

# PORT LUDLOW VOICE

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## 2008 Holiday Home Tour

*by Eline Lybarger, Contributing Editor*

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Community Enrichment Alliance's (CEA) 2008 Holiday Home Tour is coming on **Saturday, December 6**, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the tour. Tickets can be purchased at the CEA ticket table in the Bay Club any **Wednesday**, 11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m., as well as at Dana Point Interiors and Once Upon a Time in the Village Square. They are also available on the day of the tour at the homes. The funds raised by this event will provide scholarships for Chimacum High School graduates. You will get to meet some students who will be taking tickets at each home.



*This Castle Village scene can be seen at one of the tour homes.*

Photo by Richard and Mary Wall.

Plan to spend time at each of the five homes—you don't want to miss anything. These amazing displays of holiday cheer are each designed by the homeowner with their treasures and memories. Be sure to take some time to look out the window as each home is either waterfront or with a view of the water, but even this is quite varied among the homes.

One home has so many memories that it takes four trees, all with separate themes, to share these memories. This includes a dog tree, an Irish tree, a Texas tree and a musical angel tree in honor of a departed mother who was musical. The same home is overflowing with stockings. There is one for every family member, which includes grandchildren, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, dogs and cats. Outside a 10-foot totem bear joins the season with a Santa hat.

Another home has a 25-foot tree that greets you as you enter the great room. This same house has oversized ornaments hanging around the room, and Santa is descending on a rope. In the master bedroom is a smaller Betty Boop tree all done in red and white, and on the lower level is a giant Nativity scene.

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## From One Editor's Keyboard

by Kay Standish, Co-editor in Chief

Writing this column every other month always leaves me in a quandary as how best to use the space.

Last month, in the interest of providing unbiased *Voice* coverage, I compiled reasons why to vote “no” on Proposition 1. As we all know the Proposition passed by 53.25 percent of the vote. However, I find it interesting that 52 percent of the voters in Port Ludlow voted “no” despite all the efforts on the part of the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Utilities Committee urging a “yes” vote. What this tells me is that people still need to be given the opportunity to understand both sides of an issue. To accomplish this you need someone to present the “other position” on the many issues that our residents are facing. Perhaps the best use of the approximately 350 words that a Keyboard column occupies would be to stop having a Keyboard column and devote the space to insuring that the “other side of an issue” is presented in an unbiased manner.

That would mean that someone in the community who feels the *Voice* is presenting only one side of an issue, would need to submit an article, which includes their byline, presenting the other side. Articles would need to meet *Voice* requirements as to style and length. This should be an effective way to assure both sides of an issue are considered and that residents have the opportunity to contribute to the community's knowledge of an issue.

There are multiple hearings and meetings on Iron Mountain Quarry's (IMQ) requests that residents are encouraged to attend. More financial assistance will be needed to peruse the multiple tracks of the issue. This is an all-Port Ludlow issue and needs to be addressed as such.

The County has just approved a request for a “shoreline exemption for replacement of existing base plates that support the hinged end of the north barge-loading ramp at the Mats Mats Quarry.” Does this repair at a closed facility have any relationship to the possible scenario of IMQ shipping their extracted products via barge? Life in Port Ludlow is always interesting.

With the publication of this issue of the *Voice*, I will be leaving the staff but I will be reading with interest.

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In a condominium there is an amazing collection of miniature villages, German ornaments and a Santa Loo, which is down the hall from the Snowman powder room. There isn't enough room for the Christmas tree so it is on the deck.

As you enter another house on the tour, you are welcomed by a beautiful table with a view of Port Ludlow Bay beyond. Downstairs the “Christmas in the Village” and “Dickens Village” are embellished with the owner's Edwardian era collection of miniature cars. All through the house are cozy niches filled with heirloom toys and memorabilia.

The tree decorating endurance award goes to the home with six full-sized trees, each with a different theme: A cat tree, a frog tree and a jester tree to name just a few. This homeowner collects primitive ornaments, beautifully detailed Katherine hanging figures and Santa Fairies by Mark Roberts. Each ornament is a work of art by itself, but when seen en masse they are overwhelming.

Have we piqued your interest? Buy a ticket for the tour today. Not only will you be enjoying creative efforts, but also you will be supporting the CEA Scholarship Fund. Each of these homes radiates the joy and enthusiasm of the owners for the Season, and will definitely put you into the Holiday spirit.

## New Year's Eve Celebration

On **Wednesday, December 31** there will be a celebration of the New Year with dinner and dancing at the Bay Club. Signups are taking place at the Bay Club. Reservations close on **Tuesday, December 23**. Seating is limited to 128.

The dress is black tie/optional. Attendees should bring their own choice of beverage and mixes; ice and table snacks will be available. Glasses, cups and table settings are provided. The cost to Bay Club members is \$65 each. Non-members will pay \$75 each.

Doors open for cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 7:00 p.m. Dinner, catered by Randall's Catering and The Spot Café will be served at 8:00 p.m. Jazz in Blume will provide music for dinner and dancing, which will start at 9:00 p.m. At midnight, everyone will raise his or her glass for a New Year's champagne toast. Closing ceremonies will take place at 2:30 a.m.

Volunteers are needed for the decorating committee. Contact: Sharon Forster, Marianne Hauptman, Gary Moore, Liz Moore, Ann Radwick or Bill Browne if you would like to help.

## Port Ludlow Amateur Radio Club Forms

Amateur radio, what's that? Amateur or ham radio allows licensed persons to literally communicate with one another anywhere in the world or just chat locally. In addition they provide ancillary communication during natural disasters and search and rescue, as well as primary communication for private vessels and remote or isolated locations.

The Port Ludlow Amateur Radio Club (PLARC) consists of interested persons who like to do just that, communicate and provide communication services. PLARC sponsors the Northwest Boater's Net (NBN), which meets each morning at 8:30 a.m. Pacific Time. Boating hams and those interested in boating activities switch on their ham radio transceivers and answer the roll call on 3.865 MHz. Nearly 100 boating and fixed station hams in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia participate.

Stations are listed on a roster with an active roll call of about 70 stations on a current basis. The NBN provides a place boaters can give their position and status much like a pilot's flight plan, get up-to-the-minute weather information, and communicate with one another over long distances.

PLARC sponsors a weekly no-host luncheon at Pedro's Fiesta Jalisco on **Wednesdays** at 11:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Luncheon reservations and more information about ham radio licensing and activities can be found on the Club's website at <http://www.n7pl.org>.

## Warning: Local Scams

A couple of warnings were sent to the *Voice* this month. The first has to do with mail theft. A North Bay couple recently had a pre-approved credit card stolen from their non-locking mail box. The thief opened a new line of credit and charged \$14,000 to the account before the victim could react. Getting the issue straightened out was a tedious process. If you don't have a locking mail box, you might want to consider getting one. It is also wise to dispose of pre-approved cards carefully.

The second warning concerns buying gas. There is a "clear" button on the pump. You should push it before you swipe your credit card and after you get your receipt. One individual ended up with a couple of \$50 charges for someone else's gas by ignoring these simple steps.

## "Breaking" News from the Village Players

By the time you read this, auditions will have been held for the next Ludlow Village Player's production, and casting will be the **December** objective. (Sorry, you will have to wait until the **January** issue to know the results.)



*Peter Philips as Horace Prickley.*  
Submitted Photo

An emergency meeting of the Advisory Committee was called on November 2 to decide how to proceed with *Bus Stop*, in light of Director Val Durling's fall which resulted in shoulder replacement and a projected long and difficult recovery. Peter Philips agreed to attend the meeting, and upon learning of the dilemma further agreed to co-direct the play. So it is with gratitude to Peter that we assure you we are moving ahead.

Peter Philips is a retired cardiac surgeon with a life-long love of music and theater. He has donned the greasepaint since childhood and directed from college days on. We will share his impressive credits with you in a future issue. You know him best as the extremely talented and dastardly villain of *Last Chance Inn at Calamity Gulch*—Horace Prickley.

So, the villain has saved the day and Peter and Val are looking forward to a successful collaboration to bring you, our audiences and fans, a wonderful play in **March 2009**. Missed auditions? There still may be a part waiting. Interested in working behind the scenes? Please call Val Durling at 437-2861 or Peter Philips at 437-7786.

## December Blood Drive

Christmas is the perfect time to give blood. An opportunity to donate will be on **Tuesday, December 23**, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. and 1:45–4:00 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Community Church on Oak Bay Road, in the upper Village Center.

Please call 1-800-398-7888 for an appointment if you wish to donate. For information contact Sally Hirschmann at 437-1377.



## AARP Driver Safety Program Raises Rates

Your last opportunity in Port Ludlow to save money on your car insurance at lower class rates will be **Monday and Tuesday, December 29 and 30**, at the Beach Club. The AARP Driver Safety Program will raise its rates to \$12 for Beach Club members and to \$14 for non-members beginning **January 2009**. The fee for the **December** class is \$10 with an additional charge of \$1 for Beach Club members and \$2 for non-members.

AARP Driver Safety classes review recent changes in traffic laws as well as provide information on how the aging driver can continue to drive safely. The classes also will provide tips to drivers on how best to use your vehicle's safety equipment to reduce injuries in the event of a crash. They will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. with a half-hour break for lunch. To reserve your space or to ask a question about the program, call Linda Pfafman at 821-9991 or send an e-mail to [lpfafman@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:lpfafman@co.jefferson.wa.us).

A class also is offered in Port Townsend at the Community Center from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Arrangements can be made to take a class one day in Port Ludlow and the other day in Port Townsend. Call 385-9007 for more information.

## A Digital Village in Port Ludlow?

by Dave Pike

After a year in planning, a digital village is finally coming to Port Ludlow. *PortLudlowToday.com* (currently in BETA testing) is being deployed incrementally throughout the community. The Internet-based technology allows our community to provide and receive current information regarding events important to us all—such as Hood Canal Bridge closings and Iron Mountain Quarry permitting status.

Port Ludlow community clubs and organizations will have the opportunity to communicate with their members and the public about upcoming events and items of interest. Homeowner organizations will use this technology to conduct association business and keep in touch with their membership. In addition, there will be opportunity for businesses to reach the Port Ludlow community with offers of their goods or services.

We anticipate making *PortLudlowToday.com* available to the entire community early in **January 2009** for an extended community evaluation period, after which we will make a collective decision about the use and benefit of the program.

For those wishing to see a demonstration or have some training on how to take full advantage of this new communication tool, there will be open sessions at the Bay Club every **Wednesday** from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. during the month of **December**.

For a “sneak peak” at our future, log in and register at [www.portludlowtoday.com](http://www.portludlowtoday.com).

See you on the Internet.

## Beginning Computer Class Scheduled

Classes are forming at the Bay Club for the next Beginning Computer Class sponsored by the Port Ludlow Computer Club (PLCC). These classes have been offered for 12 consecutive years as a community service. PLCC membership is not a requirement. This class is suitable for beginners, for people contemplating a computer purchase and generally for people who wish to understand or brush up on the fundamentals of Windows 95/98/Me/XP/Vista, e-mail, letter writing and Internet browsing. It is also useful for people transitioning from Windows 98/ME to Windows XP and from Windows XP to Vista.

The class, now open for registration, will begin on **Wednesday, February 18**, and will continue for four additional consecutive **Wednesdays, February 25, March 4 and 11** ending on **March 18**. Class hours are 2:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Bay Club.

The fee is \$30, which includes an easy-to-use text. Over 700 of your neighbors have already attended this popular course and it fills very rapidly. If you have interest or wish to register, please call Bernie Kestler at 437-5102 for all the details as soon as possible.

## Bridge Watch

Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) has posted transit schedules for the bridge closure at [www.hoodcanalbridge.com](http://www.hoodcanalbridge.com), which gives drivers information on how to use buses to access the fare-free water shuttle service between South Point in Jefferson County and Lofall in Kitsap County. WSDOT is developing a series of tools to help the public make travel decisions during the upcoming bridge closure. The on-line schedules for the buses and ferry offer riders the convenience of one-stop shopping for transit information before and during the closure.

## All Aboard for the Snow Train



Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is sponsoring a trip to Leavenworth, WA on the Leavenworth Snow Train, which will depart from the Edmonds train station at 9:05 a.m.

on **Saturday, December 20**. We will proceed independently to Kingston for the Edmonds ferry. Be sure to take a ferry that leaves early enough for you to make the short walk between ferry terminal and train station. The train will arrive in Leavenworth at approximately 1:30 p.m. Transit buses will be waiting to take us to the town of Leavenworth. Car attendants will accompany each bus.

A continental breakfast and dinner will be provided on the train. Lunch will be on your own in Leavenworth.

Casual warm clothing is suggested as the temperature in the winter is in the low 30s and after the sun goes down, it often drops to the teens. Be sure to wear comfortable walking shoes that will keep your feet dry. Boots are a good option. Layered clothing and rain gear is suggested.

In Leavenworth you will see Frosty, Saint Nicholas, Father Christmas and the Nutcracker. There will be live music and entertainment all day long. You may eat at open-air food booths featuring roasted chestnuts and cider, or at one of the many restaurants. The tree lighting ceremony, featuring thousands of lights, will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the gazebo. Afterwards, we will be shuttled back to the train for our return trip. We estimate returning to Edmonds about 10:15 p.m. but this could be changed due to various possible delays.

Cost for this trip is \$149 per person. Please make your reservation by **Monday, December 15**, at the CEA table in the Bay Club. The table is open on **Wednesdays** from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For additional information, please call Fran Bodman at 437-5110.

## IMQ Appeals Code Decision

by Beverly Browne, Co-editor in Chief

Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) and Pope Resources have appealed Hearing Examiner Stephen Causseaux's decision to require a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for mining a 142-acre parcel of land abutting the Master Planned Resort (MPR). The decision was made on September 24 of this year and was based on probable impacts on Port

Ludlow residents due to the mining operation. Those impacts include increased noise, vibration, dust and traffic as a result of mining operations.

The basis of the appeal, submitted by Keith Moxon of the Gordon Derr Law firm, is that the mine has non-conforming use rights. Previous cases limit Jefferson County's ability to require a CUP. The lawyers for IMQ and Pope Resources believe the decision should be reversed because of multiple errors of fact and law. They claim that the Hearing Examiner erred in interpreting mineral rights law and that the decision is not supported by the evidence. In addition, Pope Resource representatives say that lack of reversal would severely infringe on their property rights.

The preliminary hearing was held on November 19. The results are unknown at the time of this writing. Written briefs are due in **January or February**. The Court hearing will occur at a later date.

Other upcoming hearings, meetings or actions are also pending. They include a decision on the Diminishing Assets Doctrine. The decision should be known as the Voice goes to press. Appeals must be made within 21 days after the ruling.

The Mineral Resource Land Overlay (MRLO) request recommendation, submitted to the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) by the Planning Commission on November 17 is under consideration. If the Commissioners accept the recommendation, there will be no need for an open hearing according to Commissioner John Austin. A hearing date of **Monday, December 1** has been set at the Jefferson County Courthouse in the event that the BOCC does not concur with the Planning Commission. Residents may attend the hearing.

## Singles to Celebrate

Singles—come help us celebrate. Roz Greene and a few helpers will prepare a delicious Christmas dinner for us at her home. We will provide coffee, but feel free to bring your own favorite beverage. The date is **Monday, December 15**, and you should plan to arrive by 4:00 p.m. Please mail your check for \$15 to Roz's home at 31 Sea Vista Place in Port Ludlow in time to arrive no later than **Tuesday, December 9**.

We will also do our annual Christmas gift exchange. Please bring a \$15 gift.

We always have a wonderful time at these Christmas gatherings. Come and enjoy good friends and good food. Invite your friends and don't forget your nametag.

## Affordable Emergency Air Medical Transport Available in Port Ludlow

by Richard Wall



An Airlift Northwest helicopter.  
Courtesy photo

Ever wonder what you would do in a medical emergency? What about when the bridge is closed? If you were required to pay for an air medical transport, insurance coverage varies and the cost could be thousands of dollars.

Affordable air medical transport is available right here in Port Ludlow from Airlift Northwest, a 25 year old non-profit servicing the Pacific Northwest. Airlift Northwest AirCare was developed to provide communities in Washington with affordable cost emergency air transport. While Medicare and some insurance policies may provide partial coverage for air ambulance transport charges, many do not. Under the AirCare membership program, when Airlift Northwest is requested by a medical facility or an emergency response team to fly a critically ill or injured patient to appropriate medical care, the portion of the Airlift Northwest bill that isn't covered by insurance or Medicare can be paid through a membership.

Airlift Northwest AirCare is also a member of the Association of Air Medical Membership Programs (AAMMP), so Airlift Northwest AirCare membership benefits extend to some reciprocal programs based in California, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon and Eastern Washington. This means that if you are a member of Airlift Northwest AirCare, AAMMP, other states will honor that membership (subject to the terms of the honoring member program) when transport is medically necessary.

Airlift Northwest began when a house fire in Alaska claimed the lives of three children before they could be safely transported by air to a regional burn center for care. Doctor Michael Copass, Airlift Northwest founder, was teaching in the Sitka hospital that day and was called into the local emergency room to help care for the children. When he returned to Seattle, he was determined to find a way to provide air medical transport for residents in Alaska and the Pacific Northwest. Airlift was born.

