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News & Community

From the Editor's Desk

by Milt Lum, Staff Writer

“April showers bring May flowers”: thus saith the old English proverb. Of course, we of the more enlightened new world, especially in our little corner of the Pacific Northwest, know better. Having endured February storms, some buds have blossomed by the second week of March. A vivid example of springtime was the P.J.M. Rhododendron bush outside my dining room window with its distinct pink-purple blossoms declaring an end to dismal days of misty gloom. They always precede the official first day of spring denoted by the spring equinox.

Other signs that spring has truly arrived in our quaint ‘Village in the Woods by the Bay’ may be found by taking a stroll through the local neighborhoods. Listen carefully for a robin’s song or the steady throb of a woodpecker searching for grubs or knocking out a home for its mate. Our neighborhoods abound with bird song from the local residents to those migrants on their way to their summer breeding grounds. The wooded areas harbor an array of bird species to serenade and remind us of their fragile existence. It was within most of our lifetime that we heard Rachel Carson’s warning about a silent spring absent of any birds singing. Each spring alive with bird song comes as a reminder of what we might have extinguished.

Note on your perambulation the varieties of rhododendron and azalea flowers that bloom throughout spring. Some appear early and others later, but all provide a colorful accentuation to the dark green of the signature conifers of our region. Though not in our immediate neighborhood, but a ferry ride and an hour’s drive away, is the Skagit Valley daffodil and tulip extravaganza in April. Let the old world wait for May flowers, we will have had our fill by then.

That extended daylight afforded by the custom of jumping ahead an hour provides a longer period to walk about. Notice how everyone waves as you pass. A custom seen more often in places like our Village than in denser population centers – even the Amazon delivery people do it! There is a nod and smile and over time a familiarity which leads to a salutation and then conversation. It’s all about getting to know your neighbor. Our Village abounds with opportunities to become less a stranger and more a neighbor and then a friend. Two community centers anchor activities and multiple interest groups. Look to our monthly publication, the *Port Ludlow Voice*, for a schedule of events and activities within our community and in the nearby communities. There are ample opportunities to meet new people and learn new things. A plethora of activities to shake loose the winter cobwebs and get sedentary muscles aching may be found throughout this edition and every edition of the *Voice*. It is your ‘go to’ guide for what is

happening in our Village. If you can’t find it here, come by and show us how we can make it happen.

Spring is here and it welcomes you to join in the celebration of shedding our winter cloaks and opening up the stuffy indoors to a fresh new season. Take the time to try something different, make new acquaintances, embark on new adventures...burst the bulb and flower anew.

Garden Club’s Annual Plant Exchange and Luncheon

April showers may bring May flowers but on **Wednesday, April 10**, they also bring the Port Ludlow Garden Club’s Annual Salad Luncheon and Plant Exchange.

Enjoy a delicious lunch provided by members, and then share garden cuttings, starts, and extra house plants with your fellow Port Ludlow gardeners. Do all this whilst wearing your finest spring bonnet. No headpiece is too big or too small!

Join us **Wednesday, April 10**, at the Bay Club starting at 11 a.m. Admission is free with membership, and \$5 for guests.

Due to limited seating, all PLGC members and guests who wish to attend must RSVP to portludlowgardenclub@outlook.com or call Michelle at 360-710-3547 by **Friday, April 5**.

First Wednesday Luncheon

Need some music in your life? Please join us on **Wednesday, April 3**, from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. at the Bay Club for a rousing performance by our community’s own Port Ludlow Singers, directed by Cheryl Wheeler. They will be singing favorite tunes from both Hollywood and Broadway. You won’t want to miss it.

This month’s luncheon will be BYOL (bring your own lunch). Coffee, tea, and cookies will be provided. Please RSVP to firstwednesdayluncheon@gmail.com or sign up at either the Bay or Beach Club by **Monday, April 1**. This is a courtesy to the club and luncheon coordinators so we can have the appropriate number of tables set up in advance.

It’s easy to sit back and enjoy the programs and sometimes, luncheons, provided each month. However, if you value the monthly contributions we make to the Tri-Area Food Bank (and have for over 45 years), we hope you’ll join our team of volunteers. We have a few volunteers who are ready to retire and a few others who’ve been working on this luncheon for years and need a little break. We hope you’ll consider joining this wonderful group and perhaps making new friends at the same time.

Guests are asked to bring donations in the form of cash, checks made payable to the Tri-Area Food Bank, or non-perishable food and hygiene products.

Don't forget to bring a few extra dollars for the fun monthly raffle which we use to support the Food Bank during the summer months of July and August when we are on hiatus.

Mark your calendars for our **Wednesday, May 1**, luncheon at the Beach Club, where we will enjoy a presentation given by Keren Su, a professional international photographer and tour guide.

Dine and Discover Goes Foraging

by Allan and Nancy Kiesler, Guest Writers



Corinne Gregory Sharpe.

Submitted photo

Mushroom season in the Pacific Northwest starts in the early spring and runs through late fall. Since foraging is a hobby of many in our area, we invited Corinne Gregory Sharpe to speak about local edible mushrooms. In addition to being a Master Forager, Corinne is also known as "The Shipboard Chef," and she travels around the globe working as a chef onboard boats, yachts, and various other vessels. Last year, she published her first cookbook, and in January started a cooking show. Once foraging season is here, Corinne will offer online classes on mushrooming and lead private groups on foraging adventures. She has even trained her dog to find truffles. Corinne has appeared on *The*

Today Show and *Good Morning America*. Clearly a very busy lady, we are fortunate that Corinne is available to educate and entertain us for Dine and Discover at the Beach Club.

This, our last Dine and Discover for the season, will be held on **Monday, May 6** and is open to North and South Bay members and their guests. Sign-up sheets will be available on **April 7** at both clubs and will be removed on the Friday before the event (**May 3**) or sooner if we reach our maximum. The presentation will be held at the Beach Club and the doors will open at 5:30 p.m.

Whatever you sign up to bring should serve 8-10 people. Please remember to put a note on your dish if it contains any of the following allergens: wheat, soy, eggs, milk, tree nuts, peanuts, fish, or shellfish. For those bringing an appetizer, please bring one that the volunteers can serve and arrive a few minutes early. You will also need to bring \$3 per person, your place setting (plates, napkins, eating utensils, glasses), a plastic bag for your dirty dishes, and a beverage if you want something other than coffee/tea/water, which will be provided. See you there!

Home and Kitchen Tour Is Back

Making a comeback after Covid, the American Association of University Women (AAUW) Port Townsend Home and Kitchen Tour will be back live and in person on **Saturday, April 27**, and it's going to be bigger than ever. Enjoy walking through eight unique homes in Uptown for the Live Tour, and an additional seven Jefferson County houses at your leisure online throughout the week.

Here are **Eight Good Reasons** to buy tickets:

1. Stretch your legs in Uptown Port Townsend with guests, family, or friends. Most of the eight homes on the Live Tour are within walking distance of each other.
2. Sneak a peek inside "Windship," a spectacular architectural landmark home on Morgan Hill with soaring rooflines and huge views.
3. Marvel at the rare, free-hanging staircase and the frescoes inside the Starrett Mansion. Pretty in pink, this Victorian beauty was recently purchased by Bayside Housing & Services.
4. Fall in love with the home featured in Erica Bauermeister's book, *House Lessons*, and follow the author's transformative journey renovating an old house.
5. Spark new ideas for your own home improvements. Local experts in their fields will present a variety of live seminars, including Net Zero energy, aging in place, and how you can support women in the trades.
6. Indulge in more real estate fantasies. Your Live Tour ticket also gives you access to an additional seven East Jefferson

County homes on the Virtual Tour, available to explore from **April 24 to 30.**

7. Consider joining the AAUW Port Townsend branch. Many of the 150 members will be docents at the Live Tour and can answer your questions. Membership is open to EVERYONE and Port Ludlow has a neighborhood group within the branch. AAUW’s mission is to advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy, and it can also be a great way to make friends.
8. Most of all, feel good! Every ticket sold supports the educational dreams of East Jefferson County women and girls. Last year the AAUW of Port Townsend and its sister organization, the University Women’s Foundation, granted over \$100,000 to local girls and women, providing support for a special STEM summer camp on a college campus for middle school girls, scholarships for two- and four-year degrees, and tuition assistance for women to attend graduate and trade schools. The Home and Kitchen Tour is the major fundraiser for this support.

Tickets are available at *PortTownsendHomeAndKitchenTour.com* or at the Welcome Center at First Presbyterian Church in Port Townsend for \$35 each on **April 27.**

Meet Your Firefighters

by Ron Dawson, EJFR Community Outreach Volunteer



The equipment that East Jefferson Fire Rescue (EJFR) uses to fight fires is varied. They have fire engines, but also another type of truck called a water tender. This month’s article features the water tender and describes how it is used.

On South Point Road, EJFR has four tenders and a fire engine that can also be used as a tender. The fire engines carry between 500 to 1,000 gallons of water. The water tenders each carry 2,500 gallons of water. The tender’s job is to carry water to the fire to support the fire engine. The tenders are dispatched to fire scenes where there are no hydrants, and where there is the requirement

to shuttle water from a source to the fire, which may be some distance to cover. Multiple tenders are often needed for larger dwelling fires or wildland fires. Ideally, two fire department personnel man each tender, but they can be operated by one person. At a hydrant, where a tender is getting water, the process takes about ten minutes to fill the tank.

You typically find tenders in rural areas. The current fleet of tenders is aged and over its service life expectation, but the equipment has been well maintained and is in good condition.

2024 Statistics for East Jefferson Fire Rescue

Effective 01/01/2023 Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue merged with East Jefferson Fire Rescue. Our monthly statistics will now include information for the entire newly combined Fire District.

Communities served include: Port Townsend, Cape George, Kala Point, Marrowstone Is., Port Hadlock, Chimacum, Irondale, Port Ludlow MPR (North and South Bay), Paradise Bay, Beaver Valley, Bridgehaven, Mats Mats, Shine, South Point and other areas located within our boundaries.

February Alarms

Fires	6
Rescue/Emergency Medical	296
Good Intent	17
Hazardous Condition	13
Special Incident	3
False Alarm	14
Service Call	49
Total Alarms	398

Ambulance Transports

911 Transports	199
Hospital Requested Transport	2
Non Transports	104
Total Transports	201

CARES Contacts 145

Wildfires: Get Prepared

by Ron Dawson, LMC Emergency Preparedness Committee

Experts say our summers are getting warmer and dryer, and as a result, our area is increasingly more prone to wildfires. There were three wildfires in the Port Ludlow area during the summer of 2023, although we were lucky that they all were controlled without injuries or property damage. However, we expect things to get worse this coming fire season.

