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Community Ceremony to Honor Submarine Veterans on Saturday

Public Tours Inside USS Triton's Sail Following the Event

RICHLAND, Wash. – Port of Benton and the United States Submarine Veterans, Inc. (USSVI) Yakima Base invites community members to attend a gathering on Saturday of submarine veterans to honor all who served in the United States Submarine Force.

The event is Saturday, June 10 at 11 a.m. at the USS Triton Sail Park, 3300 Port of Benton Boulevard in Richland. The ceremony will include a welcome speech and introduction of special guests from the Yakima base commander, a color guard performance and a 'Tolling of the Boats' ceremony.

After the event, public tours inside USS Triton's sail and conning tower will be available.

The decommissioned USS Triton's 75-foot-long sail and conning tower are on display at the USS Triton Sail Park to honor submariners and highlight the significance of Triton's impact on the Nuclear Age. Triton was one of the first nuclear-powered submarines, operated solely by dual nuclear reactors, direct descendants of Hanford reactors, including the B Reactor. At the time of Triton's commissioning in 1959, it was the longest and most powerful submarine ever built.

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