Our March meeting will begin with a special guest presentation by Stephanie Bowman, Co-President of the Seattle Port Commission. Then Brian Thomas, Chief Operating Officer of Kvichak Marine Industries, Inc. will be discussing what is currently happening at Kvichak Marine Industries and the future of the marine industry – customers, products, opportunities and challenges.

The topics will include workforce development and the demise of skilled labor, increasing costs, diminished freight mobility, lack of political support for the marine industry, rise in land values, increasing environmental requirements and synergies of and the interdependent nature of the maritime businesses.

Founded in 1981 in a single car garage, Kvichak Marine Industries has grown to two acres of property and 300 feet of water access along the Lake Washington Ship Canal, establishing itself as one of the country’s premier aluminum boat builders.

While Kvichak’s in house design and engineering teams are well-known for their utility boats, fishing boats, pilot boats and patrol/survey boats, Kvichak’s partnerships include response boats with the United States Coast Guard, passenger vessels such as Catamarans and Hovercraft with independent design firms as well as oil and debris recovery systems first in collaboration with Marco Marine, and then under the Kvichak/Marco brand after Kvichak acquired the Marco Pollution Control Line.
Kvichak Marine Industries & Seattle’s Maritime Future, CONTINUED FROM COVER

in 2005. The company recently celebrated passing the 500 mark of vessels constructed and delivered from their Ballard facility.

Mr. Thomas joined the company in 1983 as Kvichak moved into a two car garage. As Chief Operating Officer, his responsibilities include financial management, banking relations, management information systems development, personnel and front office operations.

He is a graduate of the University of Washington where he studied economics and communications. He is an active member and Vice President of Seattle Marine Business Coalition, a non-profit 501(c)(6) to advocate on behalf of Seattle area marine industrial business. SMBC was specifically founded to represent the maritime industrial sector.

Please join us on March 5.

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We are seeking nominations for the 2014 Medal of Merit. The individual will be honored at our dinner meeting on May 7th. 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 29th if mailed.

Outreach Activity Updates

Family Days and MOHAI’s First Thursdays = great activities in the McCurdy Family Maritime Gallery. Here are some of our favorite photographs from the last few events. Come join us for a new project each month!

Seahawk Style Persicopes were a favorite addition to the “12s” – especially for the victory parade!

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The April newsletter deadline is Wednesday, March 5th. The newsletter deadline will be the first Wednesday of each month prior to publication. Please send content via US Mail, or email to newsletter@pugetmaritime.org.