

Kid's Christmas Party Rocked with Santa, Snacks & Crafts

By Chris & Julia Ramos
Children's Holiday Party Co-Chairs



Kids Enjoyed Balloon Man's Special Creations



Thanks to Kid's Christmas Party Chairs Chris & Julia Ramos

The Queen City Yacht Club was filled with festive cheer on Saturday, December 14th, as we hosted the much-anticipated Children's Holiday Party. It was an afternoon full of laughter, cheer, and holiday magic, bringing joy to kids and families alike.

The festivities kicked off with an array of fun activities for the children, including creative balloon art, where every twist and turn produced whimsical shapes. Holiday crafts were a hit, as little hands made everything from ornaments to festive decorations, adding to the spirit of the season. To keep the excitement going, a magical performance wowed the crowd with tricks and magical surprises.

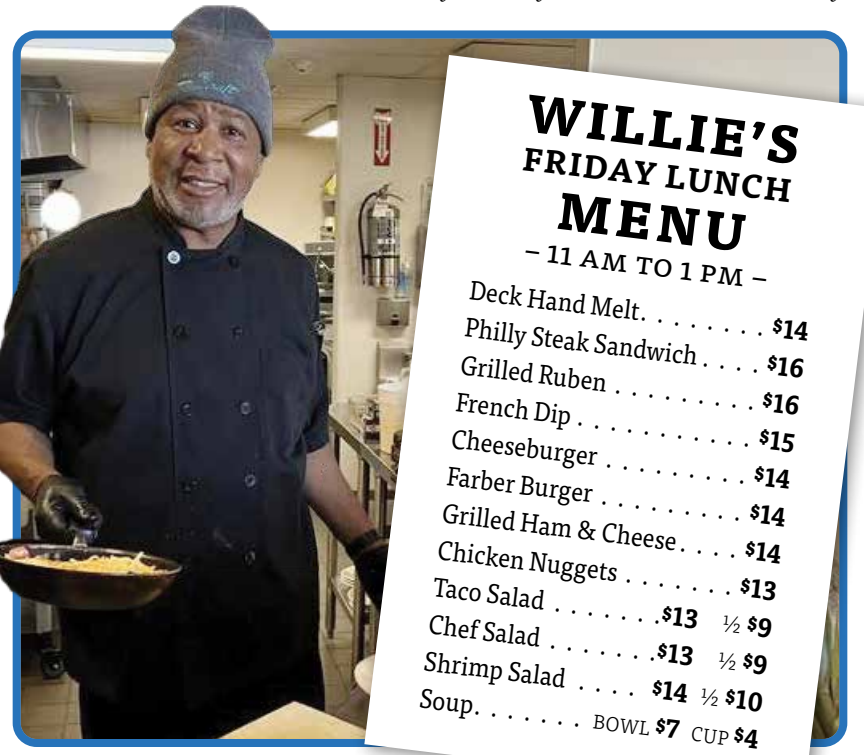
But the grandest moment of the day was undoubtedly Santa's arrival! Thanks to the generosity of Past Commodore Scott Grimm, Santa arrived in style aboard Scott's yacht, making a grand entrance that had the children buzzing with excitement. They eagerly shared their holiday wishes and posed for photos with Santa, creating memories that will be cherished for years to come.

Guests also enjoyed a delicious assortment of holiday treats and refreshments. In addition, each child received a gift bag to take home, spreading holiday joy well beyond the event.

A huge thank you to Past Commodore Scott Grimm and to Paul Grimm for their part in making Santa's arrival such a memorable experience for all in attendance. 🚤



Santa Arrives on "Kay Gee Lady" to the Kid's Christmas Party



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Recreational Boating Lobbyists Want Watercraft Excise Tax Revision & Portable Pumpout Funding

By Randy Smith
QCYC, RBAW Representative

The Recreational Boating Association of Washington (RBAW) held its annual meeting November 6th at Tacoma Yacht Club. QCYC's Bill Gray & Randy

Smith attended. RBAW's 2023-24 accomplishments and 2024-25 priorities were discussed, along with several presentations about RBAW's work this year. Washington Public Lands Commissioner-elect, Dave Upthegrove, made no promises but did commit to improving access to the outdoors.

