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Monthly Dinner Meeting – 03 May 2006
Annual Change of Watch
Prime Rib or Salmon, \$18

Reservations (or cancellations of permanent reservations) are required and need to be confirmed **before Noon Saturday** prior to the dinner meeting. Make your reservations (or cancellations) with:

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Location & Time—DIFFERENT THAN NORMAL

Meydenbauer Bay Yacht Club, 9927 Meydenbauer Way SE, Bellevue. Members and guests meet from **1745** for a social (THREE QUARTERS) hour on the Top Deck. Dinner is served at **1830** and the meeting will be adjourned by 2100.

Dress Code

While the Bridge members often wear uniforms to the dinner meetings, the general membership wears appropriate mufti attire or business casual at the dinner meetings. For the Bridge, the uniform for May is Uniform A-blue pants; blue jacket; white shirt, long sleeves; black tie.

Program—Annual Change of Watch

The *Pomp and Circumstances March*? Probably not, but there will be music and entertainment as part of the annual Change of Watch. Our most formal meeting, the CoW (as it is fondly nicknamed) is the program in which the exhausted, but satisfied, outgoing Bridge is dismissed from its duties and the Commander is sent to the back of the room to join the other Past Commanders in making rowdy comments. The new Bridge takes its oath of office and many members receive awards and gifts for services to the squadron. Lots of fun.

From the Commander

Commander Jean Miller, AP



Finally! No longer will you see the murky photo of the perplexed and untidy lady with a crooked tie at the top of this space. Instead, you will find a much more dignified and seemly representation of Commander Sally, radiating stalwartness at you, I'm sure. My own photo is such that our eldest granddaughter drew a cartoon balloon from my mouth in the photo, reading, "Huh??" The young can be so cruel.

Traditionally, this is the month when outgoing officers become quite maudlin and weepy, thanking everyone including the guy who locks up the meeting room, and blubbering away about what the experience of being commander has meant to them. Well, let's all go get our hankies, because I am not going to let you down by breaking tradition. But first, some cost-benefit analysis.

Like most squadron commanders, I've spent a goodly amount of time measuring the intangibles I accrue from the job against the amount of work which has to be done. Many times I tallied up the benefit and cost columns hoping to come out with a positive sum to justify how much time I spend on squadron stuff. And most times, I would smile sappily, and go back to agendas and emails. Or else I would pour a shot of Jaegermeister and go watch re-runs of *Law and Order*.

Most enjoyable were the moments of innocent fun, such as when I announced at a dinner meeting that I was going to donate \$1 to the Century Fund each time I got caught swearing in public. That initiated a loud, unplanned discussion, especially among the ladies, about which words actually qualified as swearing, and questions about whether "P.O.O" (as in Power of One pins given out to people who bring in new members) qualified as a swear word. Swept away by the moment a new member, Frank Young, said he would match the cursing fund. We each owe the Century Fund \$167, Frank. (Remember, the Prince of Frowns, being a close family member, was excluded from the contest; otherwise the amount would have been in the thousands.)

Something which always tickled me at dinner meetings was the guerrilla theater presented by the Sea Belles to advertise the Crab Feed. The players were usually Lucy Bell Worl (incoming president of the Sea Belles), wearing a couple of faux

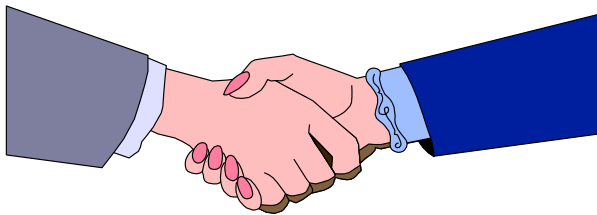
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June Dinner Meeting Program

"Seattle's Ditch—A Dream That Would Not Die"

Jay Wells, Program Director for the Visitor's Center for the Lake Washington Ship Canal and Hiram M. Chittenden Locks will talk about the history surrounding the construction of the Ship Canal and Ballard Locks. He will discuss the botanical garden at the locks, the Montlake and Fremont cuts, and will answer the age-old question, "Who was Hiram M. Chittenden?"

**Calling all USPS and Auxiliary Members,
Friends and Guests!**



You are invited to join us at the
Sea Belles Change of Watch!

