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### Sharon Schamp, L.M.T. - Seldovia gets a massage expert! *by Mary Glover*



Sharon Schamp, L.M.T. is back in town! Sharon is known by many long-time residents of Seldovia. Both Sharon and her husband, Richard (Dick), have a long history with Seldovia dating back to 1986. Sharon said, "The John Cabot Cannery brought us to Seldovia. Dick was the Plant Engineer and I worked as the Commissary Order Procurement Clerk. The cannery was across the street from the City Hall at that time. I also became the Harbor Master and I brought in more dollars for the city... I would go down to the docks in the middle of the night with hot coffee and cookies and collect the moorage fees before they could skip out in the early morning hours. They were so happy to see me with coffee and cookies that collecting the fee was easy!" Sharon also served on the EMS team and drove the ambulance. She was one of the early EMT trainees when Sue Hecks was in the Seldovia EMS department. She also ran her Rosebud Taxi Service. This lady wears many hats!

Dick is retired Navy and throughout their 40+ years of marriage they have lived in California, Illinois, Virginia, Washington, Hawaii and Alaska. "Being all those years in the Navy made us travel around." Sharon said, "Dick is an engineer...there is nothing he can't fix."

Here in Seldovia, the Schamps live in a residence in the newly named "Russian Hill Mobile Estates." Sharon has many great ideas and has many stories to share.

Sharon told me that she also is a "recovering alcoholic." "The Lord touched me in 1983, which was truly an attention getter." Sharon exhibits being a very well rounded, educated and happy person. She has attended the State University of Iowa, San Diego State University, Spectrum School of Massage and recently the [Basty University](#) in Seattle, Washington. She has many years as a licensed massage therapist and we are so fortunate to have her come back to Seldovia.

Sharon and Dick came to Seldovia for only ten days and have ended up staying over a month! Soon they will be leaving for Washington State again, but they will be returning in April. Next year when Dick is working for [Icicle Seafoods' Larsen Bay](#), Sharon plans to spend her time in Seldovia with her (soon to be formed) new business, Rambling Rose Massage Clinic. Sharon also owns a massage clinic in Washington State.

We wish Sharon all the success with her new business venture and

The Schamps have raised a son and a daughter. Their son has two children and their daughter has seven children, bringing a total of nine grandchildren who all live within twelve miles apart in Washington State.

look forward to when she will be spending more time in Seldovia. We also look forward to the time when Dick will be our spotlight!

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