RBAW's mission is to represent the interests and needs of recreational boaters in Washington State, in which there are 250,000 registered boats. This includes a paid lobbyist who tracts and identifies legislative opportunities and changes that may affect recreational boaters.

For more information, visit RBAW's website, rbaw.org. 🚤



WINTER WONDERLAND

Jay & Tara Giese on the Dance Floor at the Mainstation New Year's Eve Party

More New Year's Eve photos on [PAGE 5](#) ➔



Large Lock Gate Replacements Completed

The \$18M Large Lock Center Gate Project has been completed with replacement of the century-old center miter gate leaves -weighing in at 500,000 pounds each. Thanks to Dave Hancock for sending this photo of crews installing newly fabricated 53-ft by 46-ft miter gate leaves. If the Locks were destroyed in an earthquake, Lake Washington would drop 20 feet. Since the locks opened in 1917, the locks have become the nation's busiest, with up to 50,000 vessels — most being recreational boats — passing each year.

Commodore's REPORT

Member Volunteers Made Holiday Events Great

By Doug Genord
Commodore

I hope your holiday season was filled with family, friends and happiness. I also want to wish everyone a very happy and prosperous new year. We wrapped up 2024 with several events during the month of December.

I want to thank Karen & Vince Robel and all those who volunteered their time and vessels in support of the Seafair Holiday Cruise event. The event was a big success that resulted in many happy faces.

Julia & Chris Ramos hosted the Children's Christmas party which included a visit from Santa. On behalf of myself and all the children who attended, thank you.

The Chet Gibson Lighted Boat Parade

took place on Lake Union on the 14th, and it was followed by the Music Committee hosting its Christmas Carol-a-oke event. Thanks go to Chuck Gould and his support team and musicians.

New Year's Eve parties will have taken place by the time of this publication at both the Mainstation and the Outstation. Thanks goes out to P/C Michele Bedner and Sharon Stocklin who organized the formal event this year at the Mainstation.

With a new year comes inevitable change and that can already be seen around the marina and neighborhood. The roads are ripped up, the piles for the Portage Bay bridge construction can be seen and heard as they are driven into the seabed. The outer slips on Dock 3 have now been vacated. The reconfiguration of Dock 3 is

anticipated to begin mid-month and finish 30 days later. At the end of Dock 3 new piles will be installed, stringers will be replaced, new metal decking and upgraded electrical pedestals will be installed, plumbing will be reworked and the work slips relocated. The sub-contractor will replace old stringers along the mid-section of Dock 3 and replace the concrete section at the first fire break. During this time the work slips and reciprocity section of Dock 3 will be unavailable. After the reconfiguration of Dock 3, the limits of construction in the bay will need to be respected by all watercraft for the next several years.

For those desiring more information on the 520 Portage Bay project, information can be found at wsdot.wa.gov/sites/default/files/2024-12/PortageBayProject-presentation-



DOUG GENORD
COMMODORE
& Gail's Holiday Looks

[Dec2024Meeting.pdf](#)

The road construction near the Club is expected to last a few more weeks, the pile driving noise will keep getting louder at the Club through April, and regular traffic flagging can be expected on Boyer Avenue through early 2025. Give yourself extra time to get to and from the Club. 🚤

Life Member Leads Volunteer Crew to Get Housework Done!

By Denise Lindholme
Spotlight Columnist

How often do you walk into the Club's Mainstation and find something is not working? Rarely. Very, very rarely. For this, you can thank our House Committee at the Queen City Yacht Club.

Many members over the history of our Club have volunteered to chair the House

Committee to keep the Clubhouse in tip-top shape, but right now, you can thank Gordon Foote (#026-life member) for taking on this role. He answered the phone as Gordon when I called to interview him for this article, but he is better known around QCYC as Gordy.

Gordy joined QCYC almost 50 years ago, with his wife Debbie, yet he says he's not the real boater in the family! That person he



Debbie & Gordy Foote (#26-life members)



DENISE LINDHOLME
SPOTLIGHT COLUMNIST

Members Want One Annual Booklet, Not Two

By Colleen Rutten
Membership Directory Chair & Wrangler

The 2025 QCYC Annual Membership Director is well underway, as we compile updates and changes for the coming year.

