



Fall 2015

Phase 1 of Airport Construction Complete

As of September 10, passengers arriving and departing at the Tri-Cities Airport began using the new concourse as the first phase of the airport expansion was completed.

“This is an exciting time at the airport,” said Ron Foraker, Port of Pasco’s director of Airports. “Phase 1 of this \$41.9 million project has wrapped up and passengers are able to use the new, functional and attractive space.”

The phase extended the terminal to the north, creating a new concourse with three boarding gates.

“This is a spacious new area for Gates 3, 4, and 5. It is well designed for passenger comfort and ease in moving through the gates and it looks great. There are floor-to-ceiling windows, wood accents, local art tiles, and the color scheme fits our region,” he said. “We know passengers are going to immediately appreciate the extent of the expansion project once they see this new concourse.”



Cutting the ribbon on Phase 1 are: Nancy Thurston, Columbia Center Rotary art liaison; Kevin Latschaw, PE, project manager, FAA Seattle Office; Ron Foraker, Port of Pasco, director of Airports; Ron Reimann, Port of Pasco Commissioner; and Matt Watkins, mayor, City of Pasco.

Photo by Kim Fetrow

Phase 1 also included new restrooms at the front of the airport. The existing restrooms near the screening area were removed to make room for additional screening lines.

In addition, new space for car rentals has been created and the baggage claim area has been renovated. These services will return to their permanent location this fall.

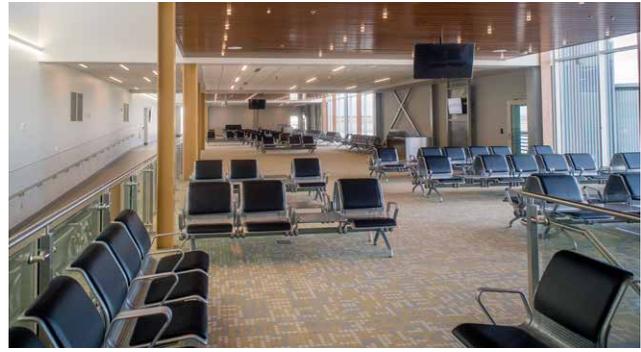


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“We have appreciated how our passengers have been patient with the construction. People know renovating and enlarging an existing terminal requires a bit of inconvenience, but they realize the finished product will be worth the wait,” Foraker said.

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Phase 2

Phase 2 got underway immediately following completion of the first phase. It will include the demolition of the existing boarding concourse and reconstruction and extension to the south for Gates 1 and 2. During this phase, all flights will arrive and depart from the new gates at the north end of the terminal.

There will be limited food service (coffee and other beverages, along with some food) during this phase as the new concession, dining and gallery area will be under construction. There will also be limited concessions on the public side of the terminal.

The lobby will undergo a significant renovation during Phase 2, opening up the space, creating room for up to

four screening lanes with queue lines leading up to the screening area and a larger meet-and-greet area. It will include the removal of the center staircase and construction of an elevator at the front of the building,

To make the work in the lobby possible, access to the terminal building will be relocated to the doors near the baggage claim or the ticketing areas.



The renovated baggage claim and car rental area.

Photo by Kim Fetrow

During this phase, TSA screening lines will also be temporarily shifted.

On time, on budget

“We are very pleased with how this project is proceeding,” said Foraker. “It continues to be on time and on budget. We have had a few adjustments along the way, but have used very little of the \$1.7 million reserve account Commissioners had created for these changes we knew would come along.

“The project has moved smoothly because of Bouten Construction and its subcontractors, and our project manager David Robison. They have been great to work with. Everyone is working together to minimize the impacts to passengers, anticipating what’s ahead, and how the work will impact everyone. There is great communication. We truly appreciate how things are proceeding on this complex project,” he said.

A Quick Look: A bigger airport is on the way

Phase 1 Complete!

- ✓ New concourse for Gates 3, 4, and 5 on the north side of the terminal and includes temporary food and beverage area and large, open seating area
- ✓ New kitchen and service counter inside the secured area of the terminal
- ✓ Renovation of car rental areas
- ✓ Renovation of baggage claim area
- ✓ New restrooms near the main entrance of the terminal
- ✓ Construction of new screening lane

Phase 2 – Fall 2015 through Summer 2016

- Car rentals and baggage claim returned to renovated site
- Old concourse on south end demolished and reconstructed for Gates 1 and 2
- Reconfiguration of front lobby, including relocating the staircase and elevator (main access doors closed)
- New restaurant, dining area, coffee shop, gift shop and bar inside the secure area of terminal

- Existing TSA checkpoint will be temporarily shifted to provide for new TSA-checkpoint construction for improved security experience

Phase 3 – Summer 2016 through January 2017

- Renovation of airline ticket counters
- Creating the outbound baggage area
- Realignment of the front curb

For up-to-date information include weekly reports and photos, visit www.flytricity.com.

