mail could brighten someone's day. Our first meeting of the year went well. I can see that my "Bridge of Women" all have great ideas for kicking off the next 50 years, and poor Bob sat at a different table so we couldn't hen peck him :^). He and Pam are hosting the Sweetheart Dinner this Saturday and my Commodore Ball in October. I gave him such a hard time last year about going to the Poodle Dog, I'm afraid to see where mine is going to be! Just kidding Bob, you deserve to kick back now after your years through the chairs.

Starting in February most of "The Commodore Ball's" start. Remember that it is important to go and support our fellow clubs as they support us. Besides, there is always a good time & good food for all that attend. 2-6-2010 TOA @ TOA (Dress grey's) 2-13-2010 Seabacs' @ TYC (Dress Grey's) 2-27-10 Totem @ Totem YC (Dress white's) 3-6-2010 Des Moines @ DMYC. (Dress white's) Being your Commodore, my Bridge and I want to make this a fun experience. If you have suggestions on I how we can better the club, cruise ideas, or whatever please don't hesitate to contact me @ yakobi51@hotmail.com. We can't do it another 50 years without all of you. **Commodore Barb**



Happy Birthday

February



*Donna Carlson, Ann Gagner, Dave Seis
Betsy Tanck*

March

*Johanna Martin, Leanne Redding, Bill Sheehy
Lea Hickman, Shelley Anne Costa, Lola Doxon,
Steve Larsen*

Birthdays are listed on monthly calendar and can be downloaded from our website
<http://www.vikingyachtclub.com/>



SUNSHINE

Live well, love much, and laugh often

"Due to so much news to share"
Please see the section below for my report.

Thank you.

If you have information that needs shared with our members, please contact:

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FROM THE VICE COMMODORE



Ahoy Mate's

Much has transpired since the fireworks brought forth the New Year. God has a special plan for all of us and takes us home when our time is finished here on Earth. Keep all the families in your prayers who have experienced some form of loss this month.

Robert and I attended the Boat Show with some friends hoping they may get the urge to become full time boaters. They are Land Lubbers at this time. We found our next boat just need more money to cruise it back to the dock.

Thanks to all who attended the General Meeting on Wednesday. Remember this is your club. Those who were present have voted on some issues for this year's agenda. Remember your vote doesn't count if your not there. Barb is doing a great job keeping all the Board Members on task. It will be a fun and challenging year.

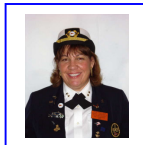
Hope everyone is checking out all the new features, resources and information on the Viking Website.

Special Congratulations to the New Sweetheart for 2010, Susie Johnson. Have fun with the robe.

Enjoy the planned boating activities the club has planned this year. It will be a wonderful summer for Cruising the Great Pacific Northwest Inland Waterways

Vice Commodore Carla

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FROM THE REAR COMMODORE

Viking Cruisers "MARK YOUR CALENDARS"

March is our first cruising month. On 12th - 14th is our first weekend of boating: The Arts and Entertainment cruise, hosted by Steve and Pam Larsen. There is the Art and Glass Museum, Woody's, membership drive and various activities planned. Come on down to the beautiful waterfront and join us for a weekend of fun. Next cruise will be in April 23rd-25th for the Family of the Year, looking for someone to host this cruise. Also another fun weekend in April is on the 16th-18th, which is Daffodil weekend at TYC. Love to see you there, help decorate for the big event. Its so much fun! On April 10th is NBC'S Work party at Blake Island. Its great to participate in such an important event! Would love to see a big participation and lots of boats for our first cruise. We will pray for sunshine.

Rear Commodore Frankie

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

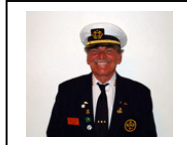
Don't miss these fun events!

- TOA Commodores Ball @ TOA- Feb 6th
- Seabac's Commodores Ball @ TYC - Feb 13th
- Totem Commodores Ball @ Totem YC - Feb 27th

FROM THE JUNIOR PAST COMMODORE

Hi everyone, it was a great membership meeting, I think our LADIES BRIDGE CLUB will do a grand job for 2010, with Mrs. C heading things up its going to be a great season. This year I will just stay in the Wings and give support when needed. It was great seeing you all at the Sweetheart Dinner and the Crowning of our new 2010 Sweetheart Susie Johnson.

PC Bob Gunter
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2010 Viking Yacht Club Sweetheart

Congratulations Susie Johnson



MEMBERSHIP

BYBB - "Bring your Boating Buddy" to a Viking Yacht Club cruise!
Show off your boat and your club!