Friday, 12 May 2006

Lake Sammamish Elks Lodge
765 Rainier Blvd. N in Issaquah

1800 — Cocktails and piano bar with Jim McKay!

1900 — Prime Rib dinner with complementary wine - \$15.00

2000 — Change of Watch

Dress – Sea Belle are encouraged to wear their uniforms,
also appropriate are Uniform B or mufti.

The Sea Belles have lent their support to the squadron and District for 48 years and our relationship continues to grow! Now you can lend support to the Sea Belles, come join us as we celebrate the installation of our new 2006 –2007 President and her Bridge.

Reservations are required, please call Dorthea Varney at 425.277.8824. We gladly accept payment at the door, but reservations are a must!

Sea Belles Corner

President Karl E. Lang, SN



I hate writing “swan songs” but our Editor in Chief said he wouldn't accept anything else this month. Personally, I was honored to serve as your President this year and learned a lot about how to make things happen. It's not great leadership, money, work ethic, lean organizations, paradigm shifts or any other glib buzzword—it's about attitude and heart! You Sea Belles have an abundance of both—that's why it's been such an exciting ride. There are 35 names on the “Rose List” for this year out of a membership of 83 making an active/total ratio of over 42%. I know of a few businesses, most government agencies, and hosts of volunteer organizations that don't have anywhere near that high a participation. Although I can't personally recognize everyone here, I am compelled to give special thanks to the dirty dozen (or so):

- Barbara Erickson; our Secretary who, in addition to all her regular duties, did our by-laws rework and got me out of trouble every time I turned around.
- Mark and Dorthea Varney; who did most of our graphics, reservations, final roster work, our bake sale chairs and lots of help at every function all year long.
- Lucy and John Worl; who not only make the Crab Feed the biggest and best event of any squadron or auxiliary activity, but also handled dinner table set-ups as well as many other things.
- Willa Conrad; who stepped up at every call, including hosting the District 16 Educational Seminar luncheon, updating historian archives and records and making crab napkin holders a reality(for \$8, Bernie could be on the Rose List too).
- Pat Dorratcague; our Treasurer, who even under pressure, never cooks the books, pulls off the Christmas Dinner Dance with a professional touch and does the table decorations for every dinner meeting — now that's Class!
- Mike and Dianne Heinrich; who have their plate full with squadron work, still found time and energy to help organize and execute every single Sea Belle activity this year.
- Laurel Redecker; our Membership chair, who really did a membership job helping us to grow back to a vibrant, busy auxiliary and pitched in everywhere else (Vern helped too!).
- Ruby Ann Mahnken; our Sunshine Belle, who handles our sadness better than anyone I have known but brings more sunshine than gloom to all of us.

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Exec Speaks

Lt/C Sally N. Stuart, JN

A big thank you to:

P/R/C Gus Decock for keeping BSPS informed with regards to Norvan's activities, our sister squadron in North Vancouver, BC. BSPS was well represented at Norvan's Rendezvous in July, Crab Feed in November, Wine and Cheese in February and will be at their COW in May; Lt. Mike Heinrich for organizing, setting up and manning BSPS' booth at local boat shows; Lt. Lucy Worl for organizing Kids Safety Classes; and Lt. Sid Rubin for his role as Public Relations Officer; Lt. Dianne Greene and Lt. Bobbie Jensen for their participation on the newly formed Activities Committee; D/Lt Mark Varney for making sure BSPS was on National's Coop Charting Squadron Honor Roll for another year; Lt. Joseph Saromines and his crew of Vessel Safety Checkers—P/D/C Joe Cartwright, D/Lt Raye Newmen, and V/C Frank Dvorak; and D/Lt. Raye Newmen, liaison for the Sea Scouts. A special thank you goes out to Lt. Newmen and V/C Dvorak for performing vessel safety checks on the Sea Scout's fleet on a cold, windy and rainy day in January; Lt. Bob Evan's important yet entertaining safety articles; and Lt. Gary Mohr's informative radio tech articles for the **BELLVIEWS**. Thank you also to all those I did not mention but contributed to the Executive Department's activities this year. ❖

The Treasurer Rings Out

Lt/C Dawn M. Miller, AP

My two years in office were aided nicely by the Budget Committee, headed by Lt Karen Rubin, S, and the Auditing Committee, run by Lt. Ralph J. Baum, JN. I particularly want to thank Lts Sherry Macklin and Diane Heinrich for operating the Ships Store and carrying all of that gear back and forth. ❖



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Thanks for a Great Auction

Lt/Sharon L. Macklin, AP

Twas the day of the auction and all through the club was the sound of the helpers as they set up the goods.

