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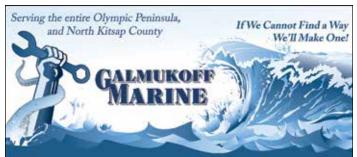


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ON THE BACK COVER Having fun at the Festival. Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

Feature Articles

From the Editor's Keyboard

Detroit, ravaged by riots and the

decline of the auto industry, has

declared bankruptcy. Parts of the

city look worse than the slums of

Johannesburg or Nairobi.

Doctors Without Borders and

funding for needed medical

other volunteers struggle to find

supplies for sick children abroad

and in our own country. Poverty

By Beverly Browne, Managing Editor



Beverly Browne.

makes it difficult for many to acquire needed healthcare.

Tornadoes, floods, fire and drought plague parts of the country, from New Orleans to California. Affected residents desperately need assistance of all kinds. It has sometimes been slow in coming.

Then we have the disaster that eclipses all others—Oprah Winfrey cannot buy a \$38,000 handbag in Zurich. For those of you living on the planet Zoog who have not heard of this travesty, Oprah (who earned \$77 million last year and was in full Oprah gear at the time of the event) was snubbed by a Swiss clerk in an expensive boutique. She was told, according to press reports, "It is too expensive for you. We have less expensive ones." Bad move, lady! Oprah went into a tailspin and pulled out the race card. The press went wild.

If racism, anti-Americanism or anti-foreigner biases (none of which are unknown in Switzerland) were involved, that's a bad thing. We should all be beyond that. But there are several things that also bother me. First, it bothers me that companies make \$38,000 bags and that people buy them. Second, it bothers me that Oprah, who has a reputation for doing quite a bit of good, would toss away that much cash on a purse. It doesn't take much thought to come up with better uses for wealth and she clearly knows them. Third, it bothers me to know that, although this was a particularly expensive item, there are lots of really expensive bags out there and lots of buyers squabbling over them.

What I really want to know, though, is what does a \$38,000 bag look like? It is not likely I will find out. Anyway, if I bought one, I wouldn't have anything left to put in it.

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A Modern Day Food Fight

by Autumn Pappas, Contributing Writer

Childhood obesity rates rose in the 1980s when a major shift occurred in our food supply. Farmers grew bigger crops, which resulted in an over-abundance of food in our nation. Fast food chains, high fructose corn syrup, eating out and larger portions became popular. Food companies advertised to children more than ever before, increasing the amount of food that families purchased. Electronic media became main stream, and children became more sedentary. Consequently, over thirty years later, one in three children is now considered overweight.

Today, we live in an environment which encourages people to eat large portions of unhealthy foods. The underlying problem is that the goal of the food industry to make a profit— does not align with the public health goal which is to promote health and wellness. The food and beverage industry spends an astonishing \$16 billion a year on advertising. Advertisers use health claims to make consumers believe that packaged foods are healthier and lower in calories than they truly are. Additionally, fruits and vegetables are 40 percent more costly today than in the 1980s making it difficult for families on a budget to buy healthy produce. This has added to the reason Americans are consuming an average of 700 calories more than previously.

President Obama announced recently that childhood obesity rates have slowly started to decline, due in part to the "Let's Move!" initiative started in 2010 by Michelle Obama. "Let's Move!" is dedicated to solving the challenge of childhood obesity within a generation. As part of this effort, Mr. Obama established the first ever task force on childhood obesity; the goal is to reduce the childhood obesity rate to just five percent by 2030. Additionally, Congress passed the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act to improve childhood nutrition by empowering the USDA to set nutrition standards for all school foods.

We all have a personal and social responsibility to the health of our future generations. Our community leaders need to encourage families and communities to make healthy decisions. Healthcare providers need to educate and support their patients in living healthier. At home, we need to teach our children and grandchildren to cook with real food and exercise more. We all need to support and volunteer at local farms, farmers markets, schools and organizations that support healthy lifestyles for children. For more information on how you can help future generations live healthy lives, go to *letsmove.gov*.

Washington Education Association (WEA)

by Linda Karp, Contributing Writer

The WEA is under the umbrella of the National Education Association and represents classroom teachers as well as educational support personnel. Its mission is to advance the professional interests of WEA's members in order to make public education the best it can be for students, staff, and communities.

WEA began as a state-wide educational organization in 1889. For more than 80 years, membership included teachers and administrators. In the 1970s, following passage of a collective bargaining law for teachers, WEA evolved into a teachers union. Today, its members include teachers, librarians, counsellors, higher-ed faculty, school psychologists, bus drivers, occupational and physical therapists, cooks, coaches, custodians, curriculum specialists, speech and language pathologists, nurses, secretaries, office assistants, classroom paraprofessionals, preschool specialists and technology experts.

Before 1965 school employees in Washington did not have a collective bargaining contract. Individual contracts contained an annual salary figure, the length of contract in days and teaching assignments. If teachers coached or held some other extra duty assignment, that assignment and salary were spelled out in their contract or a supplementary contract. In some school districts, board policies granted teachers additional privileges, but board policy was always subject to change. It never conferred a right.

What teachers sought then was a voice—a say in their profession, their salaries, their rights and their teaching. Their working conditions were their students' learning conditions, and the desire for dignity, respect and a voice was closely tied to their desire to do a good job in the classroom. In places like Seattle, the local association attempted a form of bargaining with school boards, only to be turned away. These locals wanted the WEA to seek a negotiations law. The result was passage of the 1965 Professional Negotiations Act, a one-page law for K-12 and community college teachers that obligated school boards to meet, confer and negotiate.

The Legislature omitted language in a 1976 law that would have specifically permitted strikes by teachers. However, the Legislature also declined to pass any legislation specifically banning strikes, thus leaving Washington statutes silent on the subject to this day. A majority of local associations and school districts today have peaceful, collaborative bargaining processes—a cooperative spirit has evolved. Over the past 30 plus years, districts have come to understand that teachers and other school employees have professional insights into the educational process that should be reflected in contract agreements. WEA members support higher academic standards for students, including the state's Essential Academic Learning Requirements (EALRS).

WEA believes that public schools need additional resources to meet higher academic standards: smaller class sizes, better compensation, more learning opportunities for students, professional development and safe schools. School accountability legislation should provide the help needed to meet high standards.

WEA supports efforts to improve teacher quality, including National Board certification, the state Professional Educator Standards Board, consistent certification requirements and professional development. In addition, small class sizes allow educators to provide the individualized attention students deserve.

Nothing is more important to improving the quality of public schools than having well-trained, well-qualified educators teaching our children. Better compensation for public school employees remains WEA's number one priority and is one of the most important issues facing our state's public schools

Charter Schools in Washington

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

After years of resistance, voters in Washington recently approved the formation of a limited number of charter schools in Washington State. Plans are in motion for the opening of 40 charters in the next 5 years; the first may open next year. What are these schools, how do they differ from public schools and what is their record of achievement?

