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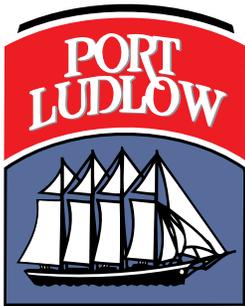
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Feature Articles

From the Editor's Keyboard

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor



This is the time of year when the long-suffering folks who head up our associations are elected. It is a tough, thankless job. We, the residents of Port Ludlow, should be thankful that there are people willing to take on the mantle of that responsibility. But their job can be made easier if we all follow some

sage advice given in a column written by Dr. Dave and Dr. Dee to a new mom. She had written to ask what age children should be taught manners and which manners should be taught. Her daughter was only six months old but she was thinking ahead. Some of their advice also applies to Association Boards and members regardless of age.

Manners should be taught when children understand what you are saying. Reminders are useful throughout childhood and adulthood. Positive reinforcement is important too. Besides table manners the experts recommended some more general and very basic manners. Some of them were:

- Wait your turn and don't interrupt when other people are speaking. Allow people who are leaving to exit before you enter. In the case of a meeting, allow people to complete thoughts before stating your own opinions.
- No name calling, even in fun. Avoid abusive, aggressive behavior or berating members of the board or audience.
- Always greet someone when they come to your house. In meetings, recognize those who wish to speak and attend to their comments.
- Clean up after yourself. If you make a mistake, take ownership and figure out how to fix it.
- Use good sportsmanship. Don't gloat when you win; don't whine when you lose.
- Take compliments courteously. Take criticism seriously and don't reject it out of hand. You may learn something valuable.
- Open the door for others. Thank people who open doors for you. Nobody goes anywhere without help.
- Respect differences. Focus on the business at hand and understand that reasonable persons can disagree.

These are tremendously simple rules although sometimes they are hard to apply. Nevertheless, thoughtful application of what most of us were taught in kindergarten would go a long way to creating better relations between people and smoother, more rational community meetings

The views expressed in this editorial are the author's alone. Comments may be sent to the editor: Letters will be posted on the website, plvoice.org..

How I Learned To Use the Fancy Soap

by Judy Arnold, Contributing Writer

Curious title, you say. Actually, there are quite a few categories that fall into this "use to the fullest" philosophy. This outlook on life applies to exercise, travel, cooking, and gardening and just about anything that interests the human heart and spirit.

Some years ago my approach to living was much more cautious. My then normal reaction would have been to save the special soap for guests, avoid dangerous travel, use the less costly herb or spice while cooking and refrain from buying that expensive nursery grown exotic plant. Why has my attitude changed? I have been an ovarian cancer patient for over five years.

At the beginning of our journey into the world of medicine practiced on the "seriously sick," I took every precaution dispensed to me as word of law. I slowed down my aerobic activities, avoided crowds for fear of germs and avoided all cooking and baking with white sugar and flour. By the way, almond and other varieties of flour can be used as a substitute for regular flour with the addition of a few teaspoons of Guar Gum. However, the baking products must be eaten immediately lest they become similar in texture to a brick paver.

As the years went on and my chemotherapy and surgeries continued, I began to see a new reality. These days I'm easier on myself. I don't worry so much about outcome and strive for more enjoyment of the moment. I view my days as time to spend with family and friends and the satisfaction of pursuing my interests. I am appreciative of a sunny day or a vigorous workout in the pool. I buy good spices and use them liberally in my cooking, if I choose. Recently I bought an expensive semi-tropical Manville Vine for my green house. "She" may not live out the winter, but I appreciate her each day while she lives and flowers. If I have a lack energy day, I get up and

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get going. Soon my enthusiasm returns. This epiphany is why I sometimes view cancer as a blessing. My illness has replaced some former attitudes with new gifts.

My husband and I attended a conference of the country's leading Oncology specialists. During the last presentation of the day, the members of this learned panel concluded by saying, "If you have cancer, but you are feeling well, don't think of cancer. Live your life to your full ability."

A book I recommend to anyone facing long-term illness is entitled *Kitchen Table Wisdom* by Rachel Naomi Remen, M.D., published by Riverhead Books of Berkley, New York, NY. While reading the book I came across a chapter about a woman who commented, "I thought that you had to be without symptoms to enjoy life." She and I have both discovered that there is absolutely no reason while feeling weak or in some small amount of pain that you couldn't go to the theater or try pulling a few weeds out in the garden sunshine. It might take a little longer to get to your theater seat or accumulate a full bucket of weeds, but you will be much more encouraged and content. So get out there and do what makes you happy. Life is for anyone who is alive! Open that fancy soap and place it in *your* soap dish.

Fiber Optic Internet

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

Will your computer be faster now that Jefferson County is upgrading its infrastructure with fiber optic cable? Fiber optic is known to improve internet speed dramatically. It differs from standard metal cable in that it consists of a bundle of glass strands each as thin as human hair. They are more delicate than metal but are immune to metal's electromagnetic interference and can transmit vastly higher amounts of data over longer distances.

The history of this fiber optic project dates back four years. Then, the Economic Development Commission - Team Jefferson (*EDCTeamJefferson.com*) gathered together local stakeholders, known as "anchor institutions," and along with 11 other state PUDs, helped form Northwest Open Access Network (*NoaNet.net*), a company devoted to bringing improved connectivity to rural Washington. NoaNet secured \$3.2 million in Federal Stimulus funds for Jefferson County; \$1.6 million in matching funds came from the County's emergency communication provider, JeffCom911 (*jeffcom911.us*).

Once complete, the county PUD will own the infrastructure and NoaNet will manage the system for at least five years. By spring 2013 the original anchor institutions will

be connected and by late that year, the entire county from Brinnon to Port Townsend will have trunk lines in place. (See the map at <http://jeffpud.org/broadband.pdf>.)

By late 2013 NoaNet will begin to wholesale "data access" (probably in ten megabyte packages) to local Internet Service Providers (ISP). Based on demand, these ISPs will be responsible for improving the feeder lines. Bringing fiber optic all the way to homes is rare. One local ISP, Century Link, has their own fiber optic trunk lines and is already installing fiber optic along Paradise Bay and Teal Lake Roads. It is unknown if their predicted 40 megabyte speed will be sustained or shared with others.

For the rest of us, whether and when all this fiber optic work will improve internet connection speed is unknown. Wise consumers may want to consider waiting until the dust settles before they sign a multiyear contract to see if improved competition brings prices down and if demand brings fiber optic internet closer to our homes.

October in the Garden

by Kate Nash, Contributing Writer, Master Gardener

"Trick or Treat" describes the October garden perfectly. One day may be warm and bright, although most are gray and cold. Plants are dying back, yet there are some in dazzling color. The bounty is in, but there is still work to be done.

From the vegetable garden: carrots, cabbages and flower bulbs store well indoors in wood shavings while potatoes and apples prefer a dark open area. Squash and pumpkins need special steps before storing so some homework may be needed. Onions and cut flowers can be stored by hanging in a dry, ventilated space. Geraniums, fuchsias, rosemary and other frost-tender plants store well in a cool, dry spot with little watering required.

Perennial fall bloomers include asters, mums, rudbeckia, primroses, sedum "autumn joy", pansies, violas, mahonia, eryngium and ornamental grasses. Autumn color is most vivid in trees and shrubs like *Liquidambar*, ginkgo biloba, enkianthus, euonymus, perovskia, cotoneaster and nandina.

To prune or not to prune? There are many theories regarding fall pruning; however, there are just a few basic guidelines. If the plant is diseased, slimy, drooped over or appears dead, it probably needs pruning. If the plant is upright, has healthy looking branches or stems, but is losing leaves, it generally can wait until spring to be cut back. (Woody branches can be checked by scratching the bark with a fingernail or small knife for greenness inside.)

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October is a great time to begin a bucket composter. Bucket composters are easy to make and maintain. Start with two 5-10 gallon plastic buckets with lids. Drill several small holes in the bottoms and lids. In one bucket layer leaves, evergreen needles, grass clippings, corn stalks, vegetable and fruit trimmings, straw, rotted manure, newspaper, sawdust, peat moss and loam. Avoid adding table food scraps such as meats, fats and dairy which might attract unwanted local wildlife. Depending on rainfall, dampen with water every 3-5 days and turn mixture with a spade or small shovel. When full, repeat with second bucket allowing the first bucket to “compost” until ready to use.

Things That Go Bump in the Night

by Mary Kletti, Contributing Writer

I come from the land of street lights and neon. I love a good Stephen King book. But when the sun sets over the Olympics, it's very dark here in Port Ludlow.

Relaxing on the back deck with a glass of wine, marveling at the millions of stars in the sky, there's a rustle in the bushes along the lot line. As I slowly move closer to the door, I'm convincing myself that it's probably just a squirrel...or a deer...or a coyote...or a bobcat...or maybe a Sasquatch?

It doesn't need to be Halloween to scare me, especially in the dark. In fact I kind of expect to have somebody jump out at me, or throw a rubber spider my way, or tell me that is real blood in my Bloody Mary. After all, it's been more than six months since April Fool's Day, and we need to stay on our toes!

But driving home—alone—up Walker Way at night is enough to make the hair stand up on the back of my neck. It's dark! And all the scary, bad movies that I've ever seen come leaping out of my subconscious and onto the road.

I need to relax. The last Bigfoot sighting that was even close to good old Port Ludlow was 32 miles east of Forks in Clallam County in May 2004. But that was the last reported sighting. What is lurking out there in the woods that hasn't been reported? Personally, I haven't seen any of the *Twilight* movies, but we are very close to vampire country, aren't we?

So I will answer my door on Halloween. It's probably just a kid in a costume looking for a treat, or our neighbor with a shot glass in his hand, also looking for a treat. But don't come a-knockin' after 8:00 p.m. in November. If I'm reading Stephen King, you'll be knocking until the sun comes up.

Botanical Chameleons

by Beverly Browne, Editor

I have some hydrangeas growing in my garden. They were planted because they are known to be a forgiving plant that never fail to delight. The spot was relatively cool with morning sun and the soil had been adjusted to drain well, never a given in land that is frequently clay or glacial till. I expected a riot of brilliant blue flowers which would complement the other plantings nicely and be the envy of the neighborhood. Based on my reading I expected great success.

The plants bloomed as expected – almost. There were flowers but, rather than being bright blue, they were an insipid pink and not a happy combination with an adjacent yellow bloomer. What happened? A little research provided the answer.

Hydrangeas are one of the plants that are affected by the pH of the soil in which they are planted. They accumulate aluminum which affects their color. In order to obtain blue flowers the pH of my soil needed to be between 5 and 5.5. I needed to add aluminum sulfate to the area. My source suggested that 1 tablespoon dissolved in a gallon of water would do the trick. It should be applied to a well-watered hydrangea so as not to burn the roots.

Gardeners who want pink blooms need to maintain a pH of 6 or more. This, says the expert, can be accomplished by adding lime and using a fertilizer with a higher proportion of phosphorus. It is rather late to try this magic, but I intend to put it into use the next season, starting in the spring.

Open vs. Closed Meetings

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 64.38 is the law governing actions of homeowner associations. It's a quick read full of common sense and covers the requirement for open meetings. Open meetings are the nucleus around which associations operate and conduct business so that matters are resolved in a clear and transparent fashion, but when are closed meetings appropriate?

RCW 64.38.035(2) states, “Except as provided in this subsection, all meetings of the board of directors shall be open for observation by all owners” and “the board of directors shall keep minutes of all actions taken by the board, which shall be available to all owners.” While RCW 64.38 does not specifically define the words “meeting” or “action,” in Washington State a “meeting” is generally understood to be a quorum of a governing body

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where action is taken. Washington legal precedent has defined “action” as not only a *final* action (vote) but also discussion, deliberation, consideration, review or evaluation. So, regardless of what it’s called, if a board discusses business, it’s considered a meeting under the law.

For sensitive issues, unsuitable to open discussion, the law allows boards to go into closed executive session (the exception noted above) but only “to consider personnel matters; consult with legal counsel or consider communications with legal counsel; and discuss likely or pending litigation, matters involving possible violations of the governing documents of the association, and matters involving the possible liability of an owner to the association.” Such sessions must originate from an open meeting where a “motion shall state specifically the purpose for the closed session.” Off-topic matters and votes cannot be dealt with in closed session; a board must address those when they return to the open meeting.

Experts counsel that, since the law requires all board meetings “shall be open,” notice for all meetings must be given to members, even if they will immediately go into closed session. They admonish boards to weigh carefully the use of closed sessions as abuse breeds suspicion, a poor sense of community and fewer volunteers. Closed sessions are a useful and necessary tool. If doubt exists, to be in compliance with the law, the matter should be discussed in an open meeting.

Paraprosookians Are True!

Penned by an unknown author for your perusal

A paraprosookian (from Greek “*παρα-*”, meaning “beyond” and “*προσδοκία*”, meaning “expectation”) is a figure of speech in which the latter part of a sentence or phrase is surprising or unexpected in a way that causes the reader or listener to reframe or reinterpret the first part. Paraprosookians often are used in humorous situations. “Where there’s a will, I want to be in it,” is a type of paraprosookian. Other examples are:

- The last thing I want to do is hurt you. But it’s still on my list.
- Light travels faster than sound thus some people appear bright until they speak.
- If I agreed with you, we’d both be wrong.
- People don’t grow up; they only learn how to act in public.
- War does not determine who is right - only who is left.
- To know a tomato is a fruit is knowledge. Wisdom is not putting it in fruit salad.
- To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism. To steal from many is research.
- Where an application says, “in case of emergency, notify,” I write “doctor”.
- Women will be equal to men when they can walk down the street with a bald head, a beer gut, and still think they are sexy.
- A clear conscience is the sign of a fuzzy memory.
- You do not need a parachute to skydive; you need a parachute to skydive twice.
- I used to be indecisive. Now I’m not so sure.
- Nostalgia isn’t what it used to be.
- Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
- When tempted to fight fire with fire, remember that the Fire Department uses water.
- The examples above appeared on the internet. Create your own paraprosookians. Send them via email to the *Voice* and become a published author.

Free Lunch Tomorrow

by Mary Kletti, Contributing Writer

Remember seeing that sign posted at a restaurant? Remember how embarrassed you were when you returned the next day for your free lunch, only to be told that the sign says tomorrow?

Many free niceties have been kicked to the curb. Chocolates are disappearing from hotel pillows and extra sauce packets are harder to find at fast-food joints. Many news outlets charge a monthly or annual fee to read their news on computers, smartphones and tablets.

Once upon a time, if you didn’t know a phone number, you’d either look it up in a floppy book or you’d call directory assistance and talk to an actual live person who looked up the number for you. That was back when AT&T had a monopoly on phone service, so it made you pay in other ways, but directory assistance itself was free.

Television broadcasts once came via antennas strapped to your house or “rabbit ears” atop your TV. You got just a few channels, plus some grainy UHF channels if your set could tune them in...but they were free. These days there are 100 million cable and satellite subscribers in the U.S., and the average monthly cost for cable runs about \$50, or \$75 if you get the digital version.

