



Welcome to the PSNBA Regional Membership Drive Kick Off Breakfast!

April 18, 2006

Message from the President

As I begin my first letter as president of PSNBA, I would like to thank Guy Stitt for three years of excellent leadership that has brought our association to its current level of exceptional effectiveness. PSNBA is recognized throughout the Navy and Congress as the most effective organization in representing the interests of the bases in any U.S. Navy region and we have Guy to thank for it. We are fortunate to have Guy with us now as "Ambassador-At-Large", working issues behind the scenes that are local, nationwide and abroad.



Happy Anniversary! This year we celebrate 60 years of PSNBA's legacy supporting our naval bases in the Puget Sound. Our mission is just as relevant today as it was in the 1940's. However, our global economy requires us to think beyond just the Puget Sound. PSNBA's interests now include the shipyard's growing role in Yokosuka, Japan, where the nuclear powered CVN-73 USS GEORGE WASHINGTON will replace the USS KITTY HAWK.

Since taking over as President last winter, the PSNBA calendar has been filled with important events. We have hosted receptions for two "4-star" Admirals; ADM Roughead, Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet, and ADM Donald, Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program. A PSNBA delegation has been on the road meeting with ADM Roughead in Hawaii, and RADM

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PSNBA Celebrates 60 Years

On December 6, 1945, the Bremerton Area Chamber of Commerce met with representatives of the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard's Metal Trades Council to commit to maintaining a liaison in Washington, D.C. to keep the members informed on Navy and Congressional activities that affected PSNS. On April 19, 1946, a set of bylaws were approved by the Metal Trades Council "Navy Yard League", the Chamber "Naval Affairs Committee" and Shipyard civilian management, establishing the Puget Sound Naval Bases Association.

To commemorate this historical event, PSNBA is hosting an Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, April 22, 2006 from 6 - 8 p.m. at Olympic College in Bremerton. If you would like to attend, please visit our web site, www.psnba.org, for additional event details. We hope to see you there!

PSNBA's Annual Trip to Washington, DC

Members of a PSNBA delegation returned from their Annual Advocacy trip to Washington, D.C. on March 2, 2006. The delegation spent time one-on-one with senior Navy and Congressional leadership, and advocated for the interests of our local bases.

"This was a wonderfully successful trip, with more than eight hours of one-on-one time with senior navy leadership", said PSNBA 1st Vice President April Mills.

The Annual Advocacy trip is part of the core mission of PSNBA. You can find a complete copy of the Community Trip Report available on our web site, www.psnba.org



From left to right: Tim Thomson, April Mills, Andy Demott, Jim Nall, Admiral Michael Mullen, Guy Stitt, Michael Tart and Chris Endresen.



PSNBA Marks its 60th Annual Base Drive

This year marks the 60th annual PSNBA base drive. In 1946 PSNBA began to advocate in Washington, D.C. for the interests of the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and the Bremerton business community. Today PSNBA's mission, just like that of PSNS&IMF, stretches from the Everett waterfront to San Diego and soon across the wide Pacific Ocean to Japan. With this increased responsibility comes increased demands, not only on the workforce of PSNS&IMF, but on the volunteers of PSNBA, to advocate for the infrastructure, workload, and respect that PSNS&IMF deserves. Therefore, in this 60th year, PSNBA asks each worker to join, to buy a bigger membership than ever before, and to be proud to support the committed, 60-year partner of every shipyard worker, PSNBA. The future is what you invest in it. Invest in PSNBA today.

Message from the President continued...

Cassias, Commander Submarine Force, Pacific Fleet. For the first time the delegation met with Commander, Naval Air Forces, VADM Zortman. At the end of February, a PSNBA delegation traveled to Washington, D.C. for the Annual Advocacy trip where they were fortunate to have 45 minutes with the CNO. The delegation also had another first, meeting with ADM Nathman, Commander Fleet Forces Command, in Norfolk, VA.

As you can see, the PSNBA is working hard in support of our members and the naval installations here in the Puget Sound. On behalf of our entire Board of Directors, I would like to thank you for your support of PSNBA, through your membership and your presence at our events. The PSNBA has an important legacy, and we look forward to continuing this legacy for another 60 years!

PSNBA Introduces the 2006 Executive Board



President, Mr. Tim Thomson – Tim has been a member of PSNBA for 5 years. He is a retired Naval Aviator Captain, serves as the Chief Operating Officer of the Port of Bremerton, and brings a wealth of insight about the community and the U.S. Navy.



1st Vice President, Mrs. April Mills – April has been a member of PSNBA for 5 years and serves as a Representative At-Large. She brings great energy and dedication to PSNBA that motivates our Board and members to “get involved”.



2nd Vice President, Mr. Roy Harrington - Roy is serving his first elected term as 2nd Vice President. He is a Colonel in the Army Reserve and works as the Operations Director for Kitsap Transit. His commitment to our enlisted sailors and their families is a wonderful asset to our Board.



Treasurer, Mr. Jeff Markiewicz – Jeff is serving his second elected term and represents the NCMA. He is working on a Master's Degree in Public Affairs from Indiana University and contributes 16 years experience interacting between Union members and management.



Secretary, Mr. Michael Tart – Mike has been a member of PSNBA for 4 years and is a representative from IFPTE. He is serving his first elected term. His enthusiasm for spreading the word about the mission of PSNBA is a wonderful addition to our Board.

Become a PSNBA Member Today!

Membership forms are now available from representatives throughout the shipyard, or you can contact Jim Oas (360-476-0148, oasj@psns.navy.mil)

Thank You For Your Support!