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PRESIDENT'S NOTE:

We are excited and plans are progressing with the 2018 Reunion! Entitled 'Back to Sea' we return to our seagoing roots aboard the USS Eurodam (change from the Westerdam), a Holland America ship bound for Alaska and returning via Victoria, Canada. Our Reunion Chair, Nadyne Krienke, and her team have been meeting and plans are progressing. A survey is available on the NNCA.org website and is included with this newsletter. We ask that all who may be attending, complete a survey and mail or email it to Nadyne. Her address is included on the survey and her email is as follows: Nadyne.Krienke@gmail.com.

The 2018 Cruise itinerary has been formalized! Departure will be from Seattle on Saturday, May 12th to return to Seattle on Saturday, May 19th. Please contact Mary Ellsworth at Cruise Specialists with all questions and to reserve a stateroom. Because the itinerary has been finalized, it is now \$350 for a deposit. Mary can be reached at 800-544-2469 or mellsworth@cruisespecialists.com. As explained in the Cruise Specialist letter that will accompany your initial invoice, you must have a valid passport that does not expire for at least six months after the return date, which would be 19 November 2017!

Our Fall 2016 General meeting was held in Olympia, Washington at the Olive Garden. CAPT Amy McBride, NC, USN, the Senior Nurse Executive at Naval Hospital, Bremerton was the guest speaker. Twenty- two members were present to hear her update on the current status of the Nurse Corps, which included highlights from the October 2016 VTC with the Admiral.

The election for five of seven Board positions was held at the meeting and the following were approved for a three-year tour:

Bonnie Bulach (Vice President)
Anne Mulligan (Treasurer)
Nadyne Krienke (2018 Reunion Chair)

Vicki Hayward (Secretary)
Pat Taylor (Membership Chair; Mbr, Scholarship Committee)

We bid farewell to Tracy Brommel (Vice President), Mary Kerdus (Secretary), Bonnie Bulach (Treasurer) and Nancy Zabel (Sunshine Chair). All played a key role in decision-making and provided direction for the Chapter for years to come. I presented each of them with a locally made 'Glassybaby' in appreciation for their loyalty and hard work.

On May 6th, the Fourth Annual Aloha Moani 5K Run will be held to honor LT Moani Daniel, NC, USN, an active duty Navy Nurse stationed at the Naval Hospital when she died unexpectedly after the delivery of her daughter in 2013. The run is held annually by the Naval Hospital Bremerton Nurse's Association. I will be manning a table at the event. Another person or two to help would be terrific. Contact information is included in this newsletter and more information will be available at our April meeting.

On July 8th, Anne Mulligan and Vicki Hayward will be manning an exhibition booth and representing our Northwest chapter at a local event for all veterans. Navy Region Northwest's "Retiree Appreciation Day" will be held in Bremerton this year; last year it was in Oak Harbor. There will be a keynote speaker, presentations and multiple exhibits that will be of interest to all. Information will be available at our April meeting.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL AT THE APRIL 15TH GENERAL MEETING

Lisa Stephens

Upcoming Events

Women Veterans Summit

September 16, 2017

TENTATIVELY: Lynnwood Convention Center

Lynnwood, WA (check www.dva.wa.gov)

NWNNCA Fall General Meeting

April 15, 2017

Patty's Eggnest, Everett WA

4th Annual 5K Aloha Moani Run

May 6, 2017

Jackson Park Community Center.

Contact the NHB Nursing Association with questions.

nhbnursing@gmail.com

Future NNCA Meetings:

2017 NNCA

Board & Annual Meeting:

April 26-30

Embassy Suites by HILTON

San Diego, CA

nnca.org for details

2018 NNCA REUNION

"Back to Sea"

Join us aboard the MS Eurodam departing for Alaska from Pier 91 in Seattle on May 12, 2018 and returning the following Saturday, May 19th. Contact Mary Ellsworth at Cruise Specialists to reserve a cabin: 800-544-2469 or mellsworth@cruisespecialists.com.

LET'S FILL THE BOAT!