There are things you can do to prepare yourself. The Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Emergency Preparedness

Committee is planning an important educational program for the community to learn about where we are vulnerable, how to prepare, and what to do in the event big wildfires happen. Speakers will include representatives from East Jefferson Fire Rescue, the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office, and Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management.



Save the date: The program will be held on **Wednesday, April 17**, from 2 – 4 p.m. at the Beach Club and online. All our Port Ludlow community is welcome to attend. Online login information will be available on the LMC website lmcbeachclub.org.

This is the third in a series of community Emergency Preparedness presentations designed to inform and create action in our Port Ludlow community. The earlier programs on “Weather-Related Sustained Utility Outages” and “Earthquakes and Tsunamis” were very well received.

Please mark your calendar and plan to join us.

Volunteers for the Salish Sea

Are you a marine environment enthusiast? Would you like to learn more about the animals, habitats, and people of the Salish Sea? If so, SEA Discovery Center (formerly Poulsbo Marine Science Center), located in Poulsbo, WA, invites you to join their volunteer team.

Volunteers assist with animal care, school field trips, public education and more—and receive many benefits in return including:

- Specialized training in marine science
- Volunteer-only special events
- Free SEA Volunteer swag
- Connecting with a caring community of ocean stewards of all ages and backgrounds
- And that good feeling you get when supporting a community organization!

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be at least 16 years old
- Complete online application & background check
- Attend a volunteer training session
- Commit to volunteering a minimum of three hours a month (averaged throughout the year, flexible schedules available)

Learn more at sea.wvu.edu/volunteer or email sea@wwu.edu.

SEA is a free public aquarium dedicated to helping create a better climate future by inspiring stewardship of the Salish Sea through hands-on visitor experience. Each year SEA welcomes 20,000 visitors during public hours (Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.) and 600+ local students through the field trip program.

SEA Discovery Center is a self-sustaining entity of Western Washington University (WWU) and is supported by volunteers, individual donors, grants, and corporate sponsorship.

Race Amity Classes in April and May

by John & Sally Nuernberg, Guest Writers

Race Amity is vital in advancing access, equity, social justice, and unity. Join us for a six-part interactive discussion that explores the history of Americans working courageously to overcome racial injustice through acts of amity, harmony, and peace – from nationally significant friendships addressing racism to our local challenges and progress on the Olympic Peninsula.

Mark your calendar for the six classes to be held at the Bay Club in Port Ludlow from 6 – 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays, April 9, 16, 23, 30, and May 7 and 14. Each class will be devoted to the current relations of specific races. A video will be shown to begin discussion followed by, when available, a representative of a specific race of people to address concerns and progress in race amity.

Plan on joining the conversation.

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Alphabet Soup for Safety

You know what we’re talking about. The AARs, CDCs, DARTs and DEMs that make up the lexicon of public safety.

AAR	After Action Report	IA	Individual Assistance
ARC	American Red Cross	IC	Incident Commander
ARES/ RAC- ES	Amateur Radio Emergency Service/ Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service	ICS	Incident Command System
BOC	Board of Commis- sioners	IMT	Incident Manage- ment Team
	Community As- sistance, Referral & Education Service	JPREP	Jefferson County Regional Emergency Preparedness
CDC	Centers for Disease Control	LEP	Limited English Proficiency
CERT	Community Emer- gency Response Team	MRC	Medical Reserve Corps
CPR	Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation	MRE	Meal Ready To Eat
CPS	Child Protective Services	NIMS	National Incident Management System
DART	Disaster Air Re- sponse Team	NOAA	National Oceanic & Atmospheric Admin- istration
DEM	Department of Emer- gency Management		Neighborhood Pre- paredness
EAS	Emergency Alert System	PA	Public Assistance
EOC	Emergency Opera- tions Center	PIO	Public Information Officer
ER	Emergency Relief	SAR	Search and Rescue
ESF	Emergency Support Function	SitRep	Situation Report
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency	SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
FRS	Family Radio Service	VE- COM	Volunteer Emergency Communicators
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability & Ac- countability Act		

The purpose of these acronyms is to save time and space, reducing phrases to a collection of letters making them far easier and quicker to say and understand. They do just that, for those in the know. But the rest of us? Ummm, confusing may be the least of it. When you hear folks talking about an ESF or such, it might be helpful to know what they mean.

Fortunately, the team at East Jefferson Fire Rescue are coming to your aid with this handy rundown of those mysterious terms that crop up in public safety discourse. Here it is—and it might

be a good plan to copy it and keep it as a reference for when you need it.

Meanwhile ... be sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend the Wildfire Preparedness Program at the Beach Club on **Wednesday, April 17** from 2 – 4 p.m. The program will also be available online. Check lmcbeachclub.org for login information.

2024’s Connectivity Fair Brings Us Together



It’s happening at Chimacum Junior/Senior High School on **Saturday, April 20**, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., and you’ll want to be there for an event designed to connect us.

The Fair’s purpose is to build bridges, to meet new friends and greet existing ones, and most of all to help us participate in the foundational ethos of our community. That is: the volunteerism, generosity, and kindness that makes many of us so happy we get to live here.

It is also a great place for any of you who may be newcomers to Jefferson County to learn how to plug in to the culture of open heartedness. You are invited and the event is FREE.

You’ll want to arrive at Chimacum School, 91 W Valley Rd., Chimacum, before 10 a.m. The event starts in the auditorium where you’ll hear how to get the most from your experience given the dynamic nature of the fair. You’ll want to know in advance what parts of the fair you don’t want to miss!

At 10:30, in the gymnasium, you will find over 80 tables with representatives from many of our active non-profits. Visit the ones that interest you. Tables will be organized by sectors with similar missions: Housing, food, emergency preparedness, child-care, mental health, diversity, animal care, education, government, the environment, and likely more—all in the gym awaiting your questions and inspired engagement.

In addition to the tabling in the gym, you’ll have the choice of many breakout sessions that are selected to connect non-profits that work on similar issues or concerns. Breakouts will be either 60 or 90 minutes long, allowing for deep dives on various topics.

Look for the schedule in the *Port Townsend Leader* a week or two before the fair and find updates posted on Local 20/20’s website at l2020.org/connectivity-2024.

Food trucks will be available in the school parking lot. You are also welcome to bring your own lunch and eat in the Commons. The YMCA will provide childcare. All sorts of surprises and connections await! So don’t miss out. We look forward to seeing you there!

Port Ludlow Tangle Club News

The newly formed Port Ludlow Tangle Club meets every other month from 1 – 3 p.m. at the Beach Club's Bridge Deck. With two meetings under our belt, we are on a delightful learning curve to become familiar with the Zentangle Method, which uses eight easy steps to create beautiful images by drawing structured patterns called tangles. Each tangle has a name! This is a very playful and forgiving method that anyone can master.



Our next meeting is **Thursday, May 9**. We'll explore a special Zentangle tool called the "Markus Operandus." No experience is required; but due to limited space, an RSVP is. Contact Certified Zentangle Teacher Alice Clive at foureyes22@outlook.com to reserve your seat. Meetings are free. If you don't have tangling supplies, kits are available for \$5. Non-residents are welcome; there's a small \$1 fee. Come join us for our third meeting of the year and let your pen slow you down and calm your soul.

Broaden Your Horizons

Here's your chance to learn more about other cultures, languages and, yes, teenagers.

The Pan Atlantic Foundation is now seeking host families for a fabulous group of high school students. They come from all over the world and must meet a minimum GPA and English proficiency score before being accepted.

Pan Atlantic and its staff have been immersed in all aspects of high school study abroad and exchange for many years. Their current group of students includes athletes, musicians, artists and more. To check out the program and students seeking placement go to panatlanticfoundation.org.

Discover Your Roots

Were your ancestors part of the American Revolution? Or do you think they were? Are you a novice researcher? Or have you hit a brick wall? Please join our genealogy community workshop to help you find hidden family gems and lore.

When: **Monday, April 15**

Time: 1 – 3 p.m.

Where: Jefferson County Library, Humphrey Room, 620 Cedar Ave., Port Hadlock, WA.

Please RSVP to Deb at dlr2617@gmail.com

For more on genealogy, keep an eye out for a special event at Jefferson County Genealogical Society (JCGS) on **Saturday, May 11**, at the Tri-Area Community Center, 40 W. Valley Rd. The event includes a lecture by noted genealogist Michelle Leonard, presentations on researching your ancestors, plus opportunities to explore the resources offered at the Jefferson County Genealogy Research center. You'll find more information in the May issue of the *Voice*.

On your confirmation, we will instruct you on what documentation you need to bring.

Please join the Admiralty Inlet Daughters of the American Revolution for a fun afternoon discovering your ancestors!

Quilt of Souls - Martha's Book Group

by Milt Lum, Staff Writer

Phyllis Biffle Elmore's *Quilt of Souls* is a memoir of her grandmother, Lula Horn, a quiltmaker. Lula is also a traditional storyteller who passes on the stories about the people for whom she has made quilts. Elmore's engaging story reflects the best of oral storytelling, and she fashions her book like a finely crafted quilt with each piece and each stitch baring the most intimate details of the people who contributed the fabrics of their lives.

Join us on **Tuesday, April 9**, 4 p.m. at the Bay Club as we discuss Elmore's book and how these stories have impacted us.

Martha's Book Group meets monthly on the second Tuesday of each month. All are welcome to attend Martha's Book Group. For further information about future book selections contact Sarah Schuch at bookclub@plvoice.org. Lisa See's *The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane* is May's book selection.

Estate Planning for Pets

Worried about what might happen to your pets when you're gone or incapacitated? Northwest Estate Planning & Probate will present a free seminar about options for providing legal protections for your pets during life and after death. The free event happens **Wednesday, April 10** from 12 – 1 p.m. at the Bay Club in Port Ludlow.

Help Light Up Your Library District This April

April is an engaging time for libraries across the nation as we celebrate Library Giving Day and the vital role libraries play in our communities. This year, Library Giving Day falls on **April 3**, and the Library District is especially excited as we work towards raising funds for our solar panel installation project. Will you join us in making April a month of impactful change? By installing solar panels, we can save thousands of dollars annually, funds we can use for books, technology, programs, and other library services. Your support on Library Giving Day will help us move towards a more sustainable future, feeding minds and fueling dreams with clean, renewable power. Please spread the word and help us achieve our goal! Visit tinyurl.com/JCLDgiving24 to donate.

