NOAA’s Navigation Services in the Northwest and Annual Awards Presentation | May 7 Ivar’s Salmon House

Join us for our annual awards meeting honoring the 2014 Medal of Merit recipient and the 2014 Volunteer of the Year on May 7. Our speaker will be Crescent Moegling, Northwest Navigation Manager, Navigation Services Division of NOAA’s Office of Coast Survey. She is stationed at NOAA’S Western Region Center in Seattle. Her region encompasses Washington and Oregon. Her NOAA career began in 1998 aboard the recently decommissioned NOAA ship MILLER FREEMAN and included several other field assignments until 2004 when she spent a few years at NOAA headquarters in Silver Springs, Maryland as Chief of the Data Acquisition and Control Branch. In 2009 she moved back home to Seattle to become the Hydrographic Team Lead at the Pacific Hydrographic Branch and later the Navigation Manager.

As ambassador to the nation’s maritime community, she works directly with pilots, mariners, port authorities and recreational boaters to help identify navigational challenges facing the marine transportation system. With an understanding of the maritime community’s needs she can assist in providing the resources and services that promote safe and efficient navigation. Crescent has a long history working with hydrographic survey information.

Special Reception & Author Talk
Tuesday | May 20th 6:30 pm at Harley Marine Services - Captain Samuel Hill: A Madman or a Hero?

Reserve early for this special program! PSMHS welcomes Mary Malloy, Professor of Maritime Studies at Sea Education Association in Woods Hole, Massachusetts to Seattle for a presentation of her book on Bostonian Captain Samuel Hill. Likely to be remembered as one of the great maritime adventurers of the early nineteenth century, Hill was a man of contradictions and complexities. Captain Hill represented the fledgling U.S. during its first wave of expansion. He was captured as a privateer during the war of 1812. Sailing the Pacific, he was in the Columbia River at the time of Lewis and Clark and he rescued men held captive by Indians and pirates. At home he appeared civilized and sensible, but as he sailed into the Pacific Ocean the mask slipped away to reveal the recklessness, ambition and violence that propelled the United States from coast to coast and around the world.

We are pleased to have this “extra” program in the beautiful Harley Marine Services building. Each person attending will receive a signed copy of Mary’s book, Devil on the Deep Blue Sea, the recipient of the 2006 John Lyman Book Award.

PHOTO CAPTION LEFT: NOAA utilizes multibeam technology to update navigation charts, courtesy NOAA & Crescent Moegling, Northwest Navigation Manager

PHOTO CAPTION TOP: Devil on the Blue Sea Book Cover & Mary Malloy, Author.
CHUCK FOWLER TO RECEIVE MAJOR STATE HERITAGE AWARD

Longtime PSMHS member and past president Chuck Fowler has been selected by the Washington State Historical Society to receive its highest award, the Robert Gray Medal. The award recognizes Chuck’s long-time, distinguished contributions to our region’s maritime history. The award will be presented at the Society’s annual meeting and luncheon on Sat., June 21 at the State History Museum in Tacoma.

A Tacoma native, Chuck has distinguished himself in many state and local history leadership roles since returning from school and the military 40 years ago. As the award recognizes, he has been particularly effective at building partnerships among maritime heritage organizations, and mentoring others to achieve their goals.

Chuck is also the author of numerous articles for The Sea Chest and other publications, and three books on Puget Sound maritime history. Last year he received the Tacoma Historical Society’s Murray Morgan Award for preserving and communicating local history.

GIVEBIG IS BACK! TUESDAY, MAY 6, 2014

The Seattle Foundation’s GiveBIG is a one-day, online charitable giving event to inspire people to give generously. All donations made by credit card on May 6 (24-hour period) will be proportionally matched by a “stretch pool” of funds. We hope you will consider making a contribution to PSMHS. Your donation supports our educational projects for children and the preservation of photographs, ships plans and other archival materials in our Maritime Research Center.

This year, there are two exciting changes to help your contribution to the Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society go further: 1) The Seattle Foundation is doubling their contribution to the “stretch pool” to $500,000 for 2014 and 2) The Seattle Foundation has changed the “stretch pool” and will “stretch” all individual donations up to $5,000 per donor, per organization.

How do I donate? There are two ways: 1) On May 6, go to www.pugetmaritime.org and click on the GiveBIG link to take you directly to our donation page on The Seattle Foundation website, or 2) go to www.seattlefoundation.org and search for “Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society” and then click on the “Donate Now” button. Remember, only gifts made from midnight May 5 to 11:59 pm on May 6 will qualify for the “stretch pool,” so please wait and donate online during the GiveBIG. We thank you so much for your support.

In Memoriam

Nigel Tugby, passionate PSMHS volunteer and former board member, passed away March 2 after a lengthy illness. Nigel was an engineering graduate of the King’s Point National Maritime Academy. He worked for the Army Transport Service on troop ships and tugboats mostly in Alaska and the Bering Sea. He then returned to Seattle where he worked at Lake Union Drydock and then joined Boeing, first with their hydrofoil program, then later as manager of the Boeing Marine Department. After his retirement from Boeing, Nigel served as treasurer for many years and is credited with modernizing the Society’s financial records. He was instrumental in making many activities a success, including a December 2004 dinner cruise aboard the VIRGINIA V. His effort to provide cost savings to the organization though his volunteer efforts was greatly valued.

Seattle Maritime Festival

Join PSMHS at the Vigor Seattle Maritime Festival Family Fun Day at Lake Union Park, 11 – 5. We will have a fun family activity in the park. Volunteers are needed!

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