

# PORT LUDLOW VOICE

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## Property Taxes: The One Percent Solution?

*by Jen Portz, Contributing Editor*

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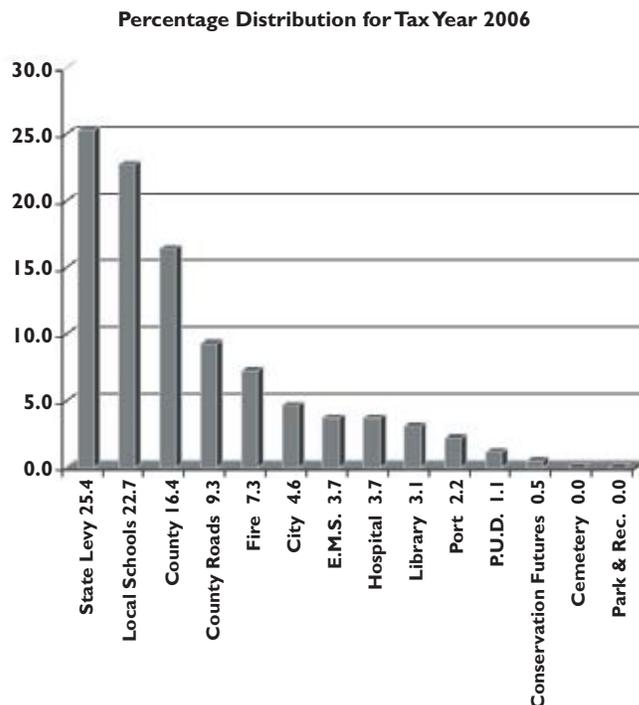
Property tax bills will be mailed in the middle of **February**. For some Port Ludlow residents, perhaps most, examining them will be a shocking experience. Greatly increased assessments are expected to yield higher tax bills. Our community relies on County services for maintenance of the infrastructure and for protection. These services are costly to maintain, and Port Ludlow residents have approved all lid-lifts as requested.

Washington State property taxes took center stage in November as Initiative-747 was overturned by the State Supreme Court, then reinstated by the Legislature and signed into law by Governor Chris Gregoire. This new law “gives voters exactly what they voted for when they passed I-747,” Revenue Director Cindi Holmstrom noted. To make sense of the One Percent Property Tax Cap, one must understand how taxes work. (Note: For this article “tax” means property tax.)

Our new legislation limits to one percent per year any increases in revenue that a taxing-authority can impose—without a vote of the electorate and excluding new construction and State assessed property. That’s different from California’s “Prop 13,” which holds homeowner tax bills to one percent increases each year. County Assessor Jack Westerman, with over 29 years of service here, explains, “A cap on tax revenue is very different from a cap on a homeowner’s tax bill. Taxes in Washington can vary widely. That unpredictability can scare the hell out of people.”

Tax bills—very basically—are a compilation of the levies imposed by overlapping taxing-authorities. For Port Ludlow they include the State, County, Fire District No. 3, library and others. A taxing-authority decides on a budget; then its assessor, within constraints imposed by law, calculates how much per \$1,000 of assessed value to charge each parcel. Washington State’s Constitution requires a full market value appraisal at least once every four years. So as

**2007 Real and Personal Property Tax Distribution.**



*Source: Jack Westerman, Jefferson County Assessor*

## From One Editor's Keyboard

by Beverly Browne, Co-editor in Chief

January was hot in Port Ludlow, even though the temperature was chilly and snow blanketed the ground. Two big questions were: would the appeals of the previous Resort decision be upheld or not, and, is there enough water to serve the build-out of the community? The answer to both questions was yes—and no—depending on your position. There are reports on these topics elsewhere in this issue of the *Voice*. (See pages 3 and 16.)

As I stood in the pouring rain debating water rights while trying to keep my notes from dissolving into wood pulp, the water issue seemed a little silly. Even after careful explanation by the State Department of Health (DOH) representative, nobody could provide a good definition of a water right, let alone a description of how they are gotten or lost. And what does conservation mean in this context? Would we simply stop watering the lawn and washing the car or would we be asked to quit flushing the toilet, like Californians during drought? It was like discussing why we have daylight saving time. During WW II it was an energy-saving measure, but why are we still doing it?

The Appellate Hearing Examiner, after listening to the arguments from litigants, decided that the prior final decision regarding the Resort was okay, for the most part. He tweaked it a little. Everybody got a little something, an amenity here, a condo there, and some features maintained as they were planned. We all hope it is over although probably it is not.

The issue did call forth a hue and cry about troublemakers who don't let the greater community get on with its collective life. The really important principle embodied in the debate, however, is the right of people to disagree and to use the legal system to settle their disagreements. Americans come from a long line of dissidents, hailing back to those tea bag slinging rogues in Boston. It has served us well. The right of peaceful protest is worth preserving, even if it means some psychological discomfort, loss of opportunity, and a lot of expense.

*The views expressed in this column are this Editor's alone and don't necessarily represent the views of every volunteer member of the Voice staff.*

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housing markets fluctuate, so do taxes. If home prices rise here and drop elsewhere, taxes rise here and fall there. Additionally, as homes are re-valued upwards, their portion of the revenue-pie increases.

Before 1986, if taxing authorities did not impose the maximum allowable annual increase (then six percent), they lost those funds, causing many to impose the maximum even if it wasn't needed. To eliminate this "use it or lose it" mentality, the legislature allowed local governments to levy less than the maximum and "bank" the balance. "Banked capacity" allowed districts to be fiscally conservative without being penalized. State law allows taxing-authorities to use this money without voter approval, providing they advertise, have a public hearing and pass an ordinance regarding the same.

Jefferson County ranks fourth out of the State's 39 counties with a General Fund banked capacity of 8.4 percent. (Counties surpassing ours are Ferry, at 66.8 percent; Snohomish at 11.6 percent; and Kittitas at 8.7 percent.) At a recent Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) meeting, County Commissioner John Austin was asked about our banked capacity. "I don't foresee using it in the near future," he said, adding, "I'd like to keep it in reserve for emergencies or a positive impact for the County."

In November Port Townsend's City Council tapped into their entire 10.7 percent banked capacity, which equated to a roughly two percent increase in taxes. Was it fair? When compared to taxes in the outlying County, the Council's action gains clarity. A recent *Port Townsend Leader* article noted "a \$300,000 home in the city was taxed a total of \$2,514 ... while a Kala Point home of equal value paid \$2,881." Westerman explains the disparity saying, "Port Townsend has no separate road, library or fire levy. Residents pay a city levy and the Council pays the County for those services. Also, Port Townsend's residents haven't voted for a tax increase in years. Fire District No. 3 residents pay more partly because they voted in a lid-lift."

Westerman says the one percent cap really does benefit homeowners. "In the case of Port Ludlow, 2008 taxes reflect the lid-lifts for fire and rescue and emergency medical services. Those services are getting more money from that one lid-lift than if they'd been getting the prior I-747 maximum of six percent per year for the eight intervening years." Lid-lifts are approved by voters and so receive added scrutiny. That holds taxing authorities accountable. Approximately 29 percent of Jefferson County's revenue comes from taxes; the money goes to a variety of important County services. (See graphic on page 1.)

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What will the tax future hold? County Commissioner Austin acknowledges the County is “trying to keep a tight belt, but cost of living is up three to four percent while County revenues are capped at one percent.” Westerman concurs, “The bigger issue is the discrepancy between the inflation rate and the revenue cap.” Even Washington’s Senate Majority Leader Lisa Brown (D-Spokane) was quoted in the *Seattle Times* as saying of the new legislation, “This is not the end of the property-tax issue. This is really the kickoff.” This new legislation does allow senior citizens and the disabled to petition for exemption from tax or deferral of a portion of the same.

For information on the requirements to apply for the Senior Citizen exemptions, go to [http://dor.wa.gov/Docs/Pubs/Prop\\_Tax/SeniorExempt.pdf](http://dor.wa.gov/Docs/Pubs/Prop_Tax/SeniorExempt.pdf) for Disabled qualifications and to [http://dor.wa.gov/Docs/Pubs/Prop\\_Tax/SeniorDefs.pdf](http://dor.wa.gov/Docs/Pubs/Prop_Tax/SeniorDefs.pdf) for Deferred qualifications.

Application forms are available from the County Assessor’s office at 385-9105. The website is <http://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/assessors/propertytaxinfo.asp>.

## Windstorm Fatality

Long-time Port Ludlow resident Suzy Charawell was fatally injured during a windstorm early in the evening of Monday, January 14, on Oak Bay Road in Port Hadlock. She was returning home after closing up her daughter’s shop, Good Sports and Endless Apparel in Kivley Center, when at milepost 2, an 80-foot tree fell across the roadway, crushing the front passenger section of her 1981 Ford LTD. She was the only passenger in the vehicle.

Two Jefferson County Sheriff’s Deputies, Scott Boyd and Charles McCarty, arrived at the scene moments after the accident. They administered emergency aid until the arrival of paramedics from Fire District #3 in Port Ludlow. Fire personnel extricated the victim from the vehicle and maintained medical procedures. Attempts to resuscitate Mrs. Charawell were unsuccessful and she died at the scene.

Members of the Port Ludlow Yacht Club, family and friends attended a Memorial Celebration of Life, Sunday, January 20, at the Beach Club. Donations in memory of Mrs. Charawell can be sent to Chimacum Big Blue Boosters, P.O. Box 387, Chimacum, WA 98369 or to Jefferson Healthcare Hospice, 834 Sheridan Avenue, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

## AHE’s Ruling Received

*by Kay Standish, Co-editor in Chief*

On January 8, Appellate Hearing Examiner (AHE) Phil A. Olbrechts sustained the final decision of Mr. Irv Berteig in the Findings, Conclusions and Decision of the Port Ludlow Resort Build-Out and Marina Expansion Project, dated February 7, 2007, subject to a few modifications of moderate significance. (See related story, page 9).

The summary of the decision stated “...the most significant modification is that town homes are subjected to the bulk and dimensional standards of single-family homes in the MPR (Master Planned Resort) code.” This finding resulted in a new condition being added to the decision. “Any proposed town homes shall be subject to the single-family bulk and dimensional standards as specified in MPR3.105. PLA is free to replace its proposed town homes with stacked flats in order to avoid the requirements of MPR 3.105.”

The AHE clarified Mr. Berteig’s decision to “only apply to development 200 feet landward of Ludlow Bay. If development 200 feet landward of the lagoon is subject to shoreline jurisdiction, PLA (Port Ludlow Associates) will have to acquire a separate shoreline permit for development 200 feet from the lagoon that is not covered by the shoreline permit sustained in this decision.”

Mr. Berteig’s decision was also modified to provide for a replacement of the loss of recreational amenities with the development of what is known as Admiralty III. The AHE stated, “PLA shall replace the amenities lost from the existing park and playground in the park/play area required by this condition, to the extent practicable within space and site constraints.”

An appeal to Superior Court may be filed within 21 days of the AHE’s decision and written motions for reconsideration must be filed within 10 days.

## Commissioner Passes Gavel

The Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR) Board of Commissioners began the New Year with new leadership. Commissioner Bill Hansen, 2007 Chairman of the Board, handed his gavel to Commissioner Robert Pontius at the regular Board meeting on Tuesday, January 8. Commissioner Pontius will serve throughout 2008. Commissioner Mike Porter will serve as the 2008 Vice-Chair.

## Step Up to the Cropwalk

by Bev Rothenborg

Ever feel powerless to make a difference in poverty, which is pervasive in this Country and around the world? Cropwalk (Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty) is a way you can contribute locally to help alleviate this problem. We have been fortunate that many Port Ludlowites have responded in the past—either by supporting a walker or by getting out and joining the crowd. This year's Cropwalk will take place on **Saturday, March 8**, beginning at H.J. Carroll Park. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. and the walkers take off at 10:00 a.m.

Hungry people in developing countries typically walk as much as six miles a day to get food, water and fuel, or to take goods to market. We walk because they walk. Of the money raised from Cropwalk, 25 percent goes to our local Food Bank and 75 percent to Church World Service, an ecumenical organization fighting hunger and poverty globally.

The walk is a 4.5-mile loop beginning at H.J. Carroll Park, winding through Port Hadlock and ending up back at the Park. A shorter "golden mile" is available entirely within the Park. Simply sign up folks to support your walk, sponsor yourself, or just come out to show support for the cause. You can sign up your book group, computer club or fellow hikers to join you. Last year the *Port Ludlow Voice* raised about \$300 by supporting walkers from the staff. For further information or to receive a packet, call Bev Rothenborg at 437-0505 or you may call 385-1579.

An African proverb says, "If you want to travel fast, travel alone. If you want to travel far, travel together."

## Beginning Computer Class Scheduled

The next Beginning Computer Class, sponsored by the Port Ludlow Computer Club (PLCC), will begin on **Wednesday, February 6**, and continue for four additional consecutive **Wednesdays, February 13, 20, 27 and March 5**. Class hours are from 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. each **Wednesday** at the Bay Club. The fee is \$30 and includes an easy-to-use text. If you have an interest or wish to register, please call Bernie Kestler at 437-5102 for all the details as soon as possible.

## Cooking Classes Offered at Bay Club

Broaden your knowledge of cooking and kitchen skills with a series of five cooking classes offered during **February and March** at the Bay Club. The classes, offered by Chef Arran Stark of Cultivated Palette Cooking, cover practical kitchen methods spiced with stories and the history of classical cooking.

Chef Stark has 17 years of culinary experience and holds certificates from the American Culinary Federation and a degree from the Le Cordon Bleu School in Portland. He also was Executive Chef of Portland's 2003 restaurant of the year, Andina. His other experience includes Sous Chef at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, Executive Sous Chef at the Hotel Wheatleigh in Massachusetts, and Executive Chef of the Glen Arven Country Club in Georgia. He currently resides in Port Townsend with his wife, Micaela.

The classes begin on **Tuesday, February 12** and continue weekly until **Tuesday, March 11**, 5:00–7:30 p.m. They will cover the gamut of dishes from preparation of vegetables to poultry, beef and fish. See promotional literature at the Bay Club for a complete schedule. The series is offered to South Bay Community Association (SBCA) members for \$125. Individual classes are \$30. The fee for non-members is \$150 for the series or \$35 per class. Each class includes recipes and samples.

Enroll at the Bay Club front desk or call 437-2208. For additional information, call 385-3283.

## AARP Driver Safety Program Scheduled

Do you want to find out about the new cell phone law? What is a sobriety check point and is it a good or bad thing? Traffic laws are always changing—as is new car technology and your physical condition. Refresh your driving knowledge and learn about current traffic laws in an AARP driver safety class.

The next class will be held at the Beach Club from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on **Wednesday and Thursday, February 13 and 14**. There is no behind-the-wheel instruction. A fee of \$10 covers the cost of class materials. Students 55 years and older will be eligible for a car insurance discount upon completion of this eight-hour course. To register, please call Linda Pfafman, Traffic Safety Force Coordinator, at 379-1782.

## Hood Canal Bridge Watch

At the end of December, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Kiewit-General construction crews completed securing the eighth and final underwater draw span pontoon beneath the seven others already installed. This was the final step in assembling eight pontoons into the U-shaped draw span unit for the bridge. The pontoon is one of three that will ensure the two sides of the U-shaped draw won't twist and turn when the retractable portion of the bridge opens and closes. The project is now 65 percent complete.

The two retractable sections will be joined and installed in the middle of the U-shaped draw span once the third cycle of pontoon construction is completed in early 2008. In **May 2008**, construction will begin on new columns and the roadway for the top of these 10 connected pontoons. Electrical and mechanical components that operate the draw span will then be installed.

WSDOT has advised that in 2008, crews will:

- Complete pontoon construction
- Build the roadway on top of the draw span
- Complete steel transition and truss span assembly
- Complete in-water work for closure transportation facilities
- Begin closure preparation outreach campaign

As the **May–June 2009** bridge closure and replacement date moves closer, planning ahead is prudent. Information on the project along with the State's outreach campaign for planning ahead will be available on the website, [www.HoodCanalBridge.com](http://www.HoodCanalBridge.com).

