

# THE BILGE PUMP

of the Queen City Yacht Club

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## COMMODORE'S REPORT

NOVEMBER, 2015

I have to begin by thanking everyone who made our Commodore's Ball such a wonderful night. I especially want to thank P/C Dick and Teri McGrew. I know they had a host of volunteers who deserve thanks but I am not sure I know all the names. Therefore I will not go into a long list and neglect someone. You know who you are so thank you to everyone. Our family especially enjoyed the hospitality of the club. The farmer's market travel theme coupled with the Huskies hit on two of our favorite things outside of boating and Queen City. Thank you to everyone who made this a special night that we will remember the rest of our lives.

One of the major tasks of the new commodore's fiscal year is the creation of an annual budget. Actually the process for this year's budget started in July. Our treasurer, Jan Gould, began the process by making year-end projections for the past year. We then met to formulate our first cut at a new budget. In early September during a joint Bridge, Planning and Finance and Board meeting many of the capital details were reviewed. This led to the adoption of the new budget during the board meeting in October. As in past years there was a lot of discussion. We can't



John Rogers

do everything we would like, so priorities were set based upon the best information available. Among the items we have budgeted for this year include the Centennial Celebration, continued dock maintenance, grounds enhancements, some house interior upgrades and finally the renovation of the restroom facilities at our Bainbridge Outstation. I would like to thank our Treasurer, Planning and Finance and the Board for their efforts and guidance.

Our original plan for the Outstation restroom renovation was to start this after the first of the new year, however it now appears is we have a window of opportunity to accomplish this in the November – December timeframe. So if you plan on visiting Winslow during this time, the clubhouse restroom facilities will probably be off limits.

There are two major items on the horizon that we were not able to budget at this time. The first item is the replacement of work slip 3 or the large work slip. This work slip is showing its age as the amount of freeboard decreases. We have some estimations of the replacement cost, however further work is required to refine our requirements and cost. The second item is part of the mitigation for the Dock One extension. We are required to remove old pilings and skirting that is on the south side of

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### NOVEMBER 2015 HIGHLIGHTS

- November 3** Docks Committee Meeting, SSPS Public Boating Class, Planning & Finance Meeting
- November 11** Veterans' Day  
General Membership Meeting
- November 14** Fleet Captain's "Zooper Day Trip"
- November 19** SSPS Meeting
- November 21** SYC Challenge Race Power Regatta Burger Bash
- November 25** Thanksgiving Holiday
- November 26** Thanksgiving Day

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Dock 3. These pilings date back to the original dock 60 years ago or so. Currently the lake level is too low to get a barge and crane into that area. Our committee is working with the contractor and the Corps of Engineers to develop an approved mitigation plan. Once we have a better cost estimate and a timeframe to complete the project we will look for available funds.

On a positive note the Dock Electrical Project has been completed with final approvals received from the City of Seattle. This will allow our contractor to submit their last bill. When it has been paid we will have a surplus of funds from the bank loan. The project was completed within budget except for some small change orders. The remaining loan funds will be in excess of \$100,000. Your Planning and Finance Committee recommended to the Board that the funds be spent to pay down the outstanding 1999 notes and bonds that carry an interest rate of 7.5%. This year we will pay our normal annual amount plus the additional amount that the Board has now approved. By the end of the year the 1999 outstanding notes will have been paid off. We will have also paid in excess of \$150,000 of the 1999 bonds. The remaining outstanding bonds, about \$50,000, will be paid off next year. This is a full

three years in advance of the original 20 year term. I think that this is a strong testament to the financial leadership that has been shown by the Planning and Finance Committee, Board and Bridge for the past decade or two. Thank you to everyone.

Finally, during November your Fleet Captain is planning a land cruise to the Woodland Park Zoo. Sign me up, it should be fun. Also it is not too early to sign up to participate in the Christmas Special People's Cruise or the Holiday Light Boat parade. Please see Bill Field to volunteer for the Special People's cruise. Chuck Gould is chairing the Lighted Boat Parade. My thanks to everyone who volunteers and make these events special. Enjoy the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday also.

