

PTMTA 3rd Quarter Newsletter

Please join us for the **PTMTA'S GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, NOVEMBER 13TH, 2008 at the PT Yacht Club, 5:30pm.** Members will be electing new board members and voting to change our by-laws to reflect two general membership meetings rather than four meetings. Active members who are unable to attend for the vote may email or hand deliver their proxy to a PTMTA Board member prior to the general membership meeting. Refreshments will be provided.

PTMTA HAS "SIT DOWN" WITH PT POLICE AND SHERIFF:

On Wednesday, September 17th, PTMTA members along with representatives from the PT police, (Sgt Troy Surber), and the County Sheriffs Office, (Sgt Andy Pernsteiner), met for a discussion regarding the recent thefts in Jefferson County affecting some marine trades. They presented a lot of valuable information about how the majority of all thefts in the city/county occur and what you can do as a business to help prevent them. Here are some of the points they highlighted.

Methods of entry

- Open or unlocked windows and doors
- Poor key control, (fired, laid off employees, etc)
- Improper use of doors (i.e.: interior doors used as exterior doors are easily broken into)
- Roof entry. Use of saw to cut through roof, (happened in PT twice) Entry through open skylights
- Knock hole in the wall of a neighboring business
- **Things you can do to make your business safer**
- Exterior lighting with motion sensors
- Good locks, dead bolts

- Alarm systems, audible and silent, advertise this in your windows
- Account for all keys, if one goes missing, re-key your business

What will help make the recovery of your stolen property more likely?

- Report the incident PT police or Sheriffs Office immediately. Each day they are delayed decreases the likelihood of finding a suspect.
- Use a digital camera to photograph all of your tools/equipment. This is especially important for the marine trades due to unique and custom made tools.
- Document serial numbers or identifying marks on theft prone items. The vast majority of recovered items can be attributed to the owner providing them with serial numbers. The numbers are entered into a nationwide computer system, which greatly increases chances of recovery.
- Turn in a written statement and list of stolen items when requested by law enforcement. The sooner they have your information, the sooner they can search for stolen items and a suspect.
- Cooperate with law enforcement. They are only trying to help. The more information they receive, the easier it will be for them to do their job.

Something else to consider...

Somewhere in the area of 60% to 80% of crimes in a business is internal. Someone you know or someone who knows your business, tools you have, etc.

We hope this will help all of our members and would like to thank Troy Serber and Andy Pernsteiner for taking personal time out of their day to come and speak with us. It was an invaluable opportunity to get to know our law enforcement officers better and learn what we can do to protect our businesses.

The 2008 Pacific Marine Expo

Quest Field Event Center - Seattle, Wa. - November 20-22, 2008

Pacific Marine Expo is the largest commercial marine tradeshow on the West Coast. Serving all aspects of the market, including commercial vessels owners, commercial fishermen, boat builders and seafood processors, this annual event covers it all. If you make your living on the water, or provide services to those who do, this is your show. The PTMTA is looking for volunteers to represent the marine trades in a booth along with The Port of Port Townsend. This is a great opportunity to highlight what Port Townsend has to offer and your participation would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Leslie Schnick at 385-1077 or lschnick@olympen.com if you are interested.

What's going on with the port?

Right now, most importantly, is the Ports Strategic Plan. This will help determine where and how the port will grow for the next several years. The time is now to get involved if you have concerns or ideas about the direction the port will be heading in. David King of TBM and Leslie Schnick are the representatives for the marine trades to the Community Advisory Committee for the Port Strategic Plan. They had their second monthly meeting October 15th, where they were discussing the core values, vision and mission statement that we thought were appropriate for the Port. There are 17 people on this committee representing key stakeholders groups in our community. Would you like more about this? More information will be available on the Port's web site under Strategic Planning. If you have any ideas or comments, please let the port know directly or a member of the Community Advisory Committee for the Port Strategic Plan.

Some whole hearted thank yous...

Wooden Boat Festival was a great success and it could not have been done without the hard work and generous donations of some key people and businesses.

Thank you to *Townsend Bay Marine* for donating the booth at the festival. Without this space, we could not have advertised our association.

Thank you to *Dos Okies BBQ* for providing complimentary lunch to all of our booth volunteers throughout the festival.

Thank you *Jim Blaiklock* for spearheading the effort of set up, break down, and rounding up volunteers for the booth. Not to mention those lovely brochures.

And of course, thank you to our entire group of *booth volunteers* who took time out to talk to all that were interested in the PTMTA. You are much appreciated

Milestones for 2008

Executive Committee

Diana Talley, Leif Erickson, Gwendolyn Tracy, Stephen Gale, Les Schnick

Formed Trustee Nominating Committee to fill three board positions

Nominees are Gwendolyn Tracey, Leah Kefgen, Jay Brevik
Worked to help build Moorage Tenant's Union
Contacted PT Police and Jefferson County Sheriff to voice burglary concerns
Wrote Letters of thanks to all our supporters and contributors
Established monthly meetings with Larry Crockett to keep current with the Port
Built a relationship with the WBF/NWMC to promote common goals
Organized fundraiser for Scholarship fund to the NWSWB
Considered Board Liability Insurance and determined it unnecessary
Gave interviews to Jeff Chew (PDN), Patrick Sullivan, Barney Burke (The Leader) as issues required it
Completed Non-profit annual report
Nominated Ric Brenden and Gwendolyn Tracey to fill 2 board vacancies of Tim Hoffman and Antonio Salguero
Met with Representative Lynn Kessler to help establish apprenticeship program

Education Committee

Kay Robinson, Megan Hudson, Ben Kahn, Tim Lee, Holly Kays, Gordon Neilson, Andy Gale

Continuing Goals

- * Compile all information pertaining to the PTMTA Scholarship to the NWSWB and the Summer Internship Program at the NWSWB in order to be ready for 2009!
- * Continue fund-raising efforts for education

Milestones

- * Provided a Scholarship for 2 quarters at the NWSWB for Noah Chorneau.
- * Raised \$750.00 for tools for Noah.
- * Started a successful Summer Internship Program at the NWSWB with financing from the NW Maritime Center, and the help of Ben Kahn and Tim Lee.
- * Compiled a list of available scholarships for marine trade's education.

Festival Committee

Jim Blaiklock

Organized and Chaired the PTMTA booth at the 2008 Wooden Boat Festival
Seventeen member volunteers personned our booth at the WBF with a view towards the following;

1. To make boat owners aware of port Townsend as the place to build or have their boat worked on,
2. To inform these owners of the highly skilled work force to do this work.

We passed out hundreds of brochures, talked to hundreds of people, answered questions, swapped stories and promoted the PTMTA's ability to build or repair anything that comes our way. With 84 members, we cover the field from A to Z.

Public Relations Committee

Megan Hudson, Jim Blaiklock

Designed and printed member directory brochures for distribution at shows and card racks

Distributed brochures at The Mystic Boat Show, The Tacoma Tall Ships Show and The Wooden Boat Festival

Published 3 newsletters

Advertised in PT Boat and Fishermen's News

Updated website and offered mini websites to members with a photo gallery option

Membership Committee

Diana Talley

The PTMTA membership includes 81 businesses – 49 Active memberships – 16 Affiliate memberships and 16 Individual memberships as of October 21, 2008. These businesses represent 368 employees.

The Marine Trades Industry in Jefferson County consists of 30 % of all non-governmental jobs.

Insurance Committee

Jim Blaiklock, Gwendolyn Tracey, Les Schnick, Kay Robinson

Extensive research has been done regarding health insurance and an updated report on available options is included in this newsletter.