## Kala Point Theater Group

Do you enjoy the theater? Would you like to join a group to car pool to Seattle shows or possibly hire a limousine or bus for that long drive? Perhaps tickets could be purchased at a discount and you could choose your favorite plays from a selection available to participants of the group. Residents of Kala Point are launching the Kala Point Theater Group and they have invited residents of Port Ludlow to join them.

Both individuals and couples are welcome. If you are interested, contact Pat Lohrey at 437-7760 or at [pntlohrey@cablespeed.com](mailto:pntlohrey@cablespeed.com) or leave your name at the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) ticket table at the Bay Club any **Wednesday** from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

## Jefferson County Fire District #3

### Alarm Statistics November 2007

Alarms	
Fire	5
Emergency Medical	41
Motor Vehicle Accidents	0
Hazardous Conditions	1
Good Intent Calls	3
Service	8
False Alarm	1
Severe Weather & Natural Disaster	0
<b>Total Alarms</b>	<b>59</b>
Ambulance Transports	
Jefferson Healthcare	12
Harrison Medical Center	11
Transport to Residence	0
<b>Total Transports</b>	<b>23</b>
Mutual Aid with Neighboring Districts	
Provided	5
Received	2
<b>Total Mutual Aid</b>	<b>7</b>

## Chief Ed Wilkerson's Safety Tip: Treat Your Heart Right

Your heart silently works for you every day. It's your partner; treat it right.

- Check with your doctor before starting any exercise program, especially if you've been sedentary.
- Stay active with moderate-intensity activities. Your many choices include gardening, housekeeping or leisurely walks. Aim for 30 minutes most days.
- Do heart-strengthening aerobic exercises three or four times a week for 30 minutes or more. Try brisk walking, swimming, tennis or light aerobics.
- Reduce your risks for heart disease further by watching your blood pressure, cholesterol and weight, and managing stress.
- When shopping, cooking and eating out, choose heart-healthy foods low in cholesterol and saturated fat, and high in fiber.

Remember—you have only one heart—treasure it.

## Blood Drive Announced

Please give blood on **Tuesday, February 19** at the Port Ludlow Community Church. Donation times are from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 1:45 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Call 1-800-398-7888 for an appointment. For further information contact Sally Hirschmann at 437-1377.

## Water/Beach Watcher Training Scheduled

Beginning **Monday, March 3**, Washington State University (WSU) Jefferson County Extension presents the annual Water/Beach Watcher Training. This is a university-based-class series designed to educate Jefferson County residents about their watershed and current water-related issues.

Local and regional experts are brought to the WSU Port Hadlock campus to present the latest research on water quality, and to guide attendees on local field trips. This year's topics include: water law and water rights, storm water, ground water, bluff erosion, native plants, invasive noxious weeds, riparian habitat, salmon, creosote debris, low-tide walks, estuaries, beach seining and toxins in water.

All nine classes are held in the Spruce Room at the WSU Jefferson County Extension Office in Port Hadlock, with field trips leaving from that location each day. Following the first class on **Monday, March 3**, the remaining classes will be every **Monday and Wednesday through March 31**, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$50 per student.

Upon completion of the 9-session course, graduates are asked to give back 50 hours in the coming year to education, research and stewardship projects in their community. Projects have included salmon counts, coordinating public outreach, creosote log surveys, stream monitoring, recording oxygen levels, marine riparian vegetation plants, beach restoration and more. The training will take you into the field and show you first hand the work that has been done by Water/Beach Watchers in Jefferson County.

Call WSU Jefferson County Extension at 379-5610 ext. 230 for more information on how to join a growing number of people that are getting involved in their local communities. Class size is limited to 22 people.

Water/Beach Watchers come from all walks of life and from all over Jefferson County, including many from the Port Ludlow area. Plan on joining them. Make **March** a watershed month.

## Daffodils and Dementia

Daffodils are not only pretty; they may help fight dementia. A compound known as galantamine can be extracted from daffodils and other plants to be used in high-end prescription drugs to slow the development of Alzheimer's. Welsh daffodils appear to be especially prolific producers of galantamine. Biochemists in Wales hope to produce a less costly generic version of the currently available extract.

## Computer Club News

On **Monday, February 11**, Brad Collins of the Jefferson County Library in Port Hadlock will explain how to make better use of the library through your home computer. Brad will explain the library search engine and how to use it. He'll also show you how to search for various titles and authors, reserve your choices and how to read various periodicals. Come armed with your questions; he will be happy to answer them. Social starts at 6:00 p.m. and the program starts at 6:30 p.m., followed by time for questions and answers. Port Ludlow Computer Club (PLCC) General Meetings are open to the community.

- Office SIG meets **Monday, February 4**, 10:30 a.m.–noon
- Mac SIG meets **Thursday, February 7**, 6:00–7:00 p.m.
- Genealogy SIG will meet **Thursday, February 14**, 1:00–3:00 p.m.
- Special Topics SIG meets **Monday, February 18**, 10:30 a.m.–noon
- Mac SIG meets **Monday, February 18**, 6:00–7:00 p.m.
- Photography SIG meets **Monday, February 25**, 10:30 a.m.–noon.

Workshops are held every **Saturday** morning, 11:00 a.m.–noon. All SIGs and workshops meet at the Bay Club and are for PLCC members only.

For information about joining PLCC, contact Dick Allyn at 360-554-0193 or e-mail him at [zither@cablespeed.com](mailto:zither@cablespeed.com). Check the website at [www.pl-cc.com](http://www.pl-cc.com) to see the up-to-date Club news.

## Health Presentation Scheduled

The National Vice President of Cancer Victors will give a two-hour presentation on what you can do before, during, and after a major disease event involving cancer. This will be **Wednesday, February 27**, 2:00–4:00 p.m., at the Beach Club. Marjorie Pederson, DC will make additional comments.

The presentation features information from the International Association of Cancer Victors and Friends (IACVF). Attendees will hear about available cancer treatment options including the latest research from accepted sources. IACVF offers updates on health and wellbeing. Pederson is the local IACVF Vice-President.

The presentation will be given in the Gallery Room at the Beach Club. Please call 437-2596 to reserve your seat. Space is limited.

## Port Ludlow Hiking— February and Beyond

Below you will find the information for the **February** hikes as well as additional information about future activities.

### Friday, February 8: Spruce Railroad

Enjoy a gentle 8-mile walk along an historic abandoned railroad grade above the cold, clear waters of Lake Crescent. Meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. to arrange car pools and get directions to the trailhead. For information, please contact Sharon Sorenson at 437-0856 or Andrea Marik at 437-7915.

### Friday, February 22: Olympic Discovery Trail

Here's a chance to explore a portion of the Olympic Discovery Trail on an easy hike of approximately 8 miles. The trail, when fully developed, will stretch 100 miles from Port Townsend at the east end to the Pacific coast at the west end. Meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. to arrange car pools and get directions to the trailhead. For information, contact Jack Riggen at 437-0370 or Dick Ullmann at 437-5010.

### Saturday, March 8: Snowshoe Hike at Hurricane Ridge

Please note the date change to a **Saturday**. Join a naturalist guided snowshoe hike. Snowshoes will be provided. A \$5 donation to the ranger is requested. This event is limited to 30 people. Dress warmly and in layers. In the event that the weather on Hurricane Ridge does not cooperate, we will hike at a lower elevation. Meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. to arrange car pools and get directions to the trailhead. For more information and to sign up for this event, please contact Hilda or Michael Cahn at 437-8223. If there are any hikers who would like to come and ski or snowshoe on your own, please let Hilda know when you call.

**September 8 to 12: Fall Getaway – Columbia Gorge**  
Preliminary plans have been made for our Fall Getaway. We will be staying at the Hood River Inn and have been allocated 40 rooms. About half of these are already booked. Room prices range from \$85 to \$115. Make your own reservation by calling 1-800-828-7873 and identify yourself as being with the Port Ludlow Hiking Club. Please call Dick Ullmann at 437-5010 for further information and to let him know you have booked a room.

### Every Wednesday: Timberton Loop

Walk the 4.5-mile Timberton Loop. Enjoy views of the Olympic Mountains and Mount Rainier. Meet at the trailhead on Timberton Road at 9:00 a.m. For information, please contact Doris Monti at 437-0716.

## Singles to Feast on Prime Rib

Singles, please join us for a Prime Rib Night Special on **Thursday, February 21, 5:00 p.m.**, at the Harbormaster. Chef Dan Ratigan has reinstated an old tradition and you will thoroughly enjoy a 10 oz. slice of prime rib, potatoes and vegetables for \$19.95. Of course, if you prefer, other menu options will be available.

If you enjoy Happy Hour, please join us at 4:00 p.m. downstairs for \$3 drinks and appetizers and then, at 5:00 p.m., head upstairs for prime rib.

Invite your friends for a fun evening and help support the chef in this endeavor. Be sure to wear your nametag.

Please call Peggy Schafran at 437-9935 by **Monday, February 18**, for reservations and let her know if you need transportation.

## February CEA Out to Lunch

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) invites you to join us for lunch on **Wednesday, February 27**, at 11:00 a.m. The luncheon will be held at the Sons of Norway Hall located at 11891 Front Street N.E., Poulsbo. This buffet style lunch will include a variety of open-faced sandwiches, homemade soups, specialty items and, of course, magnificent desserts. The cost of the lunch is \$9.00 including tip.



Reservations are required by **Wednesday, February 20**. Please sign up at the CEA ticket table at the Bay Club any **Wednesday** from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Payment is due on the day of the luncheon.

## Port Ludlow Stamp Arts Club

Got the winter blahs? Need to sparkle up your life or someone else's? Come to the Bay Club on **Wednesday, February 20**, 10:00 a.m.–noon, for the Port Ludlow Stamp Arts Club meeting. We'll be enjoying another fascinating morning of studying what we've made during the past few weeks. Maybe we'll make special birthday or anniversary cards or even "just because..." cards.

Different members demonstrate new and interesting techniques at each meeting. Our talents are many and varied, from beginners to those more experienced, and we love greeting new members of either gender!

If you have questions, contact Jeanne Mitchell at 437-7702.

## Port Ludlow Book Club

Join us on **Tuesday, February 12**, at 6:30 p.m. at the Bay Club to discuss *Water for Elephants* by Sara Gruen. This book draws the reader in and keeps them trapped until the last page. The novel begins with Jacob as an old man in an assisted living home with memories of his life in the 1930s with the second rate Benzini Brothers Circus. Jacob, just shy of achieving his Veterinarian's degree, is orphaned, leaves school and joins the circus as the caretaker for the circus menagerie. The novel alternates in its storytelling between Jacob as a ninety-year old and that of a young man running from the ruins of his life.

Enter the world of freaks, drifters and misfits. Encounter the lovely Marlena, who is married to August, the charismatic but twisted animal trainer. And then there is Rosie, an elephant who appears to be untrainable until Jacob discovers a way to reach her. This cast of characters will take you on a bumpy and at times terrifying ride culminating in a very evocative and heartwarming twist at the end.

The book selection for **March** is *A Thousand Splendid Suns* by Khaled Hosseini. All are welcome! Questions? Call Martha Dawson, 437-4167.

## First Wednesday Luncheon

The First Wednesday Luncheon will be held at 11:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, February 6**, at the Bay Club. This month's program will feature an interesting presentation of "The Early Days of Port Townsend and Port Ludlow" given by Lynne Sterling of the Jefferson County Historical Society (JCHS). Although all of us enjoy learning more about our local history, it may be of special interest to the many newcomers in our community, so please reach out and bring a new neighbor. To make your reservation, don't forget to sign up at the Bay or Beach Clubs or call Sandy Rooks at 437-0747 by **Sunday, February 3**.

In addition to providing a forum for getting to know our neighbors better, the First Wednesday Luncheon's function is to support the Tri-area Food Bank. Due to a substantial number of basic foods previously donated by companies now being given to other organizations, their need is even greater. With that in mind, the Food Bank's requested donation for **February** is canned soup (all varieties). Cash or checks are also greatly appreciated, as are personal hygiene items for adults and children.

We wish to thank Chimacum Café for the generous raffle donation of a breakfast for two last month. All raffle money, after expenses, is donated to the Food Bank.

Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, March 5**, at the Beach Club. People from Whitney Gardens in Brinnon will treat you to a presentation that will include a history of the Gardens and all you need to know about rhododendrons—for which Whitney Gardens is famous.

## Dine and Discover

Photographer and author, world traveler on a bicycle, dreamer with a cause, young Gregg Bleakney will tell of his adventure biking through the Western Hemisphere from tip to tip at the Beach Club on **Monday, March 3**, at 5:30 p.m. His "show and tell" will take us through many lands, from the high highs of the mountains to the low lows of thievery. Learn what it takes to survive. Sign up at the Beach Club to bring a potluck dish to feed at least 10 people, bring your own table settings and beverage and be prepared to pay \$2 per person at the door. Newcomers to Port Ludlow are especially welcome.

**Monday, February 4**, at the Bay Club, will be a special, unusual Dine and Discover. World-class professional magician and entertainer Joey Pipia will dazzle us. For this event, be prepared to pay \$5 per person at the door. As usual, sign up to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10, and bring your own table setting and beverage.

Be sure to call and cancel if you are not able to attend so that those on the wait list have the opportunity to be included. If you have questions, please call Hilda and Michael Cahn at 437-8223.

## Duplicate Bridge Winners in December

by Ian Feltham

December 3: Tom Stone and Ted Wurtz (first); Shirley Porter and Robert MacNeal (second); Darrell Fett and Bruce Schmitz (third).

December 10: Shirley Porter and Robert MacNeal (first); Ian and Doris Feltham (second); Marge Wille and Sandra Flaherty (third).

December 17: North/South winners were Shirley Porter and Robert MacNeal (first); Dottie St. Onge and Norm Crump (second); Lucy Stone and Jan Ditmar (third). East/West winners were Dan and Soozie Darrow (first); Darrell Fett and Bruce Schmitz (second); Marge Wille and Sandra Flaherty (third).

December 24: No game.

December 31: Doris and Ian Feltham (first); Ted Wurtz and Dick Ostlund (second); (3) Dan and Soozie Darrow (third).

## From the Jefferson County Administrator's Desk

by John F. Fischbach, Jefferson County Administrator

I hope this communiqué finds you in good spirits and good health. Life at the County is, as always, extremely full and busy. I'd like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date on the recent decision regarding the Resort Buildout and Marina Expansion Project.

As you know, the closed record appeal hearing for the Resort Buildout Project was held in early December among Mr. Phil Olbrechts, the new Appellate Hearing Examiner (AHE), the four petitioners, Port Ludlow Associates (PLA) and Jefferson County.

In early January, Mr. Olbrechts upheld Mr. Irv Berteig's decision subject to four modifications. The first is about the development of the shorelands of Ludlow Bay and the conditions of issuance of a shoreline permit. The Master Plan Resort (MPR) code is clear that shoreline permits may not be issued until all land use applications for the proposed development have been resolved.

Next, the Resort Buildout Project is only deemed approved upon PLA's acquisition of all other land use approvals, including hydraulic permits, necessary for the development. At the time of this writing, PLA was to file a written waiver of objection to delays in permit processing within ten days of the decision. If PLA didn't file the waiver, the project would be denied for failure to comply with the Jefferson County Shoreline Management Master Program. Jefferson County cannot file the permit approval with the Department of Ecology (DOE) until PLA has acquired all other required land use permits.

Another modification is a new condition added to the decision that says townhouses are considered "single-family attached" so that any proposed town homes will be subject to the single-family bulk and dimensional standards as specified in the MPR code. This means that PLA is free to replace its proposed town homes with stacked flats.

The fourth modification is that PLA will need to replace the amenities lost from the existing park and playground in the park/play area to the extent of space and site constraints. These amenities include a basketball court, volleyball court, horseshoe pits, children's play equipment, barbeque pits and ball-playing area. PLA is to consult with Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) or Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) in the design of the play area if either entity agrees to assume ownership of the play area.

The decision is subject to Reconsideration and an Appeal to Superior Court, if filed within 10 and 21 days, respectively.

For more information about the decision on the Resort Build-out and Marina Expansion Project or any other Port Ludlow matters, please contact David Wayne Johnson, our Lead Planner for Port Ludlow in the Department of Community Development (DCD), at 379-4450 or via e-mail at [dwyjohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:dwyjohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us).