Airlift Northwest has transported more than 60,000 patients since 1982—more than 250,000 takeoffs and landings since the program began. They now have over 5,000 members in their Airlift Northwest AirCare Membership

program. The membership runs under \$80 a year for an entire family. Gift memberships are also available.

As a non-profit organization, they also accept donations.

Information about Airlift Northwest AirCare is available at their website: [airliftnw.org](http://airliftnw.org) or by phone at 888-835-1599. Brochures are also available at our local fire station at 2750 Oak Bay Road.

## Mats Mats Quarry Dock Improvement Planned

by Jen Portz, Contributing Editor

After a hiatus of nearly five years, Glacier Northwest Aggregate's (GNA) Mats Mats Quarry (MMQ) is back in the news.

GNA's website boasts, "Glacier Northwest is the largest producer of Sand, Gravel and Quarry Rock in the Pacific Northwest."

The same website also notes that MMQ is "currently closed." But David Wayne Johnson of Jefferson County's Department of Community Development (DCD) advised recently that, "Northwest Aggregate, represented by Peter Stoltz, received approval September 2, 2008 for a shoreline exemption (SDP08-00046) for replacement of existing base plates that support the hinged end of the north barge-loading ramp at the Mats Mats Quarry." (DCD received this request on June 18, 2008.)

MMQ has been a fixture in the area since the 1930s. Their barge facility is located just outside Mats Mats Bay. (See photo.) Many in Port Ludlow speculate that GNA's move may be linked to attempts by Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) to open a new mine only four miles from MMQ. (See August *Voice* for Iron Mountain Quarry Questions article.)



Mats Mats Quarry Dock.  
Photo courtesy of Google Earth

## Raffle for Large Quilt

At its meeting on **Wednesday, December 3, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.**, Quilters by the Bay will draw the winning raffle ticket for the large queen-size quilt that has been hanging in the Bay Club. Proceeds from the raffle will go to the Jefferson County Food Bank or to Chima-cum Schools. Tickets are \$1 each, six for \$5 or 12 for \$10 and can be purchased at the Bay Club front desk.

## Chief Ed Wilkerson's Safety Tip: Holiday Fire Safety

This holiday season Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLF&R) reminds you to be safe and sane during your celebrations. Preventable fires injure about 2,600 people each year during the holiday season. Make sure smoke alarms work and take the following steps to prevent fires:

### Trees

Christmas trees are associated with 210 fires each year, resulting in 24 deaths, 27 injuries, and about \$13 million in property losses.

- When buying a live tree check for freshness—green needles, trunk sticky with resin, and few lost needles when tapped on the ground.
- Never place a fresh Christmas tree next to a heat source. It dries out the tree.
- Keep your tree stand filled with water at all times.
- When the tree gets dry get rid of it. Look for a Recycling Center near you.
- Never burn Christmas trees or branches in a fireplace or wood stove.
- Pick artificial trees labeled “Fire Resistant” or “Flame Retardant.”

### Lights, Candles and Other Decorations

Holiday and other decorative lights cause about 240 fires each year. Christmas Day is the peak day of the year for home candle fires.

- Use only Underwriters Laboratories or Intertek (ETL) listed holiday lights.
- Replace lights with frayed or kinked wires, gaps in insulation or cracked sockets.
- When decorating outside use only lights labeled for outdoor use.
- Do not link more than three strings of lights.
- Turn off holiday lights when you leave your home or go to bed.
- Use sturdy candleholders placed where they are unlikely to be knocked over.
- Blow out candles before you leave your home or go to bed.
- Do not burn wrapping paper in the fireplace.

### Holiday Entertaining

- When cooking for guests stay in the kitchen and keep an eye on the stove.
- If you or your guests smoke, do it outside.
- Provide deep ashtrays for smokers. Before dumping ashes in the trash, soak them in water.

## Jefferson County Fire District #3

### Alarm Statistics October 2008

#### Alarms

Fire	7
False Alarm	2
Rescue/Emergency Medical Service	54
Hazardous Materials	9
Good Intent Calls	1
Total Alarms	4
	77

#### Ambulance Transports

Airlift NW	2
Jefferson Healthcare	8
Harrison Medical Center	8
Harrison, Silverdale	2
Olympic Memorial	1
Total Transports	21

#### Mutual Aid with Neighboring Districts

Provided	13
Received	7
Automatic Aid Given	1
Total Mutual Aid	21

- After a party, check for ashes and butts on the floor and seat cushions where people were smoking.

From PLF&R to each of you, Happy Holidays, and best wishes for the New Year.

## Life Writing Workshop

“You have literally revitalized my life with the guidance you have provided. You have made writing my story fun, stimulating and satisfying.” That’s what Port Ludlow resident Howard Koester had to say about the six-week life writing workshop, which is now back by popular demand.

Join life writing professional Maureen Lander and learn strategies and skills to, at last, record the story of your life—or that of a loved one. Each session starts with skill-building instruction, such as basic writing techniques: how to organize your story, what to leave in and what to leave out. Next, you will enjoy exercises that will both stir your memory and create a framework for future writing. As the workshop progresses, you will see your story take shape while enjoying guidance, camaraderie and support.

The workshop begins **Friday, January 9**, and meets for six consecutive **Fridays**, 9:00–11:00 a.m., at the Bay Club. Cost is \$85. For a course syllabus, registrations and/or questions, please contact Maureen at [info@lifetime-legacies.com](mailto:info@lifetime-legacies.com), or call 360-509-6151.

## Naval Undersea Museum

The first **Saturday** of each month the Naval Undersea Museum in Keyport has planned a Family Day with science, history and art activities for children preschool to age 12. On **Saturday, December 6** kids can paint their own Squish Fish and learn about the unusual creatures that live in the depths of the ocean and the submersibles that helped discover these creatures. There will be a story and song time and a tour of the galleries. The fun begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends with the tour about noon. Parents or a responsible adult must accompany children.

On the same day at 2:00 p.m., author Mary Lee Coe Fowler will discuss her book, *Full Fathom Five: A Daughter's Search*. The book is about one woman's quest for knowledge of her father lost on a submarine.

The Naval Undersea Museum is the official U.S. Navy Museum about undersea history and science. It is closed on **Tuesdays** and major holidays. Admission is free. From Highway 3, take the Keyport exit onto Highway 308. Follow the signs to the Museum. The telephone number is 360-396-5547.

## Artists' League Christmas Shoppe

Artwork especially for the season will be featured at the Artists' League annual Christmas Shoppe, located in the Gallery, next door to American Marine Bank in the upper Village Center.

Local artists have hand-crafted a variety of gift items in time for the holidays. Cards, prints, gift bags, jewelry, ornaments, photography, fused glass and bookmarks will be on sale as well as paintings which feature such media as watercolors, oils, acrylics and pastels.

To celebrate the holidays and welcome browsers and buyers, the artists will host an Open House **Friday, December 5**, 5:00–6:00 p.m., in the Gallery. It will be in conjunction with the opening of a new show, "Impressions of Winter," featuring work by local member artists. The show will run during **December and January** in the lobby of the American Marine Bank.

The Port Ludlow Artists' League Christmas Shoppe will be open **Thursdays and Fridays**, 11:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. and on **Saturdays**, 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. for the month of **December** until Christmas.

Additional items will be added each day, so stop by often to find that one-of-a-kind gift just right for the holidays.

## Dosewallips Road Reconstruction Opposed

Public comment is against a controversial project on the Olympic National Forest by a whopping margin of 72 percent, according to spokesman Jim Scarborough. The project is the reconstruction of the Dosewallips Road by the U.S. Forest Service, National Park Service and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).

A major rain-on-snow event caused the Dosewallips River to devour several hundred yards of Forest Service Road in January 2002. The washout is located in the Olympic National Forest west of Brinnon, about five miles shy of its previous terminus in the adjacent National Park.

In the more than 6 1/2 years which have followed, Olympic National Forest Supervisor Dale Hom and the National Park Service have tried to reconstruct and reroute the road. The reconstruction would threaten salmon and other endangered species, as well as the 500-year-old ancient forest. An unprecedented public response of nearly 500 submitted comments overwhelmingly rejected the Park Service recommendation, preferring an alternative of five miles of scenic, three-season, non-motorized trail.

Four regional Indian tribes and two large recreation groups (the Mountaineers and Washington Trails Association) registered their displeasure over the reconstruction recommendation by the Forest and Park Service. Other State and Federal agencies also found fault with the plan. They included State Fish and Wildlife, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), National Marine Fisheries Service and, most importantly, the State Department of Ecology (DOE).

## Enchanted Mirrors

At the Bainbridge Performing Arts Gallery, Sally Prangley redefines mirrors in "Enchanted Mirrors," a show devoted entirely to the object that reflects our wildly fascinating outer selves. Prangley's mirrors talk back, provide commentary, are interactive with the viewer and make one examine more than just the person captured on the glass. From petite to oversized, the "Hall of Mirrors" will be filled with mirrors as colorful and unexpected as the lives reflected in them.

This **December** showcase will take place in the C. Keith Birkenfeld Lobby. Gallery hours are 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., **Tuesday through Friday**, plus one hour prior to each performance. Admission is free.

For information, visit online at [www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org](http://www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org) or contact Steven Fogell at 206-842-1163.

## Port Ludlow Birding Group

by Stephen Cunliffe, Contributing Editor

Our group has now reached a total of 22 interested people, ranging from first-time birders to others with years of experience. We have made three outings so far and turned up some interesting birds. Probably the most exciting was to watch a Parasitic Jaeger (big, fast and agile) chasing Bonaparte's Gulls (small, fast and agile) off Point No Point, with aerobatics better than Top Gun. Most remarkable creature overall was the Loch Ness Monster (you had to be there).



Greater White-Fronted Goose.

Photo by Stephen Cunliffe

We have established a plan to meet on the second **Tuesday** of each month, and also to join outings of the Admiralty Audubon group from Port Townsend when we can. The next few months we will mostly be looking for waterfowl and seabirds of the Pacific Northwest, while the land-birds either go south or hunker down for the winter.

We don't always have to go out to find birds; sometimes they come to find us. One member of our group reported a juvenile Greater White-Fronted Goose by the Marina, an alert that yielded this photograph (thanks Ron!).

If you would like to join the group, please send an e-mail to Stephen Cunliffe, [sjaycee@gmail.com](mailto:sjaycee@gmail.com).

## First Wednesday Luncheon

It is that joyful time of year again. Please join us for the First Wednesday Luncheon at the Bay Club at 11:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, December 3**, for a musical celebration of our holiday season. The Choral Belles, under the direction of Mary Lou Montgomery, will sing an array of beautiful carols and songs for us. In addition, we will have what is becoming our traditional Christmas wreath auction, so wear your favorite Christmas sweater, bring a new friend and look forward to a warm holiday celebration.

As always, it is important for you to make your reservation. Equally important, please let us know if you are unable to come after you have signed up to attend. Several people did not do so last month and, because

we thought we were full, several interested in our Veterans' program were turned away. This is unfair to our neighbors, so please be responsible for your attendance. You may sign up at the Bay or Beach Club by Sunday, November 30, or by contacting Sandy Rooks at 437-0747 or [sandraroos@hotmail.com](mailto:sandraroos@hotmail.com).

The Tri-Area Food Bank donations requested for the month are butter, margarine and Jell-O®. However, donations of cash or by check are always appreciated, as are all paper and hygiene products.

Our thanks go to Fin's Restaurant in Port Townsend for its very generous raffle donation. Remember that all proceeds from the raffle, after minimal expenses, go to support the Tri-Area Food Bank.

Finally, make a note on your calendar for **Wednesday, January 7**, when we'll be at the Beach Club, playing Bingo with lots of prizes while wearing the worst (or oldest) outfits in our closets! Should be lots of fun.

## Recycling Program for E-Waste Offered

A statewide program effective **January 1, 2009** will offer free recycling of certain electronic components (televisions, computers, monitors and laptops) at about 200 recycling locations throughout the state. Five of the closest locations are:

- Bremerton: Goodwill Industries, 4209 Wheaton Way, and Value Village, 3449 Wheaton Way
- Bainbridge Island: Goodwill Industries, Highway 305 and High School Road
- Poulsbo: All Shred, 16952 Clear Creek Road
- Kingston: Olympic Printers, 26127 Calvary Lane
- Port Townsend: Goodwill Industries, 602 Howard Street

Materials not covered are: Computer mice, printers, cell phones, scanners and other electronic components. Some sites may take these items for free while others may charge a fee or refuse. Goodwill Industries and other recipients will be able to resell usable computers before packing and shipping other units for recycling. All materials will go to one of two locations for dismantling and recycling: Total Reclaim in Seattle or IMS Electronics in Vancouver, Washington.

In this new program, Washington State will ask manufacturers to figure out a system to take care of the problem. The cost of recycling will be incorporated into the price of new products.

## Sharing for the Season

For the holiday season, the Port Ludlow Artists' League will be "having their cake and sharing it, too." A special Christmas program will begin at 1:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, December 17**, at the Beach Club. This year, instead of lunching, members and their guests are invited to enjoy a Christmas dessert for a fee of \$8 a person. In addition to covering the expense of the desserts, the monies gathered will be used to donate food and gifts for local families in need. Attendees are asked to bring their own table service and beverage. As usual, coffee and tea will be provided.

Special entertainment will be provided to help make the occasion even more festive.

Please contact Marti Mathis at 437-2704 or [marti@waypoint.com](mailto:marti@waypoint.com) to reserve your spot. The deadline to reserve is **Wednesday, December 10**.

Artwork from the members will be featured in the third annual show, "Impressions of Winter," on display in the lobby of the American Marine Bank located in the upper Village Center. Running through the months of **December and January**, work on display will feature watercolors, oils, pastels, mixed media, acrylics and photography.

To celebrate the opening of this show, a reception will be held **Friday, December 5**, 4:00–5:00 p.m., which coincides with the official opening of the Artists' League Christmas Shoppe next door in the League's Gallery. The reception will continue there from 5:00–6:00 p.m. Stop by to celebrate the season and enjoy the artwork of local artists.

## Country Christmas in Port Gamble

Come and join in a weekend of holiday tradition in historic Port Gamble. The festivities include local arts and crafts scattered through Port Gamble's historic buildings, a gingerbread house contest and a roasted chestnut caroling contest on **Saturday, December 13**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To enter go to [www.portgamble.com](http://www.portgamble.com).

Local Marines will be accepting donations for Toys for Tots. To enter the annual fruitcake contest submit your holiday confection by **Saturday, December 13**, 1:00 p.m. Other events include:

- Tree lighting with Santa, **Saturday, December 13**, 5:00 p.m.
- Fireworks display, **Saturday, December 13**, 5:00 p.m.
- Children's sugar cookie decorating, **Sunday, December 14**, 1:00 p.m.
- Hay Rides with Santa both days, 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m.

## December Hikers' Events

### Tuesday, December 9: Holiday Party

Join the celebration at the Bay Club. We will meet at 5:30 p.m. for a no-host wine and beer bar. Dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. catered by the Silverwater Café. Complete details have been e-mailed to everyone on the Hiking Club roster. Sign up at the Bay Club by **Monday, December 1**. The cost is \$34 per person including tax and gratuity. Please contact Dick Uhlmann at 437-5010 for further details.

### Friday, December 12: Urban Hike

The annual adventure in urban hiking will take us to the Port Angeles area and include a visit to the "magic forest" outdoor arts display. The charge for the underground tour is \$5. The buffet lunch at the Landings will be \$12 including tax and gratuity. A visit to the wine bar is optional. Please RSVP to [hildamike@cablespeed.com](mailto:hildamike@cablespeed.com) by **Friday, December 5**. Meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:30 a.m. to arrange car pools and get directions to the trailhead. For further information, please contact Hilda Cahn at 437-8223 or Dick Uhlmann at 437-5010.

### Friday, December 26: Boxing Day

Celebrate Boxing Day by designing your own event. Select your walk. Choose your hiking partners and set your own starting time. You are limited only by your imagination.

### 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.

## Bluebill Christmas Festivities

The annual Olympic Peninsula Boeing Bluebill Christmas party will be at the Bay Club on **Thursday, December 4**, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

All Bluebills, spouses and retired Boeing folk are cordially invited. The Olympic Peninsula Bluebills also extend a warm and friendly invitation to anyone who might be interested in volunteering their time to help the elderly and less fortunate in Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap Counties.

The Silverwater Café of Port Townsend is serving assorted heavy hors d'oeuvres. Wine, beer, assorted soft drinks, coffee and tea will also be provided.

Please RSVP to Michael Graham at 437-5052.

## Book Club

*Holly Would Dream* is big, big fun! This charming novel by Karen Quinn is the perfect story to accompany the hum of the holiday season. Join the Port Ludlow Book Club on **Tuesday, December 9**, 6:00 p.m., at the Bay Club when we celebrate the season with a fun-filled and animated discussion of this enchanting story full of hilarious characters. At the center of this spunky novel is Holly Ross, a seemingly successful fashion historian whose career is in an upward trend. She is in line for a promotion and she is engaged to a Disney performer. Perfect, right?

Well, not quite. Her dad is in dire straights. He sleeps with dogs at a friend's grooming parlor. And Holly? Within the space of a day she becomes homeless, jobless, broke and less one fiancé. She wishes deep down for a life from a simpler time—a life that is full of glamour, debonair men, exotic locals and happy ever after.