One such change is to provide our members with one copy of the annual booklet, not two copies as we have in the past. In recent years, members have provided feedback that they enjoy and appreciate having the printed version on their boat, but don't need or have use for the second copy.

The Bridge took this feedback to heart,

as it presented an interesting opportunity to find middle ground: maintain tradition by providing one printed annual per member, while mitigating wasted materials and fulfillment costs for booklets that go unused.

For members who would like more than one Annual, additional copies will be made available for purchase. Please look for updates in January Bilge Blasts and Web Forum for details on cost and process for requesting additional copies.

Most importantly, it allows us to listen and adapt to the changing needs of our membership. Thank you all for your support and contributions to the Annual! 🚤

said, is Debbie who took after her father and grandfather. Grandpa started that legacy, he said, joining QCYC back in the 1940s, followed by her dad. And now, Debbie and Gordy are third generation members.

Over the years the Footes hosted summer holidays including the 4th of July, ran the kids program at the Mainstation, plus the Christmas and Easter parties. Gordy served a term on the Board of Trustees.

But today's members certainly know Gordy as the go-to guy for everything 'house' related. I asked him how long he's been in this role, chairing the Housing Committee. "Wow! Maybe 15 years," he answered.

Every Tuesday Gordy arrives at the Club by about 6:30 a.m. to walk the entire building to make a list of things that need attention. He includes things that may

be out of the normal scope of the House Committee, such as new cabinet lock on the 3rd floor or flatware that got mixed up.

After making the list for the week, Gordy waits for his volunteers, who arrive by 9:30.

On average 6 to 10 show up each week, but the full committee includes about 20. Gordy admitted that he misses the days of doing the work instead of supervising it, which he also admitted sometimes, is like herding cats. Gordy said he also calls on members in-the-know.

Gordy certainly has worked, rather volunteered on a wide range of projects, events and more at QCYC and like other committee chairs, is always happy to mentor a recruit. "It's just a matter of finding the activity you enjoy. You can always make time for something you enjoy," he said, on volunteering to help QCYC in some way. 🚤



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Vice Commodore's REPORT

Looking Back & Looking Forward

By Doug Wadden
Vice Commodore

As we look forward to what promises to be a busy and possibly demanding 2025, I can't help but reflect on the numerous activities and the rewarding experiences of 2024. In years past we have cruised north for three months or so, but given our Bridge responsibilities we are enjoying more "local" Puget Sound and regional travel. This meant that we were finally able to attend the annual Fleet Captains' Cruise, imaginatively organized by Ken and Evie Knoke and Brian and Crissey Presser. It took us to the end of the Hood Canal and the Alderbrook Resort by

way of Port Ludlow and Pleasant Harbor and included two rounds of golf along the way, as well as a surprise birthday party for Commodore Genord and myself. What a special evening that was.

During the year, there were dozens of other events that couldn't have happened without the tremendous volunteer efforts of many, many members.

Just to name a few: the Pride of Queen City weekend, the Power Wash extravaganza, the annual Opening Day and its nearly weeklong festivities, dinners and boat races at the Mainstation and the Memorial Day Ceremonies, 4th of July celebrations and Labor Day Holiday weekend all at the Bainbridge Outstation. Autumn brings

the Change of Watch followed by the Commodore's Ball, the Seafair Holiday Cruise and the New Year's Eve Party.

I've left out events too numerous to list in this space, but my reasons for capturing these programs are multiple... there is a tremendous amount of activity happening at our Club, week after week and all year round... memorable and engaging affairs, including guest speakers and parties, all of which require event chairs and committees to make it happen. Some are simple organizing responsibilities; while others take advance preparation, budget management and team supervision. We need members to step forward and volunteer to sustain these activities and maintain the vitality of Queen City for the benefit of all. Look at your personal calendars and the Club's event calendar



DOUG WADDEN
VICE COMMODORE
& Margi

and find the best way to be involved and to contribute. Margi and I invite you to team up with us as we continue to plan future programs and events. 🚢



Seafair Clowns Entertained Our Special Guests at the Seafair Holiday Cruise

Seafair Holiday Cruise What a Day!

