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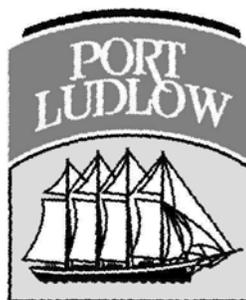
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News & Community

Editorial

by Mary Ronen, Editor & Production Manager

May is here and with it opportunities to get out and about. In this issue, find out about a plant sale and the opening of boating season. Golf begins in earnest. An art fair is coming up. There are also interesting articles about local wildlife. Our Spotlight this month is on Local 20/20, an all-volunteer, grassroots organization working toward local sustainability. Read these and more in the following pages.

If you are relatively new to the area, you may not know very much about this publication you are holding called the *Port Ludlow Voice*. The *Voice* is mailed out to residents of the Port Ludlow Master Planned Resort area at no cost to them. We have readers out of the area who pay for a subscription. Let me tell you a little about us. Long ago, in August 1998, a resident of Port Ludlow named Ralph Thomas felt that not enough information was available regarding what was happening in the larger community. North Bay had a newsletter, as did South Bay—but there was nothing more than that. So, he decided that he would put something together that would be for all residents. He gathered a few other like-minded people (if I remember right there were 6 of us), and we got to work. Thomas funded and coordinated it all, while writing about the things that were of interest. Included were calendars of events in the village. He asked for donations of \$3 from residents to help with costs.

At first, there was no color, only black and white. You can see the early editions on the *Voice* website at plvoice.org. Over time, we grew. We went from 16 pages to 52, then down to where we are now. Staff also grew; we gained more writers, editors, and proofreaders. The Beach and Bay Clubs along with the Village Council began to contribute funds, and we included sections devoted to them. Over time, we started to accept ads; these helped pay for printing and postage costs. Eventually, there was sufficient funding to allow for color pictures and upgraded paper.

We are a 501(c)(4) organization, and all the work is done by volunteers in their homes and on their personal computers. Ralph Thomas moved to Florida, and we are sad to say he recently passed away. He followed our progress online. Others of our staff have also either moved on somewhere or passed away.

This brings me to the point of this editorial: The *Voice* needs YOU! We are, as I said, volunteers, and more volunteers are needed if we are to continue to publish. Some of our staff are doing the jobs of 2 or 3 people. If we had a few more, the workload would be lighter. You know what they say about more hands, less work....

Submit your articles by email to newseditor@plvoice.org by the 8th of the preceding month.

Some of us are relatively new to the *Voice*, and others have been around since the beginning. But most of us are new to this endeavor and have learned on the job. You can do this. We will help you.

If you would like to learn more about volunteering with us, contact any staff member or email editor@plvoice.org.

Martha's Book Club: A Short History and a Meeting Notice

by Milt Lum, Staff Writer

Vivacious, intelligent, talented, and energetic were just a few of the adjectives associated with Martha Dawson at her memorial service in 2015. The great hall at the Bay Club was filled with community members who had been touched by her generous spirit and came to honor her.

Martha brought her talents as a cellist and educator to enhance the lives of the Port Ludlow community. She served as president of the Arts Council, sang with the Port Ludlow singers, and sustained the book club that is named for her.

During her tenure as leader of the book group, which was founded in 1993, she enlivened the meetings by inviting local authors such as Carol Cassella (who wrote *Healer*) and Greg Olson (who wrote *Starvation Heights*), to discuss their works. She modeled what is best about a book club: fostering discussions about controversial subjects, listening to differences, and learning from others. On occasion she would surprise us with a treat she baked from scratch or provide us with a soothing song played on her cello.

Though devastated by her loss, faithful attendees of the book group decided to continue, and named it Martha's Book Club in her honor. To this day her spirit pervades the group, welcoming all in the Port Ludlow community who love books.

Join us on the second Tuesday of each month, 3:30 p.m. at the Bay Club. At the May 10 meeting, we will be discussing *The House in the Cerulean Sea*, by TJ Klune. It is a fanciful tale of misfits exiled to a magical island and the by-the-book bureaucrat sent to report on their misadventures. It is a *New York Times* bestseller and the Port Townsend Public Library's "Community Read" designation for 2022.

Watch for monthly notices of each upcoming Martha's Book Club selection in the *Voice*. For further information, contact Sarah Schuch at bookclub@plvoice.org.

Nature Landscaping Presentation

Joe Holtrop, district manager of the Jefferson County Conservation District, will be speaking to the Port Ludlow Garden Club on **Wednesday, May 18**. The 11 a.m. meeting will be held at the Beach Club.

Holtrop will be addressing landscaping with native plants, designing natural landscaping, and landscaping for birds. He has been presenting classes on landscaping with nature since 1990 and will give garden club members information about using plants that can thrive for years to come.

Participants are welcome to bring a sack lunch. Cookies, coffee, and tea will be served. Please RSVP or send questions to Michelle Pelkey at portludlowgardenclub@outlook.com. For more information about the resources available from the Jefferson County Conservation District, see jeffersoncd.org.

Password Management and Photography Classes

Port Ludlow Digital Life (PLDL) is offering these two sessions at the Bay Club:

The All Things Digital group will be led by John Nuerenberg in a discussion called “Password Managers: Differences, Features, Benefits” on **Monday, May 16**, from 3 to 5 p.m. Participants should bring their computers with necessary power supply.

Here is some background on the meeting topic: A password manager is essentially an encrypted digital vault that stores secure password login information used to access apps and accounts on mobile devices, web sites, and other services. In addition to keeping your identity, credentials, and sensitive data safe, the best password managers also have a password generator to create strong, unique passwords and ensure you aren't using the same password in multiple places.

The Camera Special Interest group will offer a photography and photo editing session on **Monday, May 23**, from 10 a.m. to noon. Participants should bring their cameras and their questions about photography, photo editing, or photo equipment.

PLDL is open to anyone who is interested in computer and photography education. For additional information, email club president Shirley Sandoz at Sandoz@olyphen.com or Robin Glass at prglass@comcast.net.

7th Haven to Help with Housing Shortage

by Marie Bogan, Staff Writer

As cities and civic organizations around the world struggle to address insufficient housing, one local non-profit decided to take on the challenge. Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP) is building a 43-unit affordable-housing complex at Seventh and Hendricks streets in Port Townsend, near the shopping center with the QFC store and Jefferson County Public Health office.

In addition to living spaces, the two-story facility—to be called 7th Haven—will also have on-site support services, a child-care center with play area, and a sheltered courtyard. According to Kathy Morgan, the OlyCAP director of housing and community development, there are well over 319 people experiencing homelessness in Jefferson County. She said that most of those are families with school age children.

“As our rents continue to climb, the wage disparity grows wider,” said Morgan. “This project will allow folks with low incomes—working folks that do not make enough to afford rentals in our area—to stay in our area.” She added, “I hope that this project gets replicated over and over again, because this is not even close to the 700 affordable units this county needs as of 3 years ago.”

The “Net Zero Energy” building has been designed to meet ultra-high energy efficiency standards. Employee-owned Clark Construction of Bainbridge Island is handling the work, which began last June.

Dale Wilson of Port Ludlow was a driving force behind the endeavor, according to Morgan. He was executive director of OlyCAP when the wheels were set in motion. “He and I agreed,” said Morgan, “we just needed to build.” Cherish Cronmiller took on the challenge when Wilson retired, and she became executive director.

7th Haven will begin accepting applications from homeless and low-income candidates by spring 2023, when building completion is expected. Morgan reported that these will be the first affordable units built in Jefferson County since 2006, when OlyCAP developed Port Hadlock's South Seven Senior Village.

OlyCAP, a 501(c)(3) community-action organization, has been serving the people of the Olympic Peninsula for 55 years. For donations to OlyCAP or more information on the 7th Haven project, see olycap.org/donations.

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue

Alarm Statistics March 2022

Alarms

Fires	1
Rescue/Emergency Medical	56
Service Call/Good Intent	24
False Alarms	5
Total Alarms	86

Ambulance Transports

Jefferson Healthcare	15
St. Michael's	9
Medevac	2
Total Transports	26

Aid

Aid Given	16
Aid Received	2

Backpacks work great for storing emergency items (except food and water) and are quick to grab. Storing food and water in a tub or chest on wheels will make it easier to transport. Keep it light enough to be able to lift it into your car.

More information about fire safety can be found at Firewise.org. If you have questions about the services provided by Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue, you can call the station at 360-437-2236 or visit plfr.org.

Innovative Options at Chimacum School

The Focus Program at Chimacum Junior/Senior High School is an opportunity for students to do individualized coursework in almost any subject they choose. Different teachers have a period in the school day to support groups of students in a classroom setting while each student works through their own online curriculum using an innovative platform called Edgenuity.

The interactive Edgenuity courses can be used for credit recovery, self-paced coursework, remedial learning, accelerated learning (such as Advanced Placement), or courses that are hard to offer in a small school. Examples of the myriad elective and required classes include Law Enforcement, Construction Management, Psychology, Biology, Health, Business Ethics, and Personal Finance.

“The program allows for students to take elective classes that they wouldn’t be able to take in a normal school setting,” said Chimacum teacher Tony Haddenham. He added, “I like the fact that I can check any of my student’s progress anytime.”

Joey Rodriquez, a Chimacum senior, said, “I like the Focus program because it gives me an opportunity to work at a faster pace to complete the work needed to finish my classes so I can graduate on time.”

In addition to the in-classroom online Focus Program, Chimacum Junior/Senior High offers the remote-learning Pi platform, as well as other flexible programs for customizing educational needs. For more information, call the school at (360) 302-5900.

Free Life-Care Planning Zoom Seminars

On **Tuesdays, May 3, 17, and 31**, attorney Tony Hinson will host discussions of estate and life-care planning solutions that can preserve wealth, minimize taxes, and ensure your legacy. Each of the online seminars will be held at 11:30 a.m.

Topics will include estate tax issues and retirement accounts, healthcare, Medicare and Medicaid, long-term care insurance, maintaining quality of life, aging in place, preserving wealth, estate plans, and supplemental needs trusts. The seminars will be held live on Zoom. To register, visit sherrardlaw.com/seminars, or call 360-779-5551.