You will love her new life as her adventures take her to the balmy Mediterranean and the glorious city of Rome, all while pursuing a real-estate magnate and a suitcase full of stolen Audrey Hepburn gowns. In short, *Holly Would Dream* is as delightful, romantic and as amusing as the classic Audrey Hepburn movies we all loved from the 1950s.

To celebrate the Holiday Season, please bring an hors d'oeuvre and beverage to share.

The book selection for **January** is *Three Cups of Tea* by Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin. All are welcome. Questions? Call Martha Dawson at 437-4167.

## Stamp Arts

The Port Ludlow Stamp Arts Group is metamorphosing somewhat, and is now the Port Ludlow Stamp and Paper Arts Group. Our focus has widened to include all who use decorative papers, photographs and sundry other materials, thus exposing us to exciting new possibilities.

The Group does not meet in **December**, but will be eager to start next year at the Bay Club at the usual time of 10:00 a.m. on **Wednesday, January 21**. No doubt we all will be refreshed after the holidays and ready for the demonstration of a process new to many of us. Our "Show-n-Tell" time will include some of the interesting pieces we received from other artists, as well as our own creations made since the previous meeting. We heartily encourage newcomers to come and see what we are doing and what we hope to do in the coming months. Ideas abound in this lively, active group!

Jeanne Mitchell answers questions at 437-7702.

## Dine and Discover

On **Monday, December 1**, 5:30 p.m., at the Beach Club, Dine and Discover will feature Dr. Deborah Kelley of the University of Washington (UW) and our own Skip Denny presenting their studies of the nearby ocean's tectonic plates that will forever change the way we interact with the oceans. Dr. Kelley is a professor in the School of Oceanography, and Skip Denny is a Senior Engineer at the UW. Come and watch undersea events in high-definition (HD) video as they happen.

This is part of the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Ocean Observatories Initiative (OOI), named "The Neptune Project." Sign up at the Beach Club to bring a potluck dish for at least 10 persons. A fee of \$2 per person will be collected at the door.

At 5:30 p.m. on **Monday, January 5**, the world-famous Jim Whittaker will tell us of "Life on the Edge," at the Dine and Discover presentation at the Bay Club. Jim, best known as the first American to stand on the summit of Mount Everest, was the leader of the first American climb of K2. He also loves sailing, having twice skippered boats on the Victoria-to-Maui international yacht race. Recently, he and his wife, Dianne Roberts, along with their two sons spent four years sailing their 54-foot steel ketch from their hometown of Port Townsend to Australia, covering 20,000 miles. Come hear of his many other accomplishments and his philosophy. Jim will have his books available for purchase. Sign up at the Bay Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 persons. A fee of \$5 per person will be collected at the door.

For both programs, bring your own tableware and beverage. Also, if you find that you cannot attend, please notify the Cahns at 437-8223 so they can accommodate those on a waiting list.

## Hula Dancers Perform

Worried about those post-Christmas blahs? Here's a way to feel better quickly! On **Saturday, December 27**, 5:30–7:30 p.m., the dancers of Na Hula O Kauhale No Nahele Kai, directed by Port Ludlow's Bernie Pualei Robinson, will be performing. Get on down to Ferino's Pizza Parlor in Port Hadlock to watch them. Naki'i, a trio of authentic Hawaiians now living in Sequim, provide accompaniment.

There is no cover charge, so go buy a pizza or salad and enjoy some good Hawaiian music and dance. It's a sure-fire cure to perk you up after the hectic holidays!

## PLGC's Festive Holiday Tea

From 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, December 17**, members of the Port Ludlow Garden Club (PLGC) will host their annual Holiday Tea Party at the Bay Club. This popular members-only annual event features a scrumptious sampling of holiday tea, sandwiches, cookies and candies provided by Club members. This year, the lovely table centerpieces of fresh greens and flowers in one-of-a-kind bowls crafted and donated by "Hands-On Clay" members will be "silent-auctioned" off to support the Club's ongoing "white gardenia" philanthropy. The Club uses donated proceeds to supply high-quality garden books to the Jefferson County Library in Port Hadlock.

There is no charge to members, but attendees need to reserve a place. Please sign up at the Bay Club before 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, December 12**. Individuals wishing to join the Club in order to attend the Tea should send a \$20 check for 2008 annual dues made out to PLGC to POB 65235, Port Ludlow, WA 98365. Checks must be received by **Friday, December 12**, to qualify a person as a Garden Club member for purposes of attending the Tea. If you have questions, call Sharon England at 437-5043.

Dues for the 2009 gardening year will commence with the **January** meeting and may be paid at that meeting or mailed to the above address. Dues cover the **January–December** calendar year regardless of the month in which they are paid. Members may also attend all lectures free of charge and receive favorable rates on Club field trips.

## October Duplicate Bridge Winners

by Ian Feltham

**October 6: North/South** – David Hendrie/Ralph Stroy, first; Dottie St. Onge/Mae Vliek, second; Doris and Ian Feltham, third. **East/West** – Darrell Fett/Bruce Schmitz. First; Shirley Porter/Robert MacNeal, second; Ted Wurtz/Dick Ostlund, third.

**October 13:** David Hendrie/Ralph Stroy, first; Ralph Phillips/Michael Walker, second; Marilyn Elgin/Marvin Segar, third.

**October 20:** David Hendrie/Ralph Stroy, first; Carol Land/Robert MacNeal, second; Dan and Soozie Darrow, third.

**October 27:** David Hendrie/Ralph Stroy, first; Doris and Ian Feltham, second; Ralph Phillips/Lois Ruggles, third.

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

## CEA December Lunch

The second annual Community Enrichment Alliance's (CEA) December luncheon will be held at The Fireside Restaurant at The Inn At Port Ludlow on **Monday, December 8**, at noon. Spend some quality time with your community.

Meet your neighbors, invite a special friend, and support a local business. Begin to feel the genuine spirit and simple joy of the holidays.

Chef Dan promises to provide your taste buds with a treat. Make your reservations at the CEA ticket table at the Bay Club any **Wednesday** between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. and choose your luncheon selection at that time. A chicken pasta dish, tuna melt or special salad will be available. Dessert and beverage, tax and tip are included for the \$20 price, which is payable when you sign up for this special outing.

Please call Mary Stuart at 437-8140 if you have any questions.



## Small Expressions

In **December**, Northwind Gallery will feature the seventh annual juried collection of small format artworks, "Small Expressions VII." The juror for this year's show is Pat Austin, a local printmaker, artist and teacher.

The show opens at noon on **Friday, December 5** and runs through **Monday, December 29**. Just in time for Christmas, this show will include many affordable works appropriate for gifts during the holiday season. In conjunction with the show, there will be a reception on **Saturday, December 6**, 5:30–8:00 p.m., as well as a Juror's Lecture on **Sunday, December 7**, at 1:00 p.m.

Northwind Gallery is at 2409 Jefferson Street in Port Townsend. The gallery hours are noon to 5:00 p.m., **Thursday through Monday**. More information may be found at [www.northwindarts.org](http://www.northwindarts.org).

## Is Your Dog Licensed?

Jefferson County Animal Services (JCAS), a Department of the Jefferson County Sheriff's office, is starting a project to insure that all residents are aware of the requirement that all dogs in the County must be licensed and wear the license tag. Licenses must be obtained within 30 days of obtaining the animal or arriving in the County and must be renewed every two years. There is a \$114 fine for an unlicensed or untagged dog. Questions may be addressed to JCAS at 385-3292.

## Eating Around: On Common Grounds

by Bev Rothenborg, Contributing Editor

For years while driving to or from Port Townsend along Beaver Valley Road, I have stopped at On Common Grounds across from the cemetery to buy a latte or scone. In the last year I have noticed an increasing number of cars parked in front. My husband stopped one day to make a purchase and what a surprise! The old coffee/pastry shop has been expanded by utilizing a closed-off room. It's still not a large place, but, oh, the food.

Since our discovery, we have stopped there for lunch on several occasions. Everything is baked or prepared there. On our last recent visit, we each had a cup of soup and shared the special, which was a ham and Brie strudel with caramelized onions. It was delicious and more than enough for two. Everything looks wonderful! It is hard to choose.

Something else I appreciate is the eclectic clientele who are there enjoying the ambience—the guy over in the corner on the couch with his laptop and headset, the farmer stopping in for his morning coffee and the tradesmen on their lunch break. We shared a table with two of the latter on our last visit, and I was so interested to hear them discuss the quality of the strudel and the fact that it had a hint of rosemary. Who knew? Perhaps they are chefs in training?

Marcia Herrmann and her daughter April Ryan are the new owners. They are open seven days a week, Monday–Friday, 6:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. and Saturday–Sunday, 7:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Prices range from \$3.50 to \$7. Word is they hope to begin selling dinners for takeout; the breads they serve are from Pane d'Amore in Port Townsend.

A special thing is happening on **Sunday, December 7**, from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.: they are planning an elegant holiday tea! The menu sounds incredible. There will be Scotch currant-orange scones with fresh Devon cream and jam and many selections of tea sandwiches. There will be lemon meringue tarts, chocolate éclairs, macaroons, filled shortbread cookies, eggnog, assorted English teas and a gala holiday dessert. The tables will be covered with linen cloths and fine china will be used. There will be music and holiday décor. Reservations are required and the cost is \$27.95.

### On Common Grounds

8972 Beaver Valley Road  
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*“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](mailto:martiduncan@q.com). Note: We reserve the right to edit your contribution to fit our style and space constraints.*

## Piano Studio Opens Here

Kathie Sharp is accepting applications for her piano studio that is opening in Port Ludlow in **December**. Enrollments are being accepted by phoning 437-7928.

Classes are open to students of all ages and levels, from beginning to advanced. Kathie’s philosophy is to groom young people to be the best they can be, while developing a deep understanding of music in an atmosphere designed for learning professional practice and performance techniques.

Kathie’s love for music began at age five and continued through college where she received her B.A. degree in Music at the University of Washington. She began her piano teaching career in Edmonds and later had a studio in Packwood, Washington.

While living in Packwood Kathie realized there were no existing musical opportunities within a 76-mile radius, so she founded and was the Music Director of Parnassus Summer Music Series located in the Cascade Mountains.

She has performed frequently with a number of string quartets and with many Pacific Northwest artists. Kathie also has performed with many symphony orchestras throughout Western Washington, both independently and under the auspices of the Washington State Cultural Enrichment Programs.



*Kathie Sharp in her studio.*

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

## From the Jefferson County Administrator's Desk

by Philip Morley, County Administrator

Happy Holidays to each of you and your families! My family is looking forward to spending our first holiday season here in Jefferson County. We're happily settling into our new routines. But now on to County matters that may be of interest to you.

The Jefferson County Shoreline Administrator approved the Shoreline Substantial Development Permit in late October for Port Ludlow Associates (PLA). This is an administrative permit for residential development and Marina expansion in an Urban Shoreline Designation.

The residential development is the first phase of the permit for up to 42 new residential units within the Ludlow Bay Village plat. Phase two will include expansion of the existing Marina for up to 64 new moorage slips. The phase two permit won't be issued until PLA obtains a Hydraulic Project Approval from the Department of Fish and Wildlife and approval from the Army Corps of Engineers. This is based upon the Appellate Hearing Examiner's decision of January 8, 2008.

On a separate topic about shorelines, the Final Shoreline Restoration Plan has been completed and is available for review. This document is a required component of our Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Comprehensive Update Project. The document is online at <http://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/commdevelopment/ShorelineRestoration.htm> and public review copies are available at the Department of Community Development (DCD) Front Desk and the Jefferson County Library and Bookmobile. You may also purchase the document as a hard copy or on CD from the DCD office.

In early **December**, the Draft Shoreline Master Program (DSMP) is anticipated to be published. County staff and consultants will submit the document to the Planning Commission and Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) at a joint informational workshop set for **Wednesday, December 3**, 6:30 p.m., at the Washington State University (WSU) Learning Center in Port Hadlock.

The publish date of the DSMP will open the public comment period since this will be an amendment to the Jefferson County Code. In consideration of the holiday season, the public comment period will be scheduled to allow ample time for thorough review and comment. In early **2009**, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to gather oral and written testimony from citizens, agencies and tribes. After the close of the public comment period, the Planning Commission will begin deliberations

on the DSMP, with a subsequent recommendation to be forwarded to the BOCC in the early spring of **2009**.

A Superior Court ruling on the first Iron Mountain Quarry LUPA (Land Use Petition Act) appeal regarding the diminishing assets doctrine was expected in early November (after the due date of this article). If Judge Verser rules in favor of Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ), they will retain their rights as a nonconforming use under this legal doctrine. If IMQ loses the case to the petitioners (Port Ludlow Village Council, Port Ludlow Associates, South Bay Community Association) they can petition the Court of Appeals; otherwise, they will need the BOCC's approval for their Mineral Resource Land Overlay (MRLO) application to mine more than ten acres at a time.

A second Iron Mountain Quarry LUPA case regarding the County requirement that they obtain a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for expansion of their proposed mining operations will be heard by Judge Verser some time in **February 2009**. If the judge rules in their favor, they will not need a CUP, but they will need, in either case, a Stormwater Management permit with State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) review and permits from Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and Department of Ecology (DOE) prior to any mining activities.

For more information about any of the land use matters in Port Ludlow, please contact David Wayne Johnson, our Lead Planner for Port Ludlow in DCD, at 379-4450 or via e-mail at [dwjohanson@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:dwjohanson@co.jefferson.wa.us). For information on the SMP Update, please contact Michelle McConnell, Associate Planner, at 379-4484 or via e-mail at [mmcconnell@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:mmcconnell@co.jefferson.wa.us). And, of course, you're always welcome to call me directly at 385-9100. Happy Holidays!

## AARP Tax-Aide Seeks Volunteers

The nation's largest free, volunteer-run tax assistance and preparation service, AARP Tax-Aide, is recruiting volunteers in preparation for the 2008–2009 tax season. Volunteers help others in the community with their questions and tax form preparation. Tax-Aide volunteers must be available by **Monday, December 1** to receive all training materials and instructions.

Potential volunteers should contact Kathy Schreiner, Tax-Aide Communications Director for Clallam/Jefferson County, or David Self. Kathy can be reached at 360-681-3811 or [kmsjes@olympen.com](mailto:kmsjes@olympen.com), while David can be reached at 385-2617 or [dcself@olympen.com](mailto:dcself@olympen.com). Contact them with questions about the program or requirements for volunteering. Help others in your community by giving Tax-Aide a call or e-mail.

## North to Alaska!

by Marti Duncan, Contributing Editor



Denali on a lucky day.

Photo by Marti Duncan

We did it. We hopped into our RV and drove to Alaska, heading out with friends and our 12-year-old grandson, Matthias (who, incidentally, felt hijacked...two months cooped up in an RV with gramma and grampa was asking a lot).

We crossed the border at Sumas, driving north through British Columbia (B.C.), excitedly anticipating Dawson Creek, Mile 0 on the Alaska Highway. The Yukon took my breath away—so vast and unspoiled. The idea of the Klondike and all its tales of the 1896 gold rush with Robert W. Service poems and Jack London stories just reeled me in. Matthias panned for gold there and we held puppies at Frank Turner's place, puppies that would be future stars of the Yukon Quest (1,000 mile sled-dog race). We walked with the dogs as they raced back and forth and listened as Frank (a winner of the race) told us mesmerizing tales of his adventures as a musher.

The drive up through B.C. and the Yukon was spectacular...wonderful highways, beautiful scenery and lots of wild life. After leaving Whitehorse we stayed on the Alaska Highway and for about 200 miles bounced in and out of serious bumps and dips. There is a condition called "frost heaves" that, because of the freezing and thawing action, turns this part of the highway into quite a bumpy, sometimes very muddy ride. The jolting lasted almost to Tok, Alaska.

A Fairbanks highlight was the Chena River Discovery Cruise. Susan Butcher's sled dogs dashed by us on the shore pulling no less than—an ATV! One stop offered authentic First Nation villages, caribou and a cabbage almost as big as my husband is tall! Other interesting things were large figures carved from ice, the pipeline, and Gold Dredge 8, one of the huge remaining mines.

Everyone visits Denali National Park. It's immense and beautiful. But not everyone gets to SEE Denali, the mountain. You take your chances. Sometimes people see lots of grizzlies, wolves and moose—sometimes they don't. If

you are fortunate enough to see all of that, you are indeed blessed and nothing is more gorgeous. The lodges are massive, the dinner theaters exceptional and the Visitor's Center is an attraction in itself.

On the way to Anchorage we stayed in Talkeetna—the town that inspired the television series *Northern Exposure*. Although it was filmed in Roslyn, WA, in talking to the locals I learned that each of the main characters originated from real people and from real places in the town.

It took us two days to see the museum in Anchorage. It contained everything from Alaskan culture and history to modern art to a comprehensive children's section to an in-depth history and description of the Iditarod (the other 1,000 mile sled-dog race). A nearby musk ox ranch, run by the University of Alaska, was surprisingly interesting. A tram ride in Alyeska, south of Anchorage, showed us amazing views of the mountains and the Gulf of Alaska, as well as hang gliders taking off from the top of the mountain into the unknown below. (We heard later that one did actually land in a tree.)

