



Ben J. Skuban
M/V Burns Harbor
Outstanding Mariner 2019

On the morning of March 26, 2019, while the M/V Burns Harbor was departing Sturgeon Bay, the crew was called to respond to a fire in the bow windlass room. Kevin Pearl along and Ben Skuban volunteered to suit up. They valiantly engaged the fire by locating and extinguishing the secondary Class 'A' fire and then entered the space again, after swapping out SCBA's, in order to engage the main source of the fire in the bow electrical room. These individuals exhibited exceptional courage and fortitude and their actions prevented significant damage to the ship and serious threat of injury to their shipmates. In recognition of his courageous and valiant efforts in protecting the M/V Burns Harbor and its crew, Ben J. Skuban is named ASC Outstanding Mariner for 2019.