Taxiway Delta work Nears Completion

Another milestone in the terminal expansion project will soon be marked with the completion of the \$10.5 million renovation of Taxiway Delta at the end of September.

The larger footprint of the terminal required renovations to Taxiway Delta, the primary taxiway used by commercial aircraft to access the runways.

The FAA considered the realignment of Taxiway Delta a priority project and allocated discretionary funds for the project.

Granite Construction was the contractor for this project.



Have you seen Herb?

During Phase 2, it will be important to watch for signage, including Herb, which will help you navigate to detours around ongoing construction.



Art at the Airport

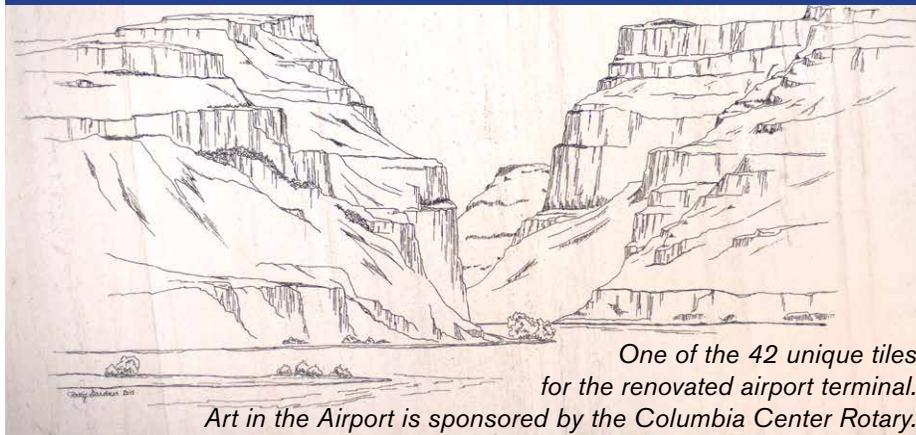


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One of the 42 unique tiles for the renovated airport terminal. Art in the Airport is sponsored by the Columbia Center Rotary.

The new airport terminal is designed to have a distinctive Mid-Columbia feel. From the color scheme, to the river design running through the floor, to the food in the new restaurant, it will all have a regional feel.

Another design feature is the inclusion of 42 unique tiles along the terminal walls and building columns – each designed by local artists.

“We asked local artists to submit sketches that reflect the region,” said Tara White, business manager of the Tri-Cities Airport, who is in charge of art in the airport. “We were excited about the quality and number we received.”

Nearly 150 designs were submitted for consideration. A committee reviewed and selected the tiles for the terminal.

“We selected a variety of designs based on the regionally distinctive categories of technology, geology and agriculture. Our region’s history, economy and natural beauty are well represented in the drawings we chose,” she said.

The selected designs are etched into a tile before being placed in the terminal.

“They are a unique, subtle addition to the renovation project,” she said. “We are excited about how much they are adding to the overall regional feel of the terminal. We know people will move from tile to tile because they are so interesting.”

Other art in the terminal will include two recessed areas, one in the public area and one in the secured area, which will host local art. An art committee will select the art to be included.

Airport Traffic Alert

Construction at the airport has greatly limited the amount of space at the front curb. We are requesting motorists to continue to use short-term parking for all drop off and pick up of passengers throughout the renovation of the airport.

Parking is free for the first 25 minutes.

Watch for signs and traffic cones to help direct you to the appropriate parking.

Please always drive cautiously anywhere around the airport. Drivers may not block a crosswalk and are required to stop for pedestrians.

TSA Offers Prescreening Option, New Scanner

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) now offers its expedited screening program, called Pre✓®, at the Tri-Cities Airport. The program allows eligible, low-risk travelers to move through airport security more quickly.

Travelers can apply to be a part of TSA's Pre✓ application program. Once approved, these travelers can leave on shoes, light outerwear and belt, keep laptops in their cases, and keep the compliant liquids bag in a carry-on.

The traveler's boarding pass will include the TSA Pre✓ approval information

in the barcode and the Pre✓ logo is printed on the boarding pass.

Locally, the applications are taken at Identogo, 9915 Sandifur Parkway, Pasco. There is a \$85 application fee, for a five year membership.

