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Holiday Home Tour Brightens the Season

by Dee McConnell and Patricia Archibald, CEA Home Tour Chairpersons

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) Holiday Home Tour will be held on **Saturday, December 4** from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This year's home tour features five magnificent homes adorned with festive holiday decorations: two homes in South Bay, two homes in North Bay and one waterfront home adjacent to the Master Planned Resort (MPR). Proceeds from your CEA Home Tour Ticket purchase go to assist local college-bound students. The tour ticket functions both as the home tour guide and entrance ticket to the homes. For an enticing preview of the five tour homes, go to page 3.



A love of Santa is reflected in a collection of finely dressed Santa figures and charming Santa watercolors.

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

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Feature Articles

From the Editor's Keyboard

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

Voters in Port Ludlow and all Jefferson County rock! The turnout in the recent election was amazing; over 80 percent of registered voters sent in their ballots to make their preferences about candidates and issues known. Jefferson County was neck and neck with tiny Columbia County, but squeaked out a victory in the end and led the state in voter participation. However, the winner in the most votes contest is not as important as the sheer magnitude of voter participation in this year's midterm election, topping the previous state record of 72 percent. This turnout, in a land where many choose not to engage in the political process, is a credit to our citizens and a model for voters everywhere.

Auditor Donna Eldridge is reported to have said that the outstanding voter turnout is due to the ability of the "Democratic machine" to get out the vote. Although history indicates that the parties work very hard at rousing the voters, I prefer to think it was because people here care about their community and their world. They vote because they want to have a positive influence on it.

That view is arguably supported by the fact that Proposition 1, which increased the County sales tax, was approved by voters. Because many in Jefferson County are suffering economically, a tax like this in these hard times is a real sacrifice. It may be needed to protect vulnerable populations and environmental quality but it could have been rejected. It wasn't rejected because more people than not care about those things.

The voting, so far, went smoothly. Let that also be an example for other counties and states, especially Alaska, which at this writing is still tallying its write-in votes. Alaskans were flummoxed by the task of recording the name of the write-in candidate for U.S. senate, Lisa Murkowski. Now teams of election workers struggle to determine voter intent. Let's all remember this when the subject of school curriculum comes up again. It is the best example of why penmanship and spelling should be included.

The views expressed in this column are this Editor's alone and should not be construed to necessarily represent the views of every volunteer member of the Voice staff

Have a Merry Holiday Close to Home

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

I know you've been waiting for my annual compilation of fun holiday things to do during the month of December so that you can make your plans. Well, here it is! Most events are in Port Ludlow. Some are free but none will put a very big crimp in your budget. All are suggested to help you get into the spirit of the season.

The First Wednesday Luncheon takes place on **Wednesday, December 1** this year, and the Port Ludlow Sounders will be entertaining with holiday selections. You're all invited, and the only cost is a generous contribution to our local Food Bank, which you were going to do anyway. On **Friday, December 3**, get on over to the Bay Club to see the gorgeous tree light up and to hear the Choral Belles with their annual concert. The next day, **Saturday, December 4**, you can tour the magnificently decorated homes on the Community Enrichment Alliance's (CEA's) holiday home tour. There are five waterfront homes just waiting to be admired. After that, check out our local artists at a reception at The Inn At Port Ludlow where over 40 will be displaying their unique creations.

On **Sunday, December 12**, the Arts Council's Performing Arts in Port Ludlow series brings us another wonderful holiday concert, and you have your choice of a matinee or an early evening program. I've heard Dean Regan at least twice, and, believe me, you don't want to miss "A Broadway Christmas!" The wassail will be brewing and the tree will be lighted!

On **Wednesday and Thursday, December 15 and 16**, CEA has scheduled a get-away to Victoria, B.C., where we can shop and see Butchart Gardens' wintertime glory. If you haven't done so, sign up now; the deadline is **Wednesday, December 1**. Don't forget your passport! If you choose to stay home, put on your parka and earmuffs on **Wednesday, December 15** to see the lighted boats at our own Marina. After Holiday on the Docks, pop into The Fireside for a restorative libation! You also might consider an automobile tour of the beautifully decorated homes competing in the Lighting Contest. On **Sunday, December 19**, you might like to travel back in time 2,000 years when the Taproot Theatre Company performs *The Birth* at our Community Church.

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And, finally, dear readers, on Christmas Eve you may enjoy candlelight services at the Port Ludlow Community Church. Then go home, fix a toddy, put your feet up by the fire and get ready for the Big Day! And I wish you the merriest of holidays and a happy New Year! And, oh, yes, don't forget to enter your fruitcake in Port Gamble's Annual Fruitcake Competition!

Editor's Note: For further details on all of these events, see our front-page story as well as others in the Arts & Entertainment, Local News, Marina, Port Ludlow Associates and Regional News sections of this issue. Happy Holidays!

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The first South Bay waterfront home has three floor-to-ceiling arched windows to frame the view of the Twin Islands. This home is festively decorated with multiple holiday trees adorned with sparkling ornaments. The owners' extensive treasured collection of luscious gold, silver, lime green and crystal pear ornaments enhance this richly furnished traditional home. McCrorie Carpet One is sponsoring this home. With its sponsorship, McCrorie Carpet One made a substantial donation to the CEA Chimacum High School Scholarship Fund.

The other waterfront residence in South Bay has floor-to-ceiling windows that frame Port Ludlow Bay and Inner Harbor views. Look for the beautiful bronze Blue Heron, sporting a holiday bow, perched on the hearth of the massive river rock fireplace. The owners' love of Santa is reflected in their collection of finely dressed Santa figures and charming Santa watercolors. From the beveled glass front door to the cherry staircase and curved balcony railings, this home exemplifies its owners' love of old world architectural charm and quality craftsmanship.

Both North Bay homes on the tour enjoy spectacular water views. In one home, the owners' extensive crystal collection sparkles like their magnificent Port Ludlow Bay and Puget Sound views. A collection of porcelain bisque Margaret Furlong angels and a white bisque crèche are featured in the dining room. Tour takers should look for the couples' forest of lighted ceramic trees. New over-the-cabinet lighting beautifully showcases the owners' model lighthouse collection. Nautical touches throughout the home reflect the owners' love of the sea.

The other North Bay water view residence on the tour features five festive trees, including one with heritage ornaments and a collection of Harrods of London ornaments. Another tree features a collection of angels, handcrafted from antique handkerchiefs and lace. Festive garlands frame the magnificent water view windows.

A recently built Port Ludlow Bay waterfront home near the Master Planned Resort (MPR) features collections

of china, crèches, snowmen and angels. Spode holiday china, a blue and white china collection and English coffee and tea sets are on display. Heirloom furniture and framed vintage family photos are featured on the second floor. Tour takers should be on the lookout for a Snow Village and a mannequin-sized Santa.

The cost of the tour is \$15 for advance sale tickets and \$20 the day of the tour. All proceeds from the home tour benefit the CEA Chimacum High School Scholarship fund. Potential student beneficiaries have volunteered to serve as tour docents this year. Tickets may be purchased at the following locations:

- Dana Pointe Interiors at the Village Center in Port Ludlow
- Secret Garden in Port Townsend
- The Resort At Port Ludlow (As a special thankyou, the Inn is offering a \$2 voucher off a luncheon entrée or a free coupon for a dessert with a dinner entrée.)
- Online at www.brownpapertickets.com.
- CEA Promotional Table at the Bay Club, any Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Attend the Home Tour, enhance your holiday spirit, get decorating ideas, and help deserving local students. For additional information, please call either Dee McConnell at 437-7648 or Patricia Archibald at 437-0950.

Santa Claus: Patron Saint of Consumers

by Beverly Browne, Editor



Saint Nicholas of Myra.

Courtesy photo

The modern Santa Claus bears little resemblance to the early European Christian Saint Nicholas of Myra, the historic inspiration for our jolly elf. Nicholas of Myra famously gave dowries to three poor girls so that they would not be forced to become prostitutes. Our Santa delivers gifts to all children, rich and poor, but more to the rich.

Unlike his predecessor, Santa's gifts have strings attached because they are only given to children who are nice. The naughty child doesn't get on Santa's list and may be skipped on that most important night of the year, Christmas Eve, when Santa leaves the North Pole on his gift giving mission. The demand for goodness makes Santa unlike the Easter bunny who strews his largesse everywhere, requiring only that children be diligent in

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their search. Of course the prize, eggs, doesn't compare to Santa's loot, anything from a pair of socks to that very desirable Red Ryder BB gun.

Originally Saint Nicholas was portrayed as a gaunt figure wearing bishop's robes. The modern rotund Santa derives from the images of American cartoonist Thomas Nast and the Coca-Cola Company. Nast's 1893 illustrations in *Harper's Weekly* pictured Santa as a chubby guy with a long beard. Haddon Sundblom's illustrations for Coca-Cola's advertising in the 1930s immortalized him as a jolly fellow wearing red and white, the colors of the Coca-Cola brand.

Santa became really benevolent by association with the Salvation Army. He confused children everywhere by popping up on every corner, ringing a bell and asking for charitable donations. The department store Santa with his badly attached beard can also be a puzzle although he contributes to successful toy sales. James Edgar of Brockton, Massachusetts invented the original in 1890; it quickly spread around the country once its marketing value was recognized.

In bygone days Santa made toys in his workshop with the help of Mrs. Claus and his elves. Today he is into technology and the workshop is a production and distribution center with elves as management team and Santa as CEO. Sophisticated computers assign the toys to appropriate sleighs that are tracked in flight by North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD), the joint Canadian-American military organization. It is a far cry from riding a donkey.

A Tuscan Christmas

by Faye Beuby, Contributing Writer

Christmas in Italy, for me, was filled with joy and overwhelming hospitality. Streets, shops and homes were decorated with lights, wreaths and candles and filled with music to herald this festive season. Every Christmas, I would love to visit the nearby walled city of Lucca and stroll the pedestrian-only streets and alleys, particularly the busy Via Filungo with its colorful lights, seasonal music and frequent medieval processions. Christmas markets in the many piazzas would entice me with their imaginative wares. The aroma of roasting chestnuts filled the air. And, of course, the Christmas skating rink in Piazza Napoleone always beckoned.

Christmas is decidedly less commercial than in the U.S.; In Italy it is still a predominantly religious festival. Nevertheless, several of our more secular traditions are growing in popularity. Italians are more modest than we in their gift giving, presenting often food or other

consumable items. However, gifts are for everyone: postperson, barkeeper, handyman, banker, priest, etc. Also, Christmas trees have become more common. All my neighbors and friends in our small hillside village decorated their homes with trees, sprigs of foliage and manger scenes.



*A magnificent array for the Christmas feast.
Courtesy Faye Beuby*

Christmas foods vary greatly among the various regions of Italy though Christmas Eve dinner customarily consists of fish—often the traditional seven-course fish meal. The Christmas day repast is a true feast of many courses over many hours. Antipasti, zuppa, pasta, risotto, chicken, rabbit, turkey and/or roast pork are typical foods for this banquet. And this magnificent spread is often followed with some homemade grappa!

Special sweets and cakes, only to be found at Christmas, start arriving on grocers' shelves in early December. These can include panetone, panforte, ricciarelli, cenci and numerous regional specialties.

Santa's role in Italy is replaced with that of Befana (a kind, ugly, kerchiefed old witch) who arrives on **January 6**, the Feast of the Epiphany. The fable states that Befana refused to lead the wise men to Bethlehem. Hence, every Christmas, she soars on her broomstick from house to house, searching for the Christ Child, leaving small toys and candy for good children and pieces of coal (actually a candy resembling coal) for the others.

Buon Natale!

Faye Beuby, a resident of Port Ludlow, lived in northern Tuscany, Italy from 2000 through 2006 and returns many times a year.

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Preparing for the Winter

by Robert Burns, Contributing Writer

This article will cause flashbacks of past years' *did or didn't do* before the winter blast arrived. For many, groans suffice; some experience mild irritation and others experience guilt from still not having gotten A Round Toit.

Minimal searching on preparedness reveals a plethora of sound advice and lists of recommendations. Puget Sound Energy, www.pse.com, is excellent, as are general Internet inquiries. The big box stores and trade organizations are good sources. Local businesses provide an array of advice and some will perform on-site audits.

Like the holidays, preparing for winter can be highly ritualized. One should have the heating system checked by a professional, change air filters, check the window and door caulking, check exposed water pipes for insulation or heat tapes, install foam in electrical outlets, clean the gutters, cover outdoor faucets with foam caps, etc. Sometimes it is best to perform the tasks in a certain order. One idea is to clean the gutters first, so that when you are injured from falling off the ladder, you won't feel guilty about not being able to finish the other jobs.

Preparing for winter is similar to investing. There is risk taking and risk avoidance. One needs to evaluate the variables. First, consider recent climatic projections of colder than average temperatures. Second, 45 to 60 percent of a home's energy usage is gobbled up by the heat pump. Consider the probability for higher monthly charges. Perhaps one should clean the gutters last.

Transportation requires tires. Are the old baldies good for another season or not? Is the pantry dangerously low on critical staples such as caviar and foie gras? Should one have a repair shop perform the 85-point fall checkup to ensure the car will make the round trip to Central Market?

Emergencies are another area. Do you occasionally have your plumber over for dinner to insure he will respond to a major leak on New Year's Eve? Where is the main water shutoff? Perhaps the best course of action is the Hawaiian vacation and let the property manager assume all the worry.

From the Commissioner's Desk

by John Austin, County Commissioner

Now that the election season is over, I'd like to describe some of the duties that are required of a County Commissioner. There are three of us, one from each of the three Districts. While each Commissioner lives in his own District, his responsibility is to the entire County.

Each year, the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is responsible for passing a balanced budget. The BOCC enacts County ordinances, establishes land-use zones, hires a County Administrator and represents the County to State and Federal governments. The Commissioners serve on about 40 different boards and committees. Each commissioner serves on over ten such groups.

Two of the bodies on which I serve are the Transit Authority Board and the E-911 Board (Jeffcom). The Transit Authority Board consists of the three County Commissioners and two representatives from the City of Port Townsend. This Board recently hired Peggy Hansen as the General Manager. We reviewed a change in routing that included renewed and expanded shuttle service that takes passengers from downtown and uptown Port Townsend to the QFC and hospital through the Park and Ride. As you may know, the #7 bus serves Port Ludlow with four round trips a day during the work week and two on Saturdays.

The Jeffcom Board consists of a County Commissioner, the Sheriff, a representative of Port Townsend, a fire chief and a fire commissioner. The Board recently hired Janet Silvus as director who took over from Sheriff Hernandez who had served as interim in addition to his duties as Sheriff. Currently Jeffcom is updating its hardware and software including towers, computer assisted dispatch and radios. This will increase communication effectiveness; particularly in hard-to-reach areas of the south County. I always welcome your questions and suggestions about your County government.

The BOCC meets in its chambers in Port Townsend on Monday mornings (except fifth Mondays). An abbreviated agenda is published on Sunday in the *Peninsula Daily News*; a full agenda is on the County website at www.co.jefferson.wa.us. Meetings are open to the public.

IMQ Mining Permit Update

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

In early October a ruling was handed down in Iron Mountain Quarry's (IMQ) lawsuit against Jefferson County Department of Community Development (DCD). IMQ had contended that DCD's Determination of Significance (DS) was illegal, arbitrary and capricious and should either be set aside or mediated by an appointed referee. The DS stated IMQ's 142-acre mine near Port Ludlow would likely have significant adverse environmental impact requiring an Environmental Impact Study (EIS). DCD viewed the EIS as being the best way to review a project of such magnitude and an appropriate way to comply with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

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But Kitsap County Judge Anna Laurie ruled against both parties. She did not set aside DCD's determination or appoint a referee, but found IMQ's Stormwater Permit application had not been properly considered by DCD and should be reviewed again. Since that decision, DCD lawyers have filed with the Court of Appeals to set aside Judge Laurie's ruling, and IMQ's lawyers have sent a letter to DCD asking them—within 30 days—to identify in detail specific issues so that mitigation might be developed. Now IMQ's Stormwater application is back in DCD hands for review while the Court of Appeals decides if it will hear the case.

DCD will not change their DS until after the appeal process has been exhausted. These concurrent avenues are being pursued to comply with Judge Laurie's ruling while maintaining DCD's assertion they followed SEPA law when they originally opened the EIS process—a process designed to include the applicant (IMQ) as well as the public and other State agencies.

