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WATERFRONT STATISTICS

SHIPS IN PORT:	53
NO. OF VISITS:	70
SEAFARERS RECEIVING MINISTRY:	356
NEW MINISTERING SEAFARERS:	0
NEW CORRESPONDENCE COURSE STUDENTS:	4

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Mission Statement

The Tacoma Seafarers' Center is organized to minister holistically, (spiritually, emotionally and physically) to seafarers who come to the Port of Tacoma. Our ministry emphasis is spreading the saving gospel of Jesus Christ world-wide to and through Seafarers.

In Loving Remembrance of

Catherine McFatridge

September 9, 1917 – September 10, 2002

Catherine went to the loving arms of her Lord and Savior on September 10, 2002. She was a long time supporter of the Tacoma Seafarers' Center, as well as a member of the Tacoma Seafarers' Center Ladies Auxiliary. She will not only be missed by her family, but the many friends she leaves behind. We praise the Lord for the honor of her support and friendship for these many years.

BIBLES DISTRIBUTED:

Chinese – 9	English – 1	Filipino – 22	Korean – 2
Japanese – 3	Polish – 3	Taiwanese – 5	

'JESUS' VIDEOS DISTRIBUTED:

Chinese – 1	English – 2	Filipino – 10	Korean – 1
Japanese – 3	Polish – 2	Taiwanese – 2	India - 1

NAMMC & LAMM CONFERENCES

NAMMC and LAMM conferences were held in Quebec, Canada, September 14-18, 2002. Port Chaplain Lloyd Bovee and TSC Board Treasurer, Roger Lawrence went with me to the conferences. We all used our own personal frequent flyer miles to make the trip. The trip was long, but well worth the time. Many friends and contacts within the Maritime ministry were made.

NAMMC voted to accept a new Constitution and By-laws that had been in the works for several years. Most of the changes were language and friendly amendments. There is still some room for improvement though, as is the case in all that we do. We also had an election of Officers and Board members. Port security issues, as well as communications for the seafarers while at sea, were discussed. For the most part, there was plenty of good Christian Fellowship enjoyed by all.

Next year's NAMMC will be held in Oakland, California in September, 2003. By the way NAMMC stands for North American Maritime Ministry Conference. And LAMM stands for Lutheran Association for Maritime Ministry.

The LAMM conference was held on September 18, 2002. We had election of Officers and Board members. Numerous items were discussed, to include the Seafarers' Bible Correspondence Course that LAMM is sponsoring and the new LAMM web site <http://www.lutheranmaritimeworld.net>, which is up and running. The next LAMM Board meeting will be held February 23, 2003 in Seattle, Washington.

Gene Lawrence
Executive Director



Just a quick note:

Check our web site <http://www.tacomaseafarers.org>. If anyone has any comments or suggestions about our web site, or anything for that matter, please let me know.

Gene Lawrence
Executive Director

ATTENTION LADIES:

Ladies Auxiliary warmly welcomes and encourages your participation and presence at their monthly meetings. Many friendships have developed between the members. Won't you please come serve the Lord, and fellowship with many wonderful people?

(psst – I'll let you in on a secret --- They have the **BEST** desserts and food at their meetings. Gene)



CENTER HOURS

New Center Hours: Monday thru Saturday
Noon – 10 pm

Sunday by Appointment or upon special request

***"We must show them we care, before they care what we know."
Rev. Ray Eckhoff***

M/V LT PREMIER EVERGREEN LINE

In July, 2002, the Chief Engineer of the ship M/V LT PREMIER gave me an empty Pepsodent toothpaste box and asked me to get him 3-4 tubes of toothpaste. Due to the lateness of the hour, and the fact that the ship was sailing that evening, I had little time to buy the requested toothpaste. I first went to the Town of Fife and could only find one tube of Pepsodent at the drug store. I returned to the dock and gave the security department the one tube of Pepsodent toothpaste that I found. There was no time left for me to personally deliver it.

August 26, 2002 the vessel is back in port and the Chief Engineer gave Chaplain Lito \$20.00 for more toothpaste. Chaplain Lito called me and asked if I would look for \$20.00 worth of Pepsodent toothpaste. This time I didn't have to pay \$4.00 a tube for each tube; I hit the jackpot and found the toothpaste on sale for \$1.29. I purchased 14 tubes of toothpaste

with the \$20.00. Boy, was the Chief surprised. The Chief asked me, "What am I going to do with all of this toothpaste?" I suggested that he give some of the toothpaste away as Christmas presents.

The Seafarers' Center is located on Alexander Avenue, which is a busy thoroughfare. Frequently, trucks stop across the street to check their truckload and visit with other truckers. I often visit the truckers and invite them to come to our Seafarers' Center for a fresh cup of good coffee and homemade cookies (if the staff hasn't eaten them all). Some of the truckers stop by our Center periodically; this has been a terrific opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with them over a cup of fresh coffee.

Several of the Seafarers have requested Christian tapes and CD's to listen to. If you have extra Christian CD's and tapes that you would be willing to donate, it would be greatly appreciated. Please wrap the CD's and tapes in packages of 4 or more, so that we can bless the Seafarers who come to our Port of Tacoma.

God's riches blessing for your faithfulness.

Lloyd Bovee

NEXT TSC BOARD MEETING -- October 1, 2002

NEXT LADIES AUXILIARY MEETING -- October 22, 2002

Hostesses: Molly Peckham & Betty Hoffman

Devotions: Shirley Muntz
