

PSMHS NEWSLETTER

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PUGET SOUND MARITIME HISTORICAL SOCIETY
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OCTOBER DINNER PROGRAM:
A TRIP TO THE BOTTOM OF LAKE UNION
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DINNER MEETING:

WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER 6, 2010

IVAR'S SALMON HOUSE
401 NE NORTHLAKE WAY
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

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TO MAIL IN YOUR
RESERVATION TODAY!

BAR OPENS AT 6:00 P.M.

DINNER AT 7:00 P.M.

PROGRAM:

**A TRIP TO THE BOTTOM
OF LAKE UNION**

JOIN JOHN GOODFELLOW AND
DICK WAGNER AS THEY REVEAL
THE MYSTERIES OF THEIR
FASCINATING YEAR-LONG STUDY
OF THE LAKE'S BOTTOM

YOUR RESERVATION FORM
MUST BE RECEIVED
**NOT LATER THAN NOON ON
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2010**

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Dinner Meetings Moving To New Location

As of our October & November monthly meetings we will be having our meeting at Ivar's Salmon House at 401 NE Northlake Way, Seattle. Many of you know how to get there but for those who are unsure we have a few suggestions.

If coming from I-5, either North or South exit at 45th NE. Go West on 45th and turn left (south) on 5th NE then left on NE 40th Street. There is a jog so turn right to stay on NE 40th Street. Take the 1st left onto 6th Avenue NE. Go south on 6th NE until you come to Northlake Way and Ivar's Salmon House is right in front of you.

If you are coming from Ballard, Fremont you will be coming east on 34th Avenue N. At Stone Way stoplight, turn right, then left onto Northlake Way following Northlake as it hugs the north edge of Lake Union until you come to Ivar's.

From Aurora Avenue north or south, you would exit at Bridge Way and go east to Stone Way and turn right (south), and again left, (east) on Northlake Way.

This change will allow us to have fully handicapped access to our meeting room. There is plenty of parking on the north side of Northlake as Ivar's has two parking lots split by 6th Avenue NE. There is also handicapped parking on both the east and west side of the restaurant.

In 1854 Thomas Mercer was thinking someday canals would join Lake Washington with Puget Sound and the small lake along the way would be a "union of waters," thus the name should be Lake Union.

Almost from that day, folks started to wonder what was on the bottom of the "little lake." With an average depth of 33 feet and a maximum of 49 feet, there certainly could be many curious items under the Lake Union waters.

Now, more than a century and a half later, PSMHS members will learn the real truth. Join us for the October dinner meeting and hear and see the results of a team of underwater explorers who have been probing the bottom over the last year. Many are the myths—from old cars, early airplanes and old boats. The old boats are one of the group's main focuses, along with the currents, waterlife, and the chemistry of the lake.

In the early years, Lake Union was considered a great place to dump whatever needed disposing. Through the years efforts to clean up the lake have helped but much of the bottom is made up of the decomposed wood chips and saw dust from David Denny's sawmill.

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Marine, maritime, nautical, naval books and ephemera bought, sold and appraised. Mention PSMHS for a 10% discount. SeaOceanBooks.com at 3534 Stone Way North, Seattle. 206-675-9020. 12/10

SHIP MODELS FOR SALE OR LEASE.

Museum quality, built by Errol "Earl" Anderson: WANDERER, tug, static; POLITKOFKY, tug, static; BLACK PRINCE, sternwheel, static; WILD GOOSE, yacht, r/c/ yms. All with display cases in a 3/4"=1" scale. Viewing call 425-788-6803 for appointment. E-mail sawdustinc@hughes.net. 4/11

Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society Used Book Sale

**Saturday
November 20
10 am — 2 pm**

Museum of History & Industry
(MOHAI)
2700 24th Avenue East
Montlake Neighborhood

**Maritime Books,
Photos & More!**

Shop early
for the best selection!

Shop late
for the best deals!

Proceeds benefit the preservation of the Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society's library and archives.

Your Perfect
Book is Waiting

■ If you have gently used maritime books to donate for the sale, please contact **Jack Carver** at 206-524-5013 or e-mail to schedule a pickup or other arrangements. Because of space limitations, we cannot have books dropped off at MOHAI unless prior arrangements have been made. Thanks for your support!



Membership in the Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society is open to anyone interested in maritime history. Membership is solicited and inquires should be addressed to: PSMHS, P.O. Box 9731, Seattle WA 98109-0731. Monthly meetings are held September through June on the first Wednesday of each month. Meeting place and programs are announced to members by mail. The PSMHS Newsletter is published monthly, September through June, and is free to members.

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Dinner Meeting: A Trip To The Bottom Of Lake Union

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That material is now in "custard" form.

PSMHS members **John Goodfellow** and **Dick Wagner** will conduct our tour. They've been involved in the project with a stellar volunteer group ranging from Washington State Department of Natural Resources to the Submerged Cultural Resources Exploration Team. Divers using side-scan radar and video cameras will allow us to join them on the bottom.