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Then there was the service station. Not only would a gas station attendant pump your gas, he would clean your windshield, check your oil, add air to your tires and fill your radiator if you needed it. All free! If you needed a road map, it was free. And many stations had giveaways on top of that. You could get stuff like Hot Wheels cars, kitchen knives, soap, dishes or S&H Green Stamps to redeem for rewards.

And, of course, there's the airline industry where things that used to come bundled in that base ticket price are a thing of the past. A traveler today can potentially pay an extra \$100 per flight for all of the once-gratis amenities, including bags and meals and cocktails and headphones and blankets, and even seat selection.

Remember Sam Cooke's recording of "*The Best Things in Life Are Free*"? Those lyrics were written by Buddy DeSylva, Lew Brown and Ray Henderson...in 1964!

Eating Around: Il Lucano Ristorante Italiano

by Pat Lohrey, Guest Writer

Do you have a hankering for some really good Italian food reminiscent of the wonderful restaurants you may have visited in Italy? The 20 folks from Port Ludlow who joined the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) at an Out to Lunch event at Il Lucano Ristorante Italiano in Gig Harbor in August were pleasantly surprised to discover this well-appointed authentic Italian restaurant located in a strip mall off the beaten path in Gig Harbor.

Chef Michele Simone is from the small town of Oppido Lucano, Italy, and his gregarious approach to his customers lends itself well to the fun-loving atmosphere. When we arrived, he emerged from the kitchen to introduce himself and followed up with us after our meal to make sure we were pleased with our food.

From traditional pasta dishes to specialty fish, poultry and meat dishes, it is easy to find your favorite. The variety of offerings and tempting descriptions make it hard to decide which to choose. Fresh local ingredients are always used and all meals are made to order. One suggestion is the seafood pancetta, although everything was excellent.

The restaurant has an extensive wine list and serves cocktails as well. The food was served efficiently and arrived hot and flavorful. Everyone enjoyed the meal. We all left singing the praises of this uniquely Italian dining experience.

Should you find yourself in Gig Harbor, this fun place is worth a visit. Reviews on the web mirrored our experience. They extol the complete menu of appetizers, meat, fish, poultry and desserts. The herbed oil for bread was called "fantastic" and it is all of that. The choices are not the usual ones and the restaurant comes highly recommended by all reviewers. They take reservations and it is well worth the trip.

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Endangered Wildlife of Jefferson County

by Kate Nash, Contributing Writer

One thing that makes Jefferson County such a great place to live is being able to interact with wildlife, either plant or animal, on an almost daily basis. Unfortunately, like so many other places in the world, Jefferson County has a growing list of endangered and threatened species. In order to ensure their survival, it is important for us to know who they are, what the major factors are for their decline and what we can do to preserve them. Currently, there are four animals on the endangered list for Jefferson County: the Leatherback Sea Turtle, the Killer Whale, the Short-Tailed or Steller's Albatross, and the Loggerhead Sea Turtle.

Dermochelys coriacea or Leatherback Sea Turtle (also called the Lute Turtle) is the largest of all living sea turtles and the largest modern ocean-going reptile. Adults average 6-7 feet in length and weigh between 550-1500 pounds. The largest found weighed over 2000 pounds and was 9 feet long. Instead of the hard shell commonly seen in turtles, Leatherbacks are covered in an oily, half inch thick layer of flexible connective tissue.

Leatherbacks can migrate over 6000 miles a year, can dive to an incredible 4200 foot depth and are found on both the Atlantic and Pacific Coasts of the United States. Their diet consists almost entirely of jellyfish. Both the male and female average lifespan is 30-45 years; however, only a tenth of all hatchlings survive until adulthood. Coastline habitat destruction and being injured or drowned in commercial fishing gear have caused a major decline in Leatherback Sea Turtles around the world.

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In the Puget Sound area, the leading cause of death is from the ingestion of floating plastic bags, Styrofoam and other plastic debris which are easily mistaken for jellyfish. (Dead Leatherback Sea Turtles have been found with over 11 pounds of undigested plastics in their intestines.)

What can you do to help protect the Leatherback Sea Turtle? Reduce and recycle plastics and decrease use of toxic chemicals that spill over into nesting areas.

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

Latin-inspired Jazz with Parisian Roots

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Guest Writer

Named “Best Jazz Group in Los Angeles” by *Los Angeles Magazine*, the fiery Gonzalo Bergara Quartet brings their all-acoustic, modern take on jazz to the Bay Club on **Friday, October 19**. Bergara’s Gypsy jazz is influenced by Django Reinhardt and is infused with the sounds of Paris and Buenos Aires. Nothing like the Gypsy jazz you’ve heard in the past, this hot band’s version has a new flavor—rhythmic, melodic, fun and just plain fantastic!

The Cabaret evening gets underway at 4:00 p.m. with a Happy Hour featuring beer and wine for sale by the glass or bottle and light snacks. Get there early to be assured of a table to your liking and stock up on beverages.

Bergara and his band take the stage at 5:00 p.m. While Bergara plays very much in the style of Django, it’s the Latin flavor of his own compositions that gives the songs a kick. Bergara and his crew, including Leah Zeger on violin, Jeffrey Radaich on rhythm guitar and Brian Netzley on upright bass, bring Gypsy jazz firmly into the 21st Century.

At age 17 Bergara was a guitar virtuoso and already fronting his own blues trio on Argentine national television. He arrived stateside in 2000 and since has performed and recorded with hundreds of artists. After touring extensively with John Jorgensen, he created his first quartet and issued his first CD.

Both before the concert and during intermission, visit the Port Ludlow Artists’ League exhibit. Featured artist will be Chris Settle whose early interest was encouraged by his parents, Patti and Gary Settle.

Following the concert, a no-host family-style Afterglow Dinner, featuring a mixed green salad, Coq au Vin and Chocolate Mousse at \$21 plus tax and tip, will be served at The Inn At Port Ludlow. All seating will be at tables of

8 to 10. Reservations are a must and groups should book together to be assured of sitting together. Call 437-7412.

Tickets for the performance are \$24 and are available at the Bay Club. Save \$12 on six tickets when you buy a Flex Pass for \$132. If you have questions on Flex Passes or wish to make exchanges for tickets, contact Diane Purdy at 437-1262 or email gpurdy@cablespeed.com. For credit card purchases, go to the Brown Paper Tickets link at www.portludlowartscouncil.com.

Rawson Duo Season Opener

by Dr. Alan Rawson

It is time for the start of another season of music and friendly gatherings at the Rawson home in Chimacum. We will begin with a festive program perfect for the onset of fall color. And with a little luck, we will be able to enjoy the pleasantness of the outdoor deck for our reception mingling.

Join the Rawson Duo with guest cellist Fred Thompson on **Friday and Sunday, October 5 and 7** at 2:00 p.m. for the opening concert of the 2012-13 season. We will be performing Antonin Dvorak’s early *Piano Trios, Op. 21 and 26*.

Unknown outside of his native land at the time, Dvorak composed these energetic, infectious pieces for piano, violin and cello in the mid-1870s during a period of intense creative activity that would soon catch the attention of his future friend and admirer, Johannes Brahms, carrying the spirit of his music and national heritage to the world stage and establishing his everlasting reputation.

Full of gorgeous melodies and Slavic gusto, the concert is made extra special with the added talents of Fred Thompson, retired professor of English at Peninsula College and former principal cellist of the Port Angeles Symphony now living in Portland—and, of course, complemented by Sandy Rawson’s international culinary passions and another extraordinary reception. Where else outside the Bohemian sphere might one come across exotic items like Bublanina?

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Seating is limited and arranged through an advanced paid reservation of \$25. Please send an email note to rawsonduo@gmail.com or call us at 379-3449 to be placed on our reservation list. Be sure to say which day you would like to attend. Checks should be made payable to Dr. Alan Rawson and mailed to 10318 Rhody Drive, Chimacum, WA 98325.

A & E Editor's Note: *These concerts sell out early. Get on their email list for advance notice. Go to the website at www.rawsonduo.com to see Alan and Sandy crossing into the Czech frontier by motorcycle!*

LVP Auditions - Annual Spring Play

by Val Durling, Ludlow Village Players (LVP) Director

We're calling all neighbors, friends and fans of live theater! Are you a leading man or lady, a character actor or actress? Always wanted to try it, but just too busy? Circle the dates on your calendar and come on down for the LVP auditions.

They will be held on **Tuesday, November 13** from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Beach Club and on **Thursday, November 15** from 5:00 to 7:45 p.m. at the Bay Club.

We will audition more than one play this season with lots of fun characters in both plays, so we need lots of you characters to fill these roles. We also need lots of you characters to help behind the scenes. Spread the word! Our final selection will be announced in the next *Voice* issue and on www.portludlowtoday.com.

Audition packets will be available in the Beach and Bay Clubs by **Monday, October 15**, and will include the plot of the play, character lists and excerpts of the plays for reading at auditions. Performances are scheduled the last weekend in March at the Bay Club, and rehearsals begin in January. Auditions are not scary; we read the play a lot like we do at Reader's Theater and it's always lots of fun. By the way, don't forget Reader's Theater on **Tuesday, October 16** at 6:30 p.m. Call Val at 437-2861 for location or more information.

The Ludlow Village Players must also announce the **cancellation** of the Shakespearean spoof which was to be performed at the Resort At Port Ludlow **October 6** and **7**. We hope this does not cause any inconvenience to our friends and neighbors and we share your disappointment.

Port Ludlow Artists' League 2012 Challenge Exhibit



"Circle and Square II", by Gail Larson.

Submitted photo

Visit Port Ludlow Artists' League Gallery during the month of October and see the "2012 Challenge: 10 x 10". One entry is pictured here with many more entries on exhibit and awaiting your vote of "People's Choice." Open hours at the Art Gallery are 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday with an "Artist's Reception" on Wednesday, October 10, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. Enjoy wine and great snacks with your artist friends and neighbors.

Local Merchants - Friends of the Artists' League

Port Ludlow, "A Village in the Woods by the Bay," has a mix of merchants who have become active supporters of the Artists' League by providing additional venues for our local artists. The artists cover a wide range of talent, art styles and mediums; and our merchants provide the wall space to hang it on. While the Inn At Port Ludlow changes bi-monthly and the Columbia Bank changes monthly for the Artist of the Month, the rest of the merchant displays change quarterly, with October through December being the final exhibit for this year.

PLAL merchant exhibits through December, 2012:

Active Life Physical Therapy	Barbara Adams
Coldwell Banker	Lidija Gregov
Columbia Bank Conference Room	Clint Webb
Columbia Bank Lobby	Oct/AOM), Fran Bodman
Home Instead Senior Care	Barbara Adams
Mats Mats Chiropractic	Wanda Mawhinney
Port Ludlow Community Church	Dean and Bev Nelson

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Port Ludlow Golf Course
The Inn At Port Ludlow

Jeanne Joseph
Sept/Oct "Nature"
Exhibit, PLAL artists

Stop in, say "Hi" and check out not only the artwork but also the services that these fine merchants provide for our community.

Port Ludlow Artists' League Showcases Fran Bodman

"Mixed-up Media" is the theme of October's Artist of the Month, Fran Bodman. Her works include pastels, acrylics and paper collage, and will be featured during October in the lobby of Columbia Bank on Oak Bay Road.

Bodman has always been interested in art, and as a child began her early art life with a few paint-by-number kits! She excelled at the craft in high school, progressing to the Art Institute and the American Academy of Art for a short career in commercial art. After pursuing sales, real estate, and a host of other unrelated jobs, she retired, returning to her early love by exploring stained glass, acrylics and other mediums. One day, to her amazement, she found that she could do stylized portraits in pastels of all her friends, even strangers, and a new passion was born! Bodman's work can be seen at the Port Ludlow Gallery, the Beach Club and the Resort At Port Ludlow.

League members and the community are invited to view Bodman's exhibit at the "Second Wednesday Reception" held on **October 10** from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the lobby of Columbia Bank, and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery adjacent to the bank.

Murder Mystery Dinner Theater

by Harriet Stay, Guest Writer

My husband Larry and I have been writing and producing murder mystery events for over 30 years under the name *Murder by Invitation*. We have been active in the theater scene in Jefferson County for almost 25 years. "It has been observed, with some truth, that everyone loves a good murder," says F. Tennyson Jesse, criminologist, journalist and writer.

On **Friday, October 26** at 7:00 p.m., we will produce our latest murder mystery event at the Silverwater Café in Port Townsend to benefit the reconstruction of The Paradise Theatre School in Chimacum.

The date is perfect for kicking off Halloween shenanigans. Participants (aka detectives) will be transported to a bygone era where they will dine on some of the finest cuisine on the Peninsula, sip wine and be entertained by a cast of talented actors. The evening will take you back to 1940s New York City, where you'll become part of the audience for the CBS radio network's final East Coast broadcast of *Suspense*. Without giving away the plot, be assured that the broadcast goes awry, and you will be commandeered to solve a murder that the studio cast is determined will stay unsolved.

The Paradise Theatre School, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, is in need of community support for renovations to their historic 100-year-old building. Erik and Pattie Miles Van Beuzekom, who run the school, have been teaching, creating and producing risk-taking plays and adaptations for over nine years.

Reservations are recommended and for your convenience may be made online at www.brownpapertickets.com or by calling 1-800-838-3006.

News from the Rose Theatre

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

For years I had season tickets to the Seattle Opera, Pacific Northwest Ballet and Intiman Theater. I loved going to the elegant McCaw Hall at Seattle Center, and I miss it! It did, however, include driving to the Bainbridge Island ferry parking lot, riding the boat across the Sound and then taking Metro the rest of the way. As you can imagine, this was a real commitment. After many years, I and my fellow theater mates, one by one, let our subscriptions lapse. Now Seattle Art Museum and Benaroya Hall, a short walk from the ferry dock, are usually the extent of my big city excursions. Okay, I do get to Pike Place Market, usually with visitors.

Well, imagine my delight when Port Townsend's Rose Theatre began offering Metropolitan Operas live and in High Definition! The season begins in October and continues until April. The admission is reasonable, the drive is 30 minutes and their new technology makes it seem as if you are in New York City at the actual theatre.

And now they have added plays from the National Theatre of London. Most plays are on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. and, again, the admission is reasonable. The first one may be seen on **Saturday, October 6**. In addition, they have added Ballet in Cinema. Most are performed by the Royal Ballet, London. The first, however, on

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Sunday, September 30 and **Tuesday, October 2**, will be performed by The Nederlands Dans Theater in a program of four contemporary masterpieces. I'm looking forward to *Swan Lake* in November and *The Nutcracker* in December.

The Port Townsend Film Institute hosts the First Tuesday Salon series each month as a vehicle for greater understanding of the language of film. The next discussion takes place on **Tuesday, October 2** following the film shown that evening.

All of this is in addition to the wonderful movies shown daily—all of them personally chosen by owner Rocky Freidman. Get on his email (www.rosetheatre.com) for a weekly posting of all of the above and many other special events. The theatre is located at 235 Taylor; the telephone is 385-1089. And the popcorn is wonderful!