April also brings the Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale. Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 13**, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. to find great deals on gently used books, audiobooks, DVDs, and music CDs. The Book Sale will be held in the Hagen Building next to the library, with all proceeds supporting the Library District. Friends' members enjoy early access at 9:30 a.m.

The WSU Seed Library returns for another great season of growing! Seed Libraries are available at the library and on the Bookmobile. Borrow a variety of seeds from the Seed Library and produce beautiful, healthy plants to eat and for seed saving. At the end of the season, simply return a part of your seeds for next year's borrowers. Visit jclibrary.info for more information.

You'll find lots of great programs on the Library District's calendar in April. On **Thursday, April 11**, from 10:15 – 11:15 a.m., adults ages 18 and over are invited to a tranquil morning of Art & Music Meditation. Hear a short, inspirational reading before you mix colors and create, letting art take shape while you listen to peaceful music. Supplies will be provided, but space is limited. Please register at jclibrary.info or by calling the Library District before **April 11**.

There will also be two exciting author talks at the library this month! First, on **Wednesday, April 17**, from 6 – 7:30 p.m., spend an evening with author, adventurer, and environmentalist Michelle Schuman as she shares her memoir, *The Understory: A Female Environmentalist in the Land of the Midnight Sun*. Schuman is a retired Ecologist specializing in wetland science and environmental policy with over four decades of experience in Alaska.

Then, on **Wednesday, April 24**, from 6 – 7:30 p.m., join local author Teresa Janssen as she reads excerpts from her debut novel, *The Ways of Water*, a thrilling tale of pioneer life based on the stories her grandmother told her through the years. *The Ways of Water* won the 2024 Best Book Award for Western Fiction and the Western Heritage Center's Lariat Award for the 2024 Outstanding Western Novel. Each author event will include time for audience Q&A, and books will be available for sale and signing.

Find complete details for these programs and more on our calendar of events at jclibrary.info.

The Jefferson County Library District is at 620 Cedar Avenue in Port Hadlock. For questions or assistance, call 360-385-6544 or email information@jclibrary.info.

Get to Know Your Local Investing Network

On **Monday, May 6**, LION (Local Investing Opportunity Network) will hold a public meeting at Finnriver Farm & Ciderly from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. The meeting is open to current and potential members, as well as businesses that might be interested in funding.

The meeting will include presentations from three groups that have received LION member funding: Quillbilly's Restaurant and Taproom, Sail Port Townsend, and the new owners of Community Build's first Tiny House on Wheels.

Since its beginning in 2008, LION members have invested over 12.8 million dollars in 112 East Jefferson County businesses, individuals, and non-profits. LION members have helped fund everything from Aldrich's Market to Sunrise Coffee, the Rose Theatre, Katfish Salmon Co., Topsy Gypsy, Camp N Car, and Olfactory House, among many others. Most recently, LION members have begun funding affordable housing options.

LION is not an investment club. Each member makes their own choices of which opportunities they are interested in, and then works directly with that business. For members, it is a chance to see the impact of a local investment. For businesses, it is a chance to get both funding and a personal relationship with their lender.

The impact of even a small loan can be huge. Steve Moore, Managing Director of Camp N Car notes: "From purchasing our own CNC machine to expanding the size of our shop, LION provided the kind of support that we could have never gotten from a bank in our early days." Christa Ligtenberg, co-owner of Aldrich's, adds "to be supported by LION made us feel as if we were truly doing the right thing...and we've developed friendships along the way."

For more information, go to jeffersonlion.net.

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Short Story Guidelines

The *Voice* is looking for short fiction or non-fiction stories or poems of 1200 words or less from its readers. They should be complete in one issue, no serials, please. Acceptable themes are humor, culture, history, life stories, light sci-fi and nature. No violence, politics, or children's stories please.

Submissions need to follow the *Voice* style guide, available on the web at plvoice.org. Stories will be published as needed or timely, at the editors' discretion.



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Features & Stories

Edibles

by Carol Riley, Staff Writer

What is the measure of a beloved article/column in the *Voice* magazine? I am guessing that it is the amount of fan mail it receives each month (I have never received a single piece of fan mail), and so I am writing another stimulating, educational Edibles article for you, my devoted readers.

We have two national food celebration days this month that are of interest for very different reasons.

One falls on **Monday, April 15**, in conjunction with the due date for submitting our income taxes to the Federal government. And what is that day? National McDonald's Day. It commemorates the day in 1955 when Ray Kroc opened the first McDonalds in Des Plaines, Illinois. How fitting that the only restaurant we can afford to go to after paying our taxes is celebrating their founder's day on the same day! If you download the McDonalds app onto your phone, you might get a 50-cent hamburger on **April 15**.

The other food celebration of note is Lima Bean Respect Day on **Saturday, April 20**. Read on, please, even though you may have had an unhappy childhood experience with this delicate green bean. It's time to give lima beans a second chance as adults. Lima beans are an excellent source of protein, iron, magnesium, potassium, and zinc—basically a super food. They can also increase energy levels by helping to store more iron. They are delicious in soups, stews, salads, and casseroles, by themselves or mixed with other vegetables.

How to observe Lima Bean Respect Day:

- Enjoy lima beans with any of your meals to celebrate the day
- Share a lima bean recipe
- Plant lima beans in your garden

Here are a few fun facts about lima beans for your next cocktail party conversation:

Q. How many calories are in a serving of lima beans?

A. A 1/2 cup serving of lima beans contains 108 calories.

Q. Where are lima beans native to?

A. Lima beans are native to Central America.

Q. Can I grow lima beans in my garden?

A. Under the right conditions, lima beans should flourish in your garden. They like loamy, moist, well-drained soils and warm temperatures. They grow well across all the Americas.

Delphinium

by Eline Lybarger, Staff Writer

Delphinium, also called larkspur, is a genus of about 300 species. The tall varieties, up to eight feet, are usually found at the back of the garden, but small species, 10 – 12 inches, can also do well in pots. They all have two-inch, spur-shaped flowers spread abundantly along a thick stem, in blues, lavender, white, pink and any combination of these.

They like to be cool but need at least six hours of sun per day. Plant in well-drained soil rich in humus. They are voracious feeders during the growing and blooming season and like to be kept evenly moist until mid-summer when they prefer a period of low humidity. Powdery mildew can be a problem if plants are allowed too much moisture at this time. They die back in the fall, but winter over even in pots. They multiply quickly, but the plants only last three to five years. If you get yellow leaves in the adult plant, it is either over-watered or needs more fertilizer.

Delphinium are loved by bees and avoided by deer and rabbits because the leaves and seeds are poisonous, but not the flower. Wear your gloves or risk a skin irritation.

Since Delphinium are short-lived for a perennial, you will want to have a supply of replacements in the pipeline. In midsummer sow seeds and barely cover with mulch. For better results with seeds, put seeds in small pots and cover with 1/8-inch compost, mist with water, and cover with a plastic dome bag. Keep moist at 70 to 75 degrees F. In three weeks, they will sprout. Remove the dome. When sturdy enough to handle, plant into individual pots then into the garden.

To propagate by basal cuttings: when you have a shoot two to three inches, dig away soil, then use a sharp knife to cut the shoot below soil. The shoot should not be hollow at the bottom. Remove excess foliage and plant immediately in a three-to-four-inch pot. In three weeks, there should be new growth and the shoot can be planted in the garden.

If basal cuttings seem like too much work, every three to five years you can buy starts from your local nursery.

Some options:

Delphinium elatum, 'Magic Fountain' 2 ½ ft. tall, comes in white or white with a dark center, dark blue, sky blue, and pink.

Delphinium elatum, 'Pacific Giant' is grown from seed, so the colors are not predictable as it cross-pollinates, three to six feet tall.

Delphinium grandiflorum, 'Summer Night' 10 to 12 inches tall, does well in pots.

Buried But Not Forgotten

by Tim Rensema, Staff Writer



Photo of the monument to Minerva Jane Walker, the only stone headstone in Port Ludlow Cemetery.

Photo by Tim Rensema

As mentioned in numerous articles in the *Voice* in prior years, Port Ludlow has a cemetery. It is not active and hasn't been active since 1900. Port Ludlow was a Pope and Talbot company town (most of the time) and, unlike many other lumber towns of western Washington, it was inhabited more by transients than pioneers. Most of the workers (merchantmen, loggers, mill workers) were single men who did not remain in Port Ludlow very long. Given that minimal lands were available for

homesteading, except in Swansonville (and those not until the late 1880s), farmers and merchants were not prominent in the early population of Port Ludlow. It was a company town "making lumber" and that is how it existed until the mill closed in 1935.

We believe Pope and Talbot (and possibly their mill predecessors Sayward and Phinney) established the cemetery for those who died of disease or accidents, as mill work and woods work were very dangerous occupations. The Dunleavy Road Map of Port Ludlow (1891) labeled the cemetery as the "Graveyard." Unfortunately, complete records do not exist with death certificates of those who died in Port Ludlow. Our cemetery was out of sight and out of mind, far away (in those days) on a cutover hill.

Long time Port Ludlow residents recall, as children in the 1930s, seeing wooden markers in the cemetery as they played on the water flume that provided Port Ludlow with fresh water. Our cemetery did have one key monument that established it, in perpetuity, as a cemetery. The grave of Minerva Jane Walker, who died in childbirth at the age of 16 in 1876, was marked with a gravestone of marble inscribed with her name and date of death. The gravestone stood on this site until 1961, when local residents moved it to a residence on Swansonville Road to keep it from being damaged by road construction. However, the gravestone was never returned to the cemetery. It was last seen in the 1980s leaning against a bank at the location it had been moved to on Swansonville Road.

Since the last headstone sighting in the 1980s, we have made a lot of progress. The cemetery is now identified by a white plastic chain-link fence. The purpose of the fence is to establish the perimeter and call attention to the cemetery site. Information signs have been installed. The site is registered with the State

of Washington, so no ground disturbance can occur (though we can remove ground vegetation by cutting) and no trees can be removed from the site. The cemetery is on the Around the Bay Trail and is maintained by members of the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Trails Committee.

We applied unsuccessfully for a grant from the Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation for funding to conduct a Ground Penetrating Radar (GPR) survey to determine the number of graves and possibly the number of children versus adults in the cemetery. This survey would not identify who was buried in the cemetery but would give us some idea of the number of burials and mortality rate of Port Ludlow in its early years.

