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## USS Ronald Reagan SRA completes on-time

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## Commander's leadership forum and key messages

Team PSNS & IMF,

I recently had the opportunity to attend the Commander's Leadership Forum in Washington, D.C., hosted by Vice Admiral Thomas Moore, Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command. The two-day meeting brought together all NAVSEA flag officers, senior executive service members and commanding officers to align our mission and priorities in support of the Navy. I want to share with you some of the key messages discussed and how our efforts here in the northwest support both NAVSEA and Navy priorities and ultimately our national security.

As political, economic and social climate continues to evolve around the world, NAVSEA's mission to design, build, deliver and maintain ships and systems on time and on cost for the Navy is more important than ever. As a shipyard, our vision to deliver on time, every time to preserve our national security is absolutely aligned to broader strategies focused on allowing our country to continue leading as a global power. We are facing adversaries today that possess significant, rapidly improving warfighting capabilities; they aspire to be our equal. We need to recognize that our position as the world's dominant naval power is not guaranteed. Our competitive advantage is shrinking.

As a command, we are working on important initiatives that help our country maintain and expand our competitive advantage in the global power competition through on-time delivery of the most capable warships in the world. Our command Strategic Framework identifies the four main areas we are working on to achieve our mission and vision. These areas and major supporting initiatives include:

### People: Developing our people to be their best

- Succession Training Of the Next Generation teams: Leadership development program to improve cross-organizational knowledge and reinforce leadership behaviors that follow our command guiding principles.
- Career counseling center: We will be expanding our existing network mentoring and career counseling to provide knowledge on career pathways and advice on how to prepare for future opportunities

- Training effectiveness: Making the best use of time to deliver the right training at the right time to maximize our learning and resulting competency to do our work.

### Innovation: Embrace learning, critical thinking and continuous improvement

- Innovation roadmap: Identify and remove hurdles to rapidly implement innovative ideas.
- LEAN education: Reinvest in the LEAN knowledge of our workforce and the skills to identify and eliminate waste in our work.
- Rapid knowledge sharing: Share learning across our command and with our corporate partners to maximize the benefit of our best practices.

### Infrastructure: Develop and maintain a mission-ready environment

- Shipyard infrastructure planning: Develop the plans for major investments over the next couple of decades to create the most efficient shipyard of the future.

### Project and Product Line Management: Integrate everything needed to improve workflow

- Critical and controlling path improvements: Early identification of and action to reduce durations on key strings of work that drive project completion dates.
- Standard work: Visual method to document our best practices to get work done right – the first time.

Underlying all of these efforts is our continued focus on working safely every day. The "I Start Safely Always" or ISSA program is in full swing to help us improve our ability to identify safety risks and take appropriate mitigating actions so we can all go home safely to our families every day.

I continue to be grateful for and extremely proud of each one of you and the great work you are doing to support the Navy and our nation. I ask that you continue to focus on achieving our vision here with ingenuity, urgency and resolve to ensure that our Navy is the most awesome and devastating power on the seas!

Captain Howard Markle  
Commander, PSNS & IMF

# Reagan project wraps up carrier upkeep on-time

Myke Moe, USS Ronald Reagan Project Engineering Planning Manager

The USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) Fiscal Year 2019 Selected Restricted Availability successfully completed on time and under budget May 14— thanks to the teamwork of USS Ronald Reagan, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility and Ship Repair Facility, Yokosuka.

The project team, led by Paula Chapman, project superintendent, and the forward deployed naval forces project team successfully executed nearly 200,000 man-days of maintenance and modernization in just four months.

Major work accomplished included the solid state frequency converter; and turbine generator hotwell level control ship alterations. Additionally, pressurizer heater cable inspections, and aircraft elevator hitch girder replacement.

"The manner in which the production and engineering teams collaborated and swarmed any problems that emerged was astonishing, said Scott Rowe, deputy project superintendent. "Their ability to work in concert was a large

part of the success of this availability."