—John Rogers, Commodore

## VICE COMMODORE'S REPORT

It's finally the time of the year we have all been anticipating! What time is that, you ask... Well it's time the lake level is rising again. I'm not sure what the Corps of Engineers is saying, but I have it from a reliable Queen City source who has been staring at one of the new aluminum dock ladders all summer, and by their visual gauge, the lake level is up about 2"

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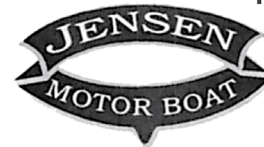
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from the low water level. Hopefully your summer was more exciting than staring at dock ladders. This should serve as a reminder to check our dock lines and adjust them as needed. It would also be a good time to remove dock hoses from the hose bib connection prior to any cold snap.

### HOUSE COMMITTEE

We had a report of a water leak in the galley above the stove, likely coming from around the hood fan. The House Committee believes the cause is likely failed caulking and they will be tending to it. Leaks are something we need to tend to promptly before we experience consequential damage. If you see something at the club that needs attention, advise a bridge member or any member of the House Committee.

### DOCKS COMMITTEE

If you have need to occupy work slip #3 this fall, use more caution than usual. By all accounts the dock is secure, but it is reaching the latter stages of its useful life. There are plans to replace it within the next year. Apparently the flotation is losing some of its buoyancy, causing the dock to sit lower than it has in prior years. We are working with contractors to get estimates for

replacement, and this will need to be in the budget for next year.


### MOORAGE COMMITTEE

We are continuing to be vigilant about identifying and rectifying boats that meet the criteria of a storage boat. Last month we identified two boats that met the criteria. At our request, the owners of both boats submitted a plan that indicated their intentions to use their boats in the near future and to participate in club events. We will ensure those plans actually happen.

### OUTSTATION CHAIRPERSONS

For those that may not be aware, our Winslow outstation Chairpersons Eric and Barb Wood have responsibility for our Deer Harbor and Ganges outstations as well as Winslow. We all know Winslow runs like a Swiss watch. Eric is in regular contact with providers of our other two outstation moorages, and from all indications, we appear to be secure in our Deer Harbor moorage. For the time being we are still secure in our rental agreement at Saltspring Marina, however, the news is that Saltspring

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### SUMMARY

November is a slightly slower month at the yacht club, but don't forget about the Fleet Captain event on November 14. Enjoy your Thanksgiving with family and friends before we enter into all the December yacht club activities that include the Special People's Cruise, the Captains' Dinner, the Lighted Boat Parade and of course New Year's Eve.

—Dave Bedner, Vice Commodore

### REAR COMMODORE'S REPORT

With the recent change of watch, I look forward to the new year with my responsibilities as rear commodore. The involvement and participation of each of you is what enables Queen City to continue to thrive. Recently Grounds Chairman MaryLouise Alving invited me for a tour of our main station facility. The amount of landscaping her committee does

for our club is extensive and offers us all a beautiful environment to be proud of. Security Chairmen Ron Hilden and Scott Grimm provide an important service of overseeing the security, fire and safety systems for the club. Membership Chairman Chris Benson has done a great job bringing our membership to its current level and plans to continue going forward. The Reception Committee is responsible to welcome guests and members to QCYC. Each committee chair would welcome your participation to volunteer in a committee at QCYC.

—John Hieber, Rear Commodore

### FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Who wants to cruise in windy, rainy, icky weather? Not your fleet captain. That's why I've planned a couple of land cruises during the most notoriously icky months of the year: November and January. December is set aside for the



traditional Special People's Cruise (or "Holiday Cruise") and the Chet Gibson Lighted Boat Parade. I'm betting that February will have its usual schizophrenic weather with nice days now and then, which will occur during our Mystery Cruise.

But let's talk about November and the ZOOper Day Trip on November 14. Larry and I are ambassadors at the Woodland Park Zoo, which means we can get up to 20 people into the zoo for half price (2 per family, please, so we can disperse this to as many as possible). It also means that we have lots of "back story" information on the zoo and its animals that will hopefully make this zoo visit unique. Please let me know by November 12 if you will be joining us. Email: [LDDubia65@msn.com](mailto:LDDubia65@msn.com) or phone: 206-300-2933. (If you text me, please sign it so I know who you are).



