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Port Ludlow Yacht Club Sails Forth

by Sue Platt, Guest Writer

Saturday, May 14 marks the official start of this year's boating season for the Port Ludlow Yacht Club (PLYC). The public is invited to join the festivities at 10:00 a.m. at the Marina when Past Commodores and this year's Officers march onto the Gazebo grounds to the stirring accompaniment of bagpipes and drums. After the official Colors Ceremony and short speeches, the christening of boats new to the PLYC fleet will take place on the docks. Opening Day 2011 will conclude with a parade of PLYC decorated boats passing in review before Commodore Mike Platt.

PLYC offers a wide range of boating activities for its members. Fleet Captain Jim Colee will oversee seven cruises from April through December, with destinations spread from Olympia to Bellingham, as well as several Canadian locations. These cruises range in length from four to nine days. Sail Captain Terry Barnes will direct the Handicap Racing program of weekend



Past Commodore Arn Ditmar's decorated boat at PLYC Opening Day 2010.

Photo by Joe Langjahr

Feature Articles

From the Editor's Keyboard

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

This last month the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) sponsored an informative talk by the County Assessor, Jack Westerman. He discussed property taxes in Port Ludlow and the effect of the deflated housing market on them and on home values. His main points are recounted in the summary of his talk in the PLVC section. (See page 19 of this issue.)

Westerman responded to questions from the audience, some of which concerned foreclosures and how prices for foreclosed houses figured in the equation that results in an estimated home value. In the process of that discussion it was revealed that there have been foreclosures in Port Ludlow, not many but a few. And, yes, we would not be wrong to expect a few more.

Foreclosures are not particularly surprising in this economic environment—even in a community like Port Ludlow where many own their homes outright. What was amazing to me was the comparison of this and a statistic recently reported in the *Seattle Times*. More than 77,000 families in Washington have lost their homes in the last two years. Many more are teetering on the edge of going the same way despite the passage of the Foreclosure Fairness Act of 2011. It boggles my mind.

It also makes me think that we need to thank our lucky stars for whatever turns were taken in the past to allow us to elude that fate. I know that there are many that will think, “hold on there, cookie. I am where I am because I am smart, educated, worked hard, invested cleverly and shunned debt. I created my karma and deserve what I have.” And you probably do deserve it. I would be the last to say brains and hard work are irrelevant. Even so I am not so certain that all of one's fate is determined by individual effort; circumstances may play a larger role than most want to admit.

The Village Council deserves kudos for sponsoring a thought-provoking presentation. The people there appreciated it and learned something. The rest of you missed a good one.

The views in this column are this Editor's alone and should not be construed to represent the opinions of the rest of the Voice staff.

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sailboat races. Etchells Fleet Captain Bob Quick will lead the Thursday Etchells races. Both of these sailing programs run from April through October. Mark Vailenski and Ivan Robbins are organizing three summer evening sails on Wednesdays. All of these sailing programs and events are open to the local sailing community as well as PLYC sailors.

PLYC also has many activities not involving boats. Social Director Teresa Forrest has a full calendar of social events to be held throughout the year at the Wreck Room, Bay and Beach Clubs. These include casual gatherings, catered theme dinners, events for specific holidays, and the semi-formal Change of Watch dinner dance. The PLYC Women's Group, led by Sherry Robinson, provides additional activities for women members, including a yearly fundraiser for a local charity.

Formed in 1972, Port Ludlow Yacht Club now has nearly 200 memberships, with reciprocal privileges at over 100 West Coast and Canadian yacht clubs. In 2010 the club acquired its first land-based facility when it signed a lease for the Wreck Room, the lower level of the Harbormaster building. Now serving as the PLYC clubhouse, the Wreck Room is presently open every Friday and Saturday from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Starting Memorial Day weekend, those hours will be extended to 9:00 p.m. PLYC members, their guests and members in good standing at other yacht clubs are welcome. However, because alcohol is served there, no one under the age of 21 is allowed either inside or on the terrace. A Ship's Store run by Properties Officer Margaret Nelson carries a variety of PLYC logo apparel and merchandise available for purchase in the Wreck Room.

To join Port Ludlow Yacht Club, potential members need to complete an application form signed by two present members, along with a letter of recommendation. Forms are available at the Marina office, online at www.plyc.us or from club Secretary Vic Draper at 437-5112. Currently, the initiation fee is \$1,000 per membership (either a single person or a couple), with yearly dues of \$275. Boat ownership is not a requirement for membership. PLYC members receive discounts at various nearby marine-related businesses and reduced or free moorage at reciprocal yacht club marinas.

Libraries, Publishers and the E-Book

by Beverly Browne, Editor/Reporter

When I was young one of my most favorite places was the Carnegie Library in Edmonds. It was full of the most magical places and things all wrapped between the sometimes musty covers of books. The most magical thing of all was that anyone with a library card could check out any of those books anytime he or she wanted, take it home, read it and bring it back.

Library services have changed a lot since then. One big change is the ability to download books on e-readers, a capability the Jefferson County Library provides along with its older services. It all sounds great. Information is easily accessible. Libraries don't have to order multiple copies of currently hot books only to have them sit around after they are not hot. It has potential for time-sensitive materials. But Director Ray Serebrin and others, specifically the consortium of libraries to which the Jefferson County Library belongs, think there is a fly in the ointment. It is in the form of the book publisher, HarperCollins.

HarperCollins, a huge publisher whose titles account for 22 percent of e-book checkouts, has decided not to sell e-books to libraries in perpetuity but to limit the number of times library patrons can download an e-book to 26. After that, the library gets another charge. This does not sit well with librarians who don't understand why e-book checkouts should be treated differently from other books. Many libraries, including ours for the time being, are boycotting the publisher. Serebrin says that the libraries in the consortium are talking about what their response will be and should have a formal stance on the issue by June.

Should you want to load up your new reader, there are plenty of titles available, although not from HarperCollins right now. According to the Library's Information/Interlibrary Loan staff member Bonnie Glendenning, it all begins with accessing the library website www.jclibrary.info. Then there is a four-step process of downloading software to a computer, searching for a title, downloading the book into a computer and transferring it to a player/reader. The librarian will walk you and your laptop and e-reader through the process or you can do it at home.

We are all proud of our Jefferson County Library in Port Hadlock, justifiably so. It is a wonderful place for children and for adults. It has a good collection of over 60,000 books, magazines, talking books, music CDs, DVDs and videos. It has a wonderfully helpful staff and connections to other libraries. Daniel Heaton, Systems Manager, reports that broadband will be coming and that library expansion is in the works. E-book issue or not, it only gets better at the library.

Extend the Growing Season with a Garden Greenhouse

by Judy Arnold, Guest Writer

Where can you grow a *Datura* (Angel's Trumpet) or a *Hoya* (Wax flower) during shoulder seasons in the Pacific Northwest? The answer is in your garden greenhouse! My greenhouse is rising from the ground in my Port Ludlow garden thanks to the talent, love and generosity of my husband.

This 6x8 foot metal frame and polycarbonate kit takes some skill and patience to construct. The 50-page instruction booklet suggests it will take a weekend! Nevertheless, the wall components and the raised wooden decking are completed now. The approximate cost of this project so far is \$1,500. Still needed accessories are a small heater, fan and new garden hand tools. Outdoor tools should not be used in the greenhouse; they will spread diseases.

From previous experience, I can say that the joys of a greenhouse far outweigh the problems of aphids and white fly control and the need for a greenhouse sitter when we are out of town. (It is a living organism, you know.) The greenhouse allows us to actually set the flowers of eggplants and tomatoes to fruit in it. We have geraniums to enjoy in the winter. We can make cuttings of shrubs like boxwood and have them flourish. We can start zinnias and *Ipomoea* (Sweet Potato Vine) when the spring bug bites and they will not wither and turn to mush with the last frost.

When planning a location for a greenhouse, it is important to watch the progress of the sun in your garden and factor in its winter angles. Planning for greenhouse temperature maintenance and hygiene is essential. Don't ignore ventilation, one of the most important aspects of a successful greenhouse. Many models come with temperature sensitive solar powered vent openers. At times in the summer it may be necessary to place a shade cloth over the roof and in winter a small heater is necessary.

I am pouring over seed and plant catalogs to order items I have not been able to grow in my outdoor garden. I have a feeling that the deer are watching the construction process from behind the nearby trees and heaving sad sighs that they will be able to see, but not munch, the food goodies inside. For questions or a tour you may call me at 437-9133.

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What's Charter Government?

by Carol Barnes and Bruce Cowan, Guest Writers

The Washington State constitution lays out the structure of county governments, including ours. A 1948 amendment allows counties to restructure by writing a charter, a sort of county constitution. Periodically, efforts to restructure government in a charter form emerge.

The process, as described in the amendment, usually begins by petition. Many counties have started the process, some more than once. Only a handful have adopted charters: Clallam, King, Pierce, San Juan, Snohomish and Whatcom.

A successful petition leads to an election with two purposes. The voters decide whether to proceed, and they elect between 15 and 24 freeholders to write a charter. Qualified citizens, five to eight from each district, can run for these offices whether they have signed the petition or not.

If the voters reject proceeding onward, the county keeps its constitutional form of government and the process ends. The elected freeholders have no charge. If the voters say, "yes," the freeholders are sworn in and they begin drafting a charter to submit to the voters in another election.

The process of writing a charter is unpredictable, and it can be long and contentious. The freeholders must come to agreement on all the details of county governance. They consult lawyers to be sure that what they propose is legal and clearly described.

The freeholders may reconfigure any county offices except those of judge and prosecutor. They may combine offices or create offices or make offices non-partisan or appointive. They may propose to change the number of commissioners and how they're elected. They may propose an initiative and referendum process. Freeholders generally include a review and amendment process so these issues can be revisited periodically.

When the freeholders have drafted a charter, the voters decide whether to adopt it. If they say, "yes," the charter is implemented. If they say, "no," the process ends and the constitutional form of government is retained, as occurred in Kitsap County in 2002.

Could it happen here? We'll see. If the local petition is successful, District 3 will need good people willing to run in that first election for several freeholder positions.

Bruce Cowan is a teacher in Port Townsend with a special interest in government and politics. He wants the facts of Charter Government available so voters can make informed decisions.

Carol Barnes lives in Port Ludlow and is the District 3 representative to the Jefferson County Democrats Executive Board. She is an experienced manager and educator.

I Bet Your Life, the Next Chapter

by Sue Platt (Stacy Kingsley in the play)

At the end of this spring's Ludlow Village Players (LVP) production, *I Bet Your Life*, the audience was left with many unanswered questions. Would Gerta's manuscript ever get read? Would Greg take Matt's screenplay to Hollywood? Would Lila get her chance at a real acting role? Would Stacy and Burton live together happily ever after?

This reporter decided to do some serious sleuthing and find the answers to these and other puzzling questions about the cast of *I Bet Your Life*. And what was learned is a story all in itself!

Once Gerta Irrelevant (actually her real last name) hired a typist to transcribe her lengthy manuscript, Greg Larson agreed to read it, and it became an immediate best seller.

Matt Stoddard signed on to write the screenplay, which reveals all the dirty secrets behind the so-called Great Minds of the Ages. Hollywood immediately began casting it, selecting Lila Langforth to play the lead role of an existential writer seeking the truth.

Former architect Ira Watson designed and constructed the sets, and Henrietta Squires was featured in all movie trailers promoting the film. Laura Pudney's catering business, "Face on a Train," provided all the meals during filming.

Stacy Kingsley, after a year of boredom and constant sunburns, tired of the "Grand Life" and returned to beg Greg for her old job back. Burton Finley stayed behind to make a fortune with his new plumbing business, "Just a Plain Wrench."

Will there be yet another chapter? In the words of Gerta, "Perhaps another time, another life."

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Tsunamis in the Northwest

by Beverly Browne, Editor

The images of the Japanese tsunami, posted in traditional news media and on the Internet this past month, shocked and terrified people everywhere. Inhabitants of the West Coast, especially those near ocean beaches, bays, tidal flats and coastal rivers, worried about vulnerability. Residents of Grays Harbor have reason to worry. In other areas experts say tsunami is unlikely.

Most tsunamis are the result of earthquakes along oceanic fault lines. In the coastal Northwest, slippage in the Cascadia Fault or faults in Puget Sound could produce damaging waves. The Cascadia Fault lies at the verge of the North American and Juan de Fuca plates, 32 to 70 miles off the Washington/Oregon coast. Major faults in the Sound include the Seattle Fault that runs through south Seattle and the Whidbey Island Fault in the north Sound. Some tsunamis have originated in relatively distant sites, such as Alaska to which a 1964 tsunami is attributed.

At least six tsunamis have occurred in the Northwest in the past 7,000 years. Anthropologist James Swan of Port Townsend documented some in 1864. Swan found that North American Indians had legends of flooding at Neah Bay and other low lying coastal areas with loss of property and lives. The Chimakum tribe was formed by Quileute survivors of a tsunami.

Modern tsunami specialists, such as those at the U.S. Geological Survey in Seattle, look for evidence of tsunamis to determine their frequency and destructiveness. By boring cores of mud and rock, they dredge up samples consisting of narrow bands of gray-green sand interspersed with brown mud. Studies in nearby Discovery Bay show evidence of nine tsunamis there in the last 2,500 years.

Could Port Ludlow experience a tsunami? The Strait of Juan de Fuca could be a conduit of wave force, and slippage of the Whidbey Island or Seattle faults might produce wave action. However, the actual threat of damaging waves in Port Ludlow is quite low according to sources at the Jefferson County Office of Emergency Management. If there were a quake, boats at the Marina might be jostled but anything over 50 feet above sea level is safe even though the chance of damaging waves is never zero. The website jeffcoec.org contains a link to the Port Townsend inundation map that shows a worst-case scenario for that area.

From the Commissioner's Desk

by John Austin, Jefferson County Commissioner



John Austin.

Submitted photo

As we survive another flu season, I am grateful for our access to immunizations. Our parents or grandparents survived a time when millions died from the great flu epidemic early in the 20th century. Our generation avoided swimming pools and crowded areas for fear of polio—until Jonas Salk discovered his vaccine.