The Pre✓ lanes at the Tri-Cities Airport will be offered during the busiest first flights in the morning.

For more information and a registration form, visit www.tsa.gov/tsa-precheck.

New screening equipment

This fall, TSA will install a new Advanced

Imaging Technology (AIT) scanner at the Tri-Cities Airport.

The full-body scanner uses technology originally developed at the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory in Richland. AIT millimeter wave units use Automated Target Recognition which eliminates passenger-specific images. Instead, the software automatically detects potential threat items and indicates their location on a generic outline of a person that will appear on a monitor attached to the unit. The scanner not only detects metal objects, but can also detect non-metal objects.

Available at the Airport and Online Airport Adds New Flight Information System



Now travelers using the Tri-Cities Airport will have more information available thanks to the addition of a new state-of-the-art Flight Information Display Systems (FIDS).

Throughout the terminal, large monitors provide real-time information on flight arrivals and departures along with gate and baggage claim information. Other monitors will be set to show the weather or news. Information is available in both English and Spanish.

Installation of the new system was part of the first phase of the airport expansion.

Departures

Arrivals

Departing To	Airline	Flight	Time	Gate	Remarks	Arriving From	Airline	Flight	Time	Gate	Remarks
Denver	UNITED	6368	1:28 PM	5	ON TIME	Denver	UNITED	5624	12:58 PM		ARRIVED
Salt Lake City	DELTA	4777	1:30 PM	4	ON TIME	San Francisco	UNITED	5312	2:00 PM		Now 1:49P
San Francisco	UNITED	5401	2:30 PM	5	ON TIME	Seattle	Alaska	2178	3:40 PM		ON TIME
Seattle	Alaska	2107	4:15 PM	3	ON TIME	Salt Lake City	DELTA	4773	4:02 PM	4	ON TIME
Salt Lake City	DELTA	4773	4:30 PM	4	ON TIME	Seattle	Alaska	2360	7:15 PM		ON TIME
Seattle	Alaska	2109	7:45 PM	3	ON TIME	Denver	UNITED	6190	8:21 PM		ON TIME
						Minneapolis	DELTA	2556	8:43 PM	4	ON TIME
						Salt Lake City	DELTA	1230	10:26 PM	4	ON TIME
						Portland, OR	Alaska	2122	10:44 PM		ON TIME

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Expanded information available on the Web/Mobile devices

The new FIDS benefits more than just those at the airport. It has a mobile component, which allows users to look up real-time flight information for airlines flying to or from the Tri-Cities Airport. Users can also reference a

live map to track flight status once a flight is in the air.

The new website can be accessed on any mobile device or computer at www.flytricity.com.

The airport continues to provide free Wi-Fi service in the terminal, as well.

Port Receives Grant for Service to Los Angeles

The Port of Pasco Tri-Cities Airport was one of the a few airports across the country to be awarded a \$750,000 Small Community Air Service Development (SCASD) grant from the United States Department of Transportation. The port pursued the grant to recruit and support daily, non-stop service to Los Angeles International Airport.

"This grant will allow the Tri-Cities Airport to better connect its passengers to the national air transportation system by recruiting daily airline service to Los Angeles," said Port of Pasco Commission President Jim Klindworth.

The highly sought-after grant program awards a maximum of 40 grants nationally per year, with a maximum of four grants per state. It is designed to provide financial assistance to small communities to enhance air service.

According to a study, Los Angeles ranks as the Tri-City market's number one destination, averaging 145 passengers per day each way. This grant will help make it more cost efficient and convenient to fly out of the Tri-Cities.

To secure the grant, the Port was required to demonstrate not only need, but financial support from the community. The Port raised over \$300,000 in matching funds from local governments and businesses, well above the Port's initial goal and far exceeding the amount raised last year in a similar application. In addition, the Port received letters of support for direct flights to Los Angeles.

"This grant award is the result of unprecedented support from our com-

munity as well as Sen. Maria Cantwell, Sen. Patty Murray and Rep. Dan Newhouse. It's a huge win for the whole Tri-Cities region," said Port of Pasco Executive Director Randy Hayden.

Once the grant is finalized, the airport will begin recruitment efforts. It is anticipated the new service could begin in June, 2016. Skywest Airlines has offered equipment and pilots to fly the new route on behalf of another carrier.

"We are very happy to have received this grant and will work swiftly to implement this service as quickly as possible," said Port of Pasco Director of Airports Ron Foraker.