The oohs and the aahs floated around and then there was silence as we awaited the crowds.

The evening was festive, the tummies were full, the auction began and the money came in.

But after the clean up and reviewing the day I needed to say thanks in so many ways.

So to all of those who assisted this year, many thanks from our Squadron and have a great year.

The squadron thanks:

- Anthony's Restaurants, various locations
- Argosy Cruises, Seattle
- Armchair Sailor, 2110 Westlake Ave N., Seattle
- Bally Total Fitness, various locations
- Bellevue Golf Course, 5500 140th NE, Bellevue
- Ben Bridge Jewelers, various locations
- Bevan Bellevue Jewelers, 10047 Main St., #102, Bellevue
- Boater's World Marine Center, 100 108th Ave NE, Bellevue
- Captain's Nautical Supplies, Inc., 2500 15th Ave W, Seattle
- Cuttysark, 320 1st Ave S., Seattle
- Deer Harbor Marina, Deer Harbor
- Don's Group Attire, 5216 1st Ave S., Seattle
- Dunato's Marine Services Inc., 2309 N Northlake Way, Seattle
- Dunato's Second Wave, 3601 Greenwood N., Seattle
- Fisheries Supply, 1900 N Northlake Way, Seattle
- Harbor Marine, 1402 W Marine View Drive, Everett
- Hector's, 112 Lake Street S., Kirkland
- Larry's Market, Various locations
- Lunde Marine, 5415 24th Ave NW, Seattle, WA 98107
- Marine Sanitation, 1900 N Northlake Way, Seattle
- Massage Envy, various locations
- McCormick & Schmick's, Lincoln Center, Bellevue
- Mercer Marine, 3911 Lake Washington Blvd SE, Bellevue

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Welcome, New Members

Lt Lonnie Butler, AP – Membership Chair

The Bellevue Sail and Power Squadron welcomes the following new members. Please take some time to introduce yourself to them and help get our new friends firmly and actively integrated into the squadron.

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Who's Who 2006

The next issue of *Who's Who*, the squadron roster, is being prepared for distribution in June. Please check your listing in the current version for accuracy and send any changes to Lt Robert J. Miller, AP, at bobmi@earthlink.net.

Of particular concern are updates to phone numbers, e-mail address, and boat name, type, length, and home port.

Changes received after 15 May 2006 will not be included.

Who's Who Updates

Lt. Robert J. Miller, AP – Database Chair

Please make these updates to *Who's Who 2005*. Send changes of mailing address, telephone numbers, e-mail address, and boat information to bobmi@earthlink.net. The National database will be updated as well as the squadron's mailing list. Remember, because of our non-profit mailing rate, **BELLVIEWS** is not forward by the US Postal Service, so do send in your address changes and not miss a valuable copy.

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Salmon Bake — 16-18 June 2006 ***Brownsville Marina***

Participate in the famous Salmon Bake! New members—you will be fussed over and introduced to everyone, so please come! This rendezvous is especially nice for kids. Here's the *tentative* schedule of events:

Friday, June 16

1200 Arrivals start. Everyone helps set-up.
1900 Catered Wine and Cheese Reception

Saturday, June 17

0730-0900 Pancake Breakfast (eggs, cereal, fruit juice etc).
First person up starts the coffee!
1000-1200 Kids games and Poster Contest
1000-1300 Coop Charting Adventure or seminar
1330-1500 Get fire started and salmon prepared to cook
(Learn how to do it!)
1300-1600 Seminar (details being worked on)
1730 Planked Salmon Bake and Potluck Dinner

Sunday, June 18

0730-0900 Morning coffee, doughnuts, etc.
1200 Departure time

Potluck to Accompany Salmon

Bring a dish to share, large enough for 6-8 persons. The type depends upon the first letter of your last name (or what ever your specialty is): A-I = dessert, J-R = salad, S-Z = side dish.