In spite of the obvious benefits of vaccines for flu and polio and childhood diseases, all too many parents have opted to avoid “required” vaccinations for their school age children by claiming a philosophical objection. The Internet is flooded with faulty information leading parents to believe that the risks of vaccination outweigh the benefits. This has led to some schools in which about half the students are not covered.

This Legislative session our State Senator James Hargrove and our Representatives Steve Tharinger and Kevin Van de Wege have introduced bills that would require a parent to first speak to a medical professional before opting out of vaccinations for their children. The parent still could choose to avoid vaccination, but I hope that parents will choose the good counsel of a licensed professional over some rumor on the Internet.

As a member of the Local and the State Boards of Health, I have a strong interest in the public health of our students—and all our citizens. Many adults think vaccination only applies to infants and children. However, every year approximately 45,000 adults die from vaccine preventable diseases, the majority from influenza. In the 2007-08 flu season influenza vaccination rates for people over 65 years old were 66 percent but only 34 percent for those between 50 and 64 years old. In 2008 an estimated 44,000 cases of pneumococcal disease (pneumonia, blood stream infections and meningitis) were reported with approximately 4,500 deaths, the majority occurring among persons 35 years of age or older.

Jefferson County is fortunate to have Tom Locke, M.D., as our Public Health Officer. Much of this information comes from him and our Public Health Department. More information is available by calling 385-9400.

Birth of the Port Ludlow Arts Council

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor



It was 1991 when these residents first began bringing entertainment to Port Ludlow audiences, thus giving birth to the Arts Council. Pictured front row l.-r. are Janet Force and Annette Koch; back row l.-r. Bev Rothenborg, Jim and Dion Watson. The late Jane Sanford was the other founding member.

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

It was 1991 when a small group of Port Ludlow residents brought a chamber orchestra to the South Bay Recreation Center to entertain what was then a small community. That concert was considered a success as it drew about 50 people. The originators soon named their group the Port Ludlow Arts Council and the venue name was changed to the Bay Club. Those visionaries were Janet Force, Annette Koch, Bev Rothenborg, Dion and Jim Watson and the late Jane Sanford.

What a ride it's been! We didn't know anything about contracting our performers for a show. Most of them were local anyway, and it was all done with a verbal agreement. There was no "season" as there is now. When we heard a musician or a group that we enjoyed, we would ask them to come and then we would put out the publicity. When we booked someone from out-of-town, the then-Manager of the Resort would provide accommodations for the performers at no charge, which continued for many years.

We kept all expenses to the minimum by doing all of the

work ourselves—auditioning, booking, printing tickets, flyers and programs, publicity, hawking the tickets anywhere and everywhere (this pre-*Voice*). Annette was our super saleslady by signing up 21 advertisers, and, amazingly, we started immediately making modest profits. We were all surprised!

Although the Developer covered most of our initial costs, they left us with a sub-standard piano, to put it politely. The situation became intolerable at a concert with a wonderful jazz pianist from Cornish. During the concert, the hammers on the piano became stuck and the musician interrupted his performance to stand up and fix them! After that, a Committee was formed to purchase the present Baldwin Baby Grand. An expenditure of such an amount was way beyond our budget so Pope Resources loaned us funds for part of the cost, Free Spirits donated \$1,000 and the Arts Council covered the balance. We repaid Pope within a year.

In the 20 years since that first concert we have never had a performer not show up or not fulfill a commitment. There was a gentleman that Janet and I listened to at a club and enjoyed. We set a date for a concert. He was a baritone, but by the night of the concert, he had become a tenor without having practiced enough. That was not one of our best nights! Another fabulous pianist showed up in an inebriated state but played the best jazz I've ever heard. I'm still a huge fan!

Over the years we gradually learned about Booking Conferences where in three days you could preview dozens of acts. At some point, we started issuing contracts and initiating a "season." We had our first Music on the Green in July 1998, and it was in January 2001 that Jim completed the Articles of Incorporation to become a Washington State Non-Profit. Wow! Who knew?

(The Arts Council has released information on its upcoming 20th Anniversary Season, see the article on page 28.)

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What Makes a Neighborhood Thrive?

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

Dan Buettner, in his book *Thrive*, notes that communities flourish when certain basic needs are fulfilled. Security, trust and a feeling of belonging are vital ingredients for a community to reach its potential. His research on the happiest places on earth indicates that a connection with nature, active volunteering, spacious greenbelts, and support for the arts are necessary for a thriving community.

Buettner's research indicates that knowing neighbors on a first name basis increases the sense of belonging and sense of happiness in their environment. It also helps to identify what resources are needed and what neighbors can share in meeting neighborhood needs.

In *Community: The Structure of Belonging*, author Peter Block maintains that community grows out of the possibility of its citizens. The social fabric of our community is made up of our circle of friends, acquaintances and others with whom we come into contact regularly. The environments we create are neighborhoods made up of our collective actions, activities and intentions which lead to a sense of belonging.

How does Port Ludlow stack up as a thriving community? It has many of the qualities discussed by these authors. Its law enforcement and fire department personnel living as our neighbors enhance Port Ludlow's sense of security. Disaster Preparedness volunteers promote our security and well being. Times when the community came together for the common good, has led to a sense of trust. Although negative experiences involving conflict linger in memory, we have experienced the process of exploring new possibilities for our future. Building consensus, listening constructively and feeling compassion for our neighbors, are tools to strengthen our social skills and enrich the street, block, and neighborhood.

Nurturing neighborhoods welcome new neighbors and instill a sense of belonging. A neighbor who feels secure, has trust and a sense of belonging feels free to ask a neighbor for a ride to the ferry, to borrow an egg, to water plants when they are away, to share in celebrating life's joys and milestones, to prepare meals for a neighbor in need, to lend support when a neighbor faces a challenge, and to be a resource in a case of emergency.

Block parties encourage knowing neighbors; many neighborhoods have traditions of greeting new neighbors and say goodbye to those leaving. Some neighborhoods encourage environmental activities to enhance the sense of well-being that research says is important. A thriving Port Ludlow is only limited by its vision for the future.



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Local News

Events Planned for Festival By The Bay

by Debbie Wardrop, Festival By The Bay Committee

There are great things happening with the plans for Festival By The Bay! Just look below. But also continue to refer to the website, www.portludlowfest.org, on a regular basis to learn more and to be involved. Confirmed activities include:

Friday, July 29

- Fireman's Breakfast at the Beach Club
- Golf and Tennis Tournament
- Music on the Center Stage
- Golf BBQ and Awards
- Art Exhibit in the Harbormaster
- Twilight Vendor Booths, Food Court, Wine and Beer Garden

Saturday, July 30

- 3K Race with Awards following
- Tennis Tournament continues
- Exhibits: Fire and Rescue, Military and Sheriff's Office
- Food Court, Wine and Beer Garden
- Etchells Regatta, Coast Guard Cutter and Helicopter
- Music on Center Stage
- Concert: Vicci Martinez (a Tacoma native and rising star)
- Fireworks on the Bay

Sunday, July 31

- Car Show and Shine, Breakfast at the Beach Club
- Tennis Tournament and Awards
- Music on Center Stage
- PLF&R Fire Hose Water Activity
- Blindfold Kayak Races
- Car Show Gimmick Rally and Awards

Festival Beneficiaries this year are OlyCAP and Chimacum Schools. One of the major fundraising efforts for the Port Ludlow Festival Association is the Button. (See photo adjacent.) They are selling for \$5 each. The button is:



PLFA Buttons are on sale now.

Photo by Debbie Wardrop

1. Your admission and parking to events for the entire weekend.
2. A way to support this local effort.
3. The first in a series of collector's items. Because this is the first year, the button is dated and it will become a tradition for the event.

Car Show: Details and mail-in registration forms are now available at portludlowfest.org and plvc.org. Registration is limited to the first 80 vehicles. The \$25 registration fee includes breakfast for two. There will be awards for the Show and Shine and the afternoon Gimmick Rally.

Since there will be fees associated with participating in the Car Show, as well as the Golf and Tennis Tournaments, participants will receive a button as part of their registration. Vendors will be given two buttons per booth upon registration. Children 12 and under are free. Buttons may be purchased for these children—but are not necessary. (They will want them, though!)

Buttons can be purchased at the following locations: Bay Club, Beach Club, Golf Course, The Inn and The Marina and at many other local supporters including QFC and several banks. Look for them and wear them to help build awareness of Port Ludlow's Festival By The Bay.

“Purchase a Miracle” Campaign Begins

Guild volunteers for Seattle Children's Hospital will be tagging consumer items at the QFC, Safeway, Rite Aid and Town and Country Markets for the 23rd annual campaign. Since it began, “Purchase a Miracle” (PAM) has raised more than \$63 million for uncompensated care at the regional hospital.

Buy products with the bright green tag on hundreds of branded items including Coca Cola, Darigold, Jimmy Dean, Tillamook, Chateau Ste. Michele, Kellogg and Keebler, Franz Bread and Talking Rain.

The sale at all local stores lasts through **Wednesday, June 15**. Public support makes a huge difference to a child.

To learn more about Seattle Children's, visit www.seattlechildrens.org. The Hospital has been consistently ranked as one of the best children's hospital in the country. It serves as the pediatric and adolescent medical referral center for the largest land mass of any children's hospital in the country (Washington, Alaska, Montana

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and Idaho). The Hospital partners with the University of Washington and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in the Cancer Care Alliance. The recently opened Bellevue Clinic has averaged 1,000 visits a month; construction of a new wing on the main campus is now underway.

The Port Ludlow Guild welcomes new members. Meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month at the Community Church. The next major event will be the annual Walkathon on **Saturday, August 27**.

Memorial Day Flag Ceremony



Veterans Russ Reed, Jerry Conover, Tink Green and Tom Lohrey prepared a tattered flag for an earlier Memorial Day ceremony.

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

Memorial Day is a Federal holiday that is observed this year on **Monday, May 30**. Many Americans visit cemeteries and other memorials on this day. For the ninth year, the South Bay Community Association (SBCA) offers a unique event, commencing at 11:00 a.m., to provide a proper ceremony for disposal of worn American flags.

Disposal of the flag is outlined in an amendment to the Constitution that states, "The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning." Several retired military personnel render such a service.

It is the custom for each flag to be dedicated to a deceased military family member, acquaintance or group. Flags may be taken to the Bay Club in the days prior to the event to be processed for disposal.

The ceremony will be held in front of the Club and will open with the National Anthem sung by the Independents, a mixed choral group from Kitsap County. The program

will include an invocation, dedication and disposal of each flag. All retired or active duty military personnel are encouraged to participate.

Following the ceremony, the group will move inside the Bay Club where the Independents will offer a choral program of patriotic music. Refreshments will be served following the concert. For more information, call ceremony founder Jerry Conover at 437-0537 or Mike Morgan at 437-2208.

CEA Used Book and Media Sale

Although the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) Used Book and Media Sale will not take place until Labor Day weekend, many Port Ludlow residents are doing their spring cleaning and asking where they can drop off donations.



In June, July and August residents can take their book and media donations to the large dark pink collection boxes located at the Bay and Beach Clubs. The following local residents will receive donations at their homes:

- Barbara Berthiaume, 671 Rainier Lane, 437-0423.
- Karen Griffith, 600 North Keel Way, Inner Harbor Village, 865-0466.
- Nancy Leahy, 23 Clear View Place, Teal Lake Village, 437-9496.
- Dee McConnell, 201 Windrose Drive, Bayview Village, 437-7648.
- Diane Ruff, 47 Outlook Lane, Teal Lake Village, 437-4160.
- Delia Rightmier, 82 Timber Heights Drive, Timberton Village, 437-7802.
- Mary Ronen, 40 Fairwind Court, Ludlow Point Village.
- Ginger Steger, 152 Dog Leg Lane, Fairwood Village, 437-8059.
- Kathy Traci, 103 Twinsview Court, Ludlow Point Village, 437-7874.

Requested donations include hardback books, paperbacks, video tapes, CDs and DVDs. We cannot use magazines or textbooks. Please call prior to dropping items off.

All profits will be used to fund college scholarships for Chimacum High School students. Thanks for your support.

Cruisin' with the Port Ludlow RV Club



RV-ers resting from a boat trip up Hell's Canyon on the Snake River, l.-r. Bill Curd, Shirae Curd, Harry Davis, Stan Kriegel, Paula Davis and Maryann Walker.

Submitted photo

The Port Ludlow RV Club is heading out once again. This year's trips promise to be as fun-filled as ever. Washington state destinations will be to Richland in May and the June trip will be to the beach in Westport. The longest trip of the season, for two weeks in September, will take the group to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Anaconda and West Yellowstone, Montana, Grand Teton National Park and Jackson, Wyoming, Jerome and Meridian, Idaho. The October trip will find the group in Leavenworth, Washington.

There is something exhilarating about camping as the Club takes advantage of the beautiful vistas and wooded campgrounds. The opportunities to join friends in such activities as hiking, rafting, clamming, whale watching, swimming and golfing are just a few of the things that make it so appealing. Warm camaraderie grows stronger through sharing Happy Hours and lots of good food or gathering around a campfire to sing or just to chat and exchange a multitude of helpful RV-ing hints.

If you would like to join the Port Ludlow RV Club, information can be found at www.portludlowtoday.com. Type "RV Club" in the Site Search box. At this site you will find descriptions of all the outings, websites for the RV parks, the RV Club calendar, a form for Application for Membership, and answers to questions you might have about membership in the group. All types of RVs are welcome—small to large motor homes, trucks with campers, 5th wheels and pop-up tent trailers.

For additional website information call Harry Davis at 437-2007 and for additional general information call John Walker at 437-5051.

Artists' League Artist of the Month

Jim Watson-Gove is the Artists' League Artist of the Month with his acrylic abstract paintings and accompanying poetry gracing the walls of Columbia Bank throughout the month of May. Watson-Gove began painting in watercolors in 1949, his sophomore year of high school, and began painting in oils in his 20s. He discovered the Expressionists in the 1950s, abstract expressionism shortly after, and has never looked back. Today he works in ink, watercolors, gouache, acrylic and mixed media. He is essentially self-taught, although he attends art classes periodically and spent a few years in the company of Richard Allen Morris, a San Diego abstract painter.