PICTURES FROM THE FALL MEETING NOVEMBER 2016



Betty Fish-Ferguson

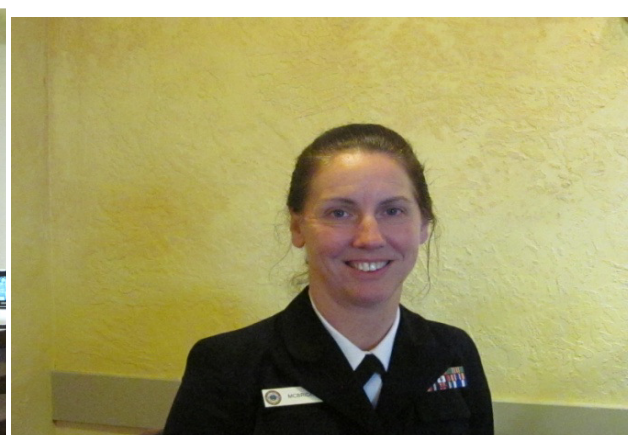
Vanessa Williams

Toni Lebel-Edmons



Pat Taylor, Jean Theriault, Guest, Carol Zerbato
Nancy Zabel, Tracy Brommel, Bonnie Bulach, Mary Kerdus

Cathy Carter Tracy Brommel
CAPT Amy McBride, NC, USN





Sorry, no good memories available

Arlinda Weeks, Vicki Hayward, Mary Kerdus

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Pat Taylor

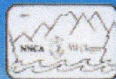


Can you believe it's already 2017?! I hope each of you is looking forward to the wonderful opportunities a new year brings. It's been another exciting and busy year for NNCA and NWNCA! It's, you guessed it, membership renewal time! Just like last year, you can renew your NNCA and NWNCA memberships online at the nnca.org website. Just login, update your information as requested, and add NWNCA and NNCA to the shopping cart. You can either use PayPal or your credit card to pay your dues.

If you've indicated to me in the past that you wish to receive a hardcopy renewal form, I will be mailing them out in the next couple of weeks. If don't receive it by the last week in March, please let know and I'll send another. Just fill it out, and mail it to me with your check at the address listed. I will again have a computer available at the NWNCA Spring General meeting on April 15th to assist members with renewing online. I will also have paper applications available.

We currently have 81 active members with eleven of them paid up for multiple years. Four of our members died this past year.

If you haven't heard, our local chapter is sponsoring the Reunion Cruise in 2018 and the planning team is full steam ahead making sure we have the best one ever! Renew your membership today so you don't miss out on any of our reunion cruise news!



Navy Nurses 2018 Reunion Cruise

ms Eurodam | May 12, 2018
7 Days | Roundtrip Seattle

Glacier Bay

Cruise Specialists is proud to announce the 2018 Navy Nurses Reunion! Come together with your friends and reminisce about our times together, while making new memories in gorgeous Alaska! There will be ample time to share stories from the past, pay tribute to our country and get caught up on each other's lives since the last time we gathered together.

Aboard Holland America Line's recently refurbished *ms Eurodam*, we'll cruise roundtrip from Seattle, stopping in Juneau, Sitka, Ketchikan and Victoria, plus take in breathtaking views during a day of scenic cruising in Glacier Bay. It all combines for a delightfully relaxing and memorable week-long getaway.

CRUISING ALASKA WITH HOLLAND AMERICA LINE

- **Fewer guests** on mid-sized ships
- **Airy viewing lounges, wraparound decks and private verandahs** provide an up-close look
- Undivided attention from an **award-winning crew**
- **Outstanding dining** with traditional, specialty and As You Wish Dining®
- **The most extensive excursions in Alaska**, from mild to wild to highly customized experiences
- **National Park Services Interpretation** on every sailing: Glacier Bay National Park: Ranger commentary from the bridge and informative presentations
- **Alaskan Native Presentations**
Glacier Bay National Park: A Huna Totem speaker will speak of their ancestral ties to the land
- **Onboard naturalists** join every cruise for presentations and wildlife viewing



