

PORT LUDLOW VOICE

Insurance Against the Perfect (Fire) Storm

Fire fighters are like insurance sellers; they encourage us to prepare before the unlikely becomes the unthinkable. We live in a wildland/urban interface, and many of our homes—fuel themselves—are in close proximity to flammable fuels found in nature. Suitable conditions for a major wildfire are not as frequent here in Port Ludlow as in the more arid parts of the West, but they have existed in many summers, and they will again. In severe circumstances, fire fighters' limited resources will force choices between attacking the fire or defending homes. The tactics for fighting wildfires and structure fires are different. Homeowners must assume some responsibility for protecting their property in advance.

What Can Happen?

Fire follows a path controlled by the amount and type of fuel, the contours of the terrain and the wind. Grasses, trees (dead or alive) and the homes nestled among them can all become fuel. One event—say, a tossed cigarette, a car fire, an unattended barbecue, a downed power line—sparks brambles which run to the base of trees. Fire moves into the low branches and climbs to the top. These “ladder fuels” rapidly add size and power to wildfires, which quickly reach roofs and decks.

Hillsides are more vulnerable than flat lands. The flame on a match lingers and dies when the match is held horizontally. But if the match is at an angle, the fire burns hotter and faster as it climbs. So, too, on a hill—the wildfire heats and dries the fuels above it, causing them to burn. Wind multiplies and complicates this equation. It deposits burning materials on and around structures, just as a house fire can release embers that wind spreads to trees.

Where Can Wildfires Happen?

The areas most vulnerable to a catastrophic “interface” fire are in North Bay. Its south-facing hills receive more fuel-drying sun. More of its landscaping is mature and luxuriant, its trees taller and more numerous. Many of its homes are older, some with cedar shake roofs less resistant to fire. There are extended corridors of vegetation along which fire can spread, including both greenbelt areas and private, undeveloped lots. South Bay has some similar areas near the Golf Course, although their north-facing aspect means it would take a longer dry spell to set up the same danger level.

When Are Wildfires Likely?

The most susceptible time for wildfires in the Port Ludlow region is between June and October. Surprisingly, a dry winter does not equate with a greater fire risk in this region. Instead, the greatest influence is the amount of rainfall received in April, May and June. Residents can track the risk by monitoring the local, arrowed sign located near the Hood Canal Bridge. Currently pointing to green, or low risk, the arrow is moved to yellow or red by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) as dry conditions increase. The DNR is conservative in making a change, and a shift, even to yellow, means a much worse situation.

What Precautions Are Officials Taking?

Port Ludlow has a reasonable suppression capability with road and hydrant access to most land. However many of our roads are dead ends, allowing only one way in and, of course, out.

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Turtle Bluff Concerto Concert

The Turtle Bluff Orchestra completes its seventh season with the annual Concerto Night on **Saturday May 19**, 7:30 p.m. at the Chimacum High School Auditorium.

The orchestra will accompany the five winners of this year's concerto competition. Theodora Carson will play the Allegro movement of Mozart's *Piano Concerto in A Major*; Brittany Stephens will play the Adagio Assai from Ravel's *Concerto for Piano and Orchestra*; James Garlick will play the Adagio and Finale from Bruch's *Violin Concerto in G Minor*; Asa Williams will play the Adagio from Mozart's *Clarinet Concerto in A Major*, and Esther Morgan-Ellis will play Andante and Allegro from Saint-Saens *Cello Concerto No. 1*.

Music Director Dominic Johnson will also lead the orchestra in his own arrangement of Johannes Brahms' *Intermezzo in E-flat Minor*, Opus 118, No. 6.

For information and reservations, call 385-3626. Tickets are available both at Quimper Sound in Port Townsend or at the door.

Enjoy the Festivities at the 8th Annual Juan de Fuca Festival of the Arts

Liven up your Memorial Day weekend, **Friday, May 25 through Monday, May 28**, with non-stop world class entertainment! The Juan de Fuca Festival of the Arts in Port Angeles features a world of performance in four festive days with over 125 performances on five stages. This popular festival features an exhilarating mix of music, dance, ethnic performance, workshops, theatre, world beat, comedy, juggling, face painting, jazz, art and science programs, ethnic foods, handcrafted and quality imports, art displays, children's activities and good old-fashioned family fun.

Enjoy musical performances by many Northwest favorites including the indescribable vintage ragtime and jazz of Baby Gramps, rollicking sea chanteys by Hank Cramer and the Rounders, the a cappella sensation M-Pact, ethereal jazz vocalist Jenna Mammina, blues great Alice Stuart, acrobatics and juggling by the Mud Bay Jugglers, Gypsy dancing music of Ala Zingara, blues with an attitude by Swamp Mama Johnson, a rollicking blend of rockabilly, swing and jump blues by the Dusty 45's, tango

with Bertram Levy and the Seattle City Sextet, the slick blues guitar and dancing rhythms of Nick Vigarino and the eclectic, electric and fantastic Guarnari Underground.

Tickets can be purchased for \$10 per day or \$30 gets you a four-day pass. Children under 12 are free. This one low price admits you to everything! To order tickets, call 360-457-5411.

For a full schedule, visit www.juandefucafestival.com.

Arts Council Receives Non-Profit Designation

The Port Ludlow Arts Council draws its support from a variety of sources. Ticket revenue covers only about half the cost of presenting a season of outstanding performances such as the one just concluded. The remainder must come from the sponsorship of local merchants and donations from individual patrons.

Late in April, notification was received from the Federal government that the Port Ludlow Arts Council is now recognized as an independent non-profit corporation which opens the door to tax-deductible contributions from businesses and individuals. Congratulations and thanks to Jim Watson, Janet Force and Patricia Anderson who devoted over a year to achieving this important tax status.

Chamber Orchestra Concerts

Otto Slehofer, the principal clarinetist with the Port Angeles Symphony and Chamber Orchestras, will be featured in two concerts **Friday, May 11** in Port Angeles and **Saturday, May 12** in Sequim. He began playing with PASO in 1943 as a high school student with some of the original-founding members. A graduate of Washington State University where he studied music performance and civil engineering, he is active in dance engagements with the Most Notables and as a soloist with the Port Angeles Symphony.

Performing with the Port Angeles Chamber Orchestra, Slehofer will be featured in Crusell's *Grand Concerto No. 2 in F Minor*, Opus 5 for Clarinet. The orchestra will also play Mozart's Symphony No. 38 in D Major, K504, "Prague." The Port Angeles concert will be at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and the Sequim concert at Trinity United Methodist Church. Both concerts will be at 7:30 p.m. For further information, call 360-457-5579.

AIDA Is A Dazzler!

Read what the press is saying: "AIDA in a word, soars... rockets, even! It's the passionate, stirring, thrilling Elton John musical for which this Broadway season was gasping. A state-of-the-art spectacle in the Andrew Lloyd Webber mode. The sets and lighting transport viewers to a dream world." "Bold, original magic in the tradition of The Lion King!"

There still are fifteen tickets remaining for this Tony Award-winning and 2001 Grammy Award-winning show. The Paramount Theater agent has extended our opportunity to purchase tickets until **Thursday, May 10**. Show tickets are available for \$40 at the Bay Club for the performance on **Wednesday, May 23** at 2:00 p.m. For additional information, please call Lynn Thomas at 437-4069.

Dixieland Express Rolls into Port Angeles

Canada's internationally acclaimed traditional jazz band, The Dixieland Express, specializing in high energy eclectic entertainment will be presented by the Jazz in the Olympics Society on **Saturday, May 20** at the Eagles Club in Port Angeles. Based in Victoria, BC, this group has performed at numerous jazz festivals in the U.S. including Los Angeles, San Diego, Monterey, Sacramento, Reno and Sun Valley. Doors open at 12:00 noon with music beginning at 12:30 p.m. For further information, call 360-683-7600.

Beethoven and Poulenc featured in Bremerton

The Bremerton Symphony Orchestra presents "Glorious Grandeur" on **Saturday, May 19**, 8:00 p.m. at the Bremerton High School Performing Arts Center. Violinist Mikhail Schmidt, Cellist David Tonkonogui and Pianist Judith Cohen join the orchestra in Beethoven's broody but cheerful and light-hearted *Coriolan Overture*.

The Concert Chorale joins the Symphony in Poulenc's *Gloria* to bring the season to a poignant yet magnificent close with, to quote the composer, "...a joyous hymn to the Glory of God."

Jazzy Finish to the Dine and Discover Year

The Dine and Discover Club Year-End Bash will be held on **Monday, May 7**, at the Bay Club. Cocktails will be at 6:00 p.m. with dinner to follow. The evening will feature the Chimacum High School Jazz Band under the direction of their leader David Jones. Under his leadership, they made a successful trip to Palm Springs, so we expect that you will enjoy what they have to offer us that evening.

Sign-up is required for this final meeting of the season. Lists will be posted at both the Bay and Beach Clubs. Please note that only appetizers, desserts and salads will be required since the Dine and Discover Club will furnish the main entrée (BBQ) which means they must have definite numbers. Sign-up lists will be taken down on the morning of **Friday, May 4**.

The party will be BYOB. Bring place settings, \$1 per person as usual and a donation for the Food Bank. Be sure to sign up in time, and don't miss this great way to end our 2000-2001 season. For questions, call Mea Graham at 437-5052.

Port Ludlow Garden Club

On **Wednesday, May 9**, the Port Ludlow Garden Club plans a trip to Warren Berg's famous Rhododendron Gardens in Coyle. Meet at 9:00 a.m. at the Bay Club parking lot to get carpool assignments and maps. Bring a sack lunch. The Garden Club will furnish beverages.

Looking ahead, you'll want to mark your calendars for **Wednesday, June 13** when we will bus to Lakewold Gardens in the morning before going to Thornewood Castle and Gardens for a gourmet lunch and tour.

Myrdelle Teaford's Garden Tips for May

May is a busy month for local gardeners. Fertilize flowering shrubs after they are bloomed out to support the summer's leaf, branch and bud growth. Deadheading also directs energy into plant growth. Fertilize long-flowering plants like begonias, geraniums and container plants—anything with a long and taxing season of bloom should be fertilized now and at monthly intervals throughout summer.

Deadhead spring-flowering bulbs, fertilize and continue to water until leaves die down. Don't remove leaves until they are brown. You can plant almost anything by the end of the month when the danger of frost has passed. Battle

Performing Arts Calendar

May, 2001

Mon. & Tues., May 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28 & 29

Coffee Concerts featuring morning of piano music, Turtle Bluff II, Nordland, 9:30 a.m., 385-3626.

Thurs., Fri. & Sat., May 3, 4 & 5

Gilbert & Sullivan's classic operetta *The Mikado*, Bremerton Community Theatre, 8:00 p.m., 800-863-1706.

Thurs., Fri. & Sat., May 3, 4 & 5

Key City Players present Dylan Thomas' *Under Milk Wood*, a comedy with live music, Key City Playhouse, Port Townsend, 8:00 p.m., 385-7396.

Fri. & Sat., May 4 & 5

Frank Loesser's *Guys and Dolls*, a favorite for all ages with one of the catchiest and strongest scores Broadway has ever known, Bainbridge Performing Arts Playhouse, 7:30 p.m., 206-842-8569.

Fri. & Sat., May 4, 5, 11, 12, 18 & 19

CSTOCK presents *Pippin*, a musical parable, Community Center, Silverdale, 8:00 p.m., 360-692-9940.