Reservations

Signup by e-mailing Lonnie Butler (lonnie4@gte.net preferred), or by phoning him at 425-827-3740. We need to know your arrival date and the number of people attending. Reservations and payments are due by 18 May 2006.

Costs and Moorage

Twenty Five (\$25) dollars per adult, Ten (\$10) dollars per child ages between 6 and 12, paid to the squadron, plus your moorage paid directly to Brownsville Marina. You don't have to reserve space through the marina, but need to do so through the rendezvous host, Lonnie Butler. We tie up on the East Breakwater. Marina info www.portofbrownsville.org.



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Education Department Bulletins

Lt/C David J. Greene, AP

Last Chance for Education for Spring

SKIPPER SAVER, a short class/seminar for first mates, is being offered at Bellevue High School with registration and first class on 09 May 2006 at 1900. This will be an exciting class, with new teaching aids, and simplified instruction on VHF, piloting, weighing anchor, decision making in emergencies, docking, fire extinguishers, and first aid/CPR.

We will have our new "boat simulator" (built by Mike Heinrich) for first mates to drive at a class session to get a feel for throttles, transmissions, and VHF use. After class sessions are completed, a practice session on your boat with an observer will be held to have you demonstrate your new found skills. This session has some interesting twists, so be prepared. Register on our web site at:

[www.bellevuepowersquadron.org/Education/Upcoming Course Schedule.htm#Seminars](http://www.bellevuepowersquadron.org/Education/Upcoming%20Course%20Schedule.htm#Seminars) or contact Dianne Greene, Chair of Advanced Grades at 425-746-7566 or dgreene99@aol.com.

ABC — Know a new or potential boater? Let them know about the special one-day ABC class to be held 20 May 2006 at Olympic Boat Center in Issaquah. Registration will be held at 0845 with the class starting at 0900. Be sure to check our web site for latest location information in case the venue changes. This is a one-day class, and hopefully we'll have a large turnout since this is the last day of 2006 Safe Boating Week. Give them our web site address above, or have them contact Bill Badgley, Chair of Public Boating/ABC at: 206-999-5153 or Bill@BadgleyHomes.com.

Education Department Congrats !

A large Thank You —

For all the instructors who gave of time and funds to teach new students, we at BSPS give you a really large Thank You for your time and commitment.

We taught nearly 160 new Public Boating and ABC students this past teaching year (Fall 2005 thru June 2006), and were grateful that 20 students joined USPS through your efforts. We taught about 122 students in the Advanced Grades and Elective Classes this past year.

I do have to single out several people besides the committed instructors, who made my job easier during this year:

- Chair of Public Boating and ABC - Bill Badgley
- Chair of Advanced Grades and Electives - Dianne Greene
- Web Masters - Jen and James Hamilton

Now let's go and apply what we learned this summer and have a great boating season with your new found skills !!!! See you at the rendezvous !!!

Administrative Notes

Lt/C J. Christopher Brown, SN

Looking back on the past 12 months I can only reiterate what has often been said in the past: “What a year and where did it go?” I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard and contributed so much to our many successes this past year, but our editor won’t give me the entire issue, so I will have to limit my deepest thank-you to everyone — you know who you are and so does most everyone else who has been active in our many events this year. But there are a few individuals I will acknowledge as I go along for going above and beyond the call of duty to the squadron.

And it isn’t just the events that makes our squadron work, but the many activities such as editing and distributing of the **BELLVIEWS**, taking dinner reservations and then collecting the money, tending the bar at meetings, setting the dinner tables, arranging the guest speakers, running the auction, and ... Whew, it makes me tired just to think of the hours spent and the labor of love donated.

The year for the Administrative Officer really starts with the Salmon Bake. This past year’s was held in July (not by choice) and the weekend was rather iffy weather-wise. But never-the-less, fifteen boats showed up at the Port of Brownsville and about 70 people. Despite the threatening weather, or maybe because we had a few sun breaks, it was a great event. Our Educational Department put on a great program, including a hands-on fire fighting event. The salmon was again cooked to perfection and the many casseroles and desserts made for a filling and enjoyable evening. If I can single out any individuals here who made this a success it has to be Lonnie Butler, Dave Greene, and Sid Rubin.