Driving around the Kenai Peninsula, we headed for Homer where the guys could deep-sea fish for halibut. It's an awesome town, with fjord-like mountains cutting straight down into the water, brilliant colors and views from the hillside to die for. We visited the home of an artist, Norman Lowell, who homesteaded there with his family many years ago.

Seward was heaven and offered many opportunities to view glaciers. You may drive to them or take a cruise to watch them calve. It is a powerful experience. Whales are usually nearby, adding to the beauty.

We had to go north to go south since there is only one road out of Alaska! So, back we went to Tok, down the Frost Heave Highway with a side trip to Skagway. Skagway was the jumping off place for the Klondike gold rushers so you can imagine how excited I was to get there. It has been fixed up for tourists but I loved every inch of its fake boardwalks and honky-tonk taverns and old cemetery and tales of the Chilkoot Trail and White Pass.

Continuing south we veered into B.C. to go to Stewart, B.C., and Hyder, Alaska. It's a strange little combo that features (in Hyder) bear-watching and (in Stewart) movie locations. Hyder is a place where bears come in droves, supposedly to catch salmon in the river. We saw one bear—in a tree. But we were told many people have seen many bears fishing there. Stewart is where several movies have been filmed, among them *Eight Below* and *Insomnia*.

Driving back down through picturesque British Columbia, heading home, we felt blessed. Being able to see one of our last frontiers is truly a special thing.

## South Bay's Drainage District Decision

by Jen Portz, Contributing Editor

It rains in Washington... rains a lot in fact, and though Port Ludlow is drier than some areas, we still have stormwater runoff impacting our streams and Ludlow Bay. Washington State's Department of Ecology (DOE) notes, "Untreated stormwater is unsafe. It can contain toxic metals, organic compounds, bacteria and viruses.... Polluted stormwater can lead to beach closures for swimming and shellfish harvesting. It also can trigger toxic algal blooms."

Because of public health concerns, State and Federal governments enacted stringent stormwater laws. The Federal government's Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has the Clean Water Act. DOE has various laws including the new (February 2008) EPA-approved Water Quality Standards. These regulations, in part, require stormwater management and monitoring systems and impose stiff fines for what is called "non-point source pollution."

Throughout Jefferson County the Department of Public Works (DPW) maintains ditches along public roads; however, it takes more than that to control stormwater. In Port Ludlow, depending on where you live, stormwater is dealt with differently—not so much based on location as time. When North Bay was developed there were no laws regarding runoff, so stormwater simply was diverted via ditches and culverts with no catchment ponds. By the time South Bay was platted, various laws mandated stormwater management systems be integrated into subdivision plats, so most South Bay Villages have retention or detention ponds to control runoff and settle out much of the turbidity (cloudiness) and pollutants it can contain.

For North Bay residents controlling runoff became so much of a headache that in 2002 they voted to create the Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) to manage and improve their stormwater facilities. PLDD is overseen by three elected commissioners who serve six-year, staggered terms so one commissioner is elected every two years. PLDD does not own the ditches and culverts they care for; the individual landowners retain ownership. PLDD merely holds dedicated easements that allow access. These easements are individually negotiated with each landowner and allow PLDD to do everything from trimming blackberry bushes to installing culverts and reworking stormwater flow strategies. To develop its projects as well as monitor stormwater discharge, PLDD hires the Seattle engineering firm Gray and Osborne.

How do they pay for all this? The PLDD is a taxing authority. They create a yearly budget which goes to the County Assessor who determines what share each lot owner must pay. Shares are assigned based on a lot's area and how much is covered by non-permeable material, which causes more runoff than permeable material. So a single-family home pays less than a large structure with an accompanying asphalt parking lot.

PLDD also has the authority to acquire loans. Initially they took out a \$50,000 loan from the State's Public Works Trust Fund to develop their comprehensive plan. Over the years PLDD has created a reserve fund so work can be accomplished without borrowing; however, another loan is being considered to fund their last major project: the Greenbelt between Rainer Lane and Oak Bay Road, a several hundred thousand dollar venture.

South Bay residents do not have a drainage district. Their retention ponds and ancillary ditches are owned and managed by each Homeowner Association (HOA). This usually means volunteers may or may not have a full grasp of pertinent law and mandated monitoring to manage stormwater. Mismanagement can leave an HOA open to non-point source pollution's hefty fines.

Because of this some in South Bay are suggesting residents become members of PLDD. Lee Amundson, PLDD Chairman, explained how it might happen: "South Bay could choose from two processes, either by a petition of more than 50 percent of the area property owners, or by an election, which would be more expensive but less confusing for residents." Additionally, he noted, "If it passed, the (PLDD) Commissioners would have to vote to annex and we would likely accept them." He also indicated that PLDD would keep funds separate so North Bay taxes benefit North Bay and South Bay taxes benefit South Bay.

Joining the PLDD has advantages. The District might be able to negotiate group rates for maintenance and monitoring. Additionally, as the PLDD and DPW cooperate on projects that are mutually beneficial (such as stormwater ditch mowing near public road ditches), costs could be reduced further. Commissioners are voted in and nominally paid for their work, and they hire professionals to maintain and monitor ponds, ditches and stormwater runoff, which would reduce the workload and headaches for HOA volunteers.

There are, inevitably, some possible disadvantages that warrant further discussion. First, PLDD is yet another crasse of bureaucracy that must approve any construction project. Secondly, there may be concerns regarding the dedication of easements. While North Bay has no ponds,

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almost all South Bay HOAs have them, and they are located on common land. Common land is unique in that each homeowner owns an indivisible part of their HOA's common land; this means dedication of easements might not be as straightforward as it was for North Bay. And lastly, would the cost of joining the PLDD be more or less expensive, or would HOA fee reductions offset increases in taxes?

The South Bay Community Association (SBCA) and Village HOA Presidents plan to meet in the near future to discuss this issue and gauge homeowner feedback. You can learn more about PLDD by visiting their website at [www.pldd.org](http://www.pldd.org).

## When the Economy Sours, Make Lemonade

*by Karen Davies, Contributing Editor*

Let's face it. We've been dealt a bad blow from Wall Street, our leaders, and in some cases, even ourselves. Now it's time to get real and make the most of what we do have. Experts are telling us the next crisis will be a pullback from credit card companies, which will affect even the most credit-worthy consumer.

Big lenders and retailers already have begun tightening standards for credit card applicants, reducing customer credit lines and aggressively shutting down inactive accounts. While such changes protect lenders, the results for consumers can be a lower credit score, which in turn can affect insurance rates, car loans and other loan interest rates. On the brighter side, you will be receiving fewer credit card offers in the mail. Here are a few tips to help you adjust your lifestyle almost painlessly.

### Back to Basics

This credit crunch will be particularly harsh during the upcoming holiday season. We can expect a "back to basics" Christmas with consumers cutting back on travel plans, gift giving, dining out and holiday decorations. Even when money is tight, it is important not to cut back on tips, charitable giving and donating to food banks. These recipients depend heavily on giving.

### Caution Ahead

Think twice about where you are making your purchases and be careful about putting money up front for large purchases, such as furniture, which will be delivered in the future. Who knows if the merchant will be in business six months from now? You might also consider giving cash instead of gift cards, especially if the business is in danger

of going bankrupt. When a retailer files for bankruptcy, gift cards usually become worthless. Be sure to use any gift card you are holding expeditiously—and run, don't walk, if you hear that your card's retailer has had its credit rating downgraded.

### Check Out the Dollar Stores

You will be surprised that a greeting card sells for 50 cents; gift bags, decorative boxes and wrappings are \$1. You also might consider sending holiday post cards instead of regular greeting cards. The postage savings will be 15 cents on each piece.

### Change Your Computer Habits

While plugged in, your computer and other electronic devices continue to use electricity—even when they are turned off or in stand-by mode. By unplugging them or using a power strip to turn them off, you can save around \$60 per year. Look for ENERGY STAR compliant computers and appliances when purchasing and you will use 15 to 25 percent less energy.

### Learn Stupid Supermarket Tricks

Stores use all kinds of marketing ploys to get you to buy more than you intend. Read their flyers and plan on stocking up on items by cherry-picking advertised specials. Make a list to avoid impulse buying.

### Plan Ahead to Buy Gas

Check out [www.washingtongasprices.com](http://www.washingtongasprices.com). Recently Kingston had the lowest price in the area at \$2.37 per gallon, while Sequim was \$3.09. That is a 72-cent a gallon difference, or a savings of more than \$10 per tank.

### Haggle

It's a buyer's market. A silver lining to this sluggish economy is that the consumer is back in charge. You have more power to name your price. The proof? Nearly 70 percent of Americans have managed to negotiate a better deal on a purchase in recent months according to America's Research Group—a 12-percentage point jump from a year ago. Take advantage of phone and cable companies who are locked in a turf war and use comparison-shopping sites such as [www.shopzilla.com](http://www.shopzilla.com) to find the lowest prices on just about everything. Then bring a printout of the results to your local store and ask if they can beat the price by 15 percent.

### Bring Back Thrift

Finally, it's time thrift got its own marketing campaign. We should teach our families good money habits and the benefits of delayed gratification. While we're at it, perhaps we should teach our leaders the same thing—that saving and living within our means is a good thing.

# Village Activities Calendar

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

## December

### Mon., December 1

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., LOA Meeting (members), Beach Club  
 9:30 a.m. – noon, Timberton Board Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Office SIG (members), Bay Club  
 3:00 – 4:00 p.m., Olympic Terrace Homeowners Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., *Voice* Staff Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 5:30 – 9:00 p.m., Dine and Discover “Ocean Geology,” Beach Club

### Tues., December 2

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Trails/NRC Meeting, Beach Club  
 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., Decorating Day (members), Bay Club  
 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., CEA Meeting, Beach Club  
 Noon – 5:00 p.m., Woodcarvers, Bay Club  
 2:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment Meeting, Bay Club

### Wed., December 3

11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon with Choral Belles, Bay Club  
 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Digital Village Demonstration, Bay Club  
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Quilters by the Bay Meeting and Raffle Drawing, Bay Club  
 4:00 p.m., Tree Lighting Ceremony with Choral Belles (members), Bay Club

### Thurs., December 4

9:00 a.m. – noon, Bayview Board Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 10:00 a.m. – noon, Knitwits, Beach Club  
 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Bluebills Christmas Party, Bay Club  
 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., PLVC General Meeting, Bay Club  
 6:00 – 7:00 p.m., Computer Club Mac SIG (members), Bay Club  
 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., Highland Greens Annual Meeting (members), Beach Club

### Fri., December 5

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA Monthly Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery  
 4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Artists’ League Reception, American Marine Bank  
 5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Shoppe Open House, Gallery  
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., *Voice* Staff Party (members), Beach Club  
 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Family Movie Night, Bridge Deck

### Sat., December 6

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., 2008 Holiday Home Tour, Port Ludlow  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery

### Mon., December 8

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Bluebills Meeting, Bay Club  
 Noon, CEA December Luncheon at the Fireside Room, Inn At Port Ludlow  
 4:00 – 5:30 p.m., Ten Karat Investment Club, Bay Club  
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Computer Club Holiday Social (members), Bay Club

### Tues., December 9

5:30 – 9:00 p.m., Hiking Club Holiday Dinner (members), Bay Club  
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., Book Club Discussion and Party, Bay Club

### Wed., December 10

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Digital Village Demonstration, Bay Club  
 11:45 a.m., Chamber Luncheon, Olympic Room, Inn At Port Ludlow  
 6:00 – 8:00 p.m., LPV 3 and 4 Holiday Social (members), Bay Club

### Thurs., December 11

10:00 a.m. – noon, Drainage District Meeting, Beach Club  
 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery  
 Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club  
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Computer Club Board Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 5:00 – 8:00 p.m., Bayview Village Social (members), Bay Club

### Fri., December 12

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club Leaves for Urban Hike, Bridge Deck  
 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club  
 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery  
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Inner Harbor Board Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., SBCA Monthly Social (members), Bay Club

### Sat., December 13

9:00 a.m. – noon, LMC General Meeting (members), Beach Club  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Artists’ League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery  
 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., Holiday on the Docks, Marina  
 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., HOPL Christmas Dinner (members), Beach Club  
 6:00 – 10:00 p.m., Free Spirits Holiday Dinner (members), Bay Club

### Sun., December 14

Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents “A Jazzy Little Christmas” with the Mike Strickland Quartet and Greta Matassa in two shows:  
 3:00 p.m., Matinee (Doors open at 2:00 p.m.)  
 7:30 p.m., Evening show (Doors open at 6:30 p.m.)

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**Mon., December 15**

10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Special Topics SIG (members), Bay Club  
 4:00 p.m., Singles Dine at Roz Greene's Home  
 6:00 – 7:30 p.m., Computer Club Mac SIG (members), Bay Club  
 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., Olympic Terrace Party (members), Bay Club

**Tues., December 16**

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., MGA Meeting, Bay Club  
 10:00 a.m. – noon, Knitwits, Beach Club  
 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Fly Fishers General Meeting, Bay Club  
 3:00 – 6:00 p.m., PLVC Workshop, Bay Club

**Wed., December 17**

11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Digital Village Demonstration, Bay Club  
 11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Garden Club Holiday Tea (members), Bay Club  
 1:00 – 3:30 p.m., Artists' League Christmas Dessert, Beach Club  
 6:00 p.m., "A Holiday Celebration in the South," Marina Room, Inn At Port Ludlow

**Thurs., December 18**

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Artists' League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery  
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Computer Club Pro Show Gold SIG (members), Bay Club  
 Bay Club closes at 5:00 p.m. today

**Fri., December 19**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., A Day with Chef Dan, Fireside Room, Inn At Port Ludlow  
 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., SBICA ARC Review Meeting, Bay Club  
 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Artists' League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery  
 5:00 – 7:30 p.m., Fly Fishers Party, Bay Club

**Sat., December 20**

9:00 a.m., CEA Leavenworth Snow Train trip leaves Edmonds train station  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Artists' League Christmas Shoppe open, Gallery

**Sun., December 21**

Potluck Dinner and Community Program, Community Church

**Mon., December 22**

10:30 a.m. – noon, Computer Club Photography SIG (members), Bay Club

**Tues., December 23**

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Blood Drive, Community Church  
 1:45 – 4:00 p.m., Blood Drive, Community Church  
 6:30 p.m., Reader's Theater; call 437-2861 for location.

**Wed., December 24**

Beach Club closes at 1:00 p.m. today  
 9:00 a.m. – noon, Kids Club Breakfast with Santa (members), Beach Club  
 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Digital Village Demonstration, Bay Club  
 6:00 – 6:45 p.m., Candlelight Service, Community Church

**Thurs., December 25**

Merry Christmas to all!  
 Bay and Beach Clubs are closed.

**Fri., December 26**

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

**Mon., December 29**

10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., AARP Driver Safety Program, Beach Club  
 3:00 – 4:45 p.m., Teal Lake Homeowner's Meeting (members), Bay Club  
 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., *Voice* Staff Meeting (members), Beach Club

**Tues., December 30**

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., CEA Board Meeting (members), Bay Club

**Wed., December 31**

10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., AARP Driver Safety Program, Beach Club  
 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Digital Village Demonstration, Bay Club  
 7:00 p.m. – 2:30 a.m., New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance, Bay Club

**Future Events**

Bay Club Opens at Noon January 1  
 Woodridge Board Meeting, January 1  
 Computer Club Mac SIG, January 1  
 Jim Whittaker at Dine and Discover, January 5  
 Lifewriting Workshop begins January 9  
 Beginning Watercolor by Joy classes start, January 12  
 Intermediate/Advanced Watercolor by Joy classes start, January 15  
 Stamp Arts Group reconvenes, January 21  
 The women of AUGUST in concert, January 24  
 Beginning Computer Classes start, February 18

## Northwind Readers' Party

On **Thursday, December 11**, Northwind Reading Series hosts its annual Readers' Party to celebrate the publication of *NorthWIND 2008*, an anthology printed by Minotaur Press Editor Jim Watson-Gove. The anthology offers a sampling of the range and depth of work heard this past year during the reading series.

To commemorate the many engaging performances enjoyed throughout 2008 by Northwind audiences, writers featured in the anthology join together for a year-end evening of poetry and prose.

Coffee, tea and refreshments are served. The readings start at 7:00 p.m. at Northwind Arts Center, 2409 Jefferson Street, in Port Townsend. *NorthWIND 2008* will be available at the Arts Center. For more information contact Bill Mawhinney at [MAWHINNEY\\_W@msn.com](mailto:MAWHINNEY_W@msn.com).

# Port Ludlow Village Council

## Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Jack McKay, PLVC Secretary

The November Port Ludlow Village Council meeting was held at the Beach Club with approximately 25 people attending. The PLVC Board and audience heard the following reports.

### Reports from Agencies and Organizations:

#### Jefferson County

John Austin, Jefferson County Commissioner, briefly reported on the latest actions and legal issues relating to the Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) activities. He also said: (1) There is a traffic study taking place on Paradise Bay Road. However, if any action is indicated, it will take place only if there is an opportunity for public input. (2) The bus shelters on the Paradise Bay Parkway have been installed, and (3) a new pathway has been constructed along Oak Bay Road between the Resort and the Village for safety.