Reducing the Risk of Wildfire at Home

*by Keppie Keplinger, Public Information Officer,
Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue*

With the weather getting warmer, it’s likely you will be spending more time outside. This will be a good time to take a close look at your property to make it wildfire safe. Your local fire department is providing these guidelines:

- Keep your home clear of any outlying debris. Dispose of combustible materials, clearing away anything that could cause a housefire. In addition, keep low-hanging foliage trimmed and a safe distance from the outer reaches of your home.
- Clear roofs and gutters of dead leaves and fir needles.
- Move any flammable materials—including mulch, flammable plants, leaves, and firewood piles away from exterior walls. Remove anything stored under decks or porches.
- Clear vegetation from under large stationary propane tanks.
- Create fuel breaks with driveways, walkways or paths, patios, and decks.
- Remove vegetation under trees.
- Plan tree placement to ensure the mature canopy is no closer than ten feet to the edge of the structure.
- Remove dead plant and tree material.

In addition, be prepared ahead of time to evacuate. Put together your emergency supply kit long before a wildfire or other disaster occurs. In case you do need to evacuate, plan to be away from your home for an extended period of time. Each person should have a readily accessible emergency kit.

Features & Stories

Forks

by Jim Gormly, Staff Writer

So many forks, so many tines! Which one to take? Wikipedia lists 36 different culinary or kitchen forks, from asparagus fork to toasting fork. Who knew? But not all forks are associated with food. For example, there is fork in a tree, tuning fork, pitchfork, fork in a road, Southfork Ranch in *Dallas*, decision forks, and the town of Forks, named after the forks in nearby rivers. We fork over money. And a player can fork in chess, where a single piece attacks two or more pieces simultaneously, forcing the defender to decide how to minimize the loss. And then, of course, the road of life is constantly filled with forks, that is, if we have free will, and I believe we do. We have responsibility for our decisions, and hence, experience the consequences, good or bad. Robert Frost would have us take the road less traveled. And before that, Lewis Carroll gave us Alice:

Alice came to a fork in the road. 'Which road do I take?' she asked. 'Where do you want to go?' responded the Cheshire Cat. 'I don't know,' Alice answered. 'Then,' said the Cat, 'it doesn't matter.'

That's not entirely true, of course; it can matter. We may not know our specific destination, but we have a general idea of where we're headed. We have no way of knowing what a given choice will bring, but we constantly make decisions. Those forks offer choices that, no doubt, have varying degrees of impact on our lives. The differences in the choices available at some forks are inconsequential, while others can significantly shape our lives. Perhaps some choices made are not even visible or noticed at the time, but later we might wonder and ask, "Did I miss something back there?" While it might be possible to occasionally make a U-turn, much of the road is one-way. Of course, some choices require a lot of agonizing and for some, prayer, before they are taken, and then one might second guess: "If only," or "Did I do the right thing?" And that can be, in essence, one of those unanswerable questions, and usually not a productive use of your time or energy. Some choices are just flat out bad, and regret sets in, but I'm choosing not to go there now.

I suppose one of the bigger impacts a decision made on my life is one that led to living overseas. As a youngster growing up in St. Louis, I probably assumed that I would live somewhere in the area my whole life. As it turns out, Margie and I married (without doubt, my best decision!) and we left St. Louis in our mid-20s, and never looked back. We have spent two-thirds of our lives in the Central Time Zone—as children, attending universities, and later,

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drawing paychecks. But that part of the country is mostly flat, and it's also where the climate tends to have weather extremes: either too hot and/or too cold, too much snow, or too many severe storms. We never lived more than a day's drive from St. Louis until we made a turn that took us to Europe, where we spent a total of eight years in Germany and Norway. Experiences there opened our eyes and minds to different ways of living and thinking. We enjoyed more moderate and pleasant climates, as well as mountains and salt water. We likely would not have retired to the Pacific Northwest nearly 18 years ago if it hadn't been for our four years in Stavanger, Norway.

Some choices we make not only shape our own lives, but they also impact others in ways we might not have anticipated. If we hadn't been living overseas, our daughter arguably would not have been a university student in England. It is, therefore, unlikely that she would have attended a wedding in Rio de Janeiro where she met her future husband, and that means that their two daughters would not be in our lives. So, that is not just a chapter in a book that is different or missing; it is a whole book, or several books, that wouldn't have been written. Ah, what an impact one decision at a fork has on more than just one life. And you thought your biggest challenge was to decide which fork to use for your salad.

"The World Will Little Note... But Can Never Forget"

by Milt Lum, Staff Writer

"The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but can never forget what they did here." These familiar words from President Lincoln's Gettysburg Address are etched in marble on the north wall of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C. On the last Monday in May, our nation will remember all of those who have given "their last full measure of devotion."

What of those not interred beneath that hallowed soil, the veterans bearing the life-long burdens of having served? The twenty-year conflict recently concluded in Afghanistan was sustained by a volunteer armed force of men and women involving 1% of the total population. Not only was this the longest sustained conflict in our nation's history, it was also one waged with the smallest armed force. History

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has yet to assess the full impact of this conflict on our veterans and our nation. My tour of duty at the Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., from 2004-2011, has provided me a modest perspective on how such a protracted conflict has affected its participants.

With a limited supply of personnel, repeated deployments of both active duty and reserve soldiers were common. During the Vietnam conflict, it was unusual to spend more than one tour overseas, unless one volunteered for a second. The draft provided a fresh set of soldiers to replace those leaving. Without a draft to supply new troops, units were called upon for multiple deployments. Each deployment strained the units and took a mental and physical toll on the soldier and his/her family. The increased rate of substance abuse and suicides among soldiers was in part attributed to repeated deployments. These were also significant risk factors for divorces and child abuse within military families.

Modern warfare has blurred the lines of confrontation resulting in major collateral damage to the civilian populations caught in the crossfire. Rules of war which once regarded hospitals and civilian populations “off limits” no longer exist in the modern battlefield. Civilian casualties are rarely tallied in assessing battlefield losses. For the soldier on the front lines, witnessing this carnage is a traumatic and an enduring nightmare.

Therapy and support may help to ameliorate the effects of this experience but will never eliminate it.

Women make up about 11% of the volunteer armed force and have proven to be a valuable asset. Deployments held special challenges for women, especially those who were single parents and saw military service as a dependable way to improve their lives and secure medical care for their children. In screening reservists for deployment, I encountered senior-enlisted women, some of whom were grandmothers, who were being deployed because their units were stretched thin and they were the most skilled in their MOS (military occupational specialty). Like their male counterparts they were subjected to all the privations, dangers, and psychological trauma endured by being in a war-zone.

But danger also lurked within their own ranks as attested to by the reports of rapes and murder among women recruits. Women have a place in the volunteer armed force. It is vital that they are protected and allowed to perform their duties without harassment.

A volunteer armed force has been tested in the longest conflict engaged by our nation. As in the aftermath of any conflict, there will be a critical after-action analysis of its successes and failures. The generals and think tanks will

undoubtedly be formulating new plans for the volunteer armed force. At its core will continue to be the disciplined and dedicated young men and women who choose to serve.

For many of those who have served in the most recent conflict and have returned damaged, the war will never be forgotten. Yes, they have been thanked for their service by thousands of citizens, a lesson we have learned from a prior conflict. Will our support continue as memories of this non-victorious conflict fade? Will these veterans receive the funds to replenish their space-age prosthetic limbs? Will they have the mental health services to heal their broken spirits? Will we be willing to investigate those mysterious ailments surfacing many years later? The answer to these questions remains to be seen.

20th Anniversary of Teal Lake Park

by Dave McDearmid, President - Port Ludlow Fly Fishers



This month the Port Ludlow Fly Fishers will celebrate the 20th anniversary of the grand opening of Teal Lake Park. We take pride in our founding members' accomplishment in creating this park and in our continued stewardship of this very popular stillwater trout fishing destination on the North Olympic Peninsula. We wish to acknowledge the many contributions and ongoing relationships that have made this possible. It truly took a Village...in the Woods by the Bay...to make this happen. Among the founding members who played key roles in developing the club and Teal Lake Park were Archie Charawell, Arnie Koch, Ken and Dorothy Winter, Dale Witt, and Earl Yim.

Not long after the club's 1995 incorporation as a Washington non-profit, it started looking for a project in line with its purpose "To develop and promote the preservation of fly-fishing habitat in Northwest Washington." Several ideas were considered before focusing on developing our own fishing lake. The club presented the idea to Pope Resources (now Rayonier) who in turn challenged the club to consider several lakes and to get back to them with a plan

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and tell them how we would finance such a project. Teal Lake was at the top of the club's list and the plan included club members and the community volunteering labor, local businesses supplying building materials, contractors furnishing heavy equipment and expertise, local quarries providing rock and gravel, and an estimated cost of \$50,000. All the club needed was the money.

Fortune would befall the club when the Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) called for grant proposals for the construction of fishing access facilities. The club proposed Teal Lake as a handicapped accessible fishing park and was awarded the grand prize of \$27,000. Additionally, donations were received from Boeing Blue Bills, Glacier Northwest (Mats Mats Quarry), Hadlock Building Supply, Northwest Angler Fly Shop, Olympic Tree Service, Port Ludlow Associates, Port Ludlow Village Council, Shold Excavating Inc., Windermere Real Estate-Port Ludlow, and from club members, members of other fly-fishing clubs, Port Ludlow residents, former Port Ludlow residents, and others from outside the area.

Negotiation of a Land Use Agreement between Pope Resources and WDFW and a Construction Agreement between Pope Resources and the Port Ludlow Fly Fishers, preceded a year of permitting with several agencies before the project could break ground in January 2002. Twenty-two volunteers with support of the contractors set about to clear and grade the area and construct an entry off Teal Lake Road, a 10-car parking lot, a 350-foot ADA compliant path down to the lake, and an access road to facilitate fish plants. Signage, picnic tables and benches were built and placed, and the all-important fishing dock was installed where the ribbon was cut for the grand opening of the park to the public in May 2002.