We feel the next important step in the project to restore the Port Ludlow Cemetery is to conduct the GPR survey. Since our grant request has been denied we are turning to a fund drive. The estimated cost to survey the cemetery site is \$6,500. In addition to the survey of the cemetery site, we are working to get permission to survey the location where Minerva Jane Walker's headstone was moved to, but so far this has proven unsuccessful. If we are unable to find Minerva Jane Walker's headstone, we may replicate it and place the replica in its rightful place in the Port Ludlow cemetery.

With all of the above in mind, we are turning our efforts to the Find A Grave initiative to raise the estimated \$6,500 to fund the cemetery GPR survey. Our cemetery may be neither active, nor typical, of Jefferson County cemeteries, given that it reflects the unique transient population, but it is still a part of our community, a last remnant of old Port Ludlow. If you would like to donate to this endeavor, please make your check payable to the PLVC Trails Cemetery Fund and mail it to PLVC Treasurer, PO Box 65012, Port Ludlow, WA 98365. We appreciate any support you can provide to this effort to insure that the final resting place of the estimated 50 or more early-days residents buried in the Historic Port Ludlow Cemetery is one of dignity and respect.

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What's Up, Neighbor?

by Donna Geer, Staff Writer



Ted Ross in scuba gear, circa 1980.

Submitted photo

Have you ever wanted to stand in the control room of a submarine and look through a periscope just like you've seen in the movies? Want to see a torpedo from the 1800s that a porpoise found during a training session off San Clemente Island? Curious about the various diving suits used for salvage? And how about the movie *The Hunt for Red October*? Want to see the real DSRV *Mystic* featured in the film?

All you need to do is go to the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum in Keyport, WA. It's free, and it's just down the road. When you get there, you might just run into Ted Ross, a Port Ludlow resident and museum volunteer. He knows all about the exhibits and might even share a few stories about his time in the Navy.

Ted is a former Navy diver, who discovered Port Ludlow back in the 1980s, when the Navy ship he was assigned to docked at Bangor. During the stopover, the crew departed and Ted found his way to Port Gamble where he went for local coffee. In 2013, when his son enlisted in the Navy and married a Poulsbo girl, Ted and his wife, Connie, bought their condo in Inner Harbor Village. It wasn't until Ted sold his engineering business in 2020 that they moved here full time.

Ted has fond memories of the Navy and says being a Navy diver was one of the most important things he's ever done, besides

being a good husband and father. He enlisted in 1972 and worked in a 130-degree engine room on a Naval ship. He hated it so he looked for something else. In 1975, twelve men became Navy divers out of a starting class of fifty-five. It was the largest graduating class in years. Ted says it might have been because there was a Navy Seal in their class and the camaraderie kept them going. He also told me if he'd failed, he'd go back to the engine room. Either way, Ted spent the bulk of his 20-year tour as a Navy diver.

He describes scuba diving as flying in the water. He said it was cold, physically demanding, and sometimes brutal, but he loved the freedom. Sometimes, the unexpected happened when he was in deep waters. One time, a three-foot octopus got the best of him on a salvage dive. Ted said the octopus was in the wrong place, so he started nudging it with a flashlight strapped to his arm. I guess the octopus wasn't having it, because it wrapped itself around the flashlight and Ted's arm. There was a struggle, and it wasn't the human who won. Somehow, in Ted's struggle to get free of the tentacles, the flashlight came loose, and Ted fell backwards. He must have been making some noise, because the 'top-side' dive crew asked what the commotion was all about. Too embarrassed to divulge he was bested by an eight-armed cephalopod, he said he just fell. Good thing he recovered that flashlight!

When Ted retired from the Navy, he dabbled in different jobs trying to figure out what he wanted to do. He soon found work developing and selling HVAC mechanical contracting and engineering services, using the same skills he acquired when he worked in the ship engine rooms early in his Navy career. When the recession hit, he started consulting and soon started his own HVAC engineering company. He owned that for fifteen years. Connie did the billing and kept track of the finances.

Ted told me his biggest regret was not meeting Connie sooner. He says they were both at the John Denver concert in the Hampton Roads Colosseum in Virginia in 1974. Maybe they even passed each other on the way to their seats. It's a possibility. But they didn't meet in person until 1991, when they were single parents and leaders in the Boy Scout troop their sons were part of. They've been married almost 27 years now. Between them, they have two sons and a daughter and all are in public service. One son retired from the Navy just 1.5 years ago. Another son is a forester in Alaska. Their daughter is a pastor in Texas.

Public service is part of who Ted is. When Ted found the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum, he couldn't stay away. He told me it's a collecting place, where people come together. You don't have to be a military retiree. Some people are there because they love public service and want to give back to their communities.

But Ted doesn't just volunteer at the museum. He's a trustee at a local church in Port Hadlock, where they run a soup kitchen every Saturday. He helps mentor veterans through the Poulsbo posts of the American Legion and the VFW. He's a people person and he's inspired by what people can do when they start out with nothing.

When I asked him what he would do over if he could, he said wouldn't change a thing. He told me he's made a number of

mistakes in his life, and he knows what it's like to have nothing, but all his experiences helped shape who he is today. They've put him on a path to helping others. He said he's a slow learner, that he makes more mistakes than others, just to figure things out. We all make mistakes and hopefully we learn from them. Ted is a great example of what people can do when they turn mishaps into kickstarts for something else.

If you want to share some stories about your neighborhood and who you are, or nominate someone else, reach out to Donna at sports@plvoice.org to start the conversation. Can't wait to hear from you!

Sentinel on the Strait - Tatoosh Island

by Milt Lum, Staff Writer



Tatoosh Island seen from the air looking southeast to Cape Flattery.
Photo courtesy of NOAA Weather in Focus Photo Contest 2015; photo by Dr. Sophie McCoy, Florida State University

The closest most people will ever get to Tatoosh Island is sighting it from a platform at the end of the Cape Flattery trail. The island was a traditional hunting and fishing camp until usurped by the United States in the mid-1800s. It was returned to exclusive use by the Makah tribe in 1982. Its auspicious location at the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca was ideal for locating a lighthouse to steer ships away from the rocks and shoals at the southwestern entrance to the strait. During the twentieth century, the island grew in importance as the United States became embroiled in two World Wars and became a leader in global commerce. In the twenty-first century, it has been returned to its primal existence. Courtesy of the Makah tribe, it now serves as a natural laboratory to monitor the effects the warming planet has on the most sensitive of environmental niches.

John Meares, an English fur trader, first sighted the island as he anchored off the entrance to the strait. From a distance of two miles, it looked to him a "... very remarkable rock that wore the form of an obelisk." His party was greeted by Chief Tatooshe, who granted Meares access to the area to trade, and thus had his name affixed to that obelisk-shaped island. The 20-acre island is located about half a mile from Cape Flattery with an elevation of

about 100 feet above sea level. The treeless and flat top resembles a mesa more than a cone-shaped obelisk, with steep cliffs on all sides. There are three places along the island where boats may land, all of which could be rendered inaccessible because of prevailing winds and tides. For centuries the Makahs had used the island as a summer fishing and hunting camp. In James Swan's diaries their name for the island was Chadi.

The building of the Cape Flattery Light, the original name of the first lighthouse, in 1857, intruded upon the centuries-old relationship that the Makah had with the island. For the first decade of its existence, the lighthouse was plagued with structural inadequacies and rapid staff turnovers, in part due to the Makah's displeasure with the intruders. By 1885, repairs and restoration of goodwill with the Makah led to the inclusion of the first female and child inhabitants on the island. Staffing the isolated lighthouse was made more stable when families were included.

The most notable of the lighthouse keepers was James Merrill Cowan, Head Lighthouse Keeper, who arrived on May 16, 1900, with his wife and seven children. They had another child while on the island. The children, with the exception of the ten years when they were sent to live with relatives and attend school in Oregon, resided with their parents during their father's thirty-two years of service. Cowan was legendary for never having left his post in spite of multiple adversities, including the death of his oldest son in a boating accident. At his retirement ceremony in 1932, 40 residents of the island were in attendance.

In addition to being a beacon for ships, the island became a weather station in 1883, a wireless radio station in 1902, a junction point for an undersea telegraph cable which was laid between Seattle and Alaska, and in 1908, a naval radio station capable of transmitting and receiving ship- to- shore messages for up to 1,000 miles. By 1939, the once desolate outpost had become the residence for 12 families.

From 1941-1945, all navigational and communication services were directed toward the war effort of protecting America's western flank. A contingent of Marines arrived to protect the island. Naval communications were devoted to tracking enemy ships and intercepting enemy communications. During the post-war years, the weather service continued staffing the Tatoosh station with meteorologists and their families until it was decommissioned in 1966.

Earl Pickering's first assignment upon graduating as a meteorologist in 1958 was on Tatoosh, where he moved with his wife Joanne. They lived there from 1958-1962. At the May 6, 2013, Dine and Discover program in Port Ludlow, Joanne regaled her audience with slides and anecdotes of their early life on the island. While she spoke fondly of friendships developed and picnics on warm summer days, she also remembered the harrowing journey she took, in the last trimester of her pregnancy, in a sling down the sheer rock face to the shuttle vessel below. That sling, which was anchored at the top of the cliff above the most favorable

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Arts & Entertainment

Acting Out in The Community

by Randy G Powell, Artistic Director of LVP



The Nuns are Coming! As you can see by this month's cover photo by Steve Deligan, the Ludlow Village Players are bringing you the musical comedy *Nunsense* on **April 12, 13, 14, 21, 22, and 23** at the Bay Club. Six delightful musical comedians sing and dance their way through the blockbuster musical written by Dan Loggins. Tickets are available at brownpapertickets.com. This is our season opener, and opening night includes special refreshments, a silent auction, and a cash wine bar. If you have season tickets, reserve your seats now or purchase your show tickets. Opening night doors open at 6 p.m. for the silent auction and cash bar. At all other performances, the doors open 30 minutes before show time.

Disorderly Conduct (Improv). Join us for light-hearted spontaneous comedy on **Saturday, April 27**, at the Beach Club at 7 p.m.. Doors open at 6:30. Tickets are \$10 at the door, pay with cash or check. As the audience, you can help select the plot, setting and laughs. Coffee, tea and cookies will be provided. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Evening of One Acts. We are also pleased to announce our Spring Fundraiser which is an evening of one-act plays, four of them written by local playwrights. Join us on **May 10** and

11 at the Beach Club. Tickets are \$10 each and proceeds go to support our seasonal programming needs. There will be a special Reader's Theater production that night of a script adaptation of O. Henry's story, *The Last Leaf*. Maybe Mark Twain himself will be there!