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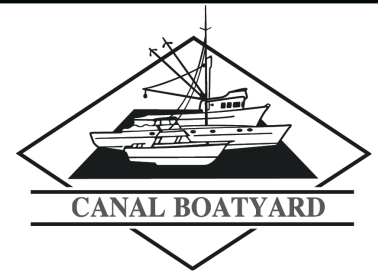
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A note about January: on January 23, we will honor our Centennial by visiting one of the locations of QCYC's first cruise, then moseying over to the Underwater Museum near Poulsbo. More info to come.

Questions? Contact Fleet Captain Dorothy Dubia at 206-300-2933; LDDubia65@msn.com

—Dorothy Dubia, Fleet Captain

## HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT

Last week the club had Best Plumbing come and install grease traps in the galley. This will help prevent grease from going into the septic tank and collecting on the floats, preventing the floats from operating the pumps to release the waste up into metro. This will also help reduce the service calls



## DOCKS COMMITTEE!

### ROT NEVER SLEEPS.

If we leave it unchecked, eventually our marina will look like a pile of junk.

### LET'S NOT LET THAT HAPPEN!

Everybody is welcome to join the Docks Committee for Docks Fun

Day, the 2nd Saturday of every month. We have jobs for all abilities and skill levels. Be on the 2nd deck at 8:30 AM, ready to enjoy a free breakfast. We'll put in about four 4 hours of pleasant work, in good company, and then stop for a free lunch... (who says there's no such thing?).

—Chuck Gould,  
Docks Committee Chair

to Evergreen Sanitation to clean the floats and pump out the septic tank.

All the old chairs and tables from the 2nd floor have been moved up and stored on the 3rd floor. We found room to store them for future events.

If you see a problem in the clubhouse, broken, missing items, contact Deborah in the office or contact the House Committee. We meet every Tuesday at 9 AM.

The TV has been moved up on the back wall to the new house's

concept. We will be working with the AAC Committee in setting up any new additions to the club.

—Jim Damery,  
House Committee Chair

## BAINBRIDGE ISLAND OUTSTATION RESTROOMS CLOSED

The Bainbridge Island Outstation restrooms will be closed for professional renovation during the months of November and December, 2015. The old paver flooring will be removed and replaced, new cabinets, stalls,

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toilets, painting, lighting etc. This project is long past due. The intent is to have this completed by the first of January in time for the Past Commodore's and Grand 14 cruise-ins. Although the rest of the clubhouse will be available it may be necessary to temporarily stage material (cabinets, tile etc.) in the main seating area. If needed the park restroom facilities immediately east of the clubhouse will be available. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

—Eric and Barb Wood  
John and Shirley Rogers



## REGATTA POWER REPORT

### QCYC SKIPPER OF THE YEAR 2015

As is the case in nearly every year, the club's Skipper of the Year was determined by the outcome of the Flag Officers' race. The Padgett, Lindal, Lentgis and Klett/Elbon teams were leading in that 1-2-3-4 order and there was a simple winning formula – Win the race and you are Skipper of the Year. The 2015 QCYC Skipper of the Year was won by Dave and Joanne Padgett. P/C Dean Lentgis was second. Bob and Sue Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell were third. Ken Klett and Marv Elbon were fourth and Bill and Trish Anderson were fifth.

### IPBA SKIPPER OF THE YEAR

Bob and Sue Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell were second in the IPBA North "Skipper of the Year" annual high point Jerry Bryant Trophy, which was won by Poulsbo's Jim Korzetz. Bremerton's Mike Henry won the South Sound Skipper of the year.

### FLAG OFFICERS' RACE

The race was held on the mostly sunny October weekend (Oct 16 to 18) with light winds and light chop on the water. The course started and ended off Madison St. and went south to avoid the 520 construction zone. It went south of I-90 to Seward Park, around the north end of Mercer Island to Beaumont stack and back.

Commodore John Rogers on *Nirvana* won and took the Commodore's plaque with 0.5849%. Ken Klett and Marv Elbon on *Klettitat* with 0.7075% took second and the Vice Commodore's plaque. P/C Dean Lentgis on *Kalos Filos* took third and the Rear Commodore's plaque with 0.9373%. P/C Larrie Chmela on *Four C's* took the Secretary's plaque and 4th overall with 1.0611%. Bob and Sue Lindal and P/C Jeff Ewell on *Suzy Q* took fifth and the Treasurer's plaque at 1.1496. Sixth overall and the Novice plaque went to our Rear Commodore John Hieber on *Rockabye* with a DNF.