Holland America Line®
SAVOR THE JOURNEY

Alaska Cruise

aboard *ms Eurodam*

Roundtrip Seattle | May 12 - 19, 2018 | 7-Days

Date	Day	Port	Arrive	Depart
May 12	sa	Seattle, Washington		4pm
May 13	su	At Sea	—	
May 14	mo	Juneau, Alaska	1pm	10pm
May 15	tu	Scenic cruising Glacier Bay	7am	4pm
May 16	we	Sitka, Alaska	8am	5pm
May 17	th	Ketchikan, Alaska	7am	1pm
May 18	fr	Victoria, B.C., Canada	6pm	11 ³⁰ pm
May 19	sa	Seattle, Washington	7am	

Per Person Fares From

Category/Description	
VD / Balcony Stateroom	\$1,560
F / Oceanview Stateroom	\$1,200
L / Inside Stateroom	\$880



ms Eurodam



For cruise information and reservations contact:

Mary Ellsworth, Cruise Specialists, 800-350-9613
or MEllsworth@CruiseSpecialists.com

More details at: nnca.org/news/meetings-reunions/2018-reunion/

All fares shown are per person, cruise only, in US dollars, based on the minimum inside, outside & verandah staterooms. Deposit of \$350 is due upon booking and is non-refundable after Feb 25, 2018. Government fees and taxes are an additional \$230 per person and subject to change. Every effort has been made to ensure that prices are correct at time of printing; however, all prices are subject to availability, restrictions apply. Prices and itinerary may change without notice. We reserve the right to correct errors. Ship's Registry: The Netherlands CST#2096145-50 UBI 602864630 Travel Leaders Leisure Group, LLC dba Cruise Specialists OS180. js 2/17

2017 Scholarship Committee

Another cycle starts this spring. Goal is still to give out two scholarships.



NWNNCA AWARD is awarded in the fall, no particular news at this time.

IN MEMORY...

Patricia Ann Sovich *Silverdale, WA Nov. 6, 1937 to Jan. 17, 2017*

Captain Patricia A. Sovich, NC, USN (RET) of Silverdale died on Jan. 17, 2017 after an unexpected illness. Pat served her country for 30 years as a nurse and hospital administrator, with her last duty station in Bremerton. Overseas assignments took her to Vietnam, Japan, Guam and England. Stateside she was stationed in North Carolina, Maryland, Tennessee and California.

Pat graduated as a registered nurse from Saint Clare's Hospital School of Nursing in New York City. After commissioning into the Navy Nurse Corps, she received her bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania and her master's from Arizona State University.

Pat was the oldest of five siblings, all military veterans. She was very active in her church, and "Stand Up For Kids" was particularly close to her heart. Most important to her was her involvement in the Secular Franciscan Order, a community of Catholic men and women who seek to pattern their lives after Jesus in the spirit of Francis of Assisi. She truly embodied that aspiration.

VIRGINIA O. BERKMAN: Oak Harbor; Passed January 10, 2017.

**SPRING GENERAL MEETING SPEAKER
DR. ANNE MULLIGAN, PhD**

Today's Navy Corpsmen: Corpsmen Jobs and Joint Military Training

The role of Navy Corpsmen is as diverse and challenging as ever. Starting in 2011, training for all military medical services combined as part of the "Purple Medical Service" concept. The foundational enlisted medical course work is done for all services at the Military Education and Training Center (METC) at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas. Anne Mulligan visited METC last year as part of her doctoral work to award higher education credit for military medical education and training. Anne will share pictures, the innovative educational methods used, and her recommendations for helping corpsmen advance to baccalaureate prepared nurses.

Anne retired from Navy Hospital Bremerton in the fall of 2000 and started teaching the Practical Nursing Program at Olympic College (OC). She participated in program start up for the successful RN-BSN Program at OC, which was the first baccalaureate program in a community college in Washington State. She recently graduated from the University of Washington Tacoma's first Doctor of Education in Educational Leadership Degree with an emphasis in Nursing.