Fri. & Sat., May 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 & 26

Poulsbo Players present *The Cover of Life*, a play for mature audiences with some coarse language, Jewel Box Theatre, Poulsbo, 8:00 p.m., 360-779-9688.

Sat., May 5

Peninsula Dance Theatre presents *Giselle*, a romantic ballet, with music performed by the Peninsula Ballet Orchestra, dinner 6:30 p.m., performance 8:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-377-6214.

Sun., May 6

Key City Players present Dylan Thomas' *Under Milk Wood*, a comedy with live music, Key City Playhouse, Port Townsend, 2:30 p.m., 385-7396.

Sun., May 6

Gilbert & Sullivan's classic operetta *The Mikado*, Bremerton Community Theatre, 2:30 p.m., 800-863-1706.

Sun., May 6

Youth Music Fund presents music by Jan Rowan and her entourage including singers and instrumentalists, Upstage, Port Townsend, 4:00 p.m.

Sun., May 6

Peninsula Dance Theatre presents *Giselle*, a romantic ballet, with music performed by the Peninsula Ballet Orchestra, 3:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-377-6214.

Sun., May 6, 13 & 20

CSTOCK presents *Pippin*, a musical parable, Community Center, Silverdale, 6:00 p.m., 360-692-9940.

Fri., May 11

Port Angeles Chamber Orchestra with Otto Slehofer on clarinet, Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles, 7:30 p.m., 360-457-5579.

Fri., May 11

Expression Latina, premier salsa band, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743.

Fri. & Sat., May 11, 12, 18, 19, 25 & 26

The Performing Arts Guild of South Kitsap presents *The Nerd* by Larry Shue, The Bay Street Playhouse, Port Orchard, 8:00 p.m., 360-876-6610.

Sat., May 12

Centrum presents the Pacific Northwest Ballet, McCurdy Pavilion, Port Townsend, 2:00 p.m., 385-3102.

Sat., May 12

Port Angeles Chamber Orchestra with Otto Slehofer on clarinet, Trinity United Methodist Church, Sequim, 7:30 p.m., 360-457-5579.

Fri. & Sat., May 18, 19, 25 & 26

Olympic Theatre Arts presents *Lend Me a Tenor* by Ken Ludwig, Howard Wood Memorial Theatre, Sequim, 8:00 p.m., 360-683-7326.

Sat., May 19

Turtle Bluff Orchestra Concerto Night featuring concerto competition winners, Chimacum High School Auditorium, 7:30 p.m., 385-3626.

Sat., May 19

Bremerton Symphony Orchestra with violinist Mikhail Schmidt, Cellist David Tonkonogui and Pianist Judith Cohen and the Concert Chorale, Bremerton High School Performing Arts Center, 8:00 p.m., 360-373-1722.

Sun., May 20

The Performing Arts Guild of South Kitsap presents *The Nerd* by Larry Shue, The Bay Street Playhouse, Port Orchard, 2:30 p.m., 360-876-6610.

Sun., May 20

Jazz in the Olympics Society presents The Dixieland Express, Eagles Club, Port Angeles, 12:00 noon, 360-683-7600.

Sun., May 20 & 27

Olympic Theatre Arts presents *Lend Me a Tenor* by Ken Ludwig, Howard Wood Memorial Theatre, Sequim, 2:00 p.m., 360-683-7326.



Dorothy and Ernie's Polka Band will be entertaining at the opening of the Farmers Market on May 11.

Tide Timber Trail

DOG Notes

by Mike Buss (a.k.a. Director of Golf)

Next month we will again be hosting a Cascade Golf Tour event on **Monday and Tuesday, June 11 and 12**. This is the only mini professional tour in the Pacific Northwest and features a number of Tiger Woods' wannabes. They are all great players and are honing their skills getting ready for next year's Tour Qualifying School. Again this year you will be able to play with one of these great players in a tournament format, a Pro-Am scheduled for **Sunday, June 10**. The entry fee for the event is \$85, with a special price of \$70 for Port Ludlow Golf Club members. The entry fee includes tee prizes, carts, BBQ, on-course beverages and a chance to win a portion of over \$3,000 in prizes. All participants will also get a shot at winning \$10,000 cash for a hole-in-one along with other great prizes and vacation packages. Entry forms are available in the Golf Shop. Sign up early because this event has limited space. Don't miss your chance to play with one of these great young upcoming stars.

Thanks to Jerry Mathews, Golf Course Superintendent and his crew for getting the Golf Course in such great shape this year. This is the first year we can remember having the ninety-degree golf cart rule in effect in March. The great winter weather along with our fairway-sanding program has really made a difference.



The Greens Committee has started its monthly meetings, held the first Monday of every month. Please direct any comments or suggestions to your respective Committee member. Your committee representatives are: Dan Gannon for the Men's Club, Sally Stiles or Val Durling for the Ladies' Club, Paul Downs and Sandy Yonke for the Men's and Ladies' 9ers. Discussions at our last meeting involved step replacement on the first tee area and tree maintenance programs.

See you on the links,

Mike

PROspectives

Bill Shea, Head Golf Professional

I often see people on the range trying to practice something that they have learned through TV, magazines or from watching other good players. The problem is that they sometimes don't understand the "why" behind the drill, and they get the "how" of the drill mixed up. This can lead to compounding a problem. Instead of fixing their swing flaw, they actually reinforce it through repetition. The golf professionals here at Port Ludlow try to help the people we see with these problems when we have time. In celebration of May being Golf Digest's *Play Golf America Month*, we will set aside some time to help more of you.

Some time this month Bill Shea and Dave Ramsay will hold their free lesson day. It will consist of ten-minute lessons on whatever part of the game the student would like help with. There will be room for about 25 to 30 students for each professional. The date has not been set yet, so keep on the lookout for the posting. The lessons will be given out on a first-come basis. In addition to receiving a free lesson, students will also be entered into a sweepstakes with a chance to win a trip for two to the PGA Golf Club. The prize includes airfare, accommodations, meals, instruction and golf.

To help some of you before the free lesson day, I would like to discuss a major fault that can be worked on at home. One of the most common faults that we see as professionals is the dreaded sliced shot, and the most common reason for this shot pattern is an incorrect swing path. A player's chances of hitting a straight shot are greatly increased the longer he or she can keep the club head on line with the target. The shorter amount of time a player's club is on line with the target, the greater the chances of side spin resulting in a slice or a hook. As players, if we're supposed to be watching the ball it is very difficult for us to see what line the club is being taken back or followed through on. The drill I am going to suggest will allow you to keep your eyes on the ball and make a proper swing path.

The drill is called the "box" drill. Although this works with many different tools, I prefer a golf club box. The idea is to align the box about three to four inches on

the outside of the ball in line with your target. Then as you swing, try to avoid the box. This will automatically prevent you from swinging on an outside-in swing path. They used to call this drill the “cinder block” drill. But after many lawsuits, they changed the name. A cardboard box will enable you to perform the drill easily. The box is a stagnant object; it will not move unless you move it. It will also not hurt you or your equipment if you strike it. It works better than a towel or a headcover because of the height of the box. This is a wonderful drill that you can do just about anywhere. You don’t need to be hitting balls for this to work. The concept is that repetition of a proper swing will build muscle memory and allow you to take this improved swing out on the Golf Course. If you continue to practice this drill, you will be amazed at the quickness and quality of the results.

If you have any questions about this drill, or any others that you’ve heard about but don’t quite understand, please feel free to stop by. Hope to see you soon.

The Pitchman

by Jerry Conover

The Men’s Golf Association play in the month of May is going to be busy. Since Wednesday, April 18, we have been accruing Ludlow Cup events with an average of eleven to twelve foursomes a week through March and April. On Wednesday, April 25 we played the first of our two-week Eclectic with the final planned for **Wednesday, May 2**. The Eclectic is the better score for each hole played twice over the course. The lower score on each hole stands while in the course of any miscues, like bogey or double bogey, the member has an opportunity the second week to improve the not-so-good score for the bad hole.

The game of golf calls for the player to improve his game constantly, consistently and continually. The quality of the Port Ludlow Golf Course lets the player apply that standard. Practice possibilities are unlimited and the course condition is absolutely superior. Having worked tour events as a volunteer for thirty-five years, the application of tournament principles on golf courses even more gorgeous than our course, has been required. The courses in Hawaii have a great deal of beauty but our Golf Course has its own unique beauty. We certainly can appreciate it. Oh yes, sometimes it seems long and we say “wait until July or August,” but even now we are enjoying the plea-

sure of the “roll.”

As you look forward to improving your game, think of these statistics published in the *Golf Digest*. If your handicap is thirty-six, it is expected you hit the green in regulation zero times. The eighteen handicapper is on the green in regulation three times; a nine handicapper is on the green eight times; the four, ten times; the scratch golfer twelve times and the exceptional professional fourteen times. The moral to the story: Concentrate on improving your greens in regulation ratio and you will be working that handicap down. Think about it, step up, and take the challenge!

Wednesday, May 9 the game is two-man odd/even. Shotgun start and following that our General Meeting. We will assemble at the Bay Club probably around 3:00 p.m. for a short business session and enjoy a selection of refreshments. **Wednesday, May 16** is four-ball stroke play. **Wednesday, May 23** we play a four-ball Stableford and on **Wednesday, May 30** we play Wing Point Golf and Country Club for our first Home and Home. Have a

Women’s Golf Association

by Barbara Adams

The WGA 2001 golf season is well underway with a predictable pattern of rain, wind and cold Tuesdays. These eighteen-hole golfers are looking forward to May flowers and less showers with more completed rounds of golf. This month also begins the accumulation of points toward a place on one of two teams in the All-Star Cup on **Monday, September 17**. Points are earned for participation in Tuesday events and tournaments, as well as for placing first, second, third. This second annual tournament is a one-day 27-hole event that promises a grand day of camaraderie, competition and great fun.

The big event for May is a three-day tournament called Triple Trouble and scheduled for play on **Tuesday, May 15, Thursday, May 17 and Tuesday, May 22**. This is traditionally a three-woman team event with three days of play and a different format of competition each day. Sally Grything is Tournament Chairwoman and encourages the members to sign up now and enjoy the party at Niblicks on the final day of play.

A shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. on **Tuesday, May 1** will kick off the month’s playdays with a meeting following play. Signup sheets are available a week prior and pairings are made and posted.

Couples Golf is planned for **Sunday, May 6**, with a 3:00 p.m. shotgun for nine-hole competition. A Potluck Dinner and lots of fun and rehashing of the game occurs at the Bay Club following play. Sign up now for this grand afternoon.

Wednesday, May 9 will be Play Day Away at Trophy Lake Golf and Casting Club. Any interested women should sign up for this outing. You must have an 18-hole handicap. Carpools and pairings will be assigned and posted. The group meets at the Clubhouse at 8:15 a.m. and returns around 5:00 p.m. A \$5 entry fee, green fee, cart and lunch are paid individually.

The April Play Day Away group traveled to Gold Mountain Olympic Golf Course and played an original game of “Accentuate the Positive.” Points were awarded for drives in the fairway, first attempt sand shots to the green, and one putt or chip-in greens. The prize money was awarded to Nan Smith in first place with 21 points; Barbara Adams, second place with 19 points; Kathi Williams and Cathie Hampton, tied for third with 17 points each; and Sally Grything, Susan Wright and Margo Campbell tied for fourth place with 15 points each.