In addition to being a painter, his other love is writing poetry. Watson-Gove is the Editor/Publisher of *Minotaur*, a literary quarterly established in 1975. His poetry has appeared in small press magazines since the 1960s. Watson-Gove often combines poetry and paint to produce art that explores the boundary. His major influences are Hans Hofmann, Judy Chicago, Jackson Pollock and Richard Allen Morris.

Watson-Gove will be honored at the League's "First Friday Reception," **Friday, May 6**, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Bank, as well as at the Artist's Gallery adjacent to the Bank, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m. Guests are welcome to attend the reception and the exhibit.

You can see an example of the Watson-Gove's paintings on the *Voice* website, plvoice.org. It is accompanied by a poem written by the artist that describes the work.

CEA's Fifth Annual Mystery Dinner

Last month the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) promised you the details for its Fifth Annual Mystery Dinner. We have beaten the bushes to find a restaurant you may not have discovered, one with wonderful food and a lovely view.

As in previous years, the destination is a mystery. Our bus will leave from the Bay Club at 4:30 p.m. on **Monday, May 23**. We plan to return by 9:30 p.m. The cost of bus transportation is \$26 per person and we are limited to 35 participants. We encourage you to sign up as soon as possible. Signups are at the CEA Promotional Table in the Bay Club on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, call Pat Lohrey at 437-7760 or Roz Greene at 437-9870.

Habitat Adds Board Members

Leroy Hornbeck, Allen Standish and Don Wright recently have joined East Jefferson County’s Habitat for Humanity Board of Directors. Each will serve a two-year term and bring business and finance knowledge to the non-profit. Hornbeck and Standish are residents of Port Ludlow.



Leroy Hornbeck.

Hornbeck has served on the Board of Mill Creek Planning Commission and the Housing Authorities of King and Jefferson Counties. He owns Port Townsend Computers and is a member of the Washington Association of Accountants and the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce. He serves on the Port Townsend Rotary Board and as a church Elder.

Hornbeck previously served on Habitat’s Finance Committee.

Standish currently serves on the Board of the Jefferson County Genealogical Society and also has been its Treasurer. In addition, he has served as Treasurer of the Edgewood Village Home Owners Association and has held the office of President and Treasurer of the G. W.



Allen Standish.

Heritage Trail Association.

Wright lives in Port Townsend and has over 40 years of experience in Financial and Estate Planning. He has served as President and Treasurer of the Chamber and Rotary Treasurer for three years. He currently is on the Board of Directors of the Kala Point Home Owners Association.



Don Wright.

Submitted photos

“We are honored to have these gentlemen commit to Habitat and we know that they bring us a wealth of experience that we will put to good use as we grow to serve the communities of East Jefferson County,” says Jamie Maciejewski, Executive Director of Habitat.

Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County builds simple, decent houses in partnership with people in need. Participants put in 400 to 500 “sweat equity” hours as a down payment on their home and pay for the cost of materials through a 20- to 30-year mortgage. Since its

founding in 1998 it has built 20 houses and recycled two, providing affordable homes for 22 families that include a total of 47 children. The volunteer-operated Habitat Store at 2001 West Sims Way in Port Townsend funds Habitat. For more information, to donate or volunteer, visit www.habitatejc.org or call 379-2827.

Port Ludlow Friday Market Opens

by Sandy Schmidt, Market Coordinator

Spring has arrived and so has your Friday Market. The Market will run **Friday, May 6 until Friday, September 30** from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

I hope you are as eager for the Market to open as the vendors and I are. We’ve added new vendors whom you will enjoy. Melanie Maibaum with Cloud 9 Bakery plans on bringing cinnamon rolls, filled croissants, coffee cakes and pies made with things like local berries and French tartlets. We’ll also have Joleen Snowdon with Mt. Townsend Creamery offering a very large selection of cheeses. They are too numerous to list here but check out portludlowtoday.com and view the list. We are also expecting Anna, the burrito and taco lady. If you didn’t get a chance to taste her items, go early because they go fast!

Kathy Stanger with Mac’s Macaroon’s, the dog treats, is offering 20 percent off on sales over \$10 opening day. This is so nice of her! Also returning will be the Pescador Farms produce stand with Pete and Kathy, Ike’s Fresh Seafood, Chou’s Flower bouquets, Gert from Oma’s Acres and Short’s Grass Fed Beef.

New vendors come and go each week and I’m sorry I can’t list them all. I hope this sample will entice you to attend the first Friday Market of the year and get the season off to a successful start. Don’t forget to put Friday Market on your weekly calendar. Come get your lunch, some supplies for dinner and see your friends and neighbors. For more information, contact Sandie Schmidt at 437-0882 or sjsandra5@msn.com.

Dine and Discover Wants You! Wants Your Ideas!

Community support is vitally necessary for Dine and Discover to continue bringing educational programs to the community each month. You’re invited to go to its once-a-year meeting to gather ideas for the coming year. Without input from the community, the group would be without speakers!

The meeting will be at the Beach Club on **Thursday, May 26** from 10:00 a.m. to noon. You’re urged to attend but if you are not able to, call Michael or Hilda Cahn with your ideas at 437-8223.

Jefferson County Fire District #3

Alarm Statistics March 2011

Alarms

Fire	3
Rescue/Emergency Medical	35
Good Intent	10
Service Call	5
Hazardous Condition	3
Total Alarms	56

Ambulance Transports

Jefferson Healthcare	6
Harrison Medical Center	9
Harrison Silverdale	1
Bremerton Naval	1
Total Transports	17

Mutual Aid with Neighboring Districts

Provided	1
Received	1
Total Mutual Aid	2

Chief Ed Wilkerson’s Safety Message

The snow has melted, the rain and wind are beginning to subside, the plants are budding and the trees are blooming. Spring is arriving and your thoughts may be turning to that dreaded ritual of spring cleaning. With it comes a timely reminder to keep your home safe from the threat of fire. In an effort to make this “Spring Cleanup” a fire safe one, Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR) provides the following safety tips:

Clean your garage of stored newspapers or other rubbish that can fuel a fire. Dispose of oily or greasy rags or store in metal containers. Keep outdoor debris or dead vegetation away from the house.

Test your smoke alarms monthly and gently vacuum your smoke alarm every six months or as needed to prevent nuisance alarms. Change batteries in smoke alarms, flashlights and carbon monoxide detectors. Never borrow smoke alarm batteries to use for toys or other equipment. Replace all smoke alarms every 10 years or as recommended by the manufacturer.

If you store gasoline, keep it outside your home in a shed or detached garage. Keep only small quantities in tightly sealed containers. Use gasoline only as a motor fuel—never as a cleaning agent.

Use outdoor barbecue grills with caution, checking the hose for leaks and cracks first. Place in a safe area away from building, windows, heating, ventilation and air conditioning units or places with high/dead vegetation. Never use gasoline to start the fire, or add charcoal lighter fluid once the fire has started. Use barbecue grills

outside only—not under overhangs or balconies and away from combustibles. If you have any questions or would like clarification on any fire safety tips please call PLFR at 437-2236.

PLFR Hires Assistant Chief

Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR) has hired Brad Martin to be the District’s new Assistant Fire Chief. Martin who is a seasoned fire service professional with over 20 years of experience will serve as the District’s Operations and Training Chief. He has a Bachelor’s Degree in Occupational Studies from California State University (CSU) at Long Beach and a Masters Degree in Fire Service Leadership from Grand Canyon University in Phoenix. Prior to joining PLFR he was a Captain and Acting Battalion Chief with the Fairfield City Fire Department in Fairfield, California. Martin is also a paramedic and certified Arson Investigator.



New Assistant Fire Chief Brad Martin.

Photo by Laura Halady

PLFR Chief Ed Wilkerson stated, “The Board of Fire Commissioners and I are happy to welcome Assistant Chief Martin and his family to Port Ludlow where he will be an integral part of the Fire District leadership team. Brad brings us a strong fire department operations background that will assist our organization to provide high quality, professional fire and emergency medical services.”

Martin and his wife Sarah are excited about their new venture. They have two sons, James, age five and Calvin, age three. The Martins enjoy outdoor activities, among them boating, camping and fishing. He will assume his role on **Monday, May 2.**

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Port Ludlow Incidents Reported to Sheriff’s Office

For the month of March, there were a total of 48 recorded Port Ludlow events known to the Sheriff’s Office. To keep events in Port Ludlow in perspective, there were 662 events countywide during the same time period. Please note that we will be using State Route 19, Tala Shore Drive, Oak Bay Road and Olympus Boulevard as the parameters to define Port Ludlow.

Agency Assist	1
Alarm or Incomplete 911 Call	9
Animal Control	4
Disturbance (unwanted persons, gunshots, etc.)	4
Drugs	0
Malicious Mischief	0
Miscellaneous/Informational	6
Suspicious Vehicle or Person	3
Theft/Burglary	2
Traffic Incident/Complaint	6
Welfare Check	2
Warrant Arrests	0
Traffic Violations	4
Assaults	2
Patrol Requests	4
Reckless Burning	1

Let’s keep our neighborhoods safe. Please contact the Sheriff’s Office if you notice any suspicious activity and always call 9-1-1 for an emergency!

Port Ludlow Trails/Natural Resources

by Soozie Darrow, Scribe

Due to the challenging weather that we’ve been enduring the past few months, the Trail work parties have not been exceptionally busy. The trails have been in boot-wearing condition, muddy/puddly. However, we anticipate good times to return, the blackberry bushes to start reaching out for our hats, and the work parties to start clearing new paths for our pleasure.

In this light we would like to encourage more people to come out and help with the “fun!” With each work party there always is a variety of adventures in which to participate, some easier than others, so that everyone can choose a task at his/her level of expertise. There is a relatively small group of people who participate all the time, while a large group of people benefit from their endeavors. Call Larry Scott at 437-9299 to join the fun.

It would be wonderful if more local trail users would help keep the briars back or at least notify the current stewards of noticeable problems. The stewards may not go out every day or even every week, so helping identify potential or immediate issues is important. Better yet, become a steward of your favorite trail section! It doesn’t have to be a long part—the length is up to you. Call Rocky Young at 360-316-9116 to help.

There are gardening opportunities, such as weeding, in the native plant garden at the entrance to the Interpretive Trail from now until October or so. It’s always more fun to work with others outside in the sunshine than by yourself in your own backyard! This area has an automatic watering system and no longer will need watering as it has in the past few years. There are many, many new plants this year that will grow much healthier if the weeds are kept at bay. Call Patty Patterson at 437-4117 to dig.

Remember, the Trails/Natural Resources Committee is not a Committee of specific membership. Everyone in the community is actually a member. Your suggestions for projects as well as your physical help are sought and much appreciated.

The Space and Place for Almost Every Thing

Need a fresh look for that cluttered space? Did your realtor suggest “staging” for a swifter sale? Are you considering snowbirding next winter?

Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is offering a workshop on **Wednesday, May 25**, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., to explore and offer solutions to all of the above. Many of us have realized that the current Port Ludlow real estate market is either placing relocation on hold or nudging us to create a unique setting for better marketability. Perhaps the prolonged wet winter has you thinking of a warmer reprieve come next winter.

CEA has planned this workshop with Port Ludlow Associates (PLA), realtor Karen Best of Coldwell Banker and several local residents to assure that the information fits your needs. They have agreed to share their expertise and provide answers to your questions. Please come join us at the Olympic Terrace II model homes for this enjoyable and informative event. For additional information and registration please call Mary Stuart at 437-8140 or sign up at the Bay Club CEA table on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Some Very Pesky Beavers

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

Last summer I wrote in the *Voice* about my evening walks that included a stop at the detention pond near the Bay Club where I watched in fascination as beavers went about their nightly chores. At the end of the piece, I invited interested parties to ask me where the pond is located and two people actually did!

Well, that was then and now it's a different story. Once trapped to near extinction for their fur, beavers are now on the rebound. During the fall and winter, my walks by the pond were taken in the daylight when those nocturnal creatures were nowhere to be seen. But, oh, my goodness, the evidence of their presence was everywhere! The landscape has been totally altered. First, I noticed their paths through the undergrowth, then trees and bushes began to fall and were piled up into a dam which blocked the pond's outlet to the sea. After cleaning the dam debris several times, traps were set.

Now that the busy beavers have pretty much cleared the area around the pond, they have begun taking out the laurel hedges around the homes. To see their teeth marks on the trunks of large trees or plants is an amazing sight. They are prolific builders who carry stones and mud with their forepaws and timber between their teeth. They can rebuild a primary dam overnight.

Once when a resident was sitting on the beaver dam and attempting to clear the debris, a large beaver swam up and circled around menacingly. Adult specimens weighing over 55 pounds are not uncommon, so my neighbor was a little worried.

To date, three beavers have been relocated. There is evidence that more are living in the pond, so nearby residents don't want to start re-landscaping. What with the cost of professional trappers, electronic monitoring devices and debris removal, the homeowners have spent thousands of dollars; they are understandably reluctant to invest more without a certain solution!

Living With Chronic Conditions

Because of the overwhelming response to prior workshops, Home Instead Senior Care, Olympic Elder Services, Madrona Hill Urgent Care, Active Life Physical Therapy and Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA), in collaboration with the Olympic Area Agency on Aging will hold a "Living Well With Chronic Conditions" workshop series, open to the public, one day a week from 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. The series will begin **Wednesday, May 18** and run through **Wednesday, June 22** for six consecutive weeks.

Two trained leaders will facilitate the workshop. All materials being used were developed by Stanford University's Chronic Disease Self-Management Program and are designed to help individuals who suffer from a chronic condition such as diabetes, asthma, heart disease, chronic pain, Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease.

The class is designed to help participants decrease their stress and frustration, manage symptoms, and deal with pain and fatigue. Caregivers and spouses are also encouraged to register. Each participant will have access to a book, *Living Well with Chronic Conditions*. The goal of the program is to help you live a healthy life by managing your symptoms. Space for the workshop is limited, so please register early. For more information and to register, call 1-866-582-1487 or 360-538-2457.

Changing of the Watch

by Diane Ruff, Contributing Writer



Debbie Wardrop, Resort Manager.