Haskins and Myers Present “Vestiges” at Northwind

In October Northwind Arts Center presents the work of Jay Haskins and Jeane Myers. The paintings by both these local artists reveal a search for that ineffable something that is never quite within our reach.

Jay Haskins' current work is involved with a sense of antiquity, of artifacts and fragments surviving from a far distant past, and the entropy which has turned them into history and myth.

“In this work I'm striving to touch something hidden, something not readily accessible in us. Frequently using areas of pattern, which I play against more random elements, I strive to leave more of a residual memory than a defined image, a sense of something glimpsed but not fully understood, as if what you are seeing is only a small part of something larger.”

Jeane Myers says her present work reflects two ideas: points of connection and mapping. “Points of connection are created by the everyday momentary connections we make such as hands touching, whispers in the ear, stepping into a hot bath, or the first taste of our favorite food. Each moment causes a sensation and then passes. Much of my work is about that moment of contact. Mapping is about my love of the idea of connecting the dots in

our lives. All the lines intersecting and then the path veers, loops, ends and starts again somewhere else. We go forward and backward, we stand still, we sink, we stumble, we fall. This action, or lack of it, intrigues me.”

“Vestiges” runs from **October 5 through 29**. Opening reception is on **Saturday, October 6** from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. The artists will talk about their work on **Sunday, October 7** at 1:00 p.m. at Northwind Arts Center, 2409 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend.

Northwind is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization that sponsors visual and literary arts events and education on the Olympic Peninsula.

Community Orchestra's Fall Concert

Port Townsend Community Orchestra's own virtuoso clarinetist, Miles Vokurka, will be highlighted in the fall concert on **Saturday, October 27** at 7:30 p.m. Miles was born in Czechoslovakia to an American mother and Czech musician father. To escape the Communist takeover, the family moved to Chicago in 1948. Miles was educated at Northwestern University and spent over 20 years teaching and directing high school instrumental music in the Chicago area. He will be the soloist on *Concertino for Clarinet in Eb major, Op.26* by Carl Maria von Weber.

The evening's program will also include music by Aaron Copland, Etienne Mehul, Ralph Vaughan Williams and Alexander Borodin. The concert will be held at Chimacum High School Auditorium. You may arrive at 6:45 p.m. to enjoy a pre-concert conversation with Maestro Dewey Ehling.

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra was formed in 1987. There is no admission fee so that everyone, children included, can attend. The orchestra is supported by contributions from its patrons and from local businesses. Donations are welcome at the door.

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Performing Arts Calendar

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, October 4 – 28

The World Premiere adaptation of Georg Buchner's classic play *Woyzeck* is told through the broken fragments of a young soldier's life as he struggles against overwhelming odds to provide for his family. This timely new adaptation of a 19th century masterpiece plays at Key City Public Theatre, Port Townsend, various times, 379-0195, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Friday and Sunday, October 5 and 7

Join the Rawson Duo with guest cellist Fred Thompson at their Chimacum home when they perform the early trios of Antonin Dvorak. The music is complemented by the culinary passions of musician and chef, Sandy Rawson, 2:00 p.m., 379-3449, www.rawsonduo.com.

Saturday, October 6

Nothing The EDGE does at Bainbridge Performing Arts is scripted—the improv troupe is literally making it up from audience suggestions, 7:30 p.m., 206-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org.

Sunday, October 7

The Shaolin Warriors, who have trained from a very young age in mental and physical disciplines, bring the remarkable skill, stunning movement and spectacular imagery of King Fu to the stage of The Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 5:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, October 12 – 28

The Who's Tommy is a tale of a young boy's journey from pain to triumph in an electrifying evening of rock and roll, 7:30 p.m. with 3:00 p.m. Sunday matinees, Bainbridge Performing Arts, 206-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org. There's a Pay-What-You-Can Preview on **Thursday, October 11**, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 13

The Bremerton Symphony begins its 70th season with Saint-Saens *Piano Concerto No. 2* and Schumann's *Symphony No. 4*, 6:30 p.m. pre-concert chat, 7:30 p.m. concert, Bremerton Performing Arts Center, 360-373-1722, www.bremertonsymphony.org.

Saturday, October 13

The most popular and highly sought after big band in the world today, the Glenn Miller Orchestra is the pinnacle of stylized 1940s sound, Bremerton's Admiral Theatre, 6:00 p.m. dinner, 7:30 p.m. show, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org. You may dance or just listen.

Friday, October 19

The all-acoustic Gonzalo Bergara Quartet plays a modern variant of Gypsy Jazz at the Port Ludlow Arts Council's only Cabaret event of the season, 5:00 p.m., Port Ludlow Bay Club, 437-2208 or Brown Paper Tickets link at www.portludlowartscouncil.com. Afterglow Dinner follows at The Inn at Port Ludlow, reservations at 437-7412.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, October 19 – 28

This season the ghouls of the updated radio dramas are back, but this time they come with a Transylvania band! *Ghost Tales*, with several vignettes of horror and suspense, is fronted by a rockin' band playing some "hellbilly" music, 8:00 p.m. with 2:00 p.m. Sunday matinees, 360-697-3183, www.jewelbox-poulsbo.org.

Saturday, October 20

The Kitsap Chordsmen Barbershop Chorus asks us to follow Homer as he returns to his love of baseball. *Stealing Home* will be at the Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., 360-337-7464, www.singkitsap.org.

Friday, October 26

Murder by Invitation will be performed at Port Townsend's Silverwater Café as a benefit for The Paradise Theatre School, 7:00 p.m., tickets at brownpapertickets.com or call 1-800-838-3006.

Saturday, October 27

The political satire troupe, Capitol Steps, has been mocking the eccentricities of the nation's leaders for more than two decades and with the impending presidential election, this musical review leaves no issue untouched, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 6:00 p.m. dinner, 7:30 p.m. show, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Saturday, October 27

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra will feature the music of Copland, Vaughan Williams, Borodin and von Weber's *Concertino for Clarinet in Eb major, Op. 26*, pre-concert chat at 6:45 p.m., concert at 7:30 p.m., Chimacum High School Auditorium, www.porttownsendorchestra.org.

Sunday, October 28

The Port Townsend Chamber Music Festival with performers Sean Osborn, clarinet, Jonathan Moerschel, viola, and Lucinda Carver, piano, and music by Schubert, Brahms, Mozart and more, 2:00 p.m., Wheeler Theater, Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend, 385-3102 ext. 110, www.centrum.org.

Sunday, October 28

Tap Dogs is a rough, tough, rocking theatrical performance created by an award-winning choreographer which has exhilarated audiences around the world, 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.



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Local News

Community Church's Mission Fest

The Port Ludlow Community Church has issued an invitation to attend their Annual Mission Fest—“*So All Can Hear.*”

On **Sunday, October 7**, Alan and Lynette Johnson, Washington missionaries based in Bangkok, Thailand, will speak at 8:45 and 10:30 a.m. Their emphasis includes writing and teaching in cross-cultural academic settings. The 8:45 a.m. session, with a simple continental breakfast, will allow for questions. The regular Worship Service follows at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, October 14, will feature Pat and Suzanne Hurst at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Currently living in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo, they have served in Central and West Africa since 1992. Pat's ministry is training local pastors to lead their members in modeling and promoting spiritual transformation. Suzanne, a registered nurse, works with local churches on community development and health issues such as HIV/AIDS, malaria and prevention of childhood illnesses. They have three children, one in college and two in high school.

Port Ludlow Community Church is located at 9534 Oak Bay Road. The telephone number is 437-0145 and the web address is www.portludlowcommunitychurch.org.

Speed Limit on Highland Drive is 25 mph!

Highland Drive speed limit is posted as 25 mph, as are most of our residential streets here in Port Ludlow. The blind S-curve impairs vision both uphill and downhill, and there are no shoulders on either side of the road. There are walkers, joggers, and dog walkers who have to traverse Highland Drive because that is where they live. In the past several months, there have been some very close calls—it doesn't take more than a few inches to spell disaster. So please, slow down and give the pedestrians the courtesy of a safe place to walk.

Shakespearean Play Cancelled

The Ludlow Village Players deeply regret the *cancellation* of the spoof, *Shakespearean Antics*, which was to be performed at the Resort At Port Ludlow on **Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7**. We hope this does not cause any inconvenience to our friends and neighbors and we share your disappointment.

Grace Christian Center Starts Building

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

Have you noticed the construction activity at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge and wondered what is going on? The Grace Christian Center has purchased the slightly less than one acre piece of property and has been granted an easement onto Oak Bay Road.

The church's current location is at the Port Ludlow Conference Center. Diana Smeland, Managing Director of Port Ludlow Associates, states that the Conference Center will still be utilized as rental space for small businesses or organizations.

According to Kevin Hunter, pastor of the Grace Christian Center, the church has a conditional use permit to develop the property. They are in Phase 1 of a multi-phase project that currently includes clearing land, culvert work, and developing a water retention system for proper drainage. Their goal is to have a mixed-use building that can house a church as well as retail or professional service offices. Hunter stresses that they want very much to be good neighbors and take care of the property.

Forum Examines the Future of Fort Worden State Park

by Joyce Francis, Fort Worden Advisory Committee Member

Fort Worden, along with other Washington State parks, is facing a financial crisis. The generous general fund support from the Legislature has been severely reduced. The Legislature has directed the park system to become more entrepreneurial and financially self-sufficient by July, 2013. The Fort has been spared the worst of the cutbacks so far, but future cuts are on the horizon.

A Public Forum on the future of Fort Worden State Park will be held on **Tuesday, October 16**, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. The forum will explore the challenges facing Fort Worden and describe the Public Development Authority's (PDA) proposal to assure its future. The PDA Draft Plan will be examined prior to submitting it to the Parks Commission on **Thursday, October 25**. The Commission is expected to take action on the Plan by the end of the year.

The Port Townsend City Council created a Fort Worden Public Development Authority (PDA) to explore

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partnering with State Parks. The PDA has just released its Fort Worden State Park Business and Management Plan to co-manage certain functions of the Fort. The Draft Plan is available for review at www.fwpda.org.

The PDA proposes to manage the “campus” area (about a quarter of the park, encompassing the historic buildings and grounds) as a Lifelong Learning Center. Parks would continue to operate the campgrounds, natural areas, trails, and beaches and to provide law enforcement, facilities maintenance, and natural resource stewardship.

Preserving Fort Worden is important to Jefferson County. Since 1973 Fort Worden has been a jewel in the crown of Washington State Parks and is a major economic driver in Jefferson County, attracting over one million visitors each year and generating more than \$11 million in local and state revenues over and above direct revenues of the park. Attend the forum to learn more about the proposal to save Fort Worden.

Driver Safety to Honor Veterans in November

If you were unable to fit one of the driver safety courses offered earlier this year into your busy schedule, there will be an eight-hour Driver Safety course sponsored by AARP at the Beach Club on **Wednesday, November 14 and Friday, November 16** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Classes are open to the public. A \$14 fee is charged to cover the cost of materials. AARP members receive a \$2 discount. Veterans of the five United States uniformed services (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard) will be honored by enabling them to take the course at no charge. Their spouses, domestic partners, widows, widowers and children are also eligible to take advantage of this promotion. The Beach Club requests a room fee of \$1 per person each day (please bring exact change).

Certificates of completion will be provided. Washington State provides that all age 55 and over completing the course will be given a discount on their automobile insurance premiums.

The course is eight hours so attendance is required both days. The class is limited to no more than 25 people, so please sign up early. To reserve a place in the class or to ask for further information, call Russ Henry at 437-2250 or email him at russhenry62@gmail.com.

East Jefferson Rotary “Flags” the Holidays

by Ned Luce, Guest Writer

Residents and businesses in Port Ludlow have donated to the scholarship fund of the East Jefferson Rotary Club by getting American Flags installed on five holidays each year. The first of over 30 flags were flying on Labor Day weekend along Oak Bay Road



Photo by Karen Pratt

in Port Ludlow. There were 16 above the Port Ludlow Marina sponsored by Port Ludlow Associates and 14 sponsored by Coldwell Banker Real Estate and Columbia Bank below their business locations. In addition, several residents and other businesses subscribed to the service provided by the Rotarians and had their flags flying.

The flags will fly from early in the morning until dusk on Presidents, Memorial, Independence, Labor, and Veterans Days. The Rotarians will install the semi-permanent flag-pole receptacle as well as put up and take down the flag on each holiday.

A single subscription costs \$50 per year but multiple subscriptions can take advantage of available discounts. Flag installations are available for all of East Jefferson County and give the subscriber an opportunity to dress up their home or business on five annual holidays as well as make a donation to East Jefferson Rotary’s scholarship fund for local deserving students and schools. Contact a Port Ludlow member of the East Jefferson Rotary Club if you want to take advantage of this opportunity.

Port Ludlow Yacht Club Hosts Open House



Courtesy photo

The Port Ludlow Yacht Club (PLYC) will hold their autumn open house on **Wednesday, October 24** beginning at 5:00 p.m. The event will take place in the Wreck Room of the Harbormaster, 55 Heron Road.

Boat owners will be especially interested in checking out the numerous benefits of becoming a member, including reciprocal mooring privileges, marine supply discounts, monthly cruises and boater education opportunities.

While boating is a primary interest for club members, owning a boat is not a requirement for membership in the club. PLYC has a number of non-boating members who simply want to enjoy the social benefits of belonging to the club. Whatever your interests, you will find the Wreck Room to be a great place for relaxation with friends.

If you have an interest in joining the PLYC, you are invited to meet club members and see what the club's land-based facility can offer. Please feel free to bring a friend or couple.

The bar will be open and a variety of appetizers will be served. Club members and flag officers will be available to answer questions about enjoying the benefits of club membership. For information, please contact Commodore Harold Brunstad, 437-0482.

Retirement Seminar Offered

A Free Retirement Planning Seminar will be presented on **Friday, October 19** from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Beach Club, 121 Marina View Drive. Learn the ins and outs of successful retirement. For reservations, call 1-888-344-6299. The seminar is being offered by Don Skaunchy.

Help Wanted at the Voice!

Want to work with a bunch of really nice people while helping your neighbors? Want to work with an organization that focuses on bringing all of our Port Ludlow Community together? If you can use a computer at a pretty basic level (with mentoring help lovingly provided), the *Port Ludlow Voice* can use you.

Our classified manager has indicated, after years on the job (see, it is really pretty neat!) that she needs to go elsewhere. Training is a given, and vacation coverage (we all want to get away at times) can be provided. No selling is involved—folks call or email if they want an ad. The time commitment is about eight hours per month.

The *Voice* also needs a copy editor and always has space for additional proof readers, writers, photographers. Working at the *Voice* is a really good way to get to know your community well. Plus it is interesting work and will keep your brain alert and youthful. If you are interested in learning more please contact current classified advertising manager, Janie Holtz at 437-7715 to inquire about classifieds or call Bev Browne at 437-8099 for general information.

Port Ludlow Writer's Group Forming

A number of Port Ludlow residents have written vignettes of their life stories and some have even published them into books. All do so for the purpose of sharing their experiences and memories with family members. Many of us have good intentions to write our stories but somehow never put pen to paper. If you can relate to this and would like to record some of your memories, events, and life stories, please contact Bev and Dean Nelson at 437-0762 or Barbara Berthiaume at 437-0423. With sufficient interest, they would like to start a writer's group that meets on a regular basis.

