



**Welcome to Keyport**



[www.keyport98345.com](http://www.keyport98345.com)

[www.facebook.com/keyport.wa](http://www.facebook.com/keyport.wa)

Hello and welcome to the neighborhood!

We're so pleased to have you as part of our community. We know how difficult moving to a new place can be, so we've compiled this packet of information for Keyport as a resource to help you get better acquainted with the area.

Keyport has a very active all-volunteer community club with several groups that meet each month that you are welcome to join in on. No invitation necessary! There is a list of these groups included in this packet.

Please let us know if we can help you in some way as you settle in and we hope you will enjoy Keyport and all that Kitsap County has to offer.

Warmly,  
Keyport Welcome Committee

# Keyport Improvement Club



As part of unincorporated Kitsap County, Keyport has no mayor, city council, or other official organizers, enforcers, or solvers of problems. Instead, we have the Keyport Improvement Club (KIC) - a group of stalwart volunteers who work on events and projects to strengthen our community and make life better for Keyport residents.

Keyport Improvement Club (KIC) was incorporated in 1921 for "the development of the civic, social, charitable and educational interest of the town and community of Keyport." Today's KIC has the same mission, with the added goal of having as much fun as possible. From the Fourth of July celebration to disaster preparedness to summer potlucks to town cleanups and Park maintenance, KIC volunteers help make Keyport a better place to live.

All Keyport residents are invited to participate in KIC activities. Check out the website ([www.keyport98345.com](http://www.keyport98345.com)) and Facebook [Keyport, Washington - Home | Facebook](#) to see what's going on. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of the month, from October through June, at 7:00 PM at the Keyport Mercantile or another Keyport business. A sandwich sign is put out at the post office in the days before the meeting that says the location.

#### **Current KIC officers are:**

President — Karol Stevens.....360.908.1300  
Vice President — Peg Garrison...360.598.6787  
Secretary— Judy Kelly.....206.910.9949  
Treasurer— Flo Schule.....360.930.2558

# The Port of Keyport

The Port of Keyport is a small marina with 14 private slips, 250 feet of guest moorage in five 50-foot slips, and a boat launch ramp.

The entire marina was replaced in 2009 with new concrete pilings and slips. There is water and power at all slips. The new boat launch ramp project was completed in March of 2022.

**Boat Launch:** \$5.00 per use.

**Private Slip:** \$5.00 per foot (longer of boat or slip length), plus \$20.00 for marina utility services, and slip assigned electrical pedestal usage billed at PSE KW rate.

**Guest Slip:** Up to 3 hours free. For guest moorage, fee is \$1.00 per foot of vessel per night. Ex) 32ft boat, \$32 per night. Limit 3 nights per month.

Contact Port Commissioner Lena Hunt at 206.910.7644 for more information and to check moorage availability.



Want to get involved with the port? The Port of Keyport Commissioners hold an open meeting the first Monday of each month at 6:00 PM at the office on the marina dock.

<https://portofkeyport.com>

Current Port Commissioners are:

Brian Watne      541.760.0176

Lena Hunt      206.910.7644

Don McCracken      360.830.9097

Contact by mail:      Port of Keyport, P.O. Box 195, Keyport, WA 98345

# Keyport Businesses

## Keyport Mercantile

*Seriously AMAZING sandwiches, pizza, homemade soups, salads, and an ice cream counter. They also carry a selection of beer and wine. "The Merc" also has a small grocery selection of common household needs.*

Hours:  
Mon -Sat                    9 am – 8 pm  
Sunday closed

To Go Orders – 360-779-7270



## Casa Mexico

*We are lucky to have one of the best Mexican restaurants in the county in our own little neighborhood! Extensive beer selection on tap. A great place to watch Seahawks and Sounders games. Check website for live music schedule.*

Open Mon -Sat 11 am – 9 pm  
<http://casamexicokeyport.net>  
To Go Orders – 360-598-2727



## Keyport Auto Repair

*How convenient—Keyport Auto Repair is a full-service repair shop right here in town. Great place for oil changes, maintenance and repairs with small town service that's hard to find these days!*

Open Mon-Fri 8 am – 5:30 pm  
360-930-6982  
[www.keyportautorepair.mydex.com](http://www.keyportautorepair.mydex.com)





# Keyport Post Office

There is no home delivery by the USPS in Keyport- but mailboxes are located at the post office. You can sign up for a regular sized P.O. Box at no charge. Larger boxes are also available for a fee. Look out for the community board at the post office to keep up-to-speed on current happenings.