As always, please feel free to contact me at 385-9100 or via e-mail at [jfischbach@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:jfischbach@co.jefferson.wa.us).

## Village Median Vandalized

by Kay Standish, Co-editor in Chief

Sometime late in the evening of January 14 or early morning of January 15, vandals again attacked the decorations and plantings along the median strip in the Village Center, commonly known as "The Boulevard." Two trees were damaged with branches being torn from the trunks. The visual impact of the torn branches hanging from the trees was removed before we were able to get a picture but the scarring effect is left for all to see. Additionally, these two damaged trees along with another undamaged one were stripped of the festive strings of lights that decorated them.



Why would someone choose to damage this Village bright spot?

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

There are obviously some very disturbed people who would choose to do this rather than leave the decorations for everyone's enjoyment. In December the *Voice* reported the theft of the reindeer from the median. Subsequently, it was learned that the RV Park also lost their reindeer decorations in that same time frame.

This ruthless damage and stealing of property is now crossing many lines. The lights belong to the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) purchased for the enjoyment of the community with money raised through community efforts, i.e. FunFest, Friday Market, Phone Directory etc. The trees were paid for with County funds, which means with our taxpayer money.

So as a community what do we do now? Do we need security cameras on all the trees or do we simply need more open-eyed responsible individuals to be reactive?

## Barbara Wagner-Jauregg: A Woman of Many Talents

by Marti Duncan, Contributing Editor



Barbara Wagner-Jauregg.  
Photo by Marti Duncan

With a desire to serve the community and be a part of making Port Ludlow a better place to live, Barbara Wagner-Jauregg has contributed immensely to our little part of the world. With an amazing amount of energy she has been, among other things, Managing Editor of the *Voice*, the Publicity Director and Co-Chair of the Booking Committee for the Port Ludlow Arts Council, a

singer in several choral groups, and treasurer for Bayview Village.

Before his death, Barbara was married for 37 years to Hermann Wagner-Jauregg, who was born in Germany. They had two sons: Alex, who lives in San Jose, and Chris, who lives in Santa Cruz. They have given Barbara four lovely grandchildren.

Hermann and Barbara met in Seattle where she graduated from the University of Washington after majoring in Radio and TV. As a student she wrote international news for KUOW and worked at KCTS-Channel 9. Professionally she worked for a “good music” radio station, for KING-TV and at two advertising agencies. Hermann’s job took them to California where Barbara worked in Menlo Park for *Sunset Magazine* (and rode her bike to work every day!)

While her children were growing up she worked part time for a travel agency, eventually becoming manager of an accounting service bureau for travel agencies. Her next career move was to a software engineering business where she was Marketing Communications Manager. It was here that she became computer literate, learning programs and formatting skills. She doesn’t remember a time when she wasn’t working.

In the early ’80s, Hermann was diagnosed with bone-marrow cancer. He chose to retire early and they gave some thought to moving back to the Seattle area. So after both retired they were drawn to the Pacific Northwest where they could be near water and do some boating. Port Ludlow won them over and in 1995 Bayview Village became their home.

Not about to sit around doing nothing, Barbara joined the Community Chorus of Port Townsend and East Jefferson County soon after she arrived. Tiring of the drive, she and Annette Koch discussed forming the Choral Belles here in Port Ludlow, a group in which she sang for seven years. Currently singing with the Port Ludlow Singers, she is also a part of the Hot Flashes, a six-woman group who definitely enjoy their work! Traveling to Tacoma, Bremerton, Silverdale and Port Townsend, they have performed for seniors in active retirement facilities, and at service clubs, fraternal organizations, retired military officers’ dinners and luncheons, Free Spirits events, and at North Bay Home Owners Pot Lucks.

Convinced that effective publicity is one of the keys to a successful organization, Barbara wanted to serve on the Port Ludlow Arts Council as Publicity Director. Besides handling publicity, she and Bev Rothenborg head up the Booking Committee. This Committee attends conferences showing potential entertainers, thereby working to book quality entertainment. Due in part to her publicizing and talent selection skills, Arts Council concerts have become a popular and sold-out venue here in town.

When the *Voice* was founded by Ralph Thomas, Barbara joined the staff and was the Arts and Entertainment Editor. Soon she was doing copy editing. Upon Ralph’s retirement from the *Voice* Barbara formed a group to discuss how to keep it going. She discovered that at least eight people were needed to continue the work that Ralph had been doing and took on the job of Managing Editor for seven years. Today the staff has more than doubled and the monthly publication averages 40 to 48 pages.

This past year she has cut back her time on the *Voice*, happy that Bev Browne and Kay Standish have stepped up to be Co-editors. The *Voice* continues to be near and dear to her heart—she still serves as a copy editor, also helping Mary Ronen and Kathy Snider in the production and advertising portions of the publication. She does miss, however, the opportunity to write the editorials for each issue! “Though I have upset some people, everything I said, I believe,” stated Barbara. “I love this community, its beauty and its serenity. I want it unified and I am frustrated by a small group of individuals who claim to speak for all of us, continually causing unrest. The entire community should have a voice.”

Barbara’s intense involvement in this community has made it a richer, stronger place to live. We are so grateful that she chose Port Ludlow!

## Art Zoloth: A Man on a Mission

by Barbara Berthiaume, North Bay Editor

My husband and I were having dinner at the Snug Harbor Café one evening and happened to strike up a conversation with a gentleman sitting at the next table. After discovering that we live on the same street, had the same builder and moved here around the same time, the topic turned to health care and the ads for prescription drugs on television. This topic then turned to the amount of money spent on marketing versus research by the pharmaceutical companies and the spiraling cost of prescription drugs. Dr. Art Zoloth shared a wealth of information relating his professional experience in dealing with these issues on a teaching, training and policy level. This past November he was one of the speakers at a Health Care Forum in Port Townsend. The title of his presentation was *Pills, Profits, and Politics*. He was also featured in an article published by the *Peninsula Daily News*.

Art's message was so strong, his background so unique, with a topic that has such a direct impact on us that I requested the opportunity to interview him and he agreed.

After 22 years, Art retired as the Director of Pharmacy and IV Therapy at Virginia Mason Medical Center. During that time he served two four-year appointments on the State Board of Pharmacy in positions of Chair and Vice Chair. He currently holds faculty appointments at both Washington State University (WSU) and the University of Washington (UW) and is active on a number of related state, national, and international boards. He lectures on a regular basis at both Washington State universities. He also presents and coordinates continuing medical education programs regionally and nationally.

After moving to Port Ludlow and retiring, Art agreed to a part-time position as the Executive Director for the Washington Coalition for Prescribing Integrity. He states that in retirement, he is working seven days a week. He travels to Olympia on a regular basis to consult with legislators, policy staff and agency staff working towards patient-focused policy changes. He also travels to Washington D. C. annually to meet with congressional staff and members of Congress to discuss prescription drug policy. He has even testified before Congressional Committees. Art feels that working at the state level, focusing on patient care, is the most efficient method to effect change. He is collaborating with a multi-state coalition seeking access to affordable pharmaceuticals.

Over the past decade, the shift in the pharmaceutical industry has been about "stockholder equity versus health care and the profit approach versus an incentive to wellness. Drug companies' marketing budgets have exploded

to \$27 billion a year. Multi-media prescription drug ads are now so much more visible given the \$4 billion spent annually in this area alone." The drug industry is the most powerful lobbying entity in the United States. "Conversely," Art adds, "the budget for research and development is a fraction of the marketing expenditures." There are a lot of "new" drugs that are amazingly similar to a previous drug but are marketed under a different brand name. They provide little or no difference in patient response. Art notes, "College cheerleaders are being recruited to become drug representatives." It is definitely an industry out of control and the middle class bears the brunt of costs. He states, "The movie *Sicko* sends a very strong message of the state of our health care system."

One of the areas that Art is focusing on this year is the inappropriate surveillance of doctor prescriptions by the drug industry. The term to describe this practice is "data mining." It is a process where drug companies obtain bundled information on physician prescription trends to create "prescriber profiles" that are then sold to drug companies for marketing and promotion to doctors. Art says that physicians are against this practice and there will be proposed legislation that will be sponsored by legislators in the 2008 Legislative Session to prohibit this practice in Washington State.

The biggest challenge that Art sees at present is educating consumers to be aware of marketing techniques versus evidence-based medicine and also to let them know that they have a choice. He suggests that, when you get a prescription, you ask your doctor and pharmacist whether there is a therapeutic equivalent or generic equivalent that is an equally effective, less expensive drug. He states that doctors can be as susceptible to marketing as the public, and marketing is all about influencing behavior.

Art is encouraged by the growing number of organizations that are becoming more active in working for change. These include the National Physicians Alliance, AARP, Washington Academy of Family Physicians, the Washington State Labor Council and the Washington State Medical Association. He suggests the best way to get involved is to get informed and he lists some websites that provide a wealth of information: *Puget Sound Health Alliance.com*, Consumer Report's *CRBestBuyDrugs.org*, and the National Legislative Association on Prescription Drug Prices' *reducedrugprices.org*, to name a few. Also, be familiar with your State Representative's stance on data mining as Washington has the opportunity to stop the practice of data mining by passing the "data mining bill."

Art is a man on a mission with a passion to help change a dysfunctional system through teaching, talking and working towards policy changes in the system. As for

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plans for retirement, Art says that he thinks he will do so in a couple of years and then devote himself to fly-fishing. We'll revisit him in a couple of years and see if he has his rod and reel out. Meanwhile, we can only hope that there are more people with Art Zoloth's passion and dedication in the making.

## Monotype Printing by Laurie Perrett

The fascinating process of monotype printing to create interesting designs on rice paper will be demonstrated when the Port Ludlow Artists' League meets on **Wednesday, February 20**, 1:00 p.m., at the Bay Club. Artist Laurie Perrett will show how monotype printing, using glass as the printing plate, is a simple way of creating a unique image, focal point, or background for a painting.

Laurie lives and works in Port Townsend, where her work can be seen at the Port Townsend Gallery. She works in four main mediums: watercolor, Sumi ink, acrylics, and pastel. She particularly enjoys monotype (single print) watercolor and ink images on absorbent rice paper that are mounted on heavier rice paper and then finished with collage applications.

Guests are welcome to attend Artists' League meetings. A donation of \$3 is suggested. For more information, contact President Barbara Adams, 437-2680 or [ludlowbarb@cablespeed.com](mailto:ludlowbarb@cablespeed.com).

The League's Artist of the Month will be Gary Griswold, who uses watercolor to paint scenes of the Pacific Northwest, classic boats, and marine subjects. Gary is a signing member of the Northwest Watercolor Society and the Puget Sound Group of Northwest Painters. His work currently can be seen at the League's Gallery located next to the American Marine Bank, the Soul Garden in Port Hadlock, and the Port Townsend Antique Mall. Join Gary for an artist's reception on **Friday, February 1**, 4:00–5:00 p.m. in the lobby of the American Marine Bank in the upper Village Center and 5:00–6:00 p.m. in the League's Gallery next door to the Bank.

Work of other League members can be seen through the end of **March** in the following Port Ludlow locations: Wanda Jaramillo, hand painted wooden game boards; Fran Bodman, various media, at Coldwell Banker; Ernie Orton, photography, in the Conference Room of American Marine Bank; and Lenetta Johnson, photography, at Homer Smith Insurance.

## February

*by Beverly Browne, Co-editor in Chief*

February is not the most loved part of the calendar. The weather is lousy. The January sales are over and the credit card bills are due. The New Year's resolutions have proved impossible to keep. For those not in loving relationships, Valentine's Day is a depressing reminder of loves lost. There are few odes written to February.

February is dull, wet and cold but at least it's short. The Romans added it to the calendar later than the other months. When Julius Caesar ordered the calendar changed from the lunar year to the solar year, he created a year with 364 and 1/4 days. In order to compensate for the awkwardness, February was awarded 28 days with an extra day added every four years, making 29 days during leap year.

The highlight of February is Saint Valentine's Day (**February 14**), a day when lovers traditionally send cards or gifts. The earliest valentine was written in the fifteenth century by Charles, the Duke of Orleans, to his wife. The modern card features a heart and/or a winged cupid. Approximately one billion of these messages are sent every year worldwide according to the U.S. Greeting Card Association. As a Hallmark holiday, Valentine's Day is second only to Christmas.

The day was named after a Christian martyr. Which one is not clear because there are three Saint Valentines. Valentine of Rome, a priest, was martyred in 269. His remains are interred in Rome and Ireland. Bishop Valentine of Terni was killed during the persecution of Emperor Aurelian in about AD 197. Valentine of Genoa died around A.D. 307. None of these saints was associated with anything romantic.

The romantic connection may be an extension of the Roman Lupercalia, an ancient fertility rite celebrated on **February 15**. The rite featured animal sacrifices, naked streaking through the streets, and beatings with shaggy thongs. If this does not sound particularly romantic, you might like the alternative explanation. It is that Chaucer created the connection between Valentine's Day and romance in his poem, *Parlement of Foules*, written to honor the engagement of King Richard II to Anne of Bohemia in 1381.

## Ducks and Geese at Oak Bay

by Stephen Cunliffe, Contributing Editor



Brant at Oak Bay.

Photo by Stephen Cunliffe

The road running by the lower campground at Oak Bay County Park was blocked in early December by damage from winter storms, and probably still will be when this edition of the *Voice* is published. But it is worth turning your car

down Portage Way, parking it, and walking the last couple of hundred yards along the causeway that divides the waters of Oak Bay on the right from the tidal lagoon on the left. There is more to see than just storm debris.

At this time of year Oak Bay is home to an impressive flock of Brant. Bigger than a duck, but only two thirds the size of the ubiquitous Canada goose, Brant is a species usually described in bird guides as “common but local.” In birding language that means you don’t often come across them, but when you do, you will find a lot. Brant make one of the longest migrations of all waterfowl in discrete populations, and those that winter in the Puget Sound area arrive in early December from their breeding grounds in the High Arctic or the Northwest Territories. After enjoying our mild winter, they start to head north again in March.

Brant rely on eelgrass for feeding, which brings them in large numbers to Oak Bay. With their short bills and thick necks, they are not the most photogenic of birds, but can be easily recognized by their small goose shape, the black plumage of their heads, necks and chests, and their distinctive narrow white necklace. In flight they are fast and agile, flying low over the water in uneven lines.

Brant tend to congregate at the northern end of the lagoon at Oak Bay, and as you make your way towards them you will pass large numbers of ducks at the southern end. Most of these will be Northern Pintail, and are well worth a good look. The males (sorry ladies) are one of the most elegant of ducks, with slim necks and long dark tails. Like the geese they are with us for the winter, although the Pintail can be found in many more habitats. Pintail are one of the group of ‘dabbling ducks,’ feeding on the bottom in shallow waters by tipping their rear ends into the air. Brant feed in the same manner. On the other hand, ‘diving ducks’ submerge completely in pursuit of their prey, and can be seen in the deeper waters on the other side of the causeway.

Brighten up a gloomy winter day by exploring Oak Bay and discovering these special winter visitors. High tide, when the lagoon is full, is the best time to go. Take a pair of binoculars; all these birds are quite shy and will swim away from you if you move too close to them, offering nothing but a fine view of their tails as they make their retreat. If you are really lucky, an eagle or a peregrine will fly over, looking for a duck dinner, putting hundreds of waterfowl into the air in one simultaneous whirring of wings. It’s a remarkable sight.

*Author’s Note:* If you go to Oak Bay Park, and can’t find the Brant, you will find them on the lagoon at the County Park mid-way along the south shore of Indian Island, just a few hundred yards away as the goose flies.

## Silver Anniversary Fete Features National Author

Prominent speaker and writer Elizabeth Shown Mills presents a full day of tips and ideas for amateur genealogists at the Jefferson County Genealogical Society’s (JCGS) annual seminar. The event will be held 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds, **Saturday, March 8**. JCGS President Jesse Stewart notes that this program highlights the group’s twenty-fifth anniversary. Admission is \$25 for society members and \$35 for non-members. Lunch may be purchased for \$6 from a selection of sandwiches. Beverages will be complimentary. Call 385-9495 for information or download a reservation form at [www.rootsweb.com/~wajcgs](http://www.rootsweb.com/~wajcgs). Registration closes **Saturday, February 23**.