You're Invited!

Democrat Precinct Committee Officers, Adele Govert and Linda Karp, invite you to an Election Night Party! On **Tuesday, November 6**, join us at the Beach Club from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The cost is \$3, and they ask that you bring your own beverage and finger food, either appetizer or dessert. They will provide coffee, tea, small plates and napkins—no utensils needed. No RSVP is necessary.

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue

Alarm Statistics August 2012

Alarms

Fires	5
Rescue/Emergency Medical	53
Service Call	7
Good Intent	14
Hazardous Conditions	2
False Alarm	2
Total Alarms	83

Ambulance Transports

Jefferson Healthcare	11
Harrison Medical Center	12
Harrison Silverdale	2
ALNW	1
Total Transports	26

Mutual/Automatic Aid with Neighboring Districts

Provided	13
Received	2
Total Mutual Aid	15

Port Ludlow Fire Station, 7650 Oak Bay Road, and pick up a flyer, or you can look online at www.airliftnw.org for more detailed information.

Lastly, another local program is available for patients that suffer from a disease or conditions that affects memory loss. The program is called “Project Lifesaver” and is offered through the Discovery Bay Volunteer Fire Department and Jefferson Search and Rescue. This program is free to those that qualify and is funded by grant and donations. A tracking device is placed on the person who is at risk of wandering away and getting lost. When activated, state of the art technology will be used to find the person’s exact location and return them back safely. Persons in Port Ludlow who subscribe to this program report it provides family and caregivers peace of mind. For more information, stop by the Port Ludlow Fire Station to pick up a flyer or contact Fire Chief Patrick Nicholson at 360-379-6839 or by email at jcfd5@hughes.net.

To obtain information or offer suggestions, please email me at brad.martin@plfr.org or call me at 360-437-2236.

Message from the Chief

by Brad Martin, Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR)

I am formally announcing that I have accepted the position of Fire Chief proffered by the Board of Fire Commissioners. My appreciation and thanks go to all of you that have given me your support. PLFR is entering its 2013 budget process and I will continue updates on that process. However, this month the community needs to be made aware of a couple of important programs involving medical issues.

First, our geographical location necessitates the use of medical helicopters to transport patients needing specialized care to Seattle. In these circumstances, the time required to drive through Tacoma or take the ferry across the sound, can mean the difference in a person’s medical outcome. The helicopter can have a patient to the hospital in less than half the time. Unfortunately, with speed comes cost.

No fire agency benefits financially in any way from the use of helicopters. With that said, every medical insurance policy is different when it comes to the associated costs. Airlift NorthWest (helicopter provider) offers an insurance policy that will cover your entire family for the utilization of the helicopter for a nominal cost of \$79/year. The policy covers the costs that your insurance company will not cover. For more information, you can stop by the

Sheriff’s Report

For the month of August, there were 86 recorded Port Ludlow events known to the Sheriff’s Office. There were 178 events countywide during the same time period. SR 19, Tala Shore Drive, Oak Bay Road, and Olympus Boulevard define the parameters of Port Ludlow.

Agency Assist	5
Alarm or Incomplete 911 Call	10
Animal Control	6
Disturbance (unwanted persons, gunshots, etc)	3
Malicious Mischief	3
Miscellaneous/Informational	9
Suspicious Vehicle or Person	6
Theft/Burglary	5
Traffic Incident/Complaint	20
Welfare Check	2
Warrants/Arrests	1
Traffic Violations	3
Assaults	4
Field Investigations	1
Threats	1
Patrol Requests	3
Civil Assist	4

Keep our neighborhoods safe. Contact the Sheriff’s Office if you notice any suspicious activity and always call 9-1-1 for an emergency.

Call for Quilters, Crafters and Shoppers!

Port Ludlow quilters, crafters and artisans should circle **Wednesday, November 7** as the date for the seventh annual "South Bay Quilters and Crafters Show and Sale." Get your creative juices flowing and begin stocking up on the beautiful and clever things you love to make.

Shoppers will be warming up their checkbooks to purchase some delightful clever holiday presents for family and friends. Our Port Ludlow quilters and crafters are truly amazing!

As in the past, last year was another very successful show with the "Quilters by the Bay" and many other exhibitors. Lots of shoppers came from inside and outside the community to purchase items for gift giving and their own personal use. We were able to give over \$600 to the Jefferson County Food Bank.

Again we are inviting all Port Ludlow artists and crafters to join us for this annual event. Each vendor is expected to donate ten percent of their sales to the Jefferson County Food Bank to help make a Merry Christmas for others in our area whom are less fortunate.

Our publicity committee will be working to inform the community of the event, so we will have lots of visitors to the show. If you are interested in participating, stop by the Bay Club to pick up an application form at the front desk. Details regarding set-up time and show hours are on the form. Space is limited, so get your application in early. Besides the contribution to the Jefferson County Food Bank, each exhibitor is asked to pay \$5 to help offset publicity costs.

Jazzercise Celebrates Seven Years in Port Ludlow

by Scotty Thompson, Jazzercise Instructor

Jazzercise is a powerful, fun and effective workout that will lift your spirits and strengthen your heart, muscles and core. You will get a healthy dose of cardiovascular exercises, strength and stretch moves, and finish up feeling energized and refreshed. Its benefits include: cardiovascular fitness, improved metabolism, more energy and endurance, toned muscles, improved flexibility and balance and better health. Classes offer both regular and low impact routines.

Jazzercise classes are offered on **Tuesdays** and **Saturdays** at the Bay Club and **Thursdays** at the Port Ludlow

Conference Center from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. Each hour and a half session incorporates a warm-up segment comprised of exercises for individual muscle groups, an aerobic segment to increase cardiovascular fitness and burn calories, a cool-down segment that reduces heart rate and includes stretching, and a muscle-toning segment with weights to strengthen the hips, thighs, derriere, abdomen, upper torso and arms. The certified instructor offers new routines each week, provides easy-to-follow cues, safety reminders and positive motivators.

Jazzercise is an opportunity to connect with others while improving fitness. It allows its students to pursue their future interests and decreases their dependence on the health care system by providing mental and physical benefits.

For more information, contact Scotty at *scotty-pl-jazzercise@cablespeed.com* or call 437-7897. You owe yourself and your loved ones a healthy life. It is up to you to provide it! Look in the new *Port Ludlow Residential and Business Phone Book* for an introductory coupon.

Become an IRS-Certified Tax-Aide Volunteer

AARP Tax-Aide is looking for new volunteers to prepare federal income tax returns for the upcoming tax season. Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds are welcome!

Training begins in December, using IRS-provided training materials and software. All volunteers must attend training classes and pass the IRS test before assisting taxpayers during the tax season. Tax-Aide volunteers provide free tax return preparation and electronic filing for members of our community. New volunteers in Jefferson County work with experienced volunteers in Chimacum and Port Townsend locations.

The Tax-Aide program is sponsored by the AARP Foundation and the IRS. You don't need to be an AARP member or retiree to volunteer, or to receive tax preparation services from AARP Tax-Aide.

If you have basic computer skills, enjoy preparing income tax returns, and (mostly!) enjoy helping others, this could be a perfect volunteer opportunity for you! Anyone can sign up for this educational, challenging, and enjoyable experience. Become a Tax-Aide volunteer and see what a difference helping others in your community can make in your life!

To sign up or for more information, contact David Self at 360-385-2617 or *dcself@olypen.com*. You can also complete an online application at *www.aarp.org*.

Community Meetings

Dine and Discover

On **Monday, October 1** at the Bay Club, Richard LeMieux, author of the bestselling book, *Breakfast at Sally's*, will share his journey from being a wealthy businessman to living in his van with his dog Willow in Bremerton. "Sally's" is what the homeless call the Salvation Army's soup kitchen, and Richard credits The Salvation Army in Bremerton and Major Jim Baker in particular with saving his life. Since the publication of his book in 2009, Richard has been a galvanizing force both locally and on a national level in highlighting the plight of the homeless.

Sign up at the Bay Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 persons.

On **Monday, November 5** at the Beach Club, Dr. Frank Kitamoto will speak on "Making a Difference", putting human back into human rights, and on lessons from the past to help us make choices for the future. Through his PowerPoint presentation, Dr. Kitamoto will share personal stories, oral histories and historical photos which include those taken of the first community to be forcibly removed to incarceration camps. Diversity and difference and seeing all people as equal is important, and is the real power that makes the United States so special.

Sign up at the Beach Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people.

For both events, remember to bring your own complete table settings including placemats, dishes, glasses, utensils, napkins and your favorite beverage. A \$2 per person fee will be collected at the door. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. For questions call Michael or Hilda Cahn at 437-8223.

First Wednesday Lunch

Our next Luncheon will be held on **Wednesday, October 3** at 11:00 a.m. at the Beach Club. Chief Brad Martin of Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue will discuss details of 911 calls. He will let us know what we should do and what they will do if we are having a stroke or heart attack and what determines how and where we would be transported.

Encourage all your friends and neighbors to join us. Make your reservations by signing up at either the Bay Club or Beach Club by **Monday, October 1**. If you are running late with your reservation, please contact Fran Bodman at 437-5110.

These luncheons benefit the Tri-Area Food Bank. The lunch is provided to you by the food committee. In lieu of paying for lunch, we ask that each of you make a donation of cash and/or foods to the food bank. The requested October donations are baby food and cereals and, as always, personal hygiene items. Donations of cash or check made payable to Tri-Area Food Bank are always appreciated.

Again this year we are green. That means we ask you to bring your own table service (plate, silverware, etc). The less money we spend, the more money we can donate to the Food Bank.

Silent Auction is Just Around the Corner!

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is stepping up to the challenge of meeting some of the needs of worthy agencies with our eighth annual Silent Auction, "The Beauty of Autumn." It is being held **Saturday, November 3** from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Bay Club.

Luscious gift baskets, donated fine art, stunning estate and costume jewelry and delightful collectibles will be on display awaiting your bids.

As you shop, keep in mind those in our Tri-County area, which includes Jefferson, Kitsap and Clallam counties, who will directly benefit from your generous purchases. The number of victims of domestic abuse and violence keep growing. The services that the tri-county programs offer are straining to keep up. These services include providing women and children safe housing for refuge from a violent spouse, counseling services for men and women who have suffered from a crime against their person or property, helping victims navigate through the legal process with an eye toward recompense and healing, continuing to support the local police departments in enforcement of domestic violence laws already on the books, as well as advocating for new regulations to fit our ever-changing world. The goal is always to treat people with dignity and respect, just like all of us expect to be treated.

Please join us for a wonderful social evening for a great cause. A \$5 donation at the door will go toward any winning bid. Wine and appetizers will be served as you stroll among the lovely gifts and objet d'art. This is the place to be!

Please call event co-chairs Nancy Leahy, 437-9496, or Eline Lybarger, 437-7701 with any questions.

DigitalLife Hosts Jefferson County's Information Services Director

On **Monday, October 8**, Port Ludlow DigitalLife continues its "Living in a Digital World" series with a presentation by David Shambley, the Information Services Director of Jefferson County. The county has developed a strategic technology plan that will allow the county to upgrade its website and online services to allow people access to any county function.

Need a form? You will be able to download it. What about your home's assessed valuation? Get your assessed valuation history. This upgrade includes moving the county's computer servers to the county Sheriff's facility in Port Hadlock where significant power back-up systems are already in place.

When will the county's new system be in place? You will find out if you come and join us at the Bay Club at 5:30 p.m. for cookies and socializing. At 6:00 p.m. the evening's presentation starts, followed by a question and answer period.

- Office Group meets **Monday, October 1**, 10:30 a.m. – noon
- Mac Group meets **Monday, October 15**, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Photography / Pro Show Gold meets **Monday, October 22**, 10:00 a.m. – noon.
- Women's Workshop meets **Monday, October 22**, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Workshops are held every Saturday morning, 10:30 a.m. to noon. All groups and workshops meet at the Bay Club. For information about joining DigitalLife, contact Mary Ronen at 437-0268 or email her at maryr@olympus.net. Check the club's website at www.pldigitalife.org to see up-to-date Club news or to obtain a membership application.

Port Ludlow Book Club

How much do you really know about your family? Are there secrets held "close to the vest" and never acknowledged or talked about? On **Tuesday, October 9** at 6:30 p.m. at the Bay Club, the Book Club will discuss Joanne Tombrakos' premier novel, *The Secrets They Kept*, which takes this premise and weaves a complex story about a Greek family in New York City. Their lives are turned upside down one morning when the police inform Elena, a successful attorney and younger member of the Poulous family, that a man she has never heard of has listed her as his next of kin. She finds letters dating from before WWII in both English and Greek that will shed some light on

this man and why a web of family members are unwilling to even acknowledge or speak of him.

Joanne Tombrakos has a great gift for storytelling. The book offers a wonderful read with just the right mix of romance and suspense combined with really interesting family details. She will be joining us via Skype to discuss this compelling read and answer questions.

The book selection for November is *Wild Swans: Three Daughters of China* by Jung Chang. Everyone is welcome. For questions, please call Martha Dawson at 437-4167.

Port Ludlow Garden Club

The Port Ludlow Garden Club program will feature Sue Goetz, Gig Harbor Creative Gardener, on **Wednesday, October 10**, 11:00 a.m. at the Beach Club.

Summer may be moving on out but a beautiful garden shouldn't end. Learn how to bring fall fashion to your containers with cool weather plants for winter beauty and a colorful landscape by using texture, bark, berries, foliage and small evergreens.

Special guest speaker Sue Goetz and her team are the 2011 *Sunset Magazine Western Living* Gold Medal recipients. Sue is much in demand as a lecturer and her articles appear regularly in *West Sound Home and Garden Magazine*. Don't miss this rare opportunity to meet Sue!

Bring a brown bag lunch and a best friend! Beverages and dessert are provided. Don't be late! The featured speaker is first on the agenda.

Garden Club programs welcome members for free and guests may attend for \$5.

Note: Program planning for 2013 is underway. We want your ideas and suggestions. Please forward your thoughts to Susan Shelton, 437-1125, or email sandf@olypen.com, or Mary Stuart, 437- 8140, email marimstuart@gmail.com.

October Hikes

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

Wednesday, October 10: Fall Planning Meeting

Mark your calendar! Help plan the fall/winter schedule. Meet at the Beach Club at 5:00 p.m. to plan our hikes. The meeting will be followed by soup, salad, dessert and beverages. The cost per person is \$2. Sign up at the Beach Club and indicate what you prefer to bring. Also, don't forget your own place settings as well as adult beverages.

Hikes continued from previous page

For additional information contact Jack Riggen at 437-0370.

Friday, October 12: Lower Gray Wolf

Celebrate Columbus Day with a moderate 8.4-mile hike with 600 feet of elevation gain. The trail follows an old logging road and then meets up with the Gray Wolf River. Enjoy a side trip on Cat Creek Loop. For information contact Jack Riggen at 437-0370.