As with other public facilities, Teal Lake has faced some misuse and damage. On July 4, 2003 the dock was burned to the waterline and sunk as a result of arson from burning tires and pyrotechnics. News of this led to an extremely generous donation of \$10,000 by the Seattle Jaycees that enabled the club to install a new dock and reopen the park that August.

Since its opening, Port Ludlow Fly Fishers has maintained the lake for all to use. Our stewardship has been both physical and fiscal. Our semi-annual "whack-back parties" cleared debris, kept the pathways accessible, removed invasive species plants, maintained the physical structures, and removed altogether too much trash left behind by others. While there is some cost to these activities, the financial investment is with our annual fish plantings that began in 2003. Each planting costs approximately \$1,000 and adds about 300 fish to the average of 545 fish planted

by the WDFW each year. Our stewardship of Teal Lake is a source of accomplishment that is appreciated by many as evidenced by the many fishers, including those from out of the area, who frequent its waters, as well as the non-club members and members of other fly-fishing clubs who have participated in our "whack-back" efforts and donated to our ongoing Teal Lake fund.

If you are interested in fly-fishing and would like to learn more about the club or how you can help support Teal Lake, please contact us at portludlowflyfishersclub@gmail.com.

Winning Ways with Wearable Wool

by Marie Bogan, Staff Writer

In yet another example of the talent that abounds in our area, Kim Vogley of Quilcene has won the national Make It With Wool competition. It's an event that has been promoting the appeal and wearability of wool since 1947. Before entering the countrywide contest, Vogley had to qualify and win first place at the state level. Her top-ranked entry in both events was a double-breasted wool coat and dress of her own design.



Kim Vogley models her top-ranked ensemble at the national Make It With Wool Competition.

Submitted photo

In addition to creating and fabricating the cream-colored ensemble, Vogley modeled it at the national wool-inspired fashion show in San Diego. It will also be photographed for an article in Threads Magazine, which features sewing projects, couture garment-making, and basic to advanced construction techniques.

Criteria for the judging, Vogley said, included embellishments that showcase the breadth and versatility of wool, as well as design cohesion, execution, and proper fit. Her two-piece outfit was selected from a field of 21 state finalists. She said her inspiration for the coat was the one First Lady Jill Biden wore to the 2021 inaugural ball.

Vogley, who is self-taught, said she is a "huge fan of wool." She is also, apparently, a huge fan of sewing machines, currently owning five of them. She explained that they each

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serve a different purpose, and then offered this anecdote: When her husband raised an eyebrow at her latest sewing machine acquisition, she reportedly pointed to the various tools in his shop, asking him, “Do you not have a band saw, drill press, radial arm saw, table saw, planer, and jointer?” She quipped that he quickly appreciated her point of view.

A woman of varied interests and talents, Vogley has done landscape architecture, wood-turning, geese-raising, egg-decorating with carving, needle-felting, and therapy-dog work. She also enjoys powerboating in local waters.

The state Make It With Wool contest was sponsored by the Washington Wool Growers Auxiliary and the Washington State Sheep Producers. The national event was sponsored by the American Sheep Industry and the American Sheep Industry Women.

For others interested in pursuing a creative passion, Vogley advised honing skills to enhance competence, asking for help when needed, and expecting lots of trial and error. And for anyone feeling hesitancy, she urged, “Do it!”

The Cougars and Bears among Us

by Kirie Pedersen, Guest Writer

Around 11,000 black bears and perhaps 200 cougars, also known as puma or mountain lions, live on the Olympic Peninsula. You could be a few feet from a cougar or bear and not know it. They avoid people and are generally not dangerous to hikers. Who are these carnivores that live among us in relative silence?

Some insights were recently provided when Hood Canal Adventures, a local business focusing on wildlife education, hosted a free presentation at the Brinnon Community Center. Wildlife biologist Darrell Smith, who is director of Western Wildlife Outreach (WWO) joined Andrew Stratton, a field technician with Panthera and the Olympic Cougar Project, to educate locals about the largest carnivores with which we share our space. Andrew Stratton showed slides of research on the current cougar population and habitat range.

WWO and Panthera are education-based and conservation research nonprofits. The Olympic Cougar Project is a large research project co-led by the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe and Panthera, in collaboration with five other tribes and Washington State Department of Transportation.

Despite being carnivores, only ten percent of what black bears eat is meat. “If you see a torn-up stump in the woods, you probably have bear,” Smith explained. Stumps and logs are like bear tacos, providing salamanders, grubs, and other biomass. In spring, black bears consume mostly grass and

flowering plants, adding ants, bees, and grubs by summer. Toward autumn, they shift toward fruits, berries, and nuts, and continue to eat a variety of plants.

“Although cougars predate on deer and female elk, they also eat beaver, coyotes, rabbits, rodents, raccoons, and mice,” Smith said. “Cougars increase an ecosystem’s health and biodiversity by leaving behind carrion for other animals. When beetles and other insects finish off the carcass, it breaks down to nourish the soil, which in turn provides plant habitat.”

How dangerous are our local black bears and cougars? In the past 100 years, despite a doubling of human population, Washington state had two human fatalities due to cougars. The last death caused by a black bear was in 1974.

Safety tips include hiking or biking in groups, talking or singing if alone, and carrying EPA approved bear spray. Keep dogs on leash and children close. In the rare event of a confrontation, stay facing the animal, speak calmly, and slowly back away, providing the animal an escape route. Raise arms, jackets, back packs, or sticks to appear larger.

For more information on bear and cougar habitat and research projects, visit westernwildlife.org. Also, panthera.org, or Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife at wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats.

Residual Artifacts of Port Ludlow

by Tim Rensema, Staff Writer

In the June 2021 edition of the *Voice*, I wrote an article about the location of the fire station. I received notifications—two through emails to the *Voice*, and one really irate phone call. Bill Eldridge, a descendant from a major farming family who has been a resident at Port Ludlow for a long time, corrected me on my assumptions. There were three big mistakes I made: The first was the location – the existing firehouse is currently on the site of the original fire house. The location I identified had been used as a construction yard for the condominiums going up across Oak Bay Road. The building I thought may have been the early fire house was actually located in Mats Mats and was later a bait shop. I apologize for these mistakes and hope not to repeat them. We have various structures or artifacts that still exist in Port Ludlow.

As you walk along Heron, on the uphill side toward where in earlier articles I said the water reservoir was, approximately thirty feet back in the brush are a number of 2-inch iron pipes. I believe these to be water pipes, given their proximity to the water reservoir but don’t know what structures they supported. There is another water pipe off Camber Lane Trail (as you go to the cul-de-sac, to the left)

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that may have transported water further down in South Bay. These lines appear to have been abandoned for some time. There are also concrete drain or sewer pipe sections on Camber that have been there for years.

Sometimes you have to look really well because the structures are difficult to find. This is where knowing some facts before looking may assist in finding remnants of some structures. The big culverts under Paradise Road on Ludlow Creek were not always there. Prior to those, there was a bridge to access South Bay. Paradise Road follows some very steep hills (like up to the Teal Lake Road) and early on was a very poor wagon road. A bridge had been constructed to cross Ludlow Creek and some of the piles or supports are still across the creek on the west side. You can only see them from the south side of the creek, but there are a few of them in a row which are easily visible if you know where to look.

One of the interesting finds that is not so obvious is on the offshoot from the Gazebo trail behind the Bay Club. As you walk up the left side of the loop, there is a trail that goes off to the left. Down that trail (it is not maintained) up slope you will see the remains of telephone poles with anchoring cable still attached. Due to the placement of these poles, I believe these were the last poles used in the telephone line that stretched across Ludlow Creek outlet, behind the Bay Club, up over the hill and eventually down to Termination Point (the location of the Hood Canal Bridge). This telephone line shows up in the 1936 USGS topographic map, cutting back from the Gazebo hill to Paradise Road, then up Teal Lake Road then diverting off for a direct line to Termination Point. According to Signe Swanson (in her oral history) Port Ludlow had phone service by at least 1929, when Swansonville finally got electric power. In an 1895 map of Port Ludlow, the telephone line is a telegraph line and crosses further out in the bay (on pilings I would guess). With the amount of log boom works at Camp Walker and after, it certainly made more sense to move the line. Now the power/telephone line follows Paradise Road across Ludlow Creek. I have not been able to find any plans for when the line was moved off the Gazebo hill to its current location. In the 1895 map it is carried as a telegraph line, not telephone.

There are the remains of cable all over Port Ludlow, most visibly on the trails. Given that the booms holding logs in the Ludlow Creek outfall area needed to be secured to hold the logs in, that may explain the cables crossing the Picnic Point trail. On the Interpretive trail there is also a large cable that crosses the trail by the bridge. At one time there was a railroad bridge that crossed the intermittent stream, just downstream from the existing pedestrian bridge. This cable may have helped to support the railroad bridge crossing the cut, given its large diameter. Or it may just be

waste cable that happens to cross the trail at a key point. Finally, on the lower part of Rainier Trail, there is a cable that typically was used for cable log skidders. If you walk on up to the new crossing to Camano Lane, you may see a piece of hydraulic hose that is used in more modern log harvesting equipment.

There are more questions than answers. It is important to capture the oral histories of folks who have lived in this area for a long time to answer the many historic questions we have of old Port Ludlow. If you are interested in more information on the history of the area, you may wish to look at the Swansonville web site (just being completed) at friendsofswansonville.org that captures a tremendous amount of history, including photos of the area.

Edibles

by Carol Riley, Staff Writer

April showers bring May flowers and May brings us National Asparagus Day on **Tuesday, May 24**. Asparagus is a vegetable that I hated as a child but have grown to love as an adult. It's such a versatile vegetable and so good for you. It can be steamed, grilled, roasted and stir-fried; it's a good source of fiber, folate, and vitamins A, C, and E.

Asparagus is an ancient vegetable. You can find mention of it dating back to 3000 B.C. The root word was Persian, *asparag*, meaning sprout or shoot which then morphed into *sparagus* in the 16th century. Peasants called it "sparrow grass." The vegetable found its way to North America with European settlers around 1655. In 1685 an ad for Pennsylvania listed it as a crop that did well in the American climate. Currently, the three states known for producing asparagus are Michigan, California, and Washington. In 2019, according to nationaltoday.com, the total production for the crop was just over 84 million pounds! It takes three years from seed to harvest, but once established, plants produce for decades. Picking, however, is labor intensive as each spear is hand picked. Workers excavate around each spear about nine inches into the soil and clip the spear at its base—hard work.