JCGS serves the Olympic Peninsula and nearby area with genealogical research services at a center near the Jefferson County airport. Additionally, JCGS partners with Kitsap, Port Orchard and Bainbridge Island groups as a member of the Washington State Genealogical Society Region III. Hands-on assistance, computer-based search tools and an extensive library of local, national and international genealogy books, guides and references are free for JCGS members and to others at a small fee. The Society holds informative monthly meetings, topical workshops and an annual weeklong training class.

## A Parting Shot

This idiom refers to a military tactic used by the Parthians who lived in the Middle East between 400 BCE and 300 CE. Their warring tactics gave the Roman legions untold grief. When the Parthians were attacked, they would feint retreat, turn in their saddles and fire an unexpected volley of arrows back at their foe ... a parting—and apparently effective—shot. They are also credited with initiating the concepts of a Coat of Arms and Chivalry.

# Village Activities Calendar

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

## February

### Fri., February 1

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA Board Meeting (members), Bay Club  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Family Movie Night (members), Bridge Deck

### Sat., February 2

5:00 – 10:00 p.m., PLYC Crab Feed, Bay Club

### Mon., February 4

9:00 a.m. – noon, LOA Board Meeting (members), Beach Club  
10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Office SIG (members),  
Bay Club  
5:30 – 9:00 p.m., Dine and Discover Evening of Magic with  
Joey Pipia, Bay Club

### Tues., February 5

9:00 a.m. – noon, Trails Committee Meeting, Beach Club  
10:00 a.m. – noon, CEA Meeting, Beach Club  
2:00 – 5:00 p.m., Plush Investment Meeting, Bay Club

### Wed., February 6

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

### Thurs., February 7

10:00 a.m. – noon, Knitwits, Beach Club  
10:00 a.m. – noon, Port Ludlow Drainage District, Beach Club  
1:00 p.m., LMC Trustee Workshop (members), Beach Club  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Woodridge Board Meeting (members),  
Bay Club  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC General Meeting, Beach Club  
6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Mac SIG (members), Bay Club

### Fri., February 8

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club departs for Spruce Railroad,  
Bridge Deck  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Inner Harbor Board Meeting (members),  
Bay Club  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m., South Bay Monthly Social (members),  
Bay Club

### Mon., February 11

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Bluebills Meeting, Bay Club  
9:00 a.m. – noon, Bayview Board Meeting (members),  
Bay Club  
4:00 – 6:00 p.m., Ten Karat Women's Investment Club,  
Beach Club  
6:00 – 6:30 p.m., Computer Club Social, Bay Club  
6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Computer Club General Meeting, Bay Club  
6:00 – 10:00 p.m., USCG Boating Safety Class, Port Ludlow  
Fire Station

### Tues., February 12

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., MGA Meeting, Bay Club  
5:00 – 7:30 p.m., Cooking Class with Chef Arran Stark,  
Bay Club  
6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Book Club, Bay Club

### Wed., February 13

9:30 a.m., Garden Club Carpools to Bloedel Reserve, Bay Club  
10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., AARP Driver Safety Class, Beach Club  
2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class (members),  
Bay Club  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Olympic Terrace Homeowners Meeting  
(members), Bay Club  
6:00 – 10:00 p.m., USCG Boating Safety Class, Port Ludlow  
Fire Station

### Thurs., February 14

10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., AARP Driver Safety Class, Beach Club  
Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Computer Club Genealogy SIG (members),  
Bay Club  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Computer Club Board Meeting (members),  
Bay Club  
6:00 p.m., Free Spirits Valentine's Dinner (members),  
Bay Club

### Fri., February 15

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA ARC Review Meeting, Bay Club  
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club  
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Family Movie Night (members), Bridge Deck

### Sat., February 16

9:00 a.m. – noon, LMC Board of Trustees Meeting (members),  
Beach Club  
6:00 p.m., Home Owners Pot Luck (HOPL) Dinner (members),  
Beach Club

### Sun., February 17

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Arts Council's Performing Arts in Port  
Ludlow presents Tiller's Folly, Bay Club (Doors open at  
2:00 p.m.)  
5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Arts Council's Northwest Miners' Afterglow  
Dinner, Bay Club

### Mon., February 18

10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Special Topics SIG  
(members), Bay Club  
6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Computer Club Mac SIG (members),  
Bay Club

### Tues., February 19

10:00 a.m. – noon, Knitwits, Beach Club  
10:00 a.m. – noon, Blood Drive, Community Church  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Fly Fishers General Meeting, Bay Club  
1:45 – 4:00 p.m., Blood Drive, Community Church  
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC Workshop, Beach Club  
5:00 – 7:30 p.m., Cooking Class with Chef Arran Stark,  
Bay Club  
6:30 p.m., Reader's Theater, Call 437-2861 for location

### Wed., February 20

10:00 a.m. – noon, Rubber Stamp Art Club, Bay Club  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Port Ludlow Artists' League, Bay Club  
2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class (members),  
Bay Club

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### **Thurs., February 21**

10:00 a.m. – noon, Port Ludlow Drainage District, Beach Club  
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Computer Club Video SIG (members),  
Bay Club  
5:00 p.m., Singles Prime Rib Night, Harbormaster

### **Fri., February 22**

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club departs for Olympic Discovery Trail,  
Bridge Deck

### **Sat., February 23**

6:30 p.m., Writer's Series Dinner, Inn At Port Ludlow  
7:00 p.m. – close, Dukes of Dabob, Harbormaster Wreckroom  
Lounge

### **Mon., February 25**

10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Photography SIG  
(members), Bay Club  
3:00 – 4:45 p.m., Teal Lake Board Meeting (members),  
Bay Club

### **Tues., February 26**

5:00 – 7:30 p.m., Cooking Class with Chef Arran Stark, Bay  
Club

### **Wed., February 27**

11:00 a.m., CEA Out to Lunch at Sons of Norway, Poulsbo  
2:00 – 4:00 p.m., Cancer Victors Talk, Beach Club  
2:00 – 4:30 p.m., Beginning Computer Class (members),  
Bay Club  
7:00 p.m., USCG Auxiliary General Meeting, Fire Station

### **Thurs., February 28**

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

### **Fri., February 29**

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

### **Future Events**

Free Spirits Logo Entries due (members), March 1, Bay Club  
Timberton Social (members), March 1, Bay Club  
Dine and Discover "Biking Adventure," March 3, Beach Club  
Cooking Class with Chef Arran Stark, March 4 and 11, Bay  
Club

Boating Skills Class for Women, March 4, 11, 18 and 25, Port  
Ludlow Fire Station

Beginning Computer Class (members), March 5, Bay Club

Rani Arbo and Daisy Mayhem, March 6, Bay Club

Snowshoe Hike, March 8, Hurricane Ridge,

Cropwalk, March 8, H.J. Carroll Park

North Bay Clean Sweep, week of March 10-16

WGA Opening Day and Luncheon, March 11

Free Spirits Saint Patrick's Celebration (members), March 17,  
Bay Club

Niners' Season Opener Social, March 20, Beach Club

Saturday Night Live Music, Dukes of Dabob, March 22,  
Harbormaster

Children's Hospital Luncheon and Fashion Show, March 28,  
Bay Club

Village Players present *Last Chance Inn at Calamity Gulch*,  
March 28 and 29, Beach Club

Mr. and Mrs. Couples Championship, April 13–19, Golf Course  
Euphorics, Ahhh ... Cappella, April 18, Bay Club

Member-Guest Tournament, August 7–9, Golf Course

Hiking Club Fall Get-Away to Columbia Gorge,  
September 8–12

## Port Townsend Ferry Update

*by Jen Portz, Contributing Editor*

The Port Townsend (PT) to Seattle ferry is history ... or is it? A petition circulated around PT and via the internet at [www.seattle2pt.com](http://www.seattle2pt.com) garnered over 2,500 signatures in less than a month. And though the service ended January 6, proponents of the route are trying to convince Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) and Washington State Ferry (WSF) officials to re-institute the run and continue the service permanently.

WSF officials work with Ferry Advisory Committees (FAC) around Puget Sound regarding issues that directly affect ferry operations and local communities. In August of 2007 the PT to Keystone Route FAC created the "PT and Keystone Route Planning Community Partnership Plan" to "determine the best path forward." Usually this group deals with mundane issues such as vehicle holding areas and improvements to deteriorating docks, but since the 80-year-old steel electric ferries were taken out of service, the FAC has been fielding concerns from PT elected officials and local business leaders on other options. This collaboration ushered in the short-lived, but enthusiastically embraced Seattle to PT walk-on ferry.

The FAC meets regularly, usually alternating between Coupeville and PT. A January 10 meeting to discuss future concerns and plans was abruptly cancelled and has been rescheduled for **Tuesday, January 29, 10:15 a.m.** at the Pope Marine Building, Madison at Water Street in Port Townsend. RSVP to WSDOT's Hadley Greene at [greeneh@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:greeneh@wsdot.wa.gov). For future updates and more information you can visit [www.seattle2pt.com](http://www.seattle2pt.com).

## Children's Hospital Luncheon and Fashion Show

The sixth annual Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center Luncheon and Fashion Show will be held on **Friday, March 28**, at the Bay Club. Tickets for this event went on sale January 16 and, since it is always a sellout, we suggest you purchase yours right away.

Doors will open at 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be served at noon. The Olympic College Culinary Arts Department will cater this event again this year. The cost remains \$25. Your neighbors will model clothing from local shops in Port Hadlock and Port Townsend, so be there to support them!

The following members will be glad to take your reservations: Esther Lake, 437-2524; Ilene Edwards, 437-9923; Luanna Cooke, 437-1311; and Claudia Avicola, 437-4124.

# Port Ludlow Village Council

## Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Bill Browne, PLVC Secretary

The Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) invited officials from Washington's Department of Health (DOH) and the Office of Drinking Water (ODW) to its monthly meeting held on January 3, 2008. Over 50 residents attended. Phil Otness, chair of the PLVC's Utilities Committee, moderated the discussion that took place. Notes and observations are contained in the following article.

### Reports from Agencies and Organizations

John Fischbach, Jefferson County Administrator, provided a Port Ludlow update: The Ludlow Cove II development hearing will be held in February, chaired by Stephen K. Causseaux. Nothing unusual is expected. The Appellate Hearing Examiner Phil Olbrechts' ruling of The Ludlow Village appeal was expected on Friday, January 4, 2008.

Bayview Village Association has submitted an application to the County for vegetation management for some 200-plus trees in common open areas as part of the Critical Areas Review. Vegetation removal in a critical area or its buffer requires a review and approval from the Department of Community Development (DCD) and usually requires scientific analysis from a geologist, biologist or arborist. That process is currently underway.

County Commissioner John Austin described Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) response to December storm damage. The County is considered a disaster area for public property destroyed, but has not yet reached the threshold for private property assistance. FEMA will study private property claims. Residents with property damage were advised to let Bob Hamlin, Jefferson County's Emergency Operations Director, know so that claims can be considered in filing for possible assistance.

Wage increases to County employees were offset by lower health care costs, and reserves are being drawn down by the County by hiring 3.5 employees. In response to Dan Meade's concerns about drawing down reserves, Austin stated they would rather not draw down the reserves. Drawn reserves must be restocked. "Banked capacity" was also discussed.

There is some County construction being considered in the south end of the County.

### Port Ludlow Village Council Board Meeting

General Meeting

**Thursday, February 7**

3:00 p.m., Beach Club

Workshop Meeting

**Tuesday, February 19**

3:00 p.m., Beach Club

[www.plvc.org/council](http://www.plvc.org/council)

Diana Smeland, Port Ludlow Associates President, reported that all three Olympic Terrace II models are open now, that Kevin Earl left the Resort effective December 31, that a new Resort General Manager, Paul Wolman, will be starting January 14, and that a Golf Director has yet to be chosen.

### Announcements

Greg McCarry announced he is moving from Port Ludlow, and hence resigned his position on the PLVC Board. Vice President Lynn Gauché, will assume the position of chair. The Council will be appointing a replacement member.

The Council received numerous compliments regarding the holiday decorations on the Paradise Road center strip. After dismantling, the lights and related decorations will be stored for use next year.

The next General Meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, February 7**, 3:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. The next Workshop Meeting is set for **Tuesday, February 19**, also at the Beach Club. Please refer to the PLVC website, [www.plvc.org](http://www.plvc.org), for more information.

## WSDOH Explains Water Rights and Permitting Process

by Bill Browne, PLVC Secretary

On December 5, 2007 the Washington State Department of Health (WSDOH) together with the Office of Drinking Water (ODW) approved a six-year plan for water service to the Port Ludlow community. Olympic Water & Sewer, Inc. (OWSI), our water purveyor, prepared the plan. Also providing comments on the plan prior to approval were the Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) and the Department of Ecology (DOE).

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At the January 3 Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) General Meeting, Phil Otness, Chairman of the Utility Committee, introduced Frank Meriwether, Regional Engineer for DOH, and Karen Locke, Planner for ODW. Meriwether and Locke answered a series of prepared questions about Port Ludlow's water supply, the respective roles of the agencies described above and about the plan itself. The speakers also answered questions from the audience.

In response to the first previously submitted question, Meriwether described the roles of various entities involved in the review and regulation of statewide water systems. He described two groups of clients, Group A and Group B. Group A includes the larger systems, such as Port Ludlow's, which are regulated by the State, and the smaller Group B that are governed/regulated by Jefferson County. In the process of approving Water System Plans for Group A, DOH consults with UTC and DOE. Meriwether stated, however, that final responsibility for review and approval of Group A plans ultimately lies with DOH. He also described the responsibilities of the other agencies. He noted that DOE regulates water rights. Water rights state how much water OWSI is allowed to pump from their wells. UTC, on the other hand, is responsible for review of the financial aspects of the water systems including rate structures and financial viability of the water system itself.

As a part of the plan approval process, DOH determines how many customers or connections a water system is allowed and notifies our local Jefferson County. This notification is necessary so that the County can know how many building permits for new homes it is permitted to issue without exceeding the number of allowed connections. If questions arise about how many connections are allowed, then Jefferson County consults with DOH. However, Jefferson County is not a part of the regulatory process for approval of Group A systems.

### **Other Questions Addressed**

Another question speculated on what might happen if OWSI were to fail financially (receivership being the worst situation). What role does the State have to play to ensure continuing operation of the system? Meriwether responded that the State works to prevent this type of situation from happening by working with the water system and adjusting the approved plan. Ultimately the DOH is committed to ensure that the community would still get water.

What happens if the water drawn exceeds the allowable water rights granted by DOE? The purveyor (OWSI) may use the cost reimbursement process to ensure quicker

review of requests to increase the amount of water rights and use additional conservation measures to ensure that adequate water is available. OWSI would be subject to penalties if not in compliance, but the DOE stated a preference to cooperate with the purveyor to help keep it in compliance.

What happened to OWSI's application for added water rights in 1994? It is in a waiting list and in line for processing. OWSI also applied to DOE in November 2007 for additional water rights. The DOE views the water rights needs for a projected 6 years and a projected 20 years. The DOE does not see any problems for the next 6 years regarding the anticipated construction or taking Port Ludlow to 2,197 ERUs (equivalent residential units). There are currently about 1,500 connections.

What is the validity of the concern that OWSI does not properly complete water rights applications? Since OWSI made the applications, beginning in 1994, there have been changes in the technical regulations; OWSI may now want to use a cost reimbursement process that will allow previous rights applications to rise faster on the waiting line list.

Are OWSI and Port Ludlow Associates (PLA) adequately and properly addressing the potential water problems in our community? OWSI has filed the necessary applications for wells 13, 14 and 16 as anticipated in the Water System Plan, demonstrating that they are prepared for the continued expansion of the Master Planned Resort (MPR) demands. It was suggested that OWSI should seek added interaction with the Watershed planning unit (one of DOE's tools using local interaction and expertise).

Does OWSI have to fund a financial reserve account? The UTC does not require water system financial reserves. Even though there have been financial losses during recent years, the current 2007 plan (approved in December), with proposed rate changes, is "feasible" for a six-year time frame according to the UTC final review. Projected positive earnings should replace losses experienced during the past few years. OWSI still remains not "viable" due to past years' losses. Prior to the end of the six-year plan, a new plan will have to be submitted to DOH, which will once again coordinate approvals with DOE and UTC.

