

SATURDAY MORNING LIVE FOR SEP 13, 2014 ~ "WE'RE LIVE – WE'RE ABOUT LIBERTY – WE'RE FOCUSED ON YOU!" – 8:00 AM - KGMI 790AM - (360) 676-5464 / 676-KGMI

Today's Show:

Host Kris Halterman interviews John Huntley (owner of Mills Electric) and Brad Owens (Pres. of the NW Washington Building & Construction Trades Council) about Cherry Point's past, present and future; how it has shaped Whatcom County as the Industrial giant and economic driver for local businesses.

SML: Sep 20, 2014:

Host Kris Halterman will interview Ken Clark of Freedom 560, Todd Hausman of Teachers United, Ed Kilduff of Common Sense Alliance and Glen Morgan of the Freedom Foundation to discuss the launching of SAVEnw.org

Liberty Alerts:

Keep Washington Competitive: The WBA will host "Keep Washington Competitive." They are a coalition united to protect trade from over-reaching regulations. Regulatory changes to Washington's State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) stand to have a negative impact on our state's trade and export industry. The group represents a proactive effort to raise awareness of broad regulatory changes that impact jobs and the advantage Washington has as a trade leader.

**WBA Board: Special Program /Mt. Baker Theatre Encore Room
Wednesday, Sept. 17, 8-9 a.m. / Reservation not required**

Skagit CAPR Chapter Town Hall: "Solutions for the closing of private wells." Legislative Districts 10, 39 and 40/ Sept. 17th / 7:00PM / [Emmanuel Baptist Church in Mt. Vernon](#). Town hall focus will be for your legislators to talk about the water issues in Skagit County and take questions from the audience. Contact Connie Munsey for more information at (360) 873-8886

Learn about an innovative, proven solution to your healthcare insurance challenges: WBA rollout of an affordable, fully qualified solution for WBA local business. Come check out a plan for good health-care coverage at substantial cost savings-modeled after one of our very own WBA members. Sponsored tables of 8 are available for \$300
Individual tickets: \$30 members, \$40 non-members

**Affordable Care Act Breakfast Symposium
Bellingham Golf & Country Club**

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 2014 / 7-9:30 a.m.

Click [HERE](#) to Register

The Faces of Agent Orange: Town Hall Meeting, Friday, Sept. 19th, 2014, - 1PM – 4PM at St. Luke's Community Health Education Center, 1333 Squalicum Pkwy, Bellingham, WA
Featured speaker: Nancy Switzer, founding President of Assoc. of Vietnam Veterans of America.

10th Anniversary Celebration & Auction: Brigadoon Service Dogs Benefit, Sept. 20th, 2014, 5:30PM at the Bellingham Golf and Country Club, 3729 Meridian St, Bellingham, WA
Dinner (no host bar) / Wine Wall / Live Auction

Social Alliance for a Vibrant Economy (SAVE) will host a dinner and beverages with to launch their organization whose purpose is to advocate, educate and connect people to shape a vibrant future for everyone. Sept. 22nd, 6PM at the Bellingham Cruise Terminal.

Whatcom Tea Party – Candidate Debates: Oct. 1st, 2014 at the [BIAWC, 1650 Baker Creek Place, Bellingham, WA 98226](#) / doors open at 5:00PM / debates start at 5:30PM – 8:30PM / invited are the 42nd District Legislative and Senate candidates and the Whatcom County PUD candidates.

COMMON CENTS:

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Cherry Point overview

Source: Business Pulse, winter 2014 issue

Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery

- Opened in 1954 as General Petroleum Co., precursor to Mobil Oil
- Approximately 400 employees
- \$65M payroll (well over \$100,000 average)
- \$50M+ taxes paid for 2012
- 2013 Corporation of the Year for Philanthropy in Washington state, awarded by Association of Fundraising Professionals
- Donated \$100,000 for education center at Ferndale Boys & Girls Club and \$25,000 toward building of new Ferndale Library
- Provides through Ferndale Refinery and Phillips 66 corporate financial support for more than 50 local nonprofit and charity organizations and typically ranks high among Whatcom County United Way donors

BP Cherry Point Refinery

- Opened in 1971
- Supplies 20% of gasoline at the pump in Washington and Oregon, plus most of the jet

fuel for SeaTac, Portland and Vancouver, B.C. airports

- 773 employees, plus 600-1,500 contractors at any given time
- \$88.5M taxes paid, 2012 (\$8.5M locally)
- Spent \$290M at more than 40 Washington businesses in 2012
- Employees donated \$220,000 to Whatcom County United Way in 2012, an amount matched by BP Foundation for total of \$440,000, making BP Cherry Point Refinery its largest donor
- Other major contributions: \$100,000 to trauma center expansion at Peace Health St. Joseph Medical Center in Bellingham; \$250,000 to rebuild Ferndale Boys & girls Club; \$100,000 for construction of BP Heron Center in Birch Bay State Park; \$216,000 to more than 160 organization and charities in 2012.

Alcoa Intalco Works

- Opened in 1966
- 640 employees
- \$65M payroll
- \$108,000 average salary with benefits
- Alcoa Foundation Grants for 2013 include \$35,000 to Puget Sound Restoration Fund, plus \$75,000 for six other programs covering recycling, housing, library and literacy, and food education.

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