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# -- PORT NEWS --

May 2018

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-- welcome --

**The world's favorite season is the spring.**

**All things seem possible in May.**

Edwin Way Teale

## GRAND OPENING - BUILDING 18



The Port is celebrating its Grand Opening of Building 18 with a brief ceremony and introduction of new tenants to the Steigerwald Commerce Center in the industrial park on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 from 3:00pm to 5:00pm. We are excited to share this occasion and invite you to come down and see our new flagship building. At 50,000 square feet, it is our largest building to date! The address is: 4060 South Grant Street, Washougal, WA 98671.

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## NATIONAL SAFE BOATING WEEK: MAY 19-25

Before you hit the water ask: Do you and your passengers wear life jackets? Can you get to them easily in an emergency? The National Safe Boating Council is continuing "Wear It!" as the 2018 theme for National Safe Boating Week.

The campaign's goal is to educate boaters on the importance of always wearing a life-jacket while on the water. Check out the available options for comfortable and lightweight jackets: <http://www.safeboatingcampaign.com/life-jackets/>



And don't forget the Port's life jacket loaner program! There are several different sizes of life jackets in the cabinet on the west side of the launch ramp and in the non-motorized launch area. It works on the honor system; please take what you need and return when finished. Thank you, and safe boating!

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## CWAA SUMMER CAMP



It's time to sign up! Aviation Summer Camp will be held this summer at Grove Field Airport geared to students 9 to 17 of age who are interested in learning more about aviation. The Camas Washougal Aviation Association is partnering with Pearson Field Education Center to present a comprehensive program during the 5-day session, July 10-14. Classes run

Tuesday through Saturday 9:00am to 4:00pm and will include:

- A day at Grove Field Airport learning aviation basics such as fundamentals of aerodynamics
- Hanger tours at Grove Field, plus a field trip to fly radio-controlled aircraft in Washougal
- A day at Pearson Field with simulator training, wind tunnel instruction and electric model construction and flying
- Final day of Airplane rides at Grove Field and a family barbecue on the field

Each day the camp begins and ends at Grove Field, with transportation provided for all trips. Space is limited! There's a maximum of 12 seats and they go pretty fast. PLEASE don't wait if you have serious interest. Scholarships may be available. Contact Bob Martilla at (360) 566-0156 for more information or register at:

[cwaagrovefield.org](http://cwaagrovefield.org).

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## HARBOR MASTER'S VIEW

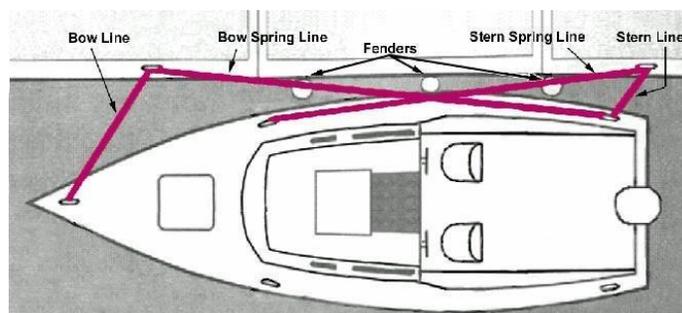
The weather is getting better every day and I would guess that we're all ready for the change. With the warm weather we get snow melt and the rivers rise, so any logs and debris that were recently high on the shore are swept away downstream. So be **extremely** careful on the water.

There are several things I also want to bring to attention.

The Port does not allow storage of gear or boat accessories in the rafters of the marina for safety reasons. There are several areas in the marina that need attention. Please remove it, so I don't have to.

What kind of soap are you using to wash your boat? I bring it up several times a year because it is very important. We understand that keeping your boat clean is a necessity and critical to protecting its value but there aren't many places where a boat can be reasonably washed (like a car wash) where soaps, dirt, and exhaust can be captured and filtered to prevent being discharged into the local waters. There are several "safer choice" cleaning products on the market to choose from but beware, there are many cleaning products advertised as being "biodegradable" or "environmentally friendly" that still contain toxic compounds that can kill fish, degrade water quality, and damage habitat. Look for "EPA Approved" on the label. If you have any questions, contact us and we will be glad to help.

Any time, and especially now, with the high water and extreme current running through the marina, you need to secure your boat correctly in its slip. If you are reading this and think "I wonder if my boat is secured properly", then it's not! Here is a diagram of a mooring program for single side tie ups. Check it out. It's not the only way to tie up, but it's a good way!



Thanks all, keep smiling and remember to "check your lines".

*- Mark on the Water -*



## Calendar

- MAY** Special Meeting  
**21** Port Conference Room
- MAY** Memorial Day  
**28** Port Closed

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