Has Port Ludlow and PLA adequately addressed the water supply issues? The DOE is unaware of drinking water problems during the approved six-year period; however, they are aware of longer-term problems that can be solved by advanced planning. They feel OWSI has been very clear in regard to its planning for the future water needs. Where they see potential problems, OWSI develops plans for responding to them.

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Will Port Ludlow have adequate water and connections for future home use both in the six-year time frame (foreseeable future) and the twenty-year time frame (the far future)? Water conservation and additional water rights would resolve this. OWSI has made efforts to secure those rights.

## Trails

*by Larry Scott, Port Ludlow Trails Committee Chair*



*(L-R) Jack Manning, Dick Ullmann and Dale Wills plant the Silers' donated rhododendron at the Interpretive Trail entrance.*

Photo by Larry Scott

To paraphrase Garrison Keillor about Lake Wobegon, Minnesota, "It's been a quiet few months in Port Ludlow for Trails." Heavily distracted by other commitments and attention-draining projects, the Chair has been

unable to focus on outings for Trails volunteers. However, 2008 is shaping up to be much better. While we have had some heavy winds, so far we have escaped the blow-down damage we experienced in the 2006–2007 winter. What a relief! Now we can concentrate on improving and developing the trail system rather than salvaging the trail system.

One of our current priorities is to continue to improve the lower section of the Lower Rainier trail. We are emphasizing the channeling and diverting of water runoff into the existing natural streams as well as continuing to remove roots on the trail, and to providing chips on the walking path to enhance the "Trails" experience for everyone.

Another of our priorities is to find an acceptable route to finish the last section of the still incomplete "Niblick's Loop." We need plausible pathway through some marshy areas with a reasonable expectation of keeping hikers out of the mud. To this end, I want to thank Diana Smeland and the Port Ludlow Associates (PLA) staff for their efforts and support to bring this trail to fruition.

The last event for 2007 was the replanting of a donated Rhodie from Frank and Irma Siler. Thank you, Frank and Irma! Don't forget, that program is still up and running.

If you have a "native" plant you are removing from your yard, and would prefer it to go to good use rather than thrown away, contact "Trails." We may or may not be able to use it, and if we do, it may not go into an obvious spot like the Interpretive Trail entrance, but there are many other trails around Port Ludlow that we may be able to do a "Plant it and Forget it" (to misquote Ron Popeil) to enhance our community trails system.

## Disaster Preparedness and You

*by Tom Stone, Port Ludlow Disaster Preparedness Director*

The Port Ludlow Disaster Preparedness organization is only part of what we need in Port Ludlow. The rest of the solution deals with your personal preparation for a disaster incident. You need to take affirmative steps.

Port Ludlow residents with special needs must take extra precautions. Those residents should contact their neighborhood Disaster Preparedness Captain or Co-Captain and alert him/her to the special needs situation. Your neighborhood Captain or Co-Captain will notify the Coordinators of North and South Bay about your needs so that you can obtain assistance in the event of a disaster.

The Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross recommends having a "disaster kit" that can sustain a household for at least three days. Jefferson County Emergency Preparedness officials recommend this kit should be able to sustain a household for at least seven days because of our rural location. The basic elements of this kit are water, food, a first aid kit, personal medication and various tools, supplies and household documents. All residents should stock these supplies.

Food should be ready to eat, compact and lightweight. Canned or dried food can be put in a box away from other food supplies in a secure, dry location. Select foods that require no refrigeration, preparation, or cooking, and can be prepared with little or no water. If you must heat food, pack a can of Sterno and matches. For emergency purpose, the recommended amount of water storage is one gallon per person per day (two quarts for drinking and two quarts for food preparation/sanitation).

If you want a more detailed check-off list, go online to the step-by-step course on Food and Water Supplies at [www.getemergencyprepared.com/index.html](http://www.getemergencyprepared.com/index.html). It is a proven fact that people cope best with disaster when they have prepared for it.

# Beach Club/North Bay News

Submit your articles to Barbara Berthiaume at 437-0423 or by e-mail at [barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com) no later than the 10th of the preceding month.

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## Important Dates

### LOA Meeting

**Monday, February 4, 9:00 a.m.**

### LMC Trustee Workshop

**Thursday, February 7, 1:00 p.m.**

### LMC Board Meeting

**Saturday, February 16, 9:00 a.m.**

Tel: 437-9102; e-mail: [beachclub@olympus.net](mailto:beachclub@olympus.net)

Sign up for the *Log* online at the above address  
Visit [www.lmcbeachclub.com](http://www.lmcbeachclub.com) for more complete information

All LMC members are welcome. ☒

## President's Message

by Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC President

We can't thank our staff and volunteers enough for all they do to keep the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) running. As I said last month, the LMC relies heavily on the dedicated and hard-working volunteers who contribute so much to our community. They don't expect anything in return, except the satisfaction of knowing they are making a positive difference. However, the next time you see someone working on behalf of the Association, I don't think they would mind a simple "thank you."

We are always in need of more volunteers. Of course not everyone is in a position to become one, but perhaps there are one or two more who could. We get out of our Association what we put into it.

It has been said, "It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness." The LMC Board receives appreciation at times, but we also receive plenty of complaints about how we are doing things wrong. Please try to remember that we Trustees, who were elected to manage the affairs of the Association, are simply members who have volunteered to serve in that capacity. We attempt to fulfill our duties and responsibilities to the best of our ability. In our positions, we are privy to a great deal more information than the average member is, and this gives us the perspective to make the decisions we do. I will be the first to admit, however, that we are not infallible.

I encourage every LMC member who perceives something wrong to bring it to our attention, preferably in a positive expression, but be negative if you must. In the midst of the criticism I hear, I try to find constructive suggestions. And if you think of any potential solutions, please offer those to us as well. If you are able, please volunteer to help be part of the solution. If we all "light our candles," we will have better illumination to see the way forward together. This will give us the greatest opportunity to approach the excellence that I believe we all want in our Association.

## LMC December Monthly Meeting Highlights

by Barbara Berthiaume, North Bay Editor

At the December 15 Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Board meeting at the Beach Club, the following issues were noted:

The Resort Revision Closed Record Appeal Hearing was held at the Beach Club on December 6 with a decision that was released January 9, 2008. The Appellate Hearing Examiner, Phil A. Olbrechts, made his decision to sustain the decision of the previous Hearing Examiner, Irv Berteig, regarding Port Ludlow Associates' (PLA) plans for the resort development, subject to some modifications of moderate significance.

A member forum was held on December 11 to answer questions about the LMC's relationship with the Developer PLA, and the appeal of the County's decision on Ludlow Bay Village and Admiralty III.

The 2008 budget was approved by the Board of Trustees in November and ratified by the membership on December 15.

An updated facilities agreement with PLA in regard to the Admiralty I and II condos in the rental pool was prepared by Brian Belmont and approved by the Board.

## LMC Committee Chair Activities

by Barbara Berthiaume, North Bay Editor

The Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Committee chairpersons reported the following December activities:

### **Architectural Control Committee (ACC):** Veronica Ryan, Chair

Bill Lazarus and Bill Clark were appointed as alternate members and Eve McDougall has been appointed a regular member of the ACC Committee. Two new requests were approved and there are seven pending requests. The ACC continues to monitor homes under construction. A review of the construction package and research to establish guidelines for satellite dishes and for solar tubes is in progress.

### **Covenants and Regulations Committee (CRC):**

Catherine Garrison, Interim Chair

After the second reading, the Board approved five amendments to the LMC Rules and Regulations.

### **Communications Committee:** Barbara Berthiaume, Interim Chair

The *Log* was sent out to all LMC homeowners in December. A big thank you is extended to David Goudie for doing an excellent job with the layout for the December issue. An editor for the *Log* is still being sought. The editor's duties include collecting pertinent and timely information regarding LMC business by communicating with the Board, Committee chairs and the Beach Club Manager. If anyone is interested, please contact Barbara Berthiaume at 437-0423.

### **Greenbelt Committee (GBC):** Jack Riggen and Larry Scott, Co-Chairs

Fourteen active vegetation management requests have been received, one of which we have identified as a hazardous tree, and 16 issues have been closed. The Committee has a list of local tree service companies and native plants pre-approved for replanting in the Greenbelt. To insure vegetation management that is easily accessible to residents, the Greenbelt Committee's goals are to make it easier for residents to 1) find a tree service company, 2) see what a pre-approved tree or shrub looks like and 3) obtain the appropriate plants to expedite any required replanting in the Greenbelt. We feel this will be a service to the community by providing updateable information to subsequent Greenbelt Committee members and facilitating the management of our ever-growing and maturing Greenbelt properties.

### **Operations Committee (OPS):** John Van Zonneveld, Chair

General Manager Brian Belmont reported that some parts of the drainage system in the basement of the Beach Club have deteriorated, and in one area are inoperable. The maintenance staff is trying to find the obstruction in order to repair the line. A sub-committee of the Operations Committee has delivered to the Committee-of-the-whole a revised report of the tennis-playing community of the North Bay area. The Committee will try to make a final report available to the Board of Trustees at that group's **February** meeting. The next meetings of the OPS committee will be on **Tuesdays, February 5 and 19**, at 4:00 p.m. in the Beach Club. All interested people are invited to attend any of the committee meetings.

## Beach Club Manager's Report

by Brian Belmont

For the year to date, Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) has collected 99.8 percent of the invoiced 2007 annual assessments. Currently there are two properties with outstanding assessment balances which, with late fees, total \$2,763.67.

LMC provides 90 percent of the medical and dental insurance premiums for the four full-time employees. Included in the 2008 Operating Budget was an anticipated 10 percent increase in medical and a 5 percent increase in dental premiums. We recently received the 2008 rates with dental coverage increasing by the projected 5 percent, but our current medical plan under Premera Blue Cross is being discontinued at the end of the year. Trustee Buehler volunteered to assist me in reviewing possible replacement plans. After meeting with two different insurance agents that represent several insurance companies and performing side-by-side comparisons of seven different plans, we recommended to the Board that LMC enroll the four employees in Regence Blue Shield's Innova medical insurance plan effective January 1, 2008.

The maintenance staff has been busy re-caulking Beach Club windows. During the wind and rainstorms in December, several wood framed windows were found to be leaking badly.

## Family Movie Nights

A great way for the kids in the neighborhood to get together and for families to socialize is to attend "Movie Nights" on **Friday, February 1, and Friday, February 15**, at the Bridge Deck from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Popcorn and juice will be served along with the movie. ☺

## North Bay Art Group Looks to 2008

by Francy Gronewald

The North Bay Art Group (NBAG) will move into 2008 with new activities and creations to widen their interests and provide some pleasant viewing for the Beach Club membership. We are looking forward to “hanging” a new group of art in the Beach Club Gallery Room early in **February**. All Beach Club members are invited to participate in these displays if they have artwork they would like to submit.

The NBAG **Friday** afternoon workshops will continue to be held at the Bridge Deck from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. except for holiday weekends. These workshops are freelance with everyone working on their special projects. We also, on occasion, enjoy critiquing each other’s works, making suggestions for improvement or technique changes. All members are cordially invited to participate in our workshops as well as our shows.

Please drop in to view our current and future shows whenever visiting the Beach Club, and the Gallery Room when it is available. If you would like more information about our group or participation in our activities please call either Penny Sanzaro at 437-7970 or Francy and Harry Gronewald at 437-0546 .

## HOPL Celebrates “Our American Presidents”

On **Saturday, February 16**, the North Bay Home Owners Pot Luck (HOPL) will celebrate “Our American Presidents.” An old fashion American potluck is the order of the day for this month. The *Port Ludlow Village Sounders* will provide entertainment with patriotic music and maybe a little something for Saint Valentine’s Day, too.

Sign up early at the Beach Club and check off what you will bring to serve ten people. Suggested hot dishes are casseroles such as Tuna, Macaroni and Cheese, Sloppy Joe’s, or Chili to give you some ideas. You can also choose to bring appetizers, salad or dessert. Cost will be \$7 per person, which includes all beverages. The sign-up deadline is **Thursday, February 14**, and if you have a question you may call John Van Zonneveld at 437-5118.

Doors will open at 6:00 p.m. with the buffet starting at 6:30 or as soon after as the crowd can settle down! Bring an appetite and a smile. Newcomers are especially welcome. Meet your neighbors and new friends. Just be sure to sign up. ☼

## North Bay “Clean Sweep” in March

Winter with all its wind, rain, cold and snow is almost over and the brighter days of spring will soon be here. That means it is time to once again send out an alert to the loyal North Bay “Clean Sweep” Committee that the next sweep will take place during the week of **Monday–Sunday, March 10 through 16**. It is a perfect time to do a quick pickup of the litter that has accumulated during the winter and before the roadsides become over grown.

“Clean Sweep” is a dedicated Lot Owners Association (LOA) Committee that never holds meetings yet gets the work done. Individuals, family groups and local businesses take responsibility for picking up the roadside litter along a few blocks of the neighborhood. Members are reminded quarterly by e-mail and through the *Voice* that another sweep is due.

The Committee is in need of volunteers to step up and take responsibility for one of the “Clean Sweep” routes. We also like to maintain a substitute list. Occasionally Committee members are gone for an extended period of time and would like someone to temporarily take over their route. If you would like to lend a hand, please call Jerry or Diane Purdy at 437-1262. We encourage all community members to help keep our neighborhoods beautiful by picking up trash seen along our roadways between scheduled sweeps.

School-aged residents are encouraged to get involved in their community by picking up along the streets in their neighborhoods. ☼

## Did You Know?

The *Log* can be sent to you electronically by e-mailing [beachclub@olympus.net](mailto:beachclub@olympus.net) and making this request. This is a quick and efficient method of receiving Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) news. ☼

The LMC website at [www.LMCBeachClub.com](http://www.LMCBeachClub.com) offers more detailed news such as schedules, governing documents, minutes of LMC board meetings, committee meetings, committee reports and relevant links to other sites including the *Voice*.

## Welcome North Bay Newcomers!

Michael and Charlotte Eidlin    Baldwin Lane

## Eating Around: Tizley's Europub

by A. Gastronome

Searching for Gemutlichkeit? Perhaps not the most authentic, but for some savory European fare, Tizley's Europub in Poulsbo offers a contrast to other ethnic dining alternatives in the Olympic and Kitsap Peninsulas. Located upstairs at 18928 Front Street in Poulsbo next door to Sluy's Bakery, Tizley's is an unprepossessing bar and dining spot with outdoor balcony seating for temperate days and a variety of booths, tables and bar seating. Menu items range from soups and sandwiches to family platters featuring whole pork knuckles, sausage and rotkohl (red cabbage), spaetzle and goulash. All sausages feature Uli's local brand. Although German cuisine predominates, other offerings include some Hungarian, Swiss and English specialties. Various schnitzels include classic, jaeger (with mushroom sauce), rahm (with cream sauce) and zigeuner (with paprika sauce). Standard sides include a choice of rotkohl, green salad or German potato salad.

Among the range of draft and bottled beers are lagers, pilsners, ales and hefeweisen from Germany, Belgium, Holland, Czech Republic, England and Scotland. Distilled spirits are also poured.

We arrived at lunchtime on a blustery pre-Christmas weekend to find relatively few fellow diners, but indulged in a Reuben made with fresh and crunchy sauerkraut on toasted rye bread. The accompanying large pickle quarter was also tasty. We opted for the kartoffelsuppe, a delicious chicken stock broth seasoned with dill and other spices, with well-cooked diced potatoes. My companion had the schnitzel sandwich that featured a well-cooked pork cutlet on a bed of fresh greens with savory mustard on toasted rye.

Sandwiches range from \$6.95 to \$8.95. Platters are \$7.95 to \$13.95. Schnitzels are \$13.95 to \$16.95.

Tizley's is also associated with the Europa Delicatessen on the first floor that offers a variety of European meats, cheeses, imported condiments and beverages. For the deli call 360-394-0082.

The restaurant is open daily from 11:00 a. m. to midnight and features live music some evenings. Expect a younger and hipper crowd at night.