If you would like to celebrate asparagus in all its glory, consider attending the 36th Annual Asparagus Festival in Stockton, California, on **May 6 – 8**.

The month of May brings us another national food observance on **May 10**, National Shrimp Day. I have been a fan of shrimp since childhood! Another good-for-you-food, a three-ounce serving of shrimp has just 90 calories and almost 20 grams of protein, no carbs, low fat, vitamin B, iron and omega-3.

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Shrimp and asparagus could be a match made in heaven. See below recipe from *Tasty.co* for just one way to combine these two celebrated foods.

Shrimp and Asparagus Stir Fry

Ingredients for 4 servings

- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 lb raw shrimp
- 1 lb asparagus
- 1 teaspoon salt
- ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1 teaspoon garlic, minced
- 1 teaspoon ginger, minced
- 1 tablespoon low sodium soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice

Preparation

1. In a large frying pan, heat 2 tablespoons olive oil over medium-high heat.
2. Add shrimp to the pan, then season with ½ teaspoon of salt and ½ teaspoon crushed red pepper. Cook until the shrimp is pink. Remove the shrimp from the pan and set aside.
3. In the same pan, heat 2 tablespoons olive oil and add asparagus.
4. Add ginger and garlic, then season with ½ teaspoon of salt. Stir frequently and cook until the asparagus is tender-crisp.
5. Return the shrimp to the pan, then add soy sauce. Stir until the ingredients are well combined. Just before the dish is ready, add lemon juice, stir once more, then serve while hot.
6. Enjoy!

Wake-Up Cruise, Dead Reckoning & Other Back-up Plans

by Lori Longo & Fred Dahlem, Guest Writers

The Port Ludlow Yacht Club promotes a “Wake-Up Cruise” every spring providing boaters a chance to shake out the sails and test their boat systems while comfortably close to home. Our first year to fully participate was 2021. Not only were we excited to once again be out on the water, but it was a special treat getting to know new members who jumped right in to join the cruise!

After two easy days motoring to Pleasant Harbor and Alderbrook with 20+ knot winds on our nose, we were looking forward to sailing back home from Alderbrook and

enjoying the Hood Canal from the sailor’s perspective. We decided to wait until noon to leave Alderbrook avoiding a low, low tide back in Pleasant Harbor. About 1230, shortly after pulling out of Alderbrook, the engine overheated, rendering it useless. We hailed *One Love*, Allison and Erik Leonard’s boat, who were just ahead of us. They kindly came back and stood by as we got under sail near the shallows. Meanwhile we let out the jib and played in light, finicky air to get back underway.



Sweetie under tow

We sailed the next twenty-five miles on a course that would take us parallel to Pleasant Harbor. The journey started with light air and fairly quickly transitioned to a 20-knot following southerly wind for about 10 nautical miles (nm). That was a super fun ride! About 5 nm south of Pleasant Harbor, we hit a lull, the sun was shining and the air warmed. As we took a look around, we knew we were in for an experience. Looking back to the south, huge cumulus clouds glistened in the sunshine, and to the north was a dark, ominous cumulus nimbus front. Twenty minutes later—wham—34 knot winds on the nose from the NW. My spirit animal, the eagle, flew low right along the boat. I was sure all would be just fine. We beat a path, zig-zagging across the canal with little forward progress, but pretty fun sailing.

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Then, as if a dead engine wasn't enough excitement, we now were without cell phone signal and our new chart plotter overheated. We were now Dead Reckoning—using our navigation skills and visual bearings to verify our position. We hailed the coast guard on the VHF radio. They got us through to BoatUS (think AAA for boats) where we arranged for a tow back to Port Ludlow hoping to intercept somewhere between Pleasant Harbor and the Hood Canal bridge. I felt like Dick Tracy, talking to my wrist with the Coast Guard on my Apple Watch while manning the helm, and Fred was handling the sheets, tacking quickly across the canal.

The PLYC fleet kept tabs on us all day using AIS, VHF, and text messages. Although they offered a tow, we chose to use BoatUS to get back to Port Ludlow. Even though we knew we were safe and in control, it sure was nice to have the PLYC fleet's support along the way. The squall blew through and we were in the calm once more not far from Pleasant Harbor. While waiting for the tow, Bruce Johnston swung out in his Boston Whaler. We assumed he was delivering us oysters, but not so—just a friendly face and another offer to tow us to port. We enjoyed a chat cut short by the need to tack. Bruce headed back to the fleet with a story to tell and we meandered about awaiting our tow.

BoatUS rocks! At 1930 they established a tow harness to our bow and shepherded us through the bridge opening in the dark, yet another squall, and finally to the calm waters of Ludlow Bay. They guided us smoothly to the linear dock at 2309.

Fred and I toasted a day full of adventure and hit the pillows—hard.



Weather over the Olympics.

Submitted photos

Lessons learned and back-up plans: The Power Squadron classes really paid off. Over the last few years, we have taken Engine Maintenance, Electrical System, Weather,

Piloting, and Advanced Piloting. Employing skills from our Safety at Sea training and Power Squadron classes made a potentially difficult situation a rewarding day. If you think towing insurance is too costly, the bill arrived at \$1,285, we paid \$0 and a tip to our boat operators. The Gold BoatUS towing insurance runs \$154/year before the PLYC discount. The math is pretty simple. Next step: engine repairs!

Epilogue: We made several upgrades in preparation for the 2022 Sailing Season. Several new instruments that all talk to one another: chart plotter, radar, autopilot, a second VHF radio in the cabin, and new wind, depth, and speed instruments. We feel all the more fortunate to have retired in Port Ludlow where we have made fabulous friends who enjoy sharing in the adventures of our beautiful Pacific Northwest. Can't wait to sail again – hopefully up to Desolation Sound this summer.

Home Sharing—Solution to a Restrictive Housing Market

by Laura Cepoi, Executive Director, Olympic Area Agency on Aging

Editor's Note: Google "home sharing for seniors" and you will find a plethora of articles, ads, and miscellaneous information. As noted by Laura Cepoi, Executive Director, Olympic Area Agency on Aging, it's an idea whose time has come. She writes:

Have you thought about downsizing your home but there is no inventory? Have you been priced out of those options and all your equity is in your home? Finding alternate housing solutions on the Olympic Peninsula can be tough as we don't have the same options that our urban neighbors have such as townhomes, condos, and apartment communities. Home sharing is a growing movement to share extra space in a home for rental income. It links a host to a home seeker, and it is a refined approach to securing a roommate. According to the Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies, published in 2018, there were 879,000 Americans over 65 who were living with unrelated roommates. The typical host is a 65-year-old female who owns her own home, is self-employed, divorced, living alone and is independent... but is under financial pressure. The typical home seeker is a 53-year-old female.

Economic security is a major concern as we age, as one in three Americans over 45 has no retirement savings at all. Most people want to age in place, yet 26% of those over 65 live alone. The Covid pandemic demonstrated the drawbacks of social isolation with an astounding rise in the number of people reporting social isolation and loneliness. A simple solution to these issues is roommates—they provide social wellbeing, financial resilience in retirement and housing affordability.

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The Host lists their extra space for rent and desired matches with potential renters, and the home seekers browse and apply to listings for long-term housing. The Olympic Area Agency on Aging is in the process of establishing a Home Sharing technology platform to make it a little bit easier for older residents to remain in their homes longer and reduce social isolation by matching a host with a home seeker. Like a dating app, one can list preferences in a home match to ensure compatibility with what matters most to you: non-smoking? Pets? Early bird? Home sharing provides additional housing options for those seeking living accommodations in an area with limited rentals and a competitive housing market.

Benefits of Home Sharing

- Gain companionship and have help with home upkeep
- Provides passive income of \$8,000-\$15,000 per year
- Enables homeowners to make a difference in their community
- Home seekers pay 60-70% of market rates for a typical one-bedroom apartment
- New pool of affordable housing in the community
- Better use of space and resources (ecological benefits)
- Background checks and automated lease and rent deposits (safety/security)
- Reduced rent for help around the house

When opening our homes up to others, being able to trust that there are security measures and protections in place, and that matches are compatible, is crucial. Also crucial is being able to rely on a platform that will communicate house rules, provide interview checklists, and a lease agreement.

Both are key components in a program now underway at the Olympic Area Agency on Aging (O3A). This organization has supported older and disabled adults in Jefferson, Clallam, Grays Harbor, and Pacific Counties since 1976. Designated by the State Unit on Aging as one of 13 Washington area agencies on aging, O3A is mandated to coordinate services and advocate on behalf of older adults and others in need of long-term care throughout its service region.

In addition to a plethora of existing services, the O3A is now focusing on a technological platform that can offer home sharing support, safety, and options to older homeowners and home seekers on the Olympic Peninsula. O3A will begin advertising these services by mid-summer, so if you have extra space that needs to be cleared out and repainted, now is an excellent time to prepare it for home sharing.

Raccoons and Rabies

by Eline Lybarger, Staff Writer

A small raccoon climbed the 10 feet to our deck. His fur was luxurious; his mask clearly defined—adorable. When he saw me at the sliding glass door he came over, stood up, patted himself, dropped down, came to the door, and pawed it. Obviously, he thought I was going to feed him so others must have been feeding him.

Raccoons can be very destructive. Some friends fed them dog food in large plastic bowls. One day, the weather was hot, so they decided to work in their yard early in the morning, neglecting to put out food. The solid inside door to their house was open, but the screen door was latched. The raccoons arrived; finding no food they simply ripped a hole in the screen door and went inside. The homeowners tried to get them out, but fearing they would be bitten, called animal control. By the time they were removed cupboard doors and hardwood floors were scratched and more than the cookie jar was broken.

In another incident, two large dogs had cornered a raccoon. The owner, fearing for the raccoon, ran to the rescue. By the time he reached his dogs they were the ones needing stitches. Raccoon claws and teeth are sharp.

