SEPTEMBER 2012
Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society
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SEPTEMBER DINNER PROGRAM:
UPDATE THE TSUNAMI DEBRIS COMING FROM JAPAN

PSMHS Classified Ads

SHIP MODEL RESTORATION. Cleaning, repairing, rigging, and/or reconstruc-
tion of ship models in any condition or size. Thirty-five years experience in re-
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documentation in Alaska’s public/private
libraries, newspapers, magazines, photo-
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almhh/alaskamaritime.html. Telephone:
907-227-7837 12/12

QUALITY USED NONFICTION BOOKS.
Biography, history and some nautical. No
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Hansen Bros. Installing Artifact Shelving
At Our New Maritime Research Center in Georgetown

DINNER MEETING:
WEDNESDAY
SEPTEMBER 5, 2012
IVAR’S SALMON HOUSE
401 NE NORTHLAKE WAY
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
MENU: SALMON
USE FORM ON PAGE 3
TO MAIL IN YOUR RESERVATION TODAY!

* BAR OPENS AT 6:00 P.M.
DINNER AT 7:00 P.M.
PROGRAM:
UPDATE ON TSUNAMI DEBRIS
COMING FROM JAPAN
HEAR RENOWN OCEANOGRAPHER
AND PROFESSOR DR. CURTIS
EBBESMEYER ENLIGHTEN US
ABOUT TRACKING AND
EVALUATING THE ENORMOUS
FLOATING GARBAGE PATCHES IN
THE PACIFIC.

* YOUR RESERVATION FORM
MUST BE RECEIVED
NOT LATER THAN NOON ON
MONDAY, SEP 3, 2012
OR CALL PAT HARTLE
AT 206-938-2397 OR
PATHARTLE@COMCAST.NET
FOR MORE INFORMATION AND
RESERVATION CHANGES ONLY

Dr. Curtis Ebbesmeyer will update us on the tsunami debris coming
from Japan. Dr. Ebbesmeyer, a long-time member, is a well-renowned
oceanographer and editor of the newsletter Beachcombers’ Alert
(flowsmetrics.com). He has spent his life tracing floating materials coming
across the Pacific Ocean. Due to the massive earthquake in Japan recently,
debris is coming east and landing on the coasts of Oregon and Washington
in alarming amounts. This began in October of 2011.

Dr. Ebbesmeyer regularly visits our coastal communities to evaluate
and keep track of the enormous amounts of debris coming our way. He has
become an expert on the various “floating garbage patches” in our oceans
around the world. The Pacific garbage patch is the largest and is many
miles wide and moving in a rotating circle collecting more debris.

Dr. Ebbesmeyer will provide a PowerPoint program sure to fascinate
everyone. We are indeed fortunate to have him as a member and our first
speaker of the season.

Update on our New Maritime Research Center
at MOHAI’s Resource Center in Georgetown

Despite the fact that we moved our office in May and the archives
and library materials in June, we continue to face challenges in settling in,
unpacking and getting to the point that we can open the new research
center for business. We are experiencing difficulties with communication
by telephone and occasionally over the internet. There have been
delays in unpacking with problems in the construction of some of
the storage units. The remodeled building is experiencing technical
problems with the HVAC and lighting system which makes working
difficult. I wish that I could place into print an official opening date,
but I do not have a good estimate on when we’ll be to the point of
having research materials available.

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PSMHS RAFFLE

Win This J. Craig Thorpe Print

Win this framed Alaska Marine Lines giclee print by local artist J. Craig Thorpe. Drawing to be held January 1, 2013, at 5 p.m. at MOHAI, 860 Terry Avenue North. Tickets $5.00 each available at our program meetings or by phoning 206-747-5763. Proceeds benefit The Puget Sound Maritime Historical Society. Winner need not be present to win but is responsible for pickup/shipping.

NOTE: The temporary PSMHS office number is 206-747-5763.