

# CHAMBER NEWS

## POINT ROBERTS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

*"The Voice of Local Business"*

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### **Celebrate the Fourth of July in the Wild, Wild, West**

It's that time of year again, and our little corner of the U.S. will celebrate Point Roberts-style. Please join us as a participant or as a spectator at the Point Roberts 4th of July Parade and Celebration. The schedule of events is as follows:

**10 am: Parade participants check-in at the Reef parking lot.** The parade will leave the Reef promptly at 11am. If at all possible, approach the Reef from Marine Drive.

**11 am: Parade begins.** The parade will travel east on Gulf, turn right on Tyee to the parking lot at the foot of Tyee and Marina Drive and will disburse from there. We encourage participants to go directly to the Marina. Keep the fun going and wear a costume!

**1pm to 6pm Festivities at the Marina.** Comedian Billy Mitchell will entertain us as the master of ceremonies and local musicians will strut their stuff. There will be vendors, community groups and local artists with tables and booths. The Dockside Café will be open for business and there will be a beer garden outside. There will be activities for the children as well as the adults. The perfect way to spend the 4th!

**1:30 pm Awards Ceremony.** Awards will be presented to participants of the parade.

### **Register to be in the Parade**

Everyone is encouraged to participate. Businesses, community groups, families and individuals are all welcome to register to participate in the parade. The theme for the year is the Wild, Wild West. Just have fun!

Prizes will be awarded for three categories:

- Best Commercial Float
- Best Community Float
- Best Community Spirit

### **4TH OF JULY AT THE MARINA LIVE MUSIC FEATURING**

**CALAMITY JANE  
GEORGE WRIGHT  
EDSON  
STEVEN FURNO  
GIL  
THE J BAND**

### **The Spring Social Rocked!**

The spring social was a great success! The band, Calamity Jane, rocked the house with their special style. Thanks to Mark and Helena at the Dockside Café the food was great and as always, their staff did a superb job. We also want to say thanks to all the local businesses who donated goods and services to the silent auction and raffle. After all was said and done we raised close to \$500 for the general fund. So, thanks to all who attended, participated in the lively auction and helped make it a great night.

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## Chamber Calendar

### Thursday, June 15, 2006 Chamber luncheon

12:00 noon

Dockside Cafe, at the Marina

**Guest Speaker:** Representative [Doug Ericksen](#), from our [42nd Legislative District](#) will give a Session Update.

All are welcome.

Lunch is \$12.00.

Call 360-945-2313 to RSVP.

### Tuesday, July 4, 2006

4th of July Parade and festivities at the Marina.

### Thursday, August 17, 2006

12:00 noon

Lighthouse Park

Casual potluck networking lunch.

All are welcome.

Call 360-945-2313 to RSVP.

### Thursday, September 21, 2006 Chamber luncheon

12:00 noon

Please check website for location

**Guest Speaker:** Patrick McGinty from Sterling Bank will speak about business loans.

All are welcome.

Lunch is \$12.00.

Call 360-945-2313 to RSVP.

### Thursday, October 19 2006 Chamber luncheon

12:00 noon

Please check website for location

All are welcome.

Lunch is \$12.00.

Call 360-945-2313 to RSVP.

### November 16, 2006

Annual General Meeting

Time and location to be determined. Check website for updates.

## Call for proposal

All Chamber member restaurants, catering companies and facilities are encouraged to submit a proposal for hosting the AGM. Please contact the Chamber by October 1 for consideration. For any questions, or to submit your proposal call the chamber line at 360-945-2313 and a director will return your call.

## Taking Care of Business

We appreciate our members and want our chamber to serve local business in the best way possible. We have included a short survey so we can hear from you. Please let us know what you see as the role of the Chamber of Commerce in Point Roberts and what we, as a group, could be doing differently to serve the community. Your input is greatly appreciated and all responses will be carefully considered.



If you have not paid your dues for the 2006 year please do so as soon as possible. You don't want to miss out on all the Chamber has to offer. The Chamber works for you!

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