Community Opportunity. Would you like to be a part of a fun community group that offers opportunities on and off stage? Go to our Facebook page or our website at Ludlowvillageplayers.org and find out about how you can be a part of this Port Ludlow community tradition. We are a non-profit and all of our proceeds go back to the community in the form of live local entertainment and educational scholarships. We can use your help.

Director's Notes. Did you know that community theater has been the starting place for many Broadway and Hollywood celebrities? Set in our own backyard, Robert Pattinson starred in the "Twilight" movie series. Chris Evans started in the Concord Youth Theater and became our hero "Captain America." Anna Kendrick, an Oscar nominee, began her Broadway and movie career auditioning for *Annie* in a community theater production. Kristin Chenoweth, both a Tony and Emmy award winner, starred in "Wicked" after getting her introduction at the Theatre Tulsa.

Morgan Freeman, Meryl Streep, Hugh Jackman, and Emma Stone all got their start in Community Theater. Who knows...maybe you are next!

Final PLPA Concert of the Season Features Spencer Day

by Dave Cunningham, Staff Writer

For its final concert of the 2023-24 season, Port Ludlow Performing Arts (PLPA) is bringing a No. 1 Billboard jazz and pop singer and songwriter, Spencer Day, to the Bay Club on **Saturday, April 27** at 7 p.m.

Those who are PLPA season ticket holders may note that the original schedule had pianist and vocalist Will Martin for that date, but Martin, a New Zealander, had to cancel his appearance.

In his place, Spencer Day brings a vast wealth of musical accomplishments, having performed in venues as diverse as Lincoln Center, the Hollywood Bowl, and London's West End. Day is a widely acclaimed songwriter, creating witty and sophisticated pop songs in the tradition of classic jazz American writers.

The Washington Post praised his "cool jazz sensibilities" and "cleverly crafted tales," and *Time Out New York* called him "a compelling, quirky singer-songwriter."

Day's songwriting is influenced by jazz, musical theater, cabaret, soul and pop. His album *Daybreak* debuted at No. 1 on the

iTunes Jazz Charts, and his album *Vagabond* peaked at No. 11 on Billboard's album chart, staying there for 47 weeks.



Spencer Day.

Submitted photo

Day's version of Postmodern Jukebox—described as the best modern revival of old-time music styles like jazz, swing and ragtime—has earned him more than 1.5 million views on YouTube.

His project *Broadway by Day* is a collection of reimagined theater songs from shows such as *South Pacific*, *Evita*, *A Chorus Line*, and others, with surprising and genre-blurring arrangements. Featuring Grammy-nominated artists such as Dave Koz and Jane Monheit, *Broadway by Day* was released in 2020.

His album *Angel City*, which Day arranged and co-produced, was recorded at Capitol Records in Los Angeles with the Budman-Levy Orchestra. The album's single *72 and Sunny* marked his debut on the Mediabase Adult Contemporary chart. His electronica remix of the song was featured on Kygo's Palm Tree Summer Festival playlist.

Day has volunteered regularly with non-profits such as Feeding America and Border Angels, a charity working to improve migrant rights, immigration reform, legal counsel, and the prevention of immigrant deaths along the border.

Border Angels inspired his project *La Frontera*, which featured original instrumental compositions recorded with musicians in the United States and Mexico.

Reviewers and critics are almost unanimous in their opinions of Spencer Day and his music:

One of the most beautiful singing voices around today – *Julian Fleisher, New York Public Radio/WNYC's American Standards*

Lanky and unaffected, with a face that suggests a young James Stewart, Day treats his audience like old friends. And even if they're only hearing him for the first time, within a few notes, they've become friends for life. – *San Francisco Chronicle*

If you're looking for the next Harry Connick, Jr., Peter Cincotti or Johnny Rodgers, forget it. There won't be one. If, however, you're looking for the first Spencer Day, here he is, and what a prodigious singing/songwriting and piano-plunking talent. – *The Village Voice*

His melodies are infectious ... his arrangements are dazzling and, most of all, his delivery is heartfelt and often heartbreaking. He is not only a superb pianist, but a brilliant arranger who consistently celebrates the partnership between his voice and the piano. – *SF Chronicle*

We conclude with Day's own perception of his work: "I hope to create music that is sophisticated but teeming with raw emotion and fire under the surface. It is in life's contradictions where the most beautiful things are created." – *Spencer Day*

Tickets are still available online at portludlowperformingarts.com for \$35 each, and season tickets can also be purchased at that website.

Port Ludlow Art League - Upcoming Events

Bead-Bezeled Cabochon Class – Friday, April 5, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Join us for a fun class creating a bead-bezeled cabochon pendant with jewelry artist Nancy Aikman. Nancy has been making cabochon jewelry for the last eight years. All supplies, including cabochon, beads, thread, and fabric as well as instructions are provided. For more information and to register, email info@portludlowart.org.



Save the Date – Memorial Day Weekend Art Fair on Saturday, May 25

The Port Ludlow Art League will host an outdoor art fair at the Port Ludlow Yacht Club on **Saturday, May 25**, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Browse a unique collection of artwork by local artists, including jewelry, paintings, photographs, woodworking, ceramics, textiles, cards, and baskets, while enjoying views of the Port Ludlow Marina and the Olympic Mountains.

The Port Ludlow Yacht Club is located at 55 Heron Road in Port Ludlow. The art fair will be located behind the Yacht Club facing the marina. For more information, visit portludlowart.org.

Port Ludlow Art League

Artist of the Month – Kevin Hall



Space Needle, by Kevin Hall.

We live in a world of color, but color-saturated photographs can often distract the eye because there's simply too much information. By choosing black and white photography, accomplished photographer Kevin Hall wants to give viewers the opportunity to interpret the main focus of his photographs.

The *Portraits in Black & White* art exhibit at the Sound Community Bank features Kevin's focus on light and dark imagery. Kevin stated, "Elliott Erwitt once said, 'Color is descriptive. Black and White is interpretive.' You're invited to interpret my art exhibit to determine if Erwitt knew what he was talking about."

A reception for Kevin is set for 4 – 5 p.m., **Wednesday, April 10**, at the bank and 5 – 6 p.m. that same afternoon, at Port Ludlow Art League Gallery.

Jeweler of the Month – Janice Gruber

Janice Gruber's jewelry collection features a dazzling array of hand-blown glass beads and pendants and precious stones including Variscite, Pendritic Opal, and Black Obsidian crystals.



Jewelry by Janice Gruber:
Submitted photos

During April, Janice's jewelry will be on display at the Port Ludlow Art League Gallery, the Sound Community Bank, and online at portludlowart.org.

The bank and gallery are located at 9500 Oak Bay Road in Port Ludlow. The gallery is open Tuesday through Friday, noon – 4 p.m. For more information, email info@portludlowart.org or visit portludlowart.org.

Port Ludlow Art League

Program Meeting and Speaker: Carolyn Doe – Wednesday, April 17, 1 – 3 p.m. at the Bay Club



Hurricane Ridge, by Carolyn Doe.

Submitted photo

The Port Ludlow Art League is pleased to welcome artist Carolyn Doe as the speaker for their April Program Meeting.

Carolyn's inspiration comes from the natural landscape that surrounds her, both when she's traveling, working, or just being at home. Her work as a field camp manager and cook in Alaska enabled her to experience breathtaking remote areas. She has also worked as far south as Antarctica, experiencing the cold beauty of Antarctica's changing light that cuts deep to the bone.

Always excited by fiber arts and having been raised by a seamstress, Carolyn started working in batik on silk fabric over 30 years ago. Carolyn is also an accomplished oil painter, and her artwork is currently available at Gallery 9 in Port Townsend. At the Program Meeting Carolyn will demonstrate the batik process and talk about her inspiration and how to get your artwork accepted at galleries.

Carolyn's artwork has been in galleries and private collections all over the states and around the world. For more information about Carolyn's artwork, visit Carolyn's Instagram account @ [carolyn.doe](https://www.instagram.com/carolyn.doe).

The Program Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 17**, from 1 – 3 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Bay Club. The Bay Club is located at 120 Spinnaker Place in Port Ludlow. Guests are welcome to attend the meeting for a nominal fee of \$5. For more information, visit portludlowart.org.

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Recreation & Sports

PLYC Members Keep the Hits Rolling In!

by Greg Buscher, PLYC Communication Manager



Eden Beckett and Kim Afflerbach greet the Year of the Dragon.

Submitted photo

Members are enjoying the Wreck Room in greater numbers. Thank you for making the Wreck Room a hub for your social activities! Many events completely sold out this quarter. When Member Chefs provide lobster mac and cheese, pulled pork, butternut squash soup with Dungeness crab, a “Night to Remember” feast with live entertainment, a Mardi Gras Party, Asian New Year celebration, and a build-your-own taco bar, who can resist?

Many events also feature a fun activity, whether it’s a competitive game of Mexican Train or a trivia contest. Thanks go to all the Member Chefs and volunteers that make these events delicious and enjoyable.

Starting in March, the Wreck Room has featured special Wines of the Month, starting off with wines from the Rhone Valley of France. Members are sure to discover new and different wines to go with the outstanding food and fun at the Wreck Room!

Sound like fun? PLYC is open to new members and we’d love to have you join us!

If you are interested in visiting PLYC, please complete the form on our website at plyc.us/visit.

Crabs on the Beach

by Gail Wellenstein, Kitsap Beach Naturalist

Take a walk on one of our beaches at low tide and you’re sure to find crabs scurrying near the waves or hiding under rocks. They come in different sizes and colors, some are edible, and some dress their shells in sponges and algae to hide from predators. What’s not to like about an animal that walks sideways and can live both in, and at least briefly, out of the water?



Crab molt.

Submitted photo

Both purple and hairy shore crabs are the little fellows that you will find under small rocks or moving across the sand toward a pool of water. They come in a variety of colors, even green, and hairy crabs have small hairs on their walking legs. How can they survive in this low tide environment? Crabs have gills, located inside their shell near the first walking legs, and water enters the gills through an opening on the underside near the base of their claws. At low tide, when they are exposed to air, they close off these openings with articulating plates. Crabs on the beach sometimes blow bubbles by drawing in air, which then passes over the

gills and, when released, forms bubbles near the mouth. Smaller crabs prefer cool, moist, dark places where their gills won't get dried out, and which also shelters them from predators like those pesky seagulls. Using these survival skills, crabs may live for up to 1-2 days out of water.