The Court of Appeals decision to hear the case or let Judge Laurie's ruling stand could be known as early as mid-December. If the County prevails, the case could take up to a year to come to trial, during which time all additional reviews of IMQ's Stormwater application would be set aside.

Himalayan Chutney

by A. Gastronome

Poulsbo has a new Indian-themed restaurant just off the public parking area across from the marina. Himalayan Chutney opened in early October and features a pleasant dining area as well as a 32-person capacity lounge.

The menu offers appetizers, naan and breads, soups, rice and biryani dishes, salads, as well as Himalayan specialties—vegetarian, tandoori, chicken, seafood, curry and lamb entrées, chutney and achar, lassi, tea and soft drinks, and a variety of desserts. A small wine list includes Cline, 14 Hands and Chateau Ste. Michelle varietals. Several beers are also available including Stella Artois on tap.

Arriving for lunch, we opted to bypass the appetizers and breads and head for a goat curry (Khashi) cooked with tomato, onion and spices and seasoned from level “one” to “four.” “Three and a half” was just fine for this adventurous eater, but way too hot for my companion. She chose the lamb boti, which arrived tableside on a sizzling charger, accompanied with tomato, onion and bell pepper and spiced to a level “two.” A community bowl of light and fluffy basmati rice accompanied the entrées. My goat

had a dozen large chunks of simmered meat and bone in a tangy sauce. Her lamb featured ten large well-marinated cubes grilled as ordered. They were flavorful and very tender.

Appetizers include papadams, samosas, pakoras, aloo tikki and an assorted meat platter. Naan and breads include paratha, roti and poori.

Specialty dishes include Himalayan momos, which are typical Nepali steamed chicken dumplings spiced with onion, ginger, garlic and spices and accented with sesame seed sauce. Another Nepali dish is aloo tama bodi curry which includes bamboo shoots, black-eyed peas, potato, onions, ginger and garlic in a spicy tomato sauce.

Both the lamb and chicken entrées include tikka masala and korma preparations. Lamb vindaloo and rogan josh are also featured.

A prix fixe luncheon buffet appears to be in the offing, as the obligatory steam table was alongside one wall, but not offered on the day we visited. Anticipated buffet price is \$9.95 weekdays and \$10.95 on weekends. Entrée dishes vary from \$9.95 to \$17.95 with no differential from lunch to dinner. All soups are \$3.50. Naan and breads vary from \$2.25 to \$4.95 and appetizers from \$2.50 to \$9.95 combination platters. All their menu items are also available as take away. Open Wednesday-Monday for lunch from 11:00 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. and for dinner from 5:00 to 9:30 p.m.

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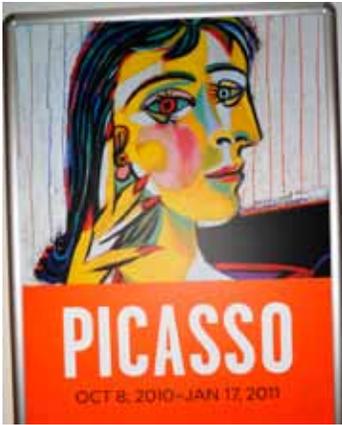
Picasso Takes Seattle by Storm

by Beverly Browne, Editor

Some artists remain obscure until after their deaths; others enjoy lifelong fame. Picasso (1881-1973) is in the latter category. Arguably the most influential artist of the 20th century, Picasso's body of work showcases styles ranging from realism to neoclassicism, displayed in painting, drawing, prints and sculpture. The Seattle Art Museum (SAM) presents over 150 works by Picasso from the collection of the Musee National Picasso in Paris through **Monday, January 17.**

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SAM's Picasso Show has taken Seattle by storm.

Courtesy photo

Picasso was born in Málaga, Spain and studied art in Madrid. He spent most of his adult life in France where he was acquainted with many of the foremost artists of the day. His paintings are divided into periods beginning with the somber paintings of the Blue Period (1901-1904) rendered in shades of blue and green. His Rose Period (1904-1906) features a warmer palette

and cheerier subject matter. Picasso was influenced by African art. These influences led directly into his Cubist period in which he analyzed forms into shapes. The cubist paintings seem abstract but, because they began as real subjects, Picasso did not consider them so.

Picasso was terrifically prolific, producing over 50,000 pieces. His most famous work is undoubtedly *Guernica* depicting the German bombing of that town during the Spanish Civil War (represented by photographs). The huge painting hung in New York until it was returned to Spain in 1981. Another Picasso in the United States is the 50-foot high public Cubist sculpture donated to the people of Chicago.

SAM is the first stop in a tour of only six museums in the United States. The exhibit is only made possible because the Musee Picasso is closed for renovation. The exhibit tells the story of Picasso's evolution as an artist. Visitors are encouraged to take advantage of the audio tour that is available on a first-come, first-served basis or take a docent-led tour. The response to this retrospective show has been phenomenal. It is wise to schedule your visit during the week at a time that will be less crowded.

SAM is located at 1300 First Avenue. It is open Tuesday-Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday and Friday. School groups tend to visit on weekdays between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.; weekends are very busy. Tickets are \$23 for adults, \$20 for seniors (62+) and military, \$18 for students (12-17) and free for children under 12 and SAM members. On Thursdays and Fridays after 5:00 p.m. all tickets are reduced by \$3. You may preview the exhibit and purchase tickets online at picassoinseattle.org. The ticket price can be applied to the price of membership.

Parking at the Bainbridge ferry terminal makes the trip easy. Have a special lunch or dinner in the city. SAM's convenient Taste Restaurant features a special Picasso-inspired menu and a cocktail (Picasso's Mistress) along with the regular menu. Reserve your table at opentable.com or visit your own favorite dining spot.

The Naming of the Salish Sea

by Stephen Cunliffe, Contributing Writer

The Salish Sea is very new and very old.

The various august U.S. and Canadian boards that decide such things formally adopted the name for this large body of inland salt water early this year. The shape of the sea is as old as when the Olympic Peninsula first emerged over 10 million years ago, forced upwards by the eastward movement of the Juan de Fuca plate, closed off by the southern end of the waters already partially contained by Vancouver Island. Humans have inhabited the area for at least 10,000 years, and its relatively sheltered waters provided important trade routes for the indigenous peoples. The same shelter also appealed to European settlers in the very recent past, and led to the founding of Seattle and Vancouver.



The Salish Sea.

Courtesy photo

The Salish Sea stretches from Desolation Sound in the North, through the Strait of Georgia south to Puget Sound, reaching westward along the way to the mouth of the Strait of Juan de Fuca. These place names date back no further than the British and Spanish explorations of the late 18th century. The new name overlays, but does not replace, the names of its constituent parts, and has a much older significance. The Sea is the home of the Coast Salish tribes, linguistically and culturally distinct from the tribes of the inland or the outer coast.

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What is in a name? In this case, there is a lot. As an entity, it crosses the international boundaries defined in 1872 between Washington and British Columbia. More importantly, it defines a distinct ecosystem, its limits drawn by geography and nature, not by man-made boundaries. The waters are less saline than the open ocean, due to the inflow of many large rivers, of which the most important is the Fraser. The trees that grow on its shore are Douglas Firs, not the Sitka Spruce of the outer coast. It is the home of three resident bellwether pods of Orcas. Seven million humans populate its drainage basin.

The Coast Salish tribes had already come to use the term “Salish Sea” when meeting to discuss their common issues of fishing and environmental protection. Go to www.coastsalishgathering.com to see a heart-warming recording of their celebrations marking the official endorsement of the name.

We will realize the significance of the Salish Sea more as time goes on. If the second of the two “Port Townsend to Coupeville” (Keystone) ferries comes into service, its name will be... “Salish.”

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Bluebill Christmas Luncheon



The Boeing Bluebills share their holiday spirit.

Courtesy illustration

The Olympic Peninsula Boeing Bluebills are hosting their annual Christmas Luncheon at the Bay Club in Port Ludlow on **Thursday, December 9**, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The Boeing Bluebills and the Community Enrichment Alliance

(CEA) are once again joining forces to provide Christmas gifts for families in the Domestic Violence and Sexual Abuse Programs in the Kitsap, Jefferson and Clallam counties.

The menu will include marinated tri-tips with garlic mashed potatoes and mixed vegetables or sautéed snapper with rice pilaf and mixed vegetables.

All Bluebills and spouses and retired Boeing folk are cordially invited. They also extend a warm and friendly invitation to everyone interested in providing the joys of Christmas to individuals who may not have been expecting to be able to provide any Christmas for themselves or their children.

RSVP to Michael Graham, indicating your choice of entrée, to michaelg@cablespeed.com by **Friday, December 3**.

Winter Impressions Art Show

Port Ludlow Artists' League announces the opening of the League's Group Show entitled "Winter Impressions." A reception will be held on **Friday, December 3**, 4:00–5:00 p.m., in the lobby of Columbia Bank. Many local artists have created their expression of winter through photography, pastels, graphite, ink, oil, acrylic, watercolor and other art mediums. The exhibit will hang through January 2011.

When the bank closes, move next door to the Art Gallery's "First Friday Reception" from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. and enjoy appetizers and wine while visiting with artists

and friends. The Art Gallery's Christmas Shoppe is a great place to purchase cards, gifts, prints and gift certificates for that friend who has everything. The Gallery is open on Thursdays and Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. It will also be open the week of Christmas, **Monday-Wednesday, December 20-23**, from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., closing for the year on **Thursday, December 23** at 4:00 p.m.

These artists and their work will remain on exhibit at local businesses throughout December:

Barbara Adams, watercolor/ink, at Port Ludlow Community Church.

Fran Bodman, pastel/acrylic, in Columbia Bank Conference Room.

Betty Bullen, graphite/ink, at Active Life Physical Therapy.

Roger Davis, Russian watercolor, at Mats Mats Chiropractic.

Rick McKenzie, photography, at Coldwell Banker Realty

Libby Meyer, acrylic, at Home Instead Senior Care.

Virginia Moyer, photography, at Port Hadlock Medical Clinic.

Community Church Hosts Taproot Theatre

Travel back in time 2,000 years as the most extraordinary events in history are playing out in our midst. On **Sunday, December 19** at 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., Port Ludlow Community Church (PLCC) hosts two performances of *The Birth*, a touring production from Seattle's Taproot Theatre Company. Told by two actors who portray a myriad of characters caught up in the events, *The Birth* uses humor and dramatic storytelling to bring the account of Jesus' birth to life.

On Christmas Eve, **Friday, December 24**, from 5:00 to 5:45 p.m., the church will hold its annual candlelight service. All are invited. PLCC is located at 9534 Oak Bay Road above the Village Center. The telephone number is 437-0145.

Christmas at The Inn Reception

The Inn At Port Ludlow and the Port Ludlow Artists' League will co-host the "Second Annual Christmas at The Inn" Reception on **Saturday, December 4**, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. This no-host wine and cocktail party will be complete with delicious appetizers and various dishes provided for all art lovers and friends in our community.



"Purple Dot," acrylic, by Carol Durbin.

Provided photo

Plan to attend this popular event and see what local artists are doing. The many artists in attendance will be happy to visit with you and discuss their piece of art on display.

Throughout the month of December over 40 artists will display oils, acrylics, pastels, photography, fused glass, colored pencil, watercolors, jewelry, handmade baskets and more in the halls and meeting rooms in The Inn. The public is cordially invited.

When it Comes to Christmas Lights—You Be the Judge!

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Contributing Writer

Everyone in the community has an opportunity to judge homes and neighborhoods participating in this year's Christmas Lighting Contest, **Friday through Sunday, December 10 to 12**. Maps indicating the locations of participating homes and judging forms will be available at the front desk of The Inn after **Wednesday, December 8**.

The judging form is simple and contains instructions for voting. You vote for your three favorite houses, in no particular order, as well as your favorite neighborhood. Employees of Port Ludlow Associates (PLA) will tabulate which homes got the most votes and will announce the results on **Saturday, December 18**, 6:00 p.m., at The Inn. A first, second and third prize will be awarded for individual homes as well as one neighborhood prize.

In conjunction with the Contest, The Inn is offering "The Twelve Days of Christmas" dinners throughout the month

with "Day 11" occurring **Saturday, December 18**. Make a reservation now and be on hand when the Contest winners are announced. (See related story on page 35.)

Contest participants will compete for these prizes:

- First: Weekend for two at The Inn including room, golf foursome, brunch for two and a room amenity.
- Second: Weekend for two at The Inn including room, brunch for two and a room amenity.
- Third: Weekend for two at The Inn including room and a room amenity.

The winning neighborhood will receive a special "Now That was Fun" breakfast or lunch (their choice) at The Inn, limit 20 guests.

Deadline to register your decorated home or neighborhood is **Sunday, December 5**. For a neighborhood to be in the contest at least 75 percent of the residents must participate, so get together with your neighbors.

Details of the Christmas Lighting Contest and registration forms are available in the corridor of The Inn outside of The Fireside Restaurant.

Tangled Threads

A new group is forming in Port Ludlow for those interested in Tattling. It will meet at the Pacific Fabrics Classroom on the Second Wednesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Fabric is located at 4214 Wheaton Way, East Bremerton, in the plaza on the left as you approach Bremerton. Sandy Cofer at 360-698-6768 or dscofer2@comcast.net will answer questions and also put you on her e-mail list for notifications.

Local gals had a chance to see tattling for sale at the Quilter's & Crafter's Show and sale in November. It is an old lacemaking form, going in new directions, with lots of new colors. Don't worry if you are a beginner, or if you are interested but never tried tattling. This is a new group and we'll teach you as we go along.

This may seem like a drive, but at least it is located on this side of the Sound. You can always carpool. Contact Maureen Poole at shipout@aol.com for help. Pacific Fabric has been generous in offering their space for this meeting. They have basic supplies on hand as does JoAnn Fabrics. Come to a meeting and see if you enjoy the group. We aren't limited to ladies; some very talented tatters are gents. Eat first, bring a beverage or eat later, it's up to you.

Donation to Build Habitat House

Beth and John Weaver of Port Ludlow have donated the cost of building a house to Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County. Their donation of \$65,000, paid over five years, covers the hard costs of building; remaining costs are covered by in-kind contributions and volunteer labor, including the family's own sweat equity hours.



Donors John and Beth Weaver.

Provided photo

Sponsorships are an important part of the process because building funds are required when construction starts. The family will have a mortgage to pay back to Habitat. Mortgage payments go into a Fund for Humanity and this money is used to build more houses.

Low-income families, who could not qualify for home ownership any other way, pay a small

down payment and the no interest monthly mortgage. In addition, the family must contribute 400 to 500 hours of work on their home or their neighbor's home.

"This is the part of Habitat that appeals to us," explains Beth Weaver. "Habitat doesn't give people a free home. The families help build their houses, make a down payment and monthly payments. Habitat also has classes to teach families how to be homeowners, how to budget and maintain a home. The families have a lot invested in their house and we support that approach wholeheartedly."

"The Weavers' very generous donation will go a long way toward meeting our goal for next year," says Habitat's executive director, Jamie Maciejewski. "This is not the first time Beth and John have financially supported Habitat. Before moving to Port Ludlow they and another couple donated the funds to build a house in South King County through the local Habitat affiliate."

Habitat for Humanity is a non-profit, Christian housing ministry partnering with low-income people of all faiths or no faith to build lives on the foundation of homeownership and make shelter a matter of conscience and action. Since its founding in 1998, the East Jefferson

County Habitat affiliate has built 19 houses and recycled two; three more are nearing completion, and three more will begin in April.

UGN Fund-Raising Drive

Please join your neighbors and Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue Chief Ed Wilkerson in supporting the United Good Neighbors (UGN) of Jefferson County campaign drive. UGN is the umbrella fundraising agent for over 35 non-profit organizations in our community. By consolidating fundraising efforts through UGN, these organizations can concentrate on their missions, spending less time and fewer resources on fundraising.

Port Ludlow residents can be proud to know that \$28,000 was donated to last year's campaign, 11 percent of the goal of \$250,000. UGN's goal for 2010-11 is \$260,000. The challenge is for Port Ludlow residents to help raise the additional \$10,000 to help our neighbors in need. If you have not already donated, you may make your neighbor-to-neighbor donation now by going online to www.WeAreUGN.org. You will find the 2010 Annual Report and information about UGN's funded organizations there as well.

While people are encouraged to donate to UGN all year, the public community campaign runs from October through January. Because UGN receives donations through the winter, the amount raised will be announced in May. People can donate at any time through Electronic Fund Transfer through their bank, by check and by credit card. Monthly or quarterly pledges are welcome. Call Laura Souza at 385-3797 for assistance in setting up payment.