US Post Office  
Address: 1998 WA-308 NE, Keyport, WA 98345  
Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00-12:30; 1:30-4:30  
Phone: (360) 779-4123



# Community Website

The Keyport Improvement Club maintains a website that has links to community activities, the history of Keyport, agendas and minutes from meetings as well as our community disaster preparedness plan. Check it out! We are also on Facebook!

[www.keyport98345.com](http://www.keyport98345.com)  
[www.facebook.com/keyport.wa](http://www.facebook.com/keyport.wa)

# Voter Registration



Washington State will send you ballots for all elections in the mail! You can mail them back to vote. There is also an official ballot dropbox located at Central Park on Washington Ave. You can drop your ballots there or send them back in the mail. To register to vote, fill out and send in the form included in this folder, or you can register to vote at this website:  
<https://www.sos.wa.gov/elections/register.aspx>

# History of Keyport

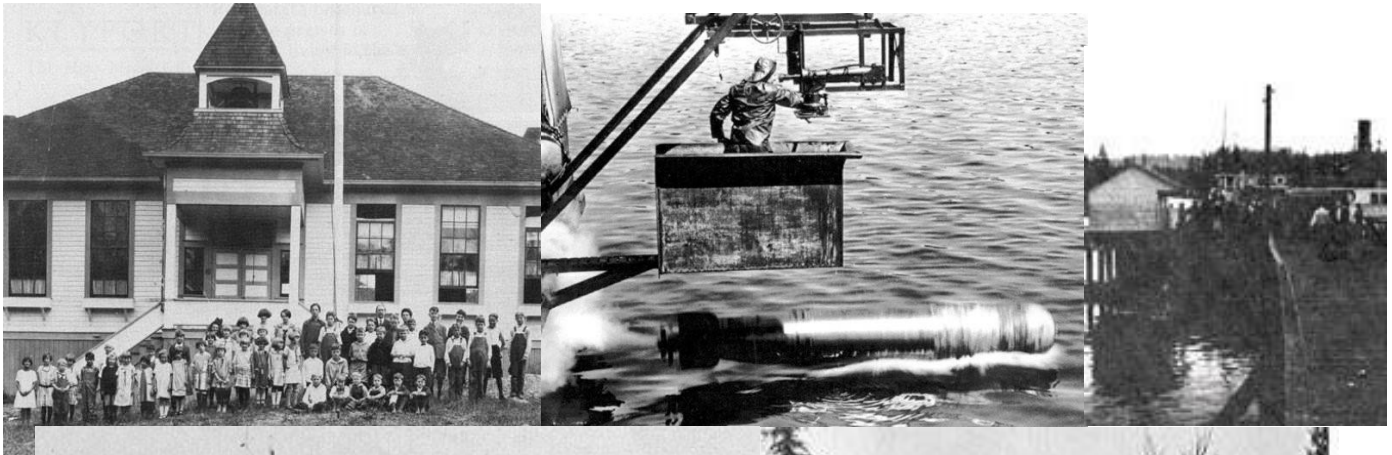
Keyport, Washington was officially founded in 1896 and is located on a small peninsula jutting into Liberty Bay. It was named after Keyport, New Jersey where there is also a navy installation.

You may hear Keyport called "Torpedo Town USA" and that's a reference to the naval base located on the same tiny peninsula as Keyport, where the US Navy has built and repaired torpedoes since before World War 1.

Once upon a time, Keyport had a school, a hotel and even a ferry directly to Seattle!

For more history on Keyport— visit the Keyport Website ([www.keyport98345.com](http://www.keyport98345.com)) and go to the "Activities" tab and scroll down to History where you will find a link to a fantastic book excerpt with an in-depth look at what lifewas like in Keyport when it was founded over 100 years ago!