Beachgoers are often distressed by the number of dead crabs they find, but on closer examination, many of these are not dead crabs at all, but a crab molt. Molts are lighter, don't smell like a dead crab, and, if you put a little tension on the back of the shell, it will open up, hinging at the front. Crabs have their skeletons on the outside of their body, with the muscles on the inside, the reverse of how mammals like us are built. This exoskeleton protects the crab, but it does not grow as the crab grows, so crabs must shed this shell in order to grow. It all starts with hormones, which cause the crab to stop eating and absorb calcium from the old shell. It separates its body from the inside of the old shell, develops a soft new shell underneath, and swells with sea water, forcing open a seam along the underside of the old shell. The crab literally backs out of its old shell, leaving gill coverings and stomach lining behind. The new shell is very soft and can take days to harden. During this time crabs may hide and, as the shell hardens, they will resume feeding, rebuilding fat reserves, and building more muscle. Those delicious crabs molt more often when young and once a year after that. Adult crabs tend to molt at the same time in large gender-based groups.

There is a new crab in the neighborhood, the invasive European green crab, which is not always green, but did originate in Europe. They can grow up to four inches wide and are characterized by having five spines on the outside of each eye. Tiny European green crab larvae arrived on our east coast in the 1800s in boat ballast, hitched a ride in seaweed packing a shipment of mussels to San Francisco in 1997, and made their way to Dungeness Spit by 2017. They are now moving into the Hood Canal. They are successful because they can live in a wider range of temperatures and salinity than our native crabs, and are reproductive machines, releasing 250,000 eggs multiple times per year. They eat young crabs, oysters, and other shellfish, as well as seaweed and eelgrass. They burrow in banks, leading to erosion and collapse. If you think that you have found a European green crab at the beach, leave it in place, and take photos. Go to wsg.washington.edu/crabteam/greencrab/report/ and follow the directions for making a report.

Your Grip—Chipping with a Hybrid

by Jim Mancill, PGA Head Professional, Port Ludlow GC

Soft conditions and wet turf: some of the toughest situations that a golfer can face. Using a lofted club requires a very clean strike and, in many cases, carrying the ball a long distance because it won't bounce and roll out. One option that can be used is to chip with a hybrid. Regardless of the lie, the hybrid produces a low running shot that looks more like a putt.

The most important factor is utilizing a putting stroke to play the shot. Because of the hybrid loft, the ball will go into the air slightly then roll out nicely. This is a great option when the conditions are extremely soft and clean contact with your wedge becomes difficult.



Hybrid Chip Shot Sequence.

Submitted photo

Let's go through the basics of how to play the shot:

- This shot will be played like a putt so start by choking down on the grip to where it meets the shaft;
- Play the ball in the same position as you do a putt, and if it helps, use the same grip as you do when putting;
- Using the same action as when putting, the goal is a stroke that is a sweep like putting, not a downward hit like a normal shot;
- Using a hybrid will result in much more distance than your putter when given the same size stroke so practice would be recommended before using one on the course.

Get out there and try it; you'll be amazed at how easy it is to learn and could become a real stroke saver. See you on the course!

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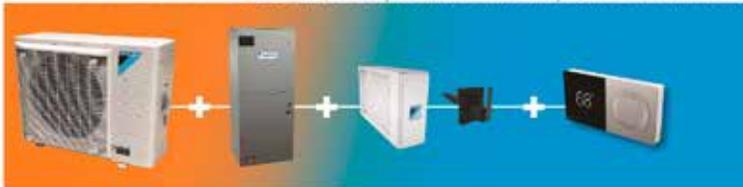
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PLWGA (Women's 18's) League News

by Kathy Traci, PLWGA Publicity Chairperson

The Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association (PLWGA) is an 18-hole Women's League led by Captain Bonnie Vahcic. PLWGA Co-Captain is Sharon Russell; Secretary, Peggy Selby; and Treasurer, Linda Haskins. Opening Day is on **April 2**. An emailed Golf Genius invitation will be sent to all active and social members. Members may sign up for a luncheon at the PLGC café and/or a round of golf. Every league Tuesday, the pro shop will collect the day's score cards, enter the members' scores into Golf Genius, and deposit the winnings into the winning players' PLGC accounts.

The Golf Genius Scheduling Program will be used for all PLWGA event sign-ups. This computer program calculates individual golf statistics for members, including eclectic scores for the season. The Washington State Golf Association Membership (included with PL Golf Course Membership fees) updates members' handicaps.

Sue Fechner and Diane Germain are the 2024 PLWGA Tournament Co-Chairpersons. They will send out the new format for the Captain's Cup Tournament, and they will address questions regarding the new format at the Opening Day Luncheon.

PLWGA Casual Golf continued November 2023 through March 2024 (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays). A big thank you to former League captain Linda Haskins for utilizing Golf Genius to organize Casual play for the past five months. With the commencement of the regular season, PLWGA Casual Golf will take place on Fridays from April through October 2024. Member news will be posted on the PLWGA Bulletin Board in the PLGC Women's Locker Room and distributed by e-mail.

Prospective PLWGA members may contact the PLGC Pro Shop for information about the league and they are invited to join the group on any Tuesday Play Day. Note: As of this year, PLGC membership is not required for participation in the PLWGA.

Niners' News

by Kathy Traci, Lady Niners' Publicity Chairperson

The Niners' Men and Women, who play 9 holes of competitive golf weekly, are looking forward to a great 2024 season. The 2024 Niners' Cocktail Party on March 28 at the Port Ludlow Golf Course Cafe was well attended by members of the Niners' League and their spouses and friends. Barb Burke, Niners' Captain, welcomed the members and highlighted events of the coming season. Throughout the season, the Men Niners will precede the Lady Niners on the course and the league will alternate between the front and back nine. Couples' 9-hole events are planned for the fourth Thursday of each month. The new Ludlow Tees will be featured in games throughout the season. The length of the course is significantly shortened by teeing off from the Ludlow Tees and allows members to practice their short games. Opening day is **April 4**.

On February 29, the Lady Niners enjoyed a social featuring appetizers and wine hosted by Lady Niners' member Linda Aho at her beautiful home overlooking the bay. Barb Burke welcomed returning members and potential new Lady Niners' members. Linda Aho gave an excellent presentation regarding the new 2024 handicap rule changes.

The Port Ludlow Golf Course's Golf Genius Scheduling Program will be used for Niners' event sign-ups. This program was used successfully for the past four years by the Port Ludlow Golf Leagues. This computer program also calculates individual golf statistics for members, including eclectic scores for the season.

The Niners' membership fee includes Washington State Golf Association Membership - allowing members to have a GHIN Handicap. The WSGA updates members' handicaps and periodically emails updates to members. Individual email addresses are needed for this service. The Niners will collect additional minimal funds for weekly prizes. The pro shop will collect the score cards, enter the members' scores into Golf Genius, and deposit the winnings into the winning players' PLGC accounts.

Prospective Niners should contact the Pro Shop Desk at the Port Ludlow Golf Course (PLGC) for league information. The Port Ludlow Lady Niners and the Port Ludlow Niners' Men invite prospective members to join the group for 9 holes of play any Thursday. No membership is needed to join the Niners this season.

Port Ludlow Hiking Club

by John Nuereberg, Hiking Club

Unless otherwise noted, hikers meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:15 a.m. to get directions to the trailheads, arrange carpools, and depart at 8:30 a.m.

Those on the hiking email roster receive an update the week of a scheduled outing. If you would like to be added to the email roster, send a note to plhikingclub@yahoo.com, or go to the club's website at portludlowhikingclub.com and click Contact to send a message. Anyone may join in the hikes; you don't have to be a member of the email roster or club.

Friday, April 12 – Barnes Creek

We start at the trailhead at the ranger station and hike .7 miles to the side trail and climb to Marymere Falls. We come back to the main trail and continue on up Barnes Creek, crossing Barnes Creek and following the trail up to a point where it gets very steep with no meaningful reward. At this point we return on the trail back to where there is a side trail that takes us through park-like woods and along the lower portion of Barnes Creek over to Lake Crescent Lodge. From the Lodge (which most likely won't be open), we follow along more park-like trails back over to the ranger station. The hike will be between 5 and 6 miles and will be level except for the short but steep climb to the overlook platform at Marymere Falls. Trees are large evergreens and the area is at the edge of the Olympic Rain Forest and the West end of Lake Crescent. Bring a lunch for enjoying the lake view at the

lodge. Restrooms are at the trailhead. National parking pass is required. Hike leader: Jack Riggen, jarriggen@gmail.com, 360-437-0370.

Friday, April 26 – Striped Peak

Our hike today will potentially be two hikes. The first will be a 5-mile round trip hike with about 850 feet of elevation gain from the Salt Creek County Park. Striped Peak is our destination with views of the Strait often seen and a canopy of trees some of the time. Once we get to the Striped Peak lookout, we will indulge in a snack before heading down the same way. We will be hiking in some huge old-growth Douglas Firs hundreds of years old that were spared by the heavily logged area because of the steep northern slopes. We should also see eagles swooping in for a meal.

The other hike is Striped Peak Loop Trail with more mileage and about 1540 feet of elevation gain. With the two hike leaders leading on the trails, those that want more challenge may opt for the Loop trail with one of the leaders, while the other leader will go to the peak and head back down. No parking pass is required. A restroom is available at the trailhead. At the trailhead there are tide pools to explore as well as the flowerpot sea stacks to view in Crescent Bay of the Strait. Hike leaders: John Nuereberg, 623-229-4657; Sally Nuereberg, 623-229-4257.

Wednesdays: Timberton Loop. Walk the 4.2-mile Timberton Loop. Enjoy views of the Olympic Mountains. This is a no-leader hike. Meet other walkers at the parking lot trailhead on Timberton Drive at 9 a.m.

Monday/Wednesday/Friday - 8 a.m. Join the “Trail Club Group” that meets at the golf club parking lot for a self-led walk on the abandoned golf cart path trail or other alternative route.

For more hiking information, map of the Port Ludlow Trails and descriptions and pictures of previous hikes and other destinations, go to portludlowhikingclub.com.

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landing spot for ships, was their main means of transferring mail and equipment from the vessels bringing in supplies. Using the sling was predicated on favorable weather and tides, so mail and delivery of groceries were not regular during the winter months. Having a view of the vast Pacific, they were often awed by the approach of impending storms barreling down upon them.