David Wayne Johnson, Port Ludlow Lead Planner, reported that the Ludlow Cove II (the former log dump) project is being challenged in a suit relating to the Shoreline Management Act. The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) will hold a public hearing on the merits of this year's Comprehensive Plan Amendments, one of which is the Iron Mountain Quarry's request for a Mineral Resource Land Overlay (MRLO). The hearing, which will cover more than just the limit on acres mined at one time, will be held on **Monday, December 1, 5:00 p.m.**, in the Superior Courtroom of the Jefferson County Courthouse.

#### Port Ludlow Associates (PLA)

Diana Smeland, PLA President, reviewed the plans for development of the Ludlow Bay Village project. Plans include the rebuilding and expansion of the Resort facilities but do not include the expansion of the Marina docks. PLA also is attempting to find a vendor to provide an expanded grocery store in or near the Village.

#### Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue

Ed Wilkerson, Fire Chief, suggested that residents prepare winter storm plans for possible emergencies due to tree damage, loss of electricity, freezing temperatures and snow. Residents should prepare supplies, including medications, to withstand more than a week of isolation.

### Port Ludlow Village Council Board Meeting

#### General Meeting

**Thursday, December 4**

3:00 p.m., Bay Club

#### Workshop Meeting

**Tuesday, December 16**

3:00 p.m., Bay Club

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

### Committee and Board Member Reports:

#### Financial Report

Gene Carmody, Treasurer, provided the latest financial conditions of PLVC. The balance in the PLVC account is \$21,198.04. The Trails Committee has a balance of \$8,914.53. The Iron Mountain Legal Fund currently has a balance of \$1,364.53.

#### Utilities Committee

Phil Otness, Chair, reviewed the consequences of passage of Proposition 1, which appears to be approved pending the last count. The Public Utilities District (PUD) will review the final feasibility study conducted by its consultant and add additional required information. The feasibility of a PUD for Jefferson County has improved because similar propositions failed in Whidbey and Skagit Counties. The PUD also will have preliminary meetings with the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and Puget Sound Energy (PSE). A plan of action should move forward within three months and should take less than one year to decide on a course of action.

The Utility Committee will continue to work with PSE to reduce winter storm outages, and with Olympic Water and Sewer, Inc., to stay current on their maintenance and improvements.

#### IMQ Committee

Laury Hunt, Acting Chair, reviewed the latest legal issues surrounding IMQ. Currently, there is an appeal of the Hearing Examiner's decision to require IMQ to apply for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) filed by IMQ. Mr. Hunt thanked the community for their active support of our efforts to protect the community from adverse effects of the proposed mining operations and stated that the appeal

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would be defended by the County Prosecuting Attorney and would not come up for hearing in Jefferson County Superior court until late February or March.

### Board Actions

- The PLVC authorized the printing of the 2009 PLVC brochure with expense limited to \$400.
- The PLVC approved the “2009 Projects and Responsibilities of the PLVC” document and the following tasks:
- Continue the monitoring of the Iron Mountain Quarry application process.
- Continue the updating and publication of the Port Ludlow Directory.
- Continue the feasibility of the “One Port Ludlow” concept.
- Re-establish the Community Development Committee (CDC).
- Revise the PLVC bylaws.
- Create a communications process to inform residents of activities.
- Establish a PLVC Public Relations Committee.

The following projects and activities were either not approved to be undertaken during the 2009 term or have already been completed:

- An assessment of residents to operate the PLVC was rejected.
- South Bay Community Association (SBCA) and Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) involvement in PLVC activities is adequate.
- An urgent care facility has located to Port Ludlow.
- Bus shelters have been installed.
- The Board tabled sponsoring a Christmas lighting contest.

Under New Business the PLVC took the following actions:

- Approved the creation of the “Obligations–Evaluations Committee” for the purpose of pre-screening requests for funds of the PLVC for community projects and activities.
- Approved the inventory and archiving of PLVC activities.
- Approved the “Project Planning” grid method of tracking PLVC projects and activities.
- Approved a feasibility study of “buffer zones” of the Port Ludlow Master Plan.
- Approved an expenditure of up to \$500 for replacement of decorations and necessary equipment for the Paradise Bay Parkway display.

- Rejected conducting a feasibility study of a Performing Arts Theater.

### Announcements

The next PLVC General Meeting is on **Thursday, December 4**, 3:00 p.m., at the Bay Club. The Workshop Meeting is on **Tuesday, December 16**, 3:00 p.m., at the Bay Club. Agendas and minutes of PLVC meetings can be seen on the PLVC website, [www.plvc.org](http://www.plvc.org).

## Disaster Preparedness and You

*by Tom Stone, Disaster Preparedness Director*

Port Ludlow’s disaster preparedness system is unique because of our organization and Block Captain training. Although most of us believe that we are training to combat the after-effects of a serious earthquake, there are other events that could affect Port Ludlow. We prepare for those too.

The Columbus Day Storm was an event that actually occurred on October 12, 1962. It started with a low off the coast of California and raced up the West coast at 40 mph. An all-time record low pressure was recorded. The wind was beginning to pick up in Jefferson County by 6:00 p.m. when damage reports from southwest Washington started coming in. There were downed trees and roofs torn off buildings. Wind gusts were clocked at 145 mph.

By 8:00 p.m. the storm was immediately over the Olympic Peninsula. Land line telephones were knocked out and power was lost. Roads were blocked with thousands of fallen trees. The storm described here was not shattering or unique, but roads were closed for days and power was off for nearly 10 days.

If such an event would occur again, our Block Captains would self-activate and report neighborhood conditions and requests for assistance. They also would be able to provide their neighbors with updates.

Residents also have some responsibilities. The Department of Homeland Security and the American Red Cross recommend being prepared by 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.

If you want more detailed information on what you need to do to be prepared, please go online to the free, step-by-step course at [www.getemergencyprepared.com](http://www.getemergencyprepared.com).

# Beach Club/North Bay News

Submit your articles to Barbara Berthiaume at 437-0423, or by e-mail to [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, December 1, 9:00 a.m.

### LMC Board Meeting

Saturday, December 13, 9:00 a.m.

Tel: 437-9201

e-mail: [beachclub@olympus.net](mailto:beachclub@olympus.net)

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Visit [www.lmcbeachclub.com](http://www.lmcbeachclub.com) for more complete information

All LMC members are welcome. ☼

## Crossroads

by Jim Boyer, LMC President

With only one month left before we flip open the 2009 calendar, it is time to take a look at what I anticipate as the most important agenda project in the coming year for the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC), and one that is foremost on the minds of the membership—the Beach Club.

A combination of under-funding and deferred maintenance over 40 years has brought us to the point where we have to make critical decisions about the future of the facility and its value to the members and the community. I hope that the seriousness of this issue will be the catalyst that brings members forward to offer comments, ideas, and expert opinions that will aid and direct the Board.

Estimates of projected expenses needed just to preserve the present condition of the facility are ranging from \$300,000 to \$400,000. The projects I am speaking of will accomplish maintenance and repair efforts only. There will be no actual improvements or upgrades to the existing building provided by the anticipated expenditures. Some of the budgeting for necessary projects is captured in the operational reserves while others are not.

The shortfall of financial reserves and the importance of the work that is necessary to keep the facility in its current operating condition are going to require an increase in the annual assessment. How much that increase needs to be and what it will accomplish is undetermined at this point. The Board is grappling with the same issues facing families and businesses all across the land. Do we stretch our budget just enough to maintain what we have? Some people consider that to be a poor use of resources and say that we should not nickel and dime ourselves into a pitfall of putting band-aids on band-aids.

In our last workshop I asked for a show of hands from people who would support spending a half million bucks to see the building look exactly as it does now, but last another ten years or so. No hands went up. Subsequent brainstorming led us into the exploration of what an

entire new facility might cost, what it would mean to the membership, what a modern facility would look like and provide, and how we might get there.

Brainstorming is just that; no ideas are off the board. Do we maintain? Do we rebuild? Might we sell the property and move the facility to another location? What might an assessment increase be, or can we do something productive without one?

Your voice can and should be heard. There are meetings of the Board and the Operations Committee that you can attend where input is welcomed and encouraged. You can also offer comments or ideas in writing, or send an e-mail or drop a note off at the Beach Club. Whatever you choose to do, please take the time to involve yourself and help us make the best and most productive decision for all of our members.

## LMC Special Meeting Highlights

by Barbara Berthiaume, North Bay Editor

The Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Board held a special meeting on Wednesday, October 29, at 1:00 p.m. in the Bay View Room of the Beach Club.

General Manager Brian Belmont stated the meeting was to bring the Operations Committee members and the Trustees up to speed on the men's locker room floor drain project. The floor drains in the locker room have failed and the floor drain P-traps have rusted out. The decision has been made that LMC needs to replace the drainage system in the men's locker room. Mr. Belmont and Trustee Bradshaw have met with plumbers and Jack Riggen, a structural engineer and LMC member.

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The following actions were taken at the October 29 meeting:

- A motion was passed for Brian Belmont and the Operations Committee to obtain individual bids from subcontractors and several bids from general contractors for estimates to do the entire men's locker room project based on the specifications provided by Trustee Bradshaw.
- Mike Larkin was approved as a member of the Operations Committee.
- A motion was passed to accept the appointment of an ad-hoc committee to research the request from the Door of Grace Ministries Church for an easement through the greenbelt on Osprey Ridge Road. Committee members include Ted Buehler, Dwayne Wilcox, Bob Bima, Art Moyer, Hugh Jenings, President Jim Boyer and General Manager Brian Belmont. It was noted that further members might be appointed subject to Board approval.
- The Board authorized the distribution of all appropriate legal opinions to the new ad-hoc committee.
- A motion was passed to set an appeal hearing relating to an undeveloped lot for Saturday, November 15, at 9:00 a.m.

## LMC November Meeting Highlights

*by Barbara Berthiaume, North Bay Editor*

The monthly meeting of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) was held on Saturday, November 8. President Jim Boyer noted that the Beach Club renovation is a very high priority and the Board is looking for volunteers in finance and construction to step forward to assist with the various projects.

The trustees asked the Finance and Operations Committees to come up with a fair cost approach analysis to determine the value of long and short-term renter guest contracts that provide amenity access to tenants who are renting LMC homes/condominiums.

The trustees authorized the Door of Grace Easement ad-hoc committee to discuss with Kevin Hunter the possibility of selling an easement or selling a portion of the LMC reserve property, both of which would require membership approval. The ad-hoc committee will also suggest to Mr. Hunter that he explore all other ingress/egress options with Jefferson County.

The following actions were taken at the November 8 LMC Board meeting:

- Steve Siegiel has been accepted as a member of the Door of Grace Easement ad-hoc committee.
- The Board moved to buy heat pumps for the swimming pools in order to conserve energy costs with the expectation that the expense will be recouped with the savings in four years or less.
- A motion was passed that the Board go into executive session immediately after the meeting to discuss the Door of Grace Easement issue.

The LMC Board will review the 2009 Operating Budget at the November 15 Special Board meeting.

## LMC November Committee Chair Activities

*by Barbara Berthiaume, North Bay Editor*

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

### **Architectural Control Committee (ACC):**

Bill Lazarus, Chair

Activities of the ACC include dealing with disputes and permit applications. The Committee is addressing how to deal with violations consistently and how to make formal notification of findings.

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

Dwayne Wilcox, Chair

The Committee is in the process of setting the agenda through the next annual meeting. A very high priority is to amend the Articles of Incorporation and the Bylaws so they are in agreement with each other. The Committee is reviewing a draft of an attorney contact policy.

### **Communications Committee:**

Barbara Berthiaume, Chair

The fall newsletter has been sent and the winter edition is slated for mid-**December**. The Board has adopted the recommendation from the Committee for a Volunteer Resource Team that would develop a method to build a list of potential participants to be available to the Board and Committee chairs for open positions within the LMC. The list will be based on LMC members' skills, interests and background.

### **Finance Committee (FC):**

John Van Zonneveld, Chair

The General Manager and Operations Committee have studied the equipment and costs connected with heating the indoor and outdoor swimming pools and spa, and are recommending that LMC switch to heat pumps for primary pool water heating.

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Brian Belmont reported on the results of the audit of the 2006 and 2007 LMC balance sheets performed by Hurley, White and Williams, PS. The audit shows that all LMC financial statements during the period examined conform to generally accepted accounting principles with one exception. This exception pertained to the capitalization and depreciation of certain LMC capital assets. With the auditor's assistance, LMC has made the necessary corrections to reflect fixed asset depreciation, and will continue this procedure.

The Committee is in the process of reviewing and amending the proposed 2009 budget to present to the Board at the November 15 Special Board Meeting.

#### **Greenbelt Committee (GBC):**

Ted Buehler, Chair

A range of options in proactive management of the Greenbelt is under discussion with the focus on engaging volunteers to step forward to assist in specific projects.

#### **Operations Committee:**

Jim Goode, Chair

The Committee has been working in close collaboration with the Finance Committee and General Manager to come up with a recommendation for reducing energy expenses involving the swimming pools. Operational aspects of the Beach Club equipment and maintenance needs are also being reviewed in order to come up with a strategy to meet the resultant challenges.

## **Manager's November Report**

*by Brian Belmont, Beach Club Manager*

As of November 7, there is currently \$4,057.59 in past due assessments and fees owed to Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) by four property owners. Since last month's meeting, LMC has collected one past due assessment.

LMC recently sold the 1989 Ford pickup for \$450 and the money has been deposited into the LMC Reserve account.

We are working on the 2009 Operating Budget. The Board has set the date for the Membership Budget Ratification Meeting as **Saturday, December 13**.

I recently met with Port Ludlow Associates (PLA) construction manager Brent Sasse to discuss floor drain replacement in the men's locker room. I will be getting additional proposals in the weeks to come.

The tree roots that had grown into the Beach Club's eight-inch storm drainpipe and caused a blockage have been cut out. To prevent this from happening again, I'm getting prices to remove the two adjacent fir trees.

The Beach Club management would like to thank Jerry Nelson who repaired an electrical problem we were having in the men's locker room, and also Bill and Peggy Harju who recently donated a 19-inch computer monitor that we are using with our camera monitoring system. Their donations were greatly appreciated.

## **HOPL's Holiday Dinner**

It's that time of year for friends and neighbors to come together and celebrate the season. Put on your holiday best and join us for a wonderful evening of dinner and entertainment **Saturday, December 13**, at the North Bay Home Owners Pot Luck (HOPL). Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and dinner is served at 6:30 p.m.

The Prime Rib dinner includes a potato dish, vegetable, salad and dessert. Of course wine, beer and pop are included and the cost is \$17 per person. Don't forget to bring your table service. Sign up at the Beach Club no later than **Wednesday, December 10**. Entertainment will feature one of Port Ludlow's own, Kathie Sharp, a very accomplished pianist, playing seasonal music. For any questions call Marilyn Durand at 437-7677. This is shaping up to be a special evening. ☼

## **Beach Club Pancake Breakfast with Santa**

On **Wednesday, December 24**, between 9:00 a.m. and noon, bring your children or grandchildren and enjoy breakfast with Santa. We will have crafts, caroling and special entertainment. Santa arrives promptly at 11:00 a.m. Please bring a wrapped gift for each child, written clearly with child's name and age. Gifts should be \$10 and under. You may drop your gift at the Beach Club prior to arriving. Volunteers are welcome, as we can't do it without you!

The Port Ludlow Kids Club had a great Halloween party with a big turnout. Thank you to Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) and North Bay Lot Owners Association (LOA) for donating money to help with our parties.

For more information or to volunteer please e-mail Michelle or Jen at [searogueministries@yahoo.com](mailto:searogueministries@yahoo.com). ☼

## Free Firewood for Volunteers

From time to time it becomes necessary to cut trees from the Greenbelt. In most cases the trunk and limbs are left on the ground for the nutrients and natural habitat. There are instances however where removal is deemed to be the best approach and we would like to make it available to our members, who have been authorized by and are working under the supervision of the Greenbelt Committee.

What would be asked in return is that members would be willing to occasionally volunteer their time with Greenbelt projects. If you are interested, sign the Free Firewood List that is posted on the Beach Club bulletin board. If the Committee needs assistance with Greenbelt projects, we will contact people on the list. Those who are able to volunteer will have priority when wood is available. If you would like additional details, please contact Ted Buehler, Greenbelt Chairman at 437-0500.

## Welcome North Bay Newcomers!

Taylor Prejean

Tyee Lane

## Heritage Museum Open at Fort Worden

Commanding Officer's Quarters Heritage Museum at Fort Worden State Park will be open **Friday, December 26 through Tuesday, December 30**, noon to 4: 00 p.m. There is a \$2 fee for adults while admission is free for children 12 and under.

In the early 1900s families that lived in this house celebrated the Christmas holiday by making their own tree ornaments and using fir greens and holly to enhance the front parlor, dining room and reception area. The Heritage Museum is decorated for this occasion and warmly welcomes you, your family and friends to visit this 12-room house furnished with antiques and decorated for the festive season. Docents are always available for information and conversation.

## Holiday Open House

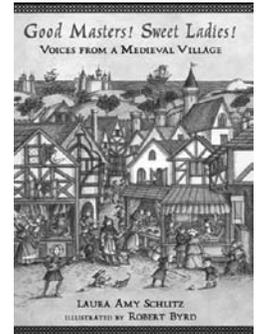
Join the staff, Board of Trustees, and Friends of the Library for their annual Open House on **Wednesday, December 10**, 2:00–5:00 p.m. You will be able to create cards, gift tags, ornaments and other crafts of the season. All materials will be provided.

