

CAPS

The All Catalina Association of Puget Sound



- **Officers will meet this week to figure out the calendar for next year**
- **Commodore gets one issue off from Commodore's Corner for doing two years' duty! Thanks!**

NOVEMBER MEETING DID CRAB POTS & VOTES

The Stow-B-Low people showed off their collapsible crab pot, and sold a few. It was really quite a contraption, and we also learned that fish oil is the bait of choice, for the crabs at least!

Barb Jenkins is once more taking charge of the Christmas Party — it's kind of like a coupla other jobs...in perpetuity.

To the officer roster has been added Rich Lerz and Tom Madden — Jim is real good at arm-twisting, and now he gets to be Hospitality Chair!

See you at the party! Rich has done his first good deed and found us a place for it and our meetings. See the next article for directions.

PARTY IS TO BE HELD IN KIRKLAND THIS YEAR; RICH LERZ IS KEEPING HIS CABANA PROFITABLE!

The annual CAPS Christmas Party is on Saturday, December 13th; we've got a new venue this year at the Cabana for Laurel Park, 11120 NE 68th Street in Kirkland, thanks to Rich Lerz. Dave Fend has conveniently linked the address to a map on our website, www.capsfleet1.com — just go to meetings, and then click on the Laurel Park Community Club. Yeah, even yours truly found it, so your editor isn't completely computer illiterate!

CAPS buys the ham, you concoct something to go with it — salad, side dish or dessert. We'll have a banquet permit from the state, so bring your choice of alcoholic beverage

The fun part besides the food is the "boat" gift. There are two categories: "nice" (required), and "nauti" (optional), and sometimes the twain do meet. The nice gift has a cost limit of \$20. but the "nauti"

one can be a real white elephant! There will be a drawing for gifting order, then someone has to sit on Santa's lap to qualify for a gift. Don't sign your name, whatever you do, and if you don't bring the latter type, you won't get one either, but don't chicken out!!!. To add extra excitement, the giftee can trade a gift for another one, and if someone takes that one, then he gets to trade again (third time it stays put — which, if carefully planned, can work to your advantage!). This is all confusing, and meant to be, but really adds to the merriment.

The big mystery is, "Who will be Santa Claus?" We were going to make a donation to get a "real" one, but they were all taken for Saturday nights. Guess we'll just have to wait and see.

Meanwhile, put on your party sweatshirt and we'll see you at 6:30 on Dec. 13th.

DON'T FORGET ELLIOTT BAY NEW YEAR'S EVE

George Fogg and Linda Loux won't forget, because, once more, on New Year's Eve, they'll be the hosts on **Branwen**. She's still in slip K-10 and if the office won't let you on the dock, call (206) 713-1609 and

you'll be given the code.

We had it all planned that another boat would host this year, and then they moved it to Anacortes! That's OK; Rich Lerz will pay his penance in other ways!

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