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**Presidents Report
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To the Membership:

It has again been my privilege to have served as the President of the Board of Marine Underwriters of San Francisco for the past 12 months. It has been a busy time despite it being a non-Seminar year. It seems that we never rest from planning, organizing or panicking about the next impending biennial event! I would like to thank each and every one of the committee members involved for their time and professional input.

The Board of Directors continue to work hard on this and other projects throughout the year. We again looked to donate to various charities as well as organizing a half-day Seminar for this coming month of October. Further details of this year's activities are provided below in our committee overviews.

Committee activities

Education – Sandra Inouye / Karla Scott / Cathy Hammer, Co-Chairs – since the departure of our original Chairperson, Ashley Fraser, we have platooned this role and successfully organized a half-day Seminar which is scheduled for October 15th. The topics will revolve around warranty coverage wordings and current legal issues. It will be hosted by a panel of local leading marine attorneys.

Website committee – Marie Meadows, Chairperson – information was updated throughout the year and I urge you all to check out the website's newly designed layout. It is a great resource for important information from past Seminars as well as upcoming events.

2016 Seminar Committee – Karla Scott, Chairperson - the dedicated committee is actively planning the next biennial Seminar, which promises to be another successful event. It is to be held at The Palace Hotel on April 21st and 22nd, 2016, with the golf outing again at the Presidio Golf Course on April 20th.

Treasurer's Report – Stephen Bidwell, Chairperson - reported at the August 12th, 2015 Directors meeting that the Board was financially sound having a bank balance of \$31,730.

Finally, I would again like to thank all those who contributed to the Board during this past year and who have helped me in my two years as President. I urge you to continue that full support for our new incoming President, it truly provides important and valued assistance. I said this last year but I really feel that it bears repeating... I realize that we are all busy with other jobs so it is very much appreciated when you take the time to give back to our industry. It all becomes worthwhile when our efforts pay off and we host a popular Seminar or similar event but we should also take pride in our roles that further the scope of the Marine Insurance industry as a whole. I request that anyone should feel free to contact us with respect to learning more about serving on the Board of Directors or Seminar Committee. Your input would be most welcome.

Sincerely,

Peter Knowles
President
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