Those adorable bandit-faced beggars are also very smart. They have figured out that if they defecate at the base of a tree, before they go up, they won't need to walk through it coming down. So, at the bottom of the tree is a pile of possible pathogens. Of course, you don't want to go near it, but you also need to keep your dog away.

Raccoons pose another more serious threat—rabies. Statistics from the Center for Disease Control reported that in the US in 2018, of all cases of wild to domestic infection, raccoons accounted for 1,499 cases or 30%. Rabies affects the brain. Especially in the early stages, it is difficult to tell if an animal has rabies. They may simply be lethargic or more aggressive and you don't need to be bitten to be infected; a simple scratch will do the job. In humans the infection begins with flu-like symptoms, fever, prickling or itching at the entry site. Next is anxiety, confusion, agitation, then delirium, hallucinations and fear of water. This last stage lasts 2-10 days and results in death.

If the possibly infecting animal that has bitten or scratched you is captured, it can be tested and you will know for certain if you have been infected. This is done by removing the brain of the animal, then thin slices are mounted on glass microscope slides, treated with a solution that discloses the infected cells, and finally a microbiologist views the slides and makes a determination.

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Unfortunately, the animal can't always be captured, which puts the person at risk. Since the virus travels from the entry site to the brain over the course of a week or even months, there is time for treatment. However, the treatment is several shots in the abdomen over a month with severe side effects. In a lab I'm familiar with, there were only three out of 50 med-techs qualified to test for rabies. Every six months their immunity was tested and if it was below a critical point, they had to go through the vaccines. When this happened, they were not seen for a month and when they did return, they were at least 10 pounds lighter, looked as if they should be in bed, and frequently took naps on the first aid couch. You definitely want to avoid this.

We all feed the birds and often raccoons will glean the seeds that have fallen to the ground. This does bring them into close contact with humans, but hopefully they do not associate humans with food. When you hand feed raccoons, you put everyone at risk so **DON'T FEED THE RACCOONS!**

'Tis the Season for Plant Sales

Two popular annual plant sales will be held on the first two Saturdays in May, both at Chimacum High School, 91 West Valley Road.



Jefferson County Master Gardener Foundation sale – Saturday, May 7, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The master gardeners have selected, seeded, and propagated thousands of plants, including small trees, shrubs, ground covers, vegetables, fruits, and succulents, that are now ready for planting. From two-inch seedlings to young trees, a variety of colorful annuals and perennials are available at good prices. All plants have been grown and cared for by volunteer master gardeners under the best conditions and include many varieties not available at local nurseries.

Funds raised at the sale will support Washington State University Extension services in Jefferson County and agricultural grants for schools and other nonprofit

organizations. Plant selections can be previewed at jcmgf.square.site, but plants will be sold only in-person, and not online this year. Plants may vary in size from the photos shown on the web page.

The Tri-Area Garden Club sale – Saturday, May 14, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This sale will be held jointly with the horticulture students of Chimacum High School. A wide variety of plants including easy-to-grow perennials, grasses, shrubs, and succulents will be sold at the event. The specimens will be donated by Tri-Area Garden Club members as well as area nurseries. Checks or cash will be accepted for payment.

Proceeds from the annual plant sale are used by the Tri-Area Garden Club to provide grants for local organizations' horticulture projects. Past years' grants have been awarded to Habitat for Humanity and the Gathering Place for landscaping and gardening projects. Chimacum High School has also received grant funds to support its participation in Bee Campus USA, a national program that conserves pollinators on school campuses by increasing native plants and decreasing pesticides.

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*see back page for more info

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Spotlight

Get Involved in Local Community Resilience and Sustainability with Local 20/20

by Cindy Jayne, Guest Writer

Are you curious to learn more about what is happening in Jefferson County to become more resilient to future challenges, whether from extreme weather patterns or from other types of emergencies? Are you interested in how we might be more sustainable in our use of resources?

Perhaps you have attended an emergency preparedness event in your Port Ludlow neighborhood, part of the effort to prepare us for a variety of possible hazards, some climate related and some not. Local 20/20 coordinated that effort. We are an all-volunteer nonprofit focused on Jefferson County with a mission of “Working together to foster a regenerative, sustainable, resilient and compassionate community in Jefferson County through both action and education.”



Local 20/20 picnic.

Submitted photo

Local 20/20 was formed in 2006. In 2012, it joined the international Transition Town network, a grassroots network of communities that are reimagining and rebuilding our future, moving away from dependence on fossil fuels toward local resilience. Transition Towns exist in over 50 countries and 1,200 cities worldwide, including over 160 towns here in the United States. See transitionus.org for more information. The action and education part of Local 20/20 often happens through its action groups, such as Neighborhood Preparedness (NPREP), where over 150+ neighborhoods across Jefferson County have been self-organized to improve neighborhood preparedness. That action group also launched the All-County Picnic and continues to help plan it.



Repairing a lamp at the first Repair Cafe.

Photo by Mindy Dwyer

Another action group is Beyond Waste, where waste reduction opportunities are explored including food waste composting, recycling, etc. The group participates in a project that is running repair cafés. Repair cafés are free community events where individuals can bring their broken belongings to be repaired by local volunteers who possess a range of skills and knowledge. These repairs can vary from sewing a ripped sleeve to rewiring a floor lamp or figuring out why the suction from your vacuum has suddenly stopped. One of the accompanying photos is from the first repair café in Jefferson County in 2020, with over 125 people in attendance—Local 20/20 was a co-sponsor.

The Transportation Lab action group advocates for transit opportunities to reduce greenhouse gases, as well as educating and advocating for more non-motorized transportation infrastructure.

The Climate action group does a variety of outreach, including monitoring and photographing king tides (such as the photo on the next page) so we can better understand how vulnerable we are to sea level rise. The group is also a partner in the monthly Climate on Tap series, along with Jefferson County Public Health and Finnriver Farm and Cidery, which holds community conversations on various aspects of climate change.

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(Learn more at l2020.org/climate-action/climate-on-tap). The group works to understand and share how we can best prepare for climate impacts and reduce our greenhouse gas emissions and provides input to the city and county on planning documents regarding both climate impacts and emission reduction opportunities. One of its current projects is partnering with a variety of organizations to plan a Car Free Day in Jefferson County on **Wednesday, June 1**. (Learn more at l2020.org/carfreeday.)

The Health and Wellness action group meets monthly to share ideas, educate on issues, and review data such as the community health report, hospital debt collections numbers, women's health rights, and Recovery Café progress.



King tide.

Photo by Jeff Taylor

The Local Food action group has spawned a variety of initiatives that have launched from Local 20/20, including community gardens, the Quimper Community Harvest project (where literally tons of food has been harvested and shared with local food banks), the Blue Heron Orchard, and more. The group recently led an Eat Local program, and the Local 20/20 Food webpages are a current resource list of all the Jefferson County Farms, farm stands, and CSAs. It is updated regularly as folks share new information with us. If you know of any we are missing, let us know!

In the early part of the Covid-19 pandemic, Local 20/20 partnered with a variety of local organizations to provide a central web resource on Covid, including both links to key health information sites as well as a central list of local food sources, leveraging our local food pages. Our community-wide survey early in the pandemic gathered the community's concerns and hopes for the future during that unusual time, and the results from 170

residents were compiled into a Visioning Report. (You can find the report at l2020.org/survey). This survey was part of how we got better connected with Port Ludlow and resulted in identifying the need for an article like this to share more information about Local 20/20.

Local 20/20 has been an incubator for a variety of projects that have then spun off into separate organizations, such as the Local Investing Opportunities Network, which creates opportunities for local businesses, nonprofits, and citizens to network. Additionally, it has hosted a variety of community-wide events such as film showings, Transition Town trainings, etc.

Our weekly announcements of community events related to sustainability and resiliency go out to over 1,300 residents. You can sign up at l2020.org/event-announcements.

Local 20/20 is active throughout East Jefferson County. If you have ideas for other projects or educational opportunities related to local sustainability and resiliency and want to learn more or get involved, go to L2020.org, or sign up for our weekly community announcements, which include events and notices from Local 20/20 as well as other local organizations consistent with our mission. You can also contact us directly at info@l2020.org.

Arts & Entertainment

PLPA Concert Season Concludes June 11

by Dave Cunningham, Staff Writer



Barrio Manouche.

Submitted photo

You have just one more opportunity to see a live concert at the Bay Club in 2022. On the evening of **Saturday, June 11**, Barrio Manouche will take the stage at 7 p.m. for the fifth and final performance of Port Ludlow Performing Arts' (PLPA) 2021-22 season.

Barrio Manouche isn't a person: that's the name of the band, which, when you translate the Spanish and French, means "gypsy neighborhood." The performers hail from many different countries and specialize in flamenco, gypsy and jazz guitar.

If we had to choose just one adjective to describe the music of Barrio Manouche, it would be "high-energy." You will not be nodding off during this show.

The San Francisco-based acoustic ensemble performs a repertoire of original, mostly instrumental compositions, with an emotionally charged sound that is difficult to classify, yet instantly recognizable. The group's international roots shine in its music, with members from Spain, Canada, France, Brazil and California, deeply influenced by a wide range of musical traditions.

The world-traveling band will be arriving in Port Ludlow after a performance in Barcelona, and they will be playing music from their latest album release, *Despierta* (which means "wake up" in Spanish.)

Submit A&E events in Port Ludlow and surrounding communities in Jefferson, Clallam and Kitsap counties to brothenborg@plvoice.org by the 8th of the month.

A writer for the *Berkeleyside* newspaper in California described the band thus: "The group is honing a singular body of music that combines the instrumentation and signature rhythms of ... the enduringly popular, propulsive string-band style created in 1930s Paris by Sinti guitarist Django Reinhardt and French violinist Stephan Grappelli."

Barrio Manouche was imagined and then created by guitarist and singer Javi Jiménez, and the band members include Alex Zelnick (guitar), Luis Jiménez (cajón and percussion), Gary Johnson (bass), Cyril Guiraud (saxophones and caxixi), Magali Sanscartier (violin, vocals and percussion), Fanny Ara (dance, palmas, castanets and vocals) and Emaye Ama Mizani (dance and percussion).