The Port of Pasco would like to thank our community partners who have supported the effort to secure this grant with financial commitments including: Battelle, Benton County, Bechtel, City of Kennewick, City of Pasco, City of Richland, Franklin County, JUB Engineers, Port of Benton, Port of Kennewick, Ti-Lite, Tri-City Chamber of Commerce, Tri-City Development Council, Visit Tri-Cities and Washington River Protection Solutions. In addition, letters of support were received from, among others, Sen. Maria Cantwell, Sen. Patty Murray, Rep. Dan Newhouse, & Yet, Areva, Chateau Ste. Michelle, Con Agra, Energy Northwest, Fiesta Foods, Kadlec Regional Medical Center, Lampson International, LIGO, Providence Health & Services, Super Mex and Washington State University Tri-Cities.

Airport Marketing: Targeting Northeastern Oregon Region

Air travelers make decisions about their travel based upon a number of things: flight availability, destinations, ease of travel, price and more. Sometimes it is just a matter of not being familiar with other options.

A new marketing initiative of the Tri-Cities Airport is targeting travelers from the northeastern area of Oregon to make the Tri-Cities Airport their airport of choice.

"We want people from throughout our region to think of us as their local airport."

"We know from our research that there is room for growth in this area," said Gary Ballew, the Port's director of Economic Development and Marketing. "Some of these travelers are currently choosing to use the airport in Portland rather than coming to the Tri-Cities Airport. Our marketing efforts will be aimed at encouraging travelers from northeastern Oregon to look at the convenience of flying out of an airport that is significantly closer to home.

"We are the region's airport. We want people from throughout our region to think of us as their airport and the first choice when traveling," he said. "We are continuing to increase flight service. From our airport, you can travel anywhere. We are expanding our terminal to accommodate more travelers. We can help travelers cut down on travel time and expense by choosing an airport closer to home".

New Flight Service to Seattle Beginning in November

Starting November 1, travelers to and from Seattle will have more flight options when Delta Air Lines begins three new flights a day to Sea-Tac Airport.

In addition, Alaska Airline recently brought back an early evening flight.

Once these flights are in place, there will be nine flights to Seattle each day.

"Not only are we happy about the addition of these flights, we are pleased at their times," said Ron Foraker, director of Airports. "We will have flight times that are more convenient. That's good news to the business traveler who wants to get home earlier."

Visit airline websites for specific flight times.

Planning to Travel by Air? Type in PSC as Your Airport

Nowadays, most travelers jump online to book their own flights. One of the key pieces of information needed when looking for flights is the origination airport code.

The Tri-Cities Airport wants you to type in PSC, the airport's three-letter airport code, as you start your search.

With expanded flight service, and the ability to fly into important connecting hubs, travelers can reach destinations around the world out of the Tri-Cities Airport.

The key to booking out of the Tri-Cities is to type in the PSC code, and look at your options flying out of your airport close to home.



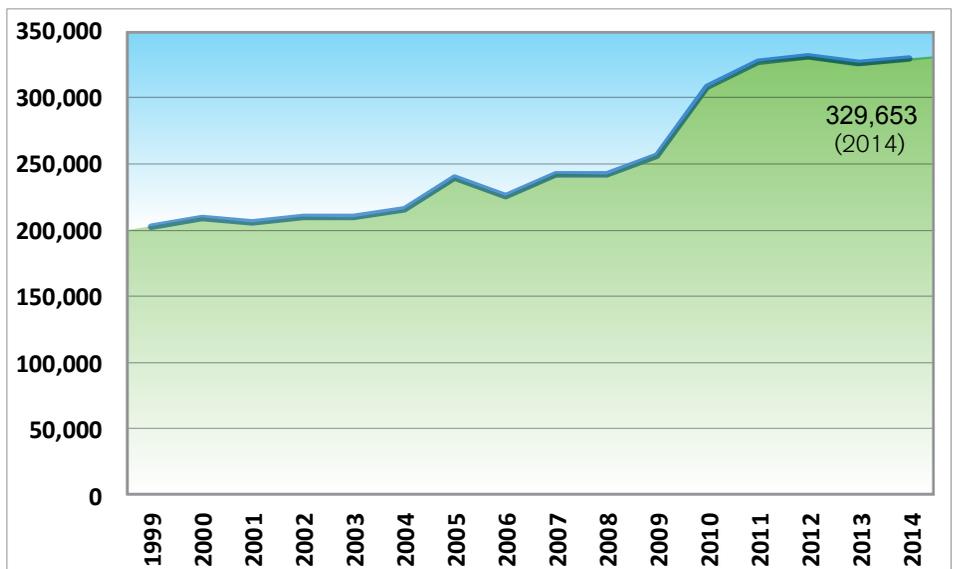
Enplanements Continue to Increase; Could Set New Record

An increasing number of passengers are flying out of the Tri-Cities Airport and, if the trend continues, 2015 could be a record year.