The launching of weather satellites in the 1960’s led to the closing of manned weather stations across the country, and the exodus of full-time residents on Tatoosh in 1977. The lighthouse was decommissioned in 1982, but it wasn’t until 2009 that funding was appropriated to have a full-phase cleanup. The Coast Guard supervised the removal of the diesel generators, fuel tanks, and other biohazards wastes.

In 1967, Dr. Robert Paine, zoologist and professor at the University of Washington, was granted permission by the Makah

tribe to conduct environmental research on the island. The coves and tide pools surrounding the island provided a natural laboratory for him to conduct field experiments to understand the impact that certain species have on the environment. His experiments have demonstrated that keystone species exert major impacts on their ecosystems that are disproportionately large relative to their abundance. His field experiments on Tatoosh included the removal of a species of starfish from a fixed area. Within a year, the area was overpopulated by mussels, upon which the starfish had previously preyed. This proliferation of mussels markedly altered the ecology of the area, eliminating some species and reducing the numbers of others. Half a century later, Paine’s former students, Drs. Tim Wooten and Cathy Fisher, now professors at the University of Chicago, return annually to continue their research on the effects that global warming has on the island’s ecosystems. The rock that once guided ships through turbulent seas is now a living laboratory to help scientists navigate the perilous future of our fragile planet.

God Bless Food - A Recipe

God Bless Food submitted this delicious salad recipe for your enjoyment.

Southwest Salad with a
Roasted Red Bell Pepper Vinaigrette

For the salad:

Mixed Greens (whatever lettuce
assortment you prefer) for 8-10 people

Top and toss with the following:

1 Can sweet corn, drained

1 Can black beans, drained

1 Avocado, diced

¼ c. Diced red pepper

1 Tomato, diced

Roasted Red Bell Pepper Vinaigrette

Blend the following ingredients for the vinaigrette:

16 oz. Roasted Red Bell Peppers

(including the liquid in the jar)

½ c. Canola oil

1 Tablespoon Apple Cider Vinegar

2 Tablespoons Sugar

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or so of each, to taste

Pinch of Crushed Red Pepper Flakes

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South Bay Community Association Update

by Christine Spagle, President, SBCA Board of Directors

Daylight saving time has arrived and that's always a harbinger of spring to me. Already crocus, daffodils and tulips are starting to bloom, and the maple trees are leafing out, inviting me to sit out on the deck and enjoy the sun—even though it's only 47 degrees, and there's still snow on the lower Olympics!

At the Bay Club in February, we had a most enjoyable “Wine and Chocolate” event with champagne and a selection of scrumptious chocolates, fantastic music from local clarinetist/saxophonist Jonathan Doyle, and on the ukulele and piano, Casey MacGill, who hails from Tacoma these days. There was singing and dancing—a fun event all around.

Our next evening event will be held on **April 23**—join us for the “Pasta Extravaganza!” Watch your e-blasts for additional information as we get closer to the event.

Jefferson Healthcare was at the Club in February with a presentation on “Geriatrics,” including a great handout with tips on what to watch out for regarding normal and abnormal changes as we age and when to call the doc or head to the ER. Presenter David Hunsley, Jefferson Healthcare's Director of Home Health, Hospice, and Palliative Care was an engaging and informative speaker.

The next Jefferson Health Care presentation will be **April 24** at 1 p.m. and the topic will be “Supplements and Interactions with Prescribed Medications.” It should be a good one, and very informative, as I think many of us take multiple supplements as well as prescribed meds. In addition to the e-blast that will be sent closer to the event, Jefferson Healthcare also has information on their website about presentations they sponsor, including those at SBCA. Their sessions are always worthwhile, and I am pleased they are eager to continue their partnership with SBCA in offering these presentations locally in Port Ludlow.

Ted Ross, South Bay resident, former Navy diver, and docent at the U.S. Naval Undersea Museum in Keyport, gave a very interesting talk with an accompanying slide show. I've been to the museum a couple of times, and I still learned new “stuff” from Ted's talk. If you haven't been to the museum, I highly suggest you make a visit—it's an interesting/informative/fascinating place and well worth the trip.

In April we'll also have our monthly pancake breakfast for members and their guests. The April breakfast will be in support of Jefferson Healthcare Hospice, so come on out on **April 5**, 8:30 – 10 a.m. for great pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, fruit, and beverages.

SBCA Important Dates

Monthly Board Meeting Thursday, April 11, 9:30am

Unless there are changes to county requirements, meetings are in-person. All SBCA members are welcome.

To keep informed of meeting dates and times, please visit sbca.club.

Committee meetings minutes are posted at sbca.club, then click on the Board Minutes page.

The SBCA Activities Committee is working to identify a date for a May Garage/Rummage sale, so if you have items that have been sitting around collecting dust for who knows how long, and you have finally decided to dispose of them, please think about participating. Last year, Teal Lake Village had a neighborhood garage sale on the same date and that worked out well for those doing the buying—it's always nice when you have several different sites to stop by and check out. Dates and timeframes should be worked out shortly and information will be sent out via e-blast.

SBCA has its annual meeting mid-July and there will be three director positions on the ballot. Serving on the board, or volunteering on any of our six committees, is a satisfying experience. I'm finishing out my 6th year on the board and what I've learned during that time has brought a greater understanding of our community—its development, structure, the good, the bad. Consider running for the board to help support your community. And if that seems like too much to take on, think about participating on one of the committees. New perspectives and ideas are always welcome and help keep our community vibrant.

Happy spring, enjoy our beautiful peninsula, and stay safe and healthy.

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Update from the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) members will receive this year's Annual Meeting packet during the first week of April. If you are traveling or didn't receive the packet by **April 8**, send me an email, and I will send you a copy of the material electronically. The meeting packet will include voting information, proxy/ballot, instructions for voting and returning your ballot, and the recently amended Rules and Regulations that will go into effect on **May 1**. This year's Annual Membership meeting will be held on **April 20** at 2 p.m. in the Bay View room of the Beach Club.

On the evening before the Annual Meeting, LMC will hold its annual Members' Reception. This year's reception will be held from 5 – 7 p.m. in the Bay View room.

I'm already being asked when the outdoor pool will open for the summer season. Our goal is to open the pool on **Friday, May 17**, and it will remain open through **September 30**.

The North Bay Garage Sale is scheduled for **Saturday, May 25**, in the Bay View room of the Beach Club. Please look for more information on reserving a table in the LMC monthly e-*Navigator*. If you are an LMC member and you aren't receiving the monthly electronic newsletter that LMC publishes, send me your name and email address and I will add you to our email list.

As always, if you have questions or comments about this article or the on-going work at the Beach Club, I can be reached at 360-437-9201 or by email at GM@LMCBeachClub.org.

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PLVC Board Meeting Summary

by Adina Rivers, Secretary

Board Members attending: Randy Edwards, John Goldwood, Paul Hinton, Dave Jurca, Tam McDearmid, Carol Prisson-Reed, Adina Rivers, and Jason Wright.

Call to Order

President Jason Wright called the meeting to order at 3 p.m. A quorum was present. Robert's Rules for Small Boards is the protocol, and the meeting was recorded. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the agenda.

Stakeholders Reports

Jefferson County Commissioner, Greg Brotherton, District 3

The county met with the Growth Management Steering Committee to begin the comprehensive plan update process. The Department of Commerce makes projections, and the steering committee must choose between low, medium, or high growth rates until 2040. The planning commission will be instrumental in helping plan growth for the next ten years. There's an open spot for a District Three planning commissioner. The Healthier Together Aquatic Center received a draft of the initial review. A task force will be created to explore other options for a potential pool. They're looking for solutions-oriented people with experience analyzing real estate and development potential to find a path to a public pool.

Port Ludlow Associates, Diana Smeland, President

Port Ludlow Associates are working on Olympic Terrace phase two; the lift station is about 50% complete. They are waiting for PUD to finish a line and then will build a little house around the station. Once that is complete, they will do a final audit of the system and submit a letter to the county for approval, after which they can proceed with the final step. The Inn has recently installed an 85-inch TV, the Fireside restaurant will continue to serve its famous Prime Rib dinner on Sundays, and there will be a special St. Patrick's Day menu and drinks. The golf course will be represented at the Seattle Golf Show.

PUD, Jameson Hawn

There have been some outages in the southern part of the Shine area due to wind and rain, but crews are working to fix them. North Sky Communication, LLC has been awarded the \$10.9 million undergrounding contract for Olympic Fiber. The PUD staff is working on installing aerial and mainline fiber, and there may be flaggers for traffic control. The utility has received \$100,000 from the Clean Energy Fund for a feasibility study on the Penn Stock-style pipeline project.

Fire District, Chief Brett Black

The fire department has allocated \$2.9 million to upgrade its fleet. They plan to order two new fire engine triple combination pumpers. Still, inflation in the manufacturing sector may cause costs to go beyond the allocated budget of \$950,000

Village Council Meetings

PLVC Board Meeting
Thursday, April 4
3 - 5 p.m., Beach Club

PLVC Workshop
Tuesday, April 16
3 - 5 p.m., Bay Club

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per unit. In that case, they might have to reduce the number of staff vehicles in their budget. The manufacturing process for fire engines will take a minimum of 500 days, which makes it challenging to plan for repairs and investments in their current fleet. The fire department is proud of its progress in handling multiple 911 incidents simultaneously, and it recently responded to a structure fire in Paradise Bay. They plan to partner with some friends of the fire department for presentations on wildfires this spring.

Committee Reports

Holiday Lights, Dave McDearmid

Holiday lights on the trees outside the Village Center will be taken down on March 15. Two organizations, Astound Broadband and Lakeside Industries, have volunteered their services to assist. The current general permit from the county to have the holiday lights up in the Village Center Parkway is expiring this year. Public Works will issue another permit for the next five years. There will be a fundraiser to get new lights, as the current ones did not last long. Also, there are some other issues with the lights that need to be addressed.

Emergency Management Committee, Jason Wright

There are efforts to train block captains and improve emergency response in the community. A monthly training session is planned, and a new resident has started C.E.R.T. training. The community is preparing for potential power outages by acquiring backup generators, and emergency management has met with the South Bay Club and North Beach Club Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) to discuss this. Motion was made to change Emergency Management Committee (EMC) to Port Ludlow Emergency Management (PLEM), seconded and passed.

Styrofoam Recycling, John Goldwood

We have confirmed that there are volunteers to organize a monthly Styrofoam recycling effort here in Port Ludlow. The recycling will start on Tuesday, March 26, the fourth Tuesday, and then continue each fourth Tuesday through June. We hope to continue this effort next year as well. The specified time for the recycling is from 9:30 – 11 a.m.