Friday, October 26: Elwha River

Join the group for an estimated 5 mile excursion exploring the Elwha River since the removal of the Elwha Dam. See how the river and plants are being restored. Watch your emails for further information or contact Larry Scott at 437-9299.

Every Wednesday: Timberton Loop

Walk the 4.5-mile Timberton Loop. Enjoy views of the Olympic Mountains and Mount Rainier. Meet at the trailhead on Timberton Road at 9:00 a.m. For information contact Barrie Gustin at 437-8025.

Paints Worth Their Weight in Gold!

Gold colors that is! Barbara De Pirro of Golden Artist Colors, Inc. will be the guest lecturer for the **Wednesday, October 17** meeting of the Port Ludlow Artists' League.

Barbara De Pirro is a painter, sculptor, installation artist and educator sponsored by Golden Artist Colors, Inc. She works in both two and three dimensions, translating and cross pollinating her concepts from one media to the other. Her expansive knowledge of acrylics, combined with her broad understanding of a full range of media, opens the door to vast possibilities. She generously shares with other artists in her workshops and lectures.

De Pirro's work has been commissioned and exhibited both nationally and internationally and includes many private and corporate collections. She has completed numerous public art commissions, both interior and exterior, including Tacoma Art Museum, SpaceWorks Tacoma, Port Angeles Fine Art Center, Museum of Glass, Matzke Sculpture Park and CoCA Seattle. Additionally, her artwork and techniques have been published in articles, art publications and books. DePirro's website is www.depirro.com.

This informative workshop on Golden Artist Colors, Inc. is open to all artists, however, reservations are requested. Please call Mary Lynn Laker at 437-9686 by **Wednesday, October 3**, or e-mail her at mllaker@gmail.com if you wish to attend. The workshop will be held

at the Beach Club on **Wednesday, October 17**, at 1:00 p.m. Because this is a workshop, the meeting is expected to run until 4:00 p.m. Guests are welcome and in addition to the reservation requirement, a fee of \$5 for the meeting is suggested. More information can be obtained by contacting President Wanda Mawhinney at 437-9081 or by email at mawhinneyw_w@msn.com.

Senior Singles

We will return to the Olive Garden restaurant in Silverdale on **Wednesday, October 17** at 5:00 p.m. to celebrate Oktoberfest. Most dinner offerings are priced between \$15 and \$20 and are delicious. Soups and salads are \$5 to \$6. Skinny Margaritas are \$6.95 and a variety of beers are offered.

Call our hostess, Doreen, at 437-9270 no later than **Friday, October 12** to make your reservation. Please let her know if you wish to drive or be a passenger. We suggest offering \$3 to the driver of the car to help compensate for gasoline costs.

Invite your friends and remember to wear your name tag.

The History of Popular Music

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is pleased to invite you to a presentation by Chester Prudhomme. He will examine the popular music of America as seen through its songwriters, instrumentalists and performers. This presentation will take place at the Beach Club on **Thursday, November 1** at 1:00 p.m. Many of you may have met Mr. Prudhomme at the CEA's Antique Roadshow in June since he was a very popular appraiser at that event. Mr. Prudhomme will provide a look at famous and obscure personalities in history through their music, ethnic backgrounds, recordings and influences on American music and American popular culture.

Beginning with the first well-known musical influence in America, Stephen Foster, we will also look at Caruso, Sousa, Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Charlie Patton and Bing Crosby. We will hear about the jazz age and the music of World War II and the huge boom in recorded music of all styles that began in the 1950s with television, Elvis Presley and the British invasion of the 1960s.

We will end up with an examination of the popular music of the last third of the twentieth century and look at how the American musical culture has influenced the broad range of musical styles and performers worldwide. We encourage you to sign up to hear this knowledgeable and entertaining speaker at www.ceainfo.org or by calling Pat Lohrey at 437-7760.

Hula for Health

Beginning **Friday, October 19**, Hula for Health will be back on the winter schedule. Classes will be held at the Bay Club at 4:15 p.m. on the first and third Friday of the month until March. We will practice dances previously taught by Bernie Robinson, work on basic steps and share Aloha. Join us for gentle, no-pressure exercise while learning basic hula.

This is a fee class led by Melinie Perry and there is a \$2 charge for non-South Bay members. Please contact Melinie at 437-2559 with any questions.

Creating your Life Story

Have you ever heard yourself say, "One of these days I must sit down and write my life story?" It is just overwhelming to think about doing a project of this magnitude. Come to the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) Live and Learn Lecture on how to create your life story. It will be held on **Friday, October 19** at the Bay Club. The time is 1:00 p.m.

The workshop will be presented by Karen Griffith. She will show you three ways you can tackle putting your life story together: written, photographic or oral. She will cover the reasons that your life story is so important to pass down to your children and grandchildren. We will look at the excuses we all make that prevent us from starting this project and we will look at the many resources available to us now for saving our stories.

Karen will have an outline available and will present you with a step-by-step walk-through of the events in your life. Just follow the outline and your life will reveal itself to you.

You may sign up online at www.ceainfo.org, or via the activity books at the Bay and Beach clubs, or by email to Karen Griffith at kgriffith45@gmail.com.

Free Spirits' Halloween

Vamps and vampires, wild witches, mangy black cats and strange creatures of all kinds are definitely headed this way. Spooky Drinks and Ghostly Goodies are guaranteed to be at the Free Spirits' Halloween event on **Saturday, October 27** at the Bay Club. The festivities start at 6:00 p.m. Costumes are welcomed but not required though there were some unique creations at last year's celebration! So think about yours if you're so inclined. There will be contests and prizes for the best group costume, the most

creative, the scariest and more. Dragon Eyes and Vampire Claws will head up the appetizers and the main menu will include Spooky Spinach Salad, Werewolf Short Ribs, Ghoul Gruel (Creamy Polenta) and Boogeyman Beets.

Take note that member sign-up will begin Friday, September 28, non-member sign-up, **Monday, October 15**, and the final day to sign up will be **Monday, October 22**.

The price for members is \$22 and for non-members, \$29. See you there.

Join the Out to Lunch Bunch

Please join us on **Friday, October 26** at noon for a delicious lunch at Bahn Thai Restaurant in Silverdale. The address is 9811 Mickelberry Road. We will order from the menu and receive separate checks. Luncheon dishes range from \$5.50 to \$9.50. You may check out the menu at www.bahnthaisilverdale.com. Their Pahd Thai is out of this world.

Sign up in the activity book at the Bay or Beach Club or online at www.ceainfo.org or email Karen Griffith at kgriffith45@gmail.com or call her at 360-215-4038.

Please make your reservations by Wednesday, **October 24**. Hope to see you there!

Stamping and Paper Arts

So you thought shaving cream was only for shaving or those creamy pies thrown in people's faces? Well, hold on to your razors, ladies, as we are going to see a bit of magic happen right before our eyes on **Wednesday, October 17** from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Bay Club. Joan Dragnich will demonstrate how to make yet another interesting background for our card-making by using shaving foam, alcohol inks or reinkers, and glossy white cardstock. The end result is a one of a kind, colorful marbled-effect background. Joan suggests you bring latex gloves and an apron as this technique could get a little messy during the process. Please join us to see how it's done and take home a unique card that you've had fun making.

Don't forget your show and tell handmade cards or paper crafts to share, as well as your bargain-priced, used rubber stamps and supplies for others to see and purchase. The money will be used for ongoing postage costs for our Cards for the Troops project.

On **Tuesday, October 16** from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Bay Club, the Big Shot/Die Cut machine owners will meet to share ideas and supplies with one another.

Port Ludlow Village Council

Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Vicki Tallerico, Secretary

President Tony Durham called the Thursday, September 6 meeting of the PLVC to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Beach Club. Other Council members present were Don Clark, Ned Luce, Lois Ruggles and Elizabeth Van Zonneveld. Absent were Laury Hunt, Donald Thompson, Vicki Tallerico and Pat Traci. There was no quorum but the meeting was recorded. Five residents attended the meeting and President Durham welcomed them.

Due to the lack of a quorum, the meeting was changed to a workshop meeting by President Durham. However, several important topics that the PLVC is working to resolve were discussed.

Council Membership: At this time of year it is necessary to elect Directors of the PLVC. The candidates submitted brief biographies of themselves which were mailed with the ballots to all property owners in the Port Ludlow Master Planned Resort. The candidates from North Bay are Linda Haskin, Tamra McDearmind, Elizabeth Von Zonneveld and Terry Umbreit. The candidates from South Bay are David Armitage and Laury Hunt. By voting, you become a registered Voting Member of the PLVC. Please return your ballot in the ballot boxes at either the Beach Club or the Bay Club by **Wednesday, October 3**. Remember, every vote counts and gives you a say on who will represent you in our community. The Annual General Meeting and Election of Directors of the PLVC will take place on **Thursday, October 4**, at 3:00 p.m. in the Bay Club.

IMQ Permit: This continues to be an on-going matter with the PLVC and the community.

New Banners: The design for the new banners is still being discussed. An example of a possible design for the banners was submitted by Vicki Tallerico through Tony Durham. Discussion concerning the banners was tabled until the next workshop meeting held on September 18 at the Bay Club. The final decision is postponed until there is more information about the price per banner and how they will articulate the different activities in the community.

Friday Market: The end of summer is here and the vendors will be packing up and clearing out their produce and crafts soon. Although there have been rumors of the demise of the Friday Market, they are not necessarily true. The Council has been meeting on the subject and gathering suggestions for

Port Ludlow Village Council Meetings

General Meeting

Thursday, October 4
3:00 p.m., Beach Club

Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, October 16
3:00 p.m., Beach Club
www.plvc.org

sustaining it. Some of the changes will affect vendors and shoppers, but the Council wants to accommodate everyone and their needs as much as possible.

Sandie Schmidt, the Market Coordinator who has worked so hard and well with the vendors, shoppers and local businesses in maintaining the current market for the past nine years, will be retiring. Sandie will be missed by all and we want to say, "Thank you so much for all that you gave to the community during these years and for a job well done." There is still a need for a replacement for Sandie, so if you are interested, please contact her at 360-437-0882 or Vicki Tallerico at 360-437-4065.

Special Guest: Shannan Kirchner, M.D. was introduced and welcomed to our community. Dr. Kirchner joined the current staff, consisting of Wesley Schott, ARNP and Rebecca Zambito, ARNP, at the Jefferson Healthcare Port Ludlow Clinic in May. Dr. Kirchner is a Board-Certified Family Practitioner and is currently working two days a week at the clinic. She is accepting new patients and also works out of Jefferson Healthcare Hospital in Port Townsend. If you would like to make an appointment with any member of the medical staff, you can do so by calling 360-437-5067.

Treasurer's Report: As of August, 2012, the General Operating Account was \$18,819; Certificate of Deposit was \$10,937. The IMQ Legal Fund held \$5,145. The available General Operating Funds were \$29,756.

Announcements: The next General Meeting, which will be the Annual General Meeting and Election of Directors of the PLVC, will be **Thursday, October 4**, 3:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. The next Workshop Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 16**, 3:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. Information about the PLVC and Port Ludlow is available at www.plvc.org. The meeting agenda is posted on the website at least one day in advance.

Village Phone Directory

by Tom Stone, PLVC Phone Directory Committee

The Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Residential and Business listing directories are almost sold out because it's a great product with many features plus it's only \$10 at the Bay Club or the Beach Club. The directory is easy to use and has several features that make it a must-have product. There are less than 75 copies left before we are sold out. Check out the following:

- New Red Binder that's easy to find and conveniently sized. We will take back your old blue or white binders. Just turn them in to one of the clubs.
- Includes a new Port Ludlow Street map and Hiking Trails inserted in the binders.
- Easy-to-use general Information section with handy-to-find key phone numbers.
- Condensed Emergency Services section with a listing of things you need to know and have ready in case we experience an earthquake.
- Easy-to-read White pages that include local businesses that you can easily reference. We used a combination of databases to collect this information. Not all residents are listed as we honored their requests not to include their information.
- An excellent and easily formatted Yellow page section that is grouped by easy-to-find subject matter listings. Many new commercial companies are listed that want to do business with Port Ludlow residents.
- The Directory contains a money-saving coupon section with 35 coupons that can recoup the cost of the directory. It's worth your while to read through this section and clip out and use these coupons.

Wellness Committee Support Group Fall Schedule

by Kathy Traci, Coordinator

Under the auspices of the Port Ludlow Village Council Wellness Committee, the following four support groups will continue to meet this year:

- The Beach Club Weight Loss group, We Are Losing It (WALI 1) meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 10:20 a.m. for weigh-in and 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. for the meeting.

- The Bay Club Weight Loss group, We Are Losing It (WALI 2) meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at 3:50 p.m. for weigh-in and 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. for the meeting. (Please note: While the weight loss groups are at capacity membership, if there is enough interest, another group can be started at the Bay Club on Monday mornings.)
- The Brain and Aging Support Group resumes their meetings on the fourth Monday of the month at 4:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. Any resident may attend without making a reservation or long-term commitment to membership. A short round-table discussion follows a DVD presentation.
- Breast Cancer Survivor Support Group meets in residents' homes. While membership is full at this time, if there is enough interest, the PLVC Wellness Committee has two residents who have volunteered to facilitate the start of a new cancer survivor support group. The new group would meet once or twice a month at the Beach Club.

For more information about any of these support groups or ideas for other support groups, please contact Kathy Traci at tracipkt@aol.com or 437-7874.