"The conclusion of USS Ronald Reagan SRA is bittersweet, said Cmdr. Darrin Barber, deputy project superintendent (military). "As we successfully return the ship back to the fleet more capable and lethal than she was a few months ago, we also say sayōnara to friends we made and the country that unequivocally embraces the 700 plus Washingtonians who make the journey annually." The impressive work done by the Reagan project team earned accolades from Capt. Patrick Hannifin, USS Ronald Reagan commanding officer, and a Bravo Zulu from Adm. John C. Aquilino, U.S. Pacific Fleet commander. "This result comes from the outstanding teamwork of USS Ronald Reagan, Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility and Ship Repair Facility, Yokosuka, said Aquilino. "On-time Chief of Naval Operation availabilities are the foundation of the Optimized Fleet Response Plan and ensure our Sailors get the training and operational time needed to win the high-end fight. Congratulations on a job well done!"



USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) docked pier side at Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan, March 7, 2019. (PSNS & IMF photo by Michele Fletcher)



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### On the cover

USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) docked pier side at Commander Fleet Activities Yokosuka, Japan, March 7. (PSNS & IMF photo by Michele Fletcher)

**PSNS & IMF, NUWC partner on robot for submarine inspections**

*Nathanael Miller, Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Keyport Public Affairs*

The sleek form of the attack submarine USS Connecticut (SSN 22) seemed to float upon keel blocks in the dry dock at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility as a crew of engineers underneath it prepared a tiny robot to perform a hull inspection in early April.

What once was the stuff of future-tech journals is fast becoming a reality as PSNS & IMF and Naval Undersea Warfare Center Division, Keyport partner to enable an innovative robot climber to perform U.S. Navy submarine hull inspections.

**Hull inspections**

Any time a submarine comes into dry dock for maintenance, repair, refueling or modernization, the hull is inspected. The current inspection method is a labor-intensive and time-consuming effort by shipyard workers using hand-held sensors.

While hull-crawling robots have been scaling commercial ships' hulls in the civilian sector for several years, it was the vision of Chris Stone, an engineering technician at PSNS & IMF, who realized the technology could potentially speed up hull inspections for U.S. submarines.

In 2012, Stone learned PSNS & IMF's innovation lab had a climbing robot and was willing to let him use it for his early testing.

"The innovation lab is built to do rapid innovation and prototypes," Stone explained.

The testing in the innovation lab quickly determined the machine would need its own built-in vacuum motor.

**First robot purchased**

After six years of testing and ideas, Stone was finally able to have PSNS & IMF purchase a climbing robot from the manufacturer in 2018. Luckily, the manufacturer had developed an automated fall protection system for the larger climbers with a winch, which Stone bolted to a heavy steel plate attached to a pallet.

Six years later, Stone finally had a workable platform. Now he had to tackle the sensor problem. The sensors must be held level at a specific distance from the submarine's hull in order to be effective.

The initial idea was to use a spring-mounted roller that touched the hull, but this immediately created several problems. The first was paint damage. In order to be effective, the roller could not be covered in soft, paint-protecting neoprene like the climber's treads. It was a steel roller that could mar and scratch paint. The other problem was the springs themselves. The springs had to be strong enough to maintain the correct sensor height when the climber was inverted underneath the hull. However, Stone said this inadvertently resulted in the springs lifting the climber off the hull.

**Seeking help in building system**

"We were trying to find out who could help us build the height-control system," Stone recalled. This resulted in him taking a trip 10 miles up the road to NUWC Division, Keyport in the summer of 2018.

NUWC Division, Keyport's mission is to be an innovation and technology leader for all manner of undersea and naval technology. The division possesses a great deal of flexibility because its tools and equipment are dedicated to design and rapid prototyping. Stone spent a week with Tyler Paine, the NUWC Division, Keyport engineer who would lead the effort designing an auto-height sensor system.

"It was a great idea to try, but the issue was that the springs that push against the hull to maintain a constant offset also pushed the crawler off the hull," Paine said, echoing Stone in his assessment. Paine realized the need for an "active" system utilizing displacement sensors and electric motors to control the height of the device.

He and Stone worked in a flurry of activity that resulted in some demonstration parts even being completed.

Paine and NUWC's team then spent a few weeks building the new attachment and testing its components before delivering the unit to PSNS & IMF for integration to the robot's body.

Early tests in the lab were a resounding success. Meanwhile, back at NUWC, Paine and his team were refining the auto-height attachment's design to increase reliability and efficiency.

"This has definitely been a team effort," said Paine.

PSNS & IMF took delivery of the newly revamped crawler with the auto-height attachment in February, 2019. Testing on Connecticut began in April.