### POYC'S FALL ROUNDUP RACE – OCT 10, 2015

Weather on an autumn weekend sometimes looks like a "sandwich:" the bread is two beautiful calm and sunny autumn days on Friday and Sunday forming the "bread," with a nasty, windy, rainy Saturday in between being the "meat." The racers awoke to heavy rain, which was blown away by 25-30 knot SW winds in the afternoon. The race ran the along Port Orchard out Rich Pass to Harper Dock and back; with flood currents. Everyone felt it was the worst wind waves they had ever seen in Port Orchard on the last legs back to the club.

The overall winner was POYC's own Fred and Linda

Cole on *Mousetrap* with a score of 0.7436%. This was their second straight win in their own race after nearly 20 years of chairing it without a win. Ken Klett and Marv Elbon on *Klettitat* took second with a score of 0.8049%. Third overall went to Bob and Sue Lindal on *Suzy Q* with 0.8645%. The Team Trophy was awarded to the POYC.

First of the Season Race, Jan 22 - 24, 2016

The 2016 QCYC FOS race will be held on the 4th weekend in January, the 22nd through the 24th.

### OBSERVERS NEEDED - FIRST OF THE SEASON RACE, JAN 23, 2016

Learn about how log racing is done in one enjoyable day on the water and join in the social events all weekend. Lunch and dinner are gratis for observers on Saturday Jan 23. As the SEAHAWKS are going to be in the NFC Championship game (held here in Seattle) on Sunday 1/24, all the race events will end before the start of the game. The game will be on the big screen TV, so stay on your boat in the "U" or your slip after the awards banquet on Saturday night and enjoy the game on the TV. Game time is approximately 10 AM or 1 PM, Sunday Jan 24th.

### PREDICTED LOG RACING CLASSES

We will again offer classes in January. The classes will start with the basics and proceed through the steps in laying out the race, calculations, currents, running the course and the use of the computer with demonstrations of Excel calculation programs and Coastal Explorer, Nobeltec (and other) charting programs. Weekend boat timing demonstration(s) will also be offered at a convenient time. You are also encouraged to sign

up as an observer for the First of the Season race to see how a race is run; or sign up as a racer; use the classes and skull session to plan your race. Meetings will be at 6:30 PM.

★ Wed Jan 6th – Layout, Tactics, Nobeltec and Coastal Explorer

★ Tue Jan 12th – Calculations, Currents

★ Tues Jan 19 – 7 PM– Skull session for the First of the Season Race – learn from the “pros.”

All club members and friends are invited to participate as a racer, observer or attend the classes. Please join us. To inquire or SIGN UP - call or email Bob Lindal at 206-919-1045 or [bobl@lindal.com](mailto:bobl@lindal.com) or P/C Jeff Ewell at 206-407-1717.

—Bob Lindal,  
Regatta Power Chair

## OUTSTATION REPORT

Keeping the Outstation running smoothly during the summer can be challenging — Denny and Dale Ward filled in for us and did a great job. They said many members helped — one of the improvements we saw right away is the hose reel / pedestal that Jim Damery and Denny put in at the bottom of the ramp.

I see a new food processor has been added to the galley equipment — that should come in handy for future events. And someone has donated some DVD movies to the movie collection - a nice start to movies in a DVD format. Movie night, anyone?

New members visiting for the first time are impressed by all that's available within a short distance from the Outstation. The closest grocery store, Town

& Country, recently added 5,000 square feet of floor space and is even more amazing! Between the restaurants, shops, galleries and pubs, it's hard to resist spending a little money in town.

Safe boating,  
—Barb Wood

## VISITING REPORT

It's been some time since I reported to you in *The Bilge Pump*. While an update is provided at one of the club's bimonthly meetings, not all members are able to attend meetings. The welfare of our club depends, in part, on the well-being of our members. Member participation in our many club activities, both social and volunteer-work related, contributes to making Queen City Yacht Club the vibrant, successful and respected organization that it is today.