Charter schools are primary or secondary schools that receive public money and private donations but are not subject to some of the rules and regulations governing public schools. They may be formed by individuals or other entities who feel constrained by traditional public schools which can include non-profit or for-profit corporations. Charters are attended by choice and, as part of the public education system, do not charge tuition. However, they are accountable for producing whatever results are set forth in the school's charter. Some provide a specialized curriculum focusing on a certain field, such as technology or the arts, but all charter school students must take state-mandated exams. Charters have been in existence in the United States since Minnesota passed the first charter school law in 1991. Since then, forty-two states have written charter school laws, Washington's being the last. The laws differ from state to state but for a charter school to function, it must have a defined mission and program. Its contract will specify who it serves and how it will assess performance. Accountability is a primary argument in favor of public schools although evidence provided by the Department of Education suggests that those standards are not higher than for traditional schools. In addition, performance records are mixed.

The states with charter schools vary widely in the autonomy provided to charter schools, the types of agencies that are allowed to establish charter schools, whether public schools can convert to charters and whether teachers in the schools need to be certified. Often, charters can be granted by local school districts, by a county board of superintendents, by state boards of education or by independent chartering authorities approved by the state. Many states, like Washington, have caps on the number of charter schools that can exist.

Charters are often seen as a way of dealing with nonperformance on the part of the public schools. They were part of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2002 which stated that students in underperforming public schools could opt to attend another school, including a charter school. The charter management companies that have emerged since No Child Left Behind often promise to address the crisis in education by better serving special student populations, such as the under-privileged. Examples of management companies are Green Dot Public Schools and Aspire Public Schools, both in Los Angeles. They promise smaller schools and class sizes, more individual attention and better graduation rates.

Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates is a believer in charter schools. His foundation promoted the charter school initiative to the tune of \$3 million with another \$1.5 million kicked in by co-founder Paul Allen. An additional \$800,000 will come from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to give charter schools in Washington help with start-up planning. Gates has also supported chartersupport groups in Connecticut, Louisiana, New York, Texas and Colorado. In Washington the group hopes to provide leadership training and advocate for charter schools in the Washington State government. According to David Bley, director of the foundation's Pacific Northwest work, the staff has facilitated connections between the Charter School Commission and the State Board of Higher Education.

Chimacum's Interim Superintendent Speaks

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer



Interim Superintendent Rich Stewart.

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

Rich Stewart brings to the Chimacum School District 38 years of educational experience, 12 of those years as a superintendent. He and his wife, Deanna, raised their five children in a variety of school districts across the State of Washington. Deanna is a primary school teacher and is currently a reading consultant for the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Stewart states that he took this position because he felt that his skills as an administrator fit very well with the needs of the Chimacum Schools. He had planned to retire when the opportunity arose to take this interim position for a year. He feels this position is an ideal transition towards retirement and gives him the opportunity to still stay in the field.

Collaboration, leadership building and teamwork are his modes of operation. In his experience, the power of leadership teams working together and taking ownership of their goals provides an excellent environment for learning at all levels. Stewart embraces the challenge in directing this effort, developing systems, and moving people forward.

Developmentally, middle school students fascinate Stewart. He is interested in their journey from childhood to becoming young adults. Special Education is another interest for Stewart and it has made him especially aware of the importance of the diversity of learning styles with all students. He believes that educators need to focus on what they want kids to know and understand when the

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kids achieve that knowledge. They need to know when the kids haven't grasped concepts and be able to develop alternate plans for communicating with them. These children may need further enrichment to challenge their intellectual growth and development.

Stewart views the upcoming levy as an opportunity to review where the school has been, where it is now, and where it is going. He states that the community has given the school a responsibility with trust and the school, in turn, needs to set goals and evaluate results.

In the new school year, there will be an all-day kindergarten, a new elementary principal, Cassandra Rosenbloom, and a new middle school principal, Stuart Price. Stewart is looking forward to the school year, eager to meet members of the community, set systems in place, and he feels a sense of urgency to get it all started.

Education for Environment = Environmental Education

by Tamra McDearmid, Guest Writer

Remember when we were kids: we all recycled; talked about renewable energy; worried about climate change, greenhouse gas, and global warming? Actually, except for rare instances, most of us kids had no clue about any of these topics. Environmental education has changed that reality. Today our grandchildren are aware of many environmental issues at an early age.

The first Earth Day was held in 1970. It was considered to be an environmental teach-in, with lots of booths and demonstrations. While this event first occurred in the United States, there were internationally organized events in 141 nations by 1990. Some communities plan an entire Earth Week of activities focused on environmental issues.

The concept of "ecology" was born earlier, with concern about chemical pesticides in the 1960s, and books including Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* and Murray Bookchin's *Our Synthetic Environment*. Other influences were nuclear weapons and nuclear power in the 1960s and 70s, acid rain and pollution in the 80s, ozone depletion and deforestation in the 90s, and now climate change, global warming and species extinction.

Simple Earth Day projects grew to have enormous impact. People learned that whatever they might

carelessly toss down the storm drains will end up in a creek, or bay, or ocean. We were taught those plastic collars that held a six-pack of soft drinks together could easily end up around a water mammal or fish's neck, with fatal results. Flyers explained how to create a basic recycling center in our own garage. Recycling pick-ups and centers were established within our neighborhoods. Fastfood restaurants began to use recyclable paper products.

Although the roots of environmental education can be traced back to the 18th century, a new type of environmental education, Conservation Education, emerged as a result of the Great Depression and Dust Bowl during the 1920s and 30s that focused on rigorous scientific training. Modern environmental education, which gained significant momentum in the late 1960s and 70s, combined the teachings of both nature and science.

Over 40 years of Earth Days later, environmental education has been considered an additional or elective subject in traditional K-12 curriculum. Environmental protection is something even the youngest child can take part in picking up litter, turning off the water while we brush our teeth, turning out lights as we leave the room.

At the elementary school level, this education can take the form of science enrichment curriculum, natural history field trips, community service projects, and participation in outdoor science schools. Many programs provide citizens with an in-depth understanding of the environment.

In the school system, a modern curriculum uses the local environment as a framework for teaching state and district education standards and to provide resources for hands-on, outdoor learning. Green Facilities are created when schools use energy-saving construction, costing on average a little less than two percent more than creating a traditional school. Payback from these energy efficient buildings occurs within only a few years. Healthy food options are also a central aspect of green schools.