**Initial test begins**

Seven years' worth of struggle successfully sucked itself to the side of the submarine, as the robot methodically ran over the side of Connecticut's hull for more than two hours, doing a test inspection to prove the auto-height sensor system was as effective as the robot's vacuum motor.

Stone said the next planned step is for Portsmouth Naval Shipyard to begin supplying hull climbers to the shipyards in the near future. He said PSNS & IMF and NUWC would continue their partnership and supply the sensor armature with Paine's auto-height mechanism to the shipyards.

"We had a lot of setbacks to get here today," Stone said. "But we pulled together as a team to get to this point."



A hull-crawling robot scales the underside of USS Connecticut (SSN 22) to perform a hull inspection. (PSNS & IMF photo by Jeb Fach)

**'We're here to work!' Women in Trades Fair marks 40 years**

*Silvia Klatman, PSNS & IMF Public Affairs*

The interactive display Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility showcased at Seattle's 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Women in Trades Fair was a huge hit with attendees.

"Getting folks engaged in understanding the trades is much easier when we can have them touch something," said Michelle Indermuhle a Shop 57 work leader and PSNS & IMF's Women in Trades co-lead. "Everyone is interested to hear what we do over here. I know the human resources and apprenticeship folks were busy, busy!"

Nearly 30 tradeswomen and other PSNS & IMF teammates representing 15 shops and codes trekked to the Fisher Pavilion to join with more than 90 other exhibitors to show young people the exciting careers available in various trades. Although the primary focus is on teens exploring career options, others attend including those interested in making job changes and people curious about trades work. Exhibitors spanned from government agencies to private industry and included colleges, apprenticeship programs and unions.

**Command exhibit the largest**

The shipyard was the largest exhibitor at the fair. Hannah Wright, a sheet metal mechanic for Shop 17, found the event empowering due to the variety of people and vendors who participate. Wright noted an added bonus: networking with fellow shipyard tradeswomen.

"We got to hear about the other shops and codes in a more detailed way from the many women from different trades that represented the shipyard at this event," said Wright who also participated last year. "We really do work in a great place ... being able to share the event with other women from the shipyard is special."

Kerstyn Tsuruda, shop planner for Shop 38 Outside Machinists, echoed Wright's comments about networking with teammates as well as those outside the shipyard.

"It was an opportunity to educate ourselves and see what other trades support our communities outside of the shipyard,"

said Tsuruda. She also appreciated that WIT was educating the next generation to show them "they can achieve any goal they set their focus on," she said.

Moonshine Lab's Ron Zmijewski summed up the event.

"The WIT team undoubtedly opened many eyes and influenced the next generation of tradeswomen."

**Networking opportunities**

For more information contact the PSNS & IMF Women in Trades, a subcommittee of Professional Women Employee Networking Group, by calling 360.476.9712 or emailing brem.psns.pweng.FCT@navy.mil. Meetings are held the fourth Thursday of the month from 10 to 11 a.m.



Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility Women in Trades exhibitor, Michelle Indermuhle, describes the workings of a dry dock to Darren Brooks, a WIT attendee from King County. (PSNS & IMF photo by Robin Lee)



Rachel Hubbard, a Shop 56 pipefitter, talks with a WIT fair attendee. (PSNS & IMF photo by Robin Lee)



Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility Women in Trades exhibitor, Ellen Lukkasson, Human Resources Specialist, U.S. Pacific Fleet, Human Resources Office Northwest talks with a fair attendee. (PSNS & IMF photo by Robin Lee)



## Apprentice teammate recognized as 2019 Student of Distinction

PSNS & IMF Public Affairs

On May 8, Southwestern College held their annual Student Awards Ceremony in Mayan Hall on the college's campus



Sierra Vickers, Shop 99 Temporary Services pipefitter apprentice. (Photo courtesy of Southwestern College)

in Chula Vista, California. Sierra Vickers, a Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility temporary services pipefitter apprentice in the Southwest Regional Apprentice Program was one of 20 students to receive the college's highest student honor, the Student of Distinction Award. This award recognizes students for their tremendous contributions and impact to Southwestern College and their communities.