Last year we had a total of 16 captains and/or their mates who were touched by serious health challenges. This year to date, there have been at least 20 of our members who have experienced similar conditions. And we still have over two months to go.

We owe our ailing members a word of encouragement, at least a call or note, or a visit to them. That's where I can help — if you hear or know of someone who is ailing, drop me an email at [dfo-brien@me.com](mailto:dfo-brien@me.com) or [visiting@que-encity.org](mailto:visiting@que-encity.org) or call or talk to me at one of our club meetings or at a Friday luncheon, and I'll take it from there. And, the message will be from all of us — to show and share our support for each individual.

Here's wishing you “fair winds, calm waters and good health!”

—P/C Doug O'Brien



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# Tarettes' Corner

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**H**appy fall! I don't have much to say, as I was gone all of September. I want to thank Joanie Preusser for stepping in and conducting the September Board and Regular meetings while I was gone. I also want to thank those who have volunteered to chair committees. The Tarettes' Past Presidents will put on the March 4th Friday Night Social, with the chair, Sistee Lentgis. Sistee also volunteered to chair this year's "Girl's Night Out." Thank you, Sistee. We did not get a volunteer to chair the Christmas Bazaar, so we will put that event on hold until 2016. Any volunteers? Have a great fall!

—Becky Garvie,  
Tarette President



## VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### STEAK FRY REPORT

I would like to thank everyone who came and supported the Tarette Steak Fry on September 18th. We served 120 people. It was a huge success due to the leadership of Chairpersons Shirley and John Rogers. I would like to thank them and all the people who helped: Tim and Carolyn DeCook, Suellen Purvis, Mark Reed, RoseMary Collins,

Jim Dorney, Willie Williamson, Donna Graddon, Rich and Chris McCroskey, Dorothy Dubia, Gayle Frisch, Tim Rutledge and Linda Dishneau, who furnished all the decorations. I hope I did not miss anyone. We had a lot of fun with those baked potatoes in the kitchen, and we made some money, too!

### WOMEN'S INTERCLUB COUNCIL (WIC)

Every yacht club within the Grand 14 has a ladies group. From September through May, these groups rotate to our different locations to enjoy a monthly lunch and enjoy each other. A program is always offered. Some pertain to boating, other interests, or just for fun! The next lunches scheduled are at Tacoma Yacht Club on November 4th, Everett Yacht Club on November 12th, Port Orchard Yacht Club on December 10th, and Gig Harbor Yacht Club on December 15th. Lunch costs are about \$15 to \$17. If you would like to attend any of these rewarding events, please contact me, Joanie Preusser, at [jmp-cfp@comcast.net](mailto:jmp-cfp@comcast.net)

### CAPTAIN'S CHRISTMAS DINNER

Mark your calendar! The Captain's Christmas Dinner is on Thursday, December 10th, at QCYC. The dinner will be Willie's Prime Rib Buffet. Cost is \$25 per person and includes

a musical presentation by "The Shades of Praise" Choir. You must make reservations through Deborah in the office, checks made out to The Tarettes. Should you have questions, contact Chairperson, Joannie Pruesser at [jmp-cfp@comcast.net](mailto:jmp-cfp@comcast.net) or call 206-431-9737.

### THE TARETTES' BIG SISTER PROGRAM

I've got a Big Sister (Shirley Rogers) and I just love her! When I was brand new to the Tarettes, Shirley made me feel welcome. She cared to call me, keep me informed, and helped me get involved. I got to know people, make new friends, and now feel part of the club! It meant so much to me, I'd like to get the Big Sister Program going again. Would you like to be a Big Sister to an incoming Tarette? Contact me, Joannie Pruesser, at 206-431-9737 or [jmp-cfp@comcast.net](mailto:jmp-cfp@comcast.net).

### MEMBERSHIP

As we were inspecting membership roster information for the upcoming year, we discovered that a long time member was not acknowledged as life member in 2014, Sonya Anhalt. We are happy to now correct the oversight and she is receiving her 25 year pin. Congratulations, Sonya.

Tarettes' Membership applications are not yet posted in the



forms section of the QCYC web site, but should be coming soon for download once the web team can work it into their revision schedule. Forms are available from Deborah in the office and the Tarettes' officers.