Time for Celebration

The Choral Belles encourage all Port Ludlow residents to start the festive season by attending the Tree Lighting at the Bay Club on **Friday, December 3** at 4:00 p.m. This is Choral Belles only Port Ludlow "gig" out of the 16 times they will sing this month, as they travel around both Jefferson and Kitsap Counties to senior facilities—from Sequim all the way to East Bremerton.

The repertoire for the holiday concert will include both secular and sacred songs, and the audience will have an opportunity to participate in a group carol sing before sampling some light refreshments.

Join in a community-wide experience meant to bring neighbors from both sides of the creek together and sending them away feeling merry.

Jefferson County Fire District #3

Alarm Statistics October 2010

Alarms

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| Fire | 0 |
| False Alarm | 0 |
| Rescue/Emergency Medical | 45 |
| Service Calls | 10 |
| Good Intent | 11 |
| Hazardous Conditions | 1 |
| Total Alarms | 67 |

Ambulance Transports

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| Jefferson Healthcare | 10 |
| Harrison Medical Center | 10 |
| Harrison Silverdale | 3 |
| Naval Hospital | 1 |
| Total Transports | 24 |

Mutual Aid with Neighboring Districts

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| Provided | 6 |
| Received | 4 |
| Total Mutual Aid | 10 |

Chief Ed Wilkerson’s Safety Tip

Each year fires occurring during the holiday season kill 440 people, injure 1,650 and cause over \$990 million in damage. The United States Fire Administration provides simple steps to ensure a safe, happy holiday.

Take Care with the Tree: It is amazing how fast a live Christmas tree can become fully engulfed in flames and fill the room with deadly gases. Special fire safety precautions need to be taken when keeping a live tree in the house.

- Get a fresh tree. Needles on fresh trees should be green and hard to pull back from the branches. The needles should not break if the tree has been freshly cut. The trunk should be sticky to the touch.
- Keep trees away from heat sources, including a fireplace or heat vent. The heat will dry out the tree, causing it to be more easily ignited by heat, flame or sparks. Fill the tree stand with water and don’t leave the tree up for longer than two weeks.
- Discard the tree when it dries out by taking it to a recycling center or having it hauled away by a community pick-up service.

Maintain Holiday Lights: Inspect them each year for frayed wires, bare spots, gaps in the insulation, broken or cracked sockets and excessive kinking or wear. Use only lighting listed by an approved testing laboratory. And don’t overload the circuits or leave the lights unattended.

Use Only Nonflammable Decorations: All decorations should be nonflammable or flame-retardant and placed

away from heat vents. Don’t put wrappings in the fireplace.

Candle Care: Candles are pretty but dangerous. Make sure they are in stable holders, not near flammable material and always attended.

Finally, as in every season, have working smoke alarms installed on every level of your home, test them monthly and keep them clean and equipped with fresh batteries. Know when and how to call for help. Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue (PLFR) men and women will answer any fire safety questions.

PLFR Receives Generous Donation

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue (PLFR) has received a second generous \$10,000 donation from local resident Shawna Gammill Matthews representing the Gammill Family Foundation.



Chief Ed Wilkerson and Shawna Gammill Matthews.

Provided photo

This year, the funds will purchase four Automated External Defibrillators

(AEDs). These state-of-the-art units are the first of an anticipated 13 to 15 needed to replace the District’s aging units on its apparatus and strategically located throughout its boundaries. Fire District personnel will offer bi-annual training in AED to District residents and staff. The District will maintain the units that are expected to serve our community for 10 to 15 years.

PLFR Firefighter/Paramedic Dan Wagner stresses the importance of the units, saying, “The most tragic thing about sudden cardiac arrest is that despite the finest cardiologists, hospitals, emergency room and pre-hospital care, survival rate is less than five percent nationally. People who collapse from sudden cardiac arrest must receive early CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) and rapid defibrillation within minutes or they die.”

Fire Chief Ed Wilkerson reemphasizes that acting quickly is important. Calling 911 immediately, starting CPR and using an AED are the first three links in the chain of survival. Early access to advanced life support by trained paramedics is the final crucial link. The devices are about the size of a portable laptop computer but provide brief, but powerful electrical stimulation to a person’s chest, which is crucial to help to restore the heart’s natural rhythm.

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With the donation from the Gammill Family Foundation as well as grant requests, citizen donations and budgeted District funds, PLFR hopes to have this project fully implemented by Summer 2011. Anyone interested in donating to this project may send their donation to PLFR AED Project, 7650 Oak Bay Road, Port Ludlow 98365.

PLFR is a full service emergency services provider covering 53 square miles of Jefferson County. Operating out of three fire stations, they provide fire, rescue and emergency medical services and transport at both basic and paramedic levels.

Firefighters Graduate



Academy graduates Evan Stanley, Dustin Wilson, Jesse Counsellor and Tyler Hardy.

Provided photo

Four firefighters from Port Ludlow and Quilcene have successfully completed the Washington State Fire Fighter Training Academy. The 11-week program taught the recruits skills for saving lives and properties in their communities. Graduating are Firefighter/Paramedic (FF/PM) Evan Stanley and Firefighter/Emergency Medical Technicians (FF/EMTs) Jesse Counsellor, Tyler Hardy and Dustin Wilson. All received high praise and honors from Academy instructors and staff.

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue (PLFR) Fire Chief Ed Wilkerson said, “These young men have proven that they have what it takes to be successful firefighters and our organizations and communities are proud to have them.”

The Joint Resident Program consists of volunteers who are interested in a career in the fire service. These volunteers work hand in hand with the District’s duty crews on a regular work schedule to serve the community

by responding to emergency situations, including fire suppression, medical aid or rescue, hazardous material responses and confined space.

The Volunteer Resident Program is a two-year commitment during regular training beginning with six months of on-the-job training. Upon completing the program and passing a Candidate Physical Ability Test, a Resident is ready to go to the Academy. Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue is actively seeking “traditional” volunteers for its program as well. Volunteer opportunities are FF/EMT, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) and Support Services Volunteers. For detailed information see *plfr.org* or contact Laura Halady, Volunteer Coordinator at the District Office, or call 437-2236 for a program manual.

Setbacks and Buffers

The Shoreline Management Program (SMP) continues to be an issue that concerns Jefferson County residents. No part of the SMP is more confusing than the regulations concerning setbacks and buffers, which are frequently confused with each other. County planner Michelle McConnell has issued a statement to correct misimpressions regarding the difference between buffers and setbacks. They are also described on pages 5 and 6 of the *FAQ* issued by the County in May.

McConnell says that the Locally Approved SMP currently under State review proposes standard buffers of 150 feet for marine shores and rivers/streams, and 100 feet for lakes—regardless of shoreline environment designation (natural, conservancy, shoreline residential, high intensity); the proposed building setback from the buffer is 10 feet.

There are six proposed buffer adjustment options, including the non-conforming lots provision to allow single-family homes on lots too small for the standard buffer. This provision allows a modestly sized primary structure to be placed in the “least environmentally damaging location” and “as far landward as possible... not closer than 30 feet from ordinary high water mark.”

And A Good Time Was Had by All!

The parking lots were full, the chatter was lively and the shoppers were checking their lists. The Fifth Annual Quilters’ and Crafters’ Show and Sale was a big success! The quilters and crafters are happy to announce that the show earned over \$550, which will be contributed to the Jefferson County Food Bank. How nice to know that your purchases will help make local families’ holidays happier!

New Festival Association Announced

Port Ludlow Festival Association (PLFA) is a new non-profit organization with the sole responsibility of developing and implementing events in Port Ludlow that highlight the community, provide a vehicle for civic groups to reach a larger audience and offer a destination for people visiting the Olympic Peninsula. Its summer event, "Port Ludlow's Festival By The Bay," replaces Port Ludlow Days. According to Bob Olbrych, PLFA President-Elect, the Association plans to be a vehicle for other events in Port Ludlow designed to provide enjoyment for residents, friends, families and the greater community.



Bob Olbrych, PLFA President-Elect, has many years of experience managing volunteer-run special events.

Submitted photo

Port Ludlow's summer festival was founded nearly a decade ago by the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) under the direction of the president, Sally Smith (now Derrick), and chaired by Donald Cooper. It was a way to highlight Port Ludlow and celebrate living here. Although there were

years when it lacked the necessary leadership, the event has become a tradition.

Following Port Ludlow Days 2010, a robust committee, including several with five or more years experience with Port Ludlow's event, began to discuss improvements and forming a permanent organization. Olbrych stated, "With many summer activities held every year on the Peninsula, event planning has become a year-round necessity.

Continuity is critical for festivals to be successful, so a dedicated self-sustaining independent non-profit organization was determined to be the best way to ensure continuance of a legacy event on the last weekend of July every year."

Many changes are planned for 2011, including a variety of food vendors, children and family-oriented programs, and expansion of the arts and entertainment venues. Festival By The Bay will also provide local civic groups with fund-raising opportunities. Profits will go back into the community as grants and charitable donations.

Current PLFA committee members are Olbrych; Neil Robinson, Vice-President-Elect; Gene Carmody, Secretary/Treasurer; Pat Chase, Signage/Parking; Laura

Halady, Event Sponsors; Linda Karp, Vendors; Lauren Reinertsen, Correspondence; Robbie Robinson, Logistics; Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Entertainment; Debbie Wardrop, Advertising/Marketing and Paul Wolman, 2010 Chair. They have sought and received authorization to become a stand-alone organization rather than a PLVC Committee.

The Association is committed to making Port Ludlow's Festival By The Bay an annual destination event in Western Washington. It welcomes civic leaders and volunteers from the community to help make PLFA one that enriches Port Ludlow today and tomorrow. For more information and/or to volunteer, contact Olbrych at robert.olbrych@yahoo.com.

Understanding Differences and Similarities

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

In early November the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) and South Bay Community Association (SBCA) met for an informal discussion to find out a bit more about each other and share lessons learned. Over the course of nearly two hours members of each Board asked questions and listened, sometimes in amazement, at the differences and similarities that define our community and draw us together.

Port Ludlow is cleaved along an amorphous line generally understood to be Ludlow Creek. The LMC, governing the northern portion, differs from the SBCA, which governs much but not all of the southern area, on one key point. It's not that the LMC is older—by roughly 20 years, or larger—having 1,090 properties owned by 993 individuals versus 549 households in SBCA. The defining characteristic is how each is organized.

LMC is one large Homeowner Association (HOA) with one set of governing documents administered by one set of elected "Trustees." Each property owner has one vote, no matter the number of properties they own. SBCA is an umbrella HOA comprised of 14 separate, semi-autonomous "villages," all of which have separate HOAs elected by their unique members, and every lot is given a vote. Each village has its own set of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC&R) to administer, but all must comply with SBCA's CC&Rs as well.

Dave Armitage, SBCA President, noted, "Only when our villages can't resolve things does it percolate up to us... but that's the exception, not the rule." With only one

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governing group for twice as many members, Elizabeth VanZonneveld, LMC President, admitted, "We have more business to do at the LMC."

After scratching this thin veneer-of-a-distinction, the two communities are remarkably similar. They manage facilities that require attention, employ roughly the same number of people and spend similar percentages of their revenue on their staff. They have similar financial checks and balances and audits, and struggle with similar member conflicts resulting from house color and tree removal requests. When discussing how to address misbehaving members, both admitted they'd considered and rejected instituting fines for non-compliance. Communication, they each conceded, is a constant challenge, as is the need to increase revenue.

When Armitage asked, "Do you have protracted problems that don't go away?" he garnered unanimous laughter. Smiling and nodding thoughtfully VanZonneveld answered soberly, "We have yet to find a solution for capital projects." This opened a lengthy discussion of the need to increase funding.

LMC voted several years ago to cap increases in dues and link them to the local CPI (Consumer Price Index). Brian Belmont, Beach Club Manager explained that some LMC homeowners had successfully organized fundraisers for special projects, but money was a constant concern. Armitage explained SBCA was allowed an increase in dues of five percent per year without a vote of the members, but they too were troubled by the cost of maintenance. Sharron Sherfick, LMC Treasurer, added her voice to the mix asking, "How do you determine what to fix?" Mike Morgan, Bay Club Manager, admitted SBCA's Facilities and Long Range Planning Committee was dealing with that very issue and was in the process of attempting to prioritize and value a replacement schedule.

All present seemed fascinated and encouraged by this cooperative meeting of the collective Port Ludlow minds. Nothing specific was decided, but similarities between the two groups were hard to ignore. The homogeneity of the audience was exemplified when one attendee commented in closing that he hoped this wouldn't be a one-time-only event. "You should do this more often," he encouraged. Hearty applause then resounded from both the northern and southern corners of the room.

Woodworkers Club to Meet in January

by Myron Vogt

In a rare occurrence the Woodworkers Club will meet in January 2011. This will be our first monthly meeting since January 2010. The Club and Woodshop have suffered a bit since Russ Reed is no longer giving it his TLC. We need to see if we can get things back in shape again. Here is the proposed meeting agenda:

1. Replace all the saw blades. They suffer from a year of members cutting who-knows-what and most are now burning through wood. There is nothing like a new blade to rejuvenate your saw.
2. Replace all the old hand tools we have accumulated. Someone donated most of these and lots of them are things my dad would have replaced years ago. Get rid of all the other power tools that are broken, missing parts or are redundant because we have bought new and better. We are never going to fix these, so let them go.
3. There is a lot of scrap wood in the shop that someone thought we might need. Let's decide if someone wants to keep it or saw it up for kindling.
4. The trash cans never seem to be empty. If it is our job to do that so be it, but again, no one takes responsibility. The large vacuum cleaners are the elephants in the middle of the room. Everything has to work around them, and the electrical cords that snake across the floor. We need to think about improving this.
5. Membership and dues. At this writing in early November we have 40 members and about 20 who have paid dues of \$10 per year. Everyone using the Woodshop is probably availing themselves of items purchased by dues-paying members of the Woodworkers Club. The sandpaper, disc and belt sanders (which always seem to be burned to a crisp), screws, hand tools, small power tools and many other items that everyone seems to use are purchased by members through their dues. Certainly everyone must know that sharp saw blades and working equipment doesn't happen by chance; the Woodworkers Club provides it all.
6. Many Bay Club members (non-Woodworkers Club members) use the shop. I would remind them that they are not to use the power tools. First is a question of safety and second, incorrect usage is hard on the equipment. We invite you to join the Club and get instructions and help with your project if needed. The exact date of the January meeting when decisions will be made by the attendees will be announced in the January *Voice*.

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Community Meetings

Artists' League Meeting

A festive Christmas luncheon is planned for noon on **Thursday, December 16** at the Beach Club for Artists' League members and their guests. After President Gary Settle installs the 2011 Board of Directors, a catered lunch will be served. Bill Mawhinney, a local published poet, has been invited to entertain the group with his poetry and writings, and a few unique games will be played. Donations will be given to support local families in need at Christmas.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the League may obtain a membership application at the Art Gallery next to Columbia Bank. Open hours are Thursdays and Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Dues are \$30 and a membership card will be issued allowing discounts at local art supply stores. Other benefits include monthly meetings and programs with artists' demonstrations, displaying artwork in the Gallery and local businesses, participating in the annual Art Walk, and having the addition of more than 80 new friends. It's the best value in town!

Port Ludlow Book Club

The Port Ludlow Book Club celebrates the holiday season **Tuesday, December 14**, 6:00 p.m., at the Bay Club with a much-heralded book, *The Madonnas of Leningrad* by Seattle author Debra Dean, who distinguishes herself as a strong new voice in literary America.

This debut novel moves seamlessly between the present in Seattle and 1941 Leningrad. Marina Buriakov is in Seattle preparing for her granddaughter's wedding, fighting a losing battle with Alzheimer's as details of her children and grandchildren slip from her grasp. Her distant past is vivid in her mind though—a time spent in Leningrad on the cusp of WW II as a tour guide in the Hermitage Museum.

With the Germans approaching the city of Leningrad, Marina and other staff members at the Hermitage removed priceless masterpieces for safekeeping, but left the frames hanging to welcome the eventual return of these invaluable works of art. Marina committed to memory each brush stroke, the figures of nude women, angels and of course, most vividly, the exquisitely serene Madonnas, subjects of many of the paintings. These images became the Hermitage Museum of her mind, the

salvation of her soul as the war progressed, and a refuge as her memory fades in the sunset of her life.

