



# Around the Docks

Satsop Business Park Westport Marina Coastal Innovation Zone Bowerman Airport PGH | Pilotage Services Friends Landing & Sterling Landing

*PGH Mission: To best utilize our resources to facilitate, enhance and stimulate international trade, economic development and tourism for the region.*

*Westport Marina*

## ***Strong returns continue for fishing off of Grays Harbor***

Home to more than 200 commercial fishing vessels, the Port of Grays Harbor's Westport Marina was once again the highest commercial seafood landing port in both value and volume in Washington State. According to the annual report by NOAA Fisheries, more than 100 million pounds of product valued at \$64 million was landed in 2014. Nationwide, Westport ranks 13<sup>th</sup> in volume and 15<sup>th</sup> in value landed.

"From the fishermen out at sea to our upland processors and our truck drivers and brokers that get it to market, commercial fishing is an important piece of our region's economy," reports Port Commissioner Jack Thompson. "We look forward to another good year at Westport and we will strive to provide the infrastructure, facilities and service to meet our fishing industry's needs."

More than 2,000 jobs are related to commercial fishing activities at the Westport Marina. Much of the volume landed at Westport is processed immediately at the plants located at the uplands of the Marina. In recent years, more than \$30 million in private investment has been spent on new and expanded processing facilities with more growth expected.

*Working Waterfront*

## **ILWU Local 24 adds casual registrants**



*Longshoremen drive new Jeeps aboard a vessel bound for Pacific-Rim nations. A recent longshore casual card draw will add 49 new workers to the list of ILWU Local 24's eligible worker list.*

The New Year will bring new employment for 49 workers who were added to the Local longshore casual list. As cargo shipments have diversified and volumes have grown, so has the need for longshore workers at the Port of Grays Harbor marine terminals. For the first time ever, the Pacific Maritime Association (PMA) utilized their official card draw process to expand the list of eligible longshore workers within Grays Harbor's ILWU Local 24.

In 2015, longshore workers worked more than 156,000 hours handling cargoes at the PGH marine terminals. With only 37 registered workers in Local 24, many of these jobs were filled by traveling longshore workers from other areas.

"Our mission is to enhance trade

and create jobs and it is important that our growth across the docks equate to economic opportunity for our local citizens," expressed Port Commission President Stan Pinnick. "The Port has long advocated to expand the local longshore list and we are excited to welcome these workers and get them to work at our terminals."

Submissions of over 500 cards were received with 98 names chosen for the list, which will be used for future openings through June 2017. Entries were drawn randomly by third party, Nickerson & Associates, in an event open to the public and recorded on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015. These positions have the potential to become full-time unionized longshore workers.

# Crab pot Christmas tree signals the start of Crab season at the Marina



A Christmas tree made of crab pots, tree branches and holiday lights greets visitors at Float 14 at the Westport Marina. Commercial crab season opens up January 4<sup>th</sup>. Photo credit Mike Coverdale.

For second year in a row, the Crab Pot Christmas Tree lit up the Westport Marina for the holiday season. The crab pots are donated by local commercial fisherman and Westport City Councilman Louis Summers with the City of Westport staff constructing the now iconic tree.

“It’s a welcome and festive tribute

to the local fishing industry that really brightens the Marina District,” explained Marina Manager Robin Leraas.

It also signifies the start of the commercial crab season which will kick-off this month, with pots being dropped on New Year’s Day and pick up on January 4<sup>th</sup>.

## Available Properties

# Myrtle Street Office & Warehouse Space Available



The 5,352 square-foot office and warehouse building is strategically located near Port Industrial Road and ready to serve your business’s needs.

Conveniently located off of Port Industrial Road between Aberdeen and Hoquiam, the Myrtle Street office and warehouse offers 5,352 square feet of combined office and warehouse space.

The site provides access to State Highway 12 and US 101, is only

4 miles from Bowerman Airport, and is within close proximity to deep-water marine terminals and rail.

For more information on this and other Port Industrial properties visit [www.portofgraysharbor.com](http://www.portofgraysharbor.com), or call Shannon Anderson at 360-533-9544.

## Calendar

- January 5 *Puffin Bulker @ T2*  
*Lake Kivu @ T4*  
*Nord Crest @ T2*
- January 10 *Jade @ T2*
- January 12 PGH Commission Meeting,  
PGH Offices @ 9am
- January 14 *Orient Acrux @ T2*
- January 26 *Victoria @ T2*



## Around the Docks

is a publication of the

## Port of Grays Harbor

*On Washington’s Pacific Coast*

It is available online at

**PortofGraysHarbor.com**

To join our mailing list contact

Kayla Dunlap at [kdunlap@portgrays.org](mailto:kdunlap@portgrays.org)



Located just off Port Industrial Road, the Myrtle Street office and warehouse space offers easy trucking access.

### Property Details:

- 5,352 sq. ft. combined office space and warehouse space
- Foreign Trade Zone
- Industrial Zoned
- 18 parking spaces