Submitted photo

If you drop by The Resort At Port Ludlow, be sure to stop in to say hello to Debbie Wardrop, the new General Manager (GM). Debbie replaces Paul Wolman, who will be retiring in the fall.

Wardrop brings many and varied talents to The Resort. She has been a recognized leader in the hospitality and events industries, having managed and executed multi-faceted events. She was the Director of Convention Services for the Arizona Biltmore Resort &

Spa from 1981 to 1995, Director of Conference Services and Catering from 1995 to 1999, and even served as Director of Special Events-Corporate Services for the National Football League (NFL) from 1999 to 2005.

In 2005 to 2007, Wardrop also served as CEO of the Arizona Super Bowl Host Committee and Director of Event Management for The Phoenician Hotel from 2008 to early 2010. She officially took over as GM on March 1.

Putting emphasis on engaging and partnering with local organizations and events in Jefferson County, the Olympic Peninsula and, specifically, Port Ludlow, is Wardrop's priority. She plans on partnering with the Artists' League to provide continuous art throughout The Inn that rotates every two months. Creating a sense of community, a reinvigoration of the staff and improvement of the space in The Inn are also important to her.

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Wardrop encourages the input of our residents to make The Inn theirs, serving residents' wants and needs. Social events geared to what the residents want are of utmost concern to her. For instance, the popular cooking classes with Chef Dan will continue.

Welcome Debbie; and to Paul, our very good wishes from the residents of Port Ludlow. Debbie's e-mail is dwardrop@portludlowresort.com.

Legal Peace Of Mind

Most people would like some help identifying their options when it comes to preparing an estate plan, with effective and meaningful ways to transfer your family's assets. Richard Tizzano is a long-time respected attorney to the Port Ludlow community. Clients trust him to guide them through the difficult decisions that must be made. On **Thursday, May 19, 10:00 a.m.** at the Bay Cub, he will conduct a workshop where you can get a range of information from basic estate planning tips to cautions about elder abuse schemes. Basic Medicaid/ long-term care planning will be addressed and questions will be taken.



*Richard Tizzano,
Attorney.*
Submitted photo

On a personal level Richard carefully listens to your concerns and then will work with you to recommend estate-planning options tailored specifically to you and your family. Richard's practice areas include probates, wills, trusts, powers of attorney, healthcare directives, Medicaid, elder abuse, guardianships and adoptions.

Don't put it off any longer. Get the information you need to provide legal peace of mind for you and your loved ones. Plan on attending the free seminar and find out more.

Salal Pickers on Timberton Loop

Hikers walking the Timberton Loop were startled to see a group of 8 to 10 men and vehicles containing salal on their route between Rocks 12 and 17. Pope Resources has indicated that the men were licensed salal pickers who were on the property with permission from the company.

Puget Sound Evergreens, a family owned business, licenses the salal pickers. They should carry a license and have a placard in the front window of their vehicle. Anyone seeing unlicensed pickers poaching on the property are asked by Puget Sound Evergreens to call them at 360-274-6014 and ask for Danielle.

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Community Meetings

Think Outside the Box

What do you get when you think outside the box? Come join the Port Ludlow Artists' League for their meeting on **Wednesday, May 18**, and see creativity stretched to the limit! Gallery Chair Jeanne Joseph has challenged the members of the Artists' League to apply art in the mediums of their choice, depicting everyday clichés, those common little words that we use in our everyday life, such as "Put your money where your mouth is," and "Make hay while the sun shines." Members picked a cliché from a little brown bag that Jeanne brought to earlier meetings—no peeking and no trading of those little tried, and sometimes true, sayings!

Awards for most original, best fit of art-to-cliché as well as other categories will be awarded as each entry is judged and voted on by the members at the meeting. The whole collection of art will be on display during "Group Show" in July.

Guests are welcome to attend this monthly meeting, social time and program in the Bay Club on **Wednesday, May 18**, at 1:00 p.m. A guest fee of \$5 is collected for an individual meeting or dues of \$30 will provide a year of inspiring programs for art lovers and artists of all levels. More information can be obtained by contacting President Wanda Mawhinney at 437-9081 or by e-mail at mawhinneyw_w@msn.com.

Dine and Discover

On **Monday, May 2**, Dine and Discover goes to the Bay Club to hear 15-year-old Jessica Markowitz, a freshman at Seattle's Garfield High School. Hear the remarkable story of her trip to Rwanda, what she learned and what she did about it. Feel her compassion and learn how one person can make a difference. Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. (Please note that the date in last month's *Voice* was incorrect.) Please sign up at the Bay Club and bring a potluck dish to serve at least ten people.

Remember to bring a complete table setting including placemats, dishes, glasses, utensils, napkins and your favorite beverage. A fee of \$2 per person will be collected at the door. For questions, call Michael or Hilda Cahn at 437-8223.

This is the last Dine & Discover of the season. We will resume in October. Thanks for your support.

Port Ludlow Book Club

Join the Port Ludlow Book Club on **Tuesday, May 10** at 6:30 p.m. to discuss Anita Diamant's *Day After Night*. This book is based on the events surrounding the rescue and internment of over 200 people from the ravages of the Nazi's and World War II. These people were interned at Atlit, a facility run by the British for "illegal" immigrants and located south of what is now Haifa, Israel. The story focuses on four women from different countries and horrifying memories of situations each of them is trying to avoid. They manage to find hope and even salvation through their friendship and develop the courage to face the challenge of recreating themselves in the emerging country of Israel.

This is a beautiful and powerful story. It stands out as a unique depiction of a piece of holocaust history that is little known. In the end it is the human element of the story that captivates readers regardless of their knowledge of the history of Judaism. It provides a voice to those individuals held in camps after the end of the war and is a part of history that is often hushed up or forgotten.

The book selection for June is *Inés of My Soul* by Isabel Allende. Everyone is welcome. For questions please call Martha Dawson at 437-4167.

Stamp & Paper Arts Group

On the morning of **Wednesday, May 18**, the Stamp & Paper Arts Group will venture out of the classroom atmosphere to take a field trip to the home of nearby Quilcene artist Claire French in search of a new card-making media. French has invited the group to attend a two-hour free workshop where she will demonstrate how to use her created designs to make and take home one or more lovely "String Art" or "Stitched" cards. Anyone interested in this fun and fascinating technique of creating unique cards for personal use or gifts will not want to miss this opportunity.

Lunch at the Olympic Timber House Restaurant in Quilcene follows. Those familiar with the restaurant have found the food and atmosphere too good to pass up. The surrounding grounds are usually very colorful with spring bulbs this time of year.

Please meet at the Bay Club parking lot no later than 9:30 a.m. to carpool to French's home. Drivers will be provided with directions. For more details about the day's activities or for last minute signups (if room allows), call Paula Davis at 437-2007.

Cameras and Vacations!

Vacations are times to remember and treasure. Pictures and videos taken on our adventure often refresh memories of our journey. This will not be the case if we have not prepared carefully to include the needed equipment to record the images.

On **Monday, May 9**, the Port Ludlow Computer Club (PLCC) Community Meeting will take a look into the questions one should ask about proper camera equipment to take on their type of vacation. Family reunions, National Parks, ocean, foreign travel, sports, etc. are but a few of the different venues. All are different for camera use. Everyone is invited to come to this free Community Meeting at the Beach Club. Cookies, coffee and socializing will be at 5:30 p.m.; the program will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming PLCC Special Interest Groups (SIGs) and Workshops:

- Office SIG: **Monday, May 2**, 10:30 a.m. – noon
- A Special Topics SIG: **Monday, May 16**, 10:30 a.m. – noon
- Mac SIG: **Monday, May 16**, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Windows 7 SIG: **Thursday, May 19**, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
- Photography/Pro Show Gold SIG: **Monday, May 23**, 10:00 a.m. – noon
- Workshops are held every Saturday morning 10:30 a.m. – noon

All Special Interest Groups and Workshops meet at the Bay Club. Want to join the Port Ludlow Computer Club? Contact Dick Allyn at 437-7804, or e-mail him at zither2@q.com. For up-to-date Club news and schedules, check the PLCC website at www.pl-cc.com.

Out to Lunch at Bainbridge Thai



The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) has arranged for you to dine at Bainbridge Thai on **Wednesday, May 18** at 12:30 p.m. There will be a large selection of lunch items priced at \$8 and \$9 and a special for two people at \$14. Beverages are not included and rice

is included only when indicated on the menu.

To expedite service the group has been asked to order in advance. A menu and sign-up sheet is available at the CEA promotional table located in the Bay Club on Wednesdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Deadline for sign up and/or cancellation is **Wednesday, May 11**.

May Hike News

The Hiking Club developed a hike schedule for May through October at its semi-annual planning meeting and dinner held in April. Plans are to include both sea level and high country hikes. Copies of the schedule have been e-mailed to those on the Club's roster.

Friday, May 13: Upper Gray Wolf

This is a moderate round trip hike of 5.6 miles. The hike starts at the top of a grand descent of 1,100 feet into the Gray Wolf River Valley. The return climb is fairly gentle and offers some great forest views. Meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. to arrange carpools and get directions to the trailhead. For information contact Jack Riggen at 437-0370.

Friday, May 27: Steam Donkey Loop and Maple Valley Trails

Walk an easy to moderate set of trails on the 5-mile loop in Dosewallips State Park. Bring a lunch and enjoy a post hike picnic at the Park. Meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. to arrange carpools and get directions to the trailhead. For information contact Dick or Heather Ullmann at 437-5010.

Every Wednesday: Timberton Loop

Walk the 4.5-mile Timberton Loop. Enjoy views of the Olympic Mountains and Mount Rainier. Meet at the trailhead on Timberton Road at 9:00 a.m.

Duplicate Bridge Winners for March

by Ian Feltham, Coordinator

March 7: Darrell Fett/Bruce Schmitz, first; Nancy McGillis/Charlotte Olberding, second; Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, third.

March 14: Nancy McGillis/Charlotte Olberding, first; Darrell Fett/Bruce Schmitz, second; Marilyn Elgin/Marvin Segar, third.

March 21: Marilyn Elgin /Eleanor Roden, first; Dan & Soozie Darrow, second; Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, third.

March 28: Lee Amundson/ Eleanor Roden, first; Lynne Folsom/Lois Ruggles, second; Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, third.

Duplicate Bridge is played from noon to 5:00 p.m. on Mondays at the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Bridge Deck. For information call Doris or Ian Feltham at 437-9196.

Garden Club to Visit Hansville

The Port Ludlow Garden Club (PLGC) will head for Dragonfly Farms Nursery in Hansville on **Wednesday, May 11**. The owner will conduct a tour of her home garden, of ponds, grasses, native plants and even tropical plants. Sign up online at dragonflyfarmsnursery.com and receive a discount toward the purchase of grow-through supports, vegetable and water plant starts, mini hostas and new roses. Take a bag lunch and beverage to enjoy at their picnic facility and perhaps a camp chair for extra seating.

After lunch PLGC continues on to Foxglove Greenhouses, also in Hansville. Ornamental floriculture, nursery products and plants will be available for purchase.

Carpools will be arranged and depart from the Bay Club at 10:15 a.m. There is no charge for PLGC members; non-members are welcome to attend for a \$5 fee.

Dues of \$20 may be paid prior to the field trip by sending a check to PLGC, P.O. Box 65235, Port Ludlow, WA 98365. Membership allows for free attendance at all meetings, discounted field trips and an invitation to the members-only holiday tea. If you have any questions, please contact Club President, Tom Giske at 425-302-5925.

First Wednesday Luncheons

Join us **Wednesday, May 4**, at the Beach Club from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for the next First Wednesday Luncheon. We will be hearing from Joan Astin as she delights us with stories from her and her husband's 17,000-mile motorcycle trip around the United States and Canada. That's a lot of time in the saddle. The Food Committee will provide the lunch. Bring your own table service as we have gone green this year. Instead of paying for lunch, please make a donation to the Food Bank of canned stew, spaghetti sauces, SpaghettiOs or personal hygiene products. Of course, cash or checks are much appreciated. Sign up at either the Bay or Beach Club by Friday, April 29. After that, notify Fran Bodman at 437-5110 if you plan to attend.

Thanks again to Sue McNab for sharing her sailing adventures at the April lunch. She shared with us her Top Ten Life Lessons. Number 1 was a quote from Eleanor Roosevelt who said, "Do one thing every day that scares you." Our May speaker certainly has done that.

The Copy Cats, known for their fun 50s music and great harmony, will entertain at our last luncheon of the season, **Wednesday, June 1** at the Bay Club.

Singles to Dine at Fujiyama

Singles, polish your chopsticks because the group is going to Fujiyama's Japanese Steakhouse again! The date is **Monday, May 23** at 4:30 p.m. Your entrée of choice includes house salad, onion soup, shrimp appetizer and steamed rice. Meals are priced from \$12.50 to \$39.50. To reserve, call hostess Irene by **Tuesday, May 17**. We will carpool, so be sure to let your hostess know whether you prefer to drive or to be a passenger. Offer your driver a few dollars to defray expenses and wear your nametag.

May Tatting

The ladies of Tangled Threads are still Tatting! Every month they pick a challenge and tat away at the new pattern working on a new technique. Join Tangled Threads for two meetings at the Bay Club on the mornings of **Thursday, May 12 and 26** from 10:00 a.m. to noon. For those wishing to learn from an instructor, they can meet with Sandy Cofer on **Wednesday, May 18** at Pacific Fabric in East Bremerton, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. To see what this group is all about, join them for a cup of coffee. Give Maureen Poole a call at 437-2165 with questions or e-mail her at shipout@aol.com.

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Port Ludlow Village Council

Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Beverly Browne, Editor/Reporter and Ned Luce, Secretary

President Tom Stone called the April 7 meeting of the PLVC to order at 3:00 p.m. Other Council members present were Jim Boyer, Laury Hunt, Ned Luce, Tony Simpson and Art Zoloth. Absent were Elizabeth Van Zonneveld, Larry Nobles and Shane Seaman.

A deviation from the usual order of business was guest speaker Jack Westerman who gave his presentation prior to the Council conducting its normal business. Approximately 140 residents attended the talk.