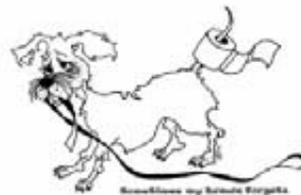
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Poulsbo, WA 98370  
360-394-0080

*"Eating Around" wants to hear from you. Send us news on your favorite eating-places—any places you've had a pleasant—or not—eating experience—within an hour's drive from Port Ludlow. Send your comments, criticisms, conclusions, and compliments to Marti Duncan, "Eating Around" Editor, at martiduncan@q.com. Note: We reserve the right to edit your contribution to fit our style and space constraints.*

## PLGC Tours Bloedel Reserve

Put on your comfortable walking shoes and enjoy a nature walk through the gardens and woodlands of Bloedel Reserve on Bainbridge Island with the Port Ludlow Garden Club (PLGC) on **Wednesday, February 13**. We will meet at the Bay Club at 9:30 a.m. to arrange car pools and get directions for our docent-led two-hour tour. A fee of \$10 or \$8 for seniors will be collected or you may apply for membership to the reserve at [www.bloedelreserve.org](http://www.bloedelreserve.org), which will allow yearlong entrance to the gardens. For those interested, we will continue on to the Rose Café at Bainbridge Gardens for lunch or you can brown-bag it. Please sign up at the Bay Club by **Thursday, February 7**, and indicate if you plan on joining us for lunch at the café. If you have questions, please call Patty Patterson, 437-4117.

## Reminder to Dog Owners



So we all can enjoy walking our trails and roadways, please carry a plastic bag and clean up after your dog, large or small.

## Help Wanted

Wanted: Community-conscious, responsible individuals who enjoy the outdoors and are willing to spend a few hours each year contributing to the beautification of their neighborhoods. Compensation in the form of personal satisfaction is dependent upon effort. No experience is necessary. For details contact Jerry or Diane Purdy, North Bay Lot Owners Association (NBLOA) "Clean Sweep" Chairs, 437-1262. ☎

# Bay Club/South Bay News

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## SBCA Board Meeting

Friday, February 1, 9:00 a.m.  
All SBCA members are welcome. 

## SBCA Update

by John Cragoe, SBCA President

The South Bay Community Association (SBCA) Board of Directors meeting was held on January 4 at the Bay Club with directors John Cragoe, Joe Kelly, Dan Meade, Chris Whitehurst and Ken Snider present. Mike Morgan and Linda Colasurdo of the SBCA staff were also in attendance. With eight residents present, the meeting was called to order and the minutes of the prior meeting were approved.

### Committee Reports:

**Financial Report:** Chris Whitehurst reviewed the financial highlights for November, noting current assets of \$362,870 and total assets of \$557,861. The Association's cash assets are \$35,785 higher than last year at the same time. Year-to-date revenues were \$192,209 with operating expenses of \$136,391 producing a net operating surplus of \$55,818 for the period. The financial report was approved and complete details are available at the Bay Club.

**Architectural Review Committee (ARC):** Linda Colasurdo reported that Barbara Schaefer from Olympic Terrace has agreed to assume the open position on the ARC. However, at month end, Tom Callahan submitted his resignation from the ARC after years of faithful service. Therefore, there is still one opening. Please contact the ARC if you are interested in serving on this key Committee.

**Finance and Long Range Planning:** Ken Snider noted that the Committee will be reviewing the "Priority List" of renovation and remodel projects which was developed last year. The top three items on the list have been or soon will be completed. The Committee feels it is time to ensure that all items remaining on the list are appropriate and correctly prioritized. All members are welcome to attend this Committee meeting on the third **Thursday** afternoon of the month, at the Bay Club.

**Operations Report:** Mike Morgan noted that there was one new member due to a home sale in South Bay to report. Membership remains at 538, including 28 Associate Members. The past month was very busy with most Villages and groups within the association hosting a holiday event. Also, with arborist assistance, the trees along the back of the Club building have been trimmed to provide a lovely view of the water.

**Director's Reports:** Dan Meade noted that the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) meeting featured the Director of the Washington State organization responsible for water issues in Port Ludlow. He also reported that Greg McCarry, current president of PLVC, has resigned. The McCarrys have sold their home and will be moving away from the community.

**Old Business:** Mike Morgan noted that the roof on the gazebo needs to be treated for moss and such work will be scheduled after completion of the work on the roof of the Bay Club building.

**New Business:** Dan Meade submitted proposed wording for two additions to the annual proxy covering budget approval and audit waiver. The wording was approved and a complete proxy will be prepared for review at the **March** or **April** meeting.

This year's Annual Meeting in **July** will include the election of three members to the SBCA Board of Directors. If you, or someone you know, is interested in serving please contact one of the current directors or the staff at the Bay Club.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on **Friday, February 1**, at 9:00 a.m. at the Bay Club. Please plan to join us.

## South Bay Member's Social

Join your neighbors on **Friday, February 8**, at 5:00 p.m., at the Bay Club for the next regular social event of the year. Relax with friends and try to guess what the groundhog will say about winter's duration. 

## Free Spirits' Valentine's Party

Save **Thursday, February 14**, for "Hearts and Flowers," the annual Free Spirits' Valentine's Day event. Come and sample cocktails and delicious hors d'oeuvres, have a sumptuous dinner and dance to the music of DJ Bob Winters.

The cost for members is \$20 and \$27 for non-members. Members started signing up on January 14. Non-members, who are SBCA members, may sign up beginning on **Friday, February 1**. The final day to sign up is **Friday, February 8**. Come and celebrate with your special someone! 🍷

## Free Spirits Heads-up...

St. Patrick's Day isn't until **March**, but you might want to be sure to save **Monday, March 17**, to celebrate the wearing of the green with the Free Spirits. Members may begin signing up on **Monday, February 11**, and non-members, who are SBCA members, on **Monday, March 3**, if space is available. The final day to sign up will be **Saturday, March 8**. 🍷

## Free Spirits Contest

Free Spirits is having a contest to design a logo for the organization. This group was formed in 1991 as a social group for members of our new and growing South Bay community.

The name, Free Spirits, was selected through a contest won by Diana Anderson, so it is fitting that our logo is chosen in the same manner. Judging from a straw poll done at the recent Christmas Dinner, the Board and the members enthusiastically support this idea.

In addition to events over the years, Free Spirits has contributed equipment for the Bay Club kitchen and generously donated to the Tri-area Food Bank. Activities now center on holidays from the Fourth of July through May.

Now we need our talented members to come up with an eye-catching logo; we are asking everyone interested to participate. Go to the Bay Club for an entry form and envelope. There is a box available for submitting your entry where the rules will be posted. All entries must be in by **Saturday, March 1**. The winner will be announced at the Free Spirits St. Patrick's Day Party on **Monday, March 17**. There will be a prize for the winner, so put on your creative hats and let's see how well you do. Good luck! 🍷

## South Bay New Members

Welcome to our newest members!

Darcy Garneau and William Tarter      Teal Lake Village

## A Tax Deduction

The Arts Council reminds Season Ticket holders, unable to attend a concert, that they have an opportunity to take a tax deduction for unused tickets that are returned in advance. Since so many concerts are sell-outs, the Council can resell your tickets to patrons on the waiting list. And, because the Port Ludlow Arts Council is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, you will receive a letter for tax-return purposes that will acknowledge your contribution.

To donate tickets, call Susan Sweetingham at 437-0243 or Jane Navone at 437-0324. Your gift is appreciated and everyone wins!

## Old Time Fiddlers

The Washington Old Time Fiddlers Association is dedicated to the preservation and performance of old time fiddle music. Its schedule for this month is: Sequim Prairie Grange with a performance on **Saturday, February 9**, 2:00–4:00 p.m.; Tri-Area Community Center, Chimacum, **Saturday, February 23**, with an informal jam session beginning at 11:30 a.m. (new players welcome) and a performance program beginning at 1:30 p.m.

For further information, contact George Yount at 360-385-0456 or e-mail [gyout@olympen.com](mailto:gyout@olympen.com).

## Recycling Etiquette

Recycling is important. Here are some tips for making it a better experience for everyone.

- Break down boxes and flatten cans if possible.
- Put materials in the correct bins.
- Do not leave materials outside of the bins if they are full.
- Do not put materials that cannot be recycled into the bins.
- If you break glass, pick it up.
- Do not block access to the bins with your car.

# 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@waypoint.com](mailto:bevrothenborg@waypoint.com) by the 10th of the preceding month.*

## A Day at the Met!

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

Well, the jury has reached a verdict! The Metropolitan Opera simulcasts are flawless. Not only do you hear gorgeous music, but in addition, you get to see the performers backstage as the camera films them leaving the main stage or waiting to return to the spotlight. Who knew Plácido Domingo was so handsome as he conducted the orchestra from the podium? A camera was in front of him so you saw the view that one never sees while seated in the audience.

There were quite a few Port Ludlow neighbors attending the day that I saw *Romeo et Juliette*. Every one was unanimous in saying that it was a thrilling experience. Yes, the Rose Theatre in Port Townsend will be offering the simulcasts and encores next season, and I'll be going online ([www.metopera.org](http://www.metopera.org) or [www.rosetheatre.com](http://www.rosetheatre.com)) early to get my tickets. How fortunate to have these program so close to home! It's a lot easier than traveling to New York City!

And here's another way to beat those winter doldrums. Alan and Sandy Rawson will perform a concert of violin and piano duo music at their Chimacum home with the concert theme, "The French Connection." The date is **Friday, February 15**, 2:00 p.m. I have heard them and they are world-class musicians.

The program opens with Jean Francaix's *Sonatina*, a sparkling mix of jazzy clichés and effervescence. You will also hear music by Erik Satie and Arthur Honegger. The brilliant craft of Claude Debussy will conclude the program with one of his last pieces, *Sonata in G minor* for violin and piano. A sampling of French pastries and hors d'oeuvres will follow.

Admission is by advanced paid donation, \$20 per seat. RSVP no later than **Friday, February 8**, by contacting Alan Rawson, e-mail [rawson@waypt.com](mailto:rawson@waypt.com), phone 379-3449. Checks should be made payable to Olympic

Youth Strings, a 50(c)(3) non-profit corporation. Mail check to 10318 Rhody Drive, Chimacum 98325. Upon receipt, a confirmation will be sent including directions.

## Tiller's Folly Spotlights Northwest Legend and Lore

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg

For over a decade, Tiller's Folly has been captivating audiences with their music, stories and lively shows. Based out of Greater Vancouver, Canada, Tiller's Folly shines a unique and poignant spotlight on their beautiful Pacific Northwest home. From the dynamic vocals, driving acoustic guitar and classic songwriting of Bruce



*Relaxing with Tiller's Folly.*

Submitted photo

Coughlan, through the wild, virtuoso layers of creative color added by award-winning multi-instrumentalist, Nolan Murray, to the solid driving foundation laid down by bassist and vocalist, Laurence Knight, Tiller's Folly is a high-energy acoustic roots music experience like no other.

Through the generous sponsorship of Puget Sound Energy, this experience is yours **Sunday, February 17**, when Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents a return engagement of Tiller's Folly in a cabaret concert, 3:00 p.m. in the Bay Club. Then following the concert, enjoy the Afterglow at a three-course hearty Northwest Miners' dinner served at the Bay Club and prepared by Executive Chef Dan Ratigan of The Resort At Port Ludlow.

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Raised on a steady diet of Irish and Scottish music, Tiller's Folly founder Bruce Coughlan began gigging in Irish pubs in his teens and has always maintained a repertoire of traditional ballads. A true bard (a collector of songs), his love and passion for the characters and tales of the Pacific Northwest have proven fertile ground for his exceptional songwriting and singing skills. A multi-faceted talent on vocals, guitar, tenor banjo, bodhran, flute and whistles—Coughlan is destined for recognition as a great Canadian songwriter/storyteller in a class with Stan Rogers or Gordon Lightfoot.

Laurence Knight is a musician with the incredible depth of over 30 years' performing and recording experience. A long-time acquaintance of Coughlan, he expressed an interest in the Tiller's project and set about promoting the prospects of a Celtic group. Over the past 12 years they've developed a strong partnership of Knight's production and business savvy and Coughlan's songwriting and artistic direction—creating a whole much greater than the sum of its parts.

Multi-instrumentalist Nolan Murray performs on fiddle, mandolin, five-string banjo, viola, and guitar as well as vocals. A winner of numerous awards and nominations for his stellar musicianship, Murray is one of the most in-demand artists in the Pacific Northwest, having toured, performed and recorded with many top Canadian and American musicians.

Tiller's Folly has released an impressive catalog including CDs, videos and a complete DVD/CD package. Their CDs have topped sales charts and both albums and individual songs have been nominated for and received awards and distinctions. Last fall, Tiller's Folly celebrated its 10th anniversary with the release of their sixth CD, *A River So Wide*.

Chef Ratigan's Northwest-themed Afterglow dinner will include Miners' Chicken Chasseur—grilled chicken, sautéed mushrooms, onions and tomatoes in a red wine demi-glaze with garlic mashed potatoes, fresh vegetables, a green salad and assorted desserts. Total cost including tax and tip is \$19. Tickets must be purchased in advance. The Arts Council will sell wine and beer both before and during the concert intermission and throughout the Afterglow.

In cooperation with the Port Ludlow Artists' League, bold, unusual abstract paintings and collages of vibrant color by Wanda Mawhinney will be displayed in the Bay Club.

Tickets for Tiller's Folly at \$18 and Afterglow tickets at \$19 are available at the Bay Club. Flex Passes at \$99 are

still available and can be used for six tickets to one or more concerts. Flex Passes cannot be used for the Afterglow dinner. Cabaret events generally sell out early, so check on ticket availability by calling the Bay Club at 437-2208.

Snowbirds and travelers with Flex Passes who desire concert tickets for any remaining concerts in the season can mail their instructions indicating concerts desired along with a self-addressed stamped envelope to P. O. Box 65210, Port Ludlow, WA 98365. If ordering Tiller's Folly Afterglow tickets, be sure to enclose a check in the amount of \$19 for each dinner ticket desired.

## Melodrama and Music

*by Vallery Durling*

It can be argued that the melodrama had its origins in Greek plays with their mixture of drama, music and dance. The word came into the language in France in the 1760s as "melodrame." The association of music to express emotion of the character and the situation to French plays, which abounded in terrifying incidents, artificial characters and overstated pathos, started in 1770 with a one-act monologue entitled *Pygmalion*.

The "melodrama" spread to Germany, and composers such as Mozart and Beethoven furthered the relationship between opera and melodrama. Much of the music used in melodrama today comes from operas such as *La Traviata* and *Rigoletto*.

In the early nineteenth century the Boulevard du Temple in Paris was the center of European melodrama while in America the western influence was seen with such characters as Bronco Billy, Billy the Kid and Deadeye Dick.

Today's melodrama is a complete experience for the audience, which is led by the often-unsung hero of the evening—the pianist. He leads sing-a-longs, provides music for fight or love scenes, plays theme music to introduce the characters and may even sing a solo.

There is a special feeling that goes with a melodrama—as a performer or a member of the audience. Music is an essential part whether live or canned.

Ludlow Village Players are currently rehearsing *Last Chance Inn at Calamity Gulch* by Whitney Ryan Garrity for your enjoyment the last weekend of **March**. Tickets go on sale **Saturday, March 1**, at the Beach Club. The play is fully cast but there are a few openings for crew. Please call Val Durling at 437-2861 or Janet Barnes at 437-2431 if you would like to help with stage crew, publicity, makeup, sets or wardrobe.

## A String Band's Love: American Music

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg

So who is Rani Arbo and what is Daisy Mayhem? **Thursday, March 6**, 7:30 p.m., Rani, a folk singer/songwriter and fiddler from Middletown, Connecticut and Daisy Mayhem, a crackerjack string band in love with American music, appear at the Bay Club. Featuring a combination of wicked percussion, sublime lead singing, great harmonies, sparkling original songs and a deep repertoire—these four young people share an irresistible chemistry on stage.

The *Boston Globe* describes Daisy Mayhem's music as "neo old-timey with cosmopolitan splashes of contemporary pop and jazz." It's an exuberant mix of musical idioms, held together by superb musicianship, impeccable taste, and the band's charismatic vocals. Their show will dip into country blues, vintage swing, modern songwriter fare, and Appalachian fiddle tunes and songs. This is a band that picks up what's lying around—from tin cans to traditional music—and creates something new.