And as May begins to slip away, the women will be busy gathering their elegant white elephants together for the annual Garage Sale on **Saturday, May 26** at the Beach Club. Any contributions for this event will help fund a WGA Member/Guest Tournament on **Tuesday, August 28**.

Now—Away, Away, You April Showers—that never show up on Wednesday, Men’s Play Day!

Couples Play Day Away

Finally, for all husbands heard whining, “Why can’t we go to Play Day Away?” here is your opportunity. **Thursday, May 31 and Friday, June 1**, will find eight Port Ludlow couples readying their “playing togetherness” ability in Lacey, Washington at Meriwood Golf Course and Vicwood Golf Links. A special rate at the Holiday Inn Express and a nearby award winning Italian restaurant promise a very affordable Overnighter Tournament with lots of great fellowship, fun and competition.

Get more information and sign up in the Clubhouse. Or, you can contact Barbara or Bill Adams at 437-2680.

Travel Tips

by Maureen Poole

For Healthy Travel

Be sure your shots are up to date. Don’t overlook flu or hepatitis shots. Just waiting around in lines or enclosed spaces increases your likelihood of catching something. Eating in any restaurant poses some risk.

Be prepared when flying with a cold. See a doctor or pharmacist for decongestant and nasal spray. Carry some cough drops.

Block out the sun. Always use sun block. Wear a hat and have long-sleeve garments available. Use sunglasses.

Eat wisely in hot climates and drink plenty of fluids. Hot, sunny climates can lead to dehydration. In addition to drinking plenty of fluids, it is equally important to be careful about what you drink. Often tap water should be avoided; that means glasses and ice cubes as well. Don’t assume bottled water is safe—often it is simply local tap water in a bottle. You can assume that carbonated beverages are bottled at a bottling plant and are, therefore, safe. I carry my own straws and wipe the top of the can or bottle with a disinfectant wipe. Food is another issue. Salads and buffet items become easily contaminated. These should be avoided. The skin of fruits should be intact and peeled with clean hands. The safest meals are freshly cooked and served piping hot. If cold food is the only option, eat dry foods such as bread, cereals and crackers.

Bundle up against the cold. Vacationing in a colder climate has the risk of hypothermia. Wear layered clothing and minimize alcohol intake. If you take medication for hypertension or heart disease, check with your doctor because some medications increase susceptibility to the harmful effects of the cold.

Prepare for long airline flights. Eat lightly. Drink plenty of fluids. Avoid alcohol. Try to rest. Change your watch to the time zone of your destination. Try to adjust your meals and sleeptimes a day or two before departing. When you arrive, try to stay awake until actual bedtime. A good night’s sleep will assist you in acclimating to your new surroundings.

Carry your medications with you. Also, if you have favorite over-the-counter remedies, pack a small supply of these. You may not find familiar products elsewhere.

Tracker's Corner

by John Reseck

The Bear Facts

The black bear (*Ursus americanus*) seems to be of a lot of interest to Port Ludlow residents. Perhaps it is because they have been seen on our Golf Course and in our local woods. They pose no threat to us if we leave them alone. That is the cardinal rule—leave all wild animals alone—just watch (from a distance) and enjoy.

There was a lady in Yellowstone Park that didn't follow the above rule. She got out of her car, walked out into a field next to a buffalo to take a picture. She was trying to get just the right angle when the buffalo lay down. She walked up and kicked it to get it to stand. She was successful. It stood up, trampled her to death, and lay back down. Watch from a distance.

Most people think bears hibernate but they don't. They do lie up in a "den" and go to sleep but they wake up easily. Their muscle tone is kept in fairly good shape by having muscle tremors (shivering). This also helps to keep the body temperature near normal so they can wake up when they want to and move about. In our climate they may not sleep much at all.

During their den time, bears will have their cubs. Their young stay with the sow close to a year and a half before they go off on their own. Because the cubs are curious they may run up near a human and mommy dearest gets very upset with the human. Being a good mother, she never gets very upset with Junior.

Black bears are not very big, around two hundred pounds, and can be different colors and shades of brown and black. Their food is mostly vegetarian but they will eat most anything that is easy to get. They get into trouble in campgrounds because they raid camps and garbage cans for food. When you leave food out, like pet food, you are the cause of the bear's troubles. Many bears have been shot because of careless people. A bear will eat 15,000–20,000 calories a day preparing for its sleep (sounds good to me).

Most bears are solitary except during their mating season. Females with cubs try to avoid boars (males), because it is not uncommon for the boar to kill the cubs.

My most enjoyable encounter with black bears has been in British Columbia when we were boating above Desolation Sound. Our boat at the time, a twenty-two-foot "C Dory," was stern-tied to a tree on shore when a bear came along and kept plucking the taut line like a guitar string. He gave our boat a good shaking. We saw many wandering the shore at low tide turning over rocks and eating crabs.

It is interesting to note that a bear embryo develops in just two months but the fertilized egg is carried for about five months before it implants and starts to grow. The cubs weigh only about eight ounces at birth.

There isn't any other wild life track that can be confused with that of a black bear in our area. The hind foot looks a lot like a human foot except the middle toe is the longest and the outside toe is the biggest (reversed from human). The scat is a cross between dog and human, unless it has been eating too many berries; then it is more like a cow flop. Check for hair and seeds.



Computer Club



Visit our web page at www.waypt.com/plcc

Mary Ronen, Editor

May General Meeting

Port Ludlow Computer Club meets at 7:00 p.m. on **Monday, May 14** at the Bay Club with a social hour at 6:30 p.m. Vincent Pollina, a computer training consultant in the Port Townsend area, has offered to give us the *Low-down on Downloading*. Vinny has an extensive background in computer technology, working with individuals, businesses and organizations to improve their efficiency and expertise in this area. He plans to cover three very useful topics at the PLCC meeting: 1) understanding your various accounts and passwords, 2) fundamentals of computer file management and 3) understanding how file downloads work.

Have you ever been web searching and found yourself on a web page that was in a language other than English? Betty Kappler did some research and found helpful *Translation Sites on the Web*. She plans to share that information with us as the Short Subject.

Plan to attend, and bring a friend.

PLCC Update

by Don Plorde, PLCC President

Our first Women's Topics SIG (Special Interest Group) in April was a big hit. I understand there was a packed house reminiscent of many of our Saturday Workshops. Remarks heard from some of the attendees confirmed that the idea of a "Women's Topics" session struck a responsive chord among our lady members. This could lead to similar future sessions or topics for our General Meeting main program and short subjects as well. I congratulate Barb Sexauer and Pat Awisus for their pioneering efforts in putting on this successful event. Scheduling conflicts will not permit a repeat session in May, but I feel confident you will see a similar session in the near future.

Board Elections Coming Soon

The PLCC Nominating Committee is busy putting together a slate for the election of Board members at the Annual Meeting to be held in June. Contact Dave Barlow, Pat Awisus, Betty Kappler or any other present Board member if you are interested in having your name included, or if you want to nominate someone else. Be sure, though, if you do nominate someone, that person is willing to serve.

SIG News

The Office SIG is **Monday, May 7**, 3:00-4:30 p.m. at the Bay Club. The usual format is to answer any questions about Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Publisher, followed by a review of one of the programs. Bring your questions.

The Genealogy SIG meets **Thursday, May 17** at 1:00 p.m. at the Bay Club.

Special Topics SIG on **Monday, May 21** at 10:30 a.m. covers *Backups—Why and How*. Don Plorde will cover it all.

The value of all SIGs is the ability to share our knowledge and become more comfortable using the programs available on the computer. Bring your questions, come to the SIGs and help others learn.

Classes

Watch for classes in Word, Slide Scanning and Photo Editing to be announced at a later date. Please note that classes (except for the Beginners Class) require membership in the Port Ludlow Computer Club.

Saturday Workshops

Bring your questions to the Workshops on Saturday mornings, 11:00 a.m., the Bay Club, and we will try to answer them.

African Children in Need

by Val Vogt

Last August I went to Africa. I went with few expectations, just to see the animals and the people. One of the countries my group visited was Namibia, a country that gained its independence from South Africa only ten years ago. While in Namibia, we visited the Cheetah Conservation Fund facility in Otjiwarongo. Some of you may remember Laurie Marker, the founder of CCF who spoke at the Bay Club last October and brought Jalani, a beautiful female cheetah for us to see up close.

While in Otjiwarongo, one of our group asked if we could visit a local school. Laurie made arrangements for us to go to the Rogate Primary School, which has an enrollment of about one thousand children. We looked around, trying not to interrupt the classes, and couldn't help noticing the poor condition of the buildings and the broken windows. We were shown their library, which was approximately the size of a small walk-in closet in any one of our homes here in Port Ludlow. There were only a few books on the shelves but the teachers seemed so proud of them. We spoke with the principal and one of the teachers and they told us of their goals and visions for the school. As these men spoke, their faces seemed to take on a glow of excitement and determination. We asked about their funding. There was none. They had no textbooks. They taught in English from any printed matter they could find—usually old magazines.

As we sat there, I couldn't help but think of all the money I spend on my children at Christmas. I walk the malls wondering what I could possibly buy for them that they don't already have and that would make them happy. There and then I decided to cut our Christmas in half and send half to this school. That was as far as it went—just one act from one private citizen.

After returning home, my little idea seemed to take on a life of its own. I wrote to the school and asked what I could do to help. They wrote back with three requests. Their primary need is toilets. They will have to cut their enrollment in half if they don't get more toilets. The next item was library books. And the third item was a computer. One of our group who lives in California took the toilet issue to her local Rotary Club. They have committed to approximately half the money and are trying to get Rotary International to match their funds. Six hundred pounds of library books have been collected, and we're looking for a way to ship them. A computer loaded with

appropriate software and a monitor have been donated by Electronic Arts and we have purchased a new printer. The big problem is how to actually get it all over there. We are hoping the Namibian Embassy in Washington, DC will be able to help us, but we need suggestions as to how we can actually achieve this.

We are now a group of six people who want to help these children. I always wondered what one person could do to make a difference in this world. I guess I've found a way to do that and am delighted that a few others are excited about helping. We need ideas; we need suggestions; we need connections. Can you help us? Would you like to hear more? Please call Val Vogt at 437-4055.

Chimacum High School Auction

Each year, Chimacum High School conducts an all-school auction to raise funds for their Associated Student Body. This event is their most important fundraiser of the school year and they depend on community support to make it a success. They would very much appreciate any contributions for this year's auction. Examples of donations received in the past are autographed items, books, old scripts and/or manuscripts, gift certificates for services, drawings or artwork, crafts, etc. All goods should be in workable condition. Just allow your imagination to go wild.

The school's goal this year is to raise \$10,000. One hundred percent of these funds go to support school curricular activities, including student recognition programs and class activities. Your contributions can either be dropped off at Chimacum High School or Bernie Robinson will pick them up. Call her at 437-0703 or send e-mail to brob@olypen.com. Tax receipts will be sent if requested.

Residents of Port Ludlow have been very supportive of the Chimacum Schools through their volunteer activities and generous donations. If you can't donate an item, please plan on attending the auction at Chimacum High School on **Saturday, May 12** from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Let's continue our excellent community support.