Arts & Entertainment Cruise, March 14-16 @ Dock Street Marina on the Foss Waterway. Food, games, prizes! This is our first cruise of the 2010 season so lets all get out on the water and meet some new boaters and welcome them into our club!

Show your VYC pride! Wear your Viking Gear - you can have just about anything embroidered with the Viking Logo at Quality Printing on 74th and South Tacoma Way.

Skipper Steve

VIKING YACHT CLUB - WEBSITE UPDATES

- Monthly General Meeting Minutes are now posted on the Document Locker page
- New VYC Reciprocals have been added for this year, plus website links
- Function flyers get posted on the Cruise & Function Calendar page

Shipboard Galley

Orange Frost

- 1 ¾ cup Cool Whip lite (thawed)
- 1- 6oz. Frozen Orange Juice Concentrate
- 1- 6oz. can water
- 1-½ cups crushed ice

Place all ingredients in blender mix till smooth and ice is melted.

Please submit your favorite recipes to share with others in the club. E-mail robert.bushnell@comcast.net

Sunshine Report

Losses: We said goodbye to Louise Stephenson on January 13th. The Club was represented well at the service in support of the Stephenson family and they were very appreciative of the flowers and presence of members. In addition, two Viking friends--Nadia (Orrin Larsen's long-time girlfriend) and Andis (Pam Krinbring's nephew) left their families all too soon. Continue to keep them all close in your thoughts and prayers.

Illnesses: We learned last week that Bob McGrath has been diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and will begin treatment soon. He and Janet (Myers) have requested that people not call them directly, but they will be happy to receive e-mails and cards, letters, etc. The e-mail address is: **speedymcmy@msn.com**

Their snail mail address is: **P.O. Box 25077
Federal Way, WA 98093**

Janet's daughter has set up a Web site for people to visit and follow Bob's progress. It is <http://www.caringbridge.org/> and in the Visit a Website section, enter the name **robertmcgrath**, all one word, small letters. Maybe this would be something people would want to do for others?

P.S. Vice Commodore Carla Bushnell's grandmother, who will be 95 in March, recently fell and broke her hip. After surgery she went to a nursing home but due to an infection had to return to the hospital. Let's hope she heals quickly and is able to return to independent living.

Ann Gagner - Sunshine

Cruise & Function Calendar 2010

For Complete Calendar please visit our website
<http://www.vikingyachtclub.com/>

FEBRUARY

- 6th TOA Commodores Ball
- 13th Seabac's Commodore Ball
- 27th Totem YC Commodores Ball

MARCH

- 6th DMYC Commodores Ball
- 12th - 14th VYC Arts & Entertainment Cruise - Dock Street

APRIL

- 10th NBC Work Party - Blake Island
- 9th - 11th IOBG @ Clover Island YC, Pasco, WA
- 16th - 18th Daffodil Weekend @ Tacoma Yacht Club
- 23rd - 25th VYC Family of the Year @ Arabella's, Gig Harbor
- 30th Opening Day @ Seattle Yacht Club

MAY

- 1st Opening Day Parade @ Seattle Yacht Club
- 8th South Sound Opening Day @ DMYC
- 28th - 31st VYC Memorial Day Cruise @ Bremerton Marina

JUNE

- 4th - 6th NBC Picnic @ Brownsville Marina
- 25th - 27th VYC Golf Cruise @ Fair Harbor Marina

JULY

- 2nd - 5th VYC 4th of July Anchor Out @ Burton
- 17th IOBG Dist 1 Summer Picnic @ Brownsville Marina

AUGUST

Break (no planned events)

SEPTEMBER

- 3rd - 6th VYC Labor Day Cruise & Oyster Feed @ Swantown Marina
- 17th - 19th IOBG Dist 1 Fall & Change of Watch @ TBD

OCTOBER

- 2nd VYC Commodores Ball @ TYC
- 22nd - 24th VYC Hot Rudder Bum Cruise @ Dock Street

NOVEMBER

- 6th VYC Change of Watch @ TBD

DECEMBER

- 5th VYC Christmas Auction @ Totem Yacht Club
- 11th TYC Christmas Boat Cruise

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Security Zone; Escorted U.S. Navy Submarines in Sector Seattle Captain of the Port Zone

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a moving security zone around any U.S. Navy submarine that is operating in the Sector Seattle Captain of the Port Zone, which includes the Puget Sound and coastal waters of the State of Washington, and is being escorted by the Coast Guard. The security zone is necessary to help ensure the security of the submarines, their Coast Guard security escorts, and the maritime public in general. The security zone will do so by prohibiting all persons and vessels from coming within 1,000 yards of an escorted submarine unless authorized by the Coast Guard patrol commander.