*Insider Scoop: You may notice a mural of kids in swimming suits painted on a building near the Keyport Mercantile. This is a dedication to the Keyport Swim Team. These kiddos would swim out from Keyport all the way across the water to Lemolo! One of them wasn't a very good swimmer so he would follow the other children in a boat.*



NUWC Keyport Main Gate 1962

# Utilities and Services

## GARBAGE AND RECYCLING

Serviced by Waste Management | <https://www.wm.com/us> | (866) 331-1993



## SEWER

Kitsap County Public Works

<https://spf.kitsapgov.com/pw/Pages/sewerconnect.aspx> | (360) 337-5777



## WATER

Kitsap PUD #1 | [www.kpud.org](http://www.kpud.org) | (360) 779-7656



## HEATING OIL

Cooper Fuel | <https://www.cooperfuelandauto.com/> | (360) 377-4100



## NATURAL GAS

Cascade Natural Gas | <https://www.cngc.com> | 1 (888) 522-1130

Puget Sound Energy | [www.pse.com](http://www.pse.com) | 1 (888) 225-5773



## PROPANE

Kitsap Propane | <https://kitsap.propaneez.com> | 1 (877) 775-6392



## INTERNET

Wave Broadband | <https://wavebroadband.com/> | 1 (866) 928-3123

Century Link | [www.centurylink.com](http://www.centurylink.com) | 1 (877) 862-9343



# KIC Groups

**Disaster Preparedness**— Keyport is surrounded by water on three sides, with the Kitsap Navy Base on the fourth side. Entrance to the community is by bridge over a lagoon. The community works to be self-sustaining in the event of an emergency by encouraging individual preparedness, stockpiling first aid supplies, training volunteers to open a Red Cross shelter at Keyport Bible Church, and storing emergency meals. Karol Stevens for more info: 360.908.1300

**Welcome Committee**— This group focuses on welcoming the newest members of the neighborhood and sharing information about community events. Contact Judy Kelly for more info: 206.910.9949

**Parks**— Maintaining our great parks is a big job! Help always welcomed to pick up garbage, fight the ivy invasion, or general park maintenance. Contact Doug Chamberlin for more information at: 360.731.5919

**Neighborhood Crime Watch**— Keeping an eye out for troublemakers! Contact Allan Breitmayer for more information: 360.337.9629

**At Home in Keyport**— A committee formed in 2011 to assess what we could do to support people aging in place in Keyport. We're adapting the Village Concept that originated in Boston's Beacon Hill neighborhood to meet our needs. Contact Karol Stevens for more information: 360.908.1300

**Book Club**— Meets the first Monday of each month at 5:30 PM at a local restaurant. Contact Jan Kohler for more information: 360.621.9341

**Senior Lunch Bunch**— Monthly lunch at the Keyport Mercantile featuring a special of the day for senior members of the community. Watch for notices at the post office.

**Coffee Group**— Informal gathering at the Keyport Mercantile for coffee at 9:00 AM on Wednesdays. All are welcome... an excellent casual way to meet your neighbors.

**Walking Group**— An informal group of walkers who walk about 3 miles begins at West end of Petterson. Join any place along Petterson or Poulsbo. Participants walk at their own speed. Group walks each weekday starting at 8AM and are finished about 9AM.

**4th of July Committee**— Planning committee for 4th of July events including a parade in which residents participate. Contact Peg Garrison for more info: 360.598.6787

**Community Garage Sale**— A community-wide garage sale that happens every summer. Host your own sale at your house, or donate your time or stuff to the KIC booth to support the community club. Contact Patti Corcoran for more info: 360.620.5812



# Seasonal Activities

## 4th of July

Fireworks start early in the area as the tribes open their stands in late May. Don't be surprised if there is a display many nights across the bay from Keyport dock. *If you have pets that are sensitive to fireworks, keep a close eye on them in the evenings!*

The Keyport All-American 4th of July Parade starts promptly at 1pm in front of the fire station. Participate or be a spectator! EVERYONE is invited to Central Park immediately at the end of the parade for popsicles and raffle drawing.

## December

We sponsor a variety of holiday activities around town including tree lighting and Santa visit in Central Park, a Solstice Walk and New Year's Eve Bonfire. Check message board at Post Office and Merc for exact dates and details.

The Poulsbo Yacht Club's annual Lighted Boat Parade with Santa is always a treat on Keyport's shoreline on Saturday in mid-December. Keep an eye out for fliers to announce specific dates.