Schools also educate individuals to thrive in a sustainable society. In addition to building a strong relationship with nature, American citizens must have the skills and knowledge to succeed in a 21st century workforce. Our current workforce must adapt to the new green economy. Environmental education policies that fund training programs are critical in educating citizens to prosper in a sustainable society.

Technology and Education

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

There are many inventions that were supposed to revolutionize the way that children learn. They have included typewriters, moving pictures, educational television, and most recently, computers. As an example of the latter, Steve Jobs envisioned that Apple would entirely revamp the way education occurred. No longer would the "sage on the stage" deliver a one-style-fits-all string of facts to a passive audience. Teachers would be facilitators and children would dictate the pace and direction of their learning.

The claims of Jobs and other proponents of new technologies were not entirely false. Neither were they entirely true. Evidence supports the effectiveness of some programs and for some student populations. There are large differences in the sorts of technology that are employed in classrooms, differences in the kinds of classrooms that employ them and differences in the way they are employed. This makes comparisons between specific programs dicey at best. But there are schools that have moved less performing schools to the top of the list using new technologies and some research shows that the way technology is used is as important as having it there.

Use of new technologies was given a boost by the "No Child Left Behind Act" focus on measuring student progress. President Obama's Race to the Top Initiative has been responsible for an additional push because it provided dollars for districts willing to innovate. This ameliorates one of the important problems blocking technological innovation – how to pay for it.

There have been other substantial barriers to getting technology into the classroom besides the obvious problem of cost. America's many school districts upgrade their materials and procedures slowly and unsystematically. Change is difficult. Government regulation can impede the ability of schools to innovate, as can political interests, and schools are heavily regulated. There is often opposition from teacher's organizations. Although some of the teacher's duller tasks might become easier, the teacher must adapt to a new system.

Lastly, there is the problem of the data that is created. Large amounts of information could be collected on each individual student. Is it possible that it could be used in unintended ways that would be detrimental to the student in later life? Although the point is to maximize the potential of every child, the specter of doing the reverse does exist. The challenge is to seize the potential good without incurring the negatives.

What is Home Rule Charter Government?

By Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

There is a move afoot to institute a new type of government in Jefferson County in the form of home rule charters. Clallam, King, Pierce, San Juan, Snohomish and Whatcom counties operate under some form of charter. Jefferson County operates under a commission form of government. That is approved by the state constitution but the constitution also gives the counties an option to switch from the currently prescribed form.

So what is this form of government? In counties that opt to adopt a home rule charter, voters can appoint county officers to perform county function previously performed by elected officials. They can also change the titles and duties of county officers. They are prohibited from changing the elected status of the county prosecuting attorney or the superior and district court judges or altering the jurisdiction of the courts. They remain subordinate to state law and the constitution. The Supreme Court has ruled that charters cannot amend or repeal ordinances intended to implement the Growth Management Act.

There are two ways to initiate the charter process, initiation by the county commissioners and through voter petition. Under either method a board of freeholders is elected to draft a proposed charter. The charter is then submitted to the vote of the people. If the commissioners initiate the charter, they call for the election of 15 to 25 freeholders who are residents and qualified electors of the county. If the voters petition for a charter, ten percent of the electorate must sign the petition before it goes on the ballot. Voters elect the board of freeholders at the same time they vote on the charter.

Charter forms of government give the public more options to put initiatives on the ballot. This is appealing to people who want environmental protection laws strengthened or who want to preserve the interests of small communities against corporate intrusion. According to Commissioner David Sullivan, a downside of charter government is that it is expensive due to increases in initiatives and the possibility of more legal challenges.

Auditor Donna Eldridge says that after the petition is certified to have the requisite number of signatures, it must go through a public hearing process in order to appear on the November 5 ballot. She worries that even if it is received by the **August 6** deadline, there may not be enough time to conduct the hearings.

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The organization pushing the movement is called the Community Rights Coalition. The stated goal of the organization is to preserve the county's natural beauty. A specific issue that has been cited involves net pens in county waters that many feel should be prohibited. The ability of the public to oppose this and other corporate interests might be greater, coalition members feel, if the county adopted a charter government.

Love in a Golf Cart

by Rick Refbord, Guest Writer

As recent retirees and transplants from the Midwest, my wife and I decided there was no better way to get to know the people of Port Ludlow and the surrounding area than to volunteer to drive the shuttle carts during Port Ludlow Days. Our first shift started on Saturday at 3:00 p.m. We quickly caught on to the routine of parking in a visible point next to the parking area and looking for that familiar wave similar to a taxi hail. We would get as close as possible to the people, sometimes driving up right next to their parked vehicle.

Without fail, all were grateful for the lift to the festivities, especially after eyeing the steep hill they saw as they drove in. Many were vendors loaded with packages, bags and parcels to restock their booths with interesting and often tasty goodies. Some were recovering from a recent fall or surgery and were on crutches, using canes, wheelchairs or limping. Others were families with kids that didn't want to get off the roller coaster-type ride down the hill. Every one of them had smiles on their faces, both coming and going.

The people made the experience special for us. My wife met a woman who flagged her down looking for a ride up that daunting hill. She said she wanted her to drive them because she "looked like a Midwest girl." She said indeed she was and had just moved here in September from Iowa (she was wearing an Iowa shirt). The woman said, "Get outa here! I moved to Poulsbo five weeks ago from Madison, Wisconsin." They reminisced about the Midwest and shared some quick memories on the ride to their car.

On an empty run down the hill, I picked up a woman with a worried look on her face. She was desperate to find a ride for an 88-year-old man who was overheated and having trouble walking. She had left him sitting in some shade by the art gallery. He was waiting patiently when we arrived. We drove directly to his car making small talk on the way up. As we neared the entrance, they directed me to the Mini Cooper S at the end of the row. I asked how she liked the car and told her I had always wanted to drive one but was afraid that if I got in it, I would never get out. She laughed and said it was the gentleman's, but she thought it rode very well. After the energy-saving ride up the hill, they both got in and he drove home.

Both of the "fares" wanted to tip us \$5. We declined, as we did numerous times throughout the day. One couple said that I had a pretty cushy job for a volunteer. I replied that the job was paying \$8 an hour. They said, "Really?" And I responded, "Yup, it was all I could afford to pay." We shared a laugh and parted company.

The entire experience was priceless for us. Seeing smiles, sharing stories, meeting people, and being of service made us feel part of Port Ludlow. Next year we plan on being more involved, and maybe finding more love in a golf cart.

Savage Landscape and Nursery, Kingston

by Eline Lybarger, Contributing Writer

This month Port Ludlow gardeners visit one of the local nurseries, Savage Plants in Kingston. They will receive a tour and listen to a talk. The Garden Club article in this issue describes the event but the background of the proprietor is also interesting.