Our October dinner meeting will be at a new (for us) location. We'll be at **Ivar's Salmon House at North Lake Union**. See directions on front page. There is now plenty of parking and ground level access.

Join us for what promises to be a interesting and fun program. Then you can tell your neighbors what is on Lake Union's bottom!

Additional Comments from The Membership Survey

We have continued to receive membership surveys. Thank you. As we compile the data and comments we have received many positive words about *The Sea Chest* that we are forwarding to editor **Ron Burke**. A number of you have mentioned that the website needs more work. Our volunteer webmaster, **Dan Withers** is working to improve the content and access. If you haven't visited the site lately, please check it out at www.pugetmaritime.org. The website is constantly evolving and there are many things on our to-do list for improvement. We are working on these improvements as quickly as we can. Several people mentioned that they were not aware of our research library/archives. If you'd like to do research or have a question to be answered, please email: research@pugetmaritime.org or phone us and we'll get your information to our volunteer researchers.

Report From "Behind The Scenes"

Karen Marshall, Interim Executive Director

I am pleased to announce that we have received another grant from **4Culture**. In a highly competitive grant round for collections care projects, our ship plans preservation project has received \$4,000. This will help volunteers **John Kelly** and **Paul Marlow** flatten many of the plans that are currently rolled in acidic material. We are grateful to 4Culture and the grant review committee for acknowledging the importance of this project. If you are ever interested in helping to fund a particular project or program, please contact me. We have many needs and many opportunities for "projects in honor of ___" or "projects dedicated to ___" or the "your name here project." I can be reached at 206-324-1126 x 41 or admin@pugetmaritime.org.

Seattle Transportation Club To Hold 100th Anniversary Luncheon

The Transportation Club of Seattle will celebrate its 100th Anniversary with a noon luncheon at MOHAI on Wednesday, October 13th. The keynote speaker will be Washington State House of Representatives Transportation Chair **Judy Clibborn**. Our President **Roger Ottenbach** will offer a few comments about the Society.

PSMHS Membership Application

- Individual/Family Membership \$40
 Associate (Libraries, Museum, Non-Profit) \$40
 Sustaining Member \$50
 Sponsor \$75
 Patron \$100
 Corporate Membership \$500
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I/we would like to receive information about how I/we can remember the Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society in my/our estate planning or planned charitable giving program.

MAIL TO: Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society,
 PO Box 1165, Bothell WA 98041-1165 (Include your check)

PSMHS Dinner Meeting Reservation

**CLIP AND MAIL FOR MEETING
 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2010**

RESERVATION DEADLINE:

NOON ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2010

Name(s): _____

Telephone: _____

Total Number [at \$30 per person]: _____

Total Amount of Check: _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: PSMHS

MAIL TO:

PSMHS DINNER MEETING,
 P.O. BOX 9731, SEATTLE, WA, 98109-0731

Call 206-938-2397 or pathartle@comcast.net for changes, cancellations or questions. Guests are always welcome.

Please include payment.

Reserve Early and Notify of Cancellation. A member who makes a reservation and then does not attend a dinner or give notification of their cancellation in a timely manner (48 hours) will not be refunded their money for the dinner. The Society must pay for the number of meals we have reserved in advance, regardless of the number of meals actually served since the caterer orders several days in advance. Walk-ins cannot be guaranteed a meal.

The club was founded October 8, 1910. There will be a short PowerPoint program on the highlights of cargo transportation from the early days of the club. Our own **Ralph Stachli, Jr.** will be in attendance on October 13th. Ralph was the recipient of the Society's 2009 Maritime Heritage Medal of Merit, Past President of the Society in 1955 and 1956, and was President of the Seattle Transportation Club in 1960 when the club celebrated its Golden Anniversary. We will have on display memorabilia from the years when Ralph joined and became active in the club.

This is an important outreach program for the Society and we would like a good turnout from our members and friends of the Society. The price of the buffet luncheon which includes touring the museum is \$40 and \$35 for seniors 65 and over. Last date for reservations is October 8th.

We hope to have a good turnout and space is limited so if you plan on attending please make your reservation early. Money will not be collected at the door. If you would like to attend please send in your check to "The Transportation Club of Seattle", PO Box 84313, Seattle 98124, or you can

visit their web page at www.seattletransportationclubofseattle.org and pay on line. If you have any questions at all please contact **George Osborn** at (253) 759-0146 or by e-mail georgeosborn@comcast.net.

Navigating Your Financial Future

 **Through Estate Planning**

A collaborative program by the South Lake Union Working Group Sponsored by Pacific Continental Bank to be held on Thursday October 21, 2010, from 6:45 P.M. to 8:30 P.M. at the Seattle Yacht Club, 1807 E. Hamlin St., Seattle, 98112.

Please join us as we welcome **John Creahan**, an estate planning attorney, who will discuss planning ideas to help you secure a better financial future for your children and grandchildren. He will also be exploring options for contributing past your lifetime to the mission programs of non-profit organizations that are important to you. Refreshments will be served. Please phone or e-mail **Karen Marshall** if you're planning to attend: admin@pugetmaritime.org or 206-324-1126 x 41.