During the first seven months of 2015, the airport showed a 4 percent increase over the last year, which equates to over 7,400 more passengers. Both June and July have set all-time, one month records.

"The previous record for annual enplanements was over 331,000 passengers" said Ron Foraker, Port of Pasco's director of Airports. "If we keep on this track, 2015 will likely become our new record year for enplanements."

15 Years of Passenger Boardings



Tri-Cities Airport Chief of Police Arthur Owen Retired

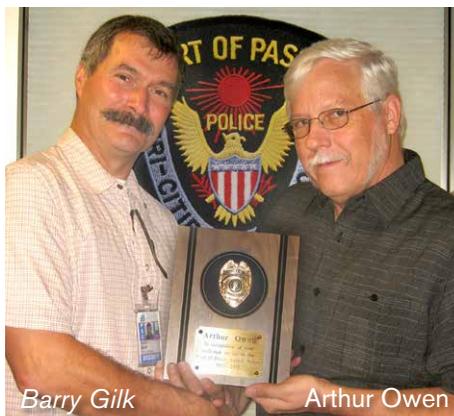
At the end of June, longtime Tri-Cities Airport Police Chief Arthur Owen retired. He had worked for the Port since 2003 and brought over 25 years of law enforcement experience to the Tri-Cities Airport.

Owen was commissioned an officer and deputy in the state of Washington in 1992 and, prior to that, served as a Law Enforcement Specialist in the Air Force for 22 years.

During his years at the Tri-Cities Airport, he was instrumental in updating police and Port procedures as well as managing numerous projects that have contributed to the expansion, efficiency and use of the airport.

"The airport has undergone tremendous growth in the 12 years that Arthur served as the Chief of Police," said Ron Foraker, director of Airports. "He has been instrumental in implementing security measures that provide exceptional security coverage for the airport and our passengers, making ours

one of the safest in Washington. This is a direct reflection of his leadership and experience".



Because of his law enforcement background, he developed important connections between other area law enforcement departments and the Port, particularly the airport.

"Those relationships continue to be very important. We have many highly qualified law enforcement employees at the airport because of Arthur's work. Arthur was great to work with, and we are very grateful for his time at the airport," said Foraker.

Welcome New Chief Barry Gilk

Barry Gilk assumed the role as the new Port of Pasco Tri-Cities Airport Chief of Police. Gilk is a fully commissioned police officer with the state of Washington and has over 23 years of law enforcement experience.

Prior to accepting this position, Gilk worked for the Hanford Patrol and part-time at the Tri-Cities Airport providing law enforcement coverage in the Terminal Secured Boarding Area since 2007. During his lengthy career, he has worked for the Richland Police Department and the West Richland Police Department

"We were happy when Barry expressed interest in this position," said Foraker.

"We've worked with him for several years and knew that he would be a solid addition to the airport management team. He brings a wealth of experience and knowledge as the Chief of Police that will be valuable as the airport continues to grow."

Travel on Over to the Airport's New Website: www.flytricity.com

The Tri-Cities Airport has recently launched a new airport-specific website offering an expanded, more user-friendly format.

The site, www.flytricity.com, is easier to navigate across a wide range of devices, including tablets and smartphones.

New links include a real-time flight data tool (including flight tracking), gate and baggage information and

up-to-date terminal expansion information.

Previously, the airport web presence was linked through the Port of Pasco website.

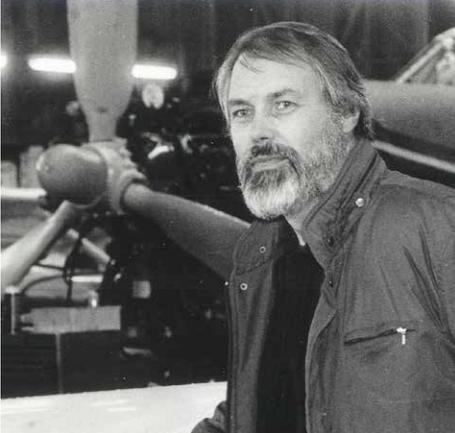
"We wanted to create a site that provides the information that passengers, and those following passengers, want to have," said Gary Ballew, director of Economic Development and Marketing.