DATES: This rule is **effective January 13, 2010**. **Comments and related material must reach the Coast Guard on or before April 13, 2010**. Requests for public meetings must be received by the Coast Guard on or before February 12, 2010.

See attachment or go to <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-438.pdf>.

Regulated Navigation Area; U.S. Navy Submarines, Hood Canal, WA

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a regulated navigation area (RNA) covering the Hood Canal in Washington that will be in effect whenever any U.S. Navy submarine is operating in the Hood Canal and being escorted by the Coast Guard. The RNA is necessary to help ensure the safety and security of the submarines, their Coast Guard security escorts, and the maritime public in general. The RNA will do so by requiring all persons and vessels located within the RNA to follow all lawful orders and/or directions given to them by Coast Guard security escort personnel.

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Contributor: Marlene Barrington /NBF/NBC/IOBG/RBAW

Establishment of US Coast Guard – January 28, 1915



The United States Coast Guard was created by [Act of Congress](#) on January 28, 1915, when the Life-Saving Service was combined with the Revenue-Cutter Service. From the beginning, the Coast Guard constituted part of the military forces of the United States. It operated (at that time) under the Treasury Department in time of peace and as part of the Navy in time of war or when the President shall so direct. Semper Paratus!

USCG PRESS RELEASE



TERMINATION OF ALL U.S. LORAN-C SIGNALS

IAW THE 2010 DHS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, THE U.S. COAST GUARD WILL TERMINATE THE TRANSMISSION OF ALL U.S. LORAN-C SIGNALS EFFECTIVE 08 FEB 2010. AT THAT TIME, THE U.S. LORAN-C SIGNAL WILL BE UNUSABLE AND PERMANENTLY DISCONTINUED.

THIS TERMINATION DOES NOT AFFECT U.S. PARTICIPATION IN THE RUSSIAN-AMERICAN OR CANADIAN LORAN-C CHAINS. U.S. PARTICIPATION IN THESE CHAINS WILL CONTINUE TEMPORARILY IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

Members of Congress Urge Against Legislative Authorization of E15

Led by Reps. Raul Grijala (D-N.M.), Chairman of the House Progressive Caucus, and Rep. Charlie Melancon (D-La.), Co-Chair of the Blue Dog Coalition, 22 Members of Congress on January 25, 2010 sent a [letter](#) to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and Majority Leader Steny Hoyer (D-Md.) urging them to oppose any effort to authorize the sale of E15 or any other mid-level ethanol blend through an act of Congress. E15 is currently pending a decision by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which has stated it needs more data before determining to approve or deny a petition submitted by Growth Energy. NMMA opposes the waiver unless and until independent scientific data demonstrates that E15 will not harm marine engines or boats. In addition, NMMA recently joined with other non-road engine, automobile, and convenience store organizations on a [letter](#) to EPA Assistant Administrator Margo Oge opposing the issuance of a so-called partial waiver, which would allow E15 only for certain new cars.

Contributor: Marlene Barrington

Just thought I would tell you about Louise's funeral. It was a very nice room, and they had one of her beautiful quilts up front, with the flowers and pictures of her and George. A screen on each side was showing pictures of her and George. The minister was really nice, and he had done his homework with the family and spoke so sweetly of her. He read some papers that the girls had written and that the grandchildren had written. He talked about her life being very meaningful and that the story of her life was written in her actions. He invited others to speak and a lady from her Y Wives group spoke, a couple of her quilting friends spoke, and Dave Seis got up and spoke about her - called her a sparkplug! My daughter Peggy got up and talked about all the times our families had been together and how much fun we had had, and wanting her life with her family to be as rich as she perceived Stephenson's and ours had been together. I wanted to talk but knew I would dissolve in tears, so am so happy that Peggy did it for me. The music was nice, recording of Anne Murray singing, "Can I have this dance for the rest of my life?" and also Perry Como singing, "Because". The reception was really nice and Linda, Pam and Marty made all the refreshments. It was really nice that there was such a big group. I saw and talked to Spence and Ida, Pat and Larry, so good to see them. Doxon's were there, and others. Talked to the quilting friends as I was in the same group with Louise. The girls had put lots of pix around of Louise and George and it was nice to look at them.