The band's unique sound contains hints of the swing of Louis Armstrong and Sidney Bechet to the hot jazz of Django Reinhardt and Stéphane Grappelli, the gypsy soul of eastern Europe, the nuevo flamenco of Paco de Lucía and Camarón de la Isla, to the avant-garde sounds of Miles Davis, Ornette Coleman and John Coltrane.

Tickets (\$30 each) are available online at PortLudlowPerformingArts.com and also will be available at the door if any seats still remain. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Red Hot Strings

Red Hot Strings is a celebration of the Jazz Age string players—a long line of musicians steeped in ragtime, blues, and the popular music of the 1920s and '30s. This primarily means *Hot Jazz* and the string-reliant sub-genres of Western Swing, Hawaiian Swing, and the jazzier jug bands of the American South. From Ragtime to Blues, to Classical and Creole, many musical traditions had a hand in the development of the harmonically and rhythmically compelling improvisatory vocabulary of jazz, and stringed instrument players were in the mix from its inception.

The *Red Hot Strings* concert will be on **Saturday, May 28** at 7:30 p.m. in the Wheeler Theater on the grounds of Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend. Tickets online at centrum.org or call 800-746-1982.

Port Ludlow Art League

Artist of the Month – Gail Larson



Kyle by artist Gail Larson.

Gail Larson has worked in oils, water-color, and collage for many years. She is a Signature Member of the National Collage Society. Currently, she’s expressing herself in acrylics.

Gail finds acrylic and collage the best media for expressing herself in the abstract. She generally works with a limited palette, selecting appropriate colors for the theme, giving design, value, and movement as her main focus.

During May, you can view Gail’s artwork at the Sound Community Bank and online at portludlowart.org. The Sound Community Bank is located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email info@portludlowart.org.

Jeweler of the Month – Mary Lynn Laker

Mary Lynn Laker has been creating art most of her life. Due to her curious nature, she always wants to know how things fit together. This inquisitiveness opened the door to using different materials in her jewelry designs such as silver, bronze, gems, felt, crystals, glass, and stones.



Jewelry by Mary Lynn Laker.

Submitted photos

You can view Mary Lynn’s jewelry at the Sound Community Bank, the Port Ludlow Art League Gallery, and online at portludlowart.org. The Gallery is located next to the Sound Community Bank at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email info@portludlowart.org.

Art at the Bay Club

Steve Deligan began his exploration of photography over 30 years ago. He soon found that taking pictures helped him focus on what really mattered in life. Over the years, Steve has moved from film to digital photography, expressing nature in its ideal, yet raw state. Steve stated, “I try to focus on the essence of what I see and make the image as minimal as possible to create a feeling that what you’re seeing is exactly how it’s supposed to be.”



Ruby Beach and Destruction Island

Photo by Steve Deligan

Since retiring from the teaching profession, Steve’s desire to share his photography has become forefront. While much of Steve’s work portrays the beauty of the Pacific Northwest in all its majesty, he’s also captured Hawaii’s incredible beauty. He hopes the images help viewers find some peace and comfort in these turbulent times.

During May, you can enjoy Steve’s captivating photography at the Bay Club. The Bay Club is located at 120 Spinnaker Place in Port Ludlow. For information on art exhibits at the Bay Club, please email Alan Ahtow at info@portludlowart.org.

Harold Nelson is PLAL Guest Speaker

by Patricia Webber, Guest Writer

The Port Ludlow Art League is delighted to present Harold Nelson as our online guest speaker on **Wednesday, May 18**, at 1 p.m. This program features a conversation with Harold, examples of his work, and insights into his process, methods, and materials.

Harold Nelson’s extraordinary collages begin with pieces of magazine paper, and then progressively incorporate smaller bits of paper with a matte gel adhesive. His process is gradual, intuitive, and improvisational, resulting in dynamic, intriguing, and lively works of art.

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The challenge of each collage is to assemble the elements into a cohesive piece. Vibrant color is very important to Harold, so he makes sure the colors are balanced and harmonious. As a result, each collage is packed with enough visual interest to be enjoyed every time it's viewed.



Marthasburgh Across The Water, artist Harold Nelson. Submitted photo

Port Ludlow Art League members and guests are welcome to attend Harold's presentation using Zoom on **Wednesday, May 18**, at 1 p.m. If guests are interested in attending, please send an email to info@portludlowart.org by **May 16**.

Spring Art Fair at Port Ludlow Bay Club

The Port Ludlow Bay Club will host the 2022 Spring Art Fair sponsored by the Port Ludlow Art League on **Saturday, May 28**, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Bay Club is located at 120 Spinnaker Place in Port Ludlow.

Shop for extraordinary artwork from 23 unique artists that create jewelry, ceramics, paintings, photographs, textiles, woodworking, baskets, cards, and books. You are sure to find something that captures your fancy.

To help build the Port Ludlow Art League Scholarship Fund, you will have the opportunity to bid on an assortment of gift baskets. You will also be able to bid on personalized art classes for you and a friend. Enjoy delicious baked goods with coffee or tea out on the Bay Club's terrace.

For more information on the Spring Art Fair, please visit portludlowart.org.

PLPA Ticket Offer

Port Ludlow Performing Arts has been bringing world class entertainment to this community for over 30 years. We would like to invite all new residents in Port Ludlow to attend one of our concerts to see what we are all about. Therefore, for any resident who has never attended a PLPA performance we are offering a buy-one/get-one-free ticket to one of our next two performances, which will be the last of this season:

On **Saturday, April 30 at 7 p.m.** Bridge and Wolak, an internationally acclaimed comedic duo, via piano, clarinet and accordion, will entertain us with classical showpieces, jazz ballad and fiery folk music.

On **Saturday, June 11 at 7 p.m.**, Barrio Manouche, the talented acoustic ensemble from Quebec, France, Brazil and California will wow the audience playing flamenco, gypsy and jazz guitar!

All tickets are \$30. If you have never attended a PLPA concert and wish to take advantage of this offer, please email contact@plpa.us for instructions on how to get your tickets. Otherwise, go directly to our website at portludlowperformingarts.com if you wish to purchase tickets for either of these concerts. We hope to see you at the next concert!

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North Bay / Beach Club

Update from the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

On April 16 LMC held its 54th Annual Membership Meeting. LMC has not held an “in person” Annual meeting since 2019, so we were pleased to have our members back in attendance this year. Due to article submission deadlines, I’m not able to provide the meeting voting results here but our members can view them on LMC’s website LMCBeachClub.org. Following the Annual Meeting, the Board of Trustees elected new Board officers which are also posted on our website.

I want to thank the four Board members whose terms ended this year. Allan Kiesler has served on the Board of Trustees for six years, the last three as Board President. Teddy Clark is finishing her three-year term, but what many members may not know is that Teddy served previously on the Board for six years, two of those years as our President. Sheila Brunstad completed her one-year term after volunteering to fill the position following a Board resignation. Tim Rensema stepped up and volunteered to serve in October of last year when the Board was faced with an unexpected resignation.

Thank you, Allan, Teddy, Sheila, and Tim, you have served your North Bay community well—enjoy your retirement!

On **Friday, May 20**, we will open the outdoor pool for the season. I know many of our members are excited to be swimming outside again. The outdoor pool will remain open through September 30. Please visit our website to see hours of operation.

Last month I reported that LMC was looking at the possibility of conducting hybrid committee and Board meetings which we started doing in April. By hybrid, I mean that we are holding our meetings in person, but our members have the option of attending remotely, too, using the GoToMeeting application and the link that LMC sends to our members via email. There is still a learning curve for us, but overall, this has some real potential for LMC to provide our members another opportunity to feel engaged and connected with their homeowners’ association.

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

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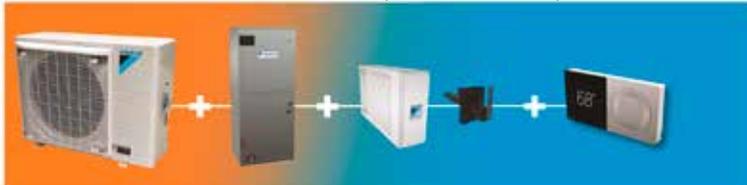
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Village Council

PLVC Board Meeting Summary*

by Tamra McDearmid, Secretary

At the April 7, 2022, Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Board Meeting the following reports were given:

Port Ludlow Associates, Diana Smeland, President

Real Estate: No lots are available in OT II, Phase One is sold out. **Employment:** There are still several job opportunities, see the website. **Hospitality:** Wednesday dinners *From Farm to Table* are occurring now through September at the Fireside which will also be serving Easter Brunch; and check out Dusty Green Café at the Golf Course.

Marina: The Marine Swap Meet is Saturday, April 30. *Lady Washington* will be in port from **May 1-15**, come take a tour or a ride. **Space Available:** Two units, one 875 square feet, the other 1300 square feet.

Jefferson County, Greg Brotherton, County Commissioner, District 3

Mark McCauley has been appointed permanent County Administrator and we are excited to continue to work with Mark and his high level of expertise and existing teamwork.

The Board of County Commissioners requested on Monday, April 4, that the DNR hold off on the Beaver Valley Sorts sale, which is near Teal Lake. The Forest Board did defer the sale to July, saying that they had never had three County Commissioners make such a request. There is more research to do to see the best disposition for the junior taxing districts and the forest, but having walked the forest on Friday, April 1, Brotherton commented that we don't have many legacy forests left, and it might be time to start treating them as such.

