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June 2010 From the President



The goal of the Downtown Kingston Association is to make our downtown a happening place. Having a vital, active downtown brings more people to our local shops, a goal our Kingston Chamber heartily supports. The Association decided to work with the Chamber and now serves as the Events Committee for the Kingston Chamber of Commerce. Their schedule for 2010 includes Kites Over Kingston, summer Concerts on the Cove, Kingston HS Homecoming Parade & Pep Rally, Kingston Country Christmas and Kingston Holiday Home Tour. I recently introduced Dr Jennifer Thanscheidt from northwest Germany to some members of our committee. Jenny works full time as a marketing consultant to the over 80 Chambers in northwest Germany. These chambers have a total of over fifty-five thousand members. (55,000)

"There are no second chances for first impressions" Jennifer said. She was impressed with the solar trash compactors (Big Bellies) the Chamber is responsible for obtaining on our main street leading to the WA State Ferry Ticket Booths. The Chamber is responsible for keeping these 8 compactors empty. We are working with the county on replacing their logos with ones of our own, to give credit to those maintaining the trash collection. Jenny also observed the 120 flower baskets being hung throughout the town. She was very impressed with the stone and flower gardens we installed along West Kingston Road. Dr Thanscheidt observed that

the first several blocks in Kingston that visitors see getting off the ferry is like the living room of North Kitsap. This is the first impression they have of the communities in North Kitsap.

Dr Thanscheidt was impressed that the Events Committee brings us free Concerts on the Cove. This year the concerts have expanded from every Saturday night in August to every Saturday night in July and August. Local Chamber members and service groups have stepped forward to sponsor all eight free concerts. Please show your support by telling Chamber members how much you appreciate their efforts by shopping at their businesses. Before you purchase anything please ask "Are you a member of your local Chamber?" If they say no, ask "Why?"

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to join and/or volunteer for the Kingston Chamber and help make a better place to live, work and play. I chose the Greater Kingston Area to retire because of its small town charm and its friendly enthusiastic citizens. Volunteers are more important to our communities, since none of our north end towns are incorporated. Most of what we enjoy around town is the result of volunteer efforts which includes parks, trails, sidewalks, streetscapes, holiday decorations, hanging baskets, KHS lights for the athletic field, concerts and parades.

So if you want to drive the gator to water the hanging baskets, help build a new park, or be a hostess at the annual Holiday Home Tour, just call the Chamber Office at 297-3813 and we'll put you in touch with the right person.

Join our winning team: The Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce. Review our member directory and keep it as a reference. Our membership is enthusiastic about the greater Kingston area and supporting our local businesses. "You can only be a voice of business if you all take a part" was Jenny's response to how do we get businesses to join our Chamber? I look forward to meeting you and working with you on our many chamber projects.

Dan Martin
Patchwork Equities LLC
"Investing in a Sustainable Downtown Kingston"
Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce President, 2010
<http://kingstonchamber.com/>

Member Spotlight

Pete DeBoer has been associated in one way or another with Kingston since the mid 1950s when his parents rented a small cottage near President Point for a summer vacation away from Bellevue. The family was hooked and within a year purchased a waterfront lot off Jefferson Point Road. Their residence remained in Bellevue then Maple Valley but summers were forevermore linked to Kingston. Completing high school in Bellevue in 1964, and after a brief stint with a circus-a story for another day-and some construction work, he joined the United States Coast Guard. As a medic for the first few years, he served on ships and in clinics mostly in California until on the flip of a coin he was transferred to the Mediterranean Shores of Spain for two years where he cared for the crew and families of a Coast Guard Loran station there. Loosing the toss would have found him in Viet Nam. Next stop was Navy Pharmacy Technician training after which he was assigned to Washington DC where he ran a pharmacy at USCG Headquarters for three years. While there, he was able to witness the entire Watergate crisis and the end of the Nixon administration.