Keyport Trace residents have a wonderful light and music display in December. Turn left on Kestrel and go to the end of the cul-de-sac. Tune your car radio into the station posted. Hours are typically 5-9 pm. Another great light display is north of Poulsbo – Christmas in Big Valley ([www.christmasinbigvalley.com](http://www.christmasinbigvalley.com)) for hours and price.

# Things to do in the Greater Keyport Area

## PARKS and TRAILS

*There are over 70 parks in Kitsap County and a variety of trail systems to enjoy our beautiful area. Here are a few of our favorites:*

Clear Creek Trail - Silverdale (Large parking area on Silverdale Way next to the great Silverdale Dog Park)

Fish Park – Poulsbo

North Kitsap Heritage Park– Kingston

Battle Point Park– Bainbridge

*Insider Scoop: Kitsap Rocks are individuals who create art by painting rocks and hiding/gifting them around public areas in the county. Maybe you'll be lucky on your next walk through a park! [www.facebook.com/groups/kitsaprocks](http://www.facebook.com/groups/kitsaprocks)*



## MUSEUMS

*Kitsap county has many museums. The ones listed below are close and interactive.*

Naval Undersea Museum – Keyport

Open daily 10 am – 4 pm (closed Tues. Oct-April) **FREE**



Suquamish Museum – Suquamish

Open daily 10 am – 5 pm minimal charge

SEA (Science, Education, Aquarium) Discovery Center – Poulsbo waterfront

Open Fri and Sat. 11 am - 4 pm **\$2 suggested donation**

Poulsbo Maritime Museum Open daily 10 am – 5 pm **FREE**



## THEATERS, MUSIC and ART

*Almost every town in Kitsap has an excellent community theater program and music venues. Here are some for you to check out:*

The Admiral Theatre – Downtown Bremerton Premier live entertainment

Bremerton Symphony Orchestra performs around the area. [www.bremertonsymphony.org](http://www.bremertonsymphony.org)

The Jewel Box Theatre- Poulsbo Great community theatre in an intimate setting.

Regal Poulsbo Stadium 10 – closest movie theater with cheap Tuesday's all day

Art Walks – Bremerton, Bainbridge and Poulsbo have monthly art walks. Poulsbo's is the 2nd Saturday of the month from 5 - 8 pm.

*Insider Scoop: Summertime free evening outdoor concerts! Almost every town has a concert series one day a week. Poulsbo's is at the waterfront pavilion on Tuesdays. Clearwater Casino Resort's are on the waterfront hotel lawn on Thursdays at 7 pm.*

## LOCAL BREWERIES

*There are numerous craft breweries in the county. Poulsbo has several and also hosts periodic beerrun ([www.poulsboeerrun.com](http://www.poulsboeerrun.com)) events. Here are a few:*

Rainy Daze

Sound Brewery

Slippery Pig

Valholl Brewing



## WINERIES

*No need to go to Eastern Washington. Bainbridge Island has 7 wineries! Quarterly Wine on the Rock weekend events are a great way to visit all sites. [www.bainbridgewineries.com](http://www.bainbridgewineries.com)*

Amelia Wynn (tasting room downtown Winslow)

Bainbridge Vineyards

Eagle Harbor Winery

Eleven Winery

Fletcher Bay Winery

Perennial Vintners

Rolling Bay Winery



## HIGHER ED and COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Olympic College – Degree, certification programs available online and at Bremerton and Poulsbo campuses. Check out [www.olympic.edu](http://www.olympic.edu) for more information.

Western Washington University Extension Campus— Degree programs as well as lifelong learning courses. Located in Poulsbo.

Poulsbo Parks and Recreation provides activities and classes for all ages.  
[www.CityOfPoulsbo.com/parks](http://www.CityOfPoulsbo.com/parks)



## FESTIVALS

Poulsbo Viking Fest – 3rd weekend in May (walk/run, parade, family fun)

Kitsap Peninsula Water Trails Festival – Join other non-motor boaters on a paddle from Brownsville to Keyport! Check website for dates: [www.olympicoutdoorcenter.com](http://www.olympicoutdoorcenter.com)

Silverdale Whaling Days – last weekend in July (walk/run, parade, family fun)

Chief Seattle Days in Suquamish– Takes place in August and features Native dancing, a salmon bake and lots of family fun activities.