From Junior High through College Jim Savage worked on the landscape crew for a friend of the family who owned Weights Nursery. The crew did big projects at Seattle Pacific University and King's Garden. Not only were the projects big but the plants were big; he fondly remembers moving a 30 ft. maple.

In 1970 Jim opened his own landscape business on Bainbridge. In 1977 he moved his young family to Hansville but it wasn't until the early 1990s that the property for his current location became available. Everything about it was small. What is now the wine shop was the business office with little room left over for plants. He was able to plant a small display garden around the office. He wanted people to see shrubs, plants and trees in their natural growth habit. Today it is a pleasing stroll through adult plants, large rocks and a water feature.

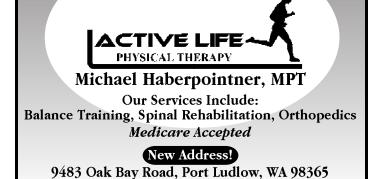
Five years ago he found he couldn't do all of the design work by himself so he added Ann to his staff. There was no place to put her so he built the new building with work space upstairs, a gift shop on the main floor and another display garden outside to the right of the entry. He also added space for plants with beautifully executed hardsurface paths that meander, more green houses and most

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recently, has cleared an area for his specialty, large trees potted and available for purchase.

What is he working on this summer? Expanding a park on Bainbridge and some water restoration where there were slides. What is his favorite design and or landscape challenge? Jim likes big projects, big trees and big rocks with attention to small things. It's quite different from the little beginnings in Hansville.





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

Jump! Opens Performing Arts Season

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Guest Writer

Champagne, mini-dessert appetizers, an art exhibit and a chance to reconnect with friends await those returning to the Bay Club, 120 Spinnaker Place, on **Saturday**, **September 28**, at 6:30 p.m. for a celebration launching the 22nd season of Performing Arts in Port Ludlow. Season subscribers are invited to enter at 6:15 p.m. for early bird seat selection. The special evening features Diane Lines at 7:30 p.m. bringing her smoky vocals and demon pianoplaying ability to *Jump! A Celebration of Swing, Boogie and Jump Blues*.

Pianist and vocalist Diane Lines launches the Arts Council's annual series with her stellar band in tow. Prepare for a high-energy night of foot-tapping favorites by Nat King Cole, Louis Jordan, Louis Prima and more. Fans of blues, big band, swing and boogie-woogie will enjoy this show that has played to rave reviews on both sides of the border.

Lines, who was the pianist for Grammy winner Michael Bublé for two years, has always been a fan of the jump era of music, even if it's not as widely known as rock 'n roll. *Jump!* was developed to show off her special skills as well as her love for the era. She enjoys the spirit and energy of the music.

The production also features Bill Abbott on vocals, saxophone and flute; Tony Chamberlist on vocals and drums; Jennifer Hodge on vocals and acoustic bass; and Tim Porter on saxophone, bass, guitar and vocals.

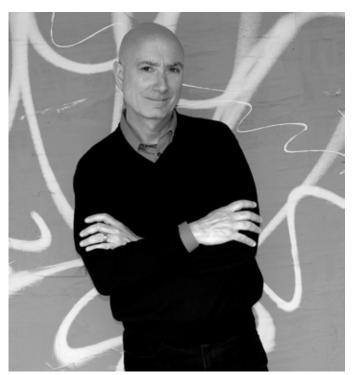
Gary Griswold of the Artists' League paints watercolors of Northwest scenes, classic boats and marine subjects. He has been a serious painter since the 1980s, is on the board of the Puget Sound Group of Northwest Painters, and serves as Art Director of the Port Townsend Aero Museum.



Diane Lines "jump starts" the 2013-2014 performing arts season. Provided photo

Diane Lines' celebration of swing, boogie and jump blues is made possible through the generosity of a local couple who are underwriting the show in appreciation of the Arts Council's efforts. The evening includes a champagne reception, 6:30 p.m. seat selection and 7:30 p.m. concert. Tickets are \$24 and can be purchased online at *www.portludlowartscouncil.com* or at the Bay Club. Subscriptions for all six concerts in the series are \$120, a savings of \$24, and are available until opening night. For ticket questions and subscription information, contact Diane Purdy at 437-1262 or email *gpurdy @cablespeed.com*.

Renowned Jazz Pianist at Bay Club



Ted Brancato.

Submitted photo

If you are familiar with the music of Port Ludlow resident and Brothers Four member Mark Pearson, you will remember renowned jazz pianist Ted Brancato who is Pearson's longtime collaborator and friend. Brancato will appear at the Bay Club on **Wednesday, September 25** at 7:00 p.m. After many successful years as a musician, composer, arranger and studio owner in the New York City area, Ted is entering the spotlight in his own right. The evening will feature songs from his new Origin Records CD *The Next Step*.

Some familiar Northwest jazz luminaries, including bassist Chuck Deardorf, drummer Mark Ivester and percussionist Jeff Busch, will join Ted at the performance. Saxophonist Matt Langley who appears prominently on the new album will be traveling from the East Coast with Ted to be part of the group.

Tickets at \$20 each can be purchased at the Bay Club. For further information, call 437-2208.

A Call for Patti's Art

In October Northwind Arts Center will present "Going Home," a retrospective show of Patti Settle's artwork. We are asking anyone in the community who owns an original piece of Patti's work to contact Gary Settle at 437-0302, or Wanda Mawhinney at 437-9081.

Ludlow Village Players (LVP) Announces Website

LVP is in off-season mode, but we have some exciting news for our fans, friends and neighbors. Our new website will be up and running by the time this *Voice* issue arrives. It is being developed by Wynne Stevens who played Ken in *Rumors* last March at the Bay Club. It features photos of past productions, current events, Reader's Theater news and a comment section, so you can send us questions and suggestions. Check us out at *www. ludlowvillageplayers.org*. You may send photos of past productions or other LVP archival materials to *mail@ wynnestevens.com*.

The Selection Committee is researching plays for the next production already booked at the Beach Club for the last weekend in March, 2014. Dorothy Cox, Carol Durbin, Lenetta Johnson, Jane Navone, Kathie Peron-Matthews, Judy Thomas and Val Durling make up the committee. If you have any favorite plays you'd like us to consider, please let us know.

Remember, Reader's Theater is the third Tuesday of every month in a local home, to be announced. To be included on the contact list or for any other info, please contact Val at *rkd@waypoint.com*, or at 437-2861.

Bloedel Reserve Events

The Bloedel Reserve on Bainbridge Island is an internationally renowned public garden and forest preserve. The founder's vision was "to provide refreshment and tranquility in the presence of natural beauty." It is located at 7571 NE Dolphin Drive which is just across the bridge leading to the Island.