According to the Southwestern College News Center Blog, Vickers had this to say about what it means to receive this award and the impact it will have on her future, "This award shows me that my hard work and dedication to myself and others has not gone unnoticed. This honor gives me even more motivation to continue my pursuit of happiness of myself and others through community service, hard work and leading by example."

Vickers is a knowledgeable and engaging mentor. "Sierra has

demonstrated leadership qualities in the classroom through her willingness to interact with fellow students and assist them whenever asked," said Joseph Wasser, Southwest Regional Apprentice Program deputy administrator. "She volunteers her time tutoring fellow students and offers suggestions for improvement when others are struggling with their assignments both in the shop and in the classroom. She leads by example through her commitment to excellence, accountability to the highest standards of personal responsibility, willingness to go above and beyond minimum expectations, and in her support of classmates through tutoring and mentorship."

Vickers is in her third year of the four-year apprenticeship. She is currently the top apprentice in her class both academically and in her shop, Shop 99, Temporary Services, pipefitting. She will graduate from the apprenticeship in November 2020.

## Report it, don't scrap it—processing deficient material is making a difference

Samantha Luzik, Code 133.1, Quality Assurance Specialist

Have you received bad material? Report it—don't scrap it! Complete an Unsatisfactory Material Report for all material.

### What is deficient material?

Any defective or non-conforming condition that limits or prohibits the product from fulfilling its intended purpose. This includes deficiencies in design, specification, material, manufacturing and workmanship.

Supply deficiencies such as losses or damage in-transit, overages, shortages, expired shelf life, incorrect items, packaging discrepancies and errors in markings can also be deficient material.

### What to report?

- New or re-worked material.
- Prematurely failed in-service material.
- All purchase methods or dollar values.
- Material under warranty.
- Material accepted as deficient and reworked to make it acceptable for end use.

### Why report it?

Reporting deficient material, helps make vendors and manufacturers aware of the need to improve the material

supplied. In some cases, reporting will also purge the Naval Supply System of the deficient material and replace it with good material. This is an effort to support non-stop execution of work for production personnel. This has a direct impact on PSNS & IMF's vision to deliver ships on time, every time.

### You are making a difference

By taking a proactive approach in 2017, the command's Quality Assurance Division, Code 133, created a better system to increase the reimbursement of funds for deficient material. By creating the UMR SharePoint site to assist with tracking and, with the help of personnel across the command, reporting of deficient material through Product Quality Discrepancy Reports surpassed the reimbursement of funds goal of two million dollars for 2018.

### Bottom line

If you have deficient material, report it on a UMR form. The form is on the PSNS & IMF SharePoint page under Departments, Code 130, Code 133, and click on Unsatisfactory Material Reporting. The form is also available at various point of use locations. For more information, refer to the instruction on Unsatisfactory Material Reporting, PSNS&IMFINST 4855.1T located on the command's SharePoint site.

If you have questions, call 360.476.2807.

## Reflecting on those who serve with PRIDE

PSNS & IMF Public Affairs

Millions of people have served in the U.S. military and many who had distinguished careers served – and continue to serve – bravely and honorably even if faced with challenges related to sexual orientation and gender identity.

Because of historical policies that endured for generations, many LGBT military members quietly served without their colleagues knowing of their sexual orientation or gender identity. Despite this, those LGBT personnel continued to show their patriotism by contributing to the defense of the nation.

During the month of June, the nation recognizes the contributions of those who are lesbian, gay, bi-sexual or transgender.

Some notable members of the LGBT community who currently serve or have recently served include retired Navy Senior Chief Kristin Beck, retired Navy Cmdr. Steve Hall and Army Reserve Major Gen. Tammy S. Smith.



### Senior Chief Kristin Beck

Beck, a highly-decorated member of the Navy sea, air and land special forces who came out as a trans woman in 2013, dealt with gender dysphoria from a young age. Beck enlisted in the Navy in 1991 and qualified to become a member of Navy SEAL Team 1, Naval Special Warfare Development Group and the counter-terrorism unit known as SEAL Team Six. Beck deployed 13 times during her 20-year career.

Senior Chief Kristin Beck (U.S. Navy photo)



### Cmdr. Steve Clark Hall

Hall was the first openly gay senior officer to have graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy, where he graduated with honors. He served honorably for 20 years before retiring. The vessels on which Hall served include USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) and as commanding officer of both USS Greenling (SSN 614) and USS Drum (SSN 677), submarines that were recycled at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility.

