

Chamber of Commerce

Chamber News



Kathie Sharp and Paula Zimmerman, 2009 Chamber Co-Presidents.

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Unfortunately, the monthly general-meeting luncheons have been suspended until further notice. The Chamber Board is currently working on the possibility of offering new and refreshing venues for Chamber networking opportunities in

2009. Watch for more information soon!

The 2009 Port Ludlow Chamber Officers are

- Co-Presidents: Paula Zimmerman of American Marine Bank and Kathie Sharp of Kathie Sharp Piano Studio
- Co-Vice Presidents, Piper Diehl of Ludlow Bay Massage & Wellness Spa and Dianne Cranston of Kitsap Bank
- Interim Secretary and Treasurer, Arlene Obtinario of Gardiner Gardens Administrative Services, LLC.
- Chamber Board Members are: Dana Petrick of Dana Pointe Interiors, Inc. and Shelli Cates of American Marine Bank. The Administrative Assistant is Chris Reynolds.

Chamber Liaison to PLVC

Interim Secretary/Treasurer Arlene Obtinario circulated “Wine and Chocolate Mixer” flyers along with a personal invitation for Mixer attendance to the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) members and meeting attendees at its February 5 meeting at the Bay Club.

Contact the Chamber

The Chamber mission is to support, enhance and promote local businesses. It provides many benefits to its members including networking with other business-minded individuals. Contact the Chamber at info@portludlowchamber.org if you want to serve on the Chamber Board, or if you have ideas for guest speakers, community enhancement projects, and/or membership drive promotional ideas.

A Special Thank You

Thank you to the awesome guest presenters at our Wine & Chocolate Mixer on Thursday, February 12—namely the Port Townsend entrepreneurs Richard Sorensen of Sorensen Cellars; James and Christina Pivarnik of Christina James Winery; Lynn Hamlin-LeMaster, owner and chocolatier of Lehani’s Deli & Coffee; and the Port Ludlow chair massage team of John Martin and Michele Pirie of Ludlow Bay Massage & Wellness Spa. Chamber Board members Piper Diehl, Paula Zimmerman and Dana Petrick, the Mixer coordinators, are to be congratulated for another fantastic, charming event!

Regrets . . . The Chamber Board thanks Dr. Jerry Brady and Eline Lybarger for serving the Chamber as Directors this past year and wish them well in their 2009 endeavors. Dr. Brady and Eline served as valuable members of the team. Their personal input will be missed.

Welcome New Chamber Board Member

Shelli Cates, American Marine Bank Mortgage Loan Originator joins the 2009 Port Ludlow Chamber Board of Directors and looks forward to her involvement with the Chamber. Shelli moved to western Washington from Post Falls, Idaho in 1990 and to Port Ludlow in 2006. She has had 19 years of business experience in mortgage lending and real estate.



Shelli Cates.

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Shelli is enthusiastic about her work, “I love the small town atmosphere of working in a community bank. It is rewarding to help people find the mortgage program that fits their needs.” Shelli offers her expertise to first time buyers, FHA/VA, USDA rural development, land/lot loans, custom construction and for all types of refinances. P.S.: Ask Shelli about Benny—the love of her life! Her Pug!