Currently, the Reserve is featuring their first ever outdoor sculpture exhibit which features all new work by Northwest sculpture artist, Julie Speidel. Twelve unique pieces highlight specific areas of the garden to draw the eye towards often overlooked areas of the grounds. The exhibit is free with admission and lasts through **Sunday**, **October 13.**

Bloedel is honored to present traditional Japanese music on Koto by Takako Satoh in the Japanese Garden from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on **Sundays, September 15 and 29.** Music in the Visitor's Center, ranging from classical to jazz with the Island Music Guild, will be presented on **Sunday, September 8** by Peter Spencer and students; on **Saturday, September 14** at 4:30 p.m., the Bainbridge Symphony Brass presents a concert; and on **Sunday, September 29** at 4:30 p.m., experience a moving performance from flutist Gary Stroutsos entitled *The Enduring*

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Legacy of the American Flute. The last two concerts require an admission charge.

The Pacific Northwest Botanical Artists, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting public awareness of contemporary botanical art, is currently exhibiting at the Reserve through September. The exhibit is free with admission.

Summer hours are Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Thursdays through Sundays, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. For further information, go to *www.bloedelreserve.org*.

Northwind Readings

Northwind Reading Series is a program of monthly (or more frequent) readings by local and guest authors, featuring both poets and prose writers. Everyone is welcome to attend these free readings. Donations are gladly accepted to support Northwind Arts Center, a nonprofit organization dedicated to connecting the arts to community. For more information, contact Bill Mawhinney, 437-9081.

The schedule for September is:

September 12: Poetry and Song with Bill Mawhinney and Lawrence Cole

September 19: An Evening of Russian Poetry with Tatyana Apraksina and James Manteith

September 26: An Evening with Mary Lou Sanelli

Artists' League Welcomes Jeannie Grisham

September's meeting will feature Jeannie Grisham of Bainbridge Island, known for her mixed media paintings. Her talent in combining watercolor with "gouache" brings texture and depth to her paintings and she will be sharing this technique with the Port Ludlow Artists' League.

Gouache is a painting technique in which a gum or an opaque white pigment is added to watercolors to produce opacity. In gouache the color lies on the surface of the paper, forming a continuous layer, or coating, and is characterized by a directly reflecting brilliance. (Source, *The Encyclopedia Britannica*.)

"I believe art should not be too serious; it is meant to be enjoyed and should add some spice to your life," says Grisham. Painting for her lies in the process of creating: dipping her brush in water, loading it with the pigment and introducing it to paper, taking her to a different world. The painting starts with transparent watercolor and continues developing darks while managing to keep the lights.

"During this process I usually end up adding gouache to the work. It is great fun to manipulate and adjust the textures until the results are pleasing. The painting is considered finished only when it feels just right. Any media, as long as it is water soluble, is fair game, and any tool I can think of to help create textures on hot press paper is a welcome find," shares Grisham.

The League's meeting will be held at the Beach Club on **Wednesday, September 18,** at 1:00 p.m. Guests are welcome to attend this monthly meeting and social time. A guest fee of \$5 may be paid for an individual meeting, or dues of \$30 will provide a year of inspiring programs for art lovers and artists of all levels. More information can be obtained by contacting President Carol Durbin at 437-0204 or by e-mail at gramcr@aol.com.

Port Townsend Film Festival

For 13 years the Port Townsend Film Festival has offered the single most intimate venue on the Pacific Northwest film calendar with an eclectic, hand-selected film roster from regional, national and international artists. The 2013 Film Festival begins on **Friday, September 20** and continues through **Sunday, September 22**. The schedule had not been released at press time.

There are a variety of passes available and they offer maximum flexibility with minimum hassle. They come in a variety of price ranges and combinations. Go online at *www.ptfilmfest.com* or call 379-1333 to get additional information.

Doors, Windows and Walls

On **Friday, September 6,** from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m., the Bainbridge Performing Arts (BPA) Gallery's "First Friday's Art Walk" will feature Marilynn Gottlieb's photographic and mixed media images of doors, windows or walls. The images invite a comparison of individual pictures as well as creating an abstract collection. The public is invited to the BPA Gallery for an artist reception and a fun-filled evening of art, food and friends. The event is free.

The regular gallery hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. BPA events are held at 200 Madison Avenue North, Bainbridge Island. For more information, call 206-842-8569, or go to *www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org*.

Influences of the East

by Judy Danberg, Guest Writer



"White Bird," by Ann Arscott, artist.

Submitted photo

The Port Ludlow Artists' League presents *Influences of the East* during the month of September. Four artists, trained in the ancient Sumi-e style of the art of Asia, and one in the Chigiri-e style, will be showing and sharing their artwork in the lobby of the Columbia Bank.

Some 2,000 years old, Sumi-e aims to depict the spirit of the object rather than the object itself, by expressing its simple beauty and elegance. Balance, rhythm and harmony are the qualities the artist strives for by developing patience, self-discipline and concentration. The goal of the brush painter is to use the brush with both vitality and restraint, constantly striving to be a better person because his character and personality come through in his work.

Ink painting evolved from the elegant calligraphy of China. The stroke that forms the character for the number one becomes the trunk and branches for the bamboo tree. It is necessary for brush painters to know enough calligraphy to sign their names and add characters of descriptive or poetic calligraphy to their finished paintings.

Ali Gruszewski was taught Asian brush stroke basics for alphabet lettering during a summer program in high school. After learning the basics, she was self taught. "I am inspired by capturing the movement and essence of the image, and the simplicity of detail," says Gruszewski.

Jeanette Best became interested in Asian art while living in San Francisco and took a class in Chinese water color. "I enjoy the puzzle of trying to solve the problem I have created for myself after the first few brush strokes are placed on the paper," shares Best. She wants the person viewing her work to enjoy her interpretations and enter into that puzzle, too.

Carol Avoy Durbin "lived the dream" for six years, living in Okinawa, Japan, embracing the culture and its people. She took her first Sumi-e class in college. "In Japan we sat on tatami mats and, in an almost meditative state, we painted," says Durbin. She hopes her art portrays the pleasure of simple beauty and tranquility found in Japanese art.

Ann Arscott's love of things Oriental led her to study painting at the China Institute in New York City. She paints on silk as well as paper. Arscott's work has appeared in the National Sumi-e regional show on the East Coast, at the Institute in New York City and in Kyoto, Japan. "I am in seventh heaven here surrounded by all these sources of inspiration and delight," she says.

Chigiri-e is the process of using handmade papers, wetting with a brush and tearing the paper at the wet marks leaving fuzzy edged shapes, laying them onto the board and drawing or painting on the paper to make a more or less abstract picture.

Elly Peters took lessons from other artists while living in Japan and found her muse in the art of Chigiri-e. Her pictures brought her seven one-woman shows in Japan. "They were unique and totally my own," Peters relates.