This is a free event for all ages held at the Jefferson County Library in Port Hadlock.

## Recommended Children's Books

by Kathleen Traci, Contributing Editor

Encouraging your intermediate grade children or grandchildren to read all of the Newbery Award books will enrich their lives, especially if you share and discuss them together. The 2008 Newbery Award winner is *Good Masters! Sweet Ladies! Voices from a Medieval Village* by Laura Amy Schlitz. Past Newbery Award winners are listed under book awards on the [ala.org](http://ala.org) website.



2008 Newbery Award winner.

Courtesy photo

If you want to expose young children to innovative art in picture books, read them the Caldecott Award winners and talk with them about the illustrations. The 2008 Caldecott Award winner is *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick. For a complete list of Caldecott Winners, place the term “Caldecott Medal Winners 1938–Present” in your web browser.

To encourage kindergarten through grade two (K-2) students' love of reading, provide them with books that other children love. The following books recently won state-wide K-2 student popularity contests: *My Lucky Day* by Keiko Kasza; *Superdog: The Heart of a Hero* by Caralyn Buehner; *If I Built a Car* by Chris Van Dusen and *David Gets in Trouble* by David Shannon. Younger children also love the “Pigeon” books by Mo Willems. A personal favorite is *Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!* My vote for the best picture book of all time still goes to Maurice Sendak's *Where the Wild Things Are*, but *No, David!* by David Shannon and *Mattland* by Hazel Hutchins are running close seconds because they resonate with children's personal experiences.

Having favorite authors and book series is important. A series of picture books about Skippyjon are popular with young students. *The Magic School Bus* series encourages second graders' entry into the world of science. Series chapter books about school experiences, like the Junie B. Jones books, are popular with third graders. Fourth graders still love Beverly Cleary's and Judy Blume's books, especially *The Mouse and the Motorcycle* and *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*. The easiest way for children to become better readers is to become hooked on a good book series or an author. The best way to develop children's love of literature is to share books together.

# Bay Club/South Bay News

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 Denotes Bay Club members-only activity.

## SBCA Board Meeting

**Friday, December 5, 9:00 a.m.**  
All SBCA members are welcome. 

## SBCA Update

by Dan Meade, SBCA President

The meeting of the South Bay Community Association (SBCA) Board of Directors was held at the Bay Club on November 7. Directors present were: Joe Kelly, Tom McCay, Dan Meade, Ken Snider, Lee Springgate, Sharon Walker and Chris Whitehurst. Mike Morgan and Linda Colasurdo of the SBCA staff were also in attendance as were 16 residents and the recording secretary Mea Graham.

**Financial Report:** Chris Whitehurst reported the financial highlights for September, showing the total current assets for the month to be \$324,167.58 and total assets to be \$552,968.65, with an increase of \$43,357.90 over last year's total assets. The Income Statement for September showed total revenues of \$12,626.70, total operating expenses of \$24,830.36 and a net operating surplus of \$12,861.90 for the current fiscal year. The Maintenance Reserve is \$159,744.42 and the Renovation Fund is \$118,670.79 with no expenses reported in either category.

Delinquent dues: only one resident is one quarter behind in dues. Whitehurst thanked SBCA members for keeping up with their payments in these difficult times.

**PLVC Highlights:** Phil Otness reported that the Public Utilities District (PUD) initiative passed; Whidbey and Skagit did not pass and that will work in our favor in our ability to receive cheaper Tier 1 power. Meade congratulated Otness and his Committee for their success on the PUD proposition.

A position is open for an SBCA representative on the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC). Bill Browne added that we need to have greater representation and that with tasks assigned, the PLVC appears to be well organized and active. SBCA will have a discussion of the relationship with PLVC at our **December** meeting.

**Operations Report:** Mike Morgan stated that we are now at the maximum for Associate Members. The Board voted to increase the number of authorized Associate Memberships by five.

**Finance & Long-range Planning (FLRP):** Lee Springgate reported that Morgan and Whitehurst are still working on financials. The concept of a 501(c)(3) is more complex than they had originally thought. Morgan had discussions with the County on the requirement for a sprinkler system; blueprints of the Bay Club have been submitted to County. We are studying the possibility that a sprinkler system would not be required in any remodel design. Morgan is hoping to hear back from Jefferson County soon.

The Committee intends to re-evaluate the capital priorities within the next few months and will return to the Board with its determinations. The Committee made a recommendation to improve the lighting for the wood shop to bring it up to the level of the other lighting in the Bay Club. The recommendation was approved.

**Old Business:** Meade solicited a wide range of views regarding the Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) concerns. Ken Snider spoke to the six key points upon which IMQ Company and their attorneys have responded. Basically IMQ is willing to make some concessions, unwilling to give up the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and willing to go to the wall legally. After soliciting comments from the floor and Board members, it was decided that these concerns should to be demonstrated to the Jefferson County officials. It is imperative that we continue the support of those fighting against IMQ.

On **Monday, December 1**, at 5:00 p.m. in the Jefferson County courthouse there will be a County Commissioners' meeting on the IMQ's Mineral Resource Land Overlay (MRLO) which all interested parties should attend.

Other issues raised by the Board and attendees included:

- that a request from Mats Mats Quarry to upgrade their docks may have been submitted
- that no tax money comes to Jefferson County from the sale of the quarry products; yet, Jefferson County could be forced to improve roads to accommodate increased truck traffic

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- that 15 percent of Jefferson County taxes come directly from Port Ludlow residents
- that we vote for them (the Jefferson County Commissioners) and IMQ does not
- that we pay more taxes than IMQ will
- that LMC (North Bay residents) could be affected by Mats Mats new permit
- that PLVC and Port Ludlow Associates (PLA) also need to pay into funds for related legal action costs
- Perhaps an IMQ committee is needed to bolster contributions to support the legal effort, plan a fundraiser, contact PLA, etc. SBCA and PLVC are exploring setting up such a committee.

SBCA approved \$5,000 to support the legal fight against IMQ. The money will go into the PLVC legal fund. If not needed, the money will be returned.

**Comments from the Floor:** Bill Browne asked Dave Armitage for a calendar of meetings and hearings for IMQ actions; Meade asked for a one page bullet point document to be placed on the PLVC website and sent to the SBCA e-mail list and to the *Voice*.

**South Bay Drainage District:** Tom McCay suggested it would be prudent for South Bay to consider becoming part of the Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD). There are a number of retention ponds currently maintained by the individual villages. Maintenance could be professional if we joined into a drainage district. The State and County will soon be re-writing their shoreline management plans with an emphasis on the purity of the water. Responsibility would not lie with the SBCA.

It was suggested that this topic be presented to the Village Presidents and also to those Villages that do not have a homeowner association to see if there is any interest. This will be put on the agenda for a Village presidents' meeting in mid-**February**. Tom McCay will make the presentation at that meeting.

**Other Business:** Linda Colasurdo reported that the SBCA e-mail list has now been broken into Villages rather than a full list as there were too many send-back messages. She will contact Dean Mosier to see if there is someone in the Computer Club who could provide some tech help in obtaining a full, accurate e-mail listing for all SBCA members. Linda will report back next month.

**Digital Village**—Whitehurst reported that an arrangement for free service for one year has been concluded. She believes the service could be a great information-disseminating tool for the community.

The next monthly meeting is scheduled for **Friday, December 5**, 9:00 a.m., at the Bay Club.

## You Are Wanted!

Linda Colasurdo invites you to help decorate the Bay Club on **Tuesday, December 2**, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Please sign up right away so Linda can have plenty of treats on hand for all you elves. 🎄

## Tree Lighting Ceremony

Once our Club is looking holiday festive after the Decorating Party held on **Tuesday, December 2**, we will enjoy our Tree Lighting Ceremony on **Wednesday, December 3**, at 4:00 p.m. The Choral Belles will add to our enjoyment of the Christmas spirit. 🎄

## SBCA Members' Social

Join your neighbors on **Friday, December 12**, 5:00 p.m., at the Bay Club for this last South Bay Community Association (SBCA) members' gathering of the year. Enjoy the beautifully decorated Bay Club and relax with friends while enjoying the excellent hors d'oeuvres that everyone provides. 🎄

## Free Spirits Holiday Party

Free Spirits are celebrating the Holidays this year with the theme, "Bells Are Ringing." This event takes place on **Saturday, December 13**, at the Bay Club with cocktails at 6:00 p.m. and dinner at 7:00 p.m. In last month's *Voice*, we asked you to save the date; we hope you did. Registrations for the event started on Monday, November 10 for members and will begin for non-members on **Monday, December 1**. The last day for saving a spot is **Friday, December 5**. If you haven't added your name to the list of celebrants, you may still have time to do so. The cost is \$25 for members and \$32 for non-members.

You will be wined and dined in elegant fashion while being entertained by Steve Brush at the piano. We are fortunate in having Steve back again this year to help us celebrate this wonderful occasion. It will truly be an evening to remember. Come Join the Fun! 🎄

## New South Bay Members Please welcome them all!

Robert and Marie Bird	Associate Members
Dan and Janie Holtz	Associate Members
Danae Larrance	Ludlow Point 4

**Correction:** Last month, we reported Timberton new residents as Dennis and Christian Glines. They are actually Dennis Glines and Margarita Christian.



# 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 Merry and Economical Peninsula Holiday

*by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor*

Yes, the economy is dismal and your portfolio lost a huge chunk of its assets, but is that any reason we can't have a wonderful holiday season with family and friends? We don't need to wait for a government stimulus package to enjoy this joyous season! It's not supposed to be about a lot of credit card debt anyway, so let's look for some low-budget and free pleasures close at hand.

The Community Chorus of Port Townsend and East Jefferson County puts on a wonderful concert every year (I wouldn't miss it), and you have your choice of an evening or a matinee performance. You can hear the Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra for almost free (\$5) if you attend their morning dress rehearsal (kids welcome), and you can have a beautiful drive across our peninsula too. The County Library in Port Hadlock will host an open house with refreshments on **Wednesday, December 10**. You can make holiday cards, gift tags, ornaments and other seasonal crafts—all materials will be provided and there is no charge.

The Choral Belles will be entertaining us with their annual holiday musical offering at the First Wednesday Luncheon which is open to everyone. The only cost is a contribution to our local Food Bank (which you were going to do anyway). The Port Townsend Community Orchestra, all volunteers but quite professional, will put on a good show with music selected by orchestra members. Admission is free and children are welcome. (Check the Performing Arts Calendar for dates and times.)

On **Saturday, December 6** get on up to Port Townsend for Victorian holidays. You won't want to miss Santa's arrival in a horse-drawn carriage at 4:30 p.m. to light the tree by Haller Fountain. Afterwards kids can tell him their wishes (make sure they understand the economic situation). There will be carriage rides and caroling, the town will be festooned with sparkling lights, and the

shops will stay open late. On **Saturday, December 13**, you will only have to travel to our Marina for Holiday on the Docks. The boats will be lighted; there may be carolers and refreshments (or you can pop into the Fireside Room to warm up with a toddy). Be sure to bundle up!

And finally, dear friends, in addition to regular services, our Port Ludlow Community Church will be hosting a potluck dinner and program on **Sunday, December 21**. Candlelight services will be held on **Wednesday, December 24**, 6:00–6:45 p.m. The church is at 9534 Oak Bay Road, and we're all invited to all events. What a wonderful way to prepare for the Big Day!

And so I wish you, dear readers, a happy holiday season with good health and the love of family and friends.

## The Scents and Sounds of Christmas!

*by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Arts Council Booking Committee Co-chair*

Cookies bakin' and wassail brewin', there's a joyful season in the air! Music playin' and lights a shimmerin', there's a certain glow everywhere! It's Christmas! Pine trees perfumin' and candles flickerin', just some of our favorite things that recall Christmas times in the past. We're filled with nostalgia as we think of our childhood and holidays with parents and siblings. There are memories of when our grown children were young and we hoped everything would be perfect for them. Music, wassail, cookies ... beautifully decorated greens with sparkling lights, some of the scents and sounds of Christmas!

Just as we all had holiday traditions in our families, Port Ludlow has grown to have its annual events that make for a memorable holiday season. Those twinkling lights along the Village Center Parkway, the tour of beautifully decorated homes, lights on tall-masted decorated boats in the Marina, elegant decorations at the Bay Club and

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Beach Club—and of course the Arts Council’s annual holiday concert with its traditional and aromatic wassail bowl during intermission.

You are invited to share in a memorable holiday experience **Sunday, December 14**, when Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents “A Jazzy Little Christmas with the Mike Strickland Quartet” in two shows, 3:00 and 7:30 p.m., sponsored by American Marine Bank. Invite family and friends to join you to hear Mike, a versatile pianist and composer, and his special guest, Seattle’s own Greta Matassa, four times named best jazz vocalist in the Northwest by the readers of *Earshot*, the Seattle jazz magazine.

Both Greta and Mike are veterans of Port Ludlow appearances and will be joined by two other familiar faces—Clipper Anderson, one of the Northwest’s leading bassists, playing acoustic and electric bass—and Mike Ivester, a versatile drummer/percussionist with extensive experience from pop-rock to big band to jazz to orchestral settings and who has appeared with many national jazz artists. As an added treat, Mike has invited Jack Klitzman to join them for the evening. He is a master of saxophones, flutes and clarinet and a veteran musician, having performed with Natalie Cole, Bob Hope, Johnny Mathis, Ray Charles, Gladys Knight, Perry Como, Lou Rawls, Roberta Flack and many others.



Pianist Mike Strickland.  
Submitted photos

Mike and his quartet will play holiday music as well as popular American favorites from the last 80 years. The musical styles will include jazz, blues, boogie and Mike’s cinematic original music. In addition they’ll perform selections from his latest album, *Have Yourself a Jazzy Little Christmas*, including *Deck the Halls*, featured in last

year’s film *This Christmas*. The soundtrack got rave reviews, including one from Roger Ebert, who reported, “But what the audiences will enjoy most is the music. The soundtrack is alive.”

Mississippi-born Strickland grew up listening to Henry Mancini, Vince Guaraldi, the Beatles and Burt Bacharach, and while singing in musicals and school choirs discovered his love for “Great American Songbook” legends—George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Irving Berlin and Duke Ellington. This past summer he composed three songs for the Oprah show, has recorded over 20 albums and sold over 300,000 CDs in the U.S. alone.

Matassa has appeared on our stage multiple times before her loyal fans. Jim Wilke, Seattle jazz maven and host of the syndicated *Jazz After Hours* radio program, praises her versatility, while a *Seattle Times* reviewer said, “... undeniably one of the most talented vocalists in jazz today.”



Greta Matassa.

Before each concert, there is a social hour in the Bay Club Great Room. Doors open at 2:00 p.m. for the matinee and at 6:30 p.m. for the evening show. While enjoying liquid refreshment in the Great Room, you can view pastels by two members of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League, Fran Bodman and Ginny Ford. Bodman has taken classes in various media since retirement and says, “My current passion is pastels, especially portraits.” Ford has studied drawing and painting at Peninsula College and worked with Washington state artist Joseph Lesser. She has been experimenting with a variety of media, but the majority of her work is in pastels and oil paints.

Tickets for “A Jazzy Christmas” are \$20 and can be purchased at the Bay Club, or get a six-concert Flex Pass at \$111 and use it for six concerts or for six tickets to one. Remember to exchange Flex Passes early to be assured of seats. To check on ticket availability, call the Bay Club at 437-2208.

Snowbirds and travelers with Flex Passes who desire tickets for later 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. Remaining concerts in the season include:

- **Saturday, January 24**, 8:00 p.m., AUGUST, four women of a “certain age” who are award-winning recording artists and songwriters.
- **Thursday, February 19**, 7:30 p.m., the dazzling guitar work and clarinet mastery of John Jorgenson and his Quintet.
- **Sunday, March 15**, 5:30 p.m., a cabaret evening with an eclectic and theatrical blend of tunes by Patricia O’Callaghan and her trio followed by a no-host “After Glow” dinner catered by Chef Dan Ratigan of the Inn at Port Ludlow.
- **Thursday, April 16**, 7:30 p.m., a passionate and fiery performance by Craicmore, a four-person ensemble which performs contemporary traditional Celtic music.

## Community Chorus Winter Concert

The Community Chorus of Port Townsend and East Jefferson County, now in its 33rd year, will perform **Friday, December 5**, 7:30 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church in Port Townsend and **Sunday, December 7**, 3:00 p.m. at Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Port Hadlock. Cookies and coffee will be served after the **Sunday** performance.

The program includes secular and sacred, traditional and unusual music of the season. Audience members will be invited to join in the singing of familiar carols.

A children's choir made up of singers who were selected from several local schools and private choirs will join the Chorus in the singing of *Gesu Bambino*. The students range in age from 9 to 17, and were invited to participate because of their interest, motivation and ability as choral singers.

Tickets costing \$10 are available at the door or can be purchased at Crossroads Music in Port Townsend.