Please bring an hors d'oeuvre and beverage to share to help celebrate the Holiday Season.

The book selection for January is *The Cellist of Sarajevo* by Steven Galloway. All are welcome. Questions? Call Martha Dawson, 437-4167.

Out to Lunch at the Old Consulate Inn

Join the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) Out to Lunch group to experience the gracious hospitality of the Victorian era at the beautiful Old Consulate Inn. The date is **Wednesday, December 29**. The time is noon.



The Inn's owner Mary Ann DeLong has invited us to enjoy a special holiday menu inspired by the past. Seating is limited to 18 so early signup is advised. The cost for the luncheon is \$20, which includes lunch, tax and gratuity. This event must be prepaid. Your check should be made out to the CEA. Sign up at the CEA Promotional Table located in the Bay Club every Wednesday from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please contact Vicki Tallerico at 437-4065 if you have any questions.

Singles Holiday Event

This year the Singles holiday dinner will be held on **Thursday, December 16**, at 4:30 p.m., at the home of our hostess in Port Ludlow.

Roz and her helpers will prepare the meal for a charge of \$15. Please take your own beverage. Call Roz at 437-9870 to let her know you plan to attend and to obtain her home address. She must receive your check by **Thursday, December 9**, one week prior to the event, to permit purchase of needed supplies.

The Singles holiday event is always well attended as the meal, camaraderie and gift exchange are memorable. Remember the fancy shorts from last year? What a hoot! Don't forget to take a \$15 gift for the gift exchange and be sure to wear your nametag.

Computer Club

Port Ludlow Computer Club (PLCC) members gather on **Monday, December 13**, for their annual holiday social, a potluck with beverages supplied by the Club.

Starting in January, Monday night meetings will focus on “how-to’s,” beginning in January with how to manage music downloads, and continuing in February with how to manage E-book readers.

Bernie Kestler’s Beginning Computer Classes will begin **Wednesday, February 23**. Watch for more information in the January *Voice*.

Upcoming PLCC Special Interest Groups (SIGs) and Workshops:

Office SIG: **Monday, December 6**, 10:30 a.m. – noon

E-mail SIG: **Thursday, December 16**, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Mac SIG: **Monday, December 20**, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Photography / Pro Show Gold SIG: **Monday, December 27**, 10:00 a.m. – noon

Workshops are held every Saturday morning, 11:00 a.m. – noon. No workshops will be held on **Saturday, December 25** or **Saturday, January 1**. All SIGs and workshops meet at the Bay Club and are for members only. For information about joining PLCC, contact Dick Allyn at 437-7804 or e-mail him at zither@cablespeed.com.

Stamp and Paper Arts

The Bay Club will be the site of much merriment and festivity when the Stamp & Paper Arts Group meets **Wednesday, December 15** at 10:00 a.m.

In place of the usual demonstration/workshop, we shall be exchanging cards and cookies in preparation for the festive season. All are invited to help celebrate and possibly obtain specimens of our co-stampers’ creations—food for the imagination and the body!

Our first meeting in 2011 will be held at the Beach Club on **Wednesday, January 19**, in good time to make Valentine Cards, examples of which will be available for inspiration.

The Group invites all who might be interested to join us—we’re a lively group and love to show our craft to anyone who comes.

Garden Club’s Festive Holiday Tea

On **Wednesday, December 8**, from noon until 2:00 p.m., members of the Port Ludlow Garden Club (PLGC) will host their Holiday Tea Party at the Bay Club. This popular members-only annual event features a scrumptious sampling of holiday tea sandwiches and sweets provided by Club members. This is always a wonderful event for all, with friends, food and festive tables.

There is no charge to members. Individuals wishing to join the Club for 2011 may attend the 2010 Tea by paying the 2011 dues at the door. Dues for the 2011 gardening year will commence with the January meeting and may be paid at that meeting. Any members wishing to pay by mail should send a check for \$20 made out to PLGC at P. O. Box 65235, Port Ludlow 98365.

Questions on this event may be directed to Kathleen Taylor at 301-6431.

December Hiking

Friday, December 10: Urban Hike

Enjoy walking on the ferry and hiking to a variety of sights in Seattle. A casual lunch and dinner will be a part of the day. The group will leave the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. in order to catch the 9:40 a.m. ferry from Bainbridge. Please arrive by 8:15 a.m. so that carpools can be arranged. For information contact Dick and Heather Ullmann at 437-5010 or Dick and Darlene Gronhovd at 437-7692. New members are welcome.

Sunday, December 26: Design Your Own Hike

Celebrate Boxing Day by designing your own event! Select your walk. Choose your partners and set your own starting time. We suggest 10:45 a.m. You are limited only by your imagination!

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Dine and Discover

Patrick Raymond, Area Manager of the Hood Canal Tree Farm for Olympic Resource Management (ORM, a Pope Resources Company), will be the guest speaker at the Dine and Discover potluck on **Monday, December 6** at the Beach Club. His talk is entitled, "Managing our Forests for Today and Tomorrow."

ORM manages over 70,000 acres of timberlands in Jefferson County. Tax revenue from the sale of timber provides a significant portion of the County's operating budget. Please sign up at the Beach Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people.

On **Monday, January 3**, Elston and Jackie Hill, well-known explorers and photographers, will speak at the Bay Club describing an amazing tour of three islands rarely visited by tourists: The Falklands, Midway and Svalbard, which is within 500 miles of the North Pole. They will show us what they were able to closely observe: 70 percent of the world's Laysan Albatross, Monk seals, white terns, polar bears, walrus and much more. Enjoy their tales of adventure and be amazed by their photography. Sign up at the Bay Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people.

For both events, remember to bring a complete table setting, including placemat, dishes, glasses, utensils and napkin, as well as your beverage. A fee of \$2 per person will be collected at the door. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. For questions, call Hilda and Michael Cahn at 437-8223.

First Wednesday Luncheon

by B.J. Luce

It's time to kick off the winter holiday season with entertainment by the Port Ludlow Village Sounders under the direction of Frank Siler. The Sounders are a group of local area men who have joined together as a barber-shop chorus. Please join us at 11:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, December 1** at the Bay Club. If you are not yet signed up, you may contact Taya Rose at 437-8203 or tayarose@gmail.com by Monday, November 29.

It's the season to be giving so please bring your donations for the Tri Area Food Bank. Cash or checks are always appreciated. This month we will be concentrating on personal hygiene products: deodorant, shampoo, soap, toothpaste and brushes, feminine products, toilet paper and facial tissues. If you are not able to attend the luncheon, take your donations to either the Bay or Beach Club. Items are picked up weekly.

Port Ludlow donated a total of \$2,614 in cash and checks, 442 pounds of food and supplies at the luncheons and

another 845 pounds at the clubhouses. Let's top that in the next three months for needy clients at the Food Bank.

Remember to bring your own table service. Many of us (including this writer) are forgetting to do so. Soup is on the menu; take a soup bowl or several small cups or bowls so that you can try more than one soup. There will be our regular raffle and a special raffle for a Holiday Spirits basket, for your holiday entertaining.

On **Wednesday, January 5**, take a brown-bag lunch; the Board will provide snacks to go with Bingo time.



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Port Ludlow Village Council

PLVC Report

The November 4 General Meeting of the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) was called to order by President Tom Stone, at 3:00 p.m. in the Beach Club. Absent Board members were Jim Boyer and Pete Leenhouts. All other members were present and a quorum was declared. The meeting was recorded for record-keeping purposes. The agenda was approved with one amendment. The minutes of the previous meeting were also approved as were the incoming slate of officers: Tom Stone, President; Art Zoloth, Vice-President; Ned Luce, Secretary; and Don Thompson, treasurer.

The following goals for the Village Council were approved.

- Management – (1) Continue encouragement of existing PLVC Committee activities with minimum supervision, (2) be responsive to emerging developments affecting the community, and (3) Provide an orientation workshop for new members.
- Planning – Continue the Future of Port Ludlow Committee and form a Finance Committee to investigate sources of revenue including grant money.
- Communications – Establish a Communications Committee to (1) Develop a public relations program, (2) establish a master list of e-mail addresses, and (3) develop criteria for dissemination of emergency and other information.

Treasurer's Report

Don Thompson gave the financial report. General funds available as of November were \$24,888 including the Certificates of Deposit. Expenses for the month of October were \$1,217 balanced by income of the same amount. Some income (\$492) was received from Directory sales; continuing sales of Port Ludlow Days items added additional income. Income from the Friday Market was \$5,150 for the year to date. The legal fund for the Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) dispute stands at \$780 and it is likely that more donations will be needed. For complete budget details including itemized expenses and income sources go to plvc.org. Board members voted to accept the financial report.

Ad Hoc Committee Updates and Reports

IMQ Committee: Tony Simpson gave a summary of the history and status of the dispute between IMQ and Jefferson County regarding an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to mining. The determination has

Port Ludlow Village Council Meetings

General Meeting
Thursday, December 2
 3:00 p.m., Beach Club

No Workshop Meeting in December

www.plvc.org

been returned to the County for further review in accordance with SEPA. IMQ's claim for damages from the County was left open, which Simpson fears may create pressure for the County to drop the EIS requirement. Simpson said that, despite promises from Pope and IMQ, negotiations had not resulted in even one offer of mitigation.

Simpson reported that the State has decided that IMQ can buy access to SR 104 subject to highway improvements. Trucks with access to the alternate and approved Route 19 would increase the distance to the Hood Canal Bridge to nine miles, resulting in increased transportation costs, whereas the distance to Mats Mats is only seven miles via SR 19 and Oak Bay Road. County analysis confirms that the facility has the ability to accommodate the expected 500 trucks a day. Because local demand already is met with current production, it is expected that the rock would be destined for outside the local area.

The PLVC has issued a notice of appeal of the decision to disallow PLVC intervention in the case and will seek donations to fund the appeal process. The PLVC approved sending a letter to the community. The letter and additional information is posted on plvc.org. Supporters of intervention are hopeful that a large number of donations will be received, even if the individual amounts are small. It is believed that the numbers indicate support of the effort to gain mitigation of damaging effects on the community.

Standing Committee Reports

Utilities: Bruce Schmitz, Subcommittee Chair, reported on the Olympic Water & Sewer Inc. (OWSI) utility rate increase. He said that a letter had been sent on October 1 to the Washington Utility Commission (WUTC) asking for clarification. The Committee has reviewed the OWSI data and done an in-depth analysis of the rate increase. It believes that the increase was calculated to include

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the recovery of costs that should be excluded and therefore is not justified. The WUTC will meet on **Thursday, December 16** at 9:30 a.m. in Olympia. The meeting is open to the public.

Publicity: Bill Browne reported that the dated brochure is being revised. Several suggestions regarding the revision were received from the floor. Browne is looking for ways to keep the printing costs down and will submit a request for a budget at a later time.

Port Ludlow Days Committee: Tom Stone announced that the Port Ludlow Days Committee had requested that they terminate their association with the PLVC and incorporate as an independent 501(c)(3) non-profit. Any income received from the event would be applied to various charitable projects. Members discussed questions of whether the PLVC has ownership over Port Ludlow Days and whether the Committee could maintain the event over time. Possible arrangements include licensing the event for a small fee in order to ensure the event's continuance as a community project. A decision was postponed until more details are known.

Community Development Committee (CDC): Chair Larry Nobles announced that the Committee has revived discussion with Jefferson Healthcare in the light of the closure of the private Urgent Care Clinic. Nobles also requested help with the holiday lights in the Village Center. These are installed by the Fire Department but they need to be tested and organized first. Elizabeth Van Zonneveld suggested that the Lot Owners Association or the Bluebills might help with organizing the display. Calls were to be placed to individuals within those groups.

Announcements: The next PLVC meeting will be on **Thursday, December 2**, 3:00 p.m. in the Bay Club. There will be no workshop in December. Additional information about the PLVC and Port Ludlow is available by visiting plvc.org.

New Trails Plan Laid Out

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

The Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Trails/Natural Resources Committee (T/NRC), chaired by Larry Scott, has been committed to improving our trails for years and they aren't through. The T/NRC is currently working on a plan for future trails throughout the area and Scott has been giving presentations to increase awareness, answer questions and build support for the project.

Port Ludlow currently boasts over 12 miles of hiking trails. Completed two summers ago, our newest is the Niblick's Loop Trail (NLT) that runs from the age-old Timberton Loop Trail (TLT) through the Golf Course and up to Niblick's Café.

Before the end of the year Scott hopes to begin implementing a long-range trail system program. This plan, based on two studies, one done for the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) in 2003 and another for the South Bay Community Association (SBCA) in 2000, calls for the following additional trails:

- Oak Bay Trail running along the uphill side of Oak Bay Road from Swansonville Road down to Montgomery Lane with an extension for the Montgomery Loop Trail.
- Talbot Trail, along the west side of Talbot, will give walkers a safe, off-road route.
- Teal Lake Trail will circumnavigate the lake with spurs to Olympic Terrace and the NLT.
- Beach Loop will ring Burner Point and the Admiralty Condos.
- Connectors to the Lower Rainier Trail from various cul-du-sacs in North Bay.

Very long-range potential trails might include:

- An extension of the Oak Bay Trail behind the firehouse up to Pioneer Drive.
- An Osprey Ridge Trail.
- An Edgewood Trail from Deer Hollow Circle to Paradise Bay Road.

Planning for each trail requires unique attention and the specifics of the various routes—even their names—are still being developed. In some cases easements must be negotiated, but grantors of such easements, Scott advises, are protected from liability by Washington State statutes.

The T/NRC does not anticipate a need for additional funding for this project, but they will require additional Trail Stewards because trails can't just be created, they have to be nurtured. For more information on becoming a Trail Steward, or to schedule a presentation, contact Larry Scott at 437-9299 or attend a T/NRC meeting. They are held at 9:00 a.m. the first Tuesday of each month, alternately at the Bay and Beach Clubs. On **Tuesday, December 7**, they'll gather at the Beach Club.

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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

December

Wed., December 1

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon, Bay Club

Thurs., December 2

9:00 a.m. – noon, Bayview Board Meeting (members),
Bay Club

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC General Meeting, Bay Club

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Bluebills Meeting, Bay Club

Fri., December 3

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA Board Meeting (members), Bay Club

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., A Day with Chef Dan, “Cuisine Belge,
Cuisine Bourgeoise,” The Fireside

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLFA Festival By The Bay Committee,
The Inn

4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Tree Lighting Ceremony with the Choral
Belles, Bay Club

4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Artists’ League “Winter Impressions”
Opening Reception, Columbia Bank

5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Reception Continues, Art Gallery

Sat., December 4

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., CEA Holiday Home Tour Check-in,
Bay Club

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., CEA Holiday Home Tour,
Five Local Homes

3:00 – 7:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas at The Inn
Reception

Mon., December 6

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., LOA Meeting (members), Beach Club

10:30 – noon, Computer Club Office SIG (members), Bay Club

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Timberton Board Meeting (members),
Bay Club

5:00 – 8:00 p.m., Bayview Christmas Dinner (members),
Bay Club

5:30 – 8:00 p.m., Dine and Discover, Beach Club

Tues., December 7

9:00 a.m. – noon, PLVC/NRC Trails Committee Meeting,
Beach Club

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., CEA Meeting, Beach Club

1:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment Meeting, Bay Club

5:00 – 8:00 p.m., LPV-3, LPV-4 Christmas Dinner (members),
Bay Club

Wed., December 8

Noon – 2:00 p.m., Garden Club Holiday Tea Party (members),
Bay Club

5:00 – 8:00 p.m., Fly Tyers Christmas Party (members),
Bay Club

7:00 – 9:00 p.m., USCG General Meeting, Fire Station

Thurs., December 9

10:00 a.m. – noon, North Bay Drainage Committee, Beach
Club

11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Bluebills Christmas Luncheon,
Bay Club

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

Fri., December 10

8:15 a.m., Hiking Club Leaves for Seattle Urban Hike,
Bridge Deck

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club

10:00 a.m. – noon, Inner Harbor Board Meeting (members),
Bay Club

4:00 – 6:30 p.m., Holiday Shopping Party, Golf Club

5:00 – 7:00 p.m., SBCA Monthly Social (members), Bay Club

Sat., December 11

6:00 – 10:00 p.m., Free Spirits “A Touch of Class” Holiday
Event, Bay Club

Sun., December 12

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents
Dean Regan in “A Broadway Christmas,” Bay Club (doors
open at 2:00 p.m.)