Stone introduced Westerman, Jefferson County Assessor, who addressed the audience on the upcoming appraisals of properties in Port Ludlow. He spoke for approximately 30 minutes and then took questions for approximately 45 minutes.

Highlights: Westerman Presentation

In his comments County Assessor Westerman said the last appraisal was done in January 2007 and that the next one will take place January 2011. He personally is handling Port Ludlow area appraisals in South Bay while others in his department will appraise other areas of the County. Bob Schould will appraise properties in North Bay.

Westerman said that his job is much more difficult this time due to the lack of available sales data. The declining market has forced him and his department into using other sources of information to prepare the appraisals. He would like to have three months of data on either side but the information isn't there. The department is forced to use listings for houses for sale (which indicate upper value) and foreclosure sales prices (indicating lowest value).

Based on the current data new appraisals in the area may be anywhere from 20 to 40 percent lower than the January 2007 appraisals. The highest percentage drop is in land value rather than home value. In response to a question about property values in Edgewood where the Golf Course is no longer maintained, Westerman said he expected values to go down 30 percent. Regarding the effect of Iron Mountain Quarry on values, he said he would not know until there were sales. Timberton would be the most affected.

Port Ludlow Village Council Meetings

General Meeting

Thursday, May 5

3:00 p.m., Beach Club

Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, May 17

3:00 p.m., Beach Club

www.plvc.org

Reduced value will not translate into reduced property taxes by a corresponding amount according to Westerman. The Assessor is required by law to adjust the levy rate or mill rate so that the total tax collected continues to fund the particular jurisdiction (such as the School District, Library District, etc.) within the limits established by law. Organizations that are at the maximum levy rate may have a funding problem in 2012. One such organization is Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR).

When taxpayers get their property appraisals and have questions or concerns, they should feel free to contact Mr. Westerman or his staff before going to the Board of Equalization. Decisions by the Board of Equalization can be appealed within 30 days to the State Board of Tax Appeals in Olympia.

PLVC General Meeting

After the Assessor's presentation and question-and-answer session, a quorum was declared and the agenda adopted. The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

Council Treasurer and Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Don Thompson reported that the Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) legal fund stood at \$10,148 in April. IMQ Writ Guarantee is \$4,021. Operating funds available are \$21,447. Certificates of deposit contain \$10,894. Total expenditures in March were \$1,408. A spreadsheet is available. The Treasurer's Report was unanimously accepted.

IMQ Committee: Tony Simpson reported on Iron Mountain Quarry developments. He said that the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Committee has been looking at the traffic analysis of State Route 104. He requested approval for payment of an invoice for legal work for \$2,190. A motion was made, seconded and

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unanimously approved for payment from the IMQ Legal Fund account. Simpson also reported that there was no plan to sue Pope due to the lack of a plaintiff with the necessary status or structure.

Communications Committee: Stone commended Bill Browne and the *Voice* for publicizing Westerman’s presentation. He also noted that the Committee met and discussed ways to publicize the ways the PLVC is trying to help the community.

Wellness Committee: Stone reported on the development of the Wellness Committee. On April 5, 30 to 35 people attended an organizational meeting to discuss what such a Committee could do to provide greater support for residents interested in information and help lead to greater wellness of the people in Port Ludlow. The Committee is developing a mission statement.

Recycling Committee: Steve Failla reported that the recycling area had been kept fairly clean and that Skookum recently has been granted a new contract to collect the recycled material in the County. In addition, he noted that shredded paper should be put in the proper bin in either paper bags or plastic bags. The hostel at Fort Worden has a special bin for Styrofoam. *Living with Less (plvoice/announcements)* lists other recycling sources.

Utilities Committee: Phil Otness said that current water rates remain in effect. Rate increases have been withdrawn.

Final comments included encouragement to attendees to consider running for the PLVC. The Nominating Committee is looking for volunteers.

Announcements

The May PLVC General Meeting will be on **Thursday, May 5**, at 3:00 p.m. in the Beach Club. The May workshop will be **Tuesday, May 17**, at 3:00 p.m. in the Beach Club. Information about the PLVC and Port Ludlow is available at www.plvc.org. The meeting agenda is posted there usually a day or two before the meeting.

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Village Activities Calendar

Most events are open to everyone in the community unless members-only is indicated, or unless obviously for special-interest groups

May

Mon., May 2

9:00 a.m. – noon, LOA Meeting (members), Beach Club
 10:00 a.m. – noon, Inner Harbor Board Meeting (members), Bay Club
 10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Office SIG, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Timberton Board Meeting (members) Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., *Voice* Staff Meeting, Bay Club
 5:30 – 8:00 p.m., Dine and Discover, Teen's visit to Rwanda, Bay Club

Tues., May 3

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Trails Committee Meeting, Bay Club
 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Foot Care, Beach Club
 10:00 a.m. – noon, CEA Board Meeting, Bay Club
 Noon – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment Meeting, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Free Spirits Board Meeting, Bay Club

Wed., May 4

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon, Cross Country Motorcycle Trip, Bay Club

Thurs., May 5

9:00 a.m. – noon, Bayview Board Meeting (members), Bay Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC General Meeting with Jefferson Health Care CEO Mike Glenn and Port Ludlow Clinic Discussion, Beach Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Bluebills Meeting, Beach Club
 4:00 – 9:00 p.m., Cinco de Mayo Dinner, The Fireside At The Inn

Fri., May 6

9:30 – 11:30 a.m., SBCA Board Meeting, Bay Club
 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Friday Market Opening Day, Village Center
 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Artists' League Reception for Jim Watson-Gove, Columbia Bank
 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Artists' League Reception continues next door, Arts Gallery

Sun., May 8

11:00 a.m., 2:00 and 5:00 p.m., Mother's Day Special Menu, The Fireside At The Inn

Mon., May 9

3:30 – 5:30 p.m., MGA Board Meeting (members), Bay Club
 5:30 – 6:00 p.m., Computer Club Community Social, Beach Club
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Computer Club Community Meeting, Beach Club

Tues., May 10

6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Book Club discusses "*Day After Night*," Bay Club

Wed., May 11

10:30 a.m. – Garden Club Carpools depart for Hansville, Bay Club

Thurs., May 12

10:00 a.m. – noon, Tangled Threads, Bay Club
 Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Arts Council Board Meeting, Bay Club
 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Fairwood Village Board Meeting (members), Bay Club

Fri., May 13

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club meets to carpool to Upper Gray Wolf, Bridge Deck
 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Friday Market, Village Center
 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., A Day with Chef Dan, The Fireside At The Inn
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., SBCA Members' Social, Bay Club

Saturday, May 14

10:00 a.m., PLYC Opening Day Events, Marina Gazebo
 2:30 p.m., Nine and Wine Golf League, Golf Course

Mon., May 16

10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Special Topics SIG (members), Bay Club
 10:30 a.m. – noon, Teal Lake Board Meeting (members), Bay Club
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., South Bay Potluck, Bay Club
 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Computer Club Mac SIG (members), Bay Club

Tues., May 17

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Fly Fishers General Meeting, Bay Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Free Spirits Board Meeting, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Computer Club Board Meeting, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC Monthly Workshop, Beach Club
 6:30 p.m., Reader's Theater, call Val Durling at 437-2861 for Location

Wed., May 18

9:30 a.m., Stamp and Paper Arts Group meet to carpool to Quilcene Artists', Bay Club Parking Lot
 12:30 p.m., CEA "Out to Lunch Bunch" meets at Bainbridge Thai
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Artists' League Meeting, Bay Club
 1:30 – 4:00 p.m., Chronic Conditions Workshop, Beach Club
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Tangled Threads Instruction, Pacific Fabric

Thurs., May 19

10:00 a.m. – noon, Tizzano Estate-Planning Seminar, Bay Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Computer Club Windows 7 SIG (members), Bay Club
 5:00 – 8:00 p.m., Niners' Couples Social / Potluck Dinner, Bay Club

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Fri., May 20

Outdoor Pool Tentative Opening Day, Beach Club
 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Friday Market, Village Center
 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA ARC Review Committee, Bay Club

Sat., May 21

National Safe Boating Week
 USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., North Bay Soup & Salad Potluck, Beach Club

Sun., May 22

USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina

Mon., May 23

USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina
 10:00 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Photography/Pro Show
 Gold SIG (members), Bay Club
 4:30 p.m., CEA Mystery Dinner participants depart from Bay
 Club to secret location
 4:30 p.m., Singles Group meet for dinner at Fujiyama's in
 Silverdale

Tues., May 24

USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina

Wed., May 25

USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., CEA Clutter Workshop at Olympic Terrace II
 Models
 1:30 – 4:00 p.m., Chronic Conditions Workshop, Beach Club

Thurs., May 26

USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina
 10:00 a.m. – noon, Tangled Threads, Bay Club
 10:00 a.m. – noon, Dine and Discover Planning Meeting,
 Beach Club
 Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
 4:00 – 9:00 p.m., LMC Board Meeting, Beach Club

Fri., May 27

USCG Auxiliary Free Vessel Safety Inspections, Marina
 8:30 a.m., Hiking Club departs for Dosewallips State Park,
 Bridge Deck
 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Friday Market, Village Center
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
 Winemaker Dinner with Two Wineries, Guest Chef and Chef
 Dan, The Fireside At The Inn

Mon., May 30

Memorial Day
 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Independents' Concert and Flag
 Disposal Ceremony, Bay Club

Future Events

Chronic Conditions Workshops, June 1, 8, 15, 22
 CEA Port Ludlow Antiques Road Show, June 25
 Rally for the Cure Golf Event, July 7
 SBCA Annual Meeting, July 20
 Golf Course Kids' Day, July 23
 Music on the Green, July 24
 Festival By The Bay, July 29, 30, 31
 Junior Golf Camp, August 15 – 19
 Children's Hospital Guild Walkathon, August 27
 CEA Used Book and Media Sale, Labor Day Weekend
 IL VOCE Opening Concert, September 24



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LMC March Board Meeting Highlights

by Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC Secretary

The Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) monthly board meeting was held Thursday, March 24, at the Bay View Room of the Beach Club. The following are highlights of that meeting:

The repair and upgrade work on the outdoor pool is underway. No leaks were found in the piping. Completion of the work is expected by the end of April or first week in May. **Friday, May 20** is the target date for the pool to be operational and ready to open for member use.

John Erickson was approved as a new member of the Finance Committee.

Roger Oster and Kim Wright were approved as new members of the Greenbelt Committee.

Claudia Robbins was approved as a new member of the Communications Committee.

LMC - Changing the Shape of Meetings

by Elizabeth Van Zonneveld, LMC President

The Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Annual Meeting had a different look this April. The gathering was a celebration of the year's work just ended and a thank you to the many members who participated in Committees and individual projects around the Beach Club during the past year. If it looked a little different, a change from business as usual, that was the intention.

Reports from Committees and from the Board on financial status and work done in the past year were all there, but in different forms. The annual members' reception

Important Dates

LOA Meeting
Monday, May 2, 9:00 a.m.

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LMC Board Meeting
Thursday, May 26, 4:00 p.m.

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flowed right on from the meeting, a continuation of a gathering of members who took advantage of the spontaneity of the day to catch up on this and other news with neighbors.

Part of the business of the day was the announcement of the Big John Van Volunteer award. Ian Feltham received recognition this year for his many years of volunteer activities in the North Bay and Port Ludlow, including service on the LMC Board, Chair of our Finance Committee, leadership in the Duplicate Bridge games held every Monday at the Bridge Deck, among other activities. Congratulations, Ian! We miss you at the Board meetings, but it's good to see you often at the Club.

This is my last message to you as LMC's President and I want to say thank you to all North Bay residents for a wonderful experience. New officers are elected following the Annual Meeting and those names will be posted on the website, together with Committee leaders and members. If you are thinking about joining with neighbors in one or another LMC activity or Committee, you will be most welcome. Contact Brian Belmont, LMC's General Manager at beachclub@olympus.net or call 437-9201. Remember, homeowner associations do not run themselves, it takes participation by members. But we can have a good time in the process as we certainly have this past year.

Manager's Report

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

Despite Mother Nature, the Beach Club outdoor swimming pool repairs are still on schedule. Master Pools of Washington, the contractor hired by Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) to make the necessary repairs and improvements to the pool, reports all needed materials such as tile, drain grating and return fixtures have been delivered to their facility in Mountlake Terrace.

All the demolition work has been completed and the work crew is preparing the pool for the new tile, new return fixtures and perimeter drains.

The final part of the restoration will be the re-plastering of the pool, which was tentatively scheduled for April 27. This is the one phase of the project that cannot be done in the rain. It is estimated the plaster application will take two full days. As soon as the plastering is finished, your LMC staff will begin the process of refilling the 122,000-gallon swimming pool.

Once the pool is filled it will take another two to three weeks to get the water chemistry balanced. If everything stays on schedule, the outdoor pool will be ready for swimmers on **Friday, May 20**.

North Bay Potluck

Come join the fun and enjoy the North Bay Potluck of soup and salad on **Saturday, May 21**, at the Beach Club. We will be playing Bingo with prizes for the winners. Sign up at the Beach Club no later than **Thursday, May 19** to bring your favorite soup, salad or dessert. The cost is \$6 per person, including beer, wine, soda and coffee.

Soup bowls will be provided, but don't forget to bring your table service. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. This is a great time to visit with your friends and neighbors and welcome newcomers to our community. Questions? Call Marilyn Durand 437-7677.

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SBCA Board Meeting

Friday, May 6, 9:30 a.m.

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All SBCA members are welcome. 

South Bay Community Association

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

South Bay Community Association (SBCA) President Dave Armitage called the monthly Board meeting to order on Friday, April 15, at 10:30 a.m. Directors Richard Grieves, Howard Koester, Steve Shanklin, Pat Traci, Sharon Walker and Chris Whitehurst were present. Mike Morgan and Linda Colasurdo of the Bay Club Staff, Recording Secretary Mea Graham and eight community members also were in attendance.

After a quorum was determined, motions to accept the February and March meeting minutes were approved unanimously. Actions had been taken on delinquent members with four liens filed and five late notices sent.