By Vince & Karen Robel
Seafair Holiday Cruise Co-Chairs

Vince and I want to thank everyone for participating in the Seafair Holiday Cruise. This was our first time running this event. We were once again blown away by the number of QCYC member volunteers that jumped in to help.

We had a few (big) last minute changes, but the important thing is QCYC provided a day of festivities for intellectual or developmental challenged guests who arrived with so much enthusiasm and excitement about boarding the boats, telling Santa their wish lists, being entertained by the Seafair clowns and getting a photo with Santa.

Our guests left our event with big smiles while carrying a gift bag. Some of the chaperones shared this is often the only gift they receive for Christmas.

The volunteers all worked so hard to make this happen! If you didn't volunteer this year, try and make it happen next year. It is the best way to get you into the spirit of Christmas.

Janet, a Seafair Guest Coordinator, sent us a heartfelt email. It speaks volumes about how much this event means to so many people.

Dear Vince & Karen,
from Janet Bruckshen,
Seafair Guest Coordinator

Please share this message with all the incredible boaters, and volunteers from Queen City YC that made this past Sunday so memorable for all the guests. I wish you could have heard the conversations on the bus going back so you'd know how much everyone enjoyed the experience.

It was a fantastic day with great weather and the entire event seemed to go smoothly because everyone at Queen City was so well prepared. It was just a great time, and I hope everyone knows how much this event means to those I support.

I literally start getting phone calls after the first of the year to see if they can register early even though I always tell them they need to wait until October to start the process. For so many of our customers, the cruise is the highlight of the season, heck of their year really! So, thank you for your thoughtfulness, and making it such a joyful occasion for all. 🚢



Beaconnetes' Choral Group Raises Money for Pike Place Market Senior Center and Food Bank

Past QCYC Commodores Annual Christmas Dinner

Thanks to P/C Terron Lindholme and Denise for organizing the Annual Christmas Dinner for Past Commodores. The group enjoyed a traditional holiday buffet prepared by Chef Willie Williamson. This was followed by a very non-traditional set of Christmas songs, written and performed by the Beaconnetes, a local choral group of (band, choral and orchestra) moms that has been performing for more than 15 years, raising money for the Pike Place Market Senior Center and Food Bank for more than 15 years. 🚢



P/C Terron Lindholme & Denise Organized Past Commodores Dinner

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Members & Guests Enjoyed Willie's Prime Rib & Salmon at the Captains' Holiday Dinner



Norwegian Women's Chorus Performs at the Captains' Holiday Dinner

Tarettes Women's Group Raises \$2,000+ at the Captains' Holiday Dinner!



Thanks to Bartenders Wendy & Tracy Redding at the Captains' Holiday Dinner



Captains' Holiday Dinner 'Dessert Dash' Raised \$2,000+ for Boyer Children's Clinic



Thanks to Mary Jo Svenson for Chairing the Captains' Holiday Dinner

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MAINSTATION NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER & DANCE ROCKED!



A lively group of more than 60 members and guests welcomed the new year at the 'Winter Wonderland' dinner/dance at the Mainstation. Willie prepared his signature prime rib, salmon entre and delicious sides. Thanks to P/C Michelle Bedner for pulling together a memorable event, with celebratory décor and table settings.

Soul Siren performed the night away with music that filled the dance floor all night long. A champagne toast at midnight capped the evening. 🚢

← Mainstation New Year's Eve Party was Fun for Everyone!

Mainstation New → Year's Eve Dinner Dance Filled Third Deck



↑ Peg, Willie & Crew did a fantastic job at the Mainstation Party



← Thanks to P/C Michelle & P/C Dave Bedner for the Winter Wonderland New Year's Eve Party at the Mainstation



Members Enjoyed Plenty of Food at the Outstation 'Pop Up' NYE Party



Members Packed the Docks for the Outstation 'Pop Up' NYE Party

January Outstation Parties & Events

By Barb Wood
Outstation Co-Chair

As I write this article, the docks are full, and members are ready to welcome in the New Year. The NYE party started with hardy appetizers followed by prime rib, turkey, ribs and paella. Members brought all the side dishes and desserts including a birthday cake for Kitt Day! Our members sure know how to cook! About 55 people came to this event.