All Queen City women are welcome to join, no fee for the first year. Please contact me if you want additional information.

—Margaret Krows,  
Membership Chair, mmk-rows@aol.com



### SUNSHINE REPORT

A couple of cards were sent in September to Tarette women going through a difficult time. A sympathy card was sent to Linda Dishneau, whose mother recently died. Linda had been her care giver for several years. A recovery card was sent to Laureen

Myers, who very recently had a mastectomy and lumpectomy. I would encourage many of you who know these women to keep them in your prayers and take a few moments to send a card.

“Hope does not necessarily take the form of excessive confidence; rather it involves the simple willingness to take the next step” by Stanley Hauerwas

—Christine McCroskey



## SEAFAIR HOLIDAY CRUISE

### QUEEN CITY BOATERS, IT'S TIME TO GET LIT!

Our boats, that is—for the holidays.

Two special events early in December give members an opportunity to share the magic of boating with some special guests, friends and family, and spectators along the public shoreline.

First up, the Seafair Holiday Cruise (formerly known as “The Special Peoples’ Cruise”) on the afternoon of Sunday, December 6. A very high percentage of our membership turns out to help as bus monitors, dock elves, etc.

That’s commendable and indispensable, but the day is made possible only by members willing to go the extra nautical mile and host a group of developmentally disabled adults (as well as an adequate number of chaperones) aboard out boats.

Contact Bill Field to volunteer as a dock elf, etc. Contact Chuck Gould to participate with your boat. When the short parade is over and the boats return to our QCYC docks, everybody is always smiling. Many skippers will agree that this event is one of the most meaningful things they do each year during the holiday season.

Keep the lights on following the Seafair Cruise, you’re going to need them to participate in the Chet Gibson Memorial Lighted Boat Parade, sponsored by Queen City Yacht Club, December 11 and 12. The parade leaves the green buoy off of Gasworks Park on Friday and Saturday night at 6 PM. The parade route is south of 520 on Friday night, and north of 520 on Saturday.

We are actively recruiting turn boats to mark points along the route where the parade changes course. If you would like to be a turn boat, or have previously served in this capacity and would like to confirm your position again this year, please contact Chuck Gould, Chair.



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Member Access  
0500 – 2400

## ERNEST W. LAURIDSEN

1927—2015

Ernest (Ernie) Lauridsen was a true son of Seattle and Danish to the core. He crossed the bar on Aug 29th of this year at the age of 87. He was born in Seattle and that was his home until very recently. He was a proud graduate of Lowell Elementary and Broadway High School. Ernie was the third of five kids in the Lauridsen home. His sisters both remember how neighbors would often come looking for help in repairing their cars and Ernie would always willingly help—even extending his help beyond mechanical to doing detailing and painting! He was a great brother to his younger “Sis,” helping her learn to drive and buy her first car, a 1941 Chevy. His older sister remembers that Ernie’s favorite pastime after school was to devour some of his mom’s cookies and a quart of milk while reading his comic books at the kitchen table! A big and stout kid, Ernie was friendly and had good humor but wouldn’t take any “guff” when other kids tried to tease him. His size, good humor and interest in helping anyone who needed mechanical or “fix-it” help remained throughout his life.

After high school Ernie went into the Army and served until 1948 and then worked for his dad, who owned Yukon Transfer Co., a moving company, and then worked for a while as a plumber at Roto Rooter. After that, Ernie started his long, many-year career at the Seattle Water Department.

Captain Lauridsen lived most of his life on 11th Avenue just 3 or 4 blocks from the club. He was well known in his neighborhood for his detached garage in the alley where he helped any and all neighbors and many in the yacht club fix cars, trucks, appliances or whatever else needed fixing. The garage was extraordinarily equipped for the day and his help and advice was often sought. Club member Howard Klock fondly remembers Charlie and Ernie and “The Garage:” “Ernie was always messing around with cars and I hung around Ernie’s garage a lot when I was a young kid. He had a big heart and was so kind and always telling stories—we cruised together up to Desolation with Ernie and Charlie.” Skip Sethmann also remembers “The Garage:” “Ernie was generous and a great mentor and taught me a lot about engines and how to fix things—Ernie helped me fix my pickup one time when the engine blew up!” Both men and neighbors remember that Ernie could be gruff but his big heart and kindness were just under a paper thin surface.