THANKS TO YOU ALL

As your poor substitute for an editor, I would like to express my gratitude to everyone for getting me their entries on time and allowing me to get this to you all in a timely manner before I become a vegetable on a Panama Canal cruise starting on the 15th. All errors and formatting and any other goofs strictly belong to me. Just remember, editors know that there is always someone looking for something, so I put it there so you could find it and be happy.

Sharon will return from her Round the World cruise (the lucky dog!) and will resume the helm in April. To help her out, please start planning entries for the Fall Newsletter. The deadline will be mid-September 2017. You can email them to her at smrushing@hotmail.com.

Hope to see you all on the 15th. Marla

NWNNCA IS HOSTING THE 2018 NNCA REUNION!

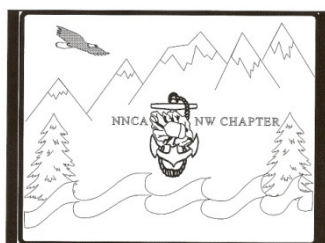
We are very excited as we plan for an Alaska cruise. We will be cruising on Holland America's MS Eurodam on a 7 day round-trip from Seattle Pier 91 to Juneau, Glacier Bay, Sitka, Ketchikan and Victoria, BC.

As Reunion Chair, I am looking for volunteers. Any talents and your time will be greatly appreciated. Please fill out Volunteer Form and forward to me.

Nadyne Krienke

Volunteer Form:

Northwest Chapter Navy Nurse Corps Association



Reunion 2018 "Back to Sea"

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Please contact Nadyne Krienke, Reunion Chair: Nadyne.Krienke@gmail.com or phone 425-346-4159.

Let me know what your talents are and/or how you can assist.



NWNNCA SPRING GENERAL MEETING
April 15, 2017

Patty's Eggnest & Turkey House
303 128th St SW
Everett, WA
425-355-0300

Directions:
Take I-5 N or S to exit 186--WA-96 E/128St SW
Go W on 128th
It is immediately on the right on the next corner after leaving the freeway.

We will be ordering from the Lunch Menu.

Time: 1130-1200 Meet & Greet

1200-1245 Luncheon

1245-1345 Dr. Anne Mulligan, PhD, will discuss the new joint military training for Corpsmen. / General Meeting

RSVP, by mail or email, no later than **April 10, 2017** to
Vicki Hayward
21893 NW Monterey Loop, Poulsbo, WA 98373
haypookie@msn.com Home: 360-557-2811



_____Number in your group for lunch

If you have not already done so, please indicate if you would like to receive this newsletter via email – you will receive it in COLOR.

Yes_____ No_____ **Please include newsletter by email preference with your luncheon reservation, or if not attending the luncheon, send separately to smrushing@hotmail.com**

If you have an article that you think interesting for inclusion in the Chapter Newsletter, please send to:
smrushing@hotmail.com

Northwest Chapter Questionnaire Form (Preplanning form--does NOT commit you to attend--but we'd like it if you did!)

Reunion 2018 "Back to Sea"

12 May 2018 to 19 May 2018 on Holland America's Eurodam

Please fill in all parts of this form

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Address or email to which you want your reunion & cruise information sent:

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

How many of your family members or friends do you anticipate will be coming with you? _____

Do you plan to arrive prior to date of cruise? ____no ____yes how many days prior? _____

Do you plan to fly____or drive____to Seattle, WA

Are you?

NNCA Board Member_____ NNCA Committee Chair _____

Chapter President _____NWC Reunion Committee Member _____

If you intend to stay at the host hotel prior to the cruise, please indicate the number of nights for your hotel stays. _____

Are you a general member who will need to stay at the host hotel or a nearby hotel prior to the cruise?

Yes _____ No_____ If yes, how many nights? _____

Will you need a space onboard the ship to hold a Chapter or NNCA Committee Meeting?

Yes ____ No _____

Mail or email your completed survey NLT 01JUNE 2017 to: Nadyne Krienke 14327 27th Drive SE Mill Creek WA 98012 or Nkrienke@aol.com phone (425) 346-4159

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