HAPPY *Mother's Day* 

A Healthy, Chemical-Free Lawn

by Jerry Mathews and Jimmy Smith

This article is one in a series by the Natural Resources Committee of the Port Ludlow Village Council, designed to educate Port Ludlow residents on the various processes and rewards of living environmentally-friendly lifestyles.

Timing is Everything

Did you know that homeowners are one of the biggest chemical users? Many believe in the false philosophy that if a little will do a good job, then a lot will do a great job. Well, we want to give you some alternatives to chemical use when dealing with your lawn. There are three key elements: timing of fertilizer and lime applications, water management, and mowing. These three cultural practices will help to eliminate chemicals and stimulate a healthy lawn.

The timing of fertilizers and lime are so important because it will stimulate your lawn before moss or weeds can develop. The best timing for lime is the end of January or the first part of February. You can follow this lime application in four weeks with a fertilizer that is slow release with a little bit of quick release to stimulate growth; however, do not apply heavy fertilizer in the spring. Your next fertilizing should take place in about 12 to 15 weeks with a good organic blend of fertilizer. Your final fertilizing should take place in October with a full winterizing type fertilizer that has a higher potassium ratio. These three or four fertilizer applications are recommended for an attractive, high quality lawn. If you need help in fertilizer choices, your best sources of information are the people working in the home and garden shops.

Don't Over-Water!

Watering is probably the most important thing you do to your lawn. Again, it is incorrect to presume that if a little is good then a lot will be great. Normally, a lawn requires about an inch of water per week during the growing season. This is only in the full sun areas. Over-watering your lawn will weaken the root system and contribute to all kinds of problems, like insects, weeds and diseases. Using a tuna can to measure how much you are watering is a useful and important tool. In this climate, a set-watering schedule is not necessarily recommended. Let the weather determine your watering schedule. Don't water again until the grass shows signs of stress, and water only in the morning to avoid disease problems. This will help stimulate root growth as the roots move deeper in the soil

searching for water. With the current water shortages, you may have to be creative when watering your lawn this year.

Mowing, Aerating and De-thatching

Cultural practices such as mowing, aerating and de-thatching are things that will help us eliminate chemicals from our lawns. De-thatching and aerating in the spring, usually around mid April, are very good practices because they get rid of old growth and stimulate new growth as well as provide much needed air to the roots. Remember that the roots of any plant are the most important part of that plant, and anything you can do to stimulate root growth will increase its health tremendously. Mowing is critical. Mow with sharp blades at a two- to three-inch height. Dull blades damage the lawn, causing unsightly brown frayed tips and providing points of entry for turf diseases. Mow often enough that you are not removing more than one-third of the grass blade at one time, preferably when the grass blade is dry.

By using these good cultural practices you are basically preventing the need for chemicals. On the other hand, the best way to encourage weeds, insects and disease is by using poor management techniques such as low mowing heights, improperly timed or lack of fertilization and over-watering. If you do get a couple of weeds in your lawn, pull them before they start seeding. It is much easier to pull two weeds rather than twenty.

Rainfall Statistics

2001 is off to a good start to become one of the driest years in recent history. A four year comparison of rainfall follows:

1998	40.7 inches
1999	53.1 inches
2000	22.4 inches
2001	13.2 inches

All figures are computed to April 24. Information provided by Olympic Property Group.

May Hikes

The Port Ludlow Hiking Club has scheduled three hikes for the month of May. On **Friday, May 11** they will tour and hike Indian Island. Hikers are asked to meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:00 a.m. to carpool to Indian Island where they will transfer to buses for a guided tour of the island and an easy four-mile hike. Be sure to bring a lunch. Advance sign-up is required. Call Doris Monti at 437-0716 no later than **Tuesday, May 1**.

For a change of pace and to give back to our wilderness, participate in a work party at the Quilcene Ranger District. Join the group for some brushing and trail maintenance on **Friday, May 18**. After two work parties, you will be given a free annual Trail Park Pass. Sign up with Bernie Robinson at 437-0703 or e-mail her at brob@olympen.com.

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Hiking Club Plans Annual Get-Away

The Port Ludlow Hiking Club is planning a trip to Mount Rainier, **Monday to Thursday, September 10 to 13**. Hikes of different levels are planned. And, if your spouse doesn't hike, he or she can enjoy the beauty and serenity of the area. You must make your own reservations to stay either at Paradise Lodge or the National Park Inn in Longmire for the nights of **Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 10, 11 and 12**. There also is a group who is intending to camp. A dinner is planned for **Monday, September 10**, 5:30 p.m. at Paradise Lodge. Sign-up is required for the dinner.

For further information on the Hiking Club and to learn about their outings, call Bernie Robinson at 437-0703 or e-mail brob@olympen.com.

Over a Thousand Blankets for Children's Hospital

The Olympic Peninsula chapter of Project Linus has reached a new plateau. Volunteers from Port Angeles, Sequim, Port Ludlow, Silverdale, Bremerton and Bainbridge Island have tirelessly been knitting, crocheting and quilting blankets. In April they delivered 136—their largest donation yet—and now have contributed a total of 1,129 blankets to Children's Hospital in Seattle.

Often thank-you notes are received from the families whose children are cuddled and comforted by the beautiful blankets. Recently an RN from Children's wrote—she witnessed just how much the blankets meant to the kids. The chapter is proud of our team in the Port Ludlow area; they are so productive, and make a big contribution.

On **Sunday, May 20**, 2:00 p.m. at the Gardiner Community Center, a "Gifts From the Heart" tea will be held to honor and thank all chapter members. They will share their experiences and display the latest blanket creations. It always is fun for everyone to see the work of others and perhaps get ideas for doing another blanket that is a little different. New helpers are always welcome. If you are interested, contact Boni Parker at 437-5067 or by e-mail: parkers@waypt.com.



Heidi Wood, Mitzi Kaminski and Sharon Sorenson will walk for a total of sixty miles, twenty miles a day for three days, from Enumclaw to Seattle, to benefit the fight against breast cancer.



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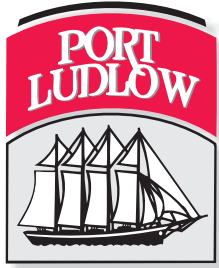
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The LMC Greenbelt Committee is responsible for the removal of dead trees and prospective fire fuel in the greenbelts, as well as for view maintenance. Volunteers, who may sometimes be partially paid in firewood, usually do the work of cutting and removing dead or dangerous trees. There is no budget for clearing fallen trees, thinning brush or mowing grass in the greenbelts.

The Fire District continues to build staff skills through training and planning with agencies such as the DNR and other fire districts for possible fire scenarios. Chief Wayne Kier and other speakers are available for educational outreach. The District is also glad to send a staff member to make a site visit and advise property owners on possible improvements.

What Preventive Measures Can Individuals Take?

There are many things that can be done to protect one's property from fire. Some owners can benefit from remedial efforts; other folks can prevent future problems by installing landscaping with fire safety in mind. However, in a community like this where residential and wild lands interlace, nothing can guarantee complete safety. A "firewise" landscape is still affected by many factors, among them the condition and maintenance of neighboring property. Here are some guidelines for incorporating fire safety into landscape design:

- **Reduce amount and types of fuels:** Remove combustible vegetation near any structure. Continuous tree and brush cover is a fuel link to your house or garage. Analyses of wildland-urban interface fires show that as the distance of dense, flammable vegetation from a house increases, so do its chances of survival.
- **Eliminate ladder fuels:** Get rid of fuels which enable a fire to climb into low-hanging tree branches and then to one's home, especially those that overhang chimneys and roofs. Pruning tree branches to ten feet above the ground helps.
- **Provide a defensible space:** Driveways, well-maintained lawn or ground cover and walkways can interrupt a fire's path and provide fire fighters an area in which to locate equipment and hoses to further

protect a structure. A thirty-foot wide safety zone of low fuel density is recommended. Store firewood at least fifteen feet away from a house or combustible outbuildings.

- **Clean roofs and gutters:** Remove pine needles and leaves to eliminate fuel. Untreated flammable materials such as wood shakes and shingles pose a significant threat. Wind-carried embers or intense heat from a nearby fire can ignite them.
- **Maintain property:** Over time, plants grow and spread, mulches dry out, leaves and pine needles accumulate. All contribute to the fuel from which a fire grows. Periodically remove natural litter, prune and water.
- **Help each other:** If adjacent property has dead twigs, brambles or fallen branches on the ground, consider reaching in five feet, removing and disposing of them. Fire safety is really an instance where helping others helps oneself.
- **Dispose of yard debris safely:** Brush and cuttings from landscape maintenance create another fire hazard. Yard debris may be dumped for free at the County landfill, or burned—or North Bay residents may put manageable, tied piles in the right-of-way in front of their homes on **Monday, May 7**, for the LMC's free spring pickup. When outdoor burning is allowed, and on a non-windy day, the Fire District allows a burn pile of yard waste no bigger than ten feet wide and high without a permit—but asks that it be informed by phone at 437-2899. Note, however, that the LMC requires a permit and has additional restrictions on burning debris. Contact the Beach Club office at 437-9201 for details. Note also that South Bay CC&Rs (4.2.6) state: "No open fires shall be lighted or permitted on the Lots, except in a contained outdoor fireplace or barbecue unit while attended."

The line between community and wilderness is blurry in much of the greater Port Ludlow area. More people living near wildlands increases the chance of blazes igniting. Allowing additional fuels to build up means fires that burn hotter and higher than they might otherwise. Firefighters' ability to protect both homes and ecosystems will increasingly depend on how homeowners prepare their property—that owned individually and that owned communally.

Port Ludlow Women Will Walk Sixty Miles

On the second weekend in August, three Port Ludlow women will participate in a very special and powerful event in the fight against breast cancer. It's called the "Avon Breast Cancer Three-Day." Mitzi Kaminski, Sharon Sorenson and Heidi Wood will walk with many more courageous people for a total of sixty miles, twenty miles a day for three days, from Enumclaw to Seattle. The disease has touched the lives of each walker either personally or through the women they love.

The three Port Ludlow walkers have joined together and call themselves the Port Ludlow *www.cure* (Women Who Walk for the Cure) team. They are committed not only to walk sixty miles, but also to raise money. Conquering cancer is more difficult than walking sixty miles and requires significant amounts of money. The support of the community is needed in this effort.

The American Cancer Society estimates that over 40,000 will die of breast cancer in 2001. The net proceeds from the three-day event will support non-profit breast health programs in every region of the country and medical research on breast cancer. For further details on these programs, visit *www.avoncrusade.com*.

For more information or to make a fully tax-deductible pledge, contact Mitzi Kaminski at 437-0889, Sharon Sorenson at 437-0857 or Heidi Wood at 437-9663. There will be a community fund-raising event on **Wednesday, May 30**. (See related story on page 6.) All the proceeds will support the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade.

The three-day odyssey on **Friday through Sunday, August 10, 11 and 12**, is symbolic of the battle against breast cancer. Every journey begins with a single step, and if you continue to put one foot in front of the other, eventually you will reach your destination.

Port Ludlow Farmers Market

The Farmers Market will open **Friday, May 11**, 9:00 a.m. at the Village Center. Opening day will be a special event celebrating Mother's Day. We can expect live music as well as a food concession operated by Debra Michak, d.b.a. The Burger Queen. The Market will once more offer residents and visitors alike the opportunity to socialize, shop and find that special something for your mom or sweetheart for Mother's Day. The regular market season will continue on Fridays.