Speaking of parties, two are planned for the middle two weeks of January. The Grand Fourteen Past Commodores will be arriving on January 10th and the place will be full of cars and boats. The very next weekend, the current Grand Fourteen Officers will be arriving for three days of fun. These are well attended events, and it gives our Club a chance to show off our beautiful Outstation. Happy and safe 2025. 🚢



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Rear Commodore's REPORT

Spread the word about QCYC to your boating friends

By Joyce Carlson
Rear Commodore

2025 begins with recruiting new members! The book covering 2024 is closed, and the book for the New Year 2025 begins. The best to all for the upcoming year. What better way to start the New

Year than to share our love of boating, friendships and experiences that Queen City Yacht Club brings!

Full active membership of the Club is 400. As of November 30th, we had 370 active memberships. When active memberships exceed 400, those who have been in the active membership class for 25 years or more are eligible for Senior Membership.

There were 23 members waiting in line to become Senior members.

Recruitment is vital for Queen City to remain vibrant and robust (loud and proud we are). Our strongest recruits come from member referrals. Club members are the best ambassadors, so please talk with your boating friends about becoming members!

As an incentive to gain new members and reach full active membership, last year the Board of Trustees adopted two initiatives where the initiation fee for Active memberships was reduced by \$1,000 (from \$3,000 to \$2,000) until the Club returns to full capacity. In addition, and in appreciation for finding and recruiting a new member, a \$250 credit is applied to the account of each "active" sponsor of a new Active Member.


If more than one member is responsible for the recruitment, the amount is shared equally between the active sponsors. Membership Chair Delly Behen would welcome hearing of prospects, answer questions and take recruits through the



JOYCE CARLSON
REAR COMMODORE
& Kevin

membership process. Do not hesitate to contact Delly!

The 520 Bridge project, as it affects the Club, is now underway. Members will see a couple of parked vehicles and workers on the grounds and Dock 3. Security Chair Scott Grimm and Co-Chair Andy Gerde have provided these workers with security access for the in/out gate and Dock 3. Vice Commodore Doug Wadden will be carefully watching the 520 activities on the dock. If questions or concerns arise, please contact Vice Commodore Doug Wadden.

Again, the best to all of you in this New Year! 


Desert Dwellers Welcome QCYC Snowbirds January 9

By Roger Courson
#69 Life Member, Desert Dweller & Snowbird Wrangler

I hope you have had an enjoyable Holiday and are about to celebrate a 2025 healthy and Happy New Year!

Our January lunch at the Eagles Buffet in Casino Arizona will be the second Thursday on January 9th.

Please RSVP me so that I will be able to notify the manager of our count for the month.

Arrive before the 11:00 opening so we can check in together. Again, Happy Healthy New Year. 



Desert Dwellers Snowbird Luncheon – Next Meet Up January 9


Burns Poetry, Haggis & Five Premium Single Malt Whiskys – Jan. 25

By Chuck Gould
Robert Burns Night Chair

Don't forget to sign up for Robert Burns Night (and the associated whisky tasting) on Saturday, January 25. A QCYC tradition for the last dozen or more years, the event features a live bagpiper, Scottish dinner with traditional meat pies, sides, haggis, and shortbread. There will be recitations of Burns poetry, often including some hilarious pantomime by members.

There will even be a humorous exchange with a Toast to the Lassies, followed by a Toast to the Laddies.

The whisky tasting will consist of five single malt Scotch whiskys from across the spectrum from mild to peaty. Those who prefer not to taste the Scotch will be given drink tickets instead. The whisky is all "top shelf" selections. You couldn't begin to enjoy these five whiskys in any bar for the entire price of this event.

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QCYC Tarettes Fundraising Supports Children in Need

By Kimberlee Campbell
Tarettes Women's Club President

A new year is upon us full of great opportunities for women in the Club to get to know one another on a deeper level through volunteering and attending events. We enjoyed a wonderful Opening Day breakfast and then, we finished Closing Day with the Delta Kale Alpha Drill Team performance! The Halibut bake was delicious and Pizza and Bingo a daubing blast! The Captains' dinner and dessert dash raised funds for Boyer Children's Clinic where we delivered an unprecedented \$2,400 in December.