"People want to know if a flight is on time, where a specific flight is, and where they can fly to out of the airport.

We also wanted to create a site that is fully compatible across a number of technologies. We believe the new site does all of that and more. The airport really cares about the passenger experience, and we wanted the website to reflect that as well."

We invite you to explore our new airport website
www.flytricity.com

A High-Flying Success



In 1971, Karl Bergstrom and his wife, Elenor, started Karl Bergstrom Aircraft Services by renting a small hangar at the Port of Pasco owned Tri-Cities Airport.

Karl was the sole mechanic, offering general aviation maintenance and repair. Forty-four years later, through hard work, a commitment to his customers and his own integrity, that business is thriving. It has grown to include Fixed Base Operator (FBO) services, general, corporate and commercial fuel service, flight training, aircraft rental, aerial photography and scenic flights services. It now employs 31 people.

While originally focused on general aviation customers, through the years Bergstrom Aircraft, Inc. has also played an important role in the success of commercial service at the Tri-Cities Airport.

Building a business at the Port

The Bergstroms grew up near Stockholm, Sweden, where Karl worked as an airplane mechanic. In the early 1960s, they took a trip to the United States. That visit convinced them to emigrate in 1965 to live the American dream. He initially worked as an auto mechanic (his airplane certification was not valid in the United States) in Minnesota. The Bergstroms then moved to the Tri-Cities where they had family.

Karl initially worked in construction for Ray Poland & Sons. After a back injury, he went back to school at Big Bend Community College to become an FAA certified aircraft mechanic in the United States, and he also got his pilot's license.

"I finished the two year program in a year-and-a-half," he said with a smile.

Once out of school, he began working for other aircraft service businesses in the Tri-Cities.

After changes in those businesses, "I had to do something," he said.

That something was setting up a one-mechanic shop in a small corner of the Tri-Cities Airport in Hangar 72, owned by the Port of Pasco.

Before long, he was getting calls from his general aviation customers to provide fuel service, which is when Karl bought his first fuel truck with the help of a \$500 bank loan guaranteed on just his name. Jet refueling was added two years later at the request of Western Airlines.

The growth of the business continued. In 1981, Bergstrom Aircraft, Inc. became a Beech Aero Center, with flight instruction and aircraft rental. In 1984, Beech recognized Bergstrom Aircraft for being the fastest growing Aero Center in the world.

Charter service was also added, something Bergstrom did for 20 years.

All along, the Bergstroms grew the business through their hard work and own financing.

"There never was an investment without the resources to handle it," said Malin Bergstrom, one of Bergstroms' daughters and now president of the company.

In 1999, a fire at the Port's Hangar 73 created an opportunity for Bergstrom to grow even more. The Port, receiving funds from the fire loss, was able to build a new general aviation terminal building and hangar. That's when Karl was eager to move his business into the new building.





*Malin Bergstrom, Karl Bergstrom
and Daniel Bergstrom*

In 2002, the General Aviation Terminal was opened, and Bergstrom Aircraft moved to the new, expanded location.

In 2003, Bergstrom was awarded the Washington State FBO of the year.

Family affair

The business that Karl and Elenor built has been a family affair from the beginning. While young, their children were a part of the business.

"I remember sitting in the fuel trucks with Dad when I was very little," said Malin. "Eventually he would let me write the invoices. The customers were surprised to get a bill written in a child's handwriting."

The three children were also encouraged to work at the business.

"We were always willing to do some work like sweeping so we could be paid a little," said Daniel Bergstrom, now vice president and operations manager.

In 1988, Malin officially joined the business, and Daniel joined in 1990. Five years ago, Karl handed the reins of the business over to them.

"My brother and I have worked hard to carry on with the reputation that our parents established long ago: treat your employees and customers like family and success will find you," said Malin.

Karl may now carry the official title of being retired, but that doesn't keep him completely away from the business. He's still a familiar face at the General Aviation Terminal, "but not as much as I would like to be," he said with a smile.

That's because, said Daniel, Karl's life has been poured into the business.

"He didn't have other hobbies. He didn't golf or fish," Daniel said. "This is what he did. This is what he loved to do. He loved to tinker, whether it was on a motorcycle, car or airplane."

That commitment was acknowledged in 2010 when Karl was recognized by the Federal Aviation Administration with the Charles Taylor "Master Mechanic" Award. The award is given to select aviation mechanics across the United States who have worked in aviation for at least 50 years, and meet standards of excellence in work and character. At the time, he was one of only 17 to have received the

award in the state. At the ceremony recognizing his award, he was commended for his honest and direct dealings with customers, and his outstanding and uncompromising customer service.