7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Repeat Performance of Dean Regan in “A
Broadway Christmas,” Bay Club (doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

Mon., December 13

6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Computer Club Christmas Social
(members), Bay Club

Tues., December 14

6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Book Club Holiday Gathering, Bay Club

Wed., December 15

10:00 a.m. – noon, Stamp and Paper Arts Group, Bay Club

10:30 a.m. – noon, South Bay Long-Range Planning Meeting,
Bay Club

5:00 p.m., Holiday on the Docks Commences, Marina

Thurs., December 16

Chili Open, Golf Course

Noon – 2:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Luncheon,
Beach Club

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

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Computer Club E-mail SIG (members),
Bay Club

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLFA Festival By The Bay Committee,
The Inn

4:00 – 8:00 p.m., Olympic Terrace Christmas Party (members),
Bay Club

4:30 p.m., Singles Holiday Dinner, Greene’s Home

Fri., December 17

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club

9:30 – 11:00 a.m., South Bay ARC Review Meeting, Bay Club

11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., North Bay Holiday Luncheon,
Beach Club

6:00 – 9:00 p.m., Dinner Around the World, The Fireside

6:00 – 9:00 p.m., Family Movie Night, Bridge Deck

Sun., December 19

10:30 a.m., with repeat performance at 2:00 p.m., Taproot
Theatre Company presents *The Birth*, Community Church

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Mon., December 20

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

Tues., December 21

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Fly Fishers General Meeting, Bay Club
 Readers' Theater, No Meeting in December

Thurs., December 23

4:00 – 6:00 p.m., LMC Meeting (members), Beach Club

Fri., December 24

Marina Closed
 9:00 a.m. – noon, LOA Santa Breakfast (members), Beach Club
 Bay Club closes at noon today
 Beach Club closes at 1:00 p.m. today
 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., Christmas Eve Dinner, The Fireside
 5:00–5:45 p.m., Annual Candlelight Christmas Eve Service, Community Church

Sat., December 25

Both Clubs and Marina closed today, Merry Christmas!

Sun., December 26

10:45 a.m., suggested start time for Boxing Day “Plan your Own Hike”

Mon., December 27

10:00 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Photography/Pro Show Gold SIG (members), Bay Club

Wed., Dec. 29

Noon, CEA Out to Lunch, Old Consulate Inn, Port Townsend

Fri., December 31

Marina Closed
 4:00 – 8:00 p.m., New Year's Eve Dinner, The Fireside
 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., North Bay New Year's Eve Potluck (members) Beach Club

Future Events

Dine and Discover, January 3
 First Wednesday Brown Bag Lunch and Bingo, January 5
 Roadhouse Cabaret with Colin Ross Trio and Mig O'Hara, January 15
 Stamp and Paper Arts Group Makes Valentines, January 19
 Beginning Computer Classes Commence, February 23

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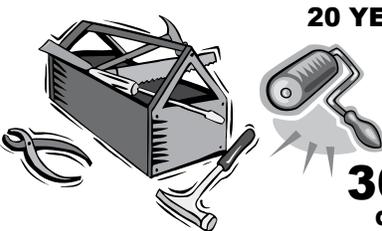
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LMC October Board Meeting Highlights

Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC Secretary

The Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) monthly Board meeting was held Thursday, October 28 in the Bay View Room of the Beach Club. The following are highlights of that meeting:

As a reminder, the LMC Board has decided to continue holding their regular monthly meetings on the fourth Thursday of each month starting at 4:00 pm. After the meeting Wednesday, November 24, the dates for the rest of the meetings during this board year are **Thursdays: December 23, January 27, February 24, March 24, and April 28.**

A joint workshop between the LMC and the South Bay Community Association (SBCA) Board was scheduled for November 5 to discuss matters of mutual interest.

Even though annual assessment collections are under budget, LMC is not expected to have a deficit at the end of 2010. Efforts by the Board and Standing Committees have helped to cut back on expenses.

Seven windows are being replaced in the Exercise Room.

The Board approved a bid to upgrade a portion of the electrical system and install monitoring cameras at the RV storage lot. The work is expected to be complete by the end of the year. Payment will come from the LMC Reserve Fund.

Noble Nilsen was appointed as a member of the LMC Architectural Control Committee (ACC), and Jeff Beres was appointed as an alternate member.

The Board approved and adopted an amendment to the LMC Regulations providing a more orderly process for making changes to the Regulations. The amendment requires that draft copies of proposed changes and additions to the Regulations be made available to members

Important Dates

LOA Meeting

Monday, December 6, 9:00 a.m.

e-mail: PortLudlowLOA@yahoo.com

Sign up for the *LOA Bulletin* online at the above address

LMC Board Meeting

Thursday, December 23, 4:00 p.m.

Telephone: 437-9201

e-mail: beachclub@olympus.net

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at Board meetings, e-mailed to members for whom the LMC has e-mail addresses, posted on the Beach Club bulletin board and on the LMC website so that members may comment in advance. Prior to adoption, a proposed Regulation change must now be approved without modification at two regularly scheduled meetings of the Board at which the proposed changes are on the agenda.

The LMC Board voted to sign on to a letter drafted by the Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) Committee of the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) and in conjunction with the SBCA Board expressing concern to the State Department of Transportation about the IMQ access road off State Highway 104.

A review of the Tree and View Regulation (Regulation II, Article I, Section 3) is underway. Member comments from the recent community forum, the member discussions last spring and other comments submitted in writing are being compiled. The matter will be discussed at a Board workshop.

Family Movie Night

Come enjoy an evening of holiday spirit for the family at the monthly movie night. There will be hot cocoa and cookies along with a Christmas-theme movie on **Friday, December 17, 6:00 p.m.** at the Bridge Deck. Mark the date and remind other families with children about this festive evening of fun and family time. ☼

2011 Budget Process

by Brian Belmont, Beach Club Manager

Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Treasurer Sharron Sherfick wrote an excellent article that was published in LMC's October *Navigator Newsletter* that provided an overview of our budget process. That article provides an update of the 2011 Budget development.

The Operations Committee has submitted a prioritized list of facility projects for next year. The Finance Committee has reviewed drafts of the 2011 Operating and Reserve Budgets and forwarded both to the LMC Board of Trustees.

On November 4, the Board held a workshop to review and discuss both budgets on a line-by-line basis. At the November 24 monthly Board meeting the Trustees are expected to vote on budgets. If approved, budget summaries will be mailed to the LMC membership in early December. The membership will then be asked to vote on the budgets in December, and if ratified by the members, the 2011 budgets will be adopted.

Throughout this year members of our community, committees and staff have provided input towards next year's Operating and Reserve budgets. As Sharron wrote, depending on the specific budget line-item "two approaches are used to create a budget—historical and zero-based. The historical method is based on the last few years of actual expenses while the zero-based approach uses factual information gathered annually."

Some of the challenges we faced in preparing next year's budget was the impact that the national economy is having on our members. In 2010 LMC had a 2.5 percent delinquency in assessment collection, which is approximately twice as high as last year. Foreclosures and personal bankruptcies have increased significantly. LMC's ability to raise annual assessments is tied to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) which was nearly flat.

Because of this year's increased delinquency rate, the Finance Committee has recommended that next year's budget include a 4 percent delinquency projection which equates to approximately \$20,000 rather than the 1 percent that was used in 2010.

With significantly less revenue to work with, next year's projected operating expenses have been thoroughly reviewed and discussed at all levels. Consideration of special projects and member services has been part of that process.

Although the CPI will allow only a modest increase in assessments (\$1.26), many expenses have increased. In particular, sewer and electricity rates have increased and a proposed water rate increase by Olympic Water and Sewer is being reviewed at the State level.

Two projects are being proposed in next year's Reserve Budget. The 40-year-old outdoor pool is due for major repairs. The entire surface drain system needs to be replaced as do the seven water return fittings on the bottom of the pool. Many of the steps that are part of the poolside ladders have cracked and need to be replaced. Due to the magnitude of the other pool work, it only makes fiscal sense to have the outdoor pool re-plastered at the same time next spring.

The other reserve project being proposed in next year's budget is the re-roofing of the north end of the Beach Club. Asphalt composition roofing will replace the cedar shakes currently on the north end. It should be noted that the south end was re-roofed in 2007 but because of possible remodel considerations, it was decided not to do the north end then.

A great deal of thought and effort has been put into next year's budgets. I would encourage any member that may have questions about the process or the projections to contact me at the Beach Club at 437-9201 or by e-mail beachclub@olympus.net.

Holiday Luncheon at the Beach Club

Join your North Bay friends at the Beach Club for a festive holiday luncheon being catered by the Belmont Restaurant on **Friday, December 17**. Club doors will open at 11:30 a.m.

Dressed in your holiday finery, you can visit with friends while listening to holiday music on the piano by our very own Kathie Sharp while enjoying the sumptuous appetizers of crab dip, hibachi beef, prawns on ice and assorted vegetable tray.

The luncheon of salad, entrée, rice, vegetable and champagne cake will be served at 12:30 p.m. BYOB if you wish! Following the meal, the Port Ludlow Singers directed by Dave Weakley and Frank Siler's delightful Port Ludlow Village Sounders will serenade.

Last day to sign up at the Beach Club is **Wednesday, December 15**, when you must indicate an entrée choice

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of salmon or chicken cordon bleu. Make checks for \$21 per person payable to the Belmont Restaurant. Seating is limited and Christmas events usually reach capacity in early December. This event will truly get you in the holiday mood to celebrate the season!

To help the many less fortunate, a donation basket will be available for those who care to donate \$1 to the Food Bank. Requested items will be purchased with dollars collected. ☼

Breakfast with Santa at the Beach Club



Santa is an expected guest.
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Take the children and grandchildren to the Beach Club to enjoy a pancake breakfast with Santa on Christmas Eve, **Friday, December 24** from 9:00 a.m. to noon. There will be special entertainment, crafts and caroling. Santa will arrive promptly at 11:00 a.m.

Please take a small wrapped gift for your child, with the child's name and age written clearly. You may drop off the gift at the Beach Club prior to arriving.

Volunteers are welcome; it can't be done without you! For more information please e-mail Michelle Mosely at searogueministries@yahoo.com. ☼

Greenbelt Dumping a Bad Idea

The greenbelt near your home may appear to be a convenient place to dump your yard waste and fallen tree limbs, but in reality it's a bad idea for several reasons:

It is against regulations which state: "Dumping of trash, building debris, stumps, logs and rocks on greenbelt areas or drainage easements is prohibited."

Some may think that since the County now charges for dropping off yard waste, that dumping it on the Greenbelt saves you money. However, removing cut grass and branches you let accumulate for several years in the Greenbelt could turn out to be a far more expensive project if the Greenbelt Committee determines that you must do it.

Piles of yard debris can be a fire hazard which could threaten not only your home, but your neighbors' as well.

Our greenbelt system is one of Port Ludlow's greatest assets. Please help us keep it beautiful for all to enjoy.

LMC/SBCA Joint Meeting

by Brian Belmont, LMC General Manager

For the first time in recent memory, board members representing both Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) and South Bay Community Association (SBCA) met to discuss how each homeowner association conducts business. SBCA Manager Mike Morgan and I also attended the November 5 meeting at the Bay Club. Interested members from both associations attended.

Topics that were discussed included:

- Each association's use of committees
- Overall association structure
- Interaction with the many sub-associations within the two master associations
- Communication techniques used to reach association members
- Rule enforcement methods
- Allocation of committee budgets
- Association interaction with Jefferson County
- Financial record keeping, internal controls and audits
- Community demographics and how they impact facility operations
- Budgets and reserve funding
- Ability to raise assessments if previous doesn't work.
- Tenant access to the recreational facilities
- Facility rental by members and non members

It was the consensus of the participants that this was a good first step toward learning how the other association operates and that there are learning opportunities for both organizations. Everyone was in agreement that more of these joint meetings would be useful.

Proposed December 31 North Bay Potluck

Beach Club Members should be on the lookout for posters at the Club announcing details of the proposed Potluck celebration at the end of the month and the end of the year. Until then, Merry Christmas to all! ☼

Welcome New Neighbors

Kristopher and Mary Andrews
Kenneth Jablonski
Gabe Fountain and Karla Johnson
Kody McConnell

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North Bay Lane
Falcon Lane
Falcon Lane

Summary of Fall Volunteer Activities

by Barbara Berthiaume, LOA Board Member

The North Bay Lot Owners Association (NBLOA) held its eighth annual Halloween Party with over 50 costumed kids in attendance. Bryan Diehl noted that the kids who participated in the first Halloween party are now old enough to help put up and take down the decorations. Bryan feels that this activity instills an important sense of community for these teens.

The annual Yard Waste Pickup this fall yielded over 150 composting bags weighing five tons. Volunteer drivers picked up the yard waste; members of the community made donations to support this event. The LOA thanks Roger Short, a local organic farmer, who again volunteered his farm to house the yard waste. It is a much appreciated cost savings. The Penny Creek drivers helped in making this event a huge success.

Clean Sweep is an annual event in November when volunteers walk through their neighborhood and clear streets in their area of roadside debris. Jerry and Diane Purdy organize this event with no meetings, red tape or committees. It is a task they have undertaken themselves and our community is very grateful for their efforts. ☼

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 Denotes Bay Club members-only activity.

SBCA Board Meeting

Friday, December 3, 9:00 a.m.
 Visit <http://plsbca.org>
 All SBCA members are welcome. 

SBCA Update

by Janet Force, South Bay Editor

South Bay Community Association (SBCA) President Dave Armitage called the monthly Board meeting to order on Friday, November 5, 9:00 a.m. at the Bay Club. Directors Howard Koester, Pat Traci, Sharon Walker and Christine Whitehurst were present.

Mike Morgan and Linda Colasurdo, Bay Club Staff; Mea Graham, Recording Secretary; 14 SBCA members; Larry Scott, Trails Chairman; Jen Portz, *Voice* Staff writer were also present. In addition, seven LMC invited guests were also in attendance.

After determination of a quorum, the agenda and the October minutes were unanimously approved.

Support for The Trails Committee presentation of future trails for Port Ludlow was unanimously approved.

Secretary-Treasurer Whitehurst reported the financial highlights for September, showing the Total Current Assets for the month to be \$286,064, and Total Assets to be \$598,253, an increase of \$19,363 over last year's Total Assets. The Income Statement for September 2010 showed total revenues of \$8,745 and Total Operating Expenses of \$34,917 and a Net Operating Surplus of \$2,929 for the 2011 fiscal year. (Note the surplus is always high the first month of the quarter due to the majority of dues being paid during that month, while expenses are very consistent month to month). The Maintenance reserve is \$190,258 with expenses of \$1,025 for exercise equipment and \$893 to replace the fence by the storage shed. The Renovation Fund is \$50,641 with expenses \$3,318 and \$347 for the American with Disabilities Act (ADA) door project (final payment), \$1,539 for the television in the Conference Room and a \$500 contribution towards a plate warmer. This report was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for **Friday, December 3** at 9:00 a.m.

SBCA November Highlights

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

Architectural Review Committee (ARC): Linda Colasurdo said the month was quiet with only some maintenance in Timberton's Common Area with a bit more scheduled there.

IMQ – SEPA (Iron Mountain Quarry – State Environmental Policy Act): After a brief historic overview, Dave Armitage noted the community was looking toward actions it could take to ensure IMQ complied with SEPA. IMQ had appealed to the Attorney General (AG) the Department of Transportation's (DOT) determination that the current mine access onto SR-104 was authorized for logging activities only. The AG upheld DOT's finding, but advised it could sell IMQ a mining access. Research by the SEPA Committee indicated, per State law, if the mining-access sale was part of a larger application, it must be considered within that application's SEPA review. A healthy discussion ensued that culminated in unanimous approval of a joint South Bay Community Association (SBCA)-Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) letter, with a Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) cover to be sent to DOT and copied to various interested parties. (See related article on page 5.)

Operations: Mike Morgan advised membership had dropped to 549 members (518 regular and 31 associate). Liens had been filed against five members with dues delinquent for two or more quarters. The process to recoup dues from the one currently in foreclosure was underway. Armitage noted another was in foreclosure and said he would advise Morgan of its address. Window and glass installation has been completed. The men's urinals were being rebuilt. The women's locker room toilet was fixed. New greenery had been added to the Great Room. The security system was up and running with training underway. SBCA had contributed \$500 toward a plate-warmer that was installed in time for the Free Spirits dinner. Earphone hook-ups had been installed at the exercise equipment.

