April MEETING
IVAR’S SALMON HOUSE

CLIP AND MAIL FOR April 1st MEETING
RESERVATION DEADLINE: MONDAY, March 30th

Name(s):

Telephone:
Email:

Total # Attendees @ $35 per person:
Total Amount of Check Enclosed: $

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PSMHS
MAIL TO: PSMHS DINNER MEETING,
P.O. BOX 81142, SEATTLE, WA, 98108

Questions? Email: program@pugetmaritime.org or phone Pat Hartle at 206-938-2397. Thank you.

Reservation and Cancellation Policy:
Refunds will not be given unless the cancellation is made 48 hours prior to the program to cover our catering costs.

Reserve Early:
Walk-ins cannot be guaranteed a meal.

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The April newsletter deadline is April 3rd
Please send content via US Mail, or email to newsletter@pugetmaritime.org.
NORTHWEST MARITIME CENTER
NEW HORIZONS IN MARITIME ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION

Port Townsend, home to the largest wooden boat festival in North America, houses one of three TRANSAS ship skills simulators on the west coast. It has an educational boat shop, and is home to the inaugural Race to Alaska that is taking the boating world by storm. Port Townsend is also working to become the first public school system that implements a maritime curriculum district-wide; all students in all grades will have their learning tied to the sea.

Behind all of these initiatives is the Northwest Maritime Center. The Northwest Maritime Center is a campus and gathering place on the waterfront in Port Townsend that, in addition to providing its own unique educational programs for school-aged youth and continuing education for adults, hosts a variety of events and classes produced by other organizations. At our dinner meeting on April 1st, the Center’s Executive Director, Jake Beattie will expand on all of these initiatives and the regional impact that this small maritime town is hoping to make.

Northwest Maritime Center history

The Wooden Boat Foundation was founded in 1978, after the first and highly successful Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival. What started as a wild idea – a vision of community and a lifestyle of “saltwater hippies” centered on boats and the sea – sparked a national conversation among those involved.
and the then nascent wooden boat revival. More than 2,000 people from all corners of the US and several Canadian provinces traveled, some with their boats and tools, to the first nationally recognized Wooden Boat Festival in Port Townsend.

In the 1990s, public programming became the central focus of the Foundation and in 1995 the idea to purchase a permanent home was born and launched. It was called the Northwest Maritime Center, and the building fund was established. After a decade of fundraising efforts and community meetings, the integrated Northwest Maritime Center & Wooden Boat Foundation found a home on the Port Townsend waterfront.

While the most popular and largest program continues to be the internationally renowned Wooden Boat Festival, this small non-profit also offers an eclectic and well-stocked Maritime Library, a high quality Wooden Boat Chandlery, and an active Boat Shop. All are open to the public year-round in the historic Port Hudson district of downtown Port Townsend.

MEDAL OF MERIT NOMINATIONS SOUGHT
We are seeking nominations for the 2015 Medal of Merit recipient. The Medal of Merit award, like the Honorary Life Member program before it, honors individuals who have made major contributions to the preservation and promotion of the maritime history of Puget Sound or rendered distinguished service to the Society.

The recipient of the Medal of Merit will be honored at our dinner meeting on May 6th. Please note that past recipients of the Honorary Life Member and Medal of Merit awards are not eligible. A list of those recipients can be found in the “Awards” section of the Society website at www.pugetmaritime.org.

Nominations can be e-mailed to George Osborn at george.osborn@centurylink.net or mailed to George Osborn, 3823 N Frace Ave, Tacoma, Wa 98407. Nominations must be received by March 31st and postmarked no later than March 30th if mailed.

IN MEMORIAM:
Margaret Ringering Kane, aged 78 years, passed away peacefully and without pain on Sunday, February 8, 2015.

Born to Ethel and Russell Ringering in Alton Illinois, Marge grew up along the Mississippi River and near St. Louis. She attended nursing school at Washington University in St. Louis, a working school at that time, where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She continued to work there on some of the first open heart surgery patients in the country.

Eventually, Marge and a friend decided to move west. Coincidentally, their car broke down in front of the brand new University of Washington Hospital. They inquired about jobs there and were hired on the spot. Marge was involved in setting up the first intensive care facility at the hospital. When
IN MEMORIAM CONTINUED

Marge married Tom Kane and the couple started a family, she moved to Virginia Mason where she became a floating charge nurse. She remained there for more than 30 years while raising their two children.

Marge is remembered for her love of travel and adventure, her excellent cooking skills, her love for her family, and her caring nature. She loved her old car friend, steam boat friends and also her boating friends. She and Tom enjoyed 54 years of marriage and 48 years in their family home on Bainbridge Island.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - FEBRUARY

We would like to thank the current members listed below who renewed their memberships in February and welcome the new members listed in bold.

Commodore Level
Scott Morris

Captain Level
Geoffrey Braden
Ron & Connie Burke
Ed Caldwell
William De Armond
Barry Eager
Lisa Haug & Amado Shuck
Marilyn Kutz
L Wayne North

Navigator Level
Beverly Anderson
James Arkills
James Barnes
E.F. “Skip” & Sharon Brown
George & Peggy Corley
Richard Etsell
Fritz Hull
Gordon Jackins
Jules James
Rick James
Don Kotts
Mike Krieger
Thomas Lamb

Miles McCoy
Neil & Ann McCurdy
Larry Myhre
David Nelson
Oliver Noste
Gilbert Rankin
Greg Rasmussen
Donald & Carolyn Rice
Steve Rice
Stockton & Wendy Rush
Frank Sandin
Ted Schnase
Heron Scott
Roger Sherman
Curtis Shuck
Mary Van Valkenburg
Tom Waggoner

Boatswain Level
Mickey Donnan
Thomas Hoban
Mark McCaffrey & Cindy Fielder
Diane Rodill
Larry Scott
Ray Watne

Marge was preceded in death by her parents and recently by her son, Joseph and dog, Barney. Marge is survived by her husband, Tom, daughter Jenni, daughter-in-law Stacie, and grandsons Thomas “Mick” and Joseph “Joey”.