"Without a doubt he helped build the general aviation side of the airport," said Ron Foraker, Port of Pasco director of Airports. "An FBO is the backbone of general aviation. He has been a true asset for general aviation. But it doesn't end there. He has played a key role in commercial aviation, too."

According to Foraker, on many an occasion, he would see Karl out working on commercial aircraft at all hours of the day, in all kinds of weather.

His work also allowed him to travel around the world including to Bahrain with Battelle (Pacific Northwest Laboratory), serving as the aircraft mechanic on the trip.

"Karl built the business from the ground up," said Foraker. "He lived it, and he breathed it. He's had employees that have worked for him 20, 25, 30 years. That says a lot. He is a really good guy. The air industry in this region, both general and commercial, is much better, much stronger, because of Karl Bergstrom."



*The Bergstrom family in 2013:
Karl, Anna, Malin, Elenor and Daniel.*

Study Looks at Dairy Processing Options for Connell

Could capitalizing on the existing dairies in the northern Franklin County area blossom into a new, job-creating industry in Connell? That was the question posed during a recently completed study prepared for the Port of Pasco and the City of Connell.

“Connell is in a unique situation,” said Gary Ballew, Port of Pasco director of Economic Development and Marketing. “It is close enough to the Tri-Cities so that much of its work force locates there and commutes, rather than living in Connell. That often leads business to decide to locate in the Tri-Cities, closer to the workforce. To create economic development in Connell, we need to find the advantages of that location and capitalize on them.”

One opportunity may be the existence of dairies surrounding Connell. This industry currently ships its perishable, raw milk long distances to dairy processing centers in Sunnyside and Spokane. Once there, it is converted into value-added products including fluid milk or milk products, cheese and possibly even ice cream. In addition to the transportation distance, the processing center in Sunnyside is reaching its capacity, which has the potential to limit industry growth.

Early in 2015, the Port and Connell received a \$50,000 Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) grant and, supplemented by matching funds from both organizations, the Port commissioned a targeted industry study to analyze the opportunity for a dairy processing center at the Connell Industrial Area.

“To create economic development in Connell, we need to find the advantages of that location and capitalize on them.”

The focus of the study included current dairy production and potential for industry growth, transportation, wastewater treatment, product distribution, and identifying how the City and Port could work together to recruit a dairy processing company.

Results of the study were presented to Port Commissioners and the Connell City Council in August. The study found that within a 60 minute truck trip to Connell there are 26 existing dairies, 47,000 mature

WITHIN 60 MILES OF CONNELL:

- 26 Dairies
- 47,000 mature cows
- 145 million gallons of milk produced annually
- Milk production will double in 7 years

cows, and annual milk production of 145 million gallons. It also found milk production will likely double in the next seven years.

“The study supported the fact that there already exists enough production to support dairy processing in Connell,” said Ballew. “It also made the case for the local advantage of having dairy processing close to production.”

In addition, the study looked at the infrastructure necessary to support a processor, including a wastewater treatment plant.

“Key to attracting a dairy processor to Connell is treating wastewater. The study looked at the feasibility of a publicly owned

wastewater plant, the costs associated with it, and the rate that would need to be charged to the processor,” said Ballew. “It was determined that this rate would be reasonable, making the project doable.”

The next steps in drawing a facility to Connell include getting the information from this study to potential dairy processors, something Ballew said the Port will be involved with.

“This project is much like the development of the Pasco Processing Center, which capitalized on what was already grown in the area and made the case to have processing closer to actual production rather than transporting it somewhere else,” he said. “We now have the facts necessary to present a solid case to the industry. We know that creating a wastewater treatment plant is possible, something that was instrumental in the success of the Pasco Processing Center, and will be to any dairy processing development, too.”

“There is a lot of work ahead, but we are excited about the potential of this economic development opportunity for Connell and the northern part of the Port district.”

Call to Reserve Your Seat on the Next Port of Pasco Tour

The Port of Pasco invites you to a tour of the Port. Tours begin at 11:30 a.m. in the Port’s Administrative Office, 1110 Osprey Pointe Blvd., Ste. 201, Pasco.

Lunch is included.

Space is limited so call to reserve your seat in the next tour – 547-3378.

Welcome! Pasco Chamber of Commerce

The Pasco Chamber of Commerce has officially made Osprey Pointe its new home.

The Chamber is occupying 1,100 square feet on the main floor of the Osprey Pointe building.