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Long Range Planning: Bruce Schmidt noted the Committee had finalized its list and was working to put a value on each item. A meeting was scheduled for November 17.

Other Meeting Highlights: Larry Scott, PLVC Trails Chair, gave a presentation regarding future trail system expansions and answered questions about easements, discussions of which are underway, and also explained that statutes were in place that relieved homeowners from liabilities from trails. He advised no additional funding would be sought for these projects. The Board's support for the endeavor was unanimously given.

SBCA President's Message

by Dave Armitage, Association President

I want to take a moment to thank the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) and South Bay Community Association (SBCA) Board members who participated in the joint meeting of the two Boards. Representing the LMC Board were Elizabeth Van Zonneveld, President; Teddy Clark, Vice President; Sharon Sherrfick, Treasurer and Brian Belmont, Beach Club Manager. Representing the SBCA Board were Dave Armitage, President; Howard Koester, Vice President; Chris Whitehurst, Treasurer; Directors Pat Traci and Sharon Walker and Mike Morgan, Bay Club Manager.

This was a very informative meeting and the audience joined in the discussion. There are large differences in the manner that the clubs are managed—in large part due to the LMC being the older club but also considering all the buildings, lands and functions that they are required to manage. I for one really appreciate the LMC taking the time to come and speak with us.

By the time you read this we will be far into the holiday season. I want to wish you a happy holiday season and a joyful, prosperous and healthy New Year.

South Bay Members' Social

Join your South Bay neighbors on **Friday, December 10** at 5:00 p.m. for our holiday members' hosted social. Our Club will be all dressed up and the special hors d'oeuvres we all bring, just might give us inspiration for parties we attend later in the month. 🍷

New Members for South Bay

Please welcome Wynne and Andrea Stevens to Fairwood Village and to South Bay!

Free Spirits Reminder

Tables are filling up for "A Touch of Class," the Free Spirits holiday event, **Saturday, December 11** at the Bay Club. The evening begins with delicious appetizers followed by a scrumptious Prime Rib dinner, supreme spinach salad, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, rolls and a delicious mouth-watering dessert! All this to the accompaniment of holiday music. Appetizers are 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m. Signup ends **Saturday, December 4**. \$22 for members and \$29 for non-members.



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Arts and Entertainment

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

Dean Regan's "A Broadway Christmas"

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Contributing Writer



Dean Regan, a court jester of song.
Provided photo

"When Regan sings ... it tears your heart out," says the Los Angeles press, dubbing him "charming, handsome, foot-loose and fancy-free." Audiences say, "He's an exhilarating mixture of romantic crooner and court jester of song." The Port Ludlow Arts Council wants to make your

holiday season special by offering two back-to-back concerts on **Sunday, December 12**, at both 3:00 and 7:00 p.m., which enables seating for nearly 450 residents and friends to hear this award-winning stage, screen and television performer. What an opportunity to show friends what Port Ludlow entertainment is all about!

Named "Artist of the Year" by Professional Artists for his concert performances, Regan has also been honored with both the prestigious Garland and Drama-Logue awards for his Los Angeles musical theater performances. His performance as the "Emcee" in *Cabaret* was heralded as "stunning and poignant" by the Los Angeles press. Arts Council Booking Co-Chairs Bev Rothenborg and Barbara Wagner-Jauregg have both seen Regan perform and were determined to bring him to the Port Ludlow audience.

Regan's "A Broadway Christmas" includes magnificent renditions of Christmas classics, Broadway and standard favorites, including *Let It Snow*, *O Holy Night*, *White Christmas*, *A Charlie Brown Christmas*, the music of *La Mancha*, *Being Alive* and the Beatles' *Let It Be*. Musical Director Nick Fryman will accompany Regan on the baby grand piano.

Of course the Bay Club will be wearing its gorgeous holiday decorations and you'll be greeted upon arriving with a steaming cup of wassail, provided by members of the Arts Council Board.

A graduate of U.C.L.A. specializing in Theater and English, Regan toured with Jim Belushi and Maureen McGovern and was honored to perform at the White House for President and Mrs. Reagan. He appeared on Broadway in New York and acted on several daytime dramas and Off-Broadway productions before moving to Los Angeles, where he now lives.

Bay Club doors open an hour before each concert, at either 2:00 or 6:00 p.m., for seat selection, a glass of wine, visiting and enjoying an exhibit of pastels by Shirley Fleming, an Artists' League member. Fleming cannot think of a time when she wasn't squiggling, smudging or drawing on art paper—oil, acrylics, pen and ink, watercolor and now pastel. Her paintings are mostly landscapes as she is enthralled by nature and sees beauty in it everyday. She loves the lights and darks and vibrant colors of the seasons and feels she and pastels were made for each other—she can smudge all she likes.

Tickets are \$20 and are available at the Bay Club or online at www.brownpapertickets.com. Save money with a Flex Pass at \$111, good for six punches that can be shared with two or more people and/or used for one or more concerts.

Community Orchestra Concert

Port Townsend Community Orchestra presents their holiday concert on **Saturday, December 4**, 7:30 p.m. at the Chimacum High School Auditorium. If you are there at 6:45 p.m. you can enjoy a pre-concert conversation with Maestro Dewey Ehling.

The evening opens with *Procession of the Nobles* by Russian Rimsky-Korsakov, from the opera-ballet *Mlada*, the name of the main character. This piece was written as

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Kyle Campbell appeared in Port Ludlow in 1996.

Provided photo

a joint effort by five composers including Rimsky-Korsakov. The project was, however, never completed and no performing edition of the entire work exists.

In 1906, Gustav Holst set the words to *In the Bleak Midwinter*, by English poet Christina Rossetti, to music. It has become one of the most popular Christmas carols and the orchestra includes it in this season's concert. A holiday arrangement of familiar

carols completes the first half of the concert, and will be your opportunity to sing with the orchestra.

After intermission, the orchestra will include two pieces by George Frederic Handel: the *Overture to the Messiah* and the *Concerto Grosso No. 1 in G Major*. The latter piece incorporates a trio of two violins and a cello. The featured soloists in the trio are all active musicians in the community: Kristin Smith and Barbara Henry on violin and Kyle Campbell on cello.

Port Townsend Community Orchestra is supported by generous contributions from its patrons and local businesses. Admission is free and donations are greatly appreciated. Children are welcome. Visit the orchestra's website www.porttownsendorchestra.org for additional information.

Nordlys, Music of Scandinavian Composers

On **Friday and Sunday, December 17 and 19** at 2:00 p.m., Alan and Sandy Rawson, a violin/piano duo, will present their fourth annual *Nordlys* (Northern Lights) concert at their Chimacum home. This concert will showcase works for violin and piano by Scandinavian composers from the twilight of the Romantic era. So turn off the cell phones, the computers, the cable and satellite TV, take your mind back to the warm comforts of an elegant 1900's parlor, and savor the rich melodies of northern lands in wintertime. Enjoy this great music in a setting of comfort and intimacy as no other!

This year the Rawsons will present works celebrating country hearth and home of the northlands with *Danse Champetre*, Op. 106 (5 Country Dances) and *Novelette*, Op. 102 by Finland's national treasure, Jean Sibelius. Then their attention turns toward Norway with Johan Halvorsen's introspective and serenely beautiful, 6

Stimmungsbilder (Mood Pieces) conjuring the warmth of glowing embers and a fresh snow covered, low sunlit afternoon.

An almost forgotten virtuoso violinist of the romantic era, Emile Sauret provides a doorway to the Nordic soul of Edvard Grieg through selected song arrangements and a stunning transcription of Grieg's rustic and fiery *Scenes of the Country Life*, Op. 19.

Complimentary to the wonderful music, Sandy Rawson turns once again to Scandinavia for a sumptuous reception to follow.

Seating is limited and arranged through advanced paid reservation of \$22. Checks should be made payable to Dr. Alan Rawson and mailed to 10318 Rhody Drive, Chimacum 98325. Upon receipt of payment, a confirmation will be sent including directions to their home. The Rawsons can be contacted by e-mailing rawsonduo@gmail.com or calling 379-3449. You also can visit www.rawsonduo.com for further information about the Duo and this concert.

Final Coffee Concerts for 2010

Gwendolyn Moore's popular Coffee Concerts will conclude for the season in December and return again in the spring. Each concert is performed on Mondays and repeated on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. The music is enhanced by Moore's commentary.

On **Monday and Tuesday, December 6 and 7**, Barbara Hinchliff will perform with Moore and the music will include works by Ravel, Hindemith and Debussy. On **Monday and Tuesday, December 13 and 14**, dance music by Beethoven, Schubert, Copland and Milhaud will be performed. The audience can enjoy a rousing Christmas program with lots of carol singing and a sing-along rendition of the *Hallelujah Chorus* on **Monday and Tuesday, December 20 and 21**. Moore always likes to end the year with Bach's *Goldberg Variations* and will be joined again by piano partner Barbara Hinchliff on **Monday and Tuesday, December 27 and 28** for a program that will also include Rachmaninoff's *Symphonic Dances*. All programs are subject to change.

Admission to the concerts is \$8 or \$35 for a seven-concert ticket book. Proceeds fund musical scholarships for local students. The concerts are held at 523 Blue Ridge Road in the Discovery Bay area. It is necessary to reserve a space by calling 385-3626 and when you do, you will be given directions to the venue. If there is snow or inclement weather, concerts could be cancelled.

Been to a Roadhouse Lately?

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Contributing Writer

They've got 'em in Texas and Utah—even in Hood River, Oregon. But many of us haven't had the pleasure. Have a little fun at a Roadhouse Cabaret, here in Port Ludlow, **Saturday, January 15, 4:00 p.m.** at the Bay Club. Then, after a two-hour concert featuring the Reno-based Colin Ross Trio with Mig O'Hara on guitar, head on down to The Fireside Roadhouse at The Inn for a no-host supper of good ol' comfort food.

Ross is both a composer and multi-instrumentalist who began on classical piano at age five and now plays a variety of instruments and styles. He's performed in nearly every conceivable setting—from lobbies of luxury hotels and casinos to bars, clubs, schools and old folks' homes. His trio includes piano, guitars, bass, drums and vocal harmonies. Port Ludlow's Roadhouse will be rockin' with boogie-woogie, roots/blues and jazz.

"I love music that's on the cusp between jazz and blues," says Ross. His working definition of the blues covers everybody from Duke Ellington to Muddy Waters. He performs material written by composers of this era, like Count Basie and Bessie Smith, and also plays his originals showing how deeply informed he is by American roots music. "I'm influenced by this stuff...not trying to copy it," he says. But, his originals fit in well with the vintage classics.

Because the Roadhouse is a cabaret concert with all seating at tables, beverage service and snacks, it's vital to get your tickets at \$20 early either at the Bay Club or online at www.brownpapertickets.com. Remember you can save a little money by purchasing a Flex Pass at the Bay Club, good for six punches, at \$111. It can be shared with two or more people and/or used for one or more concerts.

Doors open at 3:00 p.m. Enjoy an exhibit of drawings in colored pencil by Artists' League member Jeanne Joseph.



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Performing Arts Calendar

Wednesday, December 1

Navy Band Northwest performs a holiday concert at the Bremerton High School Performing Arts Auditorium, 7:00 p.m., free admission, 360-315-3449.

Wednesday, December 1

Jump-start the holidays with *The Santaland Diaries* (Act I) and *Christmas Cabaret* (Act II). Act I is based on the outlandish, and true, chronicles of the author's experience as Crumpet the Elf in Macy's Santaland display; Act II is a glittering holiday offering of song and surprises, 7:30 p.m., Bainbridge Performing Arts, 206-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org.

Thursday, December 2

Michael Kaeshammer is Canada's brightest combo of piano virtuosity, vocal ability, charisma and when he boogies, Look Out! 7:00 p.m., The Source at Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Thursday, Friday, Saturdays and Sundays, December 2-12

The Little Match Girl by Hans Christian Andersen is a tale for the whole family with a fresh adaptation and new choreography about haunted hopes and magical dreams, various times, Key City Public Theatre, Port Townsend, 379-0195, www.keycitypublictheatre.org. Family performances with treats for kids and special ticket prices on **Wednesday, December 1**, 7:00 p.m. and **Saturday, December 11**, 11:00 a.m.

Friday, December 3

Treat the family to a New Orleans holiday tradition when the Preservation Hall Jazz Band goes to the Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, December 3-12

Greetings is a comic gem of a play at Poulsbo's Jewel Box Theatre, 8:00 p.m. with 2:00 p.m. Sunday matinees, 360-697-3183, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

Saturday, December 4

PT Shorts offers *The Wizard of Oz Unplugged*, readings from the L. Frank Baum classic, Pope Marine Building, Port Townsend, 7:30, in conjunction with the monthly Gallery Walk, www.keycitypublictheatre.org. Free admission.

Saturday, December 4

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra's Holiday Concert will include music by Rimsky-Korsakov and Handel, plus a traditional sing-along carol session, 7:30 p.m., Chimacum High School Auditorium, www.porttownsendorchestra.org. (See related article on page 29.)

Sunday, December 5

The Community Chorus of Port Townsend and East Jefferson County brings Handel's oratorio *Messiah* to life at the Chimacum High School Auditorium, 3:00 p.m., 385-1402, www.ptchorus.org. 100 voices and a chamber orchestra perform.

Wednesday, December 8 through Sunday, December 19

Key City Public Theatre presents a spicy, adult, tattle-tale show called *The Eight: Reindeer Monologues* in which each of Santa's flying herd has his or her say, various times, Port Townsend, 385-7396, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, December 10-19

Follow the rags-to-riches story of the world's best-loved

orphan as she escapes a life in the orphanage and finds a new home with Oliver Warbucks when *Annie* comes to Bainbridge Performing Arts, 7:30 p.m. plus Saturdays and Sundays at 3:00 p.m., 206-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org. Pay-What-You-Can Preview, 7:30 p.m., **Thursday, December 9**.

Saturday, December 11

The Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra offers their holiday concert with music by J. Strauss, Handel, Corelli and more, 10:00 a.m. dress rehearsal, 7:30 p.m. concert, Port Angeles High School Auditorium, 360-457-5579, www.portangelessymphony.org.

Saturday, December 11

Yuletide Treasures with music by Handel, I. Berlin, V. Williams and more are on the program of the Bremerton Symphony, 6:30 p.m. for pre-concert chat, 7:30 p.m. concert, Bremerton High School Performing Arts Center, 360-373-1722, www.bremertonsymphony.org.

Saturday and Sunday, December 11 and 12

Wild Rose Chorale and Friends will include singers from the community with holiday music, First Presbyterian Church, Port Townsend, 7:00 p.m. Saturday, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, 385-1402. (See related article on page 39.)

Sunday, December 12

Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents Dean Regan's "A Broadway Christmas," with Christmas classics, Broadway and standard favorite tunes, accompanied by Musical Director Nick Fryman on the baby grand, art show of pastels by Shirley Fleming, wassail and wine bar, Bay Club, 3:00 and 7:00 p.m., doors open one hour before each concert, 360-437-2208. (See related article on page 29.)

Tuesdays and Wednesdays, December 14 – 22

Port Townsend's Key City Public Theatre presents *The Seven Poor Travellers* by Charles Dickens, adapted and performed by Charlie Bethel, 7:00 p.m. plus one matinee **Saturday, December 18** at 2:30 p.m., 385-7396, www.keycitypublictheatre.org. This is a war story that speaks eloquently of peace and our need to forgive.

Thursday, December 16

The West Sound's own version of "America's Got Talent" brings together dance, singing and other talents, all vying for the \$500 grand prize, 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday and Sunday, December 17 and 19

The Rawson Duo presents their fourth annual *Nordlys* (Northern Lights) concert showcasing violin and piano works by Scandinavian composers from the twilight of the Romantic era, their Chimacum home, 2:00 p.m., 379-3449, www.rawsonduo.com. (See related article on page 30.)

Wednesday, December 22

The Blind Boys of Alabama present their "Christmas Show 2010," 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org. They have been honored with the Grammy Lifetime Achievement Award and have sung in the White House for the last three presidents.

Friday, December 31

Laugh 'til it hurts with the Best of Seattle Comedy Underground! Dance into the early hours on the Admiral Theatre's stage, Bremerton, 9:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Port Ludlow Associates

Developer News

by Diana Smeland, Port Ludlow Associates, President

It's Christmas (Almost): Some of my friends (maybe not any more) say they are done with their Christmas shopping. I hope yours is going better than mine. Katie is easy, but Gary (husband) is harder, not even getting into my family, his family, etc. I see Resort Gift Certificates in my future. Do you see them now? They are available.