Captain Lauridsen’s love of his life was his beloved wife Charlotte (“Charlie”). After a divorce, Charlie returned to Seattle with her children and was

introduced to Ernie by her former in-laws (his neighbors of many years). Ernie married Charlie in 1971 and he was her loving and fun-loving dance partner and husband for forty-four years until her death this year, just six months before Ernie’s passing. His recreational passions were boating, RV outings and cars. His Danish descent was important to Ernie and he loved to cook certain Danish food dishes taught to him by his mother—especially his favorite red cabbage dish.

Ernie joined Queen City in 1969 and he and Charlie immediately became active in social events at the club. Ernie served in a number of capacities in the club; he was Meeting Night Steward in ’72-’73, Photographer (Chairman) in ’73-’74, Entertainment Committee 1976. In 1977 he was Head Waiter and in 1979 was in charge of the Fishing Derby. In 1980 Ernie started a long running chairmanship of the Membership Committee serving in that capacity through 1984. In 1985, he started another long running chairmanship of the Visiting Committee, serving through 1989.

In addition to his involvement with the Entertainment Committee, Ernie and Charlie were involved several years in the productions of the QCYC skits put on for the Bremerton YC’s Heavy Weather Skits, a fierce competition enjoyed by all of the Grand 14 yacht clubs. He is remembered fondly by fellow club members for his good humor and his practice of often driving his pristine Model A coupe to Friday Lunch. Ernie and Charlie often invited relatives and friends to spend a weekend with them on their boat—invitations that were always readily accepted.

Ernie owned several boats while a member of Queen City: the *Valhalla*, a 23’ Tollycraft; the *Ivanhoe*, a 25’ Chris Craft; the *Traesko*, a 31’ Chris Craft and the *Miss Colleen*, a 22’ Chris Craft.

Ernie was unstinting in his willingness to always lend a hand to neighbors, boating buddies, relatives and work colleagues at the Seattle Water Department. As an enthusiastic boater at Queen City and active member of an RV Club and a Model A club he had plenty of opportunity to use his mechanical skills to help his friends.

Ernie was an extraordinarily generous and loving son, brother, uncle, husband, stepfather, grandfather, and friend. He will be sorely missed by his sisters, Gertrude Poulsen and Esther Justin, and brother Harold Lauridsen, as well as a host of cousins, nieces and nephews and his four stepchildren (Charlie’s children): Priscilla Richardson, Janet Minehan, Coby and Steve Scheldt and their children and grandchildren.

# *The Captains' Christmas Dinner*

*Hosted by the Tarettes*

*December 10<sup>th</sup>*



*Social Hour 6pm*

*Dinner 7pm*

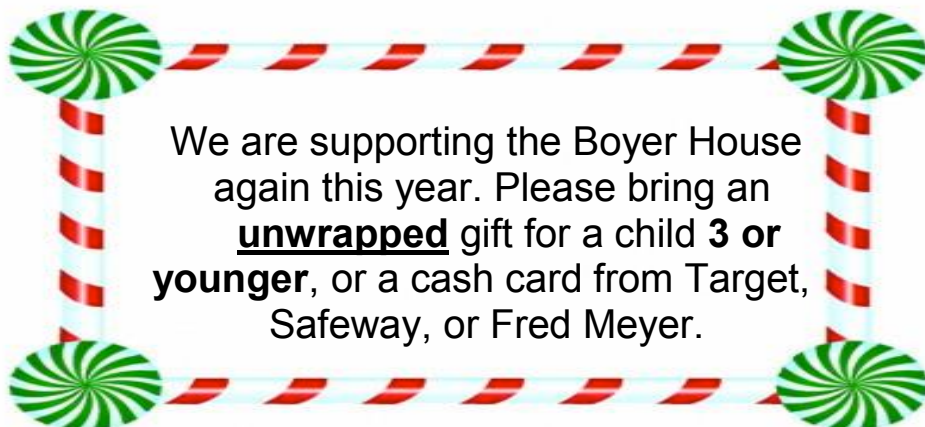
**Special Holiday Entertainment**

**Prime Rib Buffet by Willie & Crew ~ \$25 per Person**

*The event is open to All!! 'Tis the season to celebrate!*

**Reservations Through the QCYC Office 206-709-2000**

**Reservation deadline: Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup>**



We are supporting the Boyer House again this year. Please bring an **unwrapped** gift for a child **3 or younger**, or a cash card from Target, Safeway, or Fred Meyer.

