

Port of Anacortes



1ST QUARTER 2011



Anthony's offers new waterfront dining opportunity

This Port tenant will provide not only jobs, but delicious "products" served in a breathtaking Northwest setting. Anthony's at Cap Sante Marina, which opened January 17, is the 20th restaurant in a family-owned chain renowned for fresh seafood, complemented by Northwest beef.

This latest Anacortes dining option opens in a unique new building that features a wall of windows facing Cap Sante Boat Haven. In addition to a main dining area that will seat 132, the restaurant has two seasonal decks, one of which boasts a large gas fireplace and overhead heating. Seating on the decks in warm weather will roughly double seating capacity.

The inside lounge will seat another 50; there is a banquet room that seats 32, and there are stools at a counter so guests can watch chefs prepare food.



A ribbon-cutting ceremony made the Anthony's at Cap Sante Marina opening official.

The restaurant is presently open during dinner hours and will be open for lunch soon. On weekdays, Anthony's offers a four-course, reduced price meal from 4-6 p.m.

"This is a beautiful marina," said Anthony's representative Lane Hoss. "The more we learned about this community, the more we thought this is a great location for an Anthony's restaurant. Anacortes is just a natural spot for us."

A southwest wall at the restaurant features a collection of historic Anacortes maritime photographs including many from the Wallie Funk Collection.



Hundreds gathered last year for the annual Work Boat Races and Pirate Show on Port of Anacortes docks. The inset features participants at the annual Oktoberfest, held in the Port Transit Shed Event Center. See a pictorial review of 2010 on pages 2 and 3, and a list of 2011 events on page 4.

Anacortes Salmon Derby draws hundreds of anglers to community

Hundreds of anglers are making preparations for March 26 & 27 and the 2011 Anacortes Salmon Derby, a scholarship event established in 2007 by the Fidalgo Island Chapter of the Puget Sound Anglers. The Port of Anacortes is one of the partners in this event, providing support including promotional rates for moorage and launching (One thousand tickets only; reserve early).

Derby Chairman Jay Field reports that \$25,000 in cash prizes will be awarded this year, plus thousands of dollars worth of merchandise. Top prize for the largest salmon is \$15,000. Second place will bring \$5,000; third place and secret weight, \$2,500

each. Tickets remain at the family-friendly price of \$50.

All proceeds go to a scholarship fund benefiting students pursuing education in the fisheries area. More than \$110,000 has been provided for scholarships and grants: 2010, \$29,828; 2009, \$27,000; 2008, \$29,200; 2007, \$24,000.

"In addition to providing scholarships from this event," said Field, "we have created another recreational opportunity for families which allows us to showcase the public marina, its facilities, and our downtown area."

See www.anacortessalmonderby.com for details.



Siechen named 2010 Port District Employee of Year

Gloria Siechen, who serves as accounts receivable specialist, was honored recently as 2010 Port of



Port Employee of the Year Gloria Siechen receives plaque from Port Commission President Keith Rubin.

Anacortes Employee of the Year.

Siechen, who joined the Port staff as a part-time receptionist in 2004, moved into her present post in 2005.

Siechen is a native of Beaverton, Oregon. She spent 27 years in the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). Career posts took her to nations in Africa, Europe, Southeast Asia, the Middle East and the Dominican Republic. She said she is happiest in a job that offers variety and challenge.

"When I was asked about the job of accounts receivable, I said 'This might be very interesting,'" she recalls – and she hasn't been

disappointed. Essentially, her job comes down to accounting for all revenue and cash receipts for the Port. That responsibility includes working with fellow employees in all areas of operations, from the main office to Cap Sante Boat Haven.

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Rent this waterfront facility!

Historic Port of Anacortes Pier 1 "Transit Shed"

Located on Guemes Channel with view of San Juan Islands

- Seating for 350
- Dock Access
- Restrooms
- Dance Floor Option
- Handicap Accessible

- Holiday Parties
- Conferences
- Community Events
- Company Parties
- Wedding Receptions
- Family Reunions
- Team Parties



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A message from Executive Director Bob Hyde

Happy New Year! 2010 has been a productive year for the Port, as you will see in the recap in this newsletter. I am happy to predict that 2011 will be an even better year for your Port District.