So far this year we have been able to donate almost \$5,000 between Treehouse supporting foster kids, and Boyer Children's Clinic supporting kids with developmental delays.

An important mission of the Tarettes is to give to those in need within our community as this provides visibility for our Club. We also designate capital needs both at our Main and Outstation each year to benefit



KIMBERLEE CAMPBELL
TARETTES PRESIDENT
QCYC Women's Group



all of us. Thank you for your generosity!
Upcoming events in the new year include a Museum tour of the National Nordic Museum on Jan. 2nd 10am. Contact Becky Garvie at canstyle@aol.com.
Zoom Book Club meeting, Jan. 7, 7pm. We will be discussing *West with Giraffes: A Novel* by Lynda Rutledge. Contact kimcamp5000@gmail.com.

We will continue to have Craft and Chat at the Mainstation on Jan. 14, 10am, contact Margaret Krows at mmkrows@aol.com.
The Tarettes are hosting the Grand 14 Women' Interclub Council (WIC) Luncheon on February 20th, 11am. Our speaker is Captain/Pilot Sandy Benidixon who has shattered glass ceilings in the big ship world by being the first and youngest female captain to pilot ships in Washington State history. This event will sell out fast (\$30). Please contact wendyhamalredding@gmail.com.
I look forward to getting to know more of you this New Year, I'd love to have coffee or join you for a meal, please reach out to me at kimcamp5000@gmail.com.



↖ Former QCYC member & Tarette Joan Bell designed the 'blowing' in the wind' stained glass burgee in 1991

Tarettes President, Kimberlee ↑ Campbell, presents check to Mike Stewart, ED, Boyer Children's Clinic

Tarettes Women's Group ↗ attend WIC Luncheon at Tyee Yacht Club featuring master celebrity gardener, Cisco Morris

← Tarettes Women's Group President, Kimberlee Campbell and Jim Pappas

Tarettes Women's Group → Past President's Annual Dinner at the Mainstation



QCYC TARETTES

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QCYC TARETTES

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QCYC TARETTES

Thursday, Feb 6 Meet at 9:30am
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Please join the Tarette's (all are welcome) on a Museum Tour at a local Museum followed by a lunch at a Local Knowledge Historic Restaurant. Each of these visits will be the first Thursday of the month and it's FREE!

QCYC TARETTES

ZOOM BOOK CLUB

Jan 7, 2025 @ 7 PM

"West with Giraffes"

by Lynda Rutledge

For more info, contact Kimberlee Campbell 425-417-8086 kimcamp5000@gmail.com

Bill Grayson Donated Time & Talent to QCYC

By Ken Klett
Fleet Chaplain

Our Past Treasurer and active member, Captain Bill Grayson, member #078, crossed the bar for the last time on February 6th, one month shy of his 90th Birthday. Joining Queen City in 1987, he and Millie became very active, participating in and loving Club cruises, Club social events, and cruising with friends and often with his daughter Diane and son-in-law Terry Carlisle. He and Millie loved to take grandsons aboard during the summer. He loved to dance and was often seen "cutting the rug" with Millie or some other member at Club parties!

Bill contributed to our Club and served on the Docks Committee and on the Bar committee. As our Treasurer, Bill contributed in very important ways from 1998 through 2000. During those years, we remodeled the Clubhouse and Bill's job was doubled as he kept track of our normal Club finances and the financial aspects of our huge remodel!

His years as a CPA were invaluable to Bill & the Club as he guided and kept track of the financial data of both! When Bill joined our Club, he cruised a 30' Catalina sailboat, but about 10 years later "went over to the dark side" and bought his beautiful 34' diesel CHB trawler and continued with the same boat name "Aqua Amo."

He leaves a legacy to QCYC of Millie his loving wife of 67 years, his daughter Diane (son-in-law Terry), and grandson Scott Carlisle, who is now an Intermediate Member. Bill will be very missed by all that knew him.

Diane Carlisle, Bill's daughter and QCYC member, reports Bill was born in Longton Kansas but his family moved often so Bill grew up in several areas eventually ending up in Olalla where the family bought a farm. After High school he went to work at the Bremerton Shipyards. He soon joined the Marines and signed up for Navy Aviation where he trained in Pensacola to be a helicopter pilot.

