



## **Point Ruston's Inaugural "Philanthropy Giving Event" a Success**

On Saturday, November 7, Point Ruston hosted "An Evening of Thanks On the Waterfront", aboard the *M/V Point Ruston*, the celebrated sales and marketing center moored along the Thea Foss Waterway in downtown Tacoma.

Celebrating the Cascade Land Conservancy's annual appreciation event for Conservation Circle members and friends, Point Ruston hosted more than 130 people who enjoyed a fully catered event with live music, interesting conversation, and inspiring comments from Mike Cohen, Managing Partner of Point Ruston LLC, Gene Duvernoy, President of CLC, and Ryan Mello, CLC's Pierce County Director.

Gene Duvernoy spoke of the thousands of hours already donated to conservation projects across the State by CLC members and volunteers, while Mike Cohen spoke of the vibrant mixed use development Point Ruston – and its relationship to the conservation efforts of CLC. Ryan Mello spoke of the great commitment of local elected officials to conservation. Tacoma Mayor Bill Baarsma, Mayor-Elect Marilyn Strickland, Tacoma City Council Member Jake Fey and Council Member-Elect Victoria Woodards participated in the evening as well.

This event also comprises Point Ruston's inaugural "Philanthropy Giving Event". Each year Point Ruston will honor and support a local non-profit that is doing its part to support the environment and community.