



### Public meetings in Bremerton and Bainbridge Island

Several WSF staff and Executive Team members went to Bremerton last night for our third stop in a series of public meetings with local [Ferry Advisory Committees](#). We presented information and answered questions about general ferry topics like proposed changes to [fares](#), the implementation of our [2040 Long Range Plan](#) and construction at Seattle's [Colman Dock](#).



*Director of Government Relations John Vezina kicks off last night's meeting at the Kitsap Conference Center in Bremerton.*

We'll cover the same issues tonight at the Bainbridge Island Senior Center (370 Brien Drive SE) from 6 to 8 p.m., plus a few minutes on our [Bainbridge terminal overhead loading replacement project](#). Next week, we'll be in Anacortes Tuesday afternoon, May 14, and on Orcas Island Wednesday evening, May 15. All [upcoming meetings](#) will

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#### Saturday road work near Clinton terminal

In order to open Ferry Dock Road by the end of July, our [new Clinton terminal pick-up and drop-off area project](#) contractor has informed us that they'll start working Saturdays beginning this weekend, May 11. If you have any questions or concerns about the project, contact our hotline at 206-402-8070.



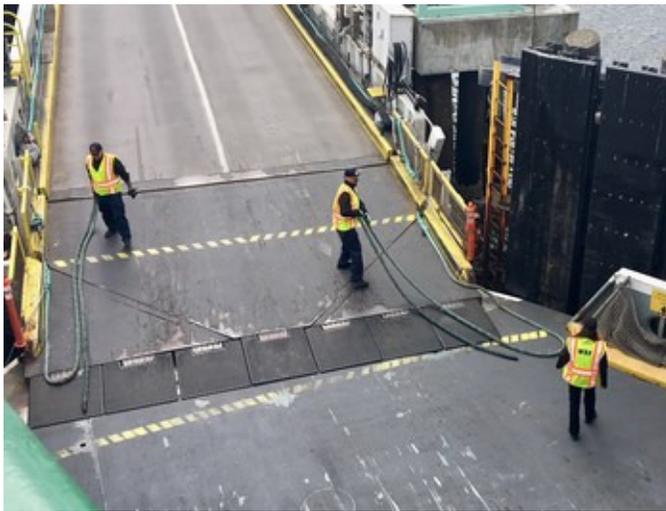
*We worked with our Clinton Ferry Dock Road contractor last week to ensure no loud construction activities take place before 7 a.m.*

**Additional Port Townsend/ Coupeville service begins Sunday, May 12**

cover similar topics with additional issues specific to each community's route.

### Public Service Recognition Week

This week we honor the women and men who serve our nation as federal, state, county and local government employees. I would like to recognize and thank all our employees who work hard to provide reliable ferry service to nearly 25 million customers each year! Running the largest ferry system in the country takes dedication and skill. I couldn't be more proud of our team!



*From booking reservations, to keeping the ferries running, to responding to emergencies on the water, our employees work through it all 365 days a year.*

Each year as part of Public Service Recognition Week, awards are presented to state employees who go above and beyond the requirements of their job. I'm very pleased to announce that Director of Community Services and Planning Stephanie Cirkovich has received the WSDOT Leadership in Management Award for her effective management skills and extraordinary leadership. Congratulations Stephanie!

### Seattle Goodwill Youth Maritime Program tour

With workforce development one of our top priorities, I was excited to hear that two dozen high school students with Seattle Goodwill's [Youth Maritime Program](#) were interested in spending an afternoon with us! Big thanks to Director of Operations Capt. Greg Faust, Capt. Eric Hairston and



Our Port Townsend/ Coupeville route begins its late spring two-boat [sailing schedule](#) on Sunday, May 12, with the return of the 64-car Salish. This is a heavily traveled route and [vehicle reservations](#) are highly recommended.

In addition, expect heavier-than normal traffic on all routes this weekend as more people travel for Mother's Day. On average, our system sees about a 25-percent increase in ridership on Mother's Day compared to the Sunday prior.

### 2nd tier of Memorial Day weekend reservations



If you're planning to travel on our Anacortes/San Juan Islands/Sidney, B.C. or Port Townsend/Coupeville routes over the busy Memorial Day weekend, plan now for the release of the second of three tiers of [vehicle reservations](#). An additional 30 percent of vessel space is released at 7 a.m. two weeks before each specific sailing date. That means you'll need to set your alarm for tomorrow if you want a reservation for the Friday

Training Program Specialist Andrew Tomko for hosting these future mariners on a tour of Colman Dock, as well as the *Wenatchee* engine room and pilothouse on a round trip sailing to Bainbridge Island!



*Capt. Eric Hairston and Director of Operations Capt. Greg Faust pose for a photo with Seattle Goodwill's Youth Maritime Program students aboard Wenatchee.*

**Amy Scarton**

Assistant Secretary, WSDOT/Ferries Division

before Memorial Day!



*"I left my planner at my seat on the ferry during the morning commute. It is pretty important to me. I got a call later that morning from (a fellow customer named Adam) to say he had it & could send it to lost & found or leave it in the second (mate's) office for me to pick up later. I really appreciate the personal effort taken to help me recover my planner. The ferry is such an integral part of our lives & the personal touch & interaction makes it a positive thing. Thanks heaps Adam & WSF!"*

-Seattle/Bainbridge Island customer



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