The Pasco Chamber of Commerce was established in 1912. From business to agriculture to education, the Chamber serves the Greater Pasco Area, working to achieve economic security and an overall exceptional quality of life for its residents.

"This is such a good fit for both the Port and the Chamber," said Gary Ballew, Port of Pasco's director of Economic Development and Marketing. "We are economic development partners, and work together on so many projects. This is a natural fit for both of us.

"Having the Chamber at Osprey Pointe also helps introduce more people to the site and its potential," he said. "They have board and committee meetings in



*Colin Hastings, executive director;
Sam Loza, Member Services; and
Sara Morales, director of Communications and Marketing*

their new office, bringing people to the site who may not know about it. We are very excited to have the Chamber join us at Osprey Pointe."

Colin Hastings, executive director of the Pasco Chamber of Commerce

agrees. "We can't be any more excited about our new space to showcase the potential of Pasco's waterfront. The Pasco Chamber has always promoted economic development in our area, and we look forward to continuing this mission."

Port Partners for Local Business Seminars

Collaboration with area economic development partners has long been a focus of the Port of Pasco. One way in which this effort is continuing is with the creation of a series of business development seminars for the region.

During the past year, the Port hosted "Export 101," a seminar focused on how to access local resources to help a small business expand globally. The

Port partnered with the Ports of Benton and Kennewick to put on the event. Six other organizations also collaborated on the seminar.

In July, the Port of Benton was the site of "The Secrets to Generational Transitions," which looked at creating a business succession plan, and again hosted by the Port districts.

"The Ports are working together in many

arenas and putting on these business development seminars is one of those," said Gary Ballew, director of Economic Development and Marketing. "Rather than each Port trying to do seminars separately, it benefits the entire region when we work together like this. By collaborating, we can accomplish more."

For information about future seminars, email gballew@portofpasco.org.

Looking Back: 75 Years of Leadership



Commissioner	Dates of Service
S. N. McGee	1940
Warden Fann	1940-1941
Darrell Pepiot	1940-1943 & 1949-1961
E.S. Johnston	1941-1958
Bryon Baker	1941-1969
J.W. Stine	1943-1949
Gordon McRae	1958-1962
Dell Smick	1961-1967
James Keane	1962-1983
Walter LePage	1968-1973
Howard Hales	1969-1973
James Hayles	1972-1985
John Hebert	1974-1979
James Rogers	1980-1987
Dick Banks	1984-1995
Donald McClure	1986
Douglas Muse	1986-1987
Bill Clark	1987-1998 & 2001-2011
Gary McCollum	1998-1999
Delbert Lathim	1999-2003
Ernie Boston	1995-2012
Jim Klindworth	1987- Current
Ron Reimann	2012- Current
Jean Ryckman	2012- Current

As a special note, Jim Klindworth is the longest serving Commissioner in the Port's 75 year history.

Thank you to all our Commissioners, who have served the Port and its constituents so well.



The first Port of Pasco commissioners: S. N. McGee, Warden Fann, and Darrell Pepiot.



Port Supports 2015 Fiery Foods Festival

The 2015 Fiery Food Festival promised to be bolder, featuring even hotter food and more activities. Held September 12, in downtown Pasco, the event was a place where the whole family could listen to music, shop local vendors, and taste lots of fiery food.

This year, the Port of Pasco helped with the Small Business Salsa contest. It was a chance for local salsa vendors to present their original salsa to be tasted – and judged – by both the general public and a panel of media judges.

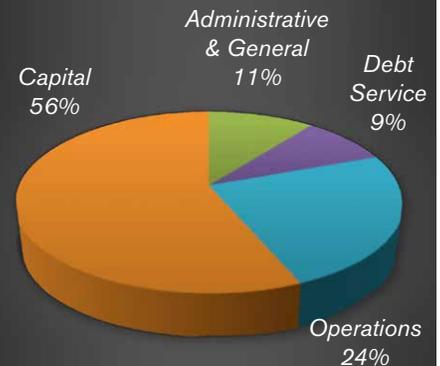
“This is a great opportunity for small businesses to introduce their salsa to the community,” said Gary Ballew, director of Economic Development and Marketing.

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2014 Revenue Sources



2014 Expenses



You are invited to attend meetings of the Port of Pasco Commissioners. Regular public meetings are held at 10:30 a.m., the second and fourth Thursdays of each month in Port of Pasco offices at 1110 Osprey Pointe Blvd., Ste 201. The agenda of each meeting will be available on the Port's website two days prior to the meeting.

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