Joel Noel, Sheriff of Jefferson County

New records management system, service 300-400 calls weekly, about 1200 per month. Port Ludlow is one of the safest places in Jefferson County. Common items stolen are small, easy to carry, sell or trade. Not many homeless people in Port Ludlow. Speeding tickets in Port Ludlow: 55 in 2018, 65 in 2019, 98 in 2021, and 27 so far in 2022. Not as many speeders in Port Ludlow as Sheriff Noel thought there would be since the speed limit on Oak Bay has been slowed to 25 and 35 miles per hour. Crime trends in Jefferson County are reported into a federal database. In 2021, there was one murder, five rapes, and eight assaults. Intimidation is up, robbery is down, motor vehicle theft is down, domestic assault is up. Jefferson County cases cleared stands at 37 percent; in Port Townsend, it is only 15 percent. Citizen's Police Academy: citizens learn about the law and why the sheriff's office is called. Very good

Village Council Meetings

Board Meeting

Thursday, May 5

3 p.m., Bay View Room, Beach Club

Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, May 17

3 p.m., Gallery Room, Beach Club

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course, yet interest seemed to decline. Lack of advertising for it has decreased, too. Neighborhood Watch program: you and your neighbors do the work; a deputy comes out to assist. Basically, it's watching out for each other. If you see something strange, contact the sheriff. Front door security cameras really work well, you get a record of what's happening right outside your door. Even when a burglary is solved, you rarely get your stolen items back because the items are gone very fast afterwards. If you find mail dumped in your neighborhood, contact the sheriff. Don't approach but get a picture of the car and license plate if possible. The sheriff's office would love to solve mail thefts. Recommends getting a post office box instead of having mail delivered to your street address. If you use your cell phone to contact Sheriff or 911, be sure to identify that you are calling from Port Ludlow as many people use cell phone numbers from out of state.

PLVC Committee Reports

Community Opportunity Fair committee – Tamra McDearmid, co-chair

Planning for **August 3** event is in full swing. The event will be held at the Bay Club. Sponsors for this event are PLVC, LMC, and SBCA. A motion was made for PLVC to provide up to \$400 to fund this event. Motion seconded and passed.

Utilities committee – Proxy report by Jim Moffit for Robert Changpong

Another styrofoam collection is planned for April 12, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Bridge Deck of the Beach Club. New Recycling information is coming out soon, changes effective **June 1**.

Health and Wellness – Jim Moffitt, committee member

Now providing the community with Covid reports every other week instead of weekly. Jefferson County case rate for April 5 is 71 per 100,000 which is in the moderate risk range.

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Bay Club / South Bay News

South Bay Community Association Update

by Gil Skinner, President, SBCA Board of Directors

Lots of things are going on at the Bay Club. I want to start this article by acknowledging our members who have volunteered at so many events. Thank you! Some were members of our Activities Committee, some were from the Health and Fitness Committee and some just signed up and pitched in. THANK YOU all. I also want to thank our other volunteers who are members of our Facilities, Finance, Communications and Human Resources Committees. These are the people who regularly give of their time and energy to help make the SBCA the very best place possible to live! Please come join us and help lighten the load. Committees and events are great places to meet and make new friends.

Speaking of new people the SBCA sponsored two very successful New Member Orientation programs in late March. Our wonderful GM Mark Torres developed a very nice PowerPoint presentation and the Activities Committee assembled a folder full of informative information. After the presentations the new members were given a tour of the building. Lastly, our Health and Fitness Committee did a nice job of explaining all the great equipment we have available in our fitness area. There are plans being discussed to do at least one more New Member Orientation session, and this event will be in the evening.

At the April Pancake Breakfast, we solicited feedback from attendees. The feedback provided in both written form and verbally was extremely positive. One person's comments seem to sum up the feedback: "Love the breakfasts. Love to support community groups."

A sad note was the goodbye to two great SBCA members who were also wonderful volunteers. Tony and Cynthia Durham are moving back east to be with family and graciously made our breakfast their last big Port Ludlow event. Tony and Cynthia, we wish you well and will miss you.

On April 15 the Health and Fitness Committee sponsored Dr. Michael Haberpointner and Dr. Bailey O'Hotto for a program on how to use all the various exercise equipment available at the Club. In addition, there are a number of future talks scheduled or being proposed on health and fitness. This month's program on **Thursday, May 19** is "I've fallen, and I CAN get up" presented by Tim Vegan, MS, CSCS, FMS2. This is a tremendously important

SBCA Important Dates

Monthly Board Meeting Thursday, May 12, 9:30 a.m.

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

To keep informed of meeting dates and times,
please visit: sbca.club/home/schedule-sbca

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subject and among the topics being addressed are: reasons people fall, fall risk indicators, how to fall to reduce injury, and how to get up. Please contact the Bay Club to register. As an added benefit to the community, the SBCA is opening this program to our friends in LMC.

Finally, SBCA will be holding a special vote in May via mail-in ballot on whether to amend the SBCA Master Declaration to provide that vacant lots are subject to the same dues as lots with houses on them. We hope you will vote, and that you will vote to approve the amendment. Amending the Master Declaration requires approval from 75% of all SBCA members, not just of those who vote. Because the vote will be by mail-in ballot without the necessity of attending a meeting, we hope more people will vote on this important amendment.



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Recreation & Sports

Port Ludlow Yacht Club Opening Day - May 14

by Ramsey Smith, PLYC Port Captain

Port Ludlow Yacht Club (PLYC) welcomes the public to our “Opening Day Ceremony” at the Marina on **Saturday, May 14** from 10 a.m. – noon. Whether you own a boat or not, the festivities are always captivating. Bagpipes, past Commodores marching, raising of our national ensign, and the roar of the cannon inaugurating the first day of boating season are just a few of the activities. A flagpole observance consisting of a convocation, flag ceremony, and declared start of the boating season begins at approximately 10 a.m. and lasts about thirty minutes. Immediately following the ceremony, christening of new boats to the club will take place on “A” dock. Club members finalize the celebration by saluting our 2022 Commodore Bryan Gilbreath with a traditional cruise around Ludlow Bay by PLYC member boats. We look forward to seeing you there!

Whether you are new to Port Ludlow or simply seeking your next adventure, please consider joining us. Your first meal will be free with one of our Flag Officers as your host for the evening. To express your interest in visiting, please complete the form on our website at plyc.us/visit.

Port Ludlow Women’s Golf Leagues

by Kathy Traci, PLWGA and Lady Niners’ Publicity Chairperson

PLWGA – Women’s 18 Hole League News

The Port Ludlow Women’s Golf Association’s (PLWGA) 2022 Opening Day on April 5 was great fun. The theme, “Don’t Let the Old Lady In,” set by Chairpersons Peggy Selby and Mandy Whipple encouraged members to keep doing youthful things, like playing golf, to ward off becoming old. Following the opening day luncheon, Peggy and Mandy encouraged the membership’s youthful mindfulness by sharing some new jargon of today’s youth. These outrageous words led to laughs all around the tables. Everyone enjoyed the goodie bags distributed by the event chairs. Bag highlights were a sleeve of crystal golf balls donated by former PLWGA member Bets Cragoe and delicious homemade chocolate chip cookies by Jimmy Selby.

PLWGA 2022 officers are: Captain Elaine Raymond, Co-Captain Elaine Girard, Treasurer Linda Haskin, Secretary Shayna Worley, and Member-at-Large Meryl Friedman. The league now has 43 members: 35 active playing members and eight social members. News was shared of longtime PLWGA Member, Sue Carlson, and her husband Don departing Port Ludlow to be near their family in Ohio. Linda Aho shared handicap information

and posting rules, emphasizing the need to enter scores hole by hole on the same day of play. Distributed at the luncheon was the PLWGA 2022 Handbook, created by Diana Smeland and Linda Haskin.

Bonnie Vahcic and Lucinda Thompson highlighted the coming 2022 Washington State Public Links Association (WSPLA) tournament season. Members have two chances to qualify to play in the WSPLA Championship, by playing in the Eagle Pride Tournament or the Apple Tree Tournament. The WSPLA Championship is a three-day women’s event (**July 11-13**) hosted by our very own Port Ludlow Golf Course! Women’s golfers from the entire state will participate in this exciting event. Vahcic and Thompson have secured discounted rates at all three casino hotels and at the Inn at Port Ludlow.

Spring Fling Chairperson, Vahcic, announced that “Casino Royale” will be the theme of the two-day PLWGA Spring Fling Tournament on **May 9-10**. Linda Haskin is organizing casual Friday Golf. PLWGA Members need to contact Linda to be placed on the Golf Genius “Friday Casual Golf” email list.

The Port Ludlow Lady Niners News

Lady Niners’ Captain, Barbara Burke, has planned many interesting Thursday Games. The format of these games allows members to post scores for their handicap while still using the scores to determine Thursday play day winners. Members should continue to use Golf Genius to sign up for play on Thursday mornings. The 2022 Lady Niners officers are: Captain Barbara Burke, Co-Captain Sharon Russell, Treasurer Elaine Girard, Couples Chairpersons Barb and Mike Burke.

The Nifty Niners March cocktail party at the Bay Club was enjoyed by all. New Head Professional Jim Mancill welcomed the membership and shared his golf background. Lady Niners’ Captain Barbara Burke encouraged a member of Men’s Niners to step up to the Men’s Niners’ Captain position. Until then, Barb will send out the Thursday play invitations on Golf Genius to both the Men Niners and the Lady Niners.

The first Couples Golf event is May 27. Details will be emailed to all members. Niners’ Couples Chairpersons, Mike and Barbara Burke, have announced multiple couples golf game formats for the 2022 Season. Membership in the Men Niners or the Lady Niners is required for participation in these monthly couples’ events.

PLWGA Captain Elaine Raymond invites prospective league members to play 18 holes with the group any Tuesday. Lady Niner’s Captain Barbara Burke invites

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prospective league members to play nine holes with the group any Thursday morning. To sign up to play with either league or to join one of the leagues, please contact the Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop at 360-437-0272.

Port Ludlow Men’s Golf Association

by Dan Holtz, PLMGA

April brought the PLMGA four fun rounds of golf: Par Three Tournament (set up like the Augusta National par three holes), Cha Cha Cha, Stableford and Stroke Play. We had a good turnout for all four events. Watch this space: Our annual Spring Social is back. Speaking of spring, you know that spring has sprung because the greens have been aerated! Jason Goss and his team did a great job. These people are responsible for keeping the Port Ludlow golf course beautiful. Thanks to each of you for your hard work.

Not a member of the Port Ludlow Men’s Golf Association? Or are you dying to know what a Cha Cha Cha tournament is? Come join us. Stop by the Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop and fill out an application.