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Village Activities Calendar

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

October

Mon., October 1

9:00 a.m. – noon, LOA Board Meeting (members), Beach Club
 10:30 a.m. – noon, DigitalLife Office SIG (members), Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Voice Staff Meeting, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Timberton Board Meeting, Bay Club
 5:30 – 8:30 p.m., Dine and Discover, Bay Club

Tues., October 2

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Trails/NRC Meeting, Beach Club
 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., Facilities Meeting, Bay Club
 10:00 a.m. – noon, CEA Meeting, The Inn
 Noon – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment Club, Bay Club
 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Photography Editing Class, Bay Club

Wed., October 3

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon, Beach Club
 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class, Bay Club

Thurs., October 4

9:00 a.m., – noon, Bayview Board Meeting (members),
 Bay Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Photography Editing Class, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Bluebills Meeting, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC General Meeting, Bay Club
 4:00 – 7:00 p.m., Bluebills Oktoberfest, Beach Club

Fri., October 5

9:30 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA Board Meeting, Bay Club
 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Photography Editing Class, Bay Club
 Bay Club

Sun., October 7

9:00 a.m. – noon, Photography Editing Class, at WSU,
 Port Hadlock

Mon., October 8

3:30 – 5:30 p.m., MGA Board Meeting, Bay Club
 5:30 – 6:00 p.m., DigitalLife Social, Bay Club
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., DigitalLife General Meeting, Bay Club

Tues., October 9

6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Book Club, Bay Club

Wed., October 10

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Garden Club Luncheon, Beach Club
 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class, Bay Club
 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Artists' League Second Wednesday
 Reception, Columbia Bank
 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Second Wednesday Reception moves to Art
 Gallery
 5:00 p.m., Hiking Club planning meeting and potluck,
 Beach Club
 7:00 p.m., USCG Auxiliary General Meeting, Fire Station

Thurs., October 11

10:00 a.m. – noon, Drainage District, Beach Club
 Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club

Fri., October 12

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club leaves for Lower Gray Wolf,
 Bridge Deck
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
 10:00 – noon, Inner Harbor Board Meeting (members),
 Bay Club
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., South Bay Monthly Social (members),
 Bay Club

Sun., October 14

9:00 a.m. – noon, Photography Editing Class, at WSU,
 Port Hadlock

Mon., October 15

6:00 – 7:00 p.m., DigitalLife Mac SIG (members), Bay Club

Tues., October 16

10:00 a.m. – noon, Big Shots, Bay Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Community Work Day, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC Workshop, Bay Club
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Future of Fort Worden Forum, Bay Club
 6:30 p.m., Reader's Theater, Call 437-2861 for Location
 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Fly Fishers Meeting, Bay Club

Wed., October 17

10:00 a.m. – noon, Stamp and Paper Arts Club, Bay Club
 10:15 a.m. – noon, Long-range Planning Meeting, Bay Club
 1:00 – 4:30 p.m., Port Ludlow Artists' League, Beach Club
 2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class, Bay Club
 5:00 p.m., Singles dine at The Olive Garden, Silverdale

Thurs., October 18

1:00 – 4:00 p.m., LMC Board Meeting (members), Beach Club
 5:30 – 8:00 p.m., Niners' Dinner, Bay Club

Fri., October 19

9:30 – 11:00 a.m., ARC Review Meeting, Bay Club
 10:00 – 1:00 p.m., Retirement Planning Seminar, Beach Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., CEA's Creating Your Life Story, Bay Club
 4:15 p.m., Hula for Health, Bay Club
 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Arts Council Cabaret Concert "Happy Hour"
 Bay Club
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Performing Arts presents Gonzalo Bergara
 Quartet, Bay Club
 5:00 p.m., Chef Dan cooking class, The Fireside
 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Afterglow Dinner, The Inn At Port Ludlow

Mon., October 22

10:00 a.m. – noon, DigitalLife Photo/Pro Show Gold
 SIG (members), Bay Club
 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Women's Workshop, Bay Club

Wed., October 24

2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class, Bay Club
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., MGA Golf Event, Bay Club
 5:00 p.m., Port Ludlow Yacht Club Open House, Wreck Room

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Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club

Fri., October 26

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club Leaves for Elwha River, Bridge Deck
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
 Noon, CEA Out to Lunch at Bahn Thai, Silverdale
 Pumpkin Carving Night, Niblick's

Sat., October 27

6:00 – 10:00 p.m., Free Spirits Halloween Party, Bay Club
 6:00 p.m., North Bay Halloween Pot Luck, Beach Club
 (members)

Future Events

History of American Popular Music lecture, November 1, Beach Club
 CEA's Silent Auction, November 3, Bay Club
 Dine and Discover, November 5, Beach Club
 Democrats Election Night Party, November 6, Beach Club
 South Bay Artists and Crafters Show, November 7, Bay Club
 Veteran's Day Observance, November 11, Beach Club
 Ludlow Village Players Auditions, November 13 and 15, Bay Club
 Garden Club Holiday Shopping Trip, November 14
 AARP Driver Safety Course, November 14 and 16, Beach Club
 CEA Holiday Home Tour, December 4
 Garden Club Holiday Tea, December 12, Bay Club
 North Bay Holiday Lunch, December 16, Beach Club

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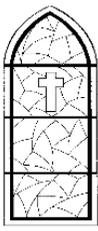


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LMC August Board Meeting Highlights

by Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC Secretary

The monthly business meeting of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Board of Trustees was held August 23 at the Beach Club. The following are highlights of that meeting:

The trustees voted at the May board meeting to install a shuffleboard court adjacent to the pickleball court at Kehele Park. The work had been delayed due to scheduling difficulties with the selected painter. The decision was finally made to do the work in-house by the Beach Club staff, and was estimated to be completed by the end of August. The game equipment has been purchased and can be checked out from the Beach Club. The addition of a bench on the uphill side of the pickleball court is being considered.

The Covenants and Regulations Committee has proposed an amendment to LMC Bylaw Article V, Section IV to bring it into compliance with the state law (Revised Code of Washington or RCW). The RCW requires at least two trustees to serve on every committee formed by the board. While it has been the practice of the Board of Trustees to have two trustees on each committee, the current Bylaws require two trustee representatives only on each standing committee (Architectural Control, Greenbelt, Operations, Finance, Covenants & Regulations and Communications). The Bylaw amendment strikes the word "standing." The amendment also moves a sentence to the end of the paragraph where it logically belongs. The board accepted the second reading of the amendment and voted to present it to the membership for a vote.

The board approved the addition of Mari Stuart as a new member of the Communications Committee.

The September business meeting of the LMC Board of Trustees was scheduled for Thursday, September 27. Beginning in October the board will meet on the third Thursday of the month instead of the fourth. That date will be **Thursday, October 18**. The meeting the following month is scheduled for **Thursday, November 15**.

Important Dates

LOA Meeting
Monday, October 1, 9:00 a.m.

E-mail: PortLudlowLOA@yahoo.com
Sign up for the *LOA Bulletin* online at the above address

LMC Board Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 1:00 p.m.

Tel: 437-9201
E-mail: beachclub@olympus.net
Sign up for the *Navigator* online at the above address

Visit www.lmcbeachclub.com for more
complete information

All LMC members are welcome.



A Colorful Tapestry

by Teddy Clark, LMC President

Autumn is a beautiful time of year filled with crisp air and changing colors plus a few rain showers. It is much like the colorful tapestry of our community. We can all reflect on summer memories as we take in the present changing scene.

It is also time to stay informed about our community association. Visit the Beach Club, read the bulletin board, attend committee and board meetings, read the *Navigator* and *Voice*, volunteer, call a trustee or committee member, use our brilliantly updated website. Watch for dates about upcoming information, events, community gatherings and forums.

We all have a responsibility as members of our community to stay informed so we can make the best decisions about our shared future. Every member matters. In the near future there will be important decisions to be made about our community association.

The Board of Trustees, committees, numerous other volunteers plus our General Manager and staff are all hard at work to "Maintain our Community Homeowners Assets" (MOCHA). They have worked many hours, weeks and months to keep a balanced budget and maintain our assets; however, as we all know, there are much needed drainage and electrical repairs at the Beach Club which are beyond the scope of regular maintenance issues.

We all have a responsibility within the tapestry of our community to safeguard our shared assets now and for the future. Be informed, stay involved and catch the spirit.

Update from the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

As the seasons change, so do things at the Beach Club and other Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) amenities. Beginning **October 1**, the outdoor pool will be closed until May of next year. Up to the writing of this article, the outdoor swim season has gone extremely well. (I hope I'm not jinxing anything.) We had good attendance and glorious weather, and based on the sounds coming from the pool, lots of good times for pool users.

Starting **October 7 through December 30**, the Beach Club is scheduled to be closed all day on Sundays unless a group or organization is willing to pay the extra staff time. The facility will open for that function and not recreational usage.

The LMC Board of Trustees has not decided whether the Beach Club will remain closed on Sundays during the months of January through April as was the case in 2012. As next year's budget is developed, a clearer picture of LMC's fiscal needs will become apparent. In 2012 more than \$10,000 in operating costs was saved by closing on Sundays during the seven months of January through April and October through December.

Our LMC maintenance staff recently stenciled a shuffleboard court layout on the Kehele Park pickleball court. LMC members can check out the shuffleboard equipment from the Beach Club hostesses. Kudos to LMC member John Sandquist! He proposed to the LMC Operations Committee that a shuffleboard court be added to Kehele Park.

LMC staff has also replaced the Rainier Lane sports court basketball backboard stanchion that had rusted and weakened. In addition to the support post, a new backboard and rim were also installed.

As a follow-up to last month's *Voice* article, LMC members should look for user name and password information in the upcoming LMC *Navigator* newsletter. This information will be needed to access the Members' section of the newly redesigned LMC website, www.lmcbeachclub.com.

If you have questions or comments about this article or the work that is ongoing at the Beach Club, I can be reached at 360-437-9201 or beachclub@olympus.net.

Welcome New North Bay Neighbors

Kathleen La Belle
Dennis and Diane Wilkerson
Catherine Walters
Jane MacGregor
John and Patricia Willis

Yawl Lane
Harms Lane
Barque Lane
Cressey Lane
Gamble Lane

North Bay Potlucks Halloween Party

Join us, in costume if you wish, on **Saturday, October 27** at 6:00 p.m. at the Beach Club for a Halloween Potluck dinner. There will be dancing and prizes for the best costumes.

Sign up at the Beach Club to bring an appetizer, salad, main dish or dessert to share. BYOB. Don't forget your tableware. Cost is \$4 per person. For more information or to volunteer as a helper, contact Fran Bodman at 437-5110 or franbodman@cablespeed.com.

Port Ludlow Veterans Day Observance

Veterans Day will be observed on **Sunday, November 11** at the Port Ludlow Beach Club commencing at 4:00 p.m. for all veterans, spouses, widows and widowers of veterans residing in the Port Ludlow community. Please check the **November** issue of the *Voice* for program details. This is a reminder to place this important date on your calendar.

Fourth Annual Holiday Luncheon

North Bay residents who may be planning winter activities or getaways may want to mark their calendars for **Friday, December 14** at 11:30 a.m. for the festive catered Holiday Luncheon to be held for the fourth consecutive year at the Beach Club. More details will be announced in **December**.

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SBCA Important Dates

Monthly Board Meeting
Friday, October 5, 9:30 a.m.
Visit <http://plsbca.org>

All SBCA members are welcome. 

SBCA September Meeting News

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

Sue Oemichen called the meeting to order Friday, September 7, at 9:30 a.m. Directors Kay Cathcart, Tom Claudson, Richard Grieves, Ken Thomas and Chris Whitehurst were present; John Walker was absent. Bay Club staff Mike Morgan and Linda Colasurdo, Recording Secretary Mea Graham and 23 members attended.

A quorum was determined and agenda approved. Thomas moved to approve the August 17 Board meeting minutes; it passed with Whitehurst dissenting and attaching a written statement regarding inaccurate reporting of her comments regarding errors in funding of IRAs.

Thomas gave a brief financial report (viewable online) which the Board received by unanimous vote. Cathcart reported three correspondences: One regarding Director and Officer insurance coverage (response unnecessary), one commending Colasurdo for saving a life (response unnecessary), and a member letter regarding various issues (Oemichen to respond).

Architectural Review (ARC): Colasurdo noted one conditional approval (awaiting arborist information), eight view maintenance and tree removals, five Village ARC approvals and one complaint. Whitehurst moved to appoint Brett Oemichen ARC President and approve new members Mike Carr and Janet Force; it passed unanimously.

Facilities Planning: Grieves advised on landscaping progress. Two bids were received for pool heat-pump installation, a third was being sought. Regarding the Reserve Study, Board members' packets included a document Grieves described as showing "where we stand now." He moved to approve Steve Shanklin as committee chair and appoint Eline Lybarger to replace Bob Burns, and to have home re-sale capital contribution research moved to Finance; both passed unanimously.

Finance: Thomas asked members for cost-saving ideas. The fee schedule will be reviewed.

Long Range Planning: Sherry Robinson advised returned surveys were opened, responses compiled and comments taken home to be typed into electronic form. A joint Board / Committee meeting will be scheduled to consider "the most effective way" to disseminate survey information to members.

Operations: Morgan noted membership remained constant. Five were in arrears two quarters or more; two, in arrears three quarters or more, had liens filed. Jefferson County's Health Department inspected and passed the kitchen "with flying colors." The dumpster pad was pressure washed. Colasurdo was thanked for eleven years of service. A new agreement was signed with the Arts Council for upcoming performances. Cloudy pool-area windows (still under warranty) were being addressed. Root-damaged sidewalks were painted to increase awareness; they will be fixed.

Other Highlights: After audience questions, the Board acknowledged a closed meeting (on September 5 at 10:30 a.m.) was held; no notice was given to members; all Board members attended, association business was discussed; no minutes were taken. A discussion ensued which Oemichen acknowledged this meeting's minutes would include. Anderson Accounting was working on re-filing 940, 941 and W2s for the past four years to correct discrepancies. Grieves moved to have the President confer with Anderson to improve processes; Whitehurst suggested securing an estimate, if warranted, after last year's audit included recommendations be reviewed; Grieves withdrew the motion. Cathcart moved to transfer the 2012 \$18,000 surplus from the operating account to money market; it passed unanimously. Grieves moved to assign items from annual meeting comments to various committees for action; it passed unanimously. A lengthy discussion regarding release of member information culminated in a unanimous vote to approve the new member information policy and questionnaire (to be sent

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with October's statements). Work on 2012-2013 Board goals was deferred until October. Claudson moved to direct Morgan to correct insurance application inconsistencies and have our insurer inspect the club for safety recommendations; both passed unanimously.

Message from the SBCA Board

by Chris Whitehurst, SBCA Vice President

I have been appointed by the SBCA to be the "Board Design Standard Coordinator" and work on finishing the process started last year to get the Design Standards in compliance with our Governing Documents.

There are many layers of regulations that dictate how we can use our private and common property. They include Federal, State, County, Plats, Critical Slope Area, Shoreline, rules on political signs, and satellite dish regulations. There are also rules we must follow in our individual Village CC&R's. The Design Standards, which are allowed by our SBCA CC&R's, should not try to encompass all of these regulations. I feel that we need to go back to the basics as stated in our Governing Documents. To accomplish this, I will use the information as stated in the CC&R's as it relates to architectural and landscape requirements.

This will be posted on the SBCA website in Draft form. At that point, the Board, the ARC and the Compliance committee will assemble to see if any further restrictions need to be added. Public comment can be made by getting information to anyone in these groups. If there are any additions to be made, they will be included and reposted to the website. After a period of time, for member and legal review, the new Design Standards will be voted on by the Board of Directors.

If there are significant changes that need to be made to the CC&R's, they must be voted on by the entire membership at next year's Annual Meeting.

Yard Work Volunteers Needed

by Robert Burns, Guest Writer

At the September South Bay Community Association Board meeting, the Low Budget Option of the Bay Club Landscaping Plan was approved. The Plan is intended to be a multi-year effort to enhance the appearance of the Bay Club.

The overall concept is to have mostly native plants that are low maintenance, pest- and deer-resistant, and donated free of charge by our residents. The scheme will

provide coloration throughout the year with highlights in the spring and fall. The community response to this activity has been very positive. To date a number of residents have offered to donate Board-approved plants and more than \$300 in cash donations have been received.

As noted in earlier *Voice* articles, the Plan is based on community volunteers performing various gardening tasks as a means of minimizing costs. A community work day is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 16**, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. A list of tasks to be performed and equipment needed will be available at the Bay Club Reception Desk beginning on **Monday, October 1**. A second community work day will be scheduled during November to complete Phase 1 of the Plan.

South Bay Monthly Social

Please join your fellow members at 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, October 12** at the Bay Club. Bring a favorite appetizer to share. Beverages are provided. 🍷

New Members in South Bay

Please welcome Duane and Sue Peterson to Ludlow Point Village 3.