Then onto other rendezvous such as our new Spencer Spit gathering (special thanks to Mike and Dianne Heinrich) and our reinvigorated Steak Fry at the Everett Marina (thanks to Dawn Miller for hosting). Of course I can’t forget our attendance at the joint Norvan rendezvous, though our Administrative can’t claim much, if any, credit for this success. And our final rendezvous the Soup Pot, this year held jointly with the Bremerton squadron.

Our dinner meeting programs were a great success this year and maintained a high level of interesting speakers throughout. A special thanks to Trudy Brown for taking care of this. And our monthly dinner reservations were faithfully compiled by Catherine Keating. And our every move we made was recorded by our photographer, Willa Conrad.

The **BELLVIEWS** was published every month by our tireless (yet retiring) editor Bob Miller. And the distribution was ably handled by Patsy and Andy Zamelis, and Bob Evans. Our publicity was successfully handled by Sid Rubin. And I want to thank our creative webmasters too, Jennifer and James Hamilton.

And last, what an auction we just had! It was one of our best and it was this because of the heart and sweat Sherry Macklin put into the assignment. She worked almost full-time for several months rounding up all the items and then cataloging

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**SAFE BOATING WEEK RENDEZVOUS
MAY 20, 2006**

**United States Power Squadrons District 16
Chief Seattle Council: Sea Scouts and
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WHEN **Saturday, May 20, 2006. 0930-1600**
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LUNCH Potluck held at the SMA lunch room. Bring something to share.

ATTIRE Casual dress. The few brave and adventurous participants who want to actually get hands-on practice stopping leaks and fighting fires will need to bring rain gear, boots, towel, etc.

Driving Directions:

If heading North or South on INTERSTATE 5 (I-5): take the 45th Street NE exit (also labeled University of Washington exit); at traffic light located at top of exit ramp turn onto 45th Street NE and head west; stay on 45th Street NE as it heads towards Ballard; 45th Street NE is an arterial that runs through the neighborhoods of Wallingford and Fremont before reaching Ballard; please be aware that this arterial meanders slightly so do not

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crabs, or maybe a parrot, and some other hapless Sea Belle, reading a script peppered with “mateys” and “arghs.” Sometimes glued plastic pipes or squares of absorbent material were waved around for no apparent reason, but guerrilla theater doesn’t have to be linear. Hey, you would pay a lot of money to see an avant garde production like that in Pioneer Square.

A strong positive was the pleasure of spending time with old ..er, long term members, many of whom are on the Commander’s Advisory Team. They patiently listened to the commander whine, and then made it all better. They also showed us how skilled they are at all this, how powerful their bonds of friendships are and the strength of their dedication. This commander owes them a great debt for their support and their efforts.

While I’m wringing out my hanky, I’ll just mention the delight of seeing newer members assume leadership as they grow more and more involved with the squadron. They go from, “Well, okay, I’ll grudgingly do that one task, but why the heck would I ever want to go to a district meeting?” to “well, maybe your idea will work, and I’ll help out with that, too, but no extra meetings!” and then, “Hey! Let’s car pool to the district conference!” I’ve seen our incoming bridge and committee chairs grow into their jobs over the past two years, bringing their energy and fresh ideas to the squadron. Just like the longer term members, they are obviously getting enough out of the process to offset the time and energy they put in.

And the ladies; they made it worthwhile. They brought flowers from their gardens and set the tables, collected money, taught classes, served on committees, made food, went on the bridge, tended bar, played the piano, put together programs, hefted the flags around; they are truly wonderful, like generous caring sisters to the rest of us. I started listing all those wonderful ladies’ names, but ran out of room. Sure, the guys helped a little, and we’re grateful, of course, but our ladies are outstanding contributors. (I exclude Karl Lang, outgoing president of the Sea Belles from the above as frankly, I don’t think he’s very lady-like.)

And the hugs, the hugs were great.

What did I not like? Well, that interval at each dinner meeting when I warned everyone the meeting was about to start and people continued milling around, chatting happily while visions of a 10 pm closing, an impatient presenter and an ill tempered chef (not Virginia) swirled in my head. Sometimes I felt like shouting, “SIT DOWN and SHUT UP!” Oh, Really? I thought that I just said it in my head.