Anthony's at Cap Sante Marina is now open to the public. Eighty-plus employees and thousands of customers from near and far will help make the Boat Haven a bustling waterfront 365 days a year. The restaurant will go a long way to make the Boat Haven a destination of choice from sea and land. And our Anthony's has a new twist: a unique three-season outdoor dining area with fireplace and heat, but open to the marina!

We recently cut the ribbon on a new barge ramp at Wyman's marina area. This new, "skookum" ramp, built by Schwetz Construction, will enable roll-on roll-off barge traffic from Anacortes to the islands to flourish.

The end of January found us at the Seattle Boat Show, showcasing all that Anacortes and our boating community have to offer.

Our next major event for 2011 will be in March, when we break ground on a \$1 million office for the Cortland Puget Sound Rope Company. This facility will be just west of their factory, and will be a beautiful 5,000 square foot facility designed by local architect Mike Underwood.

The end of March will start our season of marine events including a reinvigorated Spring Boat Show and the 5th Annual Anacortes Salmon Derby.

In April the Anacortes Small Boat Center storage yard will open in the north end of the marina, providing safe and economical storage for kayaks and other small boats right next to the small boat

hoist which was installed last year.

In May we will re-open the cleaned up Seafarers' Park, which features a new breakwater, pier, and launch floats for small boats. This facility will be an incredible community asset, and we will host six concerts this summer, on Fridays beginning mid-July. May will also be the month we flip the switch on a brand new marina management computer system featuring a reservation system and slip-side check-in capabilities.



Port of Anacortes Executive Director Robert W. Hyde

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May also brings the Waterfront Festival and Trawlerfest to the Boat Haven. The Chamber of Commerce has done a great job of putting the "water" back in the Waterfront Festival, and Trawlerfest will expand this year into the new Marine Tech Center exhibit spaces.

At mid-year we will begin exporting prilled sul-

fur at the marine terminal to China and elsewhere, providing work to our local truckers, sulfur refiners, and longshoremen. We anticipate six ships per year at our terminal.

We will have weekend entertainers on the Central Pier on Saturdays and Sundays throughout the summer. We are always looking for artists, so please pass this along to your favorite local musician, painter, poet, juggler, etc. Call Julie at 293-3134 for more details.

The 3rd annual Anacortes Workboat Races and Pirate Contest will expand to be a day long event, and will have its own day: August 20th. The event will include food and music as well as tours of the boats.

After Labor Day, we will be moving all boats off of the Boat Haven's E and F Docks, and begin the replacement of these 50-year-old floats. Replacing the old wood and creosote system will be hefty concrete floats with steel pilings similar to C and D docks. This project will continue until March of 2012, when the new E & F docks will be completed and put into service.

More than 32 events are already booked for 2011 in the Port's historic Transit Shed Event Center. The year will once again be topped off with a Boat Parade (weather permitting) and Celtic Christmas Concert featuring Geoffrey Castle.

It is a privilege to work with a talented Port staff, and with our many community partners, from tenants to the Chamber of Commerce, EDASC and government entities including the City of Anacortes, Skagit County, and the Anacortes School District. I look forward to seeing many more area opportunities realized in 2011.

Port of Anacortes 2010 Pictorial

Community gathers for opening day of Boating Season 2010



Boating season kickoff activities at Cap Sante Boat Haven included a boat parade and sea shanty sing-a-long.

Long-time tenants honored



Long-time Port of Anacortes customers including tenants and boat slip renters were acknowledged in 2010 with Port of Anacortes burgees (flags).

Commissioners in community



Once again this year, Anacortes Port Commissioners partnered with the Chamber of Commerce to conduct a "Meet Your Commissioners" session at the Anacortes Library.

DCI remains largest tenant



Port tenant Dakota Creek Industries (DCI) remains busy, utilizing expanded facilities. DCI keeps a constant eye on the future in an increasingly competitive industry.

It's a celebration as marine tech center opens for fall classes



Skagit Valley College President Dr. Gary Tollefson (center) was among numerous project "partners" who spoke at the opening of the Northwest Career and Technical Academy Marine Technology Center next door to Cap Sante Boat Haven.