Crabbing

by Jim Powell

As most of you know, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) closed our crabbing season five-and-a-half months early this year. The closure was based on its estimate that by November recreational crab fishers had exceeded our harvest allotment by 95,000 pounds. Many of us who crab are highly doubtful of the methods used for making such estimates and feel WDFW needlessly shut down the season.

Fish and Wildlife have admitted its methods of estimating our harvest are poor at best and are now asking the public for input as to how it can improve methods to do a better job in managing our crabbing season.

The main key for the improvement of management methods is for the Department to receive timely and accurate information from which it can make informed decisions based on real data. Therefore, many of us who crab here in Port Ludlow are asking the community in general to support the following five options as a remedy and to mail or e-mail them to the WDFW people listed below:

- Require crabbers to complete and submit a monthly catch-reporting card.
- Provide an opportunity for crabbers to report their monthly catch via the Internet as an option to sending in the monthly card.
- Reduce the daily bag limit if it appears we are going to exceed our harvest allotment before the season's end.
- Increase the minimum size limit from six to six-and-a-quarter inches.
- Close the fishery to all gear during the molting period.

WDFW Contacts

Jeff Koenings, Director, *director@dfw.wa.gov*

Jay Odell, Puget Sound Crab Manager, *odelljgo@dfw.wa.gov*

Russ Cahill, Commission Chairman, *commission@dfw.wa.gov*

Lisa Veneroso, Intergovernmental Policy Group, *ven-erlv@dfw.wa.gov*

Rich Childers, Marine Biologist at Point Whitney Shellfish Lab, *childrkc@dfw.wa.gov*

Brad Sele, Director, Point Whitney Shellfish Lab, *selebbs@dfw.wa.gov*

55 Alive Driver Safety Courses Offered

If you missed the 55 ALIVE classes held at the Bay Club in April, check to see if any of the following dates and places will work for you:

Brinnon Senior Center, **Monday and Tuesday, May 21 and 22**, 360-796-4350

Tri-area Community Center in Chimacum, **Monday and Tuesday, June 4 and 5**, 360-732-4822

Classes will be held from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Drivers of all ages are welcome to attend. You can pre-register by calling the appropriate phone number. A \$10 per person fee covers course materials. Those drivers over 55 who attend both days of class will receive a certificate making them eligible to obtain a 5 to 10 percent discount on their car insurance. For more information, call Linda Pfafman at 385-3831, extension 521.

Secret Garden Tour

The annual Port Townsend Secret Garden Tour, sponsored by the Jefferson County Master Gardeners, will open its gates on **Saturday, June 23** from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Volunteers from the Foundation and garden owners will be available at each of the gardens to help visitors with any questions. The tour will be self-guided with maps at each garden. Be sure to take enough time to “stop and smell the flowers.”

Nine gardens are on the tour and include ones with curb appeal, hidden forest paths, different water elements and lots of very special secret touches including native settings combined with exotics in delightful harmony.

A limited number of tickets at \$12 goes on sale beginning **Friday, May 25**. Tickets purchased the day of the event will be priced at \$15. For more information, call 379-5610.

More of Less Available

An updated version of Living With Less is available for copying at the Bay and Beach Clubs after **Friday, May 4**. This two-page resource lists local options for selling, recycling, donating and disposing of an assortment of household stuff.

Afternoon Tea

A reminder that springtime is perfect for enjoying a cup of tea and home-baked goodies while listening to lilt-ing strains of music from Paula Llish and her harp. The Britannia Chapter D.B.E. (Daughters of the British Empire) invites you to their second annual Afternoon Tea on **Wednesday, May 16**, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. Tickets should be purchased by **Saturday, May 12**, and are available at the Bay Club. The cost is \$10 per person. Proceeds go to support the British Home in Sierra Madre, California.

Questions? Please call Cynthia Durham at 437-0591.

Independents to Tour Undersea Museum

Port Ludlow Independents will meet the afternoon of **Monday, May 14** to tour the Keyport Undersea Museum, after which there'll be a rousing potluck at Chuck Malven's house in Bayview Village. The unique Undersea Museum has been greatly upgraded over the past couple of years and should make for an interesting afternoon.

The group will meet about 1:50 p.m. and carpool from Chuck's place at 51 Windrose Drive, leaving no later than 2:00 p.m. to allow time for a leisurely tour before the Museum closes at 4:00 p.m. Plan to reassemble at Chuck's about 5:00 p.m. for an early potluck dinner.

To volunteer your gourmet food and to see if he'll give you any further info, call Chuck at 437-4157.

Party Animals' Bridge Group is Up and Running!

A small group of folks met on Sunday, April 8 to form a new bridge group. We'll be meeting on Friday evenings twice a month. When? **Friday, May 4 and Friday, May 18**, from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Where? The Bridge Deck. Who? Anyone who is interested in the social aspects of “party bridge.” North and South, East and West. Singles, if you haven't played for awhile and would like to start up again. Welcome!

If you have questions or want more information, please call Pat Lyons at 437-7743 or mlyons@waypt.com.

Village Council News

A lengthy presentation on the Port Townsend United States Port District filled much of the Thursday, April 5 meeting of the Village Council. Port Ludlow District Port Commissioner Conrad Pirner and Port Authority General Manager Larry Crockett spoke for almost an hour on the Port's properties, budget structure and goals. Mandated by state law to promote economic development, the Port's three major projects are an update of the Airport's master plan, an expansion of the Boat Haven Marina and the renovation of Point Hudson.

County Parks Seeks Input

Jim Pearson of Public Works noted that Jefferson County is updating its Parks and Recreation Plan and developing its Non-motorized Transportation Plan. The government is trying to learn where its residents walk, bike, hike, ride and play—and what is wanted that isn't available now. A series of information-gathering sessions were held in April, and future forums will outline the resulting plan options. To learn more, or to contribute your day dreams, great ideas or fondest hopes, contact Pearson at 385-9162 or jpearson@jefferson.wa.us, or Warren Steurer of the Parks Department at 385-9129 or wsteurer@jefferson.wa.us.

OPG Sale Slow, But Pretty Sure

OPG Vice President Jon Rose reported that the due diligence period with HCV Pacific Partners continues, is going well and going on. A commitment point was expected in a couple of weeks. The lack of purchase closure has slowed the already sluggish time frame for Marina expansion in order to avoid the risk of time-consuming revisions to lengthy permit applications and reviews. Other work continues; the nineteen lots of Timberton Division 3 are complete and for sale.

Committee Reports

Maureen Poole reiterated her thanks to the numerous contributors to the cookbook's success. Profits are now almost \$3,000. The Committee is making decisions on how the money will be spent for the community's benefit. About eighty books remain for sale at the Bay Club for \$13 each.

The Farmers Market opens for the season on **Friday, May 11** with live music and hot food according to Chair Don Cooper. The Council-sponsored market made over \$800 last year.

Fire Chief Offers Good and Bad News

District 3 Fire Chief Wayne Kier reported that the razing and reconstruction of the Port Ludlow station is on schedule and going as planned. Demolition validated the consultants' assessments of dry rot and concrete that was not reinforced, thus confirming calculations that it was cheaper to tear the station down and rebuild rather than to renovate the decades-old structure for modern needs. Kier welcomed the talent and energies of new Fire Commissioners Gene Carmody and Howard Morse, and noted that the District was applying for grants to assist with water supply issues (in areas ill-served by hydrants) and staff training.

Kier reminded the Council that the September primary ballot would call for a vote on whether or not to extend the existing levy to maintain current EMS and ambulance service. (Note: Similar to the school levy, renewing such a levy requires at least a sixty-percent majority.) He also commented that there were eight unrelated fires in the Port Hadlock region over the last several weeks. As the lead investigator for these tragedies, he sees that the common threads among the fires that resulted in fatalities and injuries are the lack of functioning smoke detectors and the failure to plan for and use an alternate exit.

Council minutes are posted at the Bay and Beach Clubs.

Village Council Meeting Agenda

The May meeting of the Port Ludlow Village Council will be held on **Thursday, May 3**, 9:00 a.m. at the Beach Club. The following are proposed items for that agenda:

- Puget Sound Energy, Don McDaniel
- Millennium Digital Media, Harry Gibson
- Olympic Property Group/Drought Issues, Larry Smith
- Port Ludlow Kitchens Community Project Awards, Maureen Poole
- Jefferson County Commissioner, Glen Huntingford
- Fire District #3, Chief Wayne Kier

The public is invited to attend.

Note: The Commissioners on the Road Program, originally scheduled for April 26, has been rescheduled to **Thursday, May 10**, 7:00 p.m. at the Bay Club.

Emerald Downs Horse Racing Trip

The LOA is sponsoring a bus trip to Emerald Downs on **Saturday, June 9** for members of the community to enjoy a day of horse racing. According to Chairman Joe Darcy, the bus is expected to leave the Bay Club at 10:00 a.m. and return around 8:00 p.m. He expects the total cost to be about \$50 including the bus trip, admission to Emerald Downs and a catered lunch. Seats will be located in the glassed-in viewing area near the finish line.

Using the smallest bus available limits the trip to forty persons. Please sign up no later than **Friday, June 1** on sheets that are posted at both the Bay and Beach Clubs or call Joe Darcy at 437-4020. He also can be reached by e-mail at darcy@olypen.com.

Play Bingo—Battle Breast Cancer

The Port Ludlow Women Who Walk, known as www.cure, are sponsoring a fun evening of bingo. Mark your calendars for **Wednesday, May 30**, 6:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. The famous bingo caller, Robbie Robinson, will make a rare appearance especially to call the games. His renowned wit and humor will insure all players will have a great time.

All the proceeds will go to support the Avon Breast Cancer Crusade. The support of everyone in the community is needed to help win the fight against breast cancer.

First Wednesday Luncheon

Mark your calendars now for the dynamic “State of the School” address by Mary Lynn Derrington, Chimacum Schools Superintendent, at our luncheon **Wednesday, May 2**, 11:00 a.m. at the Beach Club. All Port Ludlow residents are welcome to this important message covering educational programs and activities at Chimacum schools.

There is no charge for First Wednesday Luncheons. Guests are requested to bring a cash or non-perishable grocery donation for the Jefferson County Food Bank. Last month we delivered \$81 cash and about twenty-five pounds of grocery items to the Food Bank. Donations are always gratefully received. For additional information, please call Annette Isaksen Stone at 437-7852, Diana Anderson at 437-0235, Mary Kay Baldwin at 437-0325 or Ila Gluhm at 437-9123.

Free to Good Home—Your Stuff

With the expression, “one man’s trash is another man’s treasure” in mind, the Jefferson County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) is sponsoring a free exchange of goods on **Saturday, May 26** from 9:00 a.m. to conclusion at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds. The SWAC-Swap is a “re-use fair” at which no money changes hands. The only charge for entrance is “one good thing,”—something useful and in functional condition. Stop by and pick up items that may be of use to you, and bring unwanted items and make them available to others.

What is not accepted and what is welcome? You may not bring dead appliances, or any bedding or clothing. Do not bring anything that needs to be licensed, such as a boat trailer. Do bring building materials, such as windows, plumbing or lighting fixtures, exercise equipment, books, hardware, kitchen equipment, tools, etc. Furniture is welcome if it is in good or reasonably repairable condition. Old operational computers are particularly wanted. Any questions? Call Molly Pearson of the Environmental Health Department at 379-4458.