He and Millie met at a dance sponsored by Alabama College where Millie attended - beginning a life-long love of dancing. They had two daughters: Mary and Diane. When still flying, one day my mom asked him to pick up some new tennis shoes for my sister and me as there weren't any stores close by back then. Dad was in the reserves, so he didn't have much time, but he did get those shoes. He took a little side trip in his helicopter and dropped those shoes off for us. It was loud and very windy, but I definitely had a pretty special dad. I still remember those shoes. They were plaid!"

Bill then graduated from UW under the GI Bill and became a CPA, eventually forming his own company Heinen & Grayson Inc. P.S. Daughter Mary remembers down memory lane with this: "While growing up I have several memories of my dad doing things with me, father daughter banquet, riding bikes at Seward Park on Sundays, helping me with my math homework, going to the Sonics Basketball games to name a few. I always helped my dad clean up the basement by vacuuming his sawdust mess when he was building something. I believe he remodeled the basement four or five times in 15 years in the house I grew up in. He was always changing the floor plan. The upstairs is mostly paint and carpeting but never was renovated, just the basement.

When I was in Junior high school, he brought home a little puppy, a fox terrier named Toby. Dad was his master. He never listened to any of us girls but when dad was around he was right there with him.

One time, I can't remember what we had for dinner, but my dad loved tabasco sauce



Bill Grayson 1934-2024

and would put on most everything. Toby always waits by his side knowing dad will give him something to eat. At that time for some reason dad gave Toby a piece that was slathered with tabasco sauce and Toby was panting and ran to drink water to put out the "fire." Ever since that happened, Toby will smell the food that my dad gives before he would accept it or reject it. Toby trusted us girls but not my dad when it came to food. Dad loved being on the water whether it was water skiing, fishing or sailing or just boating. I know my parents have gone on several boat trips in the summer for months and they travelled to many places and did many cruises after they retired.

My fondest memory was when he took all of us on a cruise to Alaska for their 50th Wedding anniversary and that was my first cruise. Dad was always there for me when I needed some advice or just to talk. I am very thankful for my dad as he was very supportive, and I am truly blessed." 🚢

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JANUARY EVENTS

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December 29	30	31 New Year's Eve A NIGHT IN WINTER WONDERLAND 6:30pm	January 1 Quarterly Statement Emailed OFFICE CLOSED	2 Seattle Museum Tour 9:30am Planning & Finance Meeting - Zoom 6pm	3 Friday Lunch 11am-1pm	4 Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30am Rolling into the New Year! 6-8pm Weiss Private Event
5	6 QCYC Board Meeting 7pm	7 ZOOM BOOK CLUB 7pm Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm	8 VESSEL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION Regular Member Meeting w/ Dinner 7:30pm	9 Desert Dwellers Lunch 11am	10 VESSEL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION Friday Lunch 11am-1pm Grand 14 P/C Cruise-In on Bainbridge Outstation	11 VESSEL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30am Docks Fun Day 9am-Noon Grand 14 P/C Cruise-In on Bainbridge Outstation Yates & Gerde Private Events
12 Grand 14 P/C Cruise-In on Bainbridge Outstation	13	14 <i>Crafts and Chat</i> 10am-1pm	15	16	17 Grand 14 Cruise-In on Bainbridge Outstation	18 Grand 14 Cruise-In on Bainbridge Outstation
19 Grand 14 Cruise-In on Bainbridge Outstation Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day OFFICE CLOSED	21	22 VESSEL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION Vice Commodore's Development Forum 4pm Regular Member Meeting w/ Dinner 7:30pm	23	24 VESSEL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION Friday Lunch 11am-1pm	25 VESSEL ELECTRICAL INSPECTION Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30am ROBERT BURNS NIGHT
26 Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm	27	28	29	30	31 Quarterly Statement Due Friday Lunch 11am-1pm	February 1 Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30am
2 Groundhog Day Music Committee Rehearsal 5:30pm	3	4 Planning & Finance Meeting 6:30pm - Zoom Docks Committee Meeting 6:30pm	5	6  National Nordic Museum Tour of National Nordic Museum 10am	7 Friday Lunch 11am-1pm	8 Saturday Breakfast 8-10:30am Docks Fun Day 9am-Noon