Arbo's alto voice, which ranges from sweet to gritty, and her accomplished use of it are at the heart of the band's success. Seven years ago many thought she might go solo. Instead, she and bassist Andrew Kinsey formed Daisy Mayhem, a band with irony built right into its name. For starters, all band members are parents, which adds to the rigors of touring. "Having kids automatically turns you into a superhero that does the impossible, usually quite poorly," says Arbo, who recently beat breast cancer. "So, yes, to continue touring when we are either bringing a child with us, or leaving families at home is nutty. But it is what we are choosing to do."

Arbo also is the band's fiddler and says, "As you know, we are not a band of traditionalists. We play some vintage music from various eras, and we bring threads of that music into our own songs; we also bring threads of modern music—New Orleans second-line horn rhythms, funk, jazz, Latin grooves—into older material. Since the fiddle is a 'traditional' instrument in several styles, my fiddling often ties down the roots of a song. I don't pretend to be a stellar traditional player in any genre, but nevertheless, the fiddle has an instantly identifiable sound that recalls a whole era of dance music, Appalachian sounds, early swing..."

Tickets for Rani Arbo and Daisy Mayhem are \$18 and will be available at the Bay Club as of **Friday, February 15**. Flex Passes with six concert punches at \$99 are still available and can be used by one or more people for

one or more concerts. Flex Passes should be exchanged early to be assured of seats at these sold-out events. To check on ticket availability, call the Bay Club at 437-2208.

Snowbirds and travelers with Flex Passes who desire tickets for this or the **Friday, April 18** Euphorics concert can mail instructions indicating concerts desired along with a self-addressed stamped envelope to P. O. Box 65210, Port Ludlow, WA 98365.

## Auditions for *The Secret Garden*

Bainbridge Performing Arts is holding auditions for *The Secret Garden* on **Monday, February 25**, at 6:30 p.m. Winner of three Tony awards, the beloved musical contains some of the most beautiful music ever written for Broadway.

*The Secret Garden* includes six plus parts for men, and six plus parts for females, ages 10 and older. Callbacks are **Thursday, February 28**, 6:30 p.m. Rehearsals are three to four days a week between **March 1 and May 7**. Run dates are **Friday–Sunday, May 9–11, 16–18, 23–25**, plus a preview on **Thursday, May 8**. Those interested are requested to prepare a one-minute monologue as well as an a cappella Broadway song. Also, bring a headshot or current picture to the audition.

Bainbridge Performing Arts is located at 200 Madison Avenue North. For an audition appointment, e-mail Deirdre McCollom at [dmccollom@BainbridgePerformingArts.org](mailto:dmccollom@BainbridgePerformingArts.org) or call 206-714-5766.

## "Playground" Continues at Northwind

Meeting winter tide with levity, Northwind Arts Center brings us a midwinter exhibit titled "Playground." This playful group of local artists including Mike Biskup, Woody Dennis, Jason Gould, Lee Katzenbach and Jesse Joshua Watson share their visions of what's fun to do with ink, paint and wood. Meet the artists during Gallery Walk on **Saturday, February 2**, from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. The last day for this show is **Monday, February 25**.

Northwind is located at 2409 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, behind the Visitors' Center. Hours are noon to 5:00 p.m., Thursdays through Mondays. The telephone is 360-379-1086 or go to [www.northwindarts.org](http://www.northwindarts.org).

## Performing Arts Calendar

**Fridays, Saturdays and some Sundays, February 1–March 1**  
“Li'l Bit” learns the rules of the road and a whole lot more in this Pulitzer Prize winning play, *How I Learned to Drive*, Jewel Box Theatre, Poulsbo, 8:00 p.m., Sundays 2:00 p.m., 360-779-9688, [www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org](http://www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org).

### **Saturday, February 2**

*The Tiger, The Rabbit, and the Rescue of Spring*, a new children's production, based on a Scandinavian folk tale, shows at Jewel Box Theatre, Poulsbo, 11:00 a.m., 1:00 and 3:00 p.m., 360-779-9688, [www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org](http://www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org).

### **Saturday, February 2**

This family concert brings a visit from the mercurial composer Beethoven himself (actor Michael Robertson portraying Beethoven) and features excerpts from many of his most familiar works, Bremerton Symphony, Bremerton Performing Arts Center, 2:00 p.m., 360-373-1722, [www.bremertonsymphony.org](http://www.bremertonsymphony.org).

### **Saturday, February 2**

Chopin's *Piano Concerto No. 2* is on the program at the Port Angeles Symphony's concert as well as some Dvorak and Rachmaninoff, Port Angeles High School Auditorium, dress rehearsal, 10:00 a.m., pre-concert chat, 6:40 p.m., concert, 7:30 p.m., 360-373-1722, [www.olyphen.com/pasymphony](http://www.olyphen.com/pasymphony).

### **Saturday, February 2**

The culmination of the weeklong Slide and Steel Workshops at Centrum is this public concert featuring the slide guitar, Joseph F. Wheeler Theater, Port Townsend, 7:30 p.m., 360-385-3102, [www.centrum.org](http://www.centrum.org).

### **Saturday, February 2**

The EDGE improvisational actors transform audience suggestions into skits, song, and dance, Bainbridge Performing Arts, 7:30 p.m., 206-842-8569, [www.BainbridgePerformingArts.org](http://www.BainbridgePerformingArts.org).

### **Saturday, February 2**

*Quartetto Gelato* continues its reign as an international sensation rarely seen on the classical stage, The Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, dinner 6:30 p.m., show 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### **Friday, Saturday and Sunday, February 8, 9 and 10**

Shake off the winter doldrums with a madcap satire! *Anton in Show Business* focuses on the struggles of actors in this “play within a play,” Bainbridge Performing Arts, 7:30 p.m., Sunday at 3:00 p.m., 206-842-8569, [www.BainbridgePerformingArts.org](http://www.BainbridgePerformingArts.org). The public is invited to the opening night reception, 6:30 p.m., theater lobby.

### **Saturday, February 9**

The Tennessee Three began as a backing band for legendary singer Johnny Cash, and they carry on the tradition! You won't believe it's not Cash himself. The Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, dinner 6:30 p.m., show 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### **Thursday, February 14**

Spend an evening at the Admiral Theatre with your sweetheart. Enjoy a romantic dinner and watch the timeless classic *Casa-blanca* on the big screen, Bremerton, dinner at 5:30 p.m., movie at 7:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### **Friday, February 15**

The Rawson duo presents “The French Connection,” masterworks for violin and piano by Francaix, Honegger, Debussy and more, to benefit the Olympic Youth Strings, reservations by **Friday, February 8**, 360-379-3449, [rawson@waypt.com](mailto:rawson@waypt.com).

### **Saturday, February 16**

The circus is coming! Russian musicians, clowns, performers and dancers of the Moscow Circus allow audiences to experience one of the crown jewels of Russia's rich cultural heritage, The Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 2:00 and 7:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### **Sunday, February 17**

The Arts Council's Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents a return engagement by those master storytellers of legend and lore, Tiller's Folly, whose high-energy acoustic roots music blends folk, rock and bluegrass and shines a unique and poignant spotlight on their beautiful Pacific Northwest home, Bay Club, 3:00 p.m., Resort Executive Chef Dan Ratigan's Northwest Miners' Cookhouse Afterglow Dinner, Bay Club, 5:30 p.m., 437-2208, [www.plvc.org/music0708.htm](http://www.plvc.org/music0708.htm).

### **Wednesday, February 20**

*Animals as Teachers: Mythology, Folklore and Earth Wisdom* is next in The Inquiring Mind series, Jefferson County Library, Port Hadlock. Professional storyteller Antoinette Botsford weaves classic stories in which animals often represent humans and speak to important values, 6:30 p.m., 360-385-6544, [www.jclibrary.info](http://www.jclibrary.info).

### **Thursday, February 21**

Richard Milner, a noted anthropologist at the American Museum of Natural History, brings Charles Darwin to life in his one-man musical about Darwin, The Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 7:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### **Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, February 22 to March 9**

Premiere productions of the three winning plays from the 2007 One-Act Play Competition in Jefferson County, Key City Public Theatre (formerly Key City Players), various times, 360-379-0195, [www.keycityplayers.org](http://www.keycityplayers.org).

### **Saturday, February 23**

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra will feature marimba soloist Ben Krabill performing *Concertino for Marimba and Orchestra* by Creston, Chimacum High School Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., [www.PortTownsendOrchestra.org](http://www.PortTownsendOrchestra.org).

### **Saturday, February 23**

Catapulted to fame from its appearance in the film *Titanic*, Gaelic Storm performs compelling original Celtic music and new arrangements steeped in Irish tradition, Port Angeles High School Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., 360-457-5411, [www.jffa.org](http://www.jffa.org).

### **Sunday, February 24**

Gaelic Storm at the Admiral Theatre, Bremerton (see above), 7:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### **Thursday, February 28**

The Vienna Boys Choir is one of the most recognized choirs in the world with a repertoire that includes everything from medieval to contemporary, The Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 7:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

# Chamber of Commerce

## Membership

Consider joining the Port Ludlow Chamber of Commerce today. Chamber members work to provide improvements in the community and offer support to their members. The mixers sponsored by the Chamber offer entertainment for the members and for the community. To obtain further information about the Chamber and its activities visit the website at [www.portludlowchamber.org](http://www.portludlowchamber.org) or contact one of the Board members. The current Board includes:

- President, Dr. Jerry Brady of Brady Chiropractic Health and Wellness
- Secretary/Treasurer, Paula Zimmerman of American Marine Bank
- Past President, Dana Petrick of Dana Pointe Interiors
- Assistant to the Board, Chris Reynolds of American Marine Bank
- Members at Large:
  - Piper Diehl of Ludlow Bay Massage and Wellness
  - Arlene Obtinario of Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue
  - Kathie Sharpe of Port Ludlow Associates
  - Diane Cranston of Kitsap Bank

Help build a better community by supporting your Chamber.

## Kitsap Bank Marks Centennial Year

Kitsap Bank reaches 100 years of service this year. It opened in 1908 on the corner of Bay and Frederick Streets in Port Orchard, Washington. James Carmichael, President and CEO remarked, “We celebrate a past rich with tradition and look forward to our second century.”

The Kitsap Bank is a community bank, locally owned and operated throughout its existence. The Centennial year will be a yearlong celebration marked with special promotions, customer giveaways, and the introduction of new, cutting-edge financial services. Free calendars will be given away at local branches, while supplies last.

Headquartered in Port Orchard, Kitsap Bank has 27 offices throughout Western Washington. With over \$770 million in assets, it provides a full range of financial services to commercial and individual customers.

## Tea, Anyone?

The Tea Room at Port Gamble is offering a series of special events. Highlighting Valentine’s Day will be the Valentine’s Evening Dessert Tea, a romantic candlelit evening on **Thursday, February 14**, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Share gourmet dessert cheeses, scones, chocolate truffles, fruit tarts, decadent chocolate mousse and more with your sweetheart. The cost per person is \$22.95. As a Valentine’s Day Special the Tea Room offers 20 percent off on truffles.

Other events include tea tasting on the first **Sunday** of each month from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Tea and scones are priced at \$8.95 per person. Reservations are required.

Teatime Bingo is on the third **Sunday** of each month from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Group reservations are required.

Live harp music is featured on the second and fourth **Sundays** of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The featured harpist is Katie Galvin.

The Tea Room at Port Gamble is located at 32279 Rainier Street, phone 360-297-4225. E-mail is [www.tearoomat-portgamble.com](http://www.tearoomat-portgamble.com).

## Free Retirement Workshop Offered

Edward Jones Investments in Port Hadlock will host a free workshop **Thursday, February 28**, 5:30 p.m., called “Retirement Reality Check: It’s Closer Than You Think.” Anyone retiring within the next one to five years is urged to attend the workshop, which will be held at the Edward Jones offices at 175 Chimacum Road.

Making the most of retirement means making sure you’re ready. You must be ready financially, ready to live without a steady paycheck, and ready to manage differently than before retirement. For more information and to reserve a seat, call Vern Ahrendes at 379-0170.

# Port Ludlow Associates

## Developer News

by Diana Smeland, Port Ludlow Associates President

We continue to look forward to meeting with groups and residents to share ideas and address concerns about Port Ludlow's future. Randy Verrue is in Port Ludlow around the third or fourth week of each month. We are both committed to an outreach program with the members of our community. If you're interested in meeting, please call me directly at 437-8342 or send me an e-mail at [dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com](mailto:dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com).

**Water System Plan:** The Department of Health (DOH) has received a suit against the approval of the Water System Plan. We are continuing to move forward on our rate case filing to Washington Utilities Transportation Committee (WUTC) for their review and public comment.

**Ludlow Bay Village:** The decision from the Appellate Hearing Examiner was positive for Ludlow Bay Village. The Appellate Examiner added four additional conditions that we are reviewing. The appeal period closes in the latter part of January.

**Olympic Terrace:** We have three spec homes under construction. If you would like a tour, stop by the Sales office at the Model Homes, or give me a call. Our models are open seven days a week from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

**Ludlow Cove II:** The public comment period for the application closed November 30. PLA has responded to comments and is expecting a public hearing in the first quarter of 2008.

I hope this information is helpful and I appreciate your questions; usually I learn something when answering them. If you are wondering about something, send that question to me at [dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com](mailto:dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com). I also try to attend every Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) meeting and will answer questions there, too.

## Resort News: Introducing the New General Manager

We are very excited that Paul Wolman is joining our team as General Manager at The Resort At Port Ludlow. Paul brings many years of experience, starting from childhood when he worked in his family's restaurant in Brussels, Belgium. He later moved to the United States and pursued his career in the hospitality industry holding positions in both food and beverage and hotel management. Paul has

a vast and diverse background of experience. His most recent positions have been at The Santa Barbara Inn in Santa Barbara, CA, and at The Salish Lodge and Spa in Snoqualmie, WA.

Paul started on Monday, January 28, and we hope that you will stop by to welcome him to our beautiful Resort and community.

We continue to add events that will bring more opportunities to socialize in our great community.

### Harbormaster

Happy Hour—\$3 Drinks and Appetizers, 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. every night.

This very popular event is a great time to invite a few friends, share some stories and enjoy a great selection of appetizers.

### Prime Rib Dinner—Thursdays, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The Harbormaster has kicked off Thursday night prime rib dinners. If you are a prime rib fan and want to see this continue to be a weekly special, come out and show your support. \$19.95 per person.

### Saturday Night—Live Music, 7:00 p.m. to closing

**February 23 and March 22** will feature live music by Dukes of Dabob.

### The Fireside

Three-course prix fixe dinner, with a choice of salad or soup, choice of three entrées and dessert, all for only \$17 (plus tax and gratuity) per person.

### Valentine's Dinner and Package—Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 14, 15 and 16

Surprise your significant other with a dinner and even an overnight getaway at The Resort At Port Ludlow. A six-course tasting menu will be served at The Fireside for just \$65 per person. Dinner reservations are required. Please call 437-7000. Overnight package reservation may be made online at [www.portludlowresort.com](http://www.portludlowresort.com) or by calling 437-7000.

### The Inn at Port Ludlow

#### Writers' Series Dinner

Dinner \$85 (plus tax and gratuity) per person, including an autographed book. Overnight Package starting at \$219 includes guestroom at The Inn, dinner and autographed book. Seating is limited to 30 guests per event, so make your reservation early by calling 437-7000.

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### Saturday, February 23:

Books: *Dockside: Lakeshore Chronicles No. 3, Snowfall at Willow Lake: Lakeshore Chronicles No. 4, and Dance Lest We All Fall Down.*

Attending Authors: Susan Wiggs and Margaret Willson. Susan Wiggs is a renowned romance novelist. Zebra published her first book in 1987 and since then Avon, Tor, Harper-Collins, Harlequin, Warner and Mira Books have published her. Susan is a frequent workshop leader and speaker at writers' conferences. She is the proud recipient of two RITA awards (the Romance Writers of America's highest award), the Peninsula RWA's Blue Boa award, the Holt Medallion and the Colorado Award of Excellence. Her books appear regularly on numerous "Best Of" lists.