I hated, HATED! the way the dry cleaners shrank my uniform each time it was cleaned, which was, admittedly, seldom. As I scrape tartar sauce and salmon residue off my jacket cuffs in preparation for the Change of Watch in May, desperately hoping that the buttons will kind of meet the button holes, you might ask, do I have advice for the incoming Commander? Well, heck yes. Sally, repeat this mantra after me: “Keep It Short!” Oh, and make sure your tie is straight for the damn photo. ❖

Boating Safety—Fire Extinguisher Recall

Lt Bob Evans, P, Boating Safety Officer

So what is worse than hitting a rock and rapidly taking on water? How about a fire on board and your U.S. Coast Guard approved fire extinguisher with the little arrow in the green does not work? Well believe it or not that is a possibility. Recently the U.S. Coast Guard became aware of a recall notice of approved fire extinguishers made by Strike First Corporation of America. The valve stem seat on some of their 2.5 and 5.0 pound dry chemical fire extinguishers may not allow the extinguisher from discharging. The faulty units were manufactured between December 2002 and February 2004.

Strike First has initiated a retro-fit program for affected units. Retro fit-kits are available free of charge from your Strike First dealer or directly from Strike First. For more information they can be reached at www.strikefirstusa.com/bulletin002.htm. The following model and serial numbers are the ones being recalled:

| Model No. | Serial No. |
|------------------|--|
| WBSF-ABC110AP | TC101566-TC108819 |
| WBSF-ABC210AP | TC114969-TC13500 VV82201-VV83200 WH161001-WH167622 |
| WBSF-ABC340AP | TC135894-TC142345 |

So it might not be a bad idea to check your fire extinguishers to see if they have been recalled. Me, being the cautious type, I would forgo the free retro-fit kit and just go and buy new extinguishers. Free might be worth what you pay for them and who needs a fire on board with a dead fire extinguisher. And while you are at it why don't you take the good old fire extinguisher and turn it upside down and shake it for three to five minutes.

On to other things you know what they say about property? — Location, location, location. The same little chant applies to boating. If you doubt me, how about the British Columbia Ferry, *Queen of the North*, that hit a rock south of Prince Rupert. Miraculously, only two lives were lost, but that is two too many. Are you constantly aware of your position? I personally think the argument raging about electronic charts replacing paper charts is carried on by those that don't have anything better to do. So what is wrong with using both systems simultaneously? Why not plot your course on paper and then constantly verify it by way of dead reckoning and your chart plotter? ❖

Rendezvous Time

Check out our active rendezvous schedule on the squadron website at: www.bellevuepowersquadron.org/Rendezvous/Rendezvous.htm

More details in the June issue of **BELLVIEWS**.

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- Ocean Alexander, 1115 N Northlake Way, Seattle
- Olympic Boat Centers, 2005 NW Poplar Way, Issaquah
- Pacific Dance Center, 924 Bellevue Way, Suite 200, Bellevue
- Paragon Hotel Bellevue Center, 818 112th Ave NE, Bellevue
- Port of Brownsville, Brownsville
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- Trader Joe's, 15400 NE 20th, Bellevue
- Vacation International, 1417 Ave NE, Bellevue
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To my main crew Frank Dvorak, Carl Lang, Dawn Miller, Karl and Dortha Lang, Willa Conrad, Chris Brown, Mike and Diane Heinrich, Gus Decock, Vern Re-decker, Karen Rubin, and Susan Decock a special thanks for of your assistance. And to everyone else who stayed and pitched in with the cleanup, thank you all. ❖

Sherry -

A very big Thank You from all of the squadron for the great job you did on the auction this year. You and your team worked hard and the fantastic results are well worthwhile. The Bridge

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IN MEMORIAM

P/R/C Joseph E. Anderson, SN

It is with great sadness that we in Bellevue Sail and Power Squadron announce the death of our beloved member, P/D/C Joseph E. Anderson, SN, on 13 March 2006.

Joe had been a member of Bellevue squadron for 35 years and was a Past Commander. He also held office as a Past District Commander of District 16 and served as liaison to District 32. He was involved with several national committees for many years. Joe was active in the squadron and district until very recently and taught Operations Training in November 2005.

A Memorial of Life was held in Bellevue on 24 March 2006 and was attended by many from BSPS, District 16, District 32, and CPS.