Blood Drive

by Lois Comella

When the last Blood Drive was held in Port Ludlow, sixty-one people turned out. Thanks to all of you, and let’s hope as many turn out for the drive planned on **Monday, May 7** at the Port Ludlow Community Church. While not mandatory, it is recommended you make an appointment by calling 1-800-398-7888. Collection will be from Noon to 3:00 p.m. and from 3:45 to 6:00 p.m.

A Few More Interesting Blood Facts

- Did you know that Denmark rewards its blood donors by giving a monetary contribution to a favorite charity in the donor’s name?
- In 1667, a physician to King Louis IX, Jean Dennis, transfused nine ounces of lamb’s blood to a young man suffering from insanity with the hope of curing him. Both the man and the lamb died.
- Seventeen million red blood cells can be manufactured each second in the human body and seven times that amount when stress precipitates a need.

Village Activities Calendar

Most events held at the Bay Club unless otherwise specified, and are open to everyone in the community unless members-only is indicated, or are obviously special-interest groups.

May

Tues., May 1

2:00-4:30 p.m., PLCC Beginner's Class
2:00-5:00 p.m., Plush Investment Club

Wed., May 2

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon, Beach Club
12:30-5:00 p.m., Ole Olson Bridge Tournament

Thurs., May 3

9:00 a.m., Village Council Meeting, Beach Club
9:00 a.m., North Bay Trail Clearing Work Party, Beach Club

Friday, May 4

7:00 p.m., Party Animals' Bridge, Bridge Deck

Sat., May 5

9:00 a.m., Port-to-Port Sail Race, Marina
11:00 a.m.-noon, PLCC Workshop

Sun., May 6

Noon-5:00 p.m., Bay Club Begins Summer Hours
10:00 a.m., Port-to-Port Sail Race, Marina
5:00-9:00 p.m., WGA Couples' Golf Potluck

Mon., May 7

8:00 a.m., LMC Annual Spring Garden Debris Pickup, North Bay
Noon-3:00 p.m., Blood Drive, Community Church
3:00-4:30 p.m., PLCC Office SIG
3:45-6:00 p.m., Blood Drive, Community Church
6:00 p.m., Dine and Discover Club Dinner
6:00-10:00 p.m., USCGAUX Boating Skills and Seamanship Class, WSU Learning Center

Tues., May 8

1:00-3:00 p.m., Trails Committee
2:00-4:30 p.m., PLCC Beginner's Class
7:00-9:00 p.m., Book Club

Wed., May 9

9:00 a.m., Garden Club Assembles for Rhododendron Tour
10:00 a.m., North Bay Drainage District Meeting, Beach Club
3:00-7:00 p.m., MGA General Meeting

Thurs., May 10

9:30-11:30 a.m., SBGA Advisory Committee
12:30-2:00 p.m., Broadway Production Meeting
7:00 p.m., County Commissioners on the Road

Fri., May 11

9:00 a.m., Farmers Market, Village Center
5:00-7:00 p.m., South Bay Members Cocktail Party

Sat., May 12

10:00 a.m., PLYC Opening Day, Marina
11:00 a.m.-noon, PLCC Workshop
6:00-10:00 p.m., Free Spirits "Czars" Dinner

Mon., May 14

9:00 a.m.-noon, Bayview Board Meeting
1:00-2:00 p.m., Woodworkers
1:50 p.m., Independents Tour and Potluck, Chuck Malven's Home
6:00-10:00 p.m., USCGAUX Boating Skills and Seamanship Class, WSU Learning Center
6:30 p.m., PLCC Social Time
7:00-9:00 p.m., PLCC General Meeting

Tues., May 15

1:00-4:00 p.m., Fly Fishers General Meeting
2:00-4:30 p.m., PLCC Beginner's Class

Wed., May 16

2:00-4:00 p.m., Daughters of the British Empire Afternoon Tea
7:00-9:00 p.m., Teal Lake Board Meeting

Thurs., May 17

10:00 a.m.-noon, PLVC Workshop
1:00-3:00 p.m., PLCC Genealogy SIG
2:30-4:30 p.m., PLCC Board Meeting

Fri., May 18

9:00-11:00 a.m., SBGA ARC Review Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m., Party Animals' Bridge, Bridge Deck

Sat., May 19

9:00 a.m., LMC Meeting, Beach Club
10:00 a.m., Emergency Training Day, Marina
11:00 a.m.-noon, PLCC Workshop
6:00 p.m., LMC Mexican Fiesta Potluck, Beach Club

Mon., May 21

10:30 a.m.-noon, PLCC Special Topics SIG (Backups)

Tues., May 22

2:00-4:30 p.m., PLCC Beginner's Class
3:00-6:00 p.m., Free Spirits Annual Meeting
7:00-9:00 p.m., Coast Guard Auxiliary Meeting

Fri., May 25

9:00-11:00 a.m., SBGA Board Meeting

Sat., May 26

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., LMC Annual Garage Sale, Beach Club
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Exquisite Junque Sale
11:00 a.m.-noon, PLCC Workshop

Wed., May 30

6:00 p.m., Bingo Night for Breast Cancer, Beach Club

Thurs., May 31

1:00 p.m., Tee-Off WGA Couples Play Day Away, Lacey

Future Events

June 1, 2, 9, 10, Little Theatre presents *Harvey*

June 13, Garden Club Visits Lakewold Gardens

Beach Club Update

Nan Smith is the correspondent for the North Bay and the Communications Chair for the LMC. She can be reached at 437-2162 or by e-mail at justnan@olypen.com. All items of interest to the North Bay may be submitted to her.

LMC Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission was held on Saturday, April 21. The seven LMC Committees presented their year in review and updated items for the coming year. Greg McCarry provided the latest information on the sale of OPG properties in Port Ludlow while Howard Morse, as a Fire Commissioner, discussed the goals and accomplishments of Fire Protection District #3 on behalf of Chief Wayne Kier.

Three Board seats were to be elected by all LMC members. Sharil Webber, representing the Admiralty I Condos, was unanimously elected to continue serving for another three-year term. The remaining two seats—those of Jim Brannaman and Bud Kerns—representing the lot owners, were filled by Michael Walker and Joe Darcy, who received the highest number of votes of the three candidates: Doris Feltham received 188 votes; Joe Darcy received 230 votes; and Michael Walker received 280 votes.



Pictured above are members of the 2001-2002 LMC Board of Trustees: Back row-Jim Laker, Bill Anderson, Sharil Webber and Michael Walker. Front row-Marie Lytal, Joe Darcy and Chuck Wright. Not pictured are Stan Kadesh and Kent Foreman.

A very special thank you goes to Bud Kerns for his seven years of dedication to the LMC Board.

Following the Annual Meeting, the incoming Board met to determine Officers for the coming year. Chuck Wright, who is serving the final year of his Board commitment, was elected Board President; Michael Walker is Vice President; Marie Lytal will continue to serve as Board Secretary; and Joe Darcy will be the Treasurer.



Board President Jim Brannaman presents a plaque to Betty Stevens for her many years of service to the LMC. Betty chaired the Finance Committee for more than eight years.

An outstanding cocktail party to celebrate the work of the outgoing LOA and LMC Boards, and the election of new Board members, was the final event in a long day. Food and beverages were provided through Board donations as well as personal food preparation. Marie Lytal and her Committee presented a massive array of beautifully prepared foods. (If anyone went away hungry, it was their own fault!). Thanks to them for their hard work and to all who provided assistance.

Potluck Dinner Schedule

The North Bay Dinner Group reminds everyone that the monthly potlucks are held on the **3rd Saturday** of each month. Posters advertising the theme, cost and other related information are posted at the Beach Club and the Bridge Deck prior to each event.



On behalf of the LMC Board, Marie Lytal, Board Secretary, presents a "Thank You" gift to outgoing LMC Board President Jim Brannaman..

Spring Clean Sweep

Along with spring house and yard cleaning comes Clean Sweep, that week when a dedicated group of North Bay neighbors get the better of the litterbugs by tidying up our roadways. **Tuesday through Monday, May 1 through 7** are the targeted days. If for any reason you are unable to continue with your route, please let Sally or Jack Orsborn know at 437-0670. Volunteers willing to serve as substitutes will be welcomed to our list.

Newcomers often ask if this is the same group that collects yard debris. The answer is "no." That is an LMC Greenbelt Committee effort in early May.

If you've never been a part of this LOA committee, you can still help by stopping to pick up an unsightly can or bottle when you see it. We can all help to keep Port Ludlow a beautiful place to live.



Your Help is Needed!

As the new LMC Board begins its planning and programming for the coming year, a call goes out to North Bay residents to work on one of the Committees: Finance, Operations, Architectural Control, Communications, Covenants and Regulations, and Greenbelt.

George Dyer, Jr., who has chaired the Covenants and Regulations Committee, is vacating his position to pursue other interests. The Board is looking for someone with a legal background to fill this Chair. George Wigginton is no longer able to perform as Chair of the Greenbelt Committee. The Board is looking for someone with a background in forestry or an interest in local flora for this position.

Anyone interested in volunteering to serve on a committee may contact Dick Smith at the Beach Club, 437-9201,

New! Beach Club Internet

Have you visited the all-new Beach Club Home Page yet? Here you will find Beach Club information including hours of operation, names and phone numbers of LMC and LOA officers, chat room, message board, surveys and much more. Sign up for the Beach Club Weekly Newsletter with news, activities and events taking place at the Beach Club!

Join our new Tele-Webbers Internet Club at the Beach Club. If you have a PC and want to learn how to do almost anything on the Internet, then attend our meeting every Friday at 1:00 p.m. in the Gazebo. From tricks and tips for e-mail accounts and search engines, to creating your own personal website, we cover it all at our weekly meetings.

If you don't have a computer but want to see what the Internet is all about, then join us and see how you can do anything on the World Wide Web right at the Beach Club.

May Potluck Dinner

The May LMC Potluck Dinner will be held on **Saturday, May 19** and will be a Mexican Fiesta. The cost is \$6 per couple, which includes beer, wine and chips. Please sign up to bring Mexican dishes. Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m., dinner at 7:00 p.m.

Don't miss the
**18th Annual George
 Wigginton
 North Bay Garage Sale**

**Saturday, May 26
 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Beach Club**

Sellers may pick up an info sheet at the
 Beach Club

Very large turnout expected so
 get your tables early!

Honor a hard-working member of our
 North Bay community who has
 organized this sale for the last 18 years!

Questions? Call Bryant or Phyllis Ehrenborg
 at 437-2197
 or Dick Jovag at 437-2909

Annual Garden Debris Pickup

Everyone in the North Bay is hereby notified that the LMC's free annual spring garden debris pickup is scheduled for **Monday, May 7**.

As in prior years, we ask that you follow these simple rules:

1. Leaves, grass cuttings, weeds or any other small pieces must be in plastic bags with tops securely fastened.
2. Small branches—eight feet and shorter—should be bundled and tied securely together so that they may be handled by one person.
3. No man-made materials, junk or garbage will be picked up.
4. Bundles and bags must be placed on the shoulder of the road, next to the pavement.
5. All debris must be in place ready for pickup by 8:00 a.m. on **Monday, May 7**.
6. This free service is provided by the Greenbelt Committee of the LMC and is not to be used for clearing vacant lots.