The Artists' League extends an invitation to all to join them in honoring these five artists at the "Second Wednesday Reception" on **Wednesday, September 11** from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the lobby of Columbia Bank. In addition, the Art Gallery, adjacent to the bank, will be hosting new artwork in the theme of *Words* by members of the League from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. that same evening. Regular Gallery hours are noon to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday.

Compound Images

Compound Images, an exciting multimedia Northwind Arts Center show, opens at noon on **Friday, September 6**, with an Opening Reception and Art Walk scheduled for 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. on the following day, **Saturday, September 7**. The show runs through **Monday, September 30** with an Art Talk scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on **Sunday, September 15** at the center.

Compound Images includes works which layer, stack and swirl two- and three-dimensional objects, images, and shapes to create a new and greater whole. Participating artists from this region are A.K. Anderson, Dan Larsen, Harold Nelson, and Jaap Romijn. Their work includes assemblage, collage, sculpture and resin paint on aluminum.

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Anderson, artist, set designer and art educator, is an award-winning member of the National Collage Society and has exhibited her work across the region and country.

Larsen, a Northwest native, has been involved in construction for the last 30 years. His passion for the process has led him into exploration of any potential industrial medium.

Nelson, an Olympic Peninsula resident, recycles magazine pages to create new images. His art has been exhibited widely, including the Port Angeles Fine Arts Center and Kirkland Arts Center.

Romijn, also an Olympic Peninsula resident, is an artist and furniture maker, trained in sculpture at California College of Arts and Crafts.

The show includes an interactive station where visitors are encouraged to create their own compound works of art which can be photographed and posted to Facebook. The first 25 children under 12 years of age to attend the show will receive a do-it-yourself kaleidoscope kit to take home.

Northwind Arts Center, 2409 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, is open daily from noon to 5:00 p.m. and closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Crafts by the Dock Fair

The 40th Annual Crafts by the Dock Fair will happen on **Saturday and Sunday, September 7 and 8**, in downtown Port Townsend by the City Hall and the City Civic Plaza and one block from the Wooden Boat Festival, also that weekend. Hours on Saturday are 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and on Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Juried artists from Jefferson County and four Northwest states will be selling their handmade artwork, which includes maritime paintings; fine silver, gold, and beaded jewelry; blown glass; wooden wares; tiles; hand forged steel sculptures; photography; knives; hand woven and hand knitted clothing; lampwork beads; wooden flutes; children's clothing and much more in a wide price range. For more information, call Donna Harding at 437-9511.

The Arts Guild uses monies raised by the fairs to fund local arts scholarships and many other arts-related cultural events. This event is the Port Townsend Arts Guild's largest fundraiser. For more information or applications for this fair and the Holiday Crafts Fair on **Friday and Saturday, November 29** and **30**, please see the website at *www.porttownsendartsguild.org* or check out *www. ptguide.org*. The Port Townsend Arts Guild is a selfsupporting non-profit arts organization in existence for over 41 years.

Performing Arts Calendar

Sunday, September 1

It's the season finale of this year's Olympic Music Festival, and you'll hear music by Bach, Brahms and Beethoven. Grounds open at 11:00 a.m., concert in the Barn begins at 2:00 p.m., Quilcene, 732-4800, *www.olympicmusicfestival.org*.

Saturday, September 7

Readings of literary works in conjunction with monthly Gallery Walk, sponsored by the Port Townsend Arts Commission and Key City Public Theatre, 7:30 p.m., Pope Marine Building, *www.keycitypublictheatre.org*.

Sunday, September 8

The Port Townsend Summer Band performs a free concert at Quimper Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Port Townsend, 3:00 p.m., *www.ptsummerband.org*.

Friday and Saturday, September 13 and 14

With the skyrocketing popularity of this swingin' instrument, Centrum has scheduled ukulele concerts following their inaugural festival, Wheeler Theater, Fort Worden State Park, Port Townsend, 7:30 p.m., *www.centrum.org*.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, September 13-October 13 Set in the 1950s towards the end of vaudeville and height of burlesque, *Gypsy* follows Gypsy Rose Lee and her girls on their theatrical travels seeking stardom; 8:00 p.m. (Fridays, Saturdays), 2:00 p.m. (Sundays), Poulsbo's Jewel Box Theatre, 697-3183, *www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.*.

Saturday, September 14

Uncle Bonsai entertains at this Cabaret Concert at Key City Public Theatre, Port Townsend, 8:00 p.m., 385-KCPT, *www. keycitypublictheatre.org*.

Wednesday, September 25

Renowned jazz pianist Ted Brancato appears at the Bay Club featuring songs from his new Origin Records CD, with jazz luminaries Chuck Deardorff, Mark Ivester, Jeff Busch and Matt Langley, 7:00 p.m., Port Ludlow, 437-2208.

Friday, September 27

Sylvia Herold appears at Key City Public Theatre, Port Townsend in this Cabaret Concert, 8:00 p.m., 385-KCPT, *www.keycitypublictheatre.org*.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, September 27-October 13 Perhaps the most famous and popular of the Sherlock Holmes mysteries, *The Hound of the Baskervilles* deals with the family curse and the fiendish killer hound which stalks its members, 7:00 p.m. (Fridays and Saturdays), 2:00 p.m. (Sundays), Port Gamble Theater, 977-7135, *www.portgambletheater.com*.

Saturday, September 28

Gala Champagne Opening of the 22nd season of Performing Arts in Port Ludlow features the smoky vocals and demon piano playing of Diane Lines and her four-piece band. *Jump!* Reception at 6:30 p.m. with champagne and mini-dessert appetizers, concert at 7:30 p.m. Displaying visual artist is Gary Griswold with watercolors of Northwest scenes and marine subjects. Subscriber Early Bird admission for seat selection is 6:15 p.m.

Local News

Backpacks for Kids Needs Sponsors

Boeing Bluebills are working to provide backpacks filled with school supplies for needy children at Chimacum Elementary School. These children are already in the school free lunch program and also receive sack lunches each weekend. There are about 50 children currently in the program but more help is needed.

Lists of supplies needed for each grade are on a poster at the Beach and Bay Clubs. Helpers have two options: Buy a backpack and the appropriate supplies and return the filled backpack to the Bay Club or Beach Club. Cost is about \$35. Or, make out a check to Bluebills for \$35 and we will do the shopping for you. Drop off the check at the Bay Club or Beach Club, or mail it to Bluebills, 120 Spinnaker Place, Port Ludlow, 98365.

At this time, there are about 35 backpacks provided. More could be used. We hope to have these supplies by **Sunday, September 1** so the teachers can distribute them when school starts. Help if you can, even if it is after the target date. If you have questions, contact Myron Vogt, 437-4055, *vogt@cablespeed.com*.