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- Patsy Zamelis; into everything with a rainbow smile and infectious laughter.
- Sherry Macklin; the Radar O'Riley of the Sea Belles who got the Ship's Store up and running again, did the foundation work on the Sea Belles roster and pitched in everywhere. (Paul helped too). Praise for the squadron auction cannot be challenged! Wowee!!
- Dortha; my bride, who kept me from stumbling out of the chute, down the backstretch, and at the finish line.

My sincerest thanks to each and every Sea Belle—even those who simply support us by being a member. I'm sure you will support Lucy and her bridge in the coming year as you have me.

Since we are the only remaining auxiliary in District 16, we also feel a bond with all squadrons in this district and a commitment to help in any way we can including re-establishing auxiliaries for other squadrons. To that end, we also encourage your support of our endeavors. One of the nicest ways to do that is to attend our Change of Watch on May 12th—see the announcement on page 4. God bless. ❖

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inadvertently turn off it; as you approach Ballard 45th Street NE will automatically change names to NW Market Street (following a long downward slope); stay on NW Market Street until it intersects 14th Avenue NW; there is a traffic light at this intersection and a McDonald's restaurant on the southeast corner; turn left onto 14th Avenue NW and head south until road terminates at public boat ramp; turn right onto Shilshole Avenue NW and proceed about 300 feet; campus entrance is on the left halfway between the end of 14th Avenue NW and Ballard Bridge (look for anchor and sign); park in any available space in parking lot along fence. ❖

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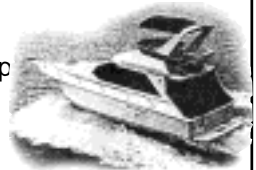
each and every one. The result, an event that ran like a clock and that broke all recent records for receipts. And I have to thank our auctioneer, Frank Dvorak, who got us through all the items and helped us to empty our pocketbooks.

It was a great year. Those of us on the bridge can only be as successful as our hard-working members make us. This was your year and I think everyone who participated should look themselves in a mirror and say "Job Well Done." ❖ .

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Signals From the Editor

Lt Robert J. Miller, AP

Jean, wouldn't it be fun to work as the Editor of **BELLVIEWS**?" I said in September 1998. What came out of that discussion was the October 1998 issue of our squadron's newsletter/magazine. (Soon to be Past) Commander Jean and I took over the editorship of **BELLVIEWS** and away we went. She quickly exhausted her patience with me, after passing on her previous experience as the editor of a large club magazine, and sent me off on my own.

Now, 83 issues later, I pass the editor's blue pencil to Ted Wilder. He is reved up and promises a great June 2006 issue. "How can you give up such a fun job?" some people have asked. The truthful answer is, "Easy, I am tired and need some time to rest." In fact, being on tap for 10 or 11 issues a year for eight years created a scheduling problem at times. Many of our international trips have been scheduled around the two week period at the beginning of the month during which the creative juices flowed into producing the monthly magazine, on time and under budget. I have had to search out internet cafes in strange places to download articles from contributors and have had to endure very long dial-up phone calls to transmit the magazine to the printer. The transmittal process sees files of 30-50 megabytes being sent over the Internet to the job capture system of CCS Printing, our Factoria-based printer. Not having an internet-based job submittal system would have hampered my wanderlust even more.

"Does your retirement mean that we won't hear about your travel adventures on Amtrak? What about Jean's pithy articles?" Well, never fear, I say, "You can't get rid of me and the Commander that easily." We will continue to flood the new editor's inbox with articles, commentaries, and other interesting (to us, at least) bits of writing. After all, we are building a boat and there are many yet untold stories and painful confessions to tell. So, you are not finished with me, nor Commander Jean.

You can help kick-start Ted's life by sending him cover photos of your boat or boating-related scenes. The film library is empty.

To finish off my stint as editor, I offer this bit of dialog from *Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy*, by Douglas Adams:

"Hey, Earthman? :You hungry, kid?" Said Zaphod's voice.

"Erm well, yes, a little puckish, I suppose," said Arthur.

"Okay, baby, hold tight," said Zaphod. "We'll take in a quick bite at the Restaurant at the End of the Universe."

I'll meet you there.

The deadline for the June issue is 05 May 2006. Send material to thewild@microsoft.com.

Calm seas and fair winds,
Bob Miller ❖

Classified Ads

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