Port Ludlow Associates

Marketing PLA

by Diana Smeland, President, Port Ludlow Associates (PLA)



Have you seen our new look in marketing? We've been making many small changes behind the scenes these days. Along with a fresher look in our online and print ads, we have updated the tag line for the Resort from "Come for a Day, Stay for a Lifetime" to "Come for the Day, Stay for the Lifestyle". After all, isn't the lifestyle here at Port Ludlow ultimately what sets this place apart?

These changes are the beginning steps to focusing our efforts back on real estate development and bringing new people to Port Ludlow. These particular changes are the result of two new partnerships.

The first partnership is with one of our new employees, Jennifer Lampe. Jennifer is our Marketing Manager and she came to us at the beginning of the summer after spending the past two and half years living and working on the Washington Coast. She has an exceptionally strong background in both real estate and hospitality marketing and began her career as a real estate agent, working as a Builder Representative. As a child, both she and her family often vacationed here in Port Ludlow where her father's company owned a condominium in Admiralty II.

As Marketing Manager, one of Jennifer's first accomplishments was to fill the Marketing Assistant position, and we couldn't be more thrilled with Tara Pate in this role. Tara brings a wealth of knowledge in marketing from her past experiences of working as the Director of Client Relations in a boutique alternative investment firm in Charleston, South Carolina and, more recently, when she worked as an Event Coordinator for a Seattle-based advertising agency.

The second partnership we've created here recently is with the Rockfish Group. Rockfish is a local group founded by Kelle Kitchel-Cooper who is the daughter of Port Ludlow residents, Lee and Virginia Kitchel, and daughter-in-law of Don and Betty Cooper. Her Public Relations and Marketing firm is the result of collaboration with local professionals with backgrounds and expertise at Fortune 500 companies. The Rockfish Group was excited to take on the project specifically because of their vested interest in the success of this community.

Rockfish is helping the Port Ludlow Associates and Resort teams with branding, print and online marketing, website updates, social media and printing services, just to name a few.

Along with our marketing changes, we are also preparing for an even greater focus on our new construction development. If your friends and family are looking for a great value, now is the time to buy. In September we offered a month long "Tour of Homes" to prospective home buyers. In October, we will be holding open houses every weekend for potential buyers; look for open house signs throughout the community. Both new construction and re-sale properties will be available to view, and our Olympic Terrace model homes will be open Saturdays and Sundays from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Remember, in Jefferson County USDA loans are available which offer some compelling financing opportunities. If you need more information about this program, please contact one of our John L Scott Brokers.

Let me know your thoughts on marketing Port Ludlow. I would love to brainstorm with you. My direct line is 360-437-8342 and my e-mail address is dsmeland@port-ludlowassociates.com.

October Happenings at the Resort

by Jennifer Lampe, Marketing Manager, Port Ludlow Associates



Sails on Ludlow Bay.

Submitted photo

I love the crisp cool days of autumn every bit as much as I miss the warm balmy days of summer. But before I jump too far into autumn, I want to be sure that I pass on

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Autumn scene.

Submitted photo

congratulations from all of us here at the Resort to Eric Jespersen and the crew of US 81 Goose who were winners of the 2012 North American Championships. The championships were held here in Port Ludlow a few weeks back on a warm summer day. What a perfect way to enjoy such a beautiful sport!

Although I do miss the warmth of the summer, I cannot wait for my first opportunity to curl up in front of a roaring fire while savoring the falling leaves and the chill in the air. There are just some things that feel like they were made for fall. Nonetheless, if you're still reminiscing about summer and are in the mood for ice cream, don't forget that this month's ice cream down at the marina store is Pumpkin Pie a la Mode! I think it may be the perfect way to embrace the changing seasons.

With its changing leaves and Halloween festivities, October is a month of delight and merriment. For those who savor this time of year by way of its culinary offerings, October is known for the harvest it produces. As such, The Fireside's October cooking class is "All about the Root" which celebrates autumn's bounty of flavors that are available to enjoy. If you are looking for delicious new recipes, ways to use local fall ingredients, or just want to meet a variety of new people from the community, come and experience Chef Dan's final cooking class of the year. The class will begin at 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, October 19**, and will be followed by a four-course dinner, featuring the dishes taught in class.

If you're looking forward to the fun of Halloween, be sure to attend the "Third Annual Pumpkin Carving Night" at Niblicks on **Friday, October 26**. Head up to the Golf Club and for just \$15 per person (or \$25 per couple), you'll have a pumpkin to carve as well as all the tools you might need to create a true Halloween masterpiece. Niblicks will provide light appetizers and a raffle ticket to everyone who attends. Prizes will also be awarded for the most creative pumpkins, and you might just win one of many fun raffle prizes! Come in casual attire or dress up for the event in your scariest costumes to kick off Halloween weekend in style.

It may seem like autumn has only really just begun, however, it's not too early to make reservations for Thanksgiving at The Fireside. Enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving feast without the hassle of cooking it. You'll even get to take home the leftovers! As we look toward the December holidays, be sure to save the date for our very first "Raid the Cellar" event on **Friday, December 7**. The event will be hosted by our very own sommelier, James Robinson, and if you enjoy the Fireside's award-winning wine list, you won't want to miss this event.



Fruits of the cellar.

Submitted photo

Next, if you rang in the New Year with us last year, be sure to make your reservations early this year. Our event was such a hit last year that we're doing it again, and we are looking forward to a truly memorable evening ringing in 2013. For reservations for any of our events at The Fireside, please call 360-437-7412.

Finally, whether you are a boater or just enjoy seeing the holiday lights, this year's "Holiday on the Docks" is scheduled for **Friday, December 21**. The best decorated vessel gets a month's free moorage.

Housing Recovery?

by Ryan Mowery, John L. Scott Managing Realtor

On September 5, Northwest Multiple Listing Service (NWMLS) issued a press release stating pending sales, closed sales and all prices increased in August compared to a year ago. Those indicators, along with many areas experiencing inventory shortages, have prompted many to declare the market is recovering. Brokers reported 8,338 pending sales of single family homes and condominiums last month for a year-over-year increase of 9.3 percent.

Fourteen of the twenty-one counties reported double-digit gains in mutually accepted offers according to the NWMLS. Last month was the fifth consecutive month of at least 8,000 pending sales. With several months of healthy pending sales, closed sales reached the highest volume in 2012.

Looking in our own backyard, housing inventory in Port Ludlow is less than it was a year ago. According to Trendgraphix, Inc., which uses NWMLS data, as of August inventory levels are 25 percent less compared to August 2011. Port Ludlow has seen a consistent level of pending home sales since April which has translated to steady closed sales. Even though Port Ludlow has less inventory than in previous years, it is still a buyers' market within the Master Planned Resort. There are over two years of inventory (closed sales) available for buyers.

Inventory levels emphasize the importance of a home for sale being priced correctly from the beginning, visible to the internet at all times and easy to show to prospective clients. Over 80 percent of home buyers use the internet as a primary source during their home search. Buyers are finding all of the information about the home, days on market, price per square foot, previous sales, and other facts long before they contact a real estate professional.

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Sports & Games

He Did It: 100 Holes in One Day!

Golf Pro Vito DeSantis made Port Ludlow golf history by completing a one-man marathon to benefit uncompensated care at Children's Hospital in Seattle. DeSantis started in the wee hours of the morning and finished about 6:30 in the evening with a break in the middle of the day, only a few strokes off par. The marathon raised \$6,578 for the hospital. The funds included income from the raffle. The auxiliary collected 74 paid pledges; 11 were yet to be received at this writing.

When approached by the Children's Hospital Auxiliary, DeSantis suggested the marathon and said it was something he had always wanted to do. He has personal experience with the ravages of cancer as his niece was diagnosed with lymphoma when she was only 12 years old. The highly successful charity event sets a high bar for future fundraising efforts.

News from the Lady Niners

by Barbara Berthiaume, Publicity

As the Niner golf season draws to a close, there are a number of important events in October. The last Captain's Cup Tournament is on **Thursday, October 4**. After play on **Thursday, October 11**, the Annual Captain's Cup Luncheon will be held at the Belmont Hotel in Port Townsend. Car pooling may be advisable.

The grand finale to the 2012 golf season will be the Couples Tournament on **Thursday, October 18** with a shotgun start at 12:00 p.m. on Tide followed by the End of the Year Banquet at the Bay Club. Sign-up sheets for all events are at the club house.

Men's Nine-Hole Golfers Finish the 2012 Season

The October schedule for the men's nine-hole golfers starts with an Individual Low Gross and Low Net game on **Thursday, October 4** with tee times beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Tide. The other two games rounding out the season are a two-man team Best Ball game on **Thursday, October 11**, 8:30 a.m. on Timber and the Couples' Shotgun on **Thursday, October 18**. The game begins at noon; the course is yet to be announced. Enjoy food, drink and conversation with other golfers at the banquet at the Bay Club after the game. Details of the 2013 season will be announced as spring approaches.

Duplicate Bridge Winners for August

by Tom Stone, Scribe

August 6: North-South: Lucy Stone/Joy Herring, first; Darrell Fett/Bruce Schmitz, second; Shirley Beppler/Lynne Folsom, third. East-West: Dan and Soozie Darrow, first; Shirley Porter/Dorothy Winter, second; Barbara Sexauer/Marilyn Linrothe, third.

August 13: Marilyn Elgin/Michael Bloch, first; Darrell Fett/Bruce Schmitz, second; Dan and Soozie Darrow, third.

August 20: Lucy Stone/Joy Herring, first; Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, second; Ralph Story/Nancy McGillis, third.

August 27: North-South: Doris and Ian Feltham, first; Darrell Fett/Bruce Schmitz, second; Lucy Stone/Joy Herring, third. East-West: Dan and Soozie Darrow, first; Barbara Sexauer/Marilyn Linrothe, second; Dave and Nancy Clancy, third.

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

International Sailing Championship Results Announced

by Dan Darrow, Guest Writer

Port Ludlow hosted the 2012 North American Championship of the International Six Metre Class sailboats this summer. Six races were sailed in Port Ludlow Bay over the two days in light to medium breezes of 8-10 knots. Race Committee boats were provided by Randy Shelly and Bill Wilson.

The Port Ludlow Marina provided the chase boat to set the marks for the windward - leeward courses. Members of the Port Ludlow Etchells fleet, Dan and Soozie Darrow, and John Neesz, assisted the race committee on both days. Dos Okies BBQ and Port Townsend Brewery catered the banquet capping off the event.

The classic US 81 Goose (built in 1938 and skippered by Eric Jespersen) won the championship. Second place went to the modern (built in 1972) USA 100 St. Francis IV helmed by Hank Thayer. The International Six Metre, often called the 6mR (6 metre rule), is one of the great racing yacht classes of all time and was originally formed

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in 1907. The rule is a formula that takes in various design characteristics such as length, beam, and sail area. The actual length of most of the boats is 10-11 meters (34-36 feet). These classic wooden boats were divided into two groups: the classics (typically designed in the 1930s-1950s), and the moderns (designed in the 1970s-1980s). They are typically crewed by a team of five people.

There were four boats from Canada, several from Port Madison and one from San Francisco. Several of these beautiful boats had recently been restored including Saga (originally built in 1936) and Ca Va (built in 1938). For complete results and more information about these boats, go to the website at 6mrnorthamerica.com.

Try It; You'll Like It!

by Michael Forrest, Pickleball Afficianado

Many Port Ludlow residents enjoy the game of Pickleball. It provides aerobic and anaerobic exercise, light competition and camaraderie. It is played around the world by people of all ages but is especially responsive to the interests and capabilities of mature adults.

In Port Ludlow the game is typically played in doubles (two players on each side of the court) and is gender neutral. The community has two community courts and private courts. There is a loosely organized group for "pick-up" play that e-mails game notices, typically for Monday, Wednesday and Friday play on the South Bay Tennis Courts on Deer Hollow Road, just south of the Golf Club. Most play with graphite or composite paddles and seamless Dura Fast 40 Pickleballs. Purchase equipment from www.pickleballstuff.com or from a sporting goods shop.

For more information, check out the U.S. Pickleball Association site or the International Pickleball Association site. Don't worry if you are new to the sport. Pickleball people are patient and most took up the sport after moving to Port Ludlow.



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This Month on the Peninsula

Bird Migration Cruises to Protection Island: Sponsored by the Port Townsend Marine Science Center, **Saturday, October 6 and 13**, 800-566-3932, 360-385-5562.

Dungeness Crab and Seafood Festival: Port Angeles City Pier and Red Lion Hotel. Free. Crab feed **Friday, October 12** 4:00 to 8:30 p.m. Details at www.crabfestival.org.

Fort Flagler State Park: 10541 Flagler Road, Marrowstone Island, hiking trails and beaches, WWII defenses. Tours are \$5 for adults, \$2 for children. For information, email fofflagler@gmail.com.

Fort Worden State Park: Beach access. Historic buildings and light house. Centrum.

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

JCHS Research Center: 13692 Airport Cutoff Road, Port Townsend, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission: \$4 for adults, free for those under 12. Call 360-379-6673.

Jefferson Museum of Art and History: 540 Water Street, Port Townsend, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. General admission: \$4, free to Jefferson County residents on the first Saturday of the month. Porter Art Collection exhibit continues through 2012. Maritime heritage and other exhibits. History camps. Call 360-395-1003 for information.

Kinetic Sculpture Race: Port Townsend, **Saturday and Sunday, October 6 and 7**. For information on Kinetic Konsortium and the event, call Kinetic Koffee, 360-379-4972.

Markets: Chimacum, Sundays through **October 28**, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Rhody and Center; Port Townsend, Uptown Tyler Street, Saturdays through **December**, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and on Polk Street, Wednesdays, 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Northwest Maritime Center: Wooden Boat Chandlery, 431 Water Street, Port Townsend. Tours available, 2:00 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday; other times by arrangement. Pets not allowed in the building. Free. Call 360-385-3628 for information.

Port Townsend Aero Museum: Jefferson County International Airport, 195 Airport Road, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$6 for children 7-12 years old, free for children 6 and under. Exhibits feature vintage aircraft. Biplane rides by Goodwin Aviation Company, 360-531-1727.

Port Townsend Marine Science Center (PTMSC): 200 Battery Way, Fort Worden State Park. Natural history and marine exhibits. Admission: \$5 for adults, \$3 for youths 6-17 years old, PTMSC members free. Call 360-385-5582, e-mail info@ptmsc.org or visit www.jchsmuseum.org for a schedule of events.

Puget Sound Coast Artillery Museum: Fort Worden State Park, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$1 for children, JCHS members free. Harbor defenses in Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca. Call 360-385-0373 or visit www.jchsmuseum.org.

Quilcene Fish Hatchery: 281 Fish Hatchery Road, Quilcene, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call 360-765-3334.

Trick or Treat Parade: Sponsored by the Port Townsend Mainstreet Program on **Wednesday, October 31**. Call 360-385-7911 for information on this and other events.

Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

by *Laura Brackenridge, Media and Events Coordinator*

Monday Member Lunch Meetings: Noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 555 Otto St., Port Townsend. Lunch served by Mystery Bay Seafood.