## Coffee Concerts Are Back at Turtle Bluff III

Gwendolyn Moore announces that Coffee Concerts have resumed at her new location near Discovery Bay. These concerts take place on **Mondays and Tuesdays** at 10:00 a.m. On **Monday, December 1 and Tuesday, December 2**, the music will include Mozart's *Sonata in D Major*. Moore will be joined by Barbara Hinchliff for duo-piano playing on Debussy's *En Blanc et Noir*. At press time the music for the remaining dates in **December** had not been announced.

A recent attendee at a concert was Port Ludlow's Judy Thomas who said, "Gwen played Bach's *Goldberg Variations* for the first half of the concert. The performance was subtle, sweet, light and lovely—just right for such Baroque music. After the intermission, Gwen and Barbara launched into Rachmaninoff's Dances. The dances are full of color and texture and require great strength and agility." Commenting about the new venue, Judy said, "The concert hall feels a bit like a chapel with its high ceilings, windows and chandeliers. There is a nice central garden for strolling, which should be wonderful when the weather is good."

Admission to the concerts is \$8 or \$35 for a ticket book. Turtle Bluff III is 501(c)(3) non-profit. The proceeds fund musical scholarships for local students. Any donations of violins, violas, cellos, flutes and guitars for students of those instruments are greatly appreciated.

The concerts are held at 523 Blue Ridge Road. To get there, make a right turn off of Discovery Road onto Cape George Road. From there, turn right onto Blue Sky Road; take another right onto Discovery Ridge Road, and then right on Blue Ridge Road. Parking is limited so it is necessary to reserve a space by calling 385-3626.

## Community Orchestra to Perform

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra (PTCO) concert will be held on **Saturday, December 13**, 7:30 p.m., at the Chimacum High School Auditorium. In addition, there will be a carol sing-along with arrangements for brass, woodwind and percussion by orchestra member Karl Bach. The orchestra will play a collection of carols from *Around the World at Christmas Time*.

The featured soloists, Kim and Christina Walters, will play the Two Violin Concerto by Bach. The sisters began their violin studies five years ago with the Pi String Orchestra. They have played with the Olympic Youth Strings, the Olympic Chamber Orchestra and PTCO.

Other music to be included in the program will be the *Fantasia on Greensleeves*. A ballad by this name was registered at the London Stationer's company in 1580, and Shakespeare refers to the tune in *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. *Dawn on the Moscow River* was recommended for the program by violist Paul Cornaby, who listened to a recording of it while traveling at dawn by riverboat on the river. Also on the program is Leopold Stokowski's orchestral transcription of Bach's pipe organ piece *Tocatta and Fugue in D Minor*, which has become one of the most recognized tunes in orchestral literature.

A pre-concert conversation with Maestro Dewey Ehling will begin at 6:45 p.m. This is an opportunity for everyone—especially young musicians—to learn more about the music to be performed.

PTCO is supported by generous contributions from patrons and from local businesses. Admission is free and children are welcome. Visit the orchestra's website at [www.porttownsendorchestra.org](http://www.porttownsendorchestra.org) for additional information.

## AUGUST—What's In a Name?

Looking ahead to the Arts Council's entertainment offering in **January**, you may ask why a quartet of female award-winning recording artists and singer/songwriters would choose to call themselves AUGUST? One writer describes the month of August as a vast sandy wasteland of American culture—when publishers stop releasing books and television is all reruns (or worse). Perhaps the best way to understand their choice of name is that sometimes these women of a “certain age” feel they are at the “wasteland” of their lives.

You will get the picture when you hear AUGUST in a heart-warming, humorous, insightful, intimate and uplifting evening, **Saturday, January 24**, at 8:00 p.m., presented as part of the Performing Arts in Port Ludlow concert series. While these women certainly are not spring chickens, don't be fooled—Rae Armour, Beverley Elliott, Linda Kidder and Meg Tennant are proof positive things are still cookin' in the hen house.

For over 30 years, Rae Armour has performed solo concerts on many stages throughout Canada and including the U.S., Australia and Europe. She was an opening act for Faith Hill in Whistler, B.C. Her warm, dusky voice and musical versatility please fans of both roots and rock and her cheeky wit and charismatic stage presence are always a delightful surprise!

An irrepressible redhead, Beverley Elliott has been entertaining for over 15 years with her own brand of earthy country folk music, including opening for The Oakridge Boys. She makes her living as an actress in television, theater and in films, appearing in Clint Eastwood's *Unforgiven* and *The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants*.

Linda Kidder sang with k.d. lang in the 90s and appeared in over 100 concerts as well as on *Letterman* and *The Tonight Show*. Her lyrics ask, “What's life, without a little bit of romance? What's life, without a tiny bit of risk? What's life, without some broken hearts behind you? Relax ... you might be very close to bliss.”

Meg Tennant has delighted audiences with her songs of lightness and wonder. One reviewer described her work as rich and dreamy. Passionate about songwriting, she has performed at many songwriter showcases, and she co-wrote the theme song for a documentary feature film, *The Nature of Beauty*.

Tickets for this concert are \$20 and will be available at the Bay Club beginning **Sunday, December 14**. Men and women will respond to the music and comedic havoc as the women of AUGUST weave a musical tapestry of wit, wisdom, womanhood, harmonies, hilarity and hips.

## Messiah Sing-Along Benefit

For those who believe that Handel's *Messiah* is part of the Christmas season, singers and listeners are encouraged to attend a sing-along of the traditional oratorio on **Sunday, December 14**, 7:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 1111 Franklin Street in Port Townsend.

This sing-along was launched in 2006 as a benefit event for the Gerry Hyatt Bergstrom Scholarship Fund, a choral scholarship administered by the Community Chorus of Port Townsend and East Jefferson County. It was established in memory of the late Bergstrom who co-founded the chorus more than 30 years ago. As an active member of the chorus, an educator and a well-known soprano soloist who performed for the Port Ludlow Arts Council, Bergstrom would have been proud to be associated with this endeavor according to members of the Chorus Board of Directors. Suggested donation is \$20, but any amount is welcomed.

Rebecca Rottsolk directs. She has assembled a chamber orchestra to accompany the singers and has hand-picked the soloists, many of whom have sung at previous concerts.

## Tom Lynch Watercolor Workshop

Tom Lynch of Public Broadcasting System (PBS) fame is coming to the Olympic Peninsula **Friday–Sunday, April 17–19** for workshops sponsored by Akamai Art and Glass Supply in Port Townsend.

Lynch brings to these classes the same energy seen on his national PBS series, “Fun with Watercolor,” that has aired for the last 20 years. His objective is to show the vast range and flexibility of watercolor and to put emotion and conviction into painting by exploring, experimenting and developing creativity. He likes to put fun into the process of painting, along with enthusiasm and new techniques.

The workshops will include: “Think Like an Artist,” **Friday, April 17**, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.; “Skies, Clouds and Sunsets,” **Friday, April 17**, 1:30–4:30 p.m.; “Waves, Rivers and Reflections,” **Saturday, April 18**, 9:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.; “Cape Cod Garden on Watercolor Canvas,” **Saturday, April 18**, 1:30–4:30 p.m.; and a one-day workshop “Creating a ‘WOW’ in Watercolor,” **Sunday, April 19**, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

Supplies will be provided. Fees are \$65 for one segment, \$124 for two, \$175 for three, \$220 for four or \$320 for all. Fees are non-refundable. Deposits can be made to Akamai with full payment due by **Saturday, January 31, 2009**. For more information call 385-3970.

## Performing Arts Calendar

### Friday and Sunday, December 5 and 7

The Community Chorus of Port Townsend and East Jefferson County plans a program of secular, sacred and traditional music with carol singing and a children's choir joining in on *Gesu Bambino*, **Friday** at the First Presbyterian Church, Port Townsend, 7:30 p.m., and **Sunday** at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Port Hadlock, 3:00 p.m.

### Friday, Saturday and Sunday, December 5, 6 and 7

It's the final weekend for *Plaid Tidings* at Poulsbo's Jewel Box Theatre. If you loved *Forever Plaid*, you'll enjoy this holiday presentation of favorites from past shows, **Friday** and **Saturday** 8:00 p.m., with a 2:00 p.m. show on **Sunday**, 360-779-9688, [www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org](http://www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org).

### Saturday, December 6

Support Bainbridge Performing Arts at its annual FUNdraiser, which includes dessert and champagne, a drawing, and the improv show *Holidays on The EDGE*, 7:30 p.m., 206-842-8569, [www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org](http://www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org).

### Saturday, December 6

The Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Concert will include Bach's *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*; *Christmas Overture* by Coleridge-Taylor; and Grainger's *Children's March* plus more festive holiday surprises, dress rehearsal, 10:00 a.m., pre-concert chat, 6:40 p.m., concert 7:30 p.m., Port Angeles High School Auditorium, 360-457-5579, [www.olympen.com/pasymphony](http://www.olympen.com/pasymphony).

### Wednesday, December 10

The lead vocalist from *Riverdance* on Broadway, Michael Londra, stars in a heartwarming evening of Christmas from Ireland with traditional carols, ancient airs and stories including Irish dancing, 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, December 11–21

Poor Princess Winnifred! First she has to swim the moat to get to the castle, and then her potential mother-in-law puts a lumpy old pea into her bed to test her royal character when *The Princess and the Pea* is set to music at Bainbridge Performing Arts, **Thursday–Saturday** at 7:30 p.m., **Saturday** and **Sunday** matinees at 3:00 p.m., 206-842-8569, [www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org](http://www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org). Suitable for all ages.

### Saturday, December 13

The Bremerton Symphony's holiday concert will include Respighi's *Laud to the Nativity* as well as traditional best-loved seasonal selections, 7:30 p.m., Bremerton Performing Arts Center, 360-373-1722, [www.bremertonsymphony.org](http://www.bremertonsymphony.org).

### Saturday, December 13

See the improvisational actors in *The Portable Reality Show* when they hold forth at the Jewel Box Theatre, Poulsbo, 7:30 and 10:00 p.m., 360-779-9688, [www.brownpapertickets.org](http://www.brownpapertickets.org).

### Saturday, December 13

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra's Christmas concert will include music chosen by orchestra members, with young violin soloists Kim and Christina Walters, and a carol sing-along, pre-concert chat 6:45 p.m., concert, 7:30 p.m., Chima-cum High School Auditorium, [www.porttownsendorchestra.org](http://www.porttownsendorchestra.org).

### Sunday, December 14

Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents a holiday doubleheader with "A Jazzy Little Christmas" featuring the Mike Strickland Quartet and guest vocalist Greta Matassa, 3:00 and 7:30 p.m., Bay Club, 437-2208.

### Sunday, December 14

A *Messiah* sing-along directed by Rebecca Rottsolik is planned at the First Presbyterian Church, Port Townsend, with soloists and a chamber orchestra, 7:00 p.m., a benefit for the Gerry Hyatt Bergstrom Scholarship Fund.

### Thursday, December 18

Candlelight Concert performed by Port Ludlow's Choral Belles, Trinity Methodist Church, Port Townsend, 7:00 p.m., 437-0507.

### Thursday, December 18

The Admiral Theatre's Tenth Annual holiday tradition is full of song, dance and a few surprises from the area's most talented performers in a variety show format, 7:00 p.m., Bremerton, 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

### Friday and Sunday, December 19 and 21

The fascinating musical mind of Finland's genius, Jean Sibelius, will be the focus of Alan and Sandy Rawson's Northern Lights concert and will include many of his rarely performed virtuoso duo masterpieces for violin and piano, 2:00 p.m., 379-3449, contact [rawson@waypoint.com](mailto:rawson@waypoint.com) to be added to the mailing list.

### Saturday, December 27

Cure those post-holiday blahs by watching Port Ludlow's own hula troupe Na Hula O Kauhale No Nahele Kai perform with musicians Naki'i at Ferino's Pizza Parlor, Port Hadlock, 5:30-8:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, December 31

Comedy! Laugh 'til it hurts with the Best of Seattle Comedy Underground! Enjoy a toast at midnight and dance until 2:00 a.m. on the Admiral Theatre stage, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, [www.admiraltheatre.org](http://www.admiraltheatre.org).

## Come Paint with Joy

"Watercolors by Joy" is offering a new series of six classes beginning in **January**. Artist Joy Herring will teach an intermediate/advanced session on **Thursday** mornings at the Bay Club, beginning on **January 15** and running through **February 19**. Focus of this series of lessons will be improving color and value patterns within our paintings, along with some experimental work. Each class is three hours long, from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

At the time of this writing, there is one opening still available for a beginning class on **Monday** afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. starting **January 12** through **February 16**.

Register for either class at the Bay Club for a fee of \$120. Your check, made payable to Joy Herring, will be your receipt. You may contact Joy at 437-4171 with any questions.

# Chamber of Commerce

## Chamber News

The next Port Ludlow Chamber luncheon is **Wednesday, December 10**, 11:45 a.m., Olympic Room, Inn At Port Ludlow. The **December 10** luncheon is the annual holiday Chamber social so plan an extended lunchtime until 2:00 p.m. to enjoy the festivities!

The famous “bottle auction” will transpire. Bring a bottle of something—anything—wrap it in a clever disguise and join in the bidding fun! The 2008 charity recipient of bottle auction funds will be United Good Neighbors (UGN) of Jefferson County.

## Special Notes of Appreciation

Thank you to Linda Saunders, CFE, CPA, CGFM, Investigative Expert and owner of Forensic Accounting Consultation for her informative talk at the November meeting. The talk was on employee embezzlements, how they happen, and what we as business owners can do to prevent this fraudulent activity. At present, Linda works “nearly exclusively in investigative assignments for both civil and criminal litigation.” Her contact information is 360-765-3665 or 206-948-5841.

## Business Blast: Piano Studio

Kathie Sharp received the opportunity to give her new Port Ludlow business a quick blast of attention at the November luncheon meeting. The Kathie Sharp Piano Studio has relocated to the Olympic Peninsula in picturesque Port Ludlow. **December** enrollments are open to all ages and levels of piano-playing abilities and are being accepted by phoning 437-7928.

Kathie’s prior studio locations include Edmonds and Packwood, WA. She is an accomplished pianist and has performed with chamber ensembles and orchestras. (See related article and picture on page 13)

## Changes at Coldwell Banker

Karen Best has been appointed managing broker of the Port Ludlow office of Coldwell Banker Town & County Real Estate. She was branch manager in the 1990s and more recently as an associate broker with The Best Team. Bill Holmberg has joined the office as a sales associate.

## Local Holiday Shopping Ideas

Here is a mini-sample of local holiday shopping ideas. Use your imagination and ask the local businesses you frequent for other holiday shopping ideas. Support your local Port Ludlow merchants!

- Ludlow Bay Massage & Wellness Spa offers gift certificates and holiday spa packages.
- American Marine Bank offers the gift suggestion of a savings bond for kids or grandkids.
- Dana Pointe Interiors features gift items and holiday decorations.
- Once Upon A Time offers gift items to include coffee gift cards.
- Port Ludlow Marina Store features gift items.

## Volunteering and Offering Suggestions

The Port Ludlow Chamber seeks volunteers to serve as 2009 Board members and 2009 Committee members. Let us know if you are interested!

Contact the Chamber at [info@portludlowchamber.org](mailto:info@portludlowchamber.org) if you want to serve on the Chamber Board in 2009 or if you have ideas for guest speakers, community enhancement projects, and/or membership drive promotional ideas. The Chamber welcomes your input.

## Snug Harbor Winter Hours

Snug Harbor Cafe has changed its hours to its winter schedule. **Monday through Thursday**, the café is open from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.; **Friday**, 8:30 a.m.–8:00 p.m.; **Saturday**, 8:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.; **Sunday**, 8:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m.

In the event of a power outage or winter storm, Snug will do everything possible to be open to serve you (staff safety and availability being a deciding issue). Please call 437-8072 for daily specials and changes in hours.

# Port Ludlow Associates

## Developer News

by Diana Smeland, Port Ludlow Associates, President

Happy Holidays! Here's to our health, to our families and to our friends. We are rich when we have these in our lives.

**Ludlow Cove II (Log Dump):** As reported last month, we have an approved project. However, Les Powers is appealing our shoreline permit to the Shoreline Hearings Board. We are hopeful that it is denied due to timeliness.

**Ludlow Bay Village:** The County has noticed the bifurcation of the shoreline permit, which divides the currently approved shoreline permit into two permits; 1) for the uplands portion of the project, and 2) for the aquatic improvements portion of the project. The County has started the Shoreline permit process for the uplands area. This includes the town home/condo development around the lagoon; the removal and rebuilding of the Harbor-master building down on the water by the Marina store; the rebuilding of the Marina store and office; additional residential construction around the Harbormaster and Marina office; enhanced amenities including Yacht Club gathering areas; a designated and signed pedestrian trail system extension to the existing Port Ludlow Trail system; a boardwalk connecting The Inn to the Marina; the Admiralty III park/play area and ultimately, the Admiralty III condo project.

For the aquatic improvements, namely the Marina Expansion, we are working to complete the necessary permits including the HPA (Hydraulic Permit Application) and the Army Corps of Engineers Permit. Upon approval of those two permits, the County will issue the shoreline permit for the aquatic phase of the project.

**Referral Bonus:** Refer your friends and family. This way you can visit, play golf, hike, boat, dine or maybe just relax together. If you let us know they are coming and they purchase a PLA home, we will give you a referral bonus of \$1,500 to use at our facilities.