Real Estate: The storyboard on the approved Ludlow Bay Village project posted at the Inn is generating a lot of questions. Are you also wondering about certain aspects? Probably the first question on everyone's mind is when does it happen? I wish I had that crystal ball, but I am pretty bullish that in the next couple of years, this project will have high demand. We intend to start an e-mail list, for those interested, so that we can keep everyone up to date on the economy changes and how they affect us. Send me e-mail if you are interested in being on the list, then call all your friends and tell them to get on the list too. We have a great booklet on the community at the John L Scott office.

The Resort: Talking about Christmas. There is a lot going on: Community Christmas Lighting Contest, Holiday on the Docks, The 12 Days of Christmas special menus, a holiday party at the Golf Course, A Day with Chef Dan, International Dinner and the Christmas Gallery down the hallways of the Inn with a reception for the artists. What a great community to be in the Holiday Spirit!

Recruiting: We are looking for you! Our John L Scott office would love to grow. We are looking for licensed agents or individuals who are thinking about becoming real estate agents. Now is a great time to be the expert in the real estate field. A lot is changing and agents are on top of the changes. Please contact Chuck Hynden or me if you are interested in interviewing with us.

News: Remember our websites www.portludlowresort.com and the new www.westharborhomes.com. You can also sign up to receive e-mail specials on our website. Don't be in the dark, sign up today.

Got Other Questions: What other questions are you wondering about? Send me e-mail or give me a call. We continue to look forward to meeting with groups and residents to share ideas or deal with any concerns about Port Ludlow's future. I can be reached at 437-8342 or e-mail dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com.

Water Rate Update

by Larry Smith, President, Olympic Water and Sewer, Inc.

As many of you know, Olympic Water and Sewer, Inc. (OWSI) filed a request for a rate increase with the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC) in mid-September. The increase was expected to be effective for the beginning of the November/December 2010 billing cycle; however, WUTC requested that we delay the effective date. As a result, the increase, if granted, will be effective with the January/February 2011 billing and customers would see the resulting changes on the bill received at the end of February.

The filing requests an additional \$182,000, or a 25 percent annual increase in revenue. The increase would recover increased operation and maintenance costs as well as an allowed return on the capital investment in the system. The last increase was granted in 2008. Prior to that, there had not been a change in water rates since 1994.

One of the primary reasons for the increase is to recover costs related to investigating hydrocarbon contamination at our Walker Way site. This contamination was discovered in 2009 while attempting to drill a new water well. The source is suspected to be former underground storage tanks that were removed in 1990. Some contamination was known to be remaining under a building, but wasn't considered to be at risk of traveling to surrounding areas.

Current WUTC policies suggest that rates should be set up in three tiers or blocks. We currently use two blocks. The rate proposal therefore includes three blocks as follows: (note that these will be presented in a bi-monthly format to match with the billing cycles). One cubic foot is equal to approximately seven and a half gallons of water.

The base charge is proposed to remain the same as current; that being \$36.50 every two months for a three-quarter inch meter, which most customers have.

Usage Block 1: 0-800 cubic feet bi-monthly and is proposed at \$0.0265 per cubic foot. 800 cubic feet is the historical average bi-monthly use for the three billing periods from November through April.

Usage Block 2: is 801-1,900 cubic feet bimonthly and is proposed at \$0.0425 per cubic foot. 1,900 cubic feet is the historical average bi-monthly use from May through October.

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Usage Block 3: is 1,901-plus cubic feet bi-monthly and is proposed at \$0.0525 per cubic foot. This block represents usage in excess of the average summer use.

Currently OWSI's financial records are being reviewed by WUTC staff. They are routinely asking us for clarification and additional detail to arrive at what they feel is an average year. They will make adjustments in accordance with their policies and procedures and will most likely arrive at a different revenue requirement that may be higher or lower than what we proposed. Based on our discussions with them, the final rates will likely be set lower than originally proposed. We would expect that the staff review will be concluded by early December. The WUTC commissioners are scheduled to make a final decision at their open meeting on **Thursday, December 16.**

If you have questions, you may contact me directly at 437-8246 or e-mail OWSI@portludlowassociates.com.

Resort News

by Paul Wolman, General Manager, The Resort At Port Ludlow

Experiences are at the heart of indelible memories at The Resort At Port Ludlow and our people are at the heart of those experiences. We invite you to become acquainted with our Operations Manager, Culinary Professionals and Executive Chef, Fireside Captains, Servers, Hosts and Hostesses, Catering and Sales Managers, Front Desk Associates, Room Attendants and Maintenance Specialists. Each looks forward to making yours a healthful, meaningful and memorable getaway and dining experience.

Comfort Food that's Easy on Your Wallet

Wednesday, December 1: Cheddar and Ale Soup or Caesar Salad, Meatloaf with Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Apple Pie "à la Mode," only \$16.

Thursday, December 2: Clam Chowder or Seasonal Salad, Southern Fried Chicken, Dirty Rice and Bacon-Laced Vegetables, Pecan Tart, only \$16.

Sunday, December 5: Minestrone Soup or Italian Salad, Fresh Pasta with a Giant Homemade Meatball, Tiramisu, only \$14.

Monday, December 6: New Yorkers' Chicken Soup with Matzo Ball or Winter Salad with Apples, Rotisserie Chicken, Roasted Potatoes and Root Vegetables, Chocolate Mousse, only \$15.

Sunday, December 12: French Onion Soup or Celery Root Salad, Flat Iron Filet with Peppercorn Sauce, Hand Cut French Fries, Crème Brulee, only \$18.

Monday, December 13: Chicken Noodle Soup or Spinach and Bacon Salad, Roasted Pork Loin and Potato au Gratin, Chef Dan's Black Forest Cake, only \$17.

Sunday, December 19: Vegetable Soup or Iceberg Wedges with Blue Cheese, Homemade Meat Lasagna, Italian Gelato, only \$14.

Monday, December 20: Split Pea Soup or Beet Salad with Goat Cheese, Roast Beef, Yorkshire Pudding and Winter Vegetables, Belgian Chocolate Tart, only \$16.

Wednesday, December 22: Cream of Mushroom Soup or Belgian Endives and Blue Cheese Salad, Braised Short Ribs, Mashed Potatoes, Pot de Crème, only \$18.

New: Fresh Homemade Soup to Go

For the wintery days in December, soup is made fresh daily, 8-, 16- or 32-ounce cups of soup are paired with with Pane d' Amore baguette and butter, only \$5/8-ounce cup, \$7/16-ounce cup and \$10/32-ounce cup. Call 437-7000 or go to www.portludlowresort.com for information or to order.

Exceptional Events in December

"The Twelve Days of Christmas," November 30 through Tuesday, December 21.

Join us for 12 fabulous three-course feasts served in The Resort's festive setting. The feasts are paired with three local wines for a nominal charge and are served from 4:00 p.m. until closing. For more information visit www.portludlowresort.com.

Day 1: Tuesday, November 30: Homey Garlic, Potato and Leek Soup or Baby Spinach Salad with Bacon Bits, Egg "Mimosa" and Warm Balsamic Vinaigrette; Chicken, Spicy Sausage and Seafood Paella with Saffron Rice entrée followed by Chef Dan's dessert for only \$34. Paired with wine, add \$15.

Day 2: Saturday, December 4: Potage of Sausage, Potato and Savoy Cabbage, or Fennel and Pear Salad; Berkshire Pork "Charcutière" Gnocchi entrée with Chef Dan's dessert for \$29; three paired Walla Walla wines, add \$15.

Day 3: Tuesday, December 7: "Garbure" Soup Farmer Style with Smoked Berkshire Pork Shoulder and Winter Vegetables or Classic Caesar Salad with Garlic Croutons, Spanish Anchovies and Parmigiano-Reggiano Cheese; entrée of Kobe Beef Skirt Steak and "Au Poivre" Gratin of Potatoes and Chef Dan's dessert for \$32. Add \$15 for wine pairing.

Day 4: Wednesday, December 8: Minestrone Toscana or Beet Salad with Mystery Bay Fresh "Chèvre" to precede Osso Buco and Risotto and dessert for \$36. Napa Valley wine pairing for \$15.

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Day 5: Thursday, December 9: Split Pea Soup with Crackling or Endives and Frisée with Marinated Figs, Roquefort Mustard Vinaigrette; Chicken à la Provençale, fresh Pappardelle and Chef Dan's Dessert for \$27; wine pairing, \$12.

Day 6: Friday, December 10: French Onion Soup "Au Gratin" Comté Cheese or iceberg wedge with Nueske Bacon, red onion, Bleu d'Auvergne cheese dressing; short ribs cooked in Syrah wine with wild mushroom risotto and dessert for \$35; Sonoma wine pairing, \$15.

Day 7: Saturday, December 11: Cream of Cauliflower Soup or Carrots in Lemon Vinaigrette, Celery "Rémoulade," Cucumber in Cream, Red Cabbage in Vinaigrette, Mushrooms in Tarragon Vinaigrette; Breast of Duckling with Braised Leg, Orange Sauce, Gratin Dauphinois for \$34, central California wines, add \$15.

Day 8: Tuesday, December 14: Cream of Asparagus or Braised Shiitake Mushrooms on Bitter Salad; Braised Kobe Beef in Cabernet Sauvignon, Potato Croquette, Root Vegetables with dessert for \$34; wine pairing is \$15.

Day 9: Wednesday, December 15: Winter Vegetable Consommé with Chicken Quenelles or Belgian Endive, Walnut Roquefort, Blue Cheese Vinaigrette; entrée is Merchant Flat Iron Filet, hand cut French Fries, Braised Lettuce Chef Dan's dessert for \$36, wine pairing, \$15.

Day 10: Thursday, December 16: Oyster and Corn Chowder or Frisée and lukewarm Potato Salad with Crackling and Garlic dressing; main course of pan-seared young tender chicken with rosemary, lemon and garlic truffle risotto with dessert for \$32; wine pairing adds \$15.

Day 11: Saturday, December 18: Cream of Mussel Soup or Composed Caramelized Pecan, Apple, Goat Cheese and Frisée Salad; entrée of Rib Roast with Yorkshire Pudding, Mustard and Horseradish Sauce and dessert for \$36; pairing with Washington wines, \$15.

Day 12: Tuesday, December 21: Clam Chowder New England Style or Cucumber Salad with Home Smoked Trout; main course of Braised Duck with Glazed Shallots and Honey Sweet Potatoes and Chef Dan's dessert for \$36; pairing with wines of the world adds \$15.

Fireside Hours of Operation:

Country Style Breakfast, daily, 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Lunch, daily, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Small Plates Service, daily, 2:00 p.m. to closing
New, Happy Hour, daily, 2:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Dinner, Sunday to Thursday, 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Dinner, Friday and Saturday, 4:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Brunch, Saturday and Sunday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

For more information, call 437-7000 or check www.portludlowresort.com.

Upcoming Events – Save the Dates:

Friday, December 17, 6:00 p.m., Dinner Around the World is a three-star celebration in Brussels with Foie Gras, Lobster "à la Nage," Veal Loin, Truffles and Wild Mushrooms, paired with Champagne. This six-course dinner is paired with elegant Champagne and rare wines.

Friday, December 24, Christmas Eve Dinner at The Fireside, Marina Room and Sunroom. Seating between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. Dine on New Bedford Scallops, fresh local Oysters with Sauce Mignonette, or Maine Lobster with thick vegetable cream, Sorbet au Champagne and Chateaubriand Madeira-Truffle Sauce (For Two). Also on the menu are Mushroom Timbales, and Crêpe Shells with Corn Puree. Or order your choice of Young Spring Chicken with Provençal Herbs, Fresh Water Crayfish Béarnaise Sauce. Rounding out the menu are Pommes Croquettes, Black Truffle Salad and Artisan Cheese and English Christmas Pudding with Hard Sauce. The cost is \$75 per guest. Wine pairing available of course with Kim Crawford Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, New Zealand; Fidelitas, Semillon, Washington; Pedestal, Merlot, Long Shadows Collection, Washington Harbinger, Raspberry Bliss, Washington for \$36 for four paired wines.

Friday, December 31, New Year's Eve Dinner at The Fireside, Marina Room and Sunroom, seating between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. Come and celebrate New Year's Eve with us. The menu is fabulous including lobster, Prosecco Granita, a main course of either Chateaubriand Port Deglazed for two or tenderloin of Fallow Venison. A delicious Farmers salad with Black Diamond and a Souffle au Chocolat with Grand Marnier is included for \$75 per guest. Pair the meal with four specially chosen Champagnes for an additional \$45.

For more information on any event, check www.portludlowresort.com or call 437-7000.

A Day with Chef Dan

**Friday, December 3
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**"Cuisine Belge, Cuisine Bourgeoise!"
(Belgian Cuisine)**

Each course will be enjoyed with a different wine or Belgian Beer. Students will learn the fun and importance of the complement between food and wine.

For more information, check online at www.portludlowresort.com or call 437-7000.



Tide and Timber

From the Desk of the DOG

by Vito DeSantis, PGA Director of Golf

Thank you to everyone who came out to support our first Winter Tour Golf Event on November 17. We gave away many turkeys and everyone had a great time! If for some reason you missed the Turkey Shoot, don't worry; you still have time to enter our next event on **Thursday, December 16**. It is appropriately named the Chili Open. To sign up for this event or other Winter Tour Events, please call the Golf Shop at 437-0272.

I am also excited to announce that on **Friday, December 10**, from 4:00 p.m. to approximately 6:30 p.m., Port Ludlow Golf Club will be hosting its annual Holiday Shopping Party. There will be terrific buys on every item in inventory and complimentary gift-wrapping will be available. Niblick's will also be offering light appetizers and there will be lots and lots of fun to be had by all. This is a great time to use those winnings that have been growing all year long.

Last, but certainly not least, a big, big thank you to the Port Ludlow Mens' Golf Association (MGA) who helped to donate \$240 to the Chimacum Food Bank. The money was raised by a live auction during the end-of-the-year banquet last month. The folks at the Food Bank were surprised and overwhelmed by everyone's generosity. So again, congratulations to the Port Ludlow MGA for a job well done.

News from the Niners

by Beverly Browne, Publicity

The *Voice* erroneously listed Ann Nugent rather than Kathy Snider as Captain of the Niners for the 2011 season. We apologize for the error and any confusion it caused.

Caroline Voss has announced there will be no organized informal golf in December due to the likelihood of inclement weather and the pressure of the holidays. Ladies who want to keep up their game are advised to call a friend if there is a decent day. Women who want information about joining the Nifty Niners should call Captain Kathy Snider at 437-9165. Regular league play begins in March.

Retiring Men's Niners Captain Ken Close, adds that the year-end banquet was a great success thanks to Barb Berthiaume and her team of trustees. The dinner served

by the Belmont Restaurant was excellent as usual and background music by Vince Pace provided the ambience.

Congratulations to the 2010 Eclectic and Ludlow Challenge winners. Eclectic prizes were as follow: Gold Tees, Bob Reasoner; white tees, with a 20 or less handicap, Ken Avicola; white tees with a 21 and greater handicap, Jim Frye. The Ludlow Challenge winner was Darrel Fett.

Next year's Captain is Marv Segar, 437-9514. You may direct questions about joining the men's group to him. For those of you staying in Port Ludlow this winter season, there is a group of guys that play a casual nine-hole round on the back nine each day. Weather permitting they start at 8:15 a.m.

WGA Announces Plans for 2011

by Peggy Selby, Retiring Captain

Ho ho ho and a Merry Christmas. Shopping, wrapping presents, mailing packages, cleaning house for the onslaught of holiday guests, hanging the lights and getting that tree up and decorated. I remember promising this year would be less hectic than last. Please take some time from this busy season to relax and enjoy. Let's imagine a nice fire in the fireplace, a warm cozy blanket, a cup of hot cocoa, nice music in the background and a good book. Schedule some tranquility during the holidays.

The Board for next year is already busy. We have Bonnie Vahcic at the helm, with Luke as her first mate, Sheila Shoen will be taking notes, Linda Aho is watching the money as well as maintaining the website, Carol Katuzny is tournament chair, Teddy Conover is planning the parties, Cathy Hampton – membership, Debi Bozanich – handicaps, Sharon Zabloutney – rules, Diane Kobz – scoring, Caryl Oros – couples, Burleigh Smith – All Star Cup, Debi Bozanich – awards banquet, Sheila Shoen – trophies, Grace Allen – historian, and Sally Grything on publicity. What a good crew for next year.