Departing Washington DC, Pete was selected to attend Officer Candidate School. As Junior Officer, he served aboard a Seattle based cutter performing Bearing Sea patrols followed by a two year stint as the Training Officer for the Thirteenth CG District. Next came an assignment back in Europe as Commanding Officer of a LORAN station on the North Sea shores of Germany. Returning to the states, Pete was assigned as operations officer and executive officer onboard a cutter out of Charleston SC performing drug interdiction patrols in the Caribbean Sea. After all of these adventures, he was once again assigned to Washington DC to serve as an assistant to the Surgeon General taking care of policy and congressional affairs. Missing the exciting life on the water and looking at three to four years of "city life" in Washington DC Pete chose to retire and pursue other interests. In 1986, this decision brought him back the Pacific



Northwest and of course Kingston.

Once back in Kingston, he first spent a year building a home in Taree and followed that project by starting a career in real estate. As a managing broker, he operated an office on Bainbridge Island and another in Poulsbo for Spot Realty and Prudential. In 1993 Pete founded Olympic Printer Resources and began providing "green" and sustainable printing solutions to businesses and home computer operators throughout the Puget Sound Region. Although Pete sold his interests in that enterprise in 2008, it remains a viable entity and employs 12 to 15 people.

While a business owner, Pete began to get involved in the community of Kingston and the North Kitsap region. He has served as Commodore of Kingston Cove Yacht Club, President of the Greater Kingston Kiwanis and President of the Greater Kingston Chamber of Commerce. For the past 7 years, he has chaired the Kingston Kiwanis Scholarship Foundation. In 2004 he was elected as Commissioner for the Port of Kingston and continues to serve in that role having been re-elected in 2009. For the past eight years, he has organized and led the Kingston 4th of July Celebration soliciting funds and working with all of the volunteers to make Kingston's 4th one of the best in the state. Not quite ready to hang it all up, this year Pete is campaigning to represent the citizens of all of North Kitsap County as a 23rd District Representative in the Washington State Legislature. He can be reached at 360 649 1806.

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Sharing discounts with fellow Members, and in this way boosting business, is another benefit of chamber membership.

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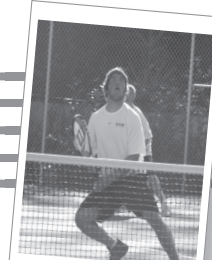
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Calendar of Events

JUNE 1 **Kingston High School Career Day**
8 - 2 @ Kingston High School Commons

Kingston Chamber Business Luncheon
Sponsored by Carney Cargill Insurance
12 PM @ Kingston Cove Yacht Club
Guest speaker: Russell Steele, Suquamish Clearwater Resort Sit Down, full service lunch Provided by Little City Catering and will include: Grilled Clubhouse Sandwich, Three Bean Pasta Medley, Side Caesar Salad, Pineapple Upsidedown Cake, Beverages RSVP to 297-3813 by May 31. \$15 with RSVP or \$20 at the door. Donation of door prizes is welcomed and strongly encouraged. This meeting is open to all businesses.

JUNE 3, 10, **Cruise Port Gamble - Car Show**
17 and 24 Thursdays, 4 - 8 PM Next to Mike's 4 Star BBQ. Come meet fellow car and truck enthusiasts

JUNE 5 & 6 **Medieval Faire**
Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM and Sunday 10:00AM - 3:00PM Step back into time... jousting, jesting & merry making sponsored by the Society for Creative Anachronisms. See the costumed squires, knights and their ladies. Shop for adornments & refreshments on the rolling green meadows of Port Gamble. Parking fees established by the individual festival group. For more information, please contact: 360.697.7404 www.kitsapmedievalfaire.org

JUNE 8 **Chamber Board of Directors Meeting**
(2nd Tuesday) 7:30 AM @ Little City Catering

JUNE 9 **Kingston Networking**
(Every 2nd Wed) Hosted by the Kingston Chamber Ambassadors 8:30 AM @ Cleo's Learning Center. Visit www.KingstonChamber.com for speaker information. Open to the general business public. If you have a business you'd like to promote, please join us for coffee and donuts. Bring lots of business cards. This opportunity is FREE. Chamber Membership Benefits will be discussed as well as Ambassador privileges.