**Manganese:** We are starting to work with a consultant to identify treatment alternatives and cost estimates to lower the levels of manganese in our drinking water. This issue has plagued some homes with plumbing fixture staining, but in other homes there are no symptoms. While citrus products prove effective for cleaning the staining, the ultimate solution is to treat the water at the source.

I would love to hear from you with questions that I could answer in my column.

We continue to look forward to meeting with groups and residents to share ideas or deal with any expressed concerns about Port Ludlow's future. Randy Verrue is now a resident of Port Ludlow and is usually around for the second and 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 e-mail to [dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com](mailto:dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com).

## Resort News

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

I cannot believe the winter Holidays are right around the corner. Santa is coming on his sleigh, the lights of Hanukah will warm up the cold air, and a big bag full of wonderful specials is waiting for you at the Port Ludlow Resort.

### Mark your Calendars:

Until **Thursday, May 21, 2009:** Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner will be served daily at the Fireside Restaurant.

**Wednesday, December 17,** International Dinner at the Marina Room: "A Holiday Celebration in the South," 6:00 p.m.

**Friday, December 19:** A Day with Chef Dan, 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 24:** Christmas Eve Dinner, seating between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., by reservation only. Reserve now.

**Wednesday, December 31:** New Year's Eve Dinner, seating between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m., by reservation only. Reserve now.

### Harbormaster

The Harbormaster is available for private functions, holiday parties, meetings and banquets.

Fireside Restaurant: Our country-style breakfast is being served daily from 7:30 until 11:00 a.m. All of your favorites are back on the menu: Classic Continental, The Farmers' Market, Eggs Benedict, Crab Cake Benedict, Chef Dan's Special Omelets and more.

Fireside is offering seasonal comfort food for lunch from 11:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m., fresh soups made from scratch daily, local shellfish, fresh salads, pasta and more, super sandwiches, our famous Natural Country Beef™ burgers, daily fishmonger specials, artisan farmhouse cheeses and tantalizing desserts.

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Dinner served daily at Fireside Restaurant from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Our Autumn Fireside Dinner menu features the finest of the Northwest; the best of the best from local waters, Jidori Chicken, Natural Country Beef™, Anderson Ranch lamb, Venison, Grimaud duck, local farms greens and vegetables and inspired desserts. All of this is for you to enjoy with the rarest award-winning wines of the Northwest.

### **Fireside Special Events in December:**

**Sundays and Wednesdays:** “Half Price Wine!” Don’t be afraid to order a rare wine from our wine list—it’s 50 percent off!

**Mondays:** Come in with your spouse or friend, buy two entrées, and the second one will be half off. That’s correct! Fifty percent discount on your second entrée. (The 50 percent off applies to the less expensive of the two entrées.) And now the icing on the cake: bring your own bottle (BYOB) and the corkage is on us!

**Tuesdays:** New! New! “Paris Comes to Your Table.” We are inviting you to enjoy our Parisian Bistro Menu, seating from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. The menu selections include: “Soupe à l’Oignon” (French Onion Soup), “Escargots de Bourgogne” (snails in garlic butter), “Salade Auvergnate” (arugula, endive, blue cheese, roasted walnuts, and apple with walnut vinaigrette), “Onglet à l’Echalote” (Kobe Beef Hanger Steak, shallot sauce), “Coq au Vin” (organic capon marinated in red wine, bacon, button mushrooms and pearl onions), “Mignon de Porc à la Parisienne” (pork tenderloin, garlic confit, mashed potatoes), “Les Fromages Affinés du Jour” (Chef Dan’s daily selection of cheeses), “Mousse au Chocolat” (dark chocolate mousse), “Crème Brûlée” (classic custard with a layer of hard caramel) and much more! The cost for this three-course Parisian Bistro menu is \$19. For an additional \$5 it will be paired with wines, a glass of vintage white with the appetizer and a glass of a great red with your entrée. Reserve now as seats are already very limited. Call Paul at 437-7074.

**Thursdays:** “Cena Con La Famiglia Ed Amici,” Italian Family-Style Dinner! Bring your family and friends (minimum 4 guests). Come and enjoy a genuine three-course Italian dinner; seating family style every Thursday from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. You’ll discover Tuscan soups, risottos from Lombardy, polenta and pasta from the Veneto, entrées from Emilia-Romagna and desserts from Sicily and other provinces. Now the cost for all this: \$60 for a party of four and \$15 for each additional guest (free for children under five). Italian Family Dinner paired with

award-winning Italian Wines: \$80 for a party of four and \$20 for each additional guest (kids under five don’t get wine; maybe they should!) This special is for Thursdays in December. Reserve now! Seats are very limited. Call Paul at 437-7074.

### **Wine Aficionados News**

Some great Northwest wines are here: Columbia Valley—Fidelitas Optu, Fidelitas Cabernet Sauvignon, Saggi; Walla Walla—Cañon del Sol Meritage; Yakima—DeLille Doyenne Syrah, DeLille Doyenne Roussane; Chateau Ste. Michelle Ethos Cabernet and Syrah, Ramey Chardonnay, Woodward Canyon Cabernet Sauvignon and many more. All these highly rated wines will be yours to sip at half price on Sundays and Wednesdays.

On **Mondays:** Bring your own bottle (BYOB), the corkage is on us!

New, on **Tuesdays:** Bistro Wines pairing our three-course Parisian Bistro Meal: \$19 per guest for the three-course dinner; \$24 per guest for the three-course dinner including wine pairing.

On **Thursdays:** Italian Family-Style paired with great wines from the major Italian viticulture regions (Piedmont, Tuscany, Umbria, Lombardy, Veneto and Alto Adige), \$80 for a party of four, \$20 for each additional guest.

**International Dinner:** A Holiday Dinner in the South, on **Wednesday, December 17**, at 6:00 p.m. Cajun and Soul at its best, a “Jazzy Menu from the South”: Gumbo, Jambalaya, Etouffée, Andouille and andouillettes, Mirlington, Oyster Bienville, and Sugar Cane Pie, paired with Champagnes and Sparkling Wines. A five-course dinner prepared by Chef Dan at \$49 per guest. Limited space available. Call Paul at 437-7074.

**Christmas Eve Dinner:** Come and celebrate Christmas Eve Dinner with us on **Wednesday, December 24**, in the Fireside, Marina Room and Sunroom. Seating between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. Enjoy our extravagant six-course dinner! Reserve now! Seating is limited. Call Paul at 437-7074. Be sure to check our website for the outstanding menu selections for this special meal and the recommended wine pairings. \$69 per guest; \$95 per guest including wine pairings.

**New Year’s Eve Dinner:** Come and celebrate New Year’s Eve Dinner with us on **Wednesday, December 31**, in the Fireside, Marina Room and Sunroom with seating between 4:00 and 8:00 p.m. Enjoy our extravagant six-course dinner! Reserve Now! Seating is limited. Call Paul at 437-7074. \$75 per guest; \$95 per guest including

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Champagne pairing. Menu information is available at the Inn. Parties of six or more will be presented with one check including 20 percent gratuities.

The Resort At Port Ludlow is a Smoke-Free Establishment.

**Catering/ Banquet/ In-Private-room Dining:** The holiday season is rapidly approaching. Make your Holiday parties and dinner reservation now! We have some great specials for the festive season: Lunch starts at \$15 per guest (12 guests minimum), Dinner starts at \$29 per guest (18 guests minimum). For more details call Lauren at 437-7042 or Paul at 437-7074.

### The Inn

**Friday, December 5:** Repeal Day, the Twenty-first Amendment ends Prohibition. I'll drink to that;

**Sunday, December 7:** Pearl Harbor Day.

**Sunday, December 14:** International Children's Day.

**Monday, December 15:** Bill of Rights Day.

**Sunday, December 21:** Forefather's Day. Reserve a room at the Inn for any of these special days and you'll receive a very tasteful amenity! Call now to reserve: 437-7000.

**Kamahaina Rate** (Hawaiian word for "local residents"): The room rate for Jefferson County residents, their family and friends, starts at \$79 per night, single or double occupancy. What a deal! Call now for the Holiday reservation, 437-7000. Availability is limited.

### Specials and More Specials:

"Amour at Port Ludlow": Love remains in the air. Two nights at the Inn, four-course gourmet dinner with wine pairing at Fireside Restaurant, one-hour of decadent Spa Treatment for two in the privacy of your room. You will receive Special Amenities in your room. All this for as low as \$449. Some restrictions apply.

### Dine and Unwind Package

Enjoy a one-night stay at the Resort At Port Ludlow and a special dinner at Fireside Restaurant. You'll satisfy your need for rest and experience some of the Pacific Northwest's most exquisite dining. All this for as low as \$199 plus taxes and \$10 resort fees. This Package includes: One-night deluxe accommodations, \$100 dinner credit to the award-winning Fireside Restaurant, and a welcome amenity in your room. Some restrictions apply.

**Fall Romantic Getaway Package** includes: two, three or four night deluxe accommodations, one full breakfast and one three course dinner for each night of stay at our award-winning Fireside Restaurant, and a welcome amenity in your room. Package starts at \$169 per night plus taxes and \$10 resort fees (minimum 2 nights). Some restrictions apply.

## A Day with Chef Dan

**Friday, December 19**

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



Meet Chef Daniel Ratigan in The Fireside at 9:00 a.m. and learn all about a Holiday Reception  
Hors d'Oeuvres, Pupus, Zakouski, Antipasti, Tapas, Mignardises and more  
Paired with Champagnes and Sparkling Wines  
Students will follow Chef Dan into the Fireside kitchen, where they will receive hands-on instruction for preparing an Appetizer, Main Course and Dessert according to their preference.

Each course will be enjoyed with a different wine, paired by the Fireside Wine Sommelier. Students will learn the fun and importance of the compliment between food and wine.

Classes will be offered once a month  
\$49 inclusive per person  
\$45 for local residents  
Space is limited.  
Contact Chef Dan now at 437-7072

# Mariners' News

## Dock Talk

by Kori I. Ward, Marina Manager

### Holiday on the Docks

The Twelfth Annual Holiday on the Docks will be **Saturday, December 13**. Visitors are invited to stroll the docks, listen to the music and see the lighted boats. A fire will be burning in the Marina fire pit, with cookies, cider and a visit from Santa. If you prefer to just enjoy the view, we invite you to make reservations at The Fireside restaurant located inside The Inn At Port Ludlow. Treat yourself to a fine holiday dining experience while enjoying the panoramic view of the lighted boats.

The dock will be open for guests from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The participating captains and first mates will meet up at the Fireside restaurant for refreshments and the awards ceremony at 7:00 p.m. on **Saturday, December 13**.

You, the community of Port Ludlow, will judge decoration efforts. So stop by the Marina office, pick up your ballot, stroll the docks, pick your favorites and vote in the Marina office prior to 7:00 p.m. on that **Saturday**. The grand prize will be one month of free moorage.

For information or registration, please call the Port Ludlow Marina at 437-0513.

Looking for that perfect stocking stuffer for the captain or first mate? We have some great new items in the Marina store.

- Nautical Calendars
- 2009 Ports and Passes
- Men and women's fleeces
- Books, cookbooks and kids books
- Logo wine glasses

Happy Holidays, and we'll see you on the docks!

## Speed Limit in Port Ludlow Bay

5 mph

No Wake, It's the Law!



## The Freecycle Network™

by Kay Standish, Co-editor in Chief

The Freecycle Network™ (TFN) celebrated its fifth birthday on May 1, 2008 with over five million members. TFN is a non-profit organization registered in the State of Arizona and separately registered as a United Kingdom charity, which organizes a worldwide network of "gifting" groups. Its aim is to "reduce waste, save precious resources and ease the burden on our landfills while enabling our members to benefit from the strength of a larger community." Their official tagline is "Changing the world one gift at a time."

What began as a small e-mail group of 30 or 40 friends that canvassed non-profits in Tucson to see if they could use good items that were being thrown away has now expanded to over 4,600 groups in 85 countries with over 10,000 volunteers.

Each area has volunteer moderators and a unique e-mail group. Anyone living in the area, once a member, is then welcome to post items to be given away or to seek items that they may be able to use. There are commonly four kinds of posts: wanted – searching for an item; found – telling others you have what you asked for; offer – letting the group know what you want to give away; and taken – informing the group that you have found a person who needed the item offered.

The Jefferson County Freecycle group, founded March 31, 2004, has 1,966 members at this time. Membership is free, and everything posted must be free, legal and appropriate for all ages. To view the items being given away or sought in Jefferson County, you must be a member of the local group. To join or for further information visit [www.groups.yahoo.com/group/JeffersonCoFreecycle/](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/JeffersonCoFreecycle/). This is another way of managing in today's economy while also helping others.

## Bridge Closure Advice Offered

Washington State Department of Transportation (WS-DOT) has posted common sense tips for dealing with the **May–June 2009** closure of the Hood Canal Bridge on their web site, [www.hoodcanalbridge.com](http://www.hoodcanalbridge.com). The ideas, collected at a variety of public events, are designed to help travelers, commuters, employers, and residents of the Olympic Peninsula. The list includes helpful hints for dealing with health care and work situations and is worth perusing.

# Tide Timber Trail

## From the Desk of the D.O.G.

*by Vito De Santis, PGA Director of Golf*

**December** is upon us and that means cooler and wet conditions. If you are like me, you still like to get out and enjoy your golf. No one likes to be cooped up in the home for days at a time. This month I wanted to pass on a few tips I have picked up through the years on how to stay warm and dry. I hope this helps you enjoy a couple more rounds this year.

Remember that cold, wet weather makes muscles tighten and tense. As a golfer you know tense muscles ruin free-flowing golf motion. When muscles tighten, you become more susceptible to sprains, strains and—even more serious—the double bogey or the three putt. To stay away from aches and pains, try and take a few minutes to warm up but remember to warm up with gradual aerobic exercises before stretching. Stretching a cold muscle can increase the chances of a pull or strain. Warming up helps you feel better and improves your game. Stretching and warming will increase your range of motion and blood temperature, and will improve muscle temperature.

Getting warm is great, but if you don't stay that way it is going to be a long cold day. Don't underestimate the importance of clothing. You lose most of your body heat through your hands and head, so purchase a nice warm Port Ludlow beanie cap, rain hat, and gloves. Insulate your body by layering. The layer closest to your body is most important in my book. Start by wearing a moisture wicking material such as polypropylene and steer clear of wearing cotton because it will stay wet against your skin. The second layer you don should be cotton, a cotton sweater for example. Last but not least you should cover up with a windbreaker or waterproof jacket. Layering also allows you to remove unwanted clothing easily.

After warming up and bundling up, don't forget that big umbrella, the extra pair of socks, and the waterproof golf shoes before leaving for the Course. I hope these ideas are well received and the next time you brave a cool, wet or downright Northwest winter day on the Golf Course, you are prepared.

Come and see me if you would like some warm-up exercises.

## PLWGA Plays On

*by Turney Oswald, Captain*

Our active golf season has come to a close but many of us are enjoying continued **Tuesday** play. It's invigorating and challenging to get out there and play golf in several layers of clothes! The camaraderie is worth it and we have to believe that our golf in the spring will be better because of continued persistence during the winter. It's important to warm up your muscles before heading out, so do those stretches and take a few swings before that first drive of the day.

Although **Tuesday** play is less structured than during the active season, be sure and sign up at the Clubhouse if you would like to play. We need to know how many tee times to reserve each week. Come out and play nine holes or eighteen; then have lunch with your friends. It's a great way to stay connected throughout the winter months, and the gals at Niblick's will welcome the company!

Come join our group and enjoy a full season of golfing activities. Contact Cathie Hampton, Membership Chairman, 437-4827 for information about the Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association (PLWGA).

As you and your loved ones prepare for Thanksgiving, we can include our gratefulness for this wonderful active community and all the friendships that have developed through PLWGA. Thanks to the Port Ludlow employees and to those residents who volunteer time and energy. A Happy Holiday season to all.

## Lady Niners Set Morning Tee Times

Each **Thursday** during the winter several tee times are booked for hardy nine-hole women. The Lady Niners welcome any members who want to go a stimulating round with like-minded ladies. It is a good way to keep in form for next spring. Just think how good you will be when the weather gets better and you can strip off a few layers of clothing and change your boots for golf shoes.

Golfers will be starting later in the morning than usual and golfing when weather permits. Let Barbara Berthiaume know, or just show up. As Arnold Palmer has said, "success in golf depends less on strength of body than upon strength of mind and character." Winter golf in Ludlow is a sure way to build character. We will use winter rules, obviously. Be there or be square!

## St. Nicholas Faire Scheduled

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will present its annual St. Nicholas Faire on **Saturday, December 6**, 4:00–8:00 p.m. The church is located at the Corner of Tyler and Jefferson in Port Townsend. The Faire will include an art show featuring wares created by St. Paul's many talented artists. In addition there will be a Gift Shoppe, a Sweet Shoppe and wine and hors d'oeuvres by donation.

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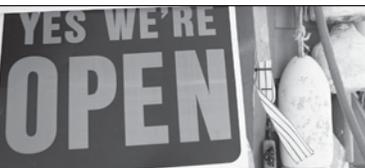
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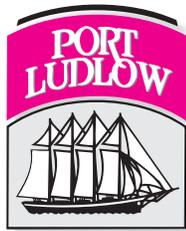
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