Remember, if you don't use it, you lose it. Find a few days here and there to get out there and keep the swing that you worked so hard on this year. The La Nina forecast for us looks more like snow shovels than golf clubs. Maybe for this winter season we could add that shovel to our bag as our 15th club and still manage to get in a few rounds. With that I bid you adieu. I have enjoyed being your voice in the *Voice*.

Mariners' News

Dock Talk

by Kori Ward, Marina Manager

“Holiday on the Docks” is scheduled for **Thursday, December 15**. The boats will light up at 5:00 p.m. We invite you to make reservations at The Fireside to treat yourself to a fine holiday dining experience while enjoying the panoramic view of the lighted vessels.



The North American River Otter is found in and along waterways and coasts.

Courtesy photo

The River Otter, commonly mistaken for a Sea Otter, is prevalent throughout the Northwest and Port Ludlow Marina!

For some, the otters are endearing creatures, amazing to watch as they frolic around on the piers playing with their siblings. Yet, for the boat owner, the otter can be an annoyance as they defecate on their boat lines, dock steps and sometimes even enter their vessels for a game of hide and seek with a playmate.

A friend and colleague, Dwight Jones, had a terrible incident occur at his marina last week and I thought I would share it to avoid an occurrence at our facility.

Like so many Port Ludlow Marina tenants, the Boncis, Elliott Bay Marina tenants, enjoyed strolling the docks with their family dog, where they moor their 42-foot sailboat. That all changed recently when a substance poisoned the Bonci's small dog, Teddi.

During the Bonci's late afternoon stroll, Teddi came across a small bowl of cat food and immediately gobbled it up. Within an hour the three-year old Pomeranian went stiff and began having seizures. One seizure followed another and despite attempts at their local veterinary, Teddi's heart stopped. It appears she was poisoned by

strychnine-laced cat food intentionally set out by a boat owner to kill the resident river otters.

Poisoning wildlife has been illegal since Initiative 713 passed in 2000. The exception is nuisance rats, mice and moles. Though the river otter is not on the endangered species list, poisoning one is a Class C felony punishable of up to 5 years' imprisonment and a \$10,000 fine. Police are investigating the incident and if the un-sub is caught, he will be prosecuted.

As a marina operator, I identify with the local boat owner who gets frustrated with the messes. The Marina dock staff spends a third of their man-hours during the fall and winter trying to keep the docks clean. Yet, it's just a part of being in nature. We are in their environment, and if you can't handle a little “otter poop,” you may want to consider an alternative sport.

Marina Holiday Hours: The Marina will be closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas, and New Year's Eve. Other hours remain the same.

PLYC Donates Locally

by Diane Purdy and Jen Portz, Contributing Writers

Boaters know, when you're out on the water you render assistance to those in need, because next time it might be you. The sailing season may be over, but even ashore the Port Ludlow Yacht Club (PLYC) embraces that motto. For the past several years PLYC has been giving back to the local community in various ways and to various groups.

This year the PLYC Women's Group held a “Not Your Mother's Bingo” party where they raised money for a discretionary fund for the Quilcene School District. Guest of Honor Shea Harrington, District Counselor, offered both staggering statistics and good news. Kids there are taking their education seriously and performing admirably even under very challenging circumstances. This fund will truly help those in need at a grass-roots level. The PLYC Board's donation of \$200 brought the total collected for this worthy cause to nearly \$2,500.

Recently, the Club also donated \$534 to Port Gamble's S'Klallam Tribe after tribal students and elders gave a wonderful performance of traditional songs and dances at a Yacht Club event. In December, PLYC's Board will vote on where to donate their Holiday Fund, currently standing at nearly \$800. The PLYC Board would like to thank all those involved in these projects—lessons the sea teaches us have never been so well learned nor so appreciated.

Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

Brady Chiropractic: Passionate About Health and Wellness

“What troubles me,” Dr. Jerry Brady says, “is the expectation that one in two people will get cancer, one in three will get heart disease, and one in eight will develop diabetes. Alzheimer’s is expected to cost us \$20 trillion over the next 40 years, bankrupting the system. The U.S. doesn’t have a health care system. It has an expensive ‘disease management’ system, unlikely to be fixed when so much money is earned from illness. It is my job, purpose and passion to improve my patient’s chance of a healthier life with health information and education. The word doctor means teacher. We’ve somehow lost that notion and have become a society of pill takers. Often the drugs prescribed in the typical eight-minute visit have side effects more dangerous than the disease for which it is taken.”



Jerry and Kathryn Brady are offering a no-cost introduction of their services through January 30.

Provided photo

Brady emphasizes that the nervous system is the boss of the body, running all other systems. If it doesn’t work right, nothing works right. He says one needs to correct the spine because it houses and protects much of the circuit board of the nervous system, telling the body what to do and when to do it. When

structural integrity is sound, nutrition works better, sleep is enhanced and exercise goes better.

Brady’s practice uses science-based nutrition to stabilize one’s biochemistry. Laboratory tests (blood, urine, environmental toxins and others) may be employed to discover impending issues and design a proactive disease prevention program before medical intervention is necessary. Brady stresses eating a balanced diet for life, using supplementation when necessary. He has built a viable health practice on these principles. Patients know it works.

A graduate of the University of Minnesota and Northwestern Health Science University, Dr. Brady has provided health services for 30 years. “We landed in Port Ludlow following a dream to live closer to nature, to have a small horse farm and to be near a great golf course. We have an organic garden and orchard that offers us a chance to stay connected to the land. Kathryn and I consider ourselves northwesterners in our hearts. We fell in love with the beauty and peacefulness of the land and sea. When we opened our Port Ludlow natural health practice over six years ago, we became an integral part of the fabric of this community.”

Kathryn Brady adds, “Our patients are amazed at how good they feel after a visit to our office. That is why our business continues to grow by word of mouth. Each week we have more and more patients that graduate to ‘wellness care’ having fully handled their health challenge. We are an alternative resource helping folks maintain a vibrant level of health.”

The Bradys focus on prevention of health problems because what you prevent, you don’t have to cure. They work closely with allied health care professionals to co-manage recoveries and rehabilitation of injuries and chronic illness. They treat conditions including bodily pain, fibromyalgia, peripheral neuropathy, diabetes and weight management.

Dr. Brady states “The prevailing condition in America is inflammation, medically labeled arthritis, colitis, diabetes, coronary heart disease and Alzheimer’s. We try to balance the body with common sense approaches to promote better nutrition, restful sleep, effective exercising and overall health. Patients recommend us because people promote what makes them feel good. Health is not just the absence of disease; it is a robust vibrancy, energy and interest in life.”

If you, or someone you know, would like to feel better and be happier, please contact Brady Chiropractic, Health and Wellness to take advantage of this year’s holiday gift package. You will receive a no-cost introduction to its services that includes a 10-point check-up on your spine, blood pressure and a health and wellness survey to find out if their services can help you. There is no obligation. Mention this article to take advantage of this offer that expires **Sunday, January 30**. For more information call 437-8008 or go to www.bradychiro.com.

Regional News

This Month on the Peninsula

Commanding Officer's Quarters Museum, Fort Worden State Park. Exhibits are open through December on the weekends. \$4 for adults, free for children. Phone 385-1003.

Fort Flagler State Park, Marrowstone Island. Hiking trails, WW II gun batteries. Open year-round for day use; closed for camping in winter. Tours are \$5 for adults, 2 for children. Check at the office or at [www.parks.wa.gov/parks/?selectedpark=Fort Flagler](http://www.parks.wa.gov/parks/?selectedpark=Fort%20Flagler) for times.

Gateway Visitor Center, State Route 19, Open 7 days a week, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Features photographs of early immigrants and other exhibits. For information or to volunteer, phone 437-0120 or visit gatewayvcr@olympus.net.

Jefferson County Historical Museum (JCHS) and Shop, 540 Water Street, Port Townsend, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Admission: \$4 adults, \$1 children 3-12, JCHS members free. Exhibits include "Jefferson County's Maritime Heritage," James Swan and the Native Americans" and the Chinese in Early Port Townsend. Phone 385-1003.

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

Port Townsend Aero Museum, Jefferson County International Airport, 105 Airport Road, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Admission: \$10 adults, \$9 seniors, \$6 children 7-12, free for children under 6. Exhibits feature vintage aircraft.

Port Townsend Marine Science Center (PTMSC), 532 Battery Way, Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend. Natural history exhibit, Friday through Sunday, noon to 4 p.m., Marine exhibit closed in winter. Admission: \$3 adults, \$2 for youths 6-17, free for children, free for PTMSC members. "Whales in our Midst" exhibit through **Friday, December 31**. Phone 385-5582, e-mail info@ptmsc.org or visit www.jchsmuseum.org.

Puget Sound Coast Artillery Museum, 200 Battery Way, Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend. Closed for winter until March. Phone 360-385-0373 or visit [jchsmuseum.org](http://www.jchsmuseum.org).

Rothschild House, 418 Taylor Street, Port Townsend. Open for groups during the winter. Phone 360-385-1003 or visit [jchsmuseum.org](http://www.jchsmuseum.org) for additional information.

Port Gamble's Country Christmas

Enjoy a weekend of holiday tradition in historic Port Gamble on **Saturday and Sunday, December 11 and 12**, from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. each day. Festivities will include local arts and crafts, a fruitcake competition, children's cookie decorating, gingerbread house making and a beer garden with Christmas Carol Karaoke! Santa will be in town and there will be wagon rides all weekend.

On **Saturday, December 11** at 5:15 p.m. Santa Claus will light the town Christmas tree, followed by a fireworks show at 6:00 p.m. In addition, the Kingston Roving Players will be performing *Scrooge* in the Community Center Theater on **Friday and Saturday, December 10 and 11** at 8:00 p.m. In addition there will be a matinee on **Saturday, December 11** at 2:00 p.m.

For more information or to enter the fruitcake competition, go to www.portgamble.com or call 360-297-8074.

Small Expressions 9

Northwind Arts Center in Port Townsend announces its upcoming show, "Small Expressions 9," from **Friday, December 3 to January 3**. An opening reception is scheduled **Saturday, December 4**, 5:30-8:00 p.m. "Small Expressions" showcases small format works suitable for holiday gifts.

This annual event is juried by Michael McCollum, a professor and dean of art at the University of Nevada for 26 years and a dean at Cornish College of the Arts in Seattle. He will present a talk on **Sunday, December 12**, 1:00 p.m., at the Arts Center.

This juried show is open to Washington residents and is limited to works 15 inches or smaller (framed) in all media.

Northwind Arts Center hosts Art Gallery Walk the first Saturday of each month from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Visit www.northwindarts.org for more details on gallery shows, poetry, readings and workshops, or call 379-1086. Northwind Arts Center is open Thursdays through Mondays, from noon to 5:00 p.m.

Rehearsals for Community Singers

Singers are invited to attend two rehearsals of special holiday music directed by Rebecca Rottsolk on **Tuesday and Friday, December 7 and 10**, 7:00 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Port Townsend.

There is a registration fee of \$15. Those attending will be joining the Wild Rose Chorale for its holiday concerts on **Saturday and Sunday, December 11 and 12**. The Saturday concert is at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday's is at 2:30 p.m. Both are at the First Presbyterian Church, 1111 Franklin Street. For information and to register, contact Leslie Lewis at www.wildrosechorale@olympus.net or call 379-0223.

Order Poinsettia Plants Now



Your poinsettia order supports tennis in the county.

Courtesy photo

The Jefferson County Community Tennis Association (JCCTA) is offering florist quality six-inch poinsettia plants for purchase as a fundraiser for the holidays. Tickets are \$13 each and may be ordered through **Wednesday, December 1** by calling 385-5373 or 437-0118. You also can e-mail Terri Ross at terri40love@yahoo.com to arrange an order in

advance of the holidays. Your ticket will allow pick-up of your plant at your convenience at Henery's Garden Center in Port Townsend from **Wednesday, December 1 to Monday, December 20** or delivery can be arranged.

The JCCTA meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the YMCA in Port Townsend. We provide volunteers and equipment for our Adopt-a-School tennis programs at each Jefferson County school district. We also support the YMCA, Parks and Recreation and community tennis programs for youths and adults.

New members are welcome as we kick off our 2011 membership season. Fees are \$10 for students, \$20 for adults and \$30 for a family. All proceeds go toward court improvements and scholarships for youth tennis programs. If you are interested in volunteering, please visit www.jeffersoncountytennis.org for more information and contacts.

See Canadian Hockey via the *M. V. Coho*

Hockey fans on the Olympic Peninsula can plan their special weekends in Victoria this season with Black Ball Ferry Line's *Shoot and Score* package, exclusively at CohoFerry.com. Take the *M. V. Coho* and cheer on the Victoria Salmon Kings for an exciting evening of ECHL professional hockey action. There are 10 "Shoot and Score" game-day packages to choose from, starting at \$159 USD for two people, based on double occupancy.

The package includes round-trip walk-on ferry fare for two onboard the *M. V. Coho*, one-night accommodation in a Premium Quad room at the Strathcona Hotel in downtown Victoria, and two tickets to the Salmon Kings game. Extra room nights available at \$70 USD per night; extra person fee \$70 USD includes round-trip walk on ferry fare, hotel extra person fee and one ticket to the hockey game. Rates include all taxes.

For more information or to book your "Shoot and Score" package, visit Cohoferry.com. Black Ball Ferry Line's promotional offers complete trip planning information, too.

Trader Joe's on the West Side of the Pond?

According to an unconfirmed announcement that appeared in the *Kitsap Sun*, boutique grocery store Trader Joe's is coming to Silverdale. Kitsap County is expected to issue a commercial building permit soon that will allow the store to go in at 9991 Mickelberry Road N.W., in the structure formerly occupied by Circuit City. Renovation work will appear after permits are in hand.



The *Kitsap Sun* reports this sign will soon be seen in Silverdale.

Courtesy photo

According to information filed with the permit application, Trader Joe's plans to demolish most of the building's interior except for the restrooms. The new interior will feature storage and rooms around the perimeter. Shelves and freezer cases in the center will run diagonally. The area covers 26,388 square feet of space with a demonstration room.

The outside will change, too, with a big cantilevered canopy planned over the entrance and a new exterior of stone, stucco and steel shown in drawings. The old curved Circuit City facade will be removed. Making the changes will cost about \$500,000 according to permit-application papers.

While a traditional grocery store may have 50,000 items, a Trader Joe's only has 4,000. Many are store brands, not expensive, but of good quality. Employees sport Hawaiian shirts to build on the ocean-breezy feel. The company's website www.traderjoes.com offers recipes and consumer tips.

Commercial real-estate sellers struggling with high vacancy rates in Silverdale were elated at the news of Trader Joe's. The store will add another destination store to Silverdale's retailing mix.

California-based Trader Joe's has 349 locations in 26 states, about half of them in Southern California. It employs 5,500 people and enjoyed \$8 billion in revenues in 2009. The privately held chain began as Pronto Markets in the Los Angeles area; the first Trader Joe's opened in 1967 in Pasadena. Go to: www.kitsapsun/news/2010/nov/08/trader-joes-coming-to-silverdale to read further information.

Inuit Singer/Songwriter in Benefit Concert

Simon Lyngé, Inuit singer and songwriter from Greenland, will perform a benefit concert on **Friday, December 10** at 7:30 pm in the Port Townsend High School auditorium. Proceeds of the benefit will provide funds for Blue Heron Middle School education programs sponsored by the Blue Heron PTA. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children under 18.

A limited number of VIP “Meet Simon Lyngé” special ticket packages are also available at \$60 per person. This VIP package includes prime seats, a CD, a Simon Lyngé tote bag and an invitation to an after-concert reception with the artist at Sweet Laurette Café and Bistro. Tickets are available through Quimper Sound, Crossroads Music and The Food CoOp in Port Townsend. For more information, go to www.ptsd50.org.

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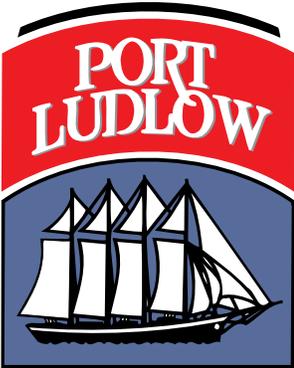
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