If you have any questions, please contact Bill Wilke at 437-9164.

LOA Annual Meeting

President Michael Cahn outlined activities of the LOA during the past year. The highlight was the report by Arts Committee Chairman Sally Orsborn that over \$6,000 in donations have been received toward the purchase of a grand piano for the LMC. This will be an ongoing endeavor by the LOA.

Michael also announced volunteers are needed to clear brush and weeds on North Bay trails. All interested should meet at the Beach Club on **Thursday, May 3**, at 9:00 a.m. to devote a couple of hours to keep our trails in good shape.

New trustees elected are Chuck Baldwin and Al Larsen, with Sally Orsborn and Michael Cahn continuing to fulfill their three-year terms. The LOA officers for 2001- 2002 are Sally Orsborn, President; Michael Cahn, Vice President; Al Larsen, Treasurer; and Marie Lytal, Secretary.

LOA Piano Fund

The LOA fund raising project for a new piano for the Beach Club has yielded over \$6,000 to date. The community sends heartfelt thanks to those who have participated. Additional contributions are encouraged so funds will be available when an excellent instrument has been found. Checks may be written to LOA Piano Fund and left in the Beach Club office.

A search committee is now actively gathering preliminary information about good grand pianos in the area. Information may be directed to Pat Anderson at 437-0304, Sylvia Brooke at 437-9479, Tony Goods at 437-9412 or Sally Orsborn at 437-0670.

Trail Clearing in North Bay

We are looking for volunteers to cut back brush from the paved trails on **Thursday, May 3**. Please meet at the Beach Club at 9:00 a.m.

Plan to bring clippers, or a broom, or a heavy-duty weed-eater or a small chain saw. We will clear the trails along Oak Bay Road, in front of the North Bay Condominiums and running down from Rainier Lane/Wells Ridge Court to Oak Bay Road. We hope to complete the task within three hours. For questions, call Michael Cahn at 437-8223 or Jim Laker at 437-4009.

Bay Club Update

Dorothy Foust, Editor

Dorothy Foust is the Bay Club editor. Submit your articles to her by e-mail at frost@olympus.net or call her at 437-2836 no later than the 12th of the preceding month.

For information on Bay Club activities, call Debbie Ueda at 437-2208.

SBCA Board of Directors Meetings

*Held 4th Friday of the Month at the Bay Club at 9:00 a.m.
All SBCA members are welcome.*

South Bay Board Meeting Update

by Bill Schoenemann

The last monthly SBCA Board meeting was held on Friday, March 30. Bob Wilkinson presented the financial results for February and there wasn't any significant news. Mike Morgan reported there are 398 SBCA members and with the current pace of construction, we will probably not achieve the budgeted number of 409 members.

There was a lively discussion on charging for Bay Club usage. The final decision was that starting with the next fiscal year (**July 1, 2001**), the Bay Club will charge for overtime staffing expense incurred by all organizations not exclusively made up of Bay Club members.

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) presented documentation on a homeowner who is in flagrant disregard of various CC&R covenants and refuses to cooperate. The Board voted to turn the matter over to our lawyer.

Reporting for the ARC, Barclay Hampton said the meeting with South Bay Village Associations went well and depending on finalization of inputs from the Village, an effort will be made to delegate some ARC decisions to a lower level. He also presented three proposed new ARC applications, which will replace the current form(s). Included are an initial application and separate forms for architectural and landscaping changes. The Board reviewed and approved the new forms.

Bob Force submitted a final draft of recommended changes to the CC&Rs that will be submitted to homeowners at the annual meeting that is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 20**. Bob, Tom Murray and Bob Wilkinson will form the Nominations Committee to select candidates for next year's Board that will be elected at the annual meeting. If you have any interest in serving or feel you have a qualified candidate, please contact one of the individuals on this Committee.

We have received a revised offer from OPG to finalize the transition issues. The amount of money to be given to

the SBCA as a one-time payment remains at \$59,000 and there is a satisfactory resolution to the SBCA property tax issue. In addition, we have received the official termination of the CC&R reversion clause. The offer will be voted on at the regular SBCA Board meeting which will be held on **Friday, April 27**.

Repair of faults that were found by the building inspector is proceeding, with roof caulking, fireplace repair and electrical work near completion. It is expected that repairs in the pool area and on exterior dry rot will be completed by the end of April.

Mike Morgan brought up that several SBCA members have refused to sign the liability release for the Club. The Board asked that this matter be referred to our lawyer.

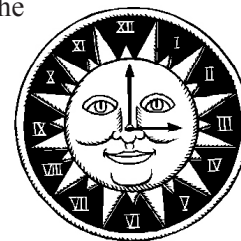
The Board welcomes input to any of your directors: Bob Force, Frosty Foust, Bert Goldstein, Judy McCay, Tom Murray, Bill Schoenemann and Bob Wilkinson. We also invite your presence at our monthly meetings with the next one scheduled **Friday, April 27**.

Interested in a Craft Fair?

If there are any groups that want to participate in a Craft Fair at the Bay Club this coming October, please contact Monica Martin at 437-9324 or Jean Kraft at 437-2086.

Summer Bay Club Hours

Effective **Sunday, May 6**, the Bay Club will go on summer hours. Each Sunday afternoon the Club will be open from noon until 5:00 p.m. until further notice.



New South Bay Neighbors

A warm welcome to the following new neighbors:

Beverly and William Brown	Teal Lake
Patricia and John Emery	Inner Harbor
Ellin and Stephen Failla	Timberton
Horst Frychel	Woodridge
Marilyn and Richard Hampton	Woodridge
Linda and Gerry Holmstrom	Teal Lake
Roberta and John Keiter	Fairway
Margaret and Gale Kulm	Edgewood
Carol and Dave Matheison	Timberton
Mark Wyse	Inner Harbor

Exquisite Junque Sale

Join your neighbors and friends in clearing out items no longer needed or wanted. Bring them to the Bay Club for sale at the annual Exquisite Junque Sale, **Saturday, May 26**, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Categories for selling include household items, sports equipment, personal (clothing and jewelry) and antiques or collectibles. Items for sale must fit on or under tables. You may photograph a large item and display the photo. Tables rent for \$7 each and location is reserved on a first-come first-choice basis. Setup begins at 8:00 a.m. and all items must be cleared from the auditorium by 2:00 p.m.

Free Spirits Annual Meeting

The Free Spirits Annual Meeting will be held **Tuesday, May 22**, 4:00 p.m. at the Bay Club. This meeting is for all current members and any other SBCA members interested in joining Free Spirits. Bring your ideas and suggestions to improve the organization and your willingness to help. We will select a new Board for 2001-2002 followed by cocktails and munchies.

Free Spirits Plan Russian Dinner

Hurry and sign up for "Dinner with the Czars" on **Saturday, May 12** at the Bay Club. Cocktails at 6:00 p.m. and dinner served at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$10 for members and houseguests, \$15 for non-members. The cutoff date for registration is **Tuesday, May 8**.

Birdseed Delivery Program

Port Ludlow bird lovers will be pleased to learn that Wild Birds Unlimited of Gig Harbor will deliver birdseed, suet and any other product needed for backyard birdfeeding needs to a convenient location here in our Village. On the first and third Wednesdays of each month, they will deliver your purchases to the Port Ludlow Visitors' Center. And did you know WBU suets, available in many flavors, all have a higher fat content than suets available at other stores. If you order a case of twelve delivered, you'll receive a ten-percent discount. Just call 1-800-851-2575 with your orders and/or to request a newsletter including a complete list of current prices for all bulk seed.

Wildlife Education Fair

The Ninth Annual Wildlife Education Fair, hosted by WBU of Gig Harbor, will be on **Saturday, May 5** from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the store, 3711 Harborview Drive on the waterfront. There will be many live birds and animals to see, including live eagles, hawks and various small mammals. For more details, call 1-800-851-2575.



Book Club Looks at Purgatory

They were a family with everything—money, power, influence and glamour. They could concoct a lie and believe it was the truth. They had the power to murder without guilt or shame or paying a price for their actions. The novel begins with a murder trial where a handsome Congressman from a Kennedyesque family in New England is charged with a crime from his prep school days: the death of a pretty fifteen-year old neighbor, clubbed to death with a baseball bat.

Join us for a discussion of this masterfully orchestrated novel of secrets on **Tuesday, May 8** at 7:00 p.m. at the Bay Club when we discuss Dominick Dunne's *A Season in Purgatory*. All are welcome.

Drainage District Update

The Port Ludlow Drainage District reports they are in the process of selecting an attorney of record, have applied for State of Washington grant money, hired a consultant to work on the rate assessment study, and have compiled a list of engineering consultants for future engineering work. Their next meeting will be **Wednesday, May 9, 10:00 a.m.** at the Beach Club.

Rate Setting Discussion at Next Meeting

The District will discuss setting rates for properties within the Drainage District including all of North Port Ludlow as well as the Resort area, Marina and portions of the Commercial Center. Commissioners are exploring many different methods of establishing funding rates, and public input is both requested and desired. Once rates are established, collection will most likely be combined with property taxes. Since the District is a governmental entity, all meetings are open to the public. Anyone who would like to be heard on this important topic should plan on attending. Easements and a general drainage plan will also be discussed if time permits.

Community Internet Site

Vaughn Hubbard is developing an all new Port Ludlow Village Home Page. Here you will find all of our area information and community links in one place. There will be links to all of the Port Ludlow websites including clubs, organizations, activities, area maps, weather, ferry information and much more.

If your community club or organization already has a website that you want included in the Port Ludlow Home Page Community Directory, then send e-mail with your URL address to Vaughn at vaughn@easywebtv.com. Further, if your community club or organization would like to create a website with all your information, newsletters and more, then Vaughn can help you develop your new website. Contact him at 437-0930 or by e-mail at vaughn@easywebtv.com.

To visit the new Port Ludlow Village Home Page, go to <http://www.easywebtv.com/portludlow/home.htm>. To get an idea of how Vaughn can help you develop your club website, take a look at the Beach Club Home Page at <http://www.easywebtv.com/members/portludlow/beach-club/>. He can help you develop a similar site for your club or organization.

Bridge Tournament

The Port Ludlow Bridge Club has invited their bridge-playing friends at the Jefferson County Bridge Club in Chimacum to join them at the annual Ole Olson Memorial Tournament

to be played on **Wednesday, May 2, 12:30 p.m.** at the Bay Club. Participants will enjoy an afternoon of bridge and fond remembrances of Ole. All bridge players are invited to join them. Sign up at the Bridge Deck.



Yacht Club Opening Day Ceremonies

The Port Ludlow Yacht Club will hold Opening Day ceremonies on **Saturday, May 12, 10:00 a.m.** at the Marina. Following an opening address by Commodore Peter Joseph, officers and distinguished guests will be introduced. A Flag Ceremony will follow and the season will officially begin with the firing of the cannon.

Club members will then view the christening of both new members' boats and new boats, following which the Coast Guard Cutter *Osprey* will lead a boat parade that will pass in review before Commodore Joseph and guests.

Learn More About Dahlias!

The Garden Club is putting together a list of volunteers to help this summer with the Parker's dahlia garden. As of now there is someone who will get them planted, but they need the help of the four garden clubs in the area to each take a week this summer for maintenance. If you can help, please call Bonnie Ahlstedt at 437-9113 or Marge Bonard at 385-7394 to let them know.

