



Whittier Soundings



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Year End – The year is drawing to an end and it is time to do some long-time-put-off paperwork. Ron Sands is asking that everyone complete their Member Activity Report for 2001. If you do not have this document saved, you can locate it on the internet at www.uscgaux.com, and then select Forms and Manuals, Auxiliary Electronic Forms Online, Forms, and then 7029 Member Activity Report. Ron wants the forms e-mailed to him at RSands@gci.net. Please complete your forms and get them to Ron ASAP, so he can enter all of the information to the computer and get it sent.

If you have recently read your e-mail messages, you know that your membership dues for the year 2002 are due. The dues are \$30.00 per member. Checks should be made payable to USCG Auxiliary 2-4. Include any changes to name, address, phone numbers, e-mail address, boat name change or new boat name, and send to Debby Swain, FSO-FN, 9667 Victor Road, Anchorage, AK 99515.

Auxiliary Business Cards – If you would like a snazzy business card to pass around, use the Auxiliary business card program. Log on at <http://www.uscgaux.org/~auxcen/buscard.pdf>, click on the card design you like and fill it in with your information. You need to get some business card paper stock at the office supply store, but it turns out very nice, especially if you have a color printer. Pretty slick!

Caboose Library – John Whitney recently took an inventory of our Library-In-Progress located in Coast Guard Station Whittier (formerly known as *The Caboose*), and he proudly announced that we now have a total of sixty-seven publications that deal with Prince William Sound, including field guides, boating safety, history, the 1989 oil spill and photo collections. Several books were purchased with the \$320.00 that came from the Flotilla’s education fund plus individual member

donations. During John’s inventory he discovered a couple of missing publications: *PWS West, Chugach National Forest, Trails Illustrated Topo Map*; and *How to Catch Trophy Halibut* (I checked my husband Tony’s desk drawer for this one, but he didn’t have it! Honest!)

Elections – The annual Flotilla election was held during the November Flotilla Meeting. We got a quorum together (which is hard to do when we have approximately 72 members) and elected two new officers. Elected by a unanimous vote was **Bob Harvey**, Flotilla Commander 2002, and **Mark Poe**, Vice Flotilla Commander 2002. Congratulations to both of you!



Holiday Party - The annual Whittier Flotilla Holiday Party is coming up fast. The party is set for Saturday, December 8th 6:00 to 10:00 pm. Remember, it’s a pot-luck and costs \$10.00 each, so bring some goodies! There is a gift exchange with a \$15.00 limit for those who wish to participate. The Party is being held at the UAA Campus Center Den. A map can be located on the e-mail sent out by Mike and Deanna Barbarick. From New Seward, go east on 36th toward the University. Turn left on Seawolf towards the bookstore. Park in the bookstore parking-lot. Enter the building at the bookstore entrance and go to your left. Take the lower flight of stairs and turn right. The Pit is on the right. Saturday night is also our December meeting. I’m told that the “business meeting” will be real short. See you there!

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