Board Business

Secretarial Report- Adina Rivers

Motion was made to approve the meeting minutes of January 4, and March 7. The motion was seconded and passed.

Treasurer, Paul Hinton

Motion was made to approve the Treasurer's Report for March 7, and the motion was seconded and passed.

Executive Session

The board went into Executive Session

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m.

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Port Townsend Symphony Concert



The Port Townsend Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro Tigran Arakelyan, will present its April concert on **Sunday, April 28**, at 2 p.m. at Chimacum High School Auditorium. This is a free concert. There will also be an open dress rehearsal **Friday, April 26** at 7 p.m.

This concert presents some great music from movies and musicals along with a performance by 2023 Young Artist Winner, Zia Magill.

James Bond has been one of the most successful franchises in movie history with music written by Leslie Bricusse, Anthony Newley, Carol Baker Sayer, Marvin Hamlisch, and Paul and Linda McCartney. As musicals go, *Hamilton* by Lin-Manuel Miranda, is in a class of its own. So is its music. Also included are the music from *Gladiator*, by Hans Zimmer and the ever-popular *Pirates of the Caribbean* by Klaus Badelt.

Perhaps in a slightly different category of musical, *La Forza del Destino*, an opera by Giuseppe Verdi, lends its overture to the concert.

Rounding out the concert is the first movement of Wolfgang Mozart's *Violin Concerto in A major* featuring soloist Zia Magill. Zia was the winner of the 2023 Port Townsend Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Competition. More information is available at ptsymphony.org.

Key City Public Theatre

Key City Public Theatre (KCPT) presents *Gunmetal Blues*, **April 4 – 28**, 7:30 p.m. with the **Sunday, April 7**, performance at 1:30 p.m.

At KCPT, we are dedicated to providing inclusive and affordable theater experiences for all. Our Pay What You Wish seats are made possible by generous patrons who contributed to our #Art4All Initiative and offer you the flexibility to enjoy our performances at a price that fits your budget. Look for the Orange seats at any scheduled performance when booking your tickets and immerse yourself in the magic of live theater!

Opening Weekend performances:

Wednesday, April 3 – 77 Women Producer Preview

Thursday, April 4 – Pay What You Wish Preview

Friday, April 5 – Opening Night with Champagne Reception

Saturday, April 6

Sunday, April 7 – This is an ASL Interpreted Performance

Northwind Art Classes

Seventeen new classes, for youth and adults, beginning to advanced artists, are offered in April at the Northwind Art School at Fort Worden. "These workshops and courses cover the gamut, from quilting to abstract painting," said Northwind spokesperson, Diane Urbani. For more information about Northwind's classes, exhibits, and other art-related activities go to northwindart.org or call 360-379-1086.



Corinne Humphrey, right, talks with friends at Jeanette Best Gallery in Port Townsend during the March 2 Art Walk. Behind the group are paintings by Soo Hong.

Photo by Diane Urbani/Northwind Art

Northwind Art's Jeanette Best Gallery at 701 Water St. in Port Townsend has two shows now: "A Warm Embrace," presenting five women artists through **April 28**, and the year-round Showcase 2024, celebrating 17 artists from around the local

region. These two exhibitions highlight small- and large-scale abstract paintings, narrative mixed-media works, mosaics made of wood, paper, stone, glass art, etchings, and fabric mache.

Some of the classes open for enrollment this spring include:

- “Your Illustrated Life: Art Journaling through Change” with Meg Kaczyk, **Sunday, April 7**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., \$155.
- “Painting from Photographs with Gouache” with Anne Pfeiffer, **April 8 - May 13**, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., six weeks \$275.
- “Date Night with a Buddy or Sweet-Art,” with Kate Lovejoy and Dana Sullivan, **Thursday, April 11**, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., \$50 for two people including materials.
- “Improvisational Quilting: Faces We Remember” with Maggie Grate, **April 13-14**, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., \$230.
- “Introduction to Abstract Art” with Xin Xin, online **Saturday, April 20**, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., \$60.
- “Level 1 Abstract Art: Digging Deeper into Your Practice” online with Xin Xin, **Saturday, April 20**, 3 – 6 p.m., \$60. **Note:** Participants who want to take both abstract art classes can buy one and get the second class at half price by entering the code ABSTRACT at checkout.
- “Intentional Mark Making: A Dialogue with the Self” with Neha Panicker, **Sunday, April 28**, 2 – 4 p.m., \$60 including materials.
- “Using Reference Photographs: Compositional Theory,” **Sunday, April 28**, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., \$70.

“Spring is a good time to try something new. We have another full slate of classes set in May,” said Urbani.

Note: See color photos at plvoice.org

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Jefferson County Public Works

Jefferson County Solid Waste facilities are expanding customer hours beginning April 2

The Transfer Station will be adding a half hour in the morning Tuesday – Saturday and a half hour at the end of day Saturday. New hours are 8:30 a.m. instead of 9 a.m. on the regular Tuesday through Saturday schedule and closing at 5 p.m. instead of 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

The Quilcene drop box will be moving to Thursday, Friday, and Saturday and will open at 8:30 a.m. instead of 9 a.m. and stay open till 5 p.m. instead of 4:30 p.m. on Saturdays.

2023 was a challenging year for the Jefferson County Department of Public Works Solid Waste Division.

Post-Covid pandemic staffing levels had fallen to an all-time low and transfer station staff worked hundreds of hours of overtime, we borrowed volunteer staff from the Public Works Roads division, and the City of Port Townsend lent some of their staff in order to minimize temporary closures.

We have since been able to recruit and train adequate staff to maintain uninterrupted service hours and want to thank our patient customers.

Jefferson County Public Health Firearm Storage Event



On **Saturday, April 6** from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Jefferson County Public Health (JCPH) is hosting a safe firearm storage event and giveaway, in partnership with Seattle Children’s Hospital, Community Health Plan of Washington and Jefferson Healthcare.

The event will take place at Chimacum Grange at 9572 Rhody Drive in Chimacum. The community is invited to learn about the importance of safe firearm storage, receive a free lock box or trigger lock, and to get trained on how to properly use them. Children are welcome at the event, and for those 18 and up, we will offer one free device per person.

In the U.S., 1 in 3 homes with children have guns, many unlocked or loaded. Additionally, 8 kids are unintentionally injured or killed every day as a result of “family fire,” which is a shooting involving an improperly stored or misused firearm found in the home.

Practicing safe firearm storage is an effective and important way to protect children and teens, reduce the risk of firearm injuries and save lives. Since 2014, Seattle Children’s has provided education and device distribution to increase home safety and reduce barriers that any family may have to safe firearm storage.

If you are interested in learning more about the event, please visit seattlechildrens.org/firearmsafety or if you would like to request an interview ahead of the event, please contact Barbara Jones at BJones@co.jefferson.wa.us.

Port Ludlow Drainage District Election Results



Commissioner 2, Dean Cole taking his Oath of Office.

Submitted photo

The week of December 11-15, 2023, was the Candidate Filing Period for the February 2024 Special District General Election. One position was open: Position No. 2 for a six-year term ending February 2030. Two candidates filed for the Commissioner 2 position: incumbent Dean Cole and Ron (Ronald)

Mountain. Each candidate filed a statement which can be viewed on PLDD.org.

On February 6, 2024, an election was held for Port Ludlow Drainage District Commissioner 2. The election was held with in-person voting, at the LMC Beach Club, Bay View Room, 121 Marina View Drive, Port Ludlow, Washington, 98365 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. County Auditor Brenda Huntingford and Quinn Grewell, Election Coordinator, were present during this time and transported the sealed ballot boxes back to the Auditor's office that evening. Commissioner 3 Michael Nilssen, his wife Jackie Nilssen and Jeffery Sarantopulos volunteered as election officials during the voting period.

The election results were certified by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners on February 27, 2024. Dean Cole was the winner with the voting count of 108 for Dean and 22 for Ron. Dean will assume the role of Chair starting with the regular monthly meeting on April 11, 2024. The Commissioners extend thanks to all property owners that voted.

The regular monthly meetings of the Port Ludlow Drainage District Board of Commissioners are held the second Thursday of the month in the LMC Gallery room starting at 10:00. These are open public meetings and anyone in the District is welcome to attend.



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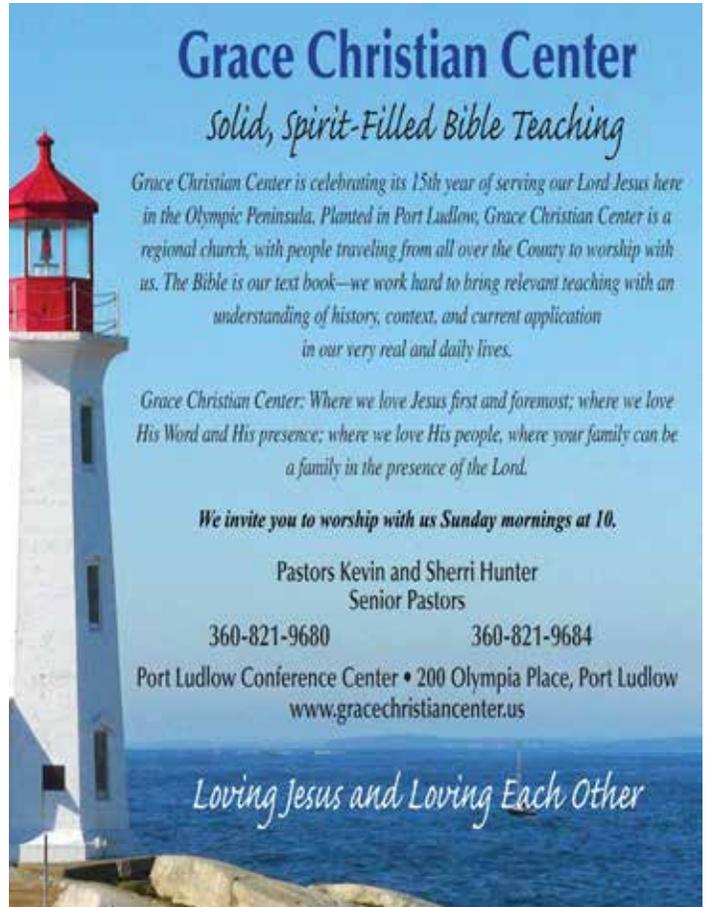
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