Many of you may not realize that through the years the Parkers have donated bulbs and flowers to many of us as well as to groups and organizations here in Port Ludlow. If you know of anyone who might be willing to help us out, please pass this message on to him or her. This is a great way to learn how to take care of some beautiful plants and spend a little time with some beautiful people.

Mariners News



Dock Talk

by Kori Ward, Dockmaster

“Port to Port” Sail Race Benefits Wooden Boat Foundation

A weekend of sail race events highlights the upcoming fourth annual “Port Ludlow to Port Townsend Race,” set for **Saturday and Sunday, May 5 and 6**. Sailboats of all types and vintages are welcome to race and compete for trophies provided by the sponsors. Proceeds from the registration fees from the “Port to Port” race will benefit the Wooden Boat Foundation and its Youth Sailing Program.

Race sponsors include the Wooden Boat Foundation and the Port Ludlow Marina. The Port Ludlow Yacht Club will function as the Race Committee.

Sailors can participate in one of three race classes, or in the One-Design class. Fleet A will be comprised of wood and antique boats, Fleet B will be boats with a PHRF rating above 150, and Fleet C will include boats with a PHRF rating of 150 and below. The One-Design class for the Lidos will be called Fleet L and the Etchells will be Fleet E.

All events will begin at Port Ludlow Marina on Ludlow Bay. Boaters may arrive at Port Ludlow on **Friday, May 4**, and attend a no-host welcome party at the Marina that evening. Registration will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday with a skippers’ meeting scheduled for 10:00 a.m. At noon, Fleets A, B and C will race approximately ten miles to Hood’s Head and back on a course designated by the Race Committee. After the race, the skippers and their crews will enjoy a no-host dinner at the Beach Club catered by the Resort.

The “Port to Port” race from Port Ludlow to Port Townsend will commence at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday morning. The racecourse will run from Port Ludlow N2 buoy northward, keeping Marrowstone Island to the port side. The Race Committee will establish the finish line off Port Townsend’s Union Warf. Following the race at about 3:00 p.m., the Wooden Boat Foundation will host an awards presentation. The winning boat in each class will be the one with the least points gathered in the two days of racing. Port Ludlow Marina will donate trophies for the winners.

The races will be governed by the current Racing Rules of Sailing, the prescriptions of US Sailing and the rules of PHRF Northwest, and are open to anyone wishing to race. Skippers will pay a \$25 race fee per boat for A, B and C Fleet class, \$15 for E and L class. Port Ludlow will provide a no-host dinner for skippers and crews on Saturday. The Marinas will charge regular moorage fees at Port Ludlow on Friday and Saturday and in Port Townsend on Sunday if a skipper chooses to stay overnight.

Race information packets and registration forms have been available since Sunday, April 15, at the Wooden Boat Foundation and at Port Ludlow Marina. For more information call the Wooden Boat Foundation at 385-3628 or the Port Ludlow Marina at 437-0513.

With the cruising season getting nearer, we will begin seeing Captains and First Mates heading down the ramps with dock carts full of provisions. Whether you go cruising to the Gulf Islands, San Juan Islands, or just a quick weekend getaway to anchor out at Mystery Bay, we hope you all have a safe and enjoyable spring cruise. I would like to remind you, if you are planning on being out of your slip for a weekend or two, to please stop by the Marina office and fill out a slip release form. We will then try to rent out your slip during your absence and split the revenue with you.

You are invited to the Marina on **Saturday, May 19**. The Marina staff and Jefferson County Fire District #3 will be holding an emergency training day. Fire extinguisher training and procedures will be held at 10:00 a.m. followed by a fire drill, man overboard procedures, and oil spill containment. You are all welcome to come down and watch the activities.

Dean Kelley now at the Edmonds Marina

Dean Kelley, former Marina manager, and his wife Kerry are now residing in Seattle at 264 North 45th Steet, Seattle, WA 98105. They can be reached by phone at 206-675-9355. Kerry was with the Wellness Center here in Port Ludlow.

Shop Talk

by Alyce L. Elder

When was the last time you were in the Port Ludlow Marina Store? Spring is here and new merchandise has been arriving on a weekly basis. The store has more items for sale than ever before. If you're interested in lighthouses, you'll be excited to hear about some great new items now available.

One of our latest shipments is from Moby Dick, the largest importer of nautical items. We have several lighthouses, candlesnuffers, card boxes, ceramic pillboxes, cast iron candleholders, brass key holders and ceramic lighthouse mirror shelves. There are even boat shelving units for those who are decorating in the "lodge" motif, available in hunter green or white. Moby Dick is a company that has really impressed me. The quality is great and the prices are very reasonable.

Another lighthouse item that just arrived is from Bev's Studio, Inc. In this order, we received bookmarks that have Washington lighthouses on them and lighthouse mouse pads for you computer buffs.

On order but not received yet are ladies' cardigan style sweatshirts that have Washington lighthouses on them. They should arrive around the middle of May.

If you don't know what Durga Light products are by now, you are soon to find out. Dr. David Maline, a Port Ludlow resident, invented the soap portion of this all-natural product line. The products are handmade and do not include laurel sulfate. They combine herbs and essential oils to strengthen the healing energy and have a subtle, natural fragrance. The lip balm and body moisturizers are by far some of the best I've ever tried. These products are sold here at the Port Ludlow Marina store.

Don't forget that we also sell propane here. We are open seven days a week.

Port Ludlow Paddlers

by John Reseck

The Baja paddle will be taking place as this issue of the *Voice* goes to press. This year, four of our members are paddling the 150 miles from Loreto to La Paz along the Baja coast. With nothing but desert along the coast, it promises to be a primitive trip. If this exploratory group can map out some good places to camp, etc., perhaps a larger group will make the trip next year.

Recently many of the paddlers did the Chimacum Creek estuary. It was outstanding as always (we do it once a year). Such a beautiful, peaceful place and so close to home. After the paddle, we met for dinner at the Ajax.

Our annual trip to the Skagit Delta is coming up in May. We hope to see many of the migrating birds that are waiting to go north. Then in June we're off to Salt Spring Island in the Canadian Gulf Islands for a week, and in July we'll visit the East Coast to paddle the beautiful coast of Maine.

Sounds like a good year to me!

Coast Guard Auxiliary

by John Reseck



The CGAUX had an active month. They completed an Advanced Coastal Navigation class with five public and four members finishing the very rigorous material.

Each student took not only an extensive written test, but also a very intricate cruise exam.

There was also a special all-day class given by the CGAUX for the Port Ludlow Paddlers to increase their safe-boating knowledge.

In between the two classes, several members along with the Marina crew helped save John and Sharon Reseck's boat from sinking at the dock when a through hull line from the head siphoned water into the boat. Thanks to the Marina staff who ran the Coast Guard pump, the boat did not sink. Also thanks to Burton Gabriel who headed up the rescue effort after being alert and discovering the boat was sinking. No, he didn't claim salvage rights.

A Boating Skills and Seamanship class started in late April and will continue **Monday, May 7 and 14**. There will be a Boating Safely class on **Tuesday, June 5 and Thursday, June 7** and a GPS class on **Tuesday, June 26 and Thursday, June 28**. All classes will be held in Port Hadlock at the WSU Learning Center with class times from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. For more information or to register, call David Aho at 437-9888. To join the CGAUX, call Sharon Reseck at 437-0351.

Arts and Entertainment

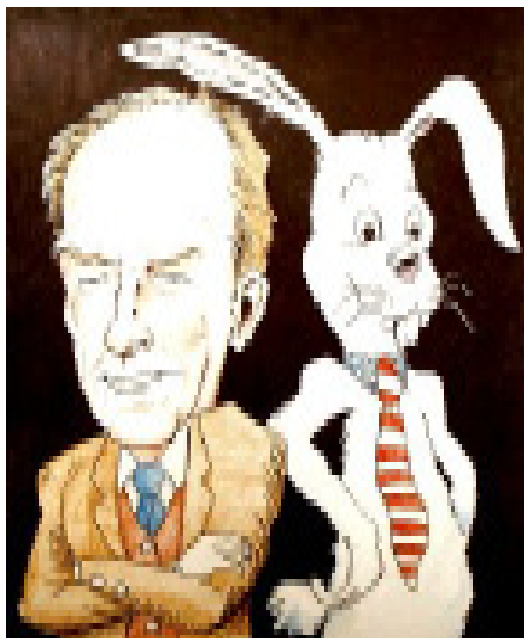
Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Editor

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 the editor at bwagnerj@olympus.net by the 10th of the preceding month.

Harvey!

by Peggy Smith

That magic name is causing a nostalgic stir as word spreads that the spring performance of Port Ludlow Little Theatre will indeed be *Harvey!* The play will be presented for two successive weekends, **Friday and Saturday, June 1 and 2** at 7:30 p.m., **Saturday, June 9** at 7:30 p.m. and **Sunday, June 10**, at 2:00 p.m. All performances will be at the Bay Club, the ticket price is \$7.50. Tickets will go on sale **Tuesday, May 1**, at both the Bay Club and Beach Club. Sellouts are expected, so make your plans and buy your tickets early!



Mary Chase, until then an obscure Denver newswoman, wrote *Harvey*. It was first produced in the prewar early forties at the 48th Street Theatre in New York City. Starring Frank Fry as Elwood Dowd and Josephine Hull as his “put upon” sister, the play enjoyed instant success and

earned the Pulitzer Prize for Mary Chase.

Following its long run on Broadway, *Harvey* of course moved west to Hollywood, where it was made into the movie that has since become an American classic. It starred James Stewart, with Josephine Hull repeating her New York role as the zany but endearing sister, a performance that earned her an Academy Award for best supporting actress. With few changes, the film remained true to the original script with Mary Chase as technical advisor. It secured for Elwood and his constant companion “Harvey,” an affectionate place in everyone’s hearts.

Port Ludlow is fortunate to have its own Elwood P. Dowd, Ross Robson. Ross is a perfect Jimmy Stewart “type,” bringing to the role his own special and delightful interpretation. Assuming the role of Elwood’s sister is Janet Stark, whose affectionate portrayal of the long-suffering Veta Louise will light up the stage, guaranteed!

Rounding out the cast of characters (and I mean the word character in its most amusing sense!) are Little Theatre veterans Bob Baker, Don Clark, Vallery Durling, Barbara Kaelberer, Lizette Murray, Floy O’Brien and Howard Slack. Those of you who saw last season’s play, *The Curious Savage*, will remember the humor and insight they brought to their roles. Joining them this season are newcomers Frank Fischer and Jim Watson, fast earning their performing stripes.

As the play’s director, I would be remiss if I neglected to express my gratitude to each member of the cast for time, energy and most of all, dedication to the task at hand. Preparing plays as complex and demanding as *Harvey* and *Curious Savage* is not a stroll in the park. It requires days stretching into weeks stretching into months of learning, polishing, perfecting and finally performing so well that you, our audiences, will enjoy the play and think that for the cast it’s been a “piece of cake.” Not so! Our rehearsals often dissolve into laugh fests and love fests, but the bottom line is lots of hard work!

See you at the Bay Club **Friday, June 1, Saturday, June 2, Saturday, June 9**, and/or **Sunday, June 10!** The cast has fallen in love with that “big white rabbit.” We hope