"O" Avenue beach restoration



Work on the new "O" Avenue waterfront area included beach restoration. Visit this park-like site on the Guemes Channel.



Port of Anacortes 2010 Pictorial

Partners dedicate "O" Avenue



Port Commission President Keith Rubin and state official Lisa Wellman shared lead ribbon-cutting responsibilities at a February event acknowledging completion of the "O" Avenue/Railroad Avenue mitigation/restoration project. The project was funded by a Job Development Fund (JDF) grant.

Pier 1 / DCI project complete



In partnership with the Port of Anacortes, Dakota Creek Industries this year completed major improvements including new upland and in-water facilities. The project was known as "Project Pier 1," with a total public/private investment of approximately \$22 million.

Bustling fuel dock



Competitive prices, clean facilities and excellent service contributed to a record fuel sale of more than one million gallons last year at the Cap Sante Boat Haven Fuel Dock.

State auditors give thumbs-up



Port staff in all business areas contributed to yet another positive audit from the State of Washington in 2010.

Seafarers' Park amenities



Among improvements at the former site of a Scott Paper mill are public pier and dock at Seafarers' Memorial Park.

Scott Mill site cleanup includes uplands, tidelands and beach



A once ragged beach on Fidalgo Bay has been restored and will be open to the public this spring with completion of cleanup of the former Scott Paper mill site.

Slammin' Salmon Derby!



Fisherman Ralph Thomas was a happy camper last year when he was presented a \$15,000 check for top fish at the 4th Annual Anacortes Salmon Derby.

Transit Shed Event Center



The Port's Transit Shed Event Center is a popular community venue. More than 32 events are already booked for 2011.

Veterans Day event



Members of the U.S. military, active and retired, were honored at a well-attended Veteran's Day event held at the Transit Shed Event Center.

Attitudes & Latitudes party



Attitudes & Latitudes celebrants said they'll be back after a successful event at Cap Sante Boat Haven last year.

"T" Avenue project



Port project manager Jenkins Dossen makes a site visit to "T" Avenue, where improvements were made in association with the DCI/Pier 2 project.

Boat launch at Wyman's plays important role



Vessel traffic is constant in the Guemes Channel harbor area formerly known as Wyman's Marina. Upland improvements continue this year. The Port owns the property.

Boat Races / Pirates



Work boats approach the 'finish line' at the 2010 Work Boat Races in the channel off historic Curtis Wharf.

Small Craft Hoist dedicated



Commissioners Bill Short and Pat Mooney join others in a ribbon-cutting event at the new small launch boat facility in the North Basin of Cap Sante Boat Haven.

Celtic Christmas Celebration draws crowd, will be back



Celtic violinist Geoffrey Castle entertains at the 2010 Celtic Christmas Celebration. Photo courtesy of Chris Terrell



2011 Port Tours and Events

Jan 10: Community Tour, Dakota Creek
Jan 17: Anthony's Grand Opening
Jan 21-30: Seattle Boat Show, Quest Field
Feb 14: Community Tour, Dakota Creek *
March 5: Friends of Forest Concert, Transit Shed
March 18-21: Anacortes Youth Sports Coalition, Transit Shed
March 18-20: Spring Boat Show, Cap Sante
March 14: Community Tour, Dakota Creek*
March 26-27: Anacortes Salmon Derby, Cap Sante
April 9: Wine Festival, Transit Shed
April 11: Community Tour, Dakota Creek *
April 27-May 1: Gala of Hope, Transit Shed
May 9: Community Tour, Dakota Creek *
May 9-14: Trawlerfest, Transit Shed
May 20: Re-dedication of Seafarers' Park, Seafarers' Memorial Park
May 20: Waterfront kickoff dinner, Transit Shed
May 21-22: Waterfront Festival, Cap Sante
June 13: Community Tour, Dakota Creek*
June 17-18: American Cancer Society Relay for Life, Cap Sante
July 2-3: Central Pier Performances, Cap Sante
July 9-10: Central Pier Performances, Cap Sante
July 11: Community Tour, Dakota Creek *
July 15-17: What The Heck Fest, Transit Shed
July 16-17: Central Pier Performances, Cap Sante
July 22: Red Hot Blues Sisters, (Summer Concert Series) Seafarers' Memorial Park**
July 23-24: Central Pier Performances, Cap Sante
July 29: Leroy Thomas and the Zydeco Road Runners (Summer Concert Series), Seafarers' Memorial Park**
July 30-31: Central Pier Performances,