Margaret Willson is the author of *Dance Lest We All Fall Down*, which is a gripping first-person account of one woman's experiences living in a Brazilian shantytown. She joins forces with African-Brazilian shantytown activists to change the violence and despair they see around them. Dr. Willson is the international director and co-founder of Bahia Street, a non-profit organization whose mission is to break cycles of poverty and violence through quality education opportunities for economically impoverished young women and girls in Brazil. For more information on Bahia Street, visit [www.bahiastreet.com](http://www.bahiastreet.com).

We look forward to seeing some of you at these events. If there's a particular writer that you would be interested in having us host, please e-mail your suggestion to [group-sales@portludlowresort.com](mailto:group-sales@portludlowresort.com).

## JCHS Announces Friday Lectures

The Jefferson County Historical Society (JCHS) will begin their Friday Lecture Series with a talk, "Working in the Woods," on **Friday, February 1**. The second lecture in the series will occur on **Friday, March 7**. The topic will be "Working the Sea." The lectures take place in the Port Townsend City Hall Council Chambers on Water Street at 6:30 p.m.

JCHS will also release a book, *Images of America: Port Townsend*, in **March**. The book celebrates the colorful history of Port Townsend, from its days as a shipping and lumbering center to an arts community. The images selected for this volume have been chosen from the Museum's remarkable collection of 20,000 photographs. The book will be on sale at the Museum Shop.

The JCHS Museum and Research Center at 210 Polk Street in Port Townsend are open daily from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## PTMSC "Tides of March" Benefit

Port Townsend Marine Science Center's (PTMSC) Fourth Annual "Tides of March" Benefit Auction will be held on **Saturday, March 1**, at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. From the time the doors open there will be ongoing silent auctions and delicious food and drink. All funds raised goes to help support PTMSC education programs.

This year the auction committee promises it will surpass past years in every way—offering an opportunity to bid on an exciting and unusual assortment of one-of-a-kind items. There will be unique experiences in travel and adventure to services, special dinners prepared by clever chefs and many other delightful surprises.

You can help PTMSC in two ways: Attend the auction and pre-register. The pre-registration form is available in the PTMSC office and on-line at [www.ptmsc.org](http://www.ptmsc.org). You may volunteer to assist on any one of the many tasks needed to make the auction a success. Contact Jean Walat, volunteer coordinator, at 385-5582 ext. 112 or via e-mail at [jwalat@ptmsc.org](mailto:jwalat@ptmsc.org).

PTMSC encourages you to pre-register. Your pre-registration helps to provide early funds for many of the initial costs required in sponsoring an auction. Invite your friends, neighbors and business associates to come with you, enjoy the party and support PTMSC. The goal is to sell out by **Friday, February 1**, so don't delay. Pre-registration is \$20 per person or \$25 at the door.

In a spirit of being "green," this year the auction catalog will be on-line at [www.ptmsc.org](http://www.ptmsc.org). There will be a special auction page to keep you updated on all the latest information, with the catalog being posted by **Friday, February 22**.

What can be more fun than gathering with friends who share the same passion for our coastal environment, at a party to raise funds for what we hold near and dear? So brush off the old checkbook and join us.

### Speed Limit in Port Ludlow Bay

5 mph

No Wake, It's the Law!



# Mariners' News

## Dock Talk

by Kori Ward, Marina Manager

Through the month of **February**, you will see some unfamiliar faces working diligently on the docks. We have recently signed a contract with Elite Electric out of Bellingham, WA to upgrade our entire electrical system on E-dock. Elite Electrical comes with an abundant amount of knowledge regarding marina electrical systems, having installed power in many large marinas such as Cap Sante Marina, Blaine Marina and the Bellingham Golf and Country Club. A new feeder cable will be installed from the top of the ramp down to the junction of E-dock to a new transformer. Two additional transformers to accommodate present and future power needs, and new dock boxes equipped with Sea Technology dual 30-amp and single 50-amp dock heads are being installed. We are looking forward to the upgrade. If you have any questions regarding the project please feel free to give me a call or stop by the Marina office **Monday through Friday**.

We would like to thank all of you who had the chance to enjoy the twelfth annual "Holiday on the Docks." It is always such a merry time at the Marina through the month of December. The Captains and First Mates work long and hard dressing up their boats and many times in adverse weather. It is our "Christmas card to the community." I would like to say "Thank you" to the Yacht Club for their help and support in organizing this joyful event.

The staff has been busy winterizing the docks. Freeze valves have been installed at the pier ends to minimize the chance of broken water pipes. This also enables us to keep the water flowing through the heaviest freezes. We do ask that you please keep your water hoses detached from the hose bib and stored in your dock box during the winter months. Try to keep as much water off the dock surface as possible during freezing temperatures as the water will saturate into the concrete floats and the next freeze will cause the surface to lift and fracture.

The Marina staff and I discussed our goals for the coming year and have made a list of resolutions for 2008. These are a few goals we put together to better enhance your boating experience for 2008:

- Zero complaints on the cleanliness of the restrooms and docks.
- Complete all submitted maintenance request forms within 48 hours.

- Keep the store and fuel dock stocked with a variety of boating needs throughout the season.
- Be alert and prepared at all times while working the fuel dock, and be 100 percent accident free.

Here is a list of resolutions you as a boater may consider for 2008:

- Teach a child how to sail or introduce him to boating.
- Invite your neighbor out for an afternoon cruise.
- Have the local Coast Guard Auxiliary give your vessel a free examination.
- Familiarize yourself with an online weather service so it becomes part of your pre-departure planning.
- Fuel up your vessel without spilling a drop all season. The cumulative effects of a little drop here and there do add up.
- Make a point to visit your vessel on a weekly basis.

The Marina staff and I are committed to the satisfaction of our customers. We appreciate your advice and support. Please feel free to contact me with any suggestions regarding the Marina and its operations.

May all your crossings be smooth!

## USCG Auxiliary Offers America's Boating Course

The Coast Guard Auxiliary (USCG) will offer a boating safety class to the public on **Monday, February 11, and Wednesday, February 13**, from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Fire Station on Oak Bay Road.

This is an introductory boating course with an emphasis on recreational boating safety in the Pacific Northwest. Participants will learn the basics of protecting and handling their boat, trailering, aids to navigation, locks and dams, safety equipment and boating problems. Federal and Washington State requirements for boating will also be presented.

The course costs \$35 and includes class materials. Each additional family member is \$5. Please register by **Monday, February 4**.

Graduates of this class meet the requirements for the mandatory Washington State Boater's education card.

For information or registering, please contact Dan Johnston at 437-2368 or e-mail [danj@cablespeed.com](mailto:danj@cablespeed.com).

## Basic Boating Skills for Women

The first series of classes for women on Basic Boating Skills, previously known as Chat and Chew, ended in December. This series focused on Boating Safety—both personal and vessel. Classes were held at the Jefferson County Fire Station and were well attended, averaging 25 participants per session. Topics covered weather, clothing, medical issues, flooding, crew over-board information and how to prevent and/or extinguish fires. Each participant in the class was given an opportunity to actually use a fire extinguisher to put out a fire, an experience provided by our own Port Ludlow Fire Fighters.

Basic Boating Skills, Series II, began on January 8, and continues throughout the month. This second series targets navigation and includes learning the basics, using the “tools,” reading charts, plotting courses and using the GPS (global positioning satellite)—an electronic system to assist in navigation. Participants are given the materials and the knowledge to pre-plot a simple course through the cruising waters of our area. Once again, we have a full house with an energetic group of learners.

On **Tuesday, March 4**, we begin Series III of the Boating Skills Classes, which will focus on Boat Handling and Operation. Classes will be held at the Fire Station on Oak Bay Road and are open to women in the area who are interested in or involved with boating. Classes meet on **Tuesdays** from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. through the month of **March** and the cost is \$20 for the series. If you are interested, please contact Sherry Robinson at 437-7948 or Ann Purvis at 437-8121.

## Travel with Diane: Hitchhiking with Rick Steves

by Diane Ruff, Contributing Editor

The Kingston ferry took me to Rick Steves' Travel Seminar in Edmonds. Rick Steves is famous for his tours, books and DVDs on worldwide travel.

I attended “European Travel Skills,” “Packing Light,” and classes on Italy and France. By lunch my boots had given me blisters. Fearlessly, I limped to Rick Steves' store. Exiting with a bag of travel goodies, I realized I could not walk back to class. Doing the unthinkable, I put my thumb out. I carefully peered into the car that stopped. Who was the kind stranger behind the wheel? Rick Steves, himself. I jumped in thinking, what is the chance of this happening?

Here are some of the safety trips I learned:

- Sit in the middle of the bus or train so pickpockets are less likely to target you.
- Carry a pouch under your clothing with your valuables. You can carry a few dollars for easy access in your outer clothing.
- If someone asks you for directions, pay attention to anyone else who is standing close. While your attention is diverted, someone could be lifting your valuables.
- Keep personal space at all times. I had just used an ATM at the Rome Train Station when a gypsy woman, carrying a baby in a sling, jumped on the train and used her hands, under the sling, to unzip my money pouch and remove my money. I never felt a thing.
- Hook your shoulder strap around something fixed. Even better, get shoulder straps with a cable that can't be slit.
- When getting money from an ATM, hold a newspaper up for privacy. Realize that pickpockets watch ATMs.

Contact your local travel agent for travel ideas and check out Rick Steves on his website, [www.ricksteves.com](http://www.ricksteves.com).

*We would like to hear from you. E-mail [dianekayr@aol.com](mailto:dianekayr@aol.com) with your favorite places for an overnight or weekend get-away. We reserve the right to edit your contribution to fit our style and space constraints.*

## County Administrator Resigns

Citing personal reasons, John F. Fischbach, County Administrator, is resigning his position effective at 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, February 15**. He will then enter a consulting agreement with Jefferson County for \$100 per month retainer through **Sunday, November 2**. Any tasks undertaken on behalf of the County during this period will be at a cost of \$75 per hour. Additionally, the County Commissioners and Fischbach agree not to “disparage or file suit against each other.” The consulting agreement was accepted by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC).

Fischbach, who joined the County in mid-2004 to be near family members, has an extensive background in public administration including 20 years in city management and is a certified manager. He indicated he would like to return to “city government” if he takes another job. In an e-mail communication to County employees he announced his resignation and thanked them for their assistance over the last three years.

The BOCC immediately began their search for an interim replacement. Interviewed the afternoon of January 14 were Frank Gifford, Public Works Director, Allen Sartin, Central Services Director, and Al Scalf, Community Development Director.

# Tide Timber Trail

## Golf Course News

Even though the weather has thrown us a couple of curves, the maintenance crew has kept the Golf Course in very playable condition. The sanding program over the last few years is really paying dividends with drier conditions even in the worst of rainstorms. We will be continuing with our "Pro's Pick" every Wednesday until the golf clubs begin organized events in **March**. Our first aeration will be **Sunday to Saturday, April 13 to 19**.

The annual Mr. and Mrs. Couples Championship is scheduled for **Tuesday and Wednesday, June 17 and 18**. The Member-Guest Tournament is scheduled for **Thursday through Saturday, August 7, 8 and 9**. These two tournaments are the highlights of the year. For the Member-Guest, start thinking of who will be your honored guest. Look for entry forms closer to the dates and more information with your monthly statements. Sign up early to reserve your spot.

Some other dates to keep in mind for exciting tournaments that you will want to have on your calendar are the following:

- **Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27** – Northwest Junior Golf Tournament
- **Monday, June 23**– Men's Pro AM
- **Thursday, July 10** – Women's Rally for the Cure
- **Friday, July 18** – Jefferson County Homebuilders Association Tournament
- **Monday, September 8** – TOPS (Teams of the Olympic Peninsula)

We are still searching for a new Director of Golf. In the mean time, the Golf Course staff is doing a great job picking up all of the tasks that still need to be completed.

## Lady Nifty Niners' Activities

With the Cocktail Party on **Thursday, March 20**, the Lady Nifty Niners are gearing up for another great season of playing golf, renewing friendships, and enjoying our beautiful Golf Course. We extend an invitation for new members to join us, have fun with the game of golf and meet new people. We have a very wide range of abilities and encourage beginners to sign up at the cocktail party and find out how much fun it is to play golf. For more information, contact Betty Quisenberry at 437-2001.

## PLWGA Plans Ahead

*by Turney Oswald, Captain*

Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association (PLWGA) knows the days are finally getting a little longer and warmer! It's time to think golf! Haul out your clubs, warm up those muscles and get ready for Opening Day on **Tuesday, March 11**. This is traditionally a nine-hole game of golf, a day of renewed friendship and fun, followed by a luncheon and Opening Day meeting. We'll welcome our new members and take a look at the activities of the season ahead.

A few of the early season highlights include a special Welcome Back party on **Sunday, April 27**, the first tournament of the year in **May**, and the Captain's Cup match play tournament in **June**. Our Co-captain, Sandy Yonke, has created a calendar of exciting competition every **Tuesday** throughout the season. If you would like to know more about PLWGA and its full schedule of activities, contact Membership Chairman, Arlina Brown, or any of the current Board members. We would love to have you join our wonderful group of women. We have a lot of fun!

Don't forget to do some exercises to get those golf muscles ready. Just a few minutes each day of stretching and strengthening might be just the ticket to avoid injury in those early cool months of golf in Port Ludlow. Go on line for information or ask Ryan Garton at the Pro Shop.

## 2008 Member-Guest Tournament

*by Tom Stone, Committee Member*

The 2008 Member-Guest Golf Tournament has been scheduled for **Thursday through Saturday, August 7-9**. This year's Committee has set goals and prices to make the 2008 event worthwhile and fun. \$150 per golfer will bring over \$600 in value to the team. Lots of golf, carts, range balls, tee and tournament prizes, a gourmet banquet meal plus barbecue dinner, breakfasts and lunches await those 42 golfers (blue, white and red tees) and their guests who sign up.

Deposits will be accepted starting **Saturday, March 1** at the Club House. Reserve your place early.

## MGA Announces Rule Changes

by Doug Herring

When this article is read, golfers will have only a one-month wait before we kick off the 2008 season! With this in mind I encourage all Men's Golf Association (MGA) members to take out their calendars and highlight the following dates:

- Spring Meeting – **Wednesday, April 16**
- President's Cup (Match play) – **Wednesday, June 4**
- Member/Guest – **Thursday-Saturday, August 7-9**
- Club Championship – **Monday-Friday, August 18-22**
- Season Ending Banquet – **Wednesday, October 29**

Your Board is working hard to finalize all programs and the event calendar for the coming 2008 Season.

Additionally, did you know that 28 of the 34 official golf rules have been changed for 2008? A *Golf Illustrated* Article describes the three most important changes as follows:

### Rule 12-2

If you cannot tell whether the ball found is yours, you are allowed to mark it and pick it up for identification. Until now, this procedure was permitted everywhere except in a bunker or a water hazard. Now the ball can be identified everywhere.

### Rule 15-3

As you are now allowed to identify your ball in hazards as well, you are always responsible for ensuring that you play the correct ball. Playing the wrong ball from a hazard is therefore no longer without penalty. Playing the wrong ball now always incurs two penalty strokes.

### Rule 19-2

If your own ball hits you, your equipment or your caddy accidentally, you now only incur one penalty stroke instead of two, which was the case previously.

Every player should take a rulebook with him around the Course. However, if reading the official rulebook is too onerous a task, the *Golf Rules Quick Reference* is a great alternative. This practical booklet explains the rules in an easy-to-understand way and includes more than 170 instructive illustrations. It is produced in pocketbook format so that it is easy to carry around the course.

## Grant Award: Crisis Communication Equipment

The Sheriff's Office recently announced that Detective Barb Garrett was instrumental in applying for and receiving a law enforcement grant for training and equipment.

Detective Garrett was able to obtain \$6,100 to purchase a Crisis Communications System. This equipment, commonly referred to as a "throw phone," will assist law enforcement negotiators to communicate in hostage situations and with barricaded persons. The system will help protect lives of officers, hostages and subjects alike. It will also limit crisis and liability and will provide cost-savings to taxpayers in several ways.

This equipment has been "standard equipment" in law enforcement agencies for a number of years, but Jefferson County budget restrictions have prevented acquisition through normal funding.

## CLASSIFIEDS

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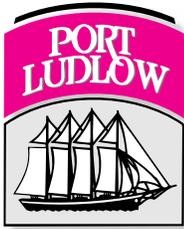
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