**JUNE 2009**
**Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society**
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**JUNE AFTERNOON PROGRAM:**
**US COAST GUARD DAY**
**AT THE NEW MARITIME EVENTS CENTER**

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he was a two term president in 1955 and 1956 and earlier he was among those
members who helped “liberate” artifacts from surplus military ships which
became the founding collection of the PSMHS in the late 1940’s. He also wrote
five articles for the Society’s journal The Sea Chest, and made a major financial
contribution to the organization in 2001. Ralph was out of the state travelling
in early May and his award will be presented during the June 7th meeting.

**Pat Hartle** received the first PSMHS Volunteer of the Year award at the
May 6 meeting. A tireless volunteer for many years, most recently Pat has been
the Society dinner meeting coordinator, assistant membership secretary,
library coordinator, and valued administrative supervisor and dedicated “door”
for many of the organization’s projects and programs. In addition to her
volunteer assistance for the Society, she has volunteered for similar roles
with other maritime organizations, Northwest Seaport, Council of Master
Mariners, Pacific Northwest Maritime Heritage Council and many others.

Additionally, in late April **Carol Greene** was awarded the prestigious
**Tom Sandry** Volunteer of the Year award from MOHAI . Thanks and
congratulations to Ralph, Pat and Carol for their outstanding achievements
and service to the Society and to MOHAI, our 50 year-long partner.

On June 7th, our first Sunday afternoon meeting and program at the
new Maritime Event Center (MEC) at Bell Harbor Conference Center
will feature a Coast Guard heritage theme. Our speaker will be Seattle
Sector Commander **Captain Suzanne Englebert**, a display of current and
past patrol boats, and a preview of a new small Coast Guard historical
exhibit developed by the Society. The MEC is the former Odyssey
Maritime Discovery Center at Pier 66, and we thank the Port of Seattle for
co-sponsoring this event.

**Captain Englebert**, who will speak at 3:00 p.m., is a 1984 Coast Guard
Academy graduate and the first woman to be named Seattle Sector
Commander and Captain of the Port. Early in her career she served as a Deck
Watch Officer aboard the 180 foot buoy tender IRIS which operated off the
coast of Oregon, commanded a Long Range Aids to Navigation Station in
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**June Afternoon Program**
**At The New Maritime Events Center (Former Odyssey):**
**US COAST GUARD HERITAGE DAY**

The winners of the Society’s 2009 Maritime Heritage Medal of Merit and
also the Volunteer of the Year awards were announced at the May 6th
meeting held at the Maritime Events Center.

**Ralph Stachli, Jr.** received the Medal of Merit award for his many
years of outstanding service to the Society as well as distinguished maritime
career. He began his life on the water working as a teenage fireman and
oiler on Columbia River steamers, became a Navy Reserve Officers
Training Corps (ROTC) midshipman on the battleship USS COLORADO,
and commanded minesweepers in Alaska and the South Pacific during
World War II. In civilian life Ralph was operations manager for the Pope &
Talbot timber interests in Puget Sound, and later was an executive at Foss
Launch and Tug company, Foss Alaska Line, and Salmon Terminals, a
subsidiary of Olympia Steamship Company. As a 60 year Society member
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Okinawa, Japan, and trained as a junior officer in Puget Sound to become a fully qualified Marine Inspector. She has managed inspection and marine safety field programs off the coast of Maine and in the Upper Great Lakes.

Assigned to Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC, Captain Englebert’s work included developing national regulations for lifesaving safety standards, pollution prevention measures, and comprehensive maritime security requirements. She has also commanded USCG missions in the Midwest including the 11-state region known as Sector Upper Mississippi River. Prior to returning to Seattle she was the Chief of Prevention for the US Coast Guard’s 7th District, Miami, Florida.

The historic Coast Guard patrol boats on display are scheduled to be the 1941 buoy tender BLUEBERRY, 1944 CG-83527 assigned to Tacoma for 17 years, and the 1962 former cutter POINT DIVIDE now owned by the Seattle Maritime Academy and renamed MARITIME INSTRUCTOR. Among the planned modern patrol boats on exhibit are the 25-foot Response Boat (Small) built by Safe Boats International of Port Orchard, new 45 RBM (Medium) built by Kvichak Marine of Seattle, and perhaps an 87-foot Marine Protector class cutter. The boats will be available for viewing and some for boarding from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Bell Harbor Marina.

Finally, the event will also include a preview of a new temporary exhibit, installed on the MEC main gallery mezzanine, that showcases the Coast Guard on Puget Sound.

Tickets for the Tuscan Deli Buffet luncheon at 2:00 p.m. are $20 and include parking in the Bell Harbor parking garage just east of the Maritime Event Center. Take the 5th floor Skybridge across Alaska Way and then the elevator down to the street level and the MEC. Bring your parking ticket with you to the registration desk be validated.

Bring your family and friends as we welcome summer, learn more about the Coast Guard in Puget Sound today and yesterday, and enjoy an afternoon in new maritime surroundings on the Seattle waterfront.

Maritime Career Day A Complete Success

Once again several PSMHS members, George Osborn, Dan Withers, Pat Hartle, and Chuck Fowler, volunteered their time and service for the annual Maritime Career Day on May 7th at the Maritime Event Center (formerly the Odyssey Maritime Discovery Center at Bell Harbor Conference Center, Pier 66). About 500 students and adults attended the event which ran from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. PSMHS volunteers were assigned Boat Tour Registration and station at the Waterlink Gallery, and handled sign-ups up schools for the Coast Guard safety briefings, stamping student’s hands with markers after the students had attended the briefing, and helping direct students onto the docks and boats. Career Day coordinator Cassandra Sandcam, who is also a new ex-officio member of the PSMHS board, called the event a complete success.

New Head Librarian Named

We have a new Head Librarian. Lisle Rose has agreed to be our librarian at MOHAI. He has a background perfectly suited to the job. Lisle was in the Navy from 1954 to 1957, stationed on several ships at Pier 91. He participated in Operation Deep Freeze II in Antarctica during 1956 & 1957, stationed on several ships at Pier 91. He participated in Operation Deep Freeze II in Antarctica during 1956 & 1957, stationed on several ships at Pier 91. He participated in Operation Deep Freeze II in Antarctica during 1956 & 1957, stationed on several ships at Pier 91. He participated in Operation Deep Freeze II in Antarctica during 1956 & 1957, stationed on several ships at Pier 91. He participated in Operation Deep Freeze II in Antarctica during 1956 & 1957. He holds a B.S.M.I. from Kansas State University degrees. During 1978 to 1998 he served in the US State Department’s Office of Oceans and Polar Affairs. In 1998 he was a member of the US Law of the Sea Delegation during 1990. Lisle has published a dozen books on naval, polar, and cold war history including the three volume Power at Sea, 1890-2006 published by University of Missouri Press in 2006. We welcome him to our library and will value his Navy background.

Membership News

We thank the following members who have renewed their membership or joined the Society recently:

★ WELCOME ABOARD ★

NEW ASSOCIATE MEMBER

NW School of Boat Building
NEW REGULAR MEMBERS

Gary Wintestine, Karl Wahlborg, Joan Miller, Blake Howe, and Steve Merrill

★ RENEWALS ★

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