Contributor: Dot Thrall

This is a past president of NBF whose boat is moored at Capitol Yacht Club in Washington DC

Happy New Year to All:

Penny asked me to forward a few shots of our belated Christmas present-a most disturbing fire onboard the PennyPincher. We had not been onboard for several days due to the holidays, but while we were heading down I85 for a week of unscheduled stops at various national parks, we got the call from the DC Police that the boat was on fire. We were lucky. The Capital Yacht Club members spotted the fire early on and took the appropriate action. They are well trained and willing to help, and the docks are well equipped for emergencies. They had the fire out before the fire department arrived. No one was hurt and damage confined to our boat. Awareness of your surroundings really paid off. For now, we are awaiting the cleaning crew to get the boat to the point where the real analysis can take place. It appears to be an electrical surge into the sound system, but who knows. It also appears that the boat is repairable, but will take some time. Penny's nights in DC are now spent with her son and his family, while I retreat to Williamsburg after performing my taxi function. Joe and Penny Orth



Contributor: Marlene Barrington

Puget Soundkeeper's Alliance has gone postal, threatening Recreational Boating

Puget Soundkeeper's Alliance has notified five area boatyards of "Intention to Bring Lawsuit".

The PSA claims that copper runoff from the yards exceeds standards permitted under the master use permit- while at the same time there are boatyards that do *no* copper based bottom painting (one that comes to mind doesn't service any boats out of the water) that cannot meet the copper runoff requirements.

Much of the copper runoff is more directly associated with normal wear of automotive brake pads and clutches than it is with bottom painting or other boatyard practices.

None of the environmental enforcement agencies or environmental advocates, including the Puget Soundkeeper's Alliance, has ever established a scientifically valid baseline. They have not bothered to compare the copper runoff from boatyards with the amount of copper that would run off if no boatyard existed in that location.

I met this afternoon with a spokeswoman associated with one of the boatyards. She was literally in tears as she showed me the legal complaint filed by Puget Soundkeeper's Alliance. The attorney's served the complaint a few days before Christmas, and gave the boatyards ten days to respond. Nice timing-

It's my opinion that the Puget Soundkeeper's Alliance agenda is to eliminate recreational boating, (kayakers, excepted, of course). This can be accomplished by dismantling the infrastructure upon which we boaters depend just as quickly as by outlawing the activity of boating itself.

Contributor: Chuck Gould



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January 26, 2010

The Honorable Chellie Pingree
U.S. House of Representatives
1037 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Pingree:

The members of the National Boating Federation (NBF) were very pleased to learn of your introduction and support of H.R. 2548, the Keep America's Waterfronts Working Act. We applaud your efforts on this most important issue of maintaining public access to our waterways and recognizing the significant contribution the boating community makes to our nation's economy. NBF is the largest nationwide alliance of recreational boating organizations, consisting of over two million members.

The public awareness and gravity of this situation was evident by the large attendance at the Boating Access Forum in May 2007 in Norfolk VA. There were many presentations giving examples of how marinas and recreational and commercial fishing facilities were eliminated by declarations of eminent domain or other means. The risk to our working waterfronts continues to this day although some municipalities have enacted rules or regulations, which reduce the risk.

With our nation's many miles of coastline, the importance of public access to these areas cannot be minimized. These waterways provide restaurants, repair facilities, dockage, etc. which all provide employment and contribute significantly to our economy. We believe your bill will be a great step forward in maintaining the many assets provided on our waterfronts for the boating community and the general public.

Again we thank you for your efforts in protecting access to our waterfronts and maintaining a strong coastal economy as we look forward to passage of H.R. 2548.

Sincerely,

Earl M. Waesche



Viking Yacht Club Irish Cruise
March 12-14, 2010
Delin Docks @ The Glass Museum
Tacoma, WA

Come to the first cruise of the 2010 season!
Invite your boating friends and welcome prospective members to our club!

Friday, March 12

6:00 pm O'hoderveres on the dock – Seafood Buffet – Bring something fishey!

Saturday, March 13 Breakfast on your own!

11:00 am – 3:00 Pm
VYC membership info at the top of the dock
VYC Open House and Tour of Boats
Refreshments
Carnival Games for Kids
Adult Games on the Lawn

6:00 pm Dinner at Woody's Wharf and Pub Crawl

Sunday, March 14

9:00 am Breakfast Potluck

11:00 am Safe Journey Home



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