Cmdr. Steve Clark Hall (U.S. Navy photo)



### Maj. Gen. Tammy S. Smith

As the Army's Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff (Mobilization and Reserve Affairs), Maj. Gen. Smith's responsibilities include helping oversee the Army's manpower policy, human resources, force structure policy, Equal Employment Opportunity Program and other critical matters. Smith has previously served as commanding general of the 98th Training Division and was the chief of Army Reserve Affairs in Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Maj. Gen. Tammy S. Smith (U.S. Navy photo)

For more information about Pride Month or PSNS & IMF's Pride Employee Resource Group, call 360.476.0523.

## Command introduces Bright Idea Program

The Bright Idea Program has been launched to give Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility employees an opportunity to share their ideas on innovation, process improvement, efficiency and effectiveness.

The program is designed to encourage employees or a group of employees to work with a mentor or manager to flesh out an innovation idea from start to finish. Once developed, approved and implemented, an appropriate award will be given such as a time off, special act or Puget Demonstrated Quality award.

For more information, visit the command's directives library from the command's SharePoint homepage to view notice 12451 for program details.

## DONCEAP

Department of Navy Civilian Employee Assistance Program services are voluntary, confidential, and offered as a free benefit from the Department of the Navy to federal employees and their family members.

To find information and help 24 hours a day, call: 1-844-DONCEAP (1-844-366-2327) or visit: [DONCEAP.foh.psc.gov](http://DONCEAP.foh.psc.gov).

# Safety is my job, too.



## Fall Protection

Vigilance and planning are key to avoiding fall injuries. Use a fall protection plan approved by a Competent or Qualified person. Ensure your team has the correct fall protection gear and knows how to use it properly. Beware of shipboard mezzanines and curved/sloped surfaces. Properly cover open holes or place guarding around them.

Brought to you by Shops 51/52/67

Safety throughout the year



LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender)  
Employee Resource Group

Save the date

PRIDE month  
celebration

June 22, 2019

Details to follow

## Command library 'turns the page' to provide better service

Megan McGannon, Command Librarian

To better serve the needs of the shipyard, the library's services are undergoing modernization and big changes.

There will be no door to enter since the physical library space will no longer exist. However, materials will be made available for checkout through on-line tools.

Current on-line services and subscriptions will be maintained, and new ones added, while the physical book inventory will be pared down to just relevant and current personal growth, professional and technical materials.

These physical materials will be available for checkout—be on the lookout for further information about that process.

To enable this modernization, the library closed its doors May 24.

All checked out material must be returned to the library by June 21 using the dropbox in the hallway outside the library, located in Building 850, floor 2, room 210A.

Materials that are necessary for current work must be returned. Upon request, materials will then be re-checked out to the user after they have been inspected.

For more information, call 360.476.3191, 360.476.2767 or send an email to [psns-imf\\_cmd\\_library.fct@navy.mil](mailto:psns-imf_cmd_library.fct@navy.mil).

## Recreation & Rideshare

### Recreation opportunities

Department of Defense civilians and their escorted guests can recharge their minds and bodies by using a variety of recreational services on base such as movie theaters and restaurants. DOD civilians are also eligible for recreational discounts off base including at popular attractions in California and Florida.

### Upcoming recreational activities

#### Cheap Eats Thursdays - Samuel Adams Brewhouse

(21 and older) NBK-Bremerton. Blue Plate Special goes for just \$6.50 with the purchase of a beverage

#### Family Hike or Story Stroll - June 8

11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Trident Lakes Recreation Area, NBK-Bangor. Celebrate Great Outdoors Month by strolling beautiful Trident Lakes. Refreshments available.

#### Father's Day Cookout - June 16

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Bangor Plaza Patio, NBK-Bangor. More than 20 items to choose from in this delectable buffet. Prices vary. Call 360.396.5466 for reservations.

To register or see more opportunities, visit [kitsap.navylifepnw.com](http://kitsap.navylifepnw.com).

### Rideshare

**TACOMA 6TH AVE VANPOOL** needs rider/back-up driver. Departs Tacoma at 5:20 a.m. and Z Lot around 4:10 p.m. Call Dante Brown, 360.471.4863.

