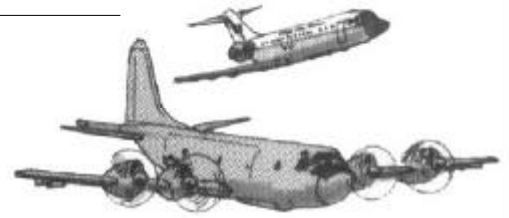




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## Thank You !



**CAPT Larry Salter, CO, NAS Whidbey** for his informative and engaging presentation at the December 14, 1999 luncheon. In an effort to centralize services and save money, NAS Whidbey's command structure has been reorganized. The base is now under Commander Navy Region Northwest (AK, WA, OR and ID), RADM Bill Marshall. Naturally, the primary concern has been budget cuts. Meanwhile, the base still serves 7500 active duty personnel, 2100 civilians, 13,000 dependents and 8000+ retirees.

In spite of budget cuts, there are construction plans to remodel the marina and build a Navy Lodge on the Seaplane Base. However, There will be no air show at NAS Whidbey in 2000.

## Upcoming Events



**January 11, 2000** — **Monthly luncheon meeting (1130 - 1300).**  
CAPT. Chip "Big Bird" McNees, USN (Ret.), JSF Boeing Rep will provide a presentation on the Joint Strike Fighter program.

**February 8, 2000** — **Monthly luncheon meeting (1130 - 1300).**  
CAPT Barry Sehlin, USN (Ret.), candidate for U.S. Congress (2nd District).

**March 14, 2000** — **Monthly luncheon meeting (1130 - 1300).**  
RADM D.P. Polatty III, USN (ComCarGru One)

The following list contains the dates of regular scheduled lunches for the remainder of 2000: 11 Apr, 9 May, 13 Jun, 11 Jul, No Aug Lunch, 12 Sep, 10 Oct, 14 Nov, 12 Dec.

## ANA Whidbey A-3 Model Project



The A-3 model project is fully funded. The model will be delivered after January. Display method/location and dedication ceremony are still items of consideration.

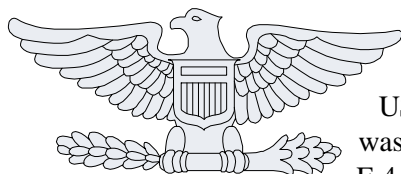
Thanks to all for their enthusiastic support of this project. A special thanks to those who were quick to respond with donations; this charge was led by Capt. Tim Norgart, Commander PATWING TEN, Don Boyer, Robert Tull, Harold Seligmiller, Nick Carter, Curt Bland, and Roger Lerseth.

## **ANA Whidbey A-3 Static Display Project**

The executive board has resurrected an effort to bring an A-3 aircraft to NAS Whidbey for static display. Numerous issues need to be worked out before success can be realized. However, interest in this effort has been strong. ANA National President, VADM "Sweetpea" Allen, has offered his support for any project that results in appropriate static display aircraft at NAS Whidbey. Capt. Salters has tentatively indicated he'll support the project so long as it is a quality display. That sounds like a workable starting point, so we will press on with this project. If anyone in the local ANA squadron have both time and talent (a tough combo for any Naval Aviator, we know) to help work this issue, we encourage you to contact a member of the executive board at your earliest opportunity.

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## **Interoperability**



On December 7, 1999 Scott Hornung and Roger Lerseth attended ANA "Olympic" Squadron's special (president) retirement luncheon for CAPT Ken Sanford, USN (Ret.). Ken had been the "Olympic" Squadron's only president since the squadron was created in 1989. He was relieved by CAPT John Payne, USN (Ret.). John has an F-4/14 background and commanded the USS Vinson (CVN-70) from 1992-94. In addition to his "Olympic" Squadron duties, John is the Northwest Field Representative for the United States Naval Sea Cadet Corps, responsible for the Rocky Mountains, the Pacific Northwest and the Pacific Island areas.

We are pleased to report that ANA President, VADM Allen has selected Ken Sanford to be the new Northwest Regional Vice President. Ken is also an honorary member of ANA Whidbey now, so we hope to see him at more of our monthly luncheons as well.

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## **Web Site Reminder:**

As usual, late-breaking information and links to related material can be found on our web site at <http://www.ANAWhidbey.org>



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