JUNE 10 **Kingston Chamber After Hours**
5 PM - 7 pm @ The Salon and Spa on Gamble Bay in Port Gamble

JUNE 19 **Hansville Taste of Hops**
7-9 pm at the Buck Lake Community Center. Tickets \$14 and available at the Hansville Grocery Store, Hansville Repair and Bella Luna Restaurant in Suquamish. Get your tickets early as they will go fast. Featuring Silvercity Brewery.

JUNE 19 & 20 **Civil War Re-enactment Battles & Encampments**
Visit camps of the Union & Confederate Infantry, Cavalry, Artillery, Navy, Marines, Engineers & Civilians. Hospital demonstrations, Period Fashion Shows, Magic Lantern Exhibitions, Music, Period Sutlers & Historic Displays. Entry Fee (to be collected as a parking fee): Adults - \$7/person; Juniors (7-18 years old) - \$5/person; Children (6 years and under) - Free; Family (3 or more people) - \$20. Parking fees are established by the individual festival group. For more information, please contact: 360-874-8548 www.wcwa.net/portgamble/

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JUNE 26 **Kingston Town Cleanup**
9 AM at the Chamber Office - just in time for the 4th of July weekend! Bring your gloves and gardening tools.

For more information, June Events Websites:
Kingston - <http://kingstonchamber.com/drupal/>
Hansville - <http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=calendar@hansville.org>
Port Gamble - <http://www.portgamble.com/default.asp?ID=91>

ON GOING WEEKLY/MONTHLY EVENTS

- Wednesdays **Rotary Lunch** (every Wednesday)
11:30 @ Kingston Cove Yacht Club
- Thursdays **Kiwanis Meeting** (every Thursday)
7 AM @ The Oak Table Café, Kingston
- 1st Tuesday **Events** (Downtown Kingston Association)
4 PM @ Cleo's Learning Center
- 2nd Tuesday **Friends of the Library**
10 AM @ Kingston Library
- 2nd Tuesday **Plus or Minus 50 Singles Night**
6 PM at Cleo's Learning Center
- 4th Tuesday **VILLAGE GREEN FOUNDATION**
4 PM @ Cleo's Learning Center
- 1st Wednesday **Kingston Citizens Advisory Council**
7 PM @ North Kitsap Fire and Rescue on Miller Bay Road

- 2nd Wednesday **Super Seniors Lunch**
Call (360) 881-0288 for more information
- 3rd Wednesday **Kingston Garden Club**
9 AM @ Redeemer Church on Parcels
- 4th Wednesday **Kingston Historical Society**
10 AM @ Kingston Community Center
- 4th Thursday **Community Beautification Committee Monthly Meeting**
4 PM @ Cleo's Learning Center
Seeking more volunteers. Please come and learn about upcoming projects for the new season.
- 1st Friday **Urban Economic Development (Stakeholders)**
9 AM @ Cleo's Learning Center
- Thursdays **Cruz Port Gamble**
4:00 PM @ Port Gamble Forest Ridge, behind the Espresso Stand. Relax and enjoy cool cars, friendly people and good food. Classic Cars and hot rods welcome. 360.598.3365

Chamber Membership Benefits

Being a regular member of the Greater Kingston Community Chamber of Commerce automatically means:

- 1) When you join, your name is published in our broadcast email to over 300 recipients and on this page of the COMMUNITY NEWS which is distributed to over 9,000 addresses
- 2) Your name is then added to the annually-printed Business Directory and on the Chamber Website with a link to your website
- 3) You receive our weekly broadcast emails
- 4) Access to Chamber Networking functions such as the monthly luncheon at the Kingston Cove Yacht Club, monthly After Hours and bi-weekly Kingston Networking Meetings
- 5) Advertising opportunities on these pages of the monthly newsletter in the COMMUNITY NEWS.
- 6) Sponsorship opportunities of our weekly broadcast emails and our monthly luncheons.
- 7) Advertising space and Business Card space on our Wall of Fame at the Chamber Office

In addition, as a Patron member, you receive all the above PLUS your business name listed for a full year

- 1) on this page of our monthly newsletter
- 2) on our broadcast emails
- 3) on our website HOME page
- 4) at every monthly luncheon
- 5) at every After Hours

You'll also receive a plaque to hang in your office and your business name will be added to the list of partons on

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