Local Program Targets Hunger

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

America is a land of wealth and opportunity, yet one in six Americans goes hungry. As noted in the May 2013 *Voice* article "Hunger in Our Own Back Yard" (*plvoice. org/read online*, May 2013, page 8), Northwest Harvest reports that Washington ranks 14 among the 50 states in hunger and food insecurity, and one in four kids in Washington is at risk of hunger. These statistics are evident in the Chimacum School District.

Veteran journalist Bill Moyer interviewed Kristi Jacobson, one of the producers and directors of a documentary entitled *A Place at the Table*, and Mariana Chilton, Director for the Center for Hungry-Free Communities on his weekly PBS program, *Bill Moyer and Company*. They spoke with Moyer to break stereotypes apart and shared how hunger hits hard at people from every walk of life. "The cost of food insecurity, obesity and malnutrition is way larger than it is to feed kids nutritious food," Jacobson tells Moyer. The film paints a stark picture of America's poor and the effects of hunger. Moyer states that the documentary is one of the best that he has seen in years. To view the interview and the connecting links, see *www.bill.moyer.com*.

After the May 13 Eradicate Hunger Community Meeting, the growing awareness of hunger in our own backyard has led a number of organizations and individuals to step up with donations and volunteer hours. The Weekend Backpacks for Kids, organized by the Peace Lutheran Fellowship, reports a large influx of donations and volunteer hours. Over 100 volunteers from the local community participated in the Y-Summer Feeding Program sponsored by the Jefferson County YMCA. They have had great success in feeding kids for the past ten weeks. More people are making donations to the Chimacum Food Bank. The Bluebills started a new Eradicate Hunger Program to support existing programs and are gathering school backpacks and supplies for students to get a good start to the school year.

There will be a follow-up Eradicate Hunger Community Meeting on **Monday, September 16** from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Beach Club. This will be a great opportunity to communicate what the needs are for the coming year, what programs are in place, and what resources are still needed. In attendance will be the new Chimacum Superintendent, Rich Stewart, and many of the Chimacum staff and community groups represented at the last meeting. For further information, contact Peggy Schafran 437-9935 or Barbara Berthiaume at 437-0423.

Pipes and Pie Fundraiser Benefits Kids Nutrition Program

School is starting and the Backpacks for Kids Weekend Nutrition Program will be in full swing for its fourth year, providing bags of kid-friendly, shelf-stable meals for children that are food insecure. Come swing to the beat at Beaver Springs Lodge for Pipes and Pie, a musical medley fundraiser to support Backpacks for Kids. The lodge is located at 2924 Beaver Valley Road, Port Ludlow, and was generously offered for this event by Robert Schladetzky.

Hear organist Theresa Bowman play classical favorites, Homemade Music provide strings and swing, and sweet Broadway tunes performed by vocalist Ramona Hunt. Satisfy your sweet tooth with the best baked pies in the county. Invite friends and family to this special event, **Sunday, September 29**, at 2:00 p.m. There is a suggested donation of \$10 per person; Thrivent is providing matching funds.

Festival by the Bay Donations Exceed Expectations

By Linda Karp, PLFA Secretary

On August 26 the Board and Committee of the Port Ludlow Festival Association (PLFA) hosted a "thank you" party for all the persons responsible for the success of the 2013 Festival by the Bay.

Over hors d'oeuvres and drinks, the group celebrated the good time had by all the visitors to the Festival. From the generous sponsors to the traffic control people and the golf cart drivers, each was appreciated by the Board.

Most rewarding of all was the Board's award to the two beneficiaries of funds raised by the event: OlyCAP and Chimacum Schools. This year's donation to each was \$3,500, up from \$2,500 each in 2012.

The Port Ludlow Festival Association was established to develop an event which will highlight the community, provide a vehicle for civic groups to reach a larger audience, offer a destination for people visiting the Olympic Peninsula, offer an enjoyable fun-filled experience for our residents, friends, families and the greater community, and in doing so benefit worthy charitable organizations. The Board and Committee feel that the 2013 Festival met all of those goals.

Port Ludlow Community Church Events

The Port Ludlow Community Church (PLCC) will host the following activities which our community is invited to attend:

Saturday, September 7, there will be a Ladies' Salad Luncheon at the church. There is no cost but reservations are required. Call 437-0145. You will enjoy lunch with the ladies of PLCC and special music and ministry provided by Rita Lidstrom of Yakima.

Sunday, September 8, Rita and husband Dale will be guests at the 10:30 a.m. service. The Lidstroms have been ministering for over four decades and come with beautiful music and testimony to encourage and uplift. This is also Grandparents' Day so special recognition and prayer will be included.

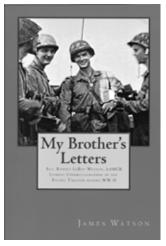
Sunday, September 15, is National Back to Church Sunday. You may find that you have missed that church connection—so come on back!

Sunday, September 29, PLCC will host missionaries Chris and Heather Schneider from Argentina. The Schneiders work alongside national pastors to support and encourage them and others to plant churches in Northwest Argentina. A special offering will be taken for the ministry.

For more information on any of these events, call 437-0145. PLCC is located at 9534 Oak Bay Road and the website is *portludlowcommunitychurch.org*.

Watson Completes My Brother's Letters

After a five-year labor of love, Jim Watson has written and published, through Amazon.com, an historical biography of his late brother, Sgt. Robert LeRoy Watson, USMCR, a combat cinematographer in the Pacific Theater during World War II.



In March 2008 the Watsons sailed in the Pacific Ocean on a trip billed as a World War II cruise which visited

many of the islands that were scenes of major battles. Military historians described the major battles in detail. Discussions with the lecturers inspired Jim to write his brother's story based on approximately 100 letters saved by their mother, along with boxes of photographs that Robert had sent home and copies of his films obtained from government archives.

His letters reveal the transition of a young man from the innocence of pre-war America to the gut-wrenching amphibious warfare in the Pacific Theater. He provides an intimate portrayal of his training and his adventures on liberty. Armed with a Bell and Howell 35 millimeter movie camera and a holstered Colt 45-caliber pistol, the tough cinematographer landed in the second wave of boats filming the violence and death on Guam and Peleliu.

Assigned to record the military government resettlement of Okinawa natives, 21-year-old Sgt. Watson wrote that it was "a wonderful experience even if there is a war going on." He is soon in the fight again while filming the battle to take Naha, the capital city of Okinawa. Descriptions of the campaigns and essential details of the battles are included, based on the five-volume Marine Corps History, regimental journals, ships logs and an extensive bibliography.

For additional information on the book, contact Jim Watson at *jdwatson@cablespeed.com*.

