

Great White Fleet History. . . .

It has been one hundred years since 42 “all white” ships sailed into Puget Sound as part of their 43,000 nautical mile global “Peace-with-Strength” mission. President Theodore Roosevelt’s “Great White Fleet” attracted large crowds as the public welcomed the ships throughout the region.



Local Navy League Councils are supporting the US Navy’s Centennial celebration of the “Great White Fleet” by presenting special Centennial plaques to the mayors of six of the ports that the fleet visited 100 years ago - Port Angeles, Seattle, Bremerton, Tacoma, Port Townsend and Bellingham.

The vessels from the Great White Fleet that spent an extended visit in the Port Angeles Harbor in 1908 were the battleships USS Louisiana (BB-19), USS Virginia (BB-13), USS Missouri (BB-11) and USS Ohio (BB-12).

“PEACE WITH STRENGTH”

~ THE GREAT WHITE FLEET ~

Centennial Celebration 1908 - 2008

Port Angeles, Washington, USA

The City of Port Angeles
The USS Ohio (SSGN-726)
Navy League of the United States



USS Ohio (BB-12)

~ Port Angeles City Pier ~
May 17, 2008 at 1100

PRE-AMBLE

Arrival of The Honorable Gary Braun, Mayor and
USS Ohio Commanding Officer, CAPT. Dennis Carpenter, USN
1907 Buick owned and driven by Mr. Jerry Weiler of Port Angeles

SPECIAL ESCORT

By: Two Period-Dressed Soldiers and Sailor
Terry Roth, Robert “Ming” Mingram, Kevin Thompson - all of Port Angeles

~ THE GREAT WHITE FLEET CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ~

CEREMONY OPENING

USCG Cutter Osprey
- Sounding of Ship's Bell & Bosun's Pipe

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

Master of Ceremonies - Glenn Cutler

PARADE THE COLORS

Port Angeles High School
NJROTC Color Guard
- Under the direction of Major Leo Campbell, USMC

PRESENTATIONS

Great White Fleet Centennial Plaques to
The City of Port Angeles and USS Ohio

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Sung by - Teresa Pierce

REMARKS

- The Honorable Gary Braun, Mayor
- Captain Dennis Carpenter, USN

POST THE COLORS

Port Angeles High School
NJROTC Color Guard

RETIRE THE COLORS

Port Angeles High School
NJROTC Color Guard

WELCOME

Master of Ceremonies - Glenn Cutler
- Honorary Member of Distinction
Oak Harbor Area Council
Navy League of the United States
- Captain, Civil Engineer Corps, US Navy Retired

CONCLUSION

“Fair Winds and Following Seas”

1908 ~ 2008

~ “PEACE WITH STRENGTH” ~