Secretary-Treasurer Whitehurst reported the financial highlights for February, showing the Total Current Assets for the month to be \$315,637.45, and Total Assets to be \$636,514.83. This is an increase of \$25,752.13 over last year's Total Assets. The Income Statement for February 2011 showed total revenues of \$6,947.44 and Total Operating Expenses of \$32,146.22, with a Net Operating Surplus of \$32,555.68 for the 2011 fiscal year. (Note the surplus is always high the first months of the quarter due to the majority of dues being paid during that month, while expenses are very consistent month to month). The Maintenance Reserve is \$188,944.96; with expense of \$6,974.18 for a new security system. The Renovation Fund is \$52,591.88 with no expenses. It was moved, seconded and a unanimous vote approved the February financials. Whitehurst also presented the first draft of the 2012 budget for Board review. The budget will be further discussed at the May meeting.

Correspondence included a letter regarding the pool temperature; a letter regarding staff which was handled in Executive session; a thank you from Larry Scott and the Trails Committee for the annual donation; a letter of reply was sent to a member's attorney; and a letter was sent to Tolly Tollefson thanking him for the donation of one of his framed Tollycraft drawings which now hangs in the lobby.

Under new business, the first draft of an orientation program for new Board members was discussed. The Board voted five to one to conduct a financial audit for fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, and unanimously voted to add Traci as a signatory on the bank account.

The meeting adjourned into Executive session at 1:05 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and reconvened into open session at 1:55 p.m. No votes were taken and the open meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m. The next Board meeting will be on **Friday, May 6** at 9:30 a.m. The Annual Meeting will be on **Wednesday, July 20** at 3:00 p.m. All members are encouraged to attend.

SBCA April Meeting Highlights

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

Following is a summary of reports and discussions at the South Bay Community Association (SBCA) meeting of Friday, April 15.

Architectural Review Committee (ARC): Linda Colasurdo advised that the Committee had approved view maintenance requests for two villages. Additionally, it had been found that the Design Standards were in conflict with the Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&Rs) regarding the appeal process. The former states an appeal could be made to the Board; the latter notes an appeal must be made to the ARC. A lengthy discussion ensued. Changes to the Design Standards may be made by a vote of the Board while changes to the CC&Rs must garner 76 percent of the vote of members in good standing. The matter was referred to the Compliance Committee.

IMQ – SEPA (Iron Mountain Quarry – State Environmental Policy Act): Dave Armitage gave a presentation on the technical paper the Committee had formulated regarding traffic concerns. It was moved, seconded and passed unanimously to have Armitage sign the cover letter and send the report to Washington State Department of Transportation (DOT).

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Facilities and Long Range Planning: Bruce Schmidt gave a thorough presentation on the Committee's findings and recommendations. The Bay Club has 84 items with limited life, each was priced in current dollars and an estimated life defined. A Long Range Reserve Study spreadsheet was developed to calculate the fund requirements and yearly contributions for each item (three percent cost of inflation was assumed.)

To eliminate the need for a possible special assessment sometime in the future, the Committee's recommendations were to combine the current Maintenance and Renovation Funds into a new Reserve Fund and increase contributions to that fund so as to reach a minimum of 70 percent funding within ten years. This would be accomplished by increasing dues by five percent per year for the next three years with two percent going directly to the new reserve fund and with the assumption that 120 new home sales would be realized from 2014 through 2021 with the \$2,000 initiation fee going directly into the Reserve Fund as well. They advised progress should be reviewed annually.

The need to modify the Committee from "ad hoc" to "standing" was discussed. The issue was sent to the Compliance Committee and tabled until the May meeting, as this action would necessitate written guidelines and a concern arose regarding unintended consequences of merging the Maintenance and Renovation Funds.

Financial Review: Pat Traci gave an overview of the Committee and its progress in reviewing ongoing Club processes and procedures. He praised Sharon Walker's efforts in creating process and procedure flow charts.

Operations: Mike Morgan advised there were 518 members and 31 associates. Five letters have been sent to members past due and six liens have been filed. As the budget is being considered Morgan has renegotiated the pest control provider and is working on a new copy machine contract. The anticipated saving from this and other endeavors will be approximately \$6,000. The gutter seams have been failing so all are being re-caulked. Tree trimming is underway. Employee sign-in and sign-out logs have been instituted for management to note times of arrival and departure and for what purpose. This has helped considerably with mileage reports. Pressure washing of sidewalks, parking lot curbs, bulkheads and the entry are underway.

Other Meeting Highlights: The pool temperature was discussed at length. Morgan said the accepted compromise of 84.5 degrees was the goal. It was moved,

seconded and passed on a five to one vote to have a financial audit for fiscal year 2011. The proposed budget was discussed; any revisions will be made at the May meeting with final passage in June. Morgan advised that the Red Cross Mass Care Facility agreement was in need of renewal. As concerns were voiced, Morgan will discuss liability issues with the insurance company and report back at the May meeting. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 20** at 3:00 p.m. The Board adjourned into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. When they reconvened no motions were made.

Words from the President

by Dave Armitage, Pres., South Bay Community Association (SBCA)

As I have mentioned previously, people who volunteer can make a difference.

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Committee has completed a study about the problems to be caused by allowing Iron Mountain Quarry trucks to enter and/or exit State Route 104 at the current Shine location. It will become more of a problem in the future. The study will be sent to Jefferson County and to the Washington State Department of Transportation for consideration. The recent results with the water rates indicate that State agencies do listen to what citizens have to say.

The SBCA Long Range Planning Committee under Bruce Schmidt's leadership has just completed a study of the Reserve Fund. The results indicate that the Fund is below the recommended level and will need to be increased over the next several years.

The point I continue to make here is that when you volunteer you can make a difference. You will be reading this in early May. Election of the new SBCA Board is in July. Now is the time to consider running for the Board or volunteering for one of the Committees.

I would also like to remind residents that the new telephone directory is scheduled to be put together this fall. Now is the time to check with the Club to make sure your telephone, cell phone, e-mail and mailing address are correct.

SBCA Members' Social

The monthly social for South Bay members will be **Friday, May 13** from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. Please bring an appetizer to share with others. The South Bay Community Association (SBCA) provides the beverages.

Potluckers Welcome Spring

Welcome spring and the snowbirds' return with the South Bay Potluckers at the Bay Club **Monday, May 16**, 5:00 - to 7:00 p.m. Pack up your baskets with table settings and beverage as well as salad, main dish or dessert to serve 8 to 10 people. The charge is \$1 person. Sign up at the Bay Club.

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Arts and Entertainment

This section features news on Port Ludlow arts and entertainment events as well as a performing arts calendar for Jefferson, Clallam and Kitsap Counties. Submit news and calendar items to Beverly Rothenborg, editor, at bevrothenborg@broadstripe.net by the 10th of the preceding month.

Arts Council Rolls Out its 20th Anniversary Season

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Contributing Writer

This month the Arts Council has been providing sneak peeks at its 20th Anniversary concert season and currently is accepting renewals from season subscribers and reservations for new ones. The Council's Booking Committee has scheduled seven performances in the Bay Club auditorium from **Saturday, September 24** through **Saturday, April 14**. In addition, two of these concerts will be presented at Chimacum Schools in fulfillment of the Council's mission to provide musical education to students throughout the County.

Committee members saw live and video-recordings of the performers, met and negotiated with agent representatives and presented their findings to the Arts Council Board for approval. Martha Dawson, Bob Duncan, Marti Duncan, Roseanne McCaughey, Ann Purvis, Bev Rothenborg and yours truly sifted through available talent and selected a potpourri of entertainers for the 2011-2012 concert series to satisfy most performance tastes.

Opening the season at the Council's Gala Champagne Opener **Saturday, September 24** at 8:00 p.m. will be IL VOCE. These four magical classically trained voices put a fresh face on the global phenomenon of the genre labeled "Popopera" or "Classical Crossover." They bring passion and virtuosity to their unique interpretations of romantic, classical, pop and opera favorites.

Award-winning artist Joseph Cashore of



One of Joseph Cashore's many lifelike marionettes.

Photo by Matt Cashore

Cashore Marionettes has redefined the art of puppetry. On **Thursday, November 10** at 7:00 p.m., you will see amazingly lifelike marionettes he both creates and manipulates in *Life in Motion*, a series of scenes from everyday life set to classical music.

It wouldn't be the holidays without old and new holiday tunes. *Under the Mistletoe* on **Sunday, December 4** at 4:00 p.m. features The Good Lovelies, three award-winning new female artists, funny and upbeat with a pinch of sass, singing familiar and original tunes from their holiday album interspersed with their own brand of country/folk.



The award-winning Good Lovelies enliven the folk music landscape and have become darlings of the festival circuit.

Provided photo

Violin virtuoso Valeri Glava and pianist Lee Tombouljian, national treasures in their respective home countries, the former U.S.S.R. Republic of Moldova, and the U.S.A., present *A Musical Journey* on **Friday, January 20** at 8:00 p.m. You'll hear a broad range of music from classical to bluegrass, from Broadway to the theaters of Europe. Earlier that day Glava takes his violin, mementos and tales of Moldovian culture to students in Chimacum Elementary.

Appearing as the barbershop quartet in a staged version of *Music Man* and harmony sweepstakes winners, The Perfect Gentlemen will recreate the close harmonies of The Ink Spots and Pied Pipers on **Friday, February 17** at 8:00 p.m. This quartet's *Salute to 20th Century* will include barbershop and a cappella selections, comedy with occasional accompaniment on guitar and ukulele.

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Saturday, March 10 at 8:00 p.m., the Buzz Brass quintet performs classics from many styles and periods, ranging from Gabrieli to Bach to Ellington. Joined by an actor, they will take you on a witty and spirited journey featuring events that have influenced music of Western civilization, from pre-history to the present. The prior day, they'll take their program to Chimacum secondary students.

Loved by Ludlow in 2002 as The Bill Hillys and now known simply as The Bills, these Vancouver Island boys return on **Saturday, April 14** at 8:00 p.m. for the series finale. Renowned among folk music fans internationally and on this continent, they'll perform a mélange of European stylings, Latin American rhythms, North American folk and melodies of wandering Romany peoples.

2011-2012 season flyers are available at the Bay Club, The Inn, Golf Course, Marina and some local businesses. Pick one up and keep it for the entire season. Subscriptions for the entire series are \$140 and season subscription applications are at the Bay Club or can be downloaded from the website www.portludlowartscouncil.com. Mail them with the appropriate check to the address provided.

The Bay Club will have series subscriptions available for sale after **Wednesday, June 1**. Six-seat Flex Passes are \$132 and can be purchased now by mail and exchanged for specific concerts by downloading the application also available on the website. The Bay Club will have Flex Passes available for sale after **Monday, August 1**. Remaining individual concert tickets are \$24 and can be purchased at the Bay Club approximately one month before a performance and via Brown Paper Tickets accessed from www.portludlowartscouncil.com.

For the first time in its history, the Arts Council has prepared and is circulating a "Report to the Community" with the goal of providing residents and its audience with a fuller understanding of the organization, its mission and programs. Copies of the report can be downloaded from the website or picked up at "A Salute to Americana Music," the 14th Annual Music on the Green, **Sunday, July 24**. Featured performers will be Deadwood Revival, an old-time string band that meets an acoustic Grateful Dead, and a return performance by Mary Wiles, the sweetheart of Northwest country music.

Picks for Spring and Summer!

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

Heads up! The Seattle Symphony Orchestra (SSO) is coming to Port Townsend's McCurdy Pavilion on **Friday, June 17**, 7:00 p.m. This will be Gerard Schwarz's next-to-last performance with the orchestra. Years ago, SSO's regular Jefferson County concerts sold out. You can attend a free preview on **Thursday, June 16**, 7:00 p.m., at Wheeler Theatre, Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend. Go to www.centrum.org or call 385-3102 to get tickets.

Okay, okay, you want to do outdoorsy things this time of year now that the tulips are in bloom, the skunk cabbage has reared its pretty head and spring is in evidence everywhere. The little birds patronizing my feeder have been flying off with bits of straw and twigs to build nests somewhere in the big trees. Soon they'll bring their little ones around to teach them where the food and water are!

Enjoy a docent-led walk through one of the most beautiful forest environments in East Jefferson County, the Quimper Wildlife Corridor. Enter the inner forest—a grove of moss-covered elderberries, old and young trees and extensive bird habitat—available to appreciate without having to hike into the mountains. This month's walk is scheduled starting at 10:00 until 11:30 a.m. on **Saturday, May 7**. Meet at the north end of Jacob Miller Road, off of Hastings Avenue in Port Townsend. It's an easy walk on uneven terrain. Wear weather-appropriate footwear and clothing. There are no restrooms. Admission is free and all are welcome. Call 379-9501 or e-mail jlt@saveland.org for more information.

The new season at Kitsap Forest Theatre near Bremerton will begin on **Sunday, May 29**, 2:00 p.m., with the familiar musical *Oklahoma!*—where the "wavin' wheat can sure smell sweet, when the wind comes right behind the rain." The show continues until **Sunday, June 19**. (See article on page 30.)

Olympic Music Festival's first concert of the season will be **Saturday, June 24**, 2:00 p.m. Listen to the music outside while picnicking or inside the 125-year-old barn to enjoy this unique venue.

These are only some of the many choices to enhance this wonderful season we all anticipate during the bleak midwinter. Stay well and enjoy the beauties of our gorgeous home.

Kitsap Forest Theatre

The Mountaineers Players present a performance of *Oklahoma!* at Kitsap Forest Theatre, 2:00 p.m., **Sunday and Monday, May 29 and 30.** The performance continues on **Saturdays and Sundays, June 4-5, 11-12 and 18-19.**

What a setting for this Rodgers and Hammerstein musical! The quarter-mile trail to the Forest Theatre transports you to a magical place where stories have come to life for the past 83 years. Instead of curtains or lights, there are singing birds, a babbling creek and a sun-dappled stage. This unique venue is located on a 360-acre rhododendron preserve owned by the Mountaineers on Seabeck Highway near Bremerton. Giant old-growth firs surround the stage with ferns serving as "footlights" while cedar bark and living moss cover the "wing walls." Seating is carved out of the side of a natural amphitheater. The trail opens at 1:00 p.m., food is available for purchase or you can take your own picnic.

