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THE SALVAGE CHIEF: RESCUE SHIP

Volume One



By... Those Who Were There

With... Gratitude from Co-Author Sunnie Bell for The Gift of Sharing Their Experiences Rescued from a graveyard of retired World War II Navy ships by visionary deepsea diver and entrepreneur Fred Devine, The Salvage Chief again worked the waters to become the most respected and highly recognized rescue vessel in the world. After conversion from military design to become the strongest and most effective tugboat anywhere, Devine with Captain Reino Mattila and an amazing crew, enabled The Chief to perform nearly three hundred major jobs during her stunning sixty year career.

Although Devine and Mattila and many crew members are now gone, The Salvage Chief remains beloved by those who served aboard as well as others who have come to love her through sharing in memories. Recently brought home to Astoria, Oregon, The Salvage Chief and reports of her adventures live on. Here are those stories in poetry, history, narrative descriptions, and pictures in The Salvage Chief: Rescue Ship Volume One.





"This is an epic story long past due! Thank you for bringing to light – for a much larger audience – the heroics and personality of a great ship and the character traits of her crew for 50-plus years." Maury Hendrickson, Native Astorian and Admirer of The Salvage Chief's Legend.