**399 VANPOOL HAS SEATS**, Lacey, Tacoma, Bremerton, 6 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Call 253.232.2050.

**KING COUNTY/PIERCE COUNTY VANPOOL** has opening for driver/rider. Arrives at 5:45 a.m., departs at 3:35 p.m. Parks inside the CIA. Call 360.340.0851.

### Rideshare ad policy

To post a Rideshare ad, email to [psns.pao.fct@navy.mil](mailto:psns.pao.fct@navy.mil), or come to Building 850, floor 5, Congressional and Public Affairs Office and fill out an ad form. All information included in correspondence is subject to be used in Salute-print and online.

## Voluntary Leave Transfer Program recipients

This program authorizes federal service employees to donate annual leave to other federal service employees who are experiencing a medical emergency or medical condition for themselves or a family member. If you wish to donate annual leave or have questions about leave donation, please contact Human Resources Office, 360.476.5386 or visit Bldg. 850, floor 5, room 506; or fax your donation form to 360.476.6669.

Teammates currently in need of donations:

#### Code 105

Billy Sprague

#### Code 109

Fay Escobedo

Kendra Fitch

Marselles Jefferson

#### Code 130

Annikkia Bryant

Richard Petrone

#### Code 200

Caitlin Earl

Phillip Hartline

Tyler Jackson

Michaela Raymond

#### Code 400

William Abare

#### Code 700

Andrea Abrams

Jesse Hannawacker

Chelsea Weber

Jonathan Yette

#### Code 900

Sierra Morrell

#### Code 1000

Lawrence Kalcso

#### Code 1100

Rebecca Phillips

#### Code 1200

Jeannie Randall

#### Code 2300

Karl Druschke

Julia Martinez

Marty Sampson

#### Shop 11

Michael Hamblet

Jessica Hammons

#### Shop 17

Vanessa San Gil

#### Shop 26

Joshua Hubbell

Luis Rivera

Joshua Wagner

#### Shop 31

Corey Wooten

Shaun Yeadon

#### Shop 38

Nicholas Clemente

Sandra Hayman

Kevin Martin

Jeremy Walker

#### Shop 51

Diona Arena

William Kiendel

#### Shop 52

Bonnie Eicher

#### Shop 56

Erin Avery

Robert McCarthy

#### Shop 57

Christina Deitch

#### Shop 64

Ashley Brown

Colleen Ellis

Mercedes Flerx

#### Shop 67

Sarah Alvarez

#### Shop 71

Breanna Spracklin

Michael McDowell

Jamie Ruth

Michael Swain II

#### Shop 99

Marian Baca

Bianka Curtis

Sarah Hustis

Kristy Peterson

Frank Yulfo

# 75TH ANNIVERSARY

## of D-Day



*"You are about to embark upon the Great Crusade, toward which we have striven these many months. The eyes of the world are upon you."*

General Dwight D. Eisenhower

# JUNE 6, 1944



# PSNS & IMF Change of Command

## June 12, 2019 at 10 a.m.

Join us on June 12 at 10 a.m., as the command bids “Fair Winds and Following Seas” to Capt. Howard Markle, and “Welcome Aboard” to our 50th shipyard commander, Capt. Dianna Wolfson during the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard & Intermediate Maintenance Facility Change of Command ceremony in Building 460.

Vice Adm. Thomas Moore, Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command, is the guest speaker. **The workforce is invited to attend, workload permitting and with supervisor approval.**

Markle has served as PSNS & IMF commander since August 2015. His next assignment will be on the executive staff of Commander, Naval Sea Systems

Command in Washington, D.C.

Wolfson joins us from Norfolk Naval Shipyard in Virginia where she most recently served as the operations officer. She has served more than 20 years in the Navy in various roles preparing for this next tour of duty.

After the ceremony, Markle and Wolfson will join the workforce at the Knowledge Share Fair located in front of Buildings 850 and 850A.

