



# Inside news from your Port of Anacortes

A monthly newsletter from your Port of Anacortes

December 2009

## Calendar of Events

### Thursday, December 3

7 p.m.  
Regular Commission Meeting  
Commission Meeting Room  
1st and Commercial Avenue

### Thursday, December 17

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### Saturday, December 19

Christmas Boat Parade  
5:30 p.m., Cap Sante Boat Haven



This historic building is now named The Transit Shed Event Center.

## Former transit shed now serves as Event Center

In keeping with the Port's commitment to community, the historic warehouse that includes staff offices has been renamed "The Transit Shed Event Center."

This building on the extreme north end of Commercial Avenue has seen increased activity in recent years, in keeping with the Port's "open door" policy.

Rental clients range from the Anacortes Arts Festival to Island Hospital, Anacortes Chamber of Commerce and private parties.

To date this year, events held in the building produced revenue in excess of \$20,000.



**ANTHONY'S DROPS ANCHOR IN ANACORTES:** Budd Gould, founder of the Anthony's seafood restaurant chain, told his Anacortes audience this community is a perfect fit for the company. He noted that commercial fishermen bring boats in and out from docks just a few hundred feet away at Cap Sante Boat Haven.

## Anthony's hosts groundbreaking party



**GROUNDBREAKING DRAWS A CROWD:** Among dignitaries at the recent Anthony's Restaurant groundbreaking event were (r. to l. with shovels) EDASC Director Don Wick, State Rep. Dave Quall, Port Executive Director Bob Hyde, Port Commissioner Keith Rubin, Anacortes Mayor Dean Maxwell, Anthony's founder Budd Gould and his son, Herb.



## New breakwater under construction as bay cleanup continues

Dredging and construction of a 100-foot, full scale test section of new breakwater will likely be complete by the middle of December, reports Port of Anacortes Director of Engineering Bob Elsner.

This work, part of the former Scott Paper mill site environmental cleanup that will extend into 2011, is being conducted by contractor Pacific Pile and Marine. Included as part of the test breakwater section is equipment to measure settlement before construction continues on the first section of the new breakwater protecting

Seafarers' Memorial Park.

Barge-based crews are conducting both environmental dredging and breakwater construction. Some shoreline dredging will also be accomplished by barge-based crews prior to the January 15, 2010 "fish window" that seasonally prohibits in-water activity to protect migrating juvenile salmon.

Environmental excavation and cleanup is also taking place on upland areas of the property formerly occupied by a Scott

paper mill. Subcontractor Construction Unlimited is working on the uplands area included as part of the Port of Anacortes project. Mobile wastewater treatment tanks are being used to pump groundwater from upland excavation areas before discharging into the City sewer treatment plant.



This 3D graphic illustrates Phase One section of a new breakwater to protect the first section of Seafarers' Memorial Park and neighboring bay area. Current pilings (upper left) will be removed.



This photo of heavy equipment and rock for new breakwater illustrates the size of raw materials.

### Port Perspectives

#### Swimming against the economic current

Visiting the south end of the Cap Sante Boat Haven really makes me smile these days. We have two major projects under construction on



**Bob Hyde,**  
Executive Director

adjacent properties: the Scott Mill Site Cleanup and the Marine Skills Center.

Combined, the two projects count for more than \$25 million in work, with jobs, jobs, jobs.

Just to the north of these sites, Anthony's Restaurant will be starting construction

end of 2010.

Perhaps the most exciting part of the Anthony's project is the 80-120 food service jobs that it brings to the community, as unemployment in the country now exceeds 10 percent.

Another exciting project is the new small boat hoist currently being installed on the north end of the marina.

When completed, we will have the first major piece of infrastructure in place for our new Small Boat Center. This hoist will be a huge public access improvement for our small boaters, as well as help attract regattas and small boat events to our town.

*Bob Hyde*

## Three Port Commissioners re-elected

Three incumbent Port Commissioners were re-elected last month.

Voters in the Anacortes Port District once again elected commissioners Ray Niver, Keith Rubin and Bill Short. Commissioners are elected to four-year terms. Re-elected commissioners

join commissioners Steve Hopley (District 3) and Pat D. Mooney (District 4), whose terms are in effect until the end of 2011. To see a map and legal description of the Port's five commissioner districts, go to [www.portofanacortes.com](http://www.portofanacortes.com).



**Ray Niver, District 1**



**Bill Short, District 2**



**Keith Rubin, District 5**

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