Cap Sante
Aug 5: Cherry Cherry Tribute to Neil Diamond (Summer Concert Series), Seafarers' Memorial Park**
July 22- Aug 8: Arts Festival, Transit Shed
Aug 6: Concert In The Park, Seafarers' Memorial Park
Aug 6-7: Central Pier Performances, Cap Sante
Aug 8: Community Tour, Dakota Creek*
Aug 12: Tallboys (Summer Concert Series), Seafarers' Memorial Park**
Aug 13-14: Central Pier Performances, C. Sante
Aug 19: Summer Concert Series, Seafarers' Memorial Park**
Aug 20-21: Central Pier Performances, C. Sante
Aug 20: Work Boat Races, Pier 1
Aug 27-28: Central Pier Performances, C. Sante
Sept 12: Community Tour, Dakota Creek*
Sept 30- Oct 2: Fall Boat Show, Cap Sante
October 8: Oktoberfest, Transit Shed
October 10: Community Tour, Dakota Creek*
November 4-6: Chamber Cheers, Transit Shed
November 14: Community Tour, DCI*
Nov 30-Dec 5: Celebration of Trees, Transit Shed
Dec 10: Boat Parade/Christmas Concert, Pier 1
Dec 12: Community Tour, Dakota Creek*

2011 TBD Events

Nordic Tug Mini Rendezvous, Cap Sante Boat Haven
 Tall Ships Dockside Tours, Cap Sante Boat Haven
 Antique Gas and Steam Engine Show, Cap Sante
 Meet Your Port Commissioners Night
 April: Tulip Regatta, Cap Sante
 June: Windermere Regatta, Cap Sante
 *Community tours usually meet at 4:00 at Dakota Creek office at 4th & Q Ave
 ** Summer Concert Series held at Seafarers' Memorial Park

Employee of Year

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"It's interesting and rewarding to be a part of so many aspects of the Port District's business," she said. "I feel like I'm part of something important."

Siechen loves Anacortes, a community she was introduced to by a CIA colleague who had retired here. She also enjoys the "family atmosphere" among Port employees.

"We work hard, but we also care about each other," she said. "When the chips are down, we're here to support each other in every way needed. That's pretty special."

In remarks made after presentation of the award, Port Executive Director Bob Hyde said of Siechen: Gloria has greatly improved our accounting processes and has brought receipt of our accounts to its best state ever."

"Gloria is retired from the CIA and she has a talent for getting people to pay their bills," Hyde quipped. "Even those who are on the receiving end of a late payment call from Gloria have nothing but positive comments about her. As part of our accounting team, she was instrumental in our receipt of another good report from the State Auditors. She processes more than 1,000 invoices each month for our marina tenants alone, and keeps the records in outstanding order."

Hyde concluded: "Gloria was selected from a field of nine nominees for the 2010 honor. Port staff members nominate those whom they believe have made significant contributions to the Port throughout the year. Congratulations, Gloria!"

Re-dedication at Seafarers' Park

In the wake of more than four years of planning and cleanup work at the former Scott Paper mill site on Fidalgo Bay, there will be a re-dedication of Seafarers' Memorial Park on May 20.

Dramatic changes in the park area range from beach and upland cleanups to construction of new breakwaters, dock and small boat launch. Look for details in the near future.

Mission Statement

In partnership with public agencies and private business, develop and manage facilities and services which stimulate private job creation and commerce, while protecting the quality of life, needs and desires of area residents.



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Pat Mooney, District 4 Vice President



Ray Niver, District 1 Secretary



Steve Hopley, District 3



Bill Short, District 2

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Included on the website under the "News" tab are press releases, and PDF copies of Port newsletters: "Inside the Port of Anacortes" and "The Dock Walker."

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