**Chairperson: Joanie Preusser**  
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- *Why a giraffe's tongue is purple?*
- *How the penguins' water stays cold?*
- *Why flamingos stand on one leg?*



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- Get more zoo info at [www.zoo.org](http://www.zoo.org)



# Centennial New Year's Eve

**Where:** Queen City Yacht Club

**When:** Thursday Dec. 31, 2015

**7:00 pm** Cocktail Hour

**8:00 pm** Dinner

**9:00 pm – 12pm** Dancing

**Attire:** Roaring 20's or Formal, Semi-formal

**Cost:** \$100 per Couple

**Please join us for an evening of dining and dancing as we celebrate the arrival of 2016, our Centennial Year!**

**Enjoy Willie's Prime Rib or Salmon Dinner**

**Dance the night away to music by "Let's Dance" DJ Brant Butte, featuring classics from the 20's – 40's era.**

**Prizes for: Best era costume and Charleston dance**

**Celebrate at midnight with a Champagne Toast**

**RSVP: Deborah at QCYC 206-709-2000 for reservations & payment by December 28th. Guests welcome**

**Sponsored by Rich & Chris McCroskey**

## LOOKING AHEAD

- ★ Nov 3 Docks Committee Meeting, SSPS Public Boating Class, Planning & Finance Meeting
- ★ Nov 9 QCYC Board Meeting
- ★ Nov 10, 17 SSPS Public Boating Class
- ★ Nov 11 Veterans' Day General Membership Meeting
- ★ Nov 14 Fleet Captain's "Zooper Day Trip"
- ★ Nov 19 SSPS Meeting
- ★ Nov 21 SYC Challenge Race Power Regatta Burger Bash
- ★ Nov 25 General Membership Meeting
- ★ Nov 26 Thanksgiving



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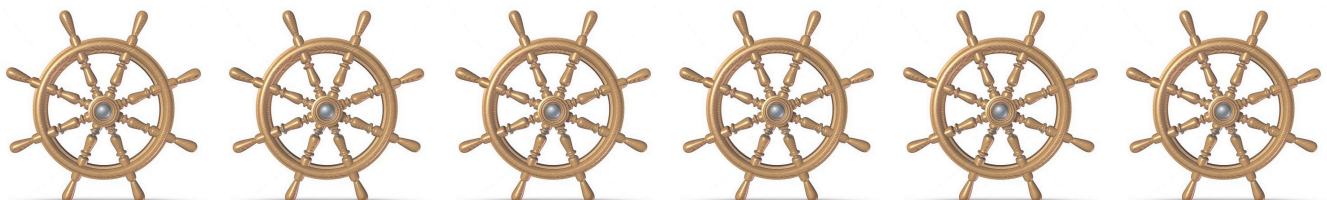
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NOVEMBER 2015						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Planning & Finance Meeting: 1900 SSPS Public Boating Class: 1900 Docks Committee Meeting: 1830	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> Friday Lunch: 1130	<b>7</b> Meydenbauer Bay YC Commodore's Ball: 0638
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> QCYC Board Meeting: 1900	<b>10</b> SSPS Public Boating Class: 1900	<b>11</b> Veterans' Day Pre-Meeting Dinner: 1800 General Membership Meeting: 1930	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Friday Lunch: 1130	<b>14</b> Fleet Captain's "Zooper Day Trip" Roche Harbor Change of Watch (Verna Maruska)
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> SSPS Public Boating Class: 1900	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> SSPS Meeting: 1800	<b>20</b> Friday Lunch: 1130	<b>21</b> Tyee YC Commodore's Ball SYC Challenge Race Power Regatta Burger Bash - 2nd Deck (Bob Lindal): 1700
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Thanksgiving Holiday - QCYC Office Closed	<b>27</b> Thanksgiving Holiday - QCYC Office Closed	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>					