October 1: Fort Worden Lifelong Learning Center Public Development Authority will present their business and management plan. Sponsored by Ajax Café.

October 15: Carl Smith, Director of Watershed Stewardship Resource Center, and Michelle McConnell, Project Manager, speak on what is new at the County's Department of Community Development, including the Watershed Stewardship Resource Center. Sponsor, Food Co-op.

October 22: Chauncey Tudhope-Locklear, the Executive Director of The ReCyclery, will share his findings regarding the economic and environmental effect of communities who pedal more. Bikenomics -The economics of cycling and how you and your business benefit. Sponsored by KMI.

October 29: Dr. Luke Robins, Peninsula College President, will discuss the importance of community colleges in today's economy. Sponsored by *The Port Townsend Leader*.

Other Events:

Tuesday, October 2, 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., Coffee Talk at The Resort At Port Ludlow, Olympic Room, 1 Heron Road. Speaker Tina McCleese of Clarity Enterprises Financial Management Services.

Tuesday, October 9, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., After Hours Mixer at Maestrale, 821 Water Street, Port Townsend.

Wednesday, October 17, 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., Board of Directors' Meeting at Port Hadlock Conference Center, 173 Chimacum Road, Port Hadlock.

Thursday, October 18, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Ambassador Meeting at Doc's Marina Grill, 141 Hudson St., Port Townsend.

Local Resident Opens “Four Sisters” Shop in Port Townsend

by Kathleen Traci, Contributing Writer



The Four Sisters, from left to right, are Wanda, Amy, Karen, Linda.
Submitted photo.

Port Ludlow resident Wanda Jaramillo has opened a new antique and gift shop in Port Townsend. Named the “Four Sisters” for Wanda and her three sisters, it is located downtown in the same complex as Don’s Pharmacy. The shop is located close to the shoreline and faces the U.S. Bank and ferry terminal.

The Four Sisters carries a mix of antiques, vintage items, old and new home décor, knickknacks and small furniture pieces. On two recent visits, delicate Lenox coffee cups and a Roseville vase were purchased by this Port Ludlow resident.

While Wanda is the sole owner of Four Sisters, the idea for the shop came from getting together with her three sisters to have a big sale of items from their homes. Over time this experience evolved into the idea of opening a regular store. Now all of the four sisters help in locating and buying merchandise. The store also sells consignment items for local residents. In addition Wanda has a source for merchandise in California, allowing the store to offer some items seldom seen in Washington State.

With new items arriving every day, shoppers are sure to find something of interest. Hours of operation are Wednesday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Sundays from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. To discuss possible consignment of your treasured items or for additional information, please contact Wanda Jaramillo at 360-531-1788 or e-mail her at foursistersgbs@gmail.com.

Artist Tom Booth Exhibits at Gateway Visitor Center

The coming fall colors are reflected in a new Art Exhibit at the Gateway Visitor Center at the junction of Highway 104 and Highway 19 near Port Ludlow. Beginning on **Friday, October 5** we will show Port Townsend artist Tom Booth’s colorful views of our Peninsula.

When family and friends come to view the fall colors on the Olympic Peninsula, come to Gateway for tourist information. Showcase the Peninsula experience and plan enjoyable activities from hiking to sea kayaking with Gateway’s help. We have a full array of maps, information, and ideas relating to the activities here on the peninsula. If bicycling is your passion, we have the “Eastern Jefferson County Bicycle” maps on hand now as well. The fall season hours at the Gateway Visitor Center are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily.

Gateway is supported by Jefferson County and managed by the Jefferson County Historical Society for the public and local businesses. If you would like to volunteer as an ambassador for Jefferson County at the Visitor Center or at the Jefferson County Historical Society, call 437-0120 or email us at gatewayvcr@olympus.net.

Wild Mushrooms to be Displayed in Sequim

by Aven Andersen, Olympic Peninsula Mycological Society

The Olympic Peninsula Mycological Society (OPMS) invites you to its annual FREE Wild Mushroom Show, noon until 4:00 p.m., **Sunday, October 21**, at the Elks’ Lodge, 143 Port Williams Road, Sequim. Come and see some of the wild mushrooms that fruit on the Olympic Peninsula in the fall. Last year, the show displayed 160 species or species groups.

The identified mushrooms are displayed on long tables covered with moss. Usually, one table displays edible wild mushrooms (e.g., the prince, king bolete, golden chanterelle, cauliflower), another displays poisonous mushrooms (e.g., fly amanita, flat-topped agaric, tiger tricholoma, sweat-producing clitocybe), and a third displays the others (inedible, edibility unknown, curiosities). Also, there will be a display of look-alikes (edible mushrooms compared to similar looking poisonous ones).

Besides the displayed mushrooms, experts will be on hand to help you identify wild mushrooms you bring to the show, and there will be mushroom books and other items for sale, including mushroom kits for growing your own mushrooms at home. This is a wonderful, educational event for the whole family, and it’s free!

You Can Still Make a Difference!

The Jefferson County Library is in the home stretch of its “Make a Difference” campaign to support its remodel project. We are in need of only \$35,000 to reach the campaign goal of \$400,000. New matching funds have been acquired through a generous group of supporters. Donations will be matched dollar for dollar from a \$10,000 pool. Over 350 donors have already contributed \$50,000 to support the project, inspired by the generosity of a caring local couple who matched every gift up to \$1,000. This library remodel will provide improvements that will be enjoyed by the families of Jefferson County.

Renowned Musician/Artist Opens Studio in Port Townsend

Violinist and painter Lenore Vardi welcomed the public to her new art gallery and music studio during the Gallery Walk with a show featuring her paintings of flowers. Vardi has relocated from Bothell to Port Townsend and has hung pieces from the Vardi Art collection of musical paintings for which she and her husband, the late violist and painter Emanuel Vardi, are internationally known.

For decades, the Vardis lived and performed in New York as Carnegie Hall headliners, studio musicians and on stage with a list of greats ranging from Louis Armstrong to Itzhak Perlman. After a series of musical directorships that moved the couple westward, they spent a brief time in Port Townsend before settling in North Bend in 2007. After Emanuel passed away, Lenore decided to return to Port Townsend where she is accepting new violin and viola students and resuming her life as a painter and performer.

Lenore played *Pomp and Circumstance* and *Meditation from Thais* at the June graduation ceremony for Jefferson Community School. Lenore will also be the featured performer at Trinity United Methodist Church’s Candlelight Concert on **Thursday, November 15**. She says, “I am really looking forward to the concert, so I can meet more musicians and music lovers in this area.”

Vardi Art Studio operates on limited hours. You can tour it by appointment by contacting Lenore at 206-947-9694 or vardiart@vardiart.com. The studio is located at 280 Quincy Street in Studio B (off the courtyard below Jefferson Community School). More information on the Vardis’ work and life can be found at www.lenorevardi.com and www.vardiart.com.

Quimper Mercantile Company to Open in Port Townsend

by Lisa Olsen, Contributing Writer

The new Quimper Mercantile Company (QMC) located at 1121 Water Street, Port Townsend, is scheduled to open sometime in the first two weeks of October. The community-owned store is leasing the storefront formerly occupied by Swain’s Outdoor and More.



QMC will supply a broad selection of general merchandise: clothing, household goods, sporting goods, shoes, books, toys, packaged foods and other everyday items. According to Peter Quinn, Board President and CEO, “Our merchandise reflects the selection of a Target meets REI, leaning more toward Target. We will bring back everyday things at everyday prices.”

The store has been completely remodeled with new flooring, updated fixtures and a fresh coat of paint. A total of eight new employees have been hired, including the general and assistant manager. More employees are expected to be hired to cover the holiday shopping season.

QMC is comprised of a diverse group of business-oriented Quimper Peninsula residents who were concerned about the loss of Swain’s and the gap it left in the community’s ability to provide for basic mercantile needs. Also of concern was the negative impact on the practice of shopping locally, a practice important in fostering the economic viability of the Quimper community.

The initial group of four directors conducted a survey in March 2011 before deciding to move forward with the project. “We received 850 responses,” said Quinn. “Overwhelmingly, 97% cited the importance of the opportunity to shop locally.”

Coupeville residents Marcus Whiting and Monique Talkington expressed that sentiment, “We and several of our friends would routinely take the ferry to Port Townsend to shop at Swain’s. We are very excited about the opening of Quimper Mercantile.”

Community-owned companies usually arise to fill a void where the marketplace is too slow to act on its own. The concept for QMC is based on a model for successful community-owned enterprises in other small towns around the country, particularly that of Powell Mercantile in Powell, Wyoming. According to Quinn, “Quimper Mercantile is modeled very closely after Powell

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Mercantile; they are still going after 7-8 years and were very generous with their guidance and support.”

In addition to an initial investment of \$50,000 by the founding board members, QMC has raised \$525,000, not including figures from sidewalk sales during the recent Wooden Boat Festival and Port Townsend Film Festival weekends. Stock purchases can be made at the Port Townsend Farmer’s Market every Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the EDC Team Jefferson office at 2410 Washington Street and online. The stock price is \$100 per share and available to residents of Washington State only. Additional information and prospectus is available at www.quimpermerc.com.

Halloween Event Extended

A spooky fun-filled dinner and theatrical presentation scheduled for an earlier date will also be held on **Tuesday, October 30** at 7:00 p.m. Reservations are currently being taken. Call 360-297-4225 to make yours.

Experience creaking floors and flickering candles in the Tea Room at Port Gamble during the Victorian Night of Horrors. Hear stories that will haunt you. This is the perfect event for a group activity or a date night. There is a full dinner this year with appetizer/salad, entrée and dessert. All beverages (tea, coffee, wine, beer) will be at an additional charge. Cost per person is \$27.95 plus tax and gratuity. Reservations are required. We ask that children not be brought to this event.

Hospice Holds Annual Community Memorial Service

Jefferson Healthcare Hospice of Jefferson County will hold its annual community memorial service on **Thursday, November 1**, from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Community members are invited to join with friends and family in this free, non-denominational service to remember and honor loved ones. The service will be held at the Quimper Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 2333 San Juan Avenue, Port Townsend.

This year the service will include music, candle lighting, and a program of readings and reflections. During the service a memorial quilt, made by the Cabin Fever Quilters, will be displayed and family members are encouraged to add a photo or memento to honor and remember their loved one. The quilt is used as a symbol of hospice and represents the long-held American traditions of home, family, community and caring, all hallmarks of hospice.

Hospice Chaplains Beth Orling and Stephanie Reith will lead the memorial service. There will be refreshments and sharing immediately afterwards.

The memorial service is funded by the Hospice Foundation for Jefferson Healthcare. Anyone who would like further information is encouraged to call the office of Jefferson Healthcare’s Home Health and Hospice at 360-385-0610.

Harrison Opens Healing Garden

Scott Bosch, Harrison Hospital CEO, and Stephanie Cline, executive director of Harrison Foundation announced the soon-to-open Les and Betty Krueger Family Healing Garden in Bremerton. The garden provides a unique hospital environment for patients, families and visitors, physicians and Harrison staff. Featuring works of art designed by renowned local artist, Lisa Stirrett, the garden is designed with tranquility respite from stress in mind. Funded entirely by charitable gifts, the garden brings together the very best in health care design and underscores Harrison Medical Center’s dedication to be a caring community.

The garden’s 3,100 square feet features three distinct spaces for visitors: a covered entry, a central “living room,” and a creative work space designed for active programming. Patients waiting for out-patient radiation treatment in Radiation Oncology and other hospitalized patients have viewing access. Stairs/ramp to the elevated work area offers rehabilitative opportunities, and an interactive all-weather kiosk delivers messages of hope and healing.

To support the healing environment with a charitable gift, or submit your own message of hope and healing, go to www.harrisonfoundation.org.

Library Needs Reading Tutors

The Jefferson County Library offers one-on-one tutoring for children in grades 3 through 5 who need support with reading. It is about to launch into another year of the program. Tutoring sessions are offered Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., and we can accommodate 10 to 12 student/tutor pairs.

Reading is a vital skill and the tutoring program results in substantial student gains. Those who are interested in helping should contact Martha Ashenfelter, Youth Services Librarian, at the Jefferson County Library, 620 Cedar Avenue in Port Hadlock. For additional information or to volunteer call 360-385-6544. You will be helping a child build a foundation for a successful life.

The Evil Bunny of the Apocalypse

Bunnies are cute, furry, and destructive – not to just the lettuce in your garden but to dozens of native species around the world, especially on islands such as those off the coast of the Olympic Peninsula. Bunnies introduced to San Juan Island’s American Camp Prairie gnawed the grassy areas into deserts. They are also responsible for reductions in populations of ground-nesting auklets on Destruction Island and smaller numbers of tufted puffins.

How can such a cute, shy little creature be so apocalyptic for other species? One reason is that bunnies eat grass – lots of it. The area they invade is soon cropped short. Native perennial grasses are replaced with other more aggressive, less edible flora. Without the grasses the bluffs erode, and they and the nests collapse into the sea.

The bunnies also attract eagles that don’t discriminate between bunnies and young birds, gnawing on either one with equal enthusiasm. The existence of eagles can prevent the adult birds from feeding their young.

The bunnies, native to Europe, were introduced to the islands either by stowing away on ships or as pets. They escaped or were released and proceeded to breed like rabbits. Thus begins a cycle that is difficult to interrupt. Shooting, trapping or poisoning bunnies has proven unpopular with the public, but if island areas and their native populations are to be preserved, something must be done.

Jefferson Mental Health Court Proposed

Scott Rosencrans explained the operation of mental health courts at a recent meeting in Port Townsend. The concept has received support from the Deputy Prosecutor Miriam Norman, the public defender, police, judge and treatment facilities.

The concept of mental health courts began in the 1980s when Judge Evan Dee Goodman helped establish a court exclusively to deal with mental health matters in Indianapolis. It established a docket to deal with mentally ill offenders who were frequently arrested. It had two parts, a probate part handling civil commitment and a criminal part handling arrest charges. Under the right circumstances, the criminal charges could be put on hold, allowing the patient’s release from jail. The civil commitment would then become effective and the patient would be sent to a state hospital for treatment.

Mental health courts offer savings to local jurisdictions by reducing costs in law enforcement and judicial proceedings. The court operates by diverting persons who have committed nonviolent crimes and have mental problems

into treatment programs. Offenders must appear in court weekly to talk about their progress. The program helps keep defendants on medications and in therapy programs. Screening is necessary to determine eligibility. A successful result is an individual who can function in society and have a productive working life.

Criticisms of the system are that it increases involvement with the justice system, coerces people to enter guilty pleas, and infringes on the privacy of treatment. Underfunding of mental health services may also lead to inability of effective treatment to be offered.



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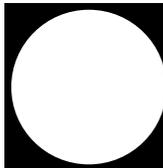
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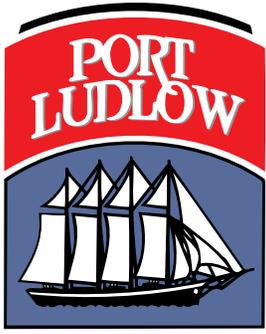
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