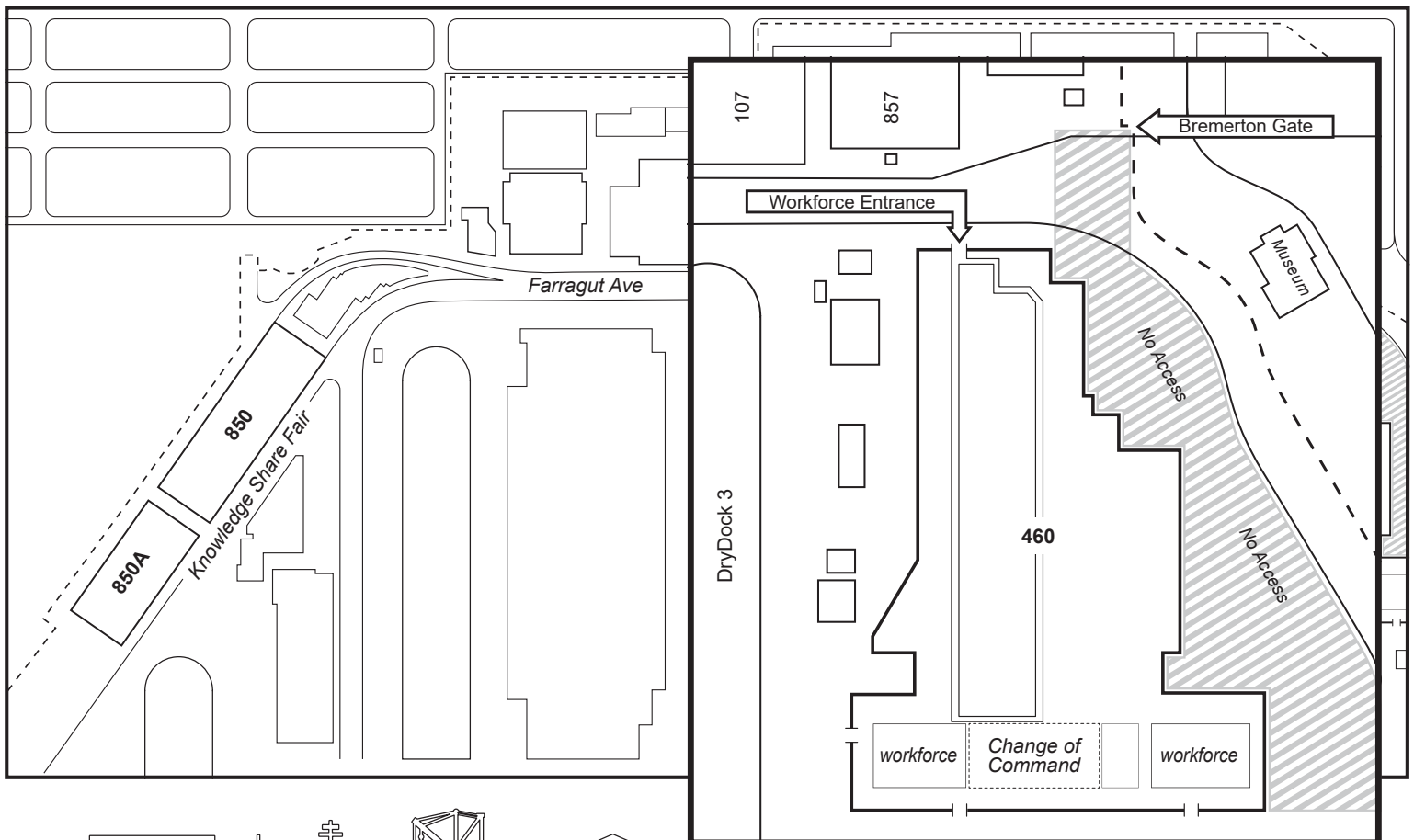
If you plan to attend the ceremony, please note the following:

- Employees need to be in place on the big slab (back of Bldg. 460) no later than 9:30 a.m.
- **Only** enter Building 460 from Farragut Avenue through Door 1.

The area around the east side of Building 460 will be a “no access” area from Bremerton Gate to the southeast corner and down the entire east side of the building. The west side of the building (alongside Dry Dock 3) will have limited access.

- The turnstiles at Bremerton Gate will be available for incoming and outgoing traffic throughout the event.
- Shipyard shuttle buses will be available.

Immediately following the event, employees are encouraged to attend the Knowledge Share Fair in front of Buildings 850 and 850A. The fair runs from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Time outside lunch is allowed with supervisor approval.



**Employees need to be in place by 9:30 a.m.**