Go to www.ForestTheatre.com for more information and directions to this unique venue. The next offering in July and August will be by Stephen Sondheim's *Into the Woods*. Tickets may be purchased at Ted Brown Music in Silverdale and Liberty Bay Books in Poulsbo.

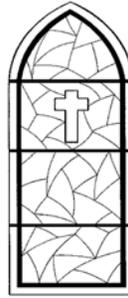
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Performing Arts Calendar

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, May 1-15

Based on an 18th century masterpiece, *The Soup is Served (La Zuffa è Servita)* is a comic tour de force and a U. S. premiere, various times, Key City Public Theatre, 379-0195, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Thursday, May 5

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with Trombanga, a nine-piece band specializing in salsa, Latin jazz, bomba, cha cha and more, 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday and Sunday, May 6 and 8

Join the Rawson Duo on violin and piano at their Chimacum home for a special presentation of Scottish classical composer, Sir John Blackwood McEwen, the best kept secret of the British Isles, 2:00 p.m., 379-3449, www.rawsonduo.com. Advanced paid reservation is \$22 mailed to 10318 Rhody Drive, Chimacum 98325.

Saturday, May 7

Join The EDGE for an ingeniously improvised evening of on-the-spot comedy, 7:30 p.m., Bainbridge Performing Arts, 206-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org.

Saturday, May 7

The program of readings by PT Shorts is "An Evening with the Food Co-op: Healing the Planet through Farming," 7:30 p.m., call or check website for location, 379-0195, free admission, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Saturday, May 7

A premier vocalist and entertainer, Justin Guarini is widely recognized for his work on the debut season of "American Idol" where he finished as first runner up, 8:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14

The Port Angeles Chamber Orchestra winds up its season with music by Mozart, Wagner, Wirén and a special surprise from the Golden Age of Television, 7:30 p.m., Friday at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles and Saturday at Sequim Worship Center, 360-457-5579, www.portangelessymphony.org.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, May 13-29

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Saturday, May 14

Jewel Box Theatre Play Readings are script-in-hand performances of interesting plays by respected authors, rehearsed but no costumes, basic props and lighting, 8:00 p.m., Poulsbo, no phone reservations, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

Saturday, May 14

The Spring Celebration of the Bremerton Symphony Orchestra includes music by Liszt, Elgar, Debussy and Bizet, 7:30 p.m., pre-concert chat at 6:30 p.m., Bremerton High School Performing Arts, 360-373-1722, www.bremertonsymphony.org.

Saturday, May 14

In the mood for a moonlight serenade? A 17-piece big band Swing Session is an exciting musical experience with melodies that swing hard, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, dinner at 6:30 p.m., show at 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Sunday, May 15

The Bremerton Symphony Youth Orchestra, a performance ensemble for young student musicians, in its season finale concert, 2:00 p.m., Bremerton High School Performing Arts, 360-373-1722, www.bremertonsymphony.org.

Friday, May 20

The Alley Cats will take you back to the 50s and 60s with their a cappella renditions of timeless Doo-Wop classics and their zany improvisational comedy, 8:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, May 20-June 19

Grey Gardens brings to life the delightfully eccentric aunt and cousin of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, once among the brightest names in the social register, who became notorious recluses. Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m., Jewel Box Theatre, Poulsbo, 360-697-3183, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

Saturday, May 21

Leo Kottke, the master of the 6- and 12-stringed guitars, has recorded over 30 albums, influenced thousands, and now performs at Fort Worden's McCurdy Pavilion, Port Townsend, 7:30 p.m., 385-3102, Ext. 117, www.centrum.org.

Sunday and Monday, May 29 and 30

Kitsap Forest Theater, Bremerton, season's opener, is Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Oklahoma!* Picnic under the firs, trail to theater opens at 1:00 p.m., performance at 2:00 p.m., 1-800-573-8484, www.ForestTheater.com through June 19.



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Developer News

by Diana Smeland, Port Ludlow Associates, President

Are you as busy as I am? It seems like I am busier than ever. In the next few months, I am working a couple of trade shows, driving daughter to San Diego for an internship, golf trip, etc. and working fulltime. Hopefully your plate is as full as you want it.

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Washington State Utilities Commission (WUTC): At the March 24 Open Meeting, the WUTC Commissioners approved our settlement that allows deferred accounting of costs related to Well #17 and fuel contamination. As part of the settlement, we agreed to withdraw the rate filing, meaning that there will not be a water rate increase at this time.

New Address: If you currently pay for your Golf, Marina or Olympic Water and Sewer (OWSI) services through bill payer with your bank, you will need to change the mailing address to 70 Breaker Lane. We are changing our process to control fees. If you are paying with the envelope enclosed with the bill, the address will be correct.

News: There are many exciting events happening at The Fireside. Did you know that we have fish and chips on the new menu? Did you know it is the special on Monday nights? To stay informed you could print the monthly calendar at www.portludlowresort.com/calendar.php.

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Resort News

by Debbie Wardrop, General Manager

Is the phrase "April showers bring May flowers" any more true than this year? I do hope that you are enjoying the buds popping out and the brilliant colors in our community. As it heats up in the Southwest and friends there start thinking about summer vacation (Yes, it was 100 degrees on April 1 – no joke – wouldn't you want to come to Port Ludlow?), we are planning for the glorious summer days.

Watch for our celebration of honey throughout the month of May with demonstrations, honey tastings, special menus and guest lectures. Please stop by The Inn for a flyer outlining all of the events and to secure your spot in these fascinating and informative gatherings.

Summer Hours of Operation at The Fireside:

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- Mondays – Minestrone with Pasta
- Tuesdays – Beef, Vegetable and Barley
- Wednesdays – Tuscan Wedding soup with Meatballs
- Thursdays – Chef Dan's Chili con Carne
- Fridays – Andouille, Chicken and Seafood Gumbo
- Saturdays – Chicken and Matzoh Balls
- Sundays – Potato and Leek

Special Occasions to Put on Your Calendar:

Thursday, May 5, Cinco de Mayo: Tortilla Soup, Pulled Pork with Honey-Chipotle Sauce, Flan, \$18 with \$3 Coronas and \$5 Margaritas.

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Sunday, May 8, Mother's Day: Special Menu and gift for Mom. Please call for reservations. Seatings at 11:00 a.m., 2:00 and 5:00 p.m., \$49/guest, \$15/children 6-12 and free for children 5 and under.

Friday, May 27, Memorial Day Weekend starts with Winemaker Dinner: Gilles Nicault of Long Shadows Wineries along with Marie-Eve Gilla of Forgeron Cellars and Guest Chef Mark Bodinet of Cedarbrook Lodge (recently awarded #1 by Trip Advisor out of 24,000 properties) with Chef Dan Ratigan at \$79 per guest.

April Trivia Contest: 19 participants and half of them had the correct answers, so we did a drawing and pulled three from that pool. The winners are Janice Eddy, Barbara Goldhammer and Jane Herzog. Each received a gift certificate for a Comfy Dinner for two.

The answers: Wolfgang Puck, Alice Waters, George Morrone, Charles Ranhofer, Thomas Keller, George Perrier, Joachim Splichal, James Beard, Jacques Pepin and Charlie Trotter.

Summer Interns: We are delighted to welcome four students to The Inn for summer internships. They will be working for 12 weeks in a rotation throughout the property to gain work experience and to dive deeper into their chosen professions. Welcome to Robby, Lauren and Marissa from Washington State University and Alicia from the University of Central Missouri. These are the leaders in the Hospitality Industry of the future and we are thrilled to have them joining us in mid-May.

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Dock Talk

by Kori Ward, Marina Manager

Opening Day: If you have not had a chance to experience the Port Ludlow Yacht Club (PLYC) Opening Day ceremony, I recommend a visit to the Marina on **Saturday, May 14**. Whether or not you are a boat owner, you will find the festivities captivating. Bagpipes, snare drums, Past Commodores marching, the raising of our national ensign and the roar of the cannon inaugurating the first day of boating season are a few of the activities for the annual PLYC's Opening Day. The ceremony begins at 10:00 a.m. and usually lasts about an hour. Immediately following the ceremony, christening of new member boats will take place. Hopefully, we'll have calm seas so the Club can make their traditional cruise around Ludlow Bay to salute 2011 Commodore Mike Platt.

Vessel Safety Check: National Safe Boating Week promoting safe and responsible recreational boating begins **Saturday, May 21 through Friday, May 27**. This year the U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 41 will have a booth at the Marina all week to answer your questions in addition to giving free vessel safety inspections. Our ultimate goal is to get 100 percent of our tenants' boats inspected. The Marina will be giving out free coffee for all participants during National Safe Boating Week. Let's make the 2011 boating season one of the safest!

Auxiliary Observes Safe Boating Week

Saturday, May 21 to Friday, May 27 is National Safe Boating Week. Port Ludlow's U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 41 will maintain a booth at the Port Ludlow Marina for the entire week. The Auxiliary will provide boating safety information, conduct vessel examinations and collect expired Distress Signal Flares. In addition there will be a demonstration on kayaking safety.

Boaters are encouraged to stop by the booth and get the latest information on boating safety practices and new boating laws.

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Spring/Summer Golf Programs

by Matt Pritchard, PGA Assistant Golf Professional

May means that summer is just around the corner, bringing sunny days with it. Better yet, there are a number of new programs that will be starting at the Port Ludlow Golf Course.

The Saturday Morning Golf Clinics that started in April will continue through September. Every other Saturday we host golf clinics for anyone who is interested in improving their golf game. Each session is \$10 to sign up. There are 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. sessions to accommodate everyone.

Second, the Nine and Wine Golf League for the members of the Golf Club will be starting up on **Saturday, May 14**. The fee is \$10 per person to sign up each week and it will be a two-person team format. This Golf League will play every Saturday starting at 2:30 p.m. with libations in Niblick's following golf.

Last, we have three weekend Junior Golf Programs that will be starting this summer **Friday, June 24 through Sunday, July 10**. Friday sessions will run from 4:00-5:30 p.m. Saturday; Sunday sessions will run from 1:30-3:00 p.m. We look forward to having a fantastic turnout this year. **Saturday, July 23** will be the Port Ludlow Kid's day and our last Junior Golf Camp will be **Monday, August 15 through Friday, August 19**.

For more information please feel free to call the Pro Shop anytime at 437-0272.

News from the Niners

by Beverly Browne, Publicity

The Niners began playing in April despite relatively cold conditions. They are looking forward to better ones in May and praying this will not be one of those "green tomato" summers when spring doesn't show up until mid-July. The schedule for the ladies this May is a full one:

Thursday, May 5, Scramble, shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. on Timber. Shotgun clinic at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at Niblick's.

Thursday, May 12, Captain's Cup #1, 9:00 a.m. on Tide.

Thursday, May 19, Couples' Shotgun on Tide, 3:00 p.m. start. Social and dinner following.

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Thursday, May 26, 9-18-hole Exchange hosted by 9-hole women, 9:00 a.m. on Timber. Lunch at Niblick's.

The gentlemen will be starting with the first tee times at 8:33 a.m. except when playing in the Couples' game. The games are:

Thursday, May 5, Individual Stableford on Tide.

Thursday, May 12, Spring Tournament, Individual Low Net on Timber.

Thursday, May 19, Couples' Shotgun on Tide, 3:00 p.m. start. Social and dinner following.

Thursday, May 26, Four Man, 1-2-3 Best Ball on Tide.

The dinner following the Couples' game will be at the Bay Club. Sign up separately for the game and the social and indicate what you will bring if the dinner is a potluck. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board at the Pro Shop. Take your beverage of choice and place settings with you to the Club.

The Niners, ladies and gentlemen, are always open for new members. If you have an interest in joining the nine-hole golfers, contact captains Kathy Snider at 437-9165 or Marv Segar at 437-9154 or speak to someone at the desk in the Pro Shop.

WGA is Off and Running

by Bonnie Vahcic, PLWGA Captain

After a month of casual golf, April signaled our official kick-off for this year. Beth Weaver and her ever-so-capable Social Committee, comprised of Teddy Conover, Turney Oswald and Laura Shisler, wowed us as usual with their fabulous Opening Day Brunch on Tuesday, April 6. The brunch was held at Beth's lovely home and we were all treated to that very special atmosphere of elegance and warmth that she is so talented at creating. Many thanks again to you and your hard-working Committee.

After the brunch we had a few updates from our pro, Vito DeSantis, followed by our annual spring meeting. The budget was adopted and the new Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association (PLWGA) Handbooks were distributed. If you were unable to attend, you can pick up a handbook from me on any Tuesday. Mea Graham announced that the sign-up sheet for our Spring Tournament, on **Monday and Tuesday, May 2 and 3** is posted on the PLWGA bulletin board. Carol Katuzny let us know that signups for the Rally for the Cure on **Thursday, July 7** will take place in **late May**. This popular event has a limited field so everyone should sign up early.

The new season-long tournament is called "Mix and Match." The purpose of this event is to promote more match play within our ladies' division. It offers the opportunity for two opposing teams to challenge each other to matches all season long.

A long awaited drawing for one of our members to receive a \$45 refund on her yearly dues took place. Anyone who made the February 14 deadline for sending in dues qualified to be in this drawing, and Burleigh Smith was the winner.

The winning teams for our nine-hole opening event were: 1) Turney Oswald, Ann Nugent, Bonnie Vahcic and Ann Weigel; 2) Grace Allen, Sue Carlson, Lucy Stone and Lucinda Thompson; 3) Peggy Selby, Burleigh Smith, Judi Smith and Beth Weaver.

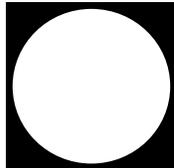
MGA Plays Home and Away

by Terry Lyle, Captain

The 2011 season has begun with a couple of fun events and more than our share of rainouts. We're hoping for better weather in the next few weeks. Thanks to everyone who has participated in the weekend events. The full schedule of events can be found on the Men's Golf Association (MGA) website, plmga.org. Check there to be up with the latest organization news.

Upcoming events in May include the Home and Away Tournaments with Wing Point Country Club on Bainbridge Island, home on **Wednesday, May 18** and away on **Wednesday, May 25**. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board at the Pro Shop since mid-April.

