## Perch Base, United States Submariners

## Flash Traffic

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Subject: Reminder: Laveen Parade this weekend

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- 1. This year's theme is "Laveen's Got Talent!" Parade rolls at 11 AM. The 24th annual Laveen Community Parade will run on Dobbins Road from 43rd to 51st Avenues. Dobbins Road will be closed from 41st Lane to 51st Avenue from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. We don't have an assigned staging location yet, so the setup is not specific, but we generally expect to be located on Dobbins Rd. east of 43rd Ave. (Same area we staged last year.) Access will be from 35th Ave facing west. To get to the float staging area on Dobbins, east of 43rd Ave, it is recommended to take 35th Ave south to Dobbins Road and then head west. Parking along Dobbins first comes, first served. Staging begins at 8 AM. Members are recommended to arrive there early as parking may be limited and entry by way of published routes will be restricted after 9 AM. Refer to the PARADE STAGING MAP on the website. Don't forget to bring your chair for the People Trailer. If any additional information becomes available, then Flash Traffic will be issued ASAP.
- 2. The Awards Banquet on Saturday night was a great success. If you did not attend, then you missed an entertaining event that celebrated us. VADM Sawyer's presentation was timely, cautionary, and reassuring. He painted a picture of China's intent to be the #1 nation in world and the nefarious means they are employing to attain that goal. For the Cold War Veterans in our midst, this sounded very familiar. The admiral challenged all present to get educated on China's intentions and keep yourselves and others informed. He stated that our submarine force is the best in the world. The admiral stated this with the conviction of one who knew. He also praised our submariners their professionalism and sacrifice and is comfortable with the present and future