Trail Mix

by Larry Scott, Trails Chair

Last month I included a picture of the replacement posts being prepared for installment on the Interpretive Trail. This month’s picture is of the completed project with the old log boom chains passing through the timbers. This is reminiscent of the old log rafts the timber companies used for years to transport timber across the sound from the cutting areas to the mills. As of this writing, Trails is preparing additional posts to replace aged and deteriorating posts in the lower area of the Interpretive Trail as well. Then it will begin to resurface the route with ¾ minus rock funded by a grant from the Jefferson County Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC). Another item on our to-do list is prepping for the Volkswalk that is coming to Port Ludlow again this year in August. We always want to put our best boot forward for our guests from out of town and in some cases out of country. The route this year will be different than last year, so this Volkswalk will show another small element of our many miles of home-grown community trails. Preparation will include the mowing that always becomes necessary on some of our sunny trails depending on when (or if) it stops raining and warms up enough for the grass to grow. Then we’ll be going off to develop our new McCormick Rail Road Trail. Our plate is full on the horizon, but typically it’s enjoyable to get something done outside with a group of like-minded neighbors and promote local hiking for

health and enjoyment while receiving positive feedback from the greater community. Recently we’ve added more neighbors to our volunteer group. If you would like to join too, you can reach me at mclgscott@cablespeed.com.

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by John Nuereberg, Hiking Club

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The hikers abide by the "Stay Healthy" recommendations and follow CDC guidelines for outdoor recreation.

Those on the hiking email roster receive an update the week of a scheduled outing. If you would like to be added to the email roster, send a note to plhikingclub@yahoo.com, or go to the club's website portludlowhikingclub.com and click on "Contact" to send a message.

Wednesday, May 4 – Summer/Fall Hike Planning Meeting

Our semi-annual planning meeting will be held at the Beach Club in Port Ludlow on **Wednesday, May 4**, from 5-7 p.m. If you are interested in leading a hike or would like to hike with the club on a new or old hike, please plan on attending. The first part of the meeting will be the planning session, looking at hiking dates from June through November. The plan is to fill the schedule with hikes beyond our next planning meeting in November. This meeting is timely as the June hikes will be set and ready for publication for the June issue of the *Voice* magazine. The second part of the meeting will be a social hour. Please bring an appetizer to share and a beverage of your choice. For further information contact John Nuereberg at nuereberg@msn.com.

Friday, May 13 – Ebey's Landing Hike

We will take the 9:30 a.m. Port Townsend ferry. Once on Whidbey Island, we will make a short drive to Ebey's Landing State Park and then explore the National Historic Reserve. Expect an easy walk of approximately four to six miles. Ferry reservations required both ways. A Discover Pass is not required. Restrooms are available at the trailhead. Hike leaders: Sarah and Denny Schuch, 360-215-4065.

Friday, May 27 – Mount Zion

Mount Zion Trail #836 is 4.6 miles roundtrip with a 1300-foot elevation gain over 1.8 miles to 4274 ft. at the summit. Mount Zion is one of the Olympics' best rhododendron hikes. The hike is moderately challenging, averaging about 12 percent grade over most of the route. After reaching the summit we will hike a short distance to a good viewpoint of the Olympics for a rest and snacks. This is a great short hike to help get in shape for more difficult summer

hikes. The trail is friendly to dogs on a leash. There is a privy restroom at the trailhead. A Forest or Senior pass is required. A map, directions, a trail description, and trip reports can be found at wta.org/go-hiking/hikes/mount-zion. Hike leader: Gary Hicks, 510-566-2401.

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

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

Go to portludlowhikingclub.com for more hiking information, maps, descriptions of the Port Ludlow Trails, and pictures of previous hikes and other destinations.

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Next Board Meeting: **Thursday, May 5**, at 3 p.m., Bay View Room at Beach Club

Next workshop: **Tuesday, May 17**, at 3 p.m., Gallery Room at Beach Club

Love and Duty

by Suyin Karlsen, Guest Writer

It is a truth universally acknowledged that a single man in possession of a good fortune, must be in want of a wife. Furthermore, Jane Austen would have added -- In the early 20th century, it was a truth universally acknowledged, that if such a man lived in British Malaya, he would go to the Convent orphanage located in Penang, to find a wife.

Such a man did arrive in 1917, looking for a wife at said Convent. He came in a Jinrikisha, hand-powered by a puller, running bare foot with such speed one thought his passenger was desperate to meet a departing train. In fact, the passenger was having second thoughts about arriving there at all. Life as a merchant trader and the required travel would be compromised surely if one's single status changed. He loved those endless days on the high seas with nothing but sea and sky and his own thoughts. He favored the quiet rather than the frivolity which he imagined would descend when the wife came, then the children, and endless visits by his mother and aunts. He stared at the raincoat gray fortress in front of him, heavily secured with two very large metal-rod gates buttressed by nine-foot walls on either side. Absolutely no chance to find a free spirit within. Before he could bolt, a young, rosy-cheeked nun appeared

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from nowhere. She heaved one side of the gate open and beckoned him through it. Then she stepped on the first rung and swung herself and the gate back into place. Goodness, maybe a chance to find free spirits here, after all!

In the deepest recesses of the Convent a familiar drama was unfolding. A man had arrived to secure a wife, which meant, an orphan girl could possibly today, be found a husband. Code Bride had swung into action.

The orphan girl, potential bride, had been told nothing. Ushered with urgency into Reverend Mother's office, she was instructed to stay there until Reverend Mother arrived. There she sat in a lone chair, perplexed and anxious, staring at an oversized mahogany desk that dwarfed everything else. Its size gave a sense that very important business was conducted sitting behind it. On the desk, was a telephone with a small pad next to it, and a fountain pen; a small bottle of blue ink sat demurely on a white blotter. Behind the desk, on the wall, were two pictures, one of Jesus Christ, the other of Pope Benedict XV.

The sound of the door opening signaled someone was entering. Turning quickly in her chair, she saw it was the Reverend Mother herself. She jumped up and then sat down again, when instructed to do so, crossing her legs, and then uncrossed them, tidying her skirt over her knees. Beginning to feel faint from worry, she was thankful for the open french windows and the plumeria-perfumed sea breezes that wafted from the shoreline treed with profusely blooming frangipani.

After what seemed a long while, Reverend Mother finally spoke from behind her big desk. She leaned her gaunt figure forward, and still maintaining a very erect spine, she spoke in English but with a strong French accent, "Dear child ... Ana ... you have a suitor. He's waiting downstairs. He has been writing to me. It is important to him that his wife is educated. He is Ceylonese, like you, but he was born in Ceylon. He is a trader who travels back and forth. He is 27, ten years older than you but it means he is also mature and has life experience. His family owns tea plantations and a lucrative spice trade back home in Kandy, Ceylon. But he intends to build a home here too, that is, after he gets married."

Alarm and disbelief robbed Ana of speech. What was she hearing? Specifically, that there was a total stranger, a man, here in the building, that she was expected to marry! Jumbled thoughts of fear, confusion, shock, elation and surprise climbed over each other to reach the surface of reasoning. Indignation also, that such collusive conspiring had gone on all the while without her knowledge. What folly a day could bring just from getting up!

Before she could remonstrate, Reverend Mother, led by her own strong sense of moral duty to her young charge and the suitor, stood up and said, "He has come such a long way, you should at least see him, *tu ne crois pas?*"

What choice did Ana have? Arising on unsteady legs, she followed Reverend Mother on the long silent long walk to The Parlour downstairs. As they got closer, Ana felt less apprehensive because she could always say, No. She became more intrigued by what she was going to be confronted with. Truth be told, in secret, she and her orphaned girlfriends still clung to Cinderella tales, and if the Bennett sisters, Lizzy and Jane could find true and miraculous love, why not she. On arriving at The Parlour, a Sister sequestered Ana into an adjoining enclave where orphan girls could view potential husbands through a camouflaged window.

Reverend Mother entered The Parlour where the suitor Ananda had been waiting patiently. Immediately, he got high marks for appearing clean and shaven and wearing gentlemanly clothes. There were some that had presented themselves odiously, in her opinion. What was that saying about Look At What the Cat dragged in? Those types were shown the door directly.

As detached as she appeared to her charges, Reverend Mother viewed them all with regard and even some fondness that neared something like love. That kind of sentimentality was of no use to her in her kind of work. It was dangerous, individualistic, and clawing. Duty and self-control were what kept any ship, all ships, steady and afloat.

Ana could not hear what Reverend Mother and the suitor were saying. But what she saw she liked very much. From her spy box, she watched entranced. He was handsome and had a kind face. She liked how he maintained a respectfully "bowed" demeanor before Reverend Mother, the same way courtiers stood before their English monarchs. He wasn't brash or loud but appeared shy and soft-spoken. His smile melted her heart and whatever strength she had left in her legs. Just then, Reverend Mother fingered the crucifix she wore around her neck. It was the signal that the suitor had passed The Examination.

The Sister who had also been surveying the calm but intense tableaux, asked kindly, "Do you want to meet him?" Wordlessly, Ana sucked in a full breath and nodded.

When my grandfather Ananda saw my grandmother Ana for the first time, something like a symphony struck up within his soul. All icy reservations he had about marriage thawed with each blissful note. Later, he would joke, he swore he heard a heavenly chorus too. Misgivings about a marriage forced upon him by tradition, namely his mother, gave way to surprise, delight and desire. Besotted and smitten by

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that individualistic and dangerous sway, to quote Reverend Mother, he nevertheless allowed himself to be conquered by the Princess of his Dreams. Willingly and enthusiastically.

In 1917 when WWI still tore and ripped nations around the world, on a gem of an island called Penang aka the Pearl of the Orient, happy-ever-after Cinderella tales of Prince and Princess were still unfolding, nonetheless.

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The logo is a circular emblem with a sunset background. At the top, the words "RHODY RUN" are written in a large, orange, outlined font. Below this, the word "REDUX" is written in a smaller, orange, outlined font. The central scene depicts a silhouette of a large tree on the left, two runners on a path, a sailboat on the water, and a cow grazing on the grass in the foreground. The bottom of the circle contains the text "AT THE FAIRGROUNDS" in a black, outlined font.

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