Golfers may sign up for events by e-mail as was done last year. For those golfers who are not currently receiving e-mail invitations, please contact the MGA Tournament Director at mगतournamentchair@gmail.com to get on the list.



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This Month on the Peninsula

Coffee Concerts at Turtle Bluff III: 523 Blue Ridge Road, Mondays and Tuesdays. For reservations, call 385-3625.

Commanding Officer's Quarters: 1904 home on Officer's Row in Fort Worden State Park, open weekends, noon – 4:00 p.m.

First Friday Lectures, Sponsored by the Jefferson County Historical Society (JCHS) Museum in the Port Townsend Council Chambers, author Mary Lou Sanelli reads from her collection, **Friday, May 6,** 7:00 p.m.

Fort Flagler State Park: Marrowstone Island, hiking trails and beaches and WW II defenses. Tours: \$5 for adults, \$2 for children. Check at the office for times.

Fort Worden State Park: Port Townsend. Beach access. Historic buildings. Centrum.

Gateway Visitor Center: State Route 19, open 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., featuring photographs of early immigrants, books and travel information. For information or to volunteer, phone 437-0120 or visit gatewayvcr@olympus.net.

JCHS Museum and Shop: 540 Water Street, Port Townsend, maritime heritage and other exhibits, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$4 for adults, \$1 for children 3-12, JCHS members free, call 385-1003.

Markets: Port Ludlow Village Center, **Fridays, May – September,** 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Uptown Port Townsend, **Saturdays, May – November,** 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Chimacum Corner, **Sundays, May – October,** 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Northwest Maritime Center: 431 Water Street, Port Townsend. Tours are available, Pets not allowed in the building. Call 360-385-3628, Ext. 102 for information.

Port Townsend Aero Museum: Jefferson County International Airport, 195 Airport Road, exhibits feature vintage aircraft, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$6 for children 7-12 years old, free for children under 6.

Port Townsend Marine Science Center (PTMSC): 200 Battery Way, Fort Worden State Park, natural history and marine exhibits. Friday – Sunday, noon – 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for youths 6-17, PTMSC members free. Call 385-5582, e-mail info@ptmsc.org or visit www.ptmsc.org.

Puget Sound Coast Artillery Museum: Fort Worden State Park, harbor defenses in Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$1 for children, JCHS members free. Call 385-0373 or visit jchsmuseum.org.

Rhododendron Festival, Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend, **Monday–Sunday, May 16-22,** Rhody Run, Rhody Cycling Tour, Grand Parade.

Rothschild House: 418 Taylor Street, Port Townsend, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Call 385-1003 or visit jchsmuseum.org for additional information.

At the PT Farmers' Market

The Port Townsend Farmers Market, open Saturdays at 9:00 a.m., features over 50 vendors, with an eclectic mix of farms, food, arts and music. Three goat dairies, Mystery Bay, Harmony's Way and Whiskey Hill, are at the peak of production in April and May offering a number of cheeses and goat milk soaps. Spring flowers of all sorts are in abundance. Plant starts from a number of local growers are available.

New to the market this season is Dented Buoy Wood Fired Pizza making amazing pizzas on site with local ingredients. This vendor has a trailer-mounted oven fashioned from the top half of a dented buoy. Also look for the Basketry Studio handmade baskets, Naked Pottery cookware, Thorndyke Bay woodworks and more.

Old favorites like Nash's Farm, Midori Farm, Finnriver, Red Dog, Wildwood and Colinwood sell a variety of produce, eggs and plants. Bob's Bagels, Mt. Townsend Creamery, Java Gypsy, Sequim Lavender, Mountain Spirit, In Season Catering, PT Coffee and Jennifer Michele's Chocolat will be there too.

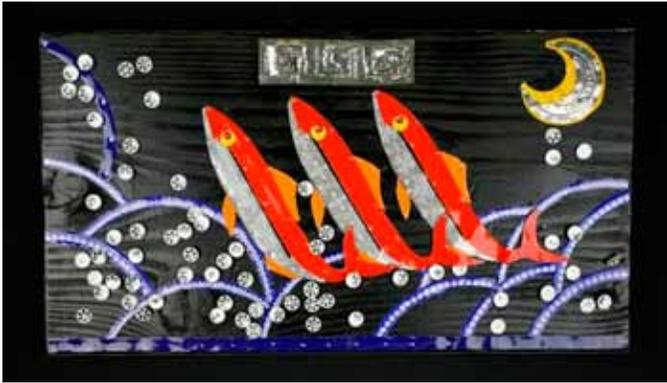
The Port Townsend Farmers Market is in its 19th season. Last year Washington State Farmers Market Association (WSFMA) named it Washington State Large Market of the Year. It is one of the largest and most vibrant small town markets in the nation. For more information contact 379-9098, e-mail info@ptfarmersmarket.org or visit ptfarmersmarket.org.

Art Port Townsend

The 13th Annual Art Port Townsend Juried Show seeks artists 16 years or older. Work in two and three dimensions, including photography, is eligible. All entries will be juried from digital images with winning works displayed at the Northwind Arts Center in Port Townsend from **Friday, August 5 through Sunday, August 28.**

For complete information and a prospectus, go to www.artporttownsend.org, www.northwindarts.org, call 437-9442, e-mail artist@cablespeed.com or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Rae Belkin, 900 Olympus Boulevard in Port Ludlow. A non-refundable entry fee of \$45 is required for a maximum of three entries. The entry deadline is **Tuesday, May 24.**

Northwind Presents “Reconstructed”



“Three Fish” by Loran Scruggs.

Provided art

Michael McCollum and Loran Scruggs, two artists whose brightly colored works are created from the found and fragmented, will be featured when Northwind Arts Center presents “Reconstructed.” The show runs from **Friday, May 6 through Sunday, May 29**, with an artist reception and the Port Townsend Gallery walk **Saturday, May 7, 5:30-8:00 p.m.**

Michael McCollum has long worked with wood in many forms. This series deals with deconstructed landscape elements. McCollum finds, breaks, cuts and twists landscape elements such as logs, branches and twigs, and then incorporates them in colored resin to create vivid abstract images. “It is an effort to cause a viewer to rethink how they view landscape,” says McCollum. He apprenticed with Peter Voukos while at the University of California (UC) Berkeley and assisted him with major outdoor sculptures. His influence is primarily that of abstract expressionism, and he has worked in many mediums including bronze, ceramics, drawing, painting, print-making and wood.

Scruggs is a self-described metal girl and chooses to work with man-made materials, in particular recycled metal and tin, saying, “I’m attracted to advertisement letters and images.” Her playful imagery transforms the decorative aspects of commercial art. “When creating these pieces I am in the moment content and happy. My intent is to share this joy with the viewer,” says Scruggs. She received a degree in sculpture and makes metal toys, airplanes, decorative pieces and whistles. Some of her products have been inspired by a book by Bobby Hansson called *The Fine Art of the Tin Can*. In addition to creating joy with her art, Loren is also a practicing Five Elements Acupuncturist.

Northwind Arts Center is open Thursday through Monday from noon until 5:00 p.m. Northwind Arts Alliance is a non-profit community center for the arts that is run with

the help of over 100 volunteers and donations. “Gallery Walk” is the first Saturday evening of the month. Call 379-1086 or visit the website at www.northwindarts.org.

Share Your Ideas for New Library

The Jefferson County Library is proposing a renovation and expansion of its facility in Port Hadlock. On **Thursday, May 19** at 6:00 p.m. and on **Wednesday, May 25** at 2:00 p.m., the public is invited to learn about new trends in library design and share their ideas for the new library.

Ruth Coates, an architect with The Miller Hull Partnership, will present a short slide presentation reviewing current trends in library design. Miller Hull has been at the forefront of library design in our region over the last several years.

Following the presentation by Coates, Library Director Ray Serebrin and Associate Director Meredith Wagner will present the proposed timeline and how the Library District proposes to fund the project. Participants will then get an opportunity to comment and share their ideas on several key topics, including collections, design, youth services, adult services, community meeting spaces and technology.

The two sessions are free and open to the public. The Friends of the Library will provide refreshments. The library is located at 620 Cedar Avenue in Port Hadlock. For more information call 385-6544 or visit www.jclibrary.info.

Dove House Supports Crime Victims

by Annette Isaksen, Dove House Advocacy Services

Dove House Advocacy Services is Jefferson County’s sole provider of free services to victims of crime. The agency serves all of Jefferson County including Port Ludlow and surrounding areas south and west around the Olympics!

All of the services provided by Dove House are free and confidential. A police report does not have to be made in order to receive services. Advocates are available to answer questions with compassion. In our community, the vulnerable need to reach out for help by objective experts when “nudged” that something is not quite right in a business transaction or relationship; or when being exploited or experiencing one of the crimes listed below.

Crimes most often reported by seniors include identity theft, break-ins, robbery, assault, stalking, distracted

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driving or elder abuse. Dove House serves seniors reporting crimes through legal advocacy and assistance with paperwork. Staff will accompany victims to court and help them in reporting crimes to the police. Advocates are also available to provide emotional support for those who have been the victim of a crime and to help with safety planning to prevent further victimization.

Dove House is located at 1045 10th Street in Port Townsend, next to the Jefferson Healthcare Hospital. The office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., closed between noon and 1:00 p.m. The office number is 385-5292.

There is also a 24-hour statewide crisis line, 800-346-7555 for support, information and referrals. Dove House is partnering with the Port Ludlow community to provide support and awareness to create a more peaceful community for everyone. For additional information, contact the author at AnnetteI@dovehousejc.org or at 385-5292.

42nd Annual Viking Fest

Poulsbo will celebrate its heritage with its annual Viking Fest on **Friday, May 20**, beginning at 4:00 p.m. There will be a carnival, a Viking village, music, dance, food and arts and crafts. These attractions take place all weekend at or near the downtown waterfront.

On **Saturday, May 21**, from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., a luncheon will be served at the Sons of Norway Lodge consisting of open-faced sandwiches, pea soup and baked goods. Starting at 11:45 a.m., the Jewel Box Theatre actors and a professional storyteller will perform at the waterfront gazebo. That should get you ready for the spectacular parade that begins at 2:00 p.m. During the day there will be lots of other entertainment like line dancers, cloggers and tap dancers.

On the final day, **Sunday, May 22**, beginning at 10:00 a.m. and continuing until 4:00 p.m., the PBS series *Greetings from Norway* will be shown at the Sons of Norway Hall. This presentation is free and open to the public. Each video begins on the hour and lasts for 45 minutes. In between you can check out the Annual Lutefisk Eating Contest at 2:00 p.m. and the Oyster Eating Contest at 2:30 p.m. Be aware you have to register in advance for these! Viking Fest closes at 4:00 p.m. but the carnival will continue until 5:30 p.m.

For more information, go to the website www.vikingfest.org.

Drug Reclamation Program

Residents now may discard unused and expired prescriptions and over-the-counter drugs at the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office. This program not only helps to protect the environment by giving individuals an alternative to disposing of unwanted drugs in the water or waste collection systems, but it also aims to lessen the temptation for thieves to burglarize homes. The going rate for street sales for some prescribed "pills" manufactured after 2009 is about \$1 per milligram. Pills manufactured earlier may have a higher street value—as much as \$10 per milligram.

Program participants are encouraged to mark over any sensitive information on labels before placing the drugs in a plastic bag (markers and bags are available at the Sheriff's Office). Then drop the sealed bag into the collection box located in the Sheriff's Office lobby. The collected medications are disposed at an approved facility in Spokane. Since the program's inception on January 24 of this year, 40 and one-half pounds have been collected.

Acceptable items include prescription medications, over the counter medications, vitamins, inhalers and unopened EpiPens. Pills do not have to be in prescription containers (i.e., they may be loose).

Liquids, empty containers, needles/ syringes, thermometers, IV bags, bloody/ infectious waste, personal care products, hydrogen peroxide or other liquid chemicals, aerosol cans, and opened EpiPens are not accepted.

Vet Certified in Herbal Medicine

Dr. Hank Snelgrove, owner of Oak Bay Animal Hospital in Port Hadlock, has received certification in Traditional Chinese Veterinary Herbology from the Chi Institute of Veterinary Medicine. The Chi Institute was founded by Dr. Huisheng Xie who is an associate professor of neurology at the School of Veterinary Medicine in Gainesville, Florida.

Attending post doctoral courses at the Chi Institute over the past 3 years, Dr. Snelgrove has successfully passed his qualification examination. Qualification permits him to prescribe herbal medications for various conditions, ranging from pain management and arthritis to gastrointestinal disease, skin problems, allergies, endocrine diseases and behavior problems. He is available for acupuncture, herbal treatments and dietary therapy by calling 385-PAWS (7297).

Northwest Arts and Crafts Featured

The Port Townsend (PT) Arts Guild presents the 32nd Rhododendron Arts and Crafts Fair on Madison Street (near the PT City Hall) on **Saturday and Sunday, May 14 and 15**, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The Fair features local artists from the Northwest states. The juried show exhibits the work of fine silversmiths, potters, weavers, painters, woodcrafters, glass blowers, bead makers, photographers, blacksmiths, knitters and more not found at weekly farmers' markets. Proceeds from the booth fees fund college scholarships in the arts, children's programs at local non-profits, area food banks and more.

The PT Arts Guild has announced that applications for all 2011 fairs are now being considered. The Guild will jury all applicants until spaces are filled. Interested artists may download applications at www.porttownsendartsguild.org or call 379-3813. Musicians may put out the hat and sell CDs. Additional fairs are scheduled for **Saturday, August 20; Saturday and Sunday, September 10 and 11; Friday and Saturday, November 25 and 26.**

The PT Arts Guild is a self-supporting non-profit organization and may be reached at ptartsguild@yahoo.com or at the above phone number.



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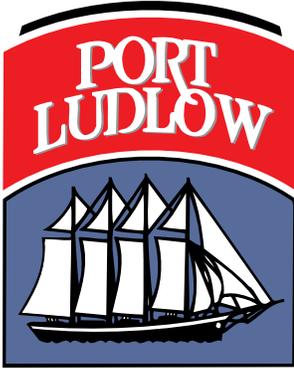
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