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This week:

- Way to go, Captain Erland and crew!
- Moment of silence observed
- Fleet visits
- Eagle Harbor Service Awards
- New in the WSF spotlight

Way to go, Captain Erland and crew!

On Saturday morning, Captain Steve Erland and his crew dispatched a rescue boat to assist a recreational fishing vessel experiencing engine failure near Blakely Rock. The *Sealth*, serving the Bremerton/Seattle route, launched a rescue boat and towed the fishing vessel to a safe place to anchor. Congratulations to Captain Erland and his crew on a job well done!

Moment of silence observed

On Monday, WSF vessels and terminals observed a moment of silence at 10:39 a.m. in honor and support of the victims of the Marysville-Pilchuck High School shooting. Our hearts go out to the Marysville community as they cope with this tragedy.

Fleet visits

On Friday, I am spending time traveling the Bremerton/Seattle and Bainbridge Island/Seattle routes. This is another opportunity for me to meet our valuable terminal and fleet employees and gain a better understanding of the system.

Eagle Harbor service awards

Earlier today, I attended service awards at the Eagle Harbor Maintenance Facility on Bainbridge Island. It was a wonderful opportunity to meet staff and celebrate the many years of dedicated service. We recognized: Rick Orr (40 years), Walt Frati (25 years), Kurt Petersen (20 years), Cesar Ordon (20 years), Tim Norris (20 years), Ed Allen (20 years), Terry Sailor, Retired (15 years), Bob Orr (15 years), Nancy Adams (10 years), Nick Sherrard (10 years), Brendan Quantrille (10 years), Dung Nguyen (10 years), Jason Mattos (10 years), Brian Ford (10 years), Gordon Bellamy (10 years), Catherine Anderson (10 years), Jeff Sherwood (5 years), Clint Mitchell (5 years), and Michael Gear (5 years). Congratulations and thank you for keeping our vessels and terminals operating!

New in the WSF spotlight

I encourage you to visit our spotlight on the [WSF home page](#). New features include:

- Second annual Friday Harbor Documentary Film Festival
- Vehicle reservations coming to the San Juan Islands Jan. 5
- Vehicle access at Colman Dock during seawall construction

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