

### July 2018, Port of Bremerton Newsletter

# Note from the CEO: Staying in Front of Progress



As we move well into 2018, we have seen many changes since my start as CEO in 2014. Four years ago at the Port, the economic turnaround was just starting to peek its head. The Bremerton Marina was at 40% occupancy and the Port began an aggressive marketing strategy as we saw boat ownership begin to rise. At the Olympic View Industrial Park, businesses were starting to show some interest in properties, as there were many vacant buildings available in

the area creating a true buyer's market. There were significant cost savings in purchasing or leasing an existing building and retrofitting, rather than build new.

Jumping forward, the atmosphere is very different... <u>Click here to continue</u> reading

# Tenant Spotlight: Inventech Marine Solutions (IMS)

Boats built for anything that life throws at you. That's the motto for Inventech Marine Solutions (IMS) and their brand Life Proof Boats. Life Proof Boats has been a Port tenant for four years in the Olympic View Industrial Park and they have grown exponentially in the last several years producing boats for the Department of Fish



and Wild Life and other government agencies, local companies like the Seattle Boat Company as well as local Native American Tribes. <u>Click here to learn more about</u> <u>Inventech Marine Solutions (IMS) brand, Life Proof Boats.</u>

# New Airport and Industrial Tenants



<u>Airlift Northwest</u> Emergency health care provider now stationed at Bremerton National Airport.



Olde Thyme Aviation Antique biplane tours now available!



Bremerton Aviation Center for Education

BACE provides an opportunity for hands-on learning for youth and aviation enthusiasts.



### Washington Avenue Property Sale

The Port recently approved the sale of the twoacre parking lot on Washington Avenue in Bremerton near the Bremerton Marina to the local firm, Sound West Group.

During the Commission meeting on May 22, the Port unanimously approved the sale of the Washington Avenue property adjacent to the Bremerton Marina to the local firm, Sound West Group for \$4.5 million dollars. The property is a two-acre parking lot on which Sound West Group plans to build a hotel structure that will include apartments and space for retail shops along with a tri-level parking garage which the Port has secured space to maintain marina tenant parking.

Learn about the amenities to come to the new marina square by clicking the button to read



# BPA Provides \$21,000 in Scholarships to Youth

The Bremerton Pilots Association (BPA) has awarded \$21,000 in Flight Training Scholarships to six students to go towards the cost of obtaining their certificates. <u>Read the press</u> <u>release for details about the</u> <u>scholarship.</u>

### Car Cruise a hit at Bremerton National Airport



You can expect to see over a hundred cars parked at the airport terminal during this weekly car cruise featuring more.

#### Read more about the WA Ave Sale



new and vintage cars and everything in between! This event is open to the public every Wednesday, 4 to 7 p.m. through October 24.

### Wings of Freedom Tour Brings History Once Again to Bremerton National Airport

Hundreds of people of all ages enjoyed the B-17, B-24, B-25, P-51 Mustang, and this year also brought the A4 Skyraider on display, June 18-20. Several veterans attended, including a few 95-year old WWII Army Corp Veterans and their families! A thank you to the non-profit, Collings Foundation for bringing this exciting event to KPWT two years in a row. A special thanks also to the Veterans Living History Museum for sharing their amazing displays and the West Sound Military Vehicle Preservation Club for participating. Click here to view more photos.

# Upcoming Events



Rock the Dock Concert Series Free on Saturdays July 7 - August 23



Port of Bremerton Commission Meeting Airport Terminal Building July 24, at 6 p.m.

Visit our website for more events



Bremert on Fly-In & Car Show Young Eagle Flights for Kids Saturday, August 25

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