Learn Massage for Neck and Shoulders

A class in massage for neck and shoulders will be offered on **Saturday, September 21** from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Active Life Physical Therapy. The class will be taught by Jamie Deering, LMP, and will offer practical and effective techniques for everyone to use with self and others to ease tension and sustain softer muscles.

Focusing on head, neck and shoulders, this class is Part II of the series and promises as much fun. The cost of attending is \$10. Active Life Physical Therapy is located at 9483 Oak Bay Road, Port Ludlow. Register by calling Jamie Deering at 253-370-1170.

Please note: This class does not diagnose or treat neck, head or shoulder conditions/injuries. Please seek medical attention for any medical issue relating to your head, neck or shoulders before attending this class.

Children's Hospital Fundraiser Announced

Did you know that there is a Seattle Children's Hospital Guild in Port Ludlow? There is. We provided uncompensated care support for over 500 Jefferson County families that required Children's Hospital Care. In 2012, the cost of uncompensated care for Jefferson County patients alone was \$231,213. Donations from the Guild help defray those expenses. The Guild also contributes to the hospital's research fund.

The annual fundraiser this year is a Golf-a-thon at Port Ludlow Golf Course on **Thursday, October 3**. Pro Vito DeSantis and any golf club members can participate by either playing 100 or 50 holes sponsored by charitable donations. The proceeds will go toward uncompensated care and research. There will be a raffle and spaghetti dinner following the event. Though you may not be able to attend, you can still contribute to our cause by writing a check to Port Ludlow Seattle Children's Hospital Guild. Send your check to Vito M. DeSantis at Port Ludlow Golf Club, 751 Highland Drive, Port Ludlow.

Please join us at the Golf-a-thon or send your check. And please forward this information to your friends and family. Our children need your help. Make a contribution and make a difference.

The Guild welcomes new members. If you would like to join us, please call Susie Baldwin, President, at 379-3034.

Math Competency Program at Chimacum

High touch engagement helps third graders at Chimacum learn mathematics. The goal is to have 80 percent of third grade students in participating schools meet or exceed the state math standards.

For the past two years, 55 volunteers, including 16 men and women from Port Ludlow, worked with third graders at Chimacum, Grant Street, and Quilcene schools to improve math skills. Before the Math Competency Program started, less than half of the children passed the state math test. Last year nearly 60 percent passed. State average was 64.8 percent.

Washington will publish this year's test results sometime in early September. Most students have made good progress. The combination of individualized computer lessons, small ability groups, and caring coaches helped them master lessons at their grade level.

There is a clear need for more volunteers to work one-onone with students who have reading or learning challenges. Struggling students, embarrassed to ask questions in class, often feel safer and make more progress with a caring adult who provides individual support. In particular, a volunteer ALEKS laboratory coach is being sought. The volunteer would help students learn basic math through ALEKS online instruction. ALEKS uses artificial intelligence to deliver individualized lessons specific to a student's readiness. The coach's job is to help students read instructions, stay focused, use paper and pencil to do math computations, and learn to use the ALEKS explain feature when they don't understand how to solve a problem.

There is also a need for a small-group coach who will help students with similar skill levels master the basics through game-like activities and flash cards. The coaching kit with hands-on learning materials is organized for success. Two volunteers are paired with the same groups of students. This gives volunteers the opportunity to trade dates when needed.

American Association of University Women (AAUW) Port Townsend provides organization, training and materials. Funding sponsors include the University Women's Foundation of Jefferson County (UWF), Port Ludlow Yacht Club Women's Group, schools, and private contributors. In-kind sponsors include Trinity United Methodist Church. Persons interested in either of these positions should contact Gay Eisenberger and/or Mary Weeding at *math@aauwpt.org*.

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue

Alarm Statistics July 2013

Alarins	
Fires	2
Rescue/Emergency Medical	47
Service Call	4
Good Intent	8
Hazardous Conditions	1
Special Incident Type	1
False Alarm	3
Total Alarms	66
Ambulance Transports	
Jefferson Healthcare	10
Harrison Medical Center - Bremerton	4
Harrison Medical Center - Silverdale	5
ALNW	1
Total Transports	20
Mutual/Automatic Aid with Neighboring Districts	
Provided	5
Total Mutual Aid	5

Message from Chief Brad Martin

As we continue toward the Maintenance and Operations (M&O) Levy vote on Tuesday, November 5, Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue will be holding another round of Open Houses in September to provide information and educate the community on the Levy. There will be an open house from 10:00 a.m. to noon on the first three Saturdays of September. The first Open House will be September 7 at Fire Station #31, 7650 Oak Bay Road. The second Open House will be September 14 at Fire Station #32, 121 W. Alder (Paradise Bay). The third Open House will be on September 21 at Fire Station #33, 101 South Point Road. As always, I am available either to welcome you to my office or to come to your association group, gathering or other congregation of community members to discuss any and all aspects of the M&O Levy. As I have stated, I want to be transparent and available to you, the community, and provide any information you need to make an educated decision and also correct misinformation you may have been given.

I can tell you that we will not be increasing staffing, buying new engines or spending the money in any way other than what the Maintenance and Operations Levy provides. We are trying to keep staffing as it is today, to replace aging equipment as its life expectancy ends and maintain the equipment in a ready state for the next four years. All of this is mandated by federal, state and local regulations. Please feel free to contact me if you would like more information. Please contact me at *brad. martin@plfr:org* or 437-2236 to schedule an appointment.

Mats Mats Takes Seattle Muck

The *Seattle Times* reports that Bertha—the mammoth, 57-foot-wide drill—has begun its 15-month journey under downtown Seattle (including Pioneer Park). Its progress is slow and methodical. To excavate the dirt, the rotarycutting face turns an average 1 rpm. Cutting discs break boulders while hundreds of teeth grind the material.

About 37 percent of the face is open to let dirt tumble in between the spokes. Soil conditioners, including polymers, water, foam and watery clay, are injected to give the dirt a consistency like firm oatmeal. The "muck" drops from an auger onto a conveyer belt. A scale and a laser device measure the muck to ensure Bertha doesn't remove too much at once, causing risk to streets and buildings. Conveyors proceed out the rear, all the way to Terminal 46, where barges take the muck to the abandoned Mats Mats Quarry.

The entire project is 1.7 miles long and 57 feet wide. At Bertha's cutting rate of 1 revolution per minute, an average day will cover about 35 feet, the equivalent of 300 truckloads of dirt per day. At the end of the 15-month adventure, the amount of dirt that has been removed is equivalent to 600 cubic feet. That's roughly two football fields long, two football fields (goalpost to goalpost) wide, and two football fields (again, goalpost to goalpost) tall.

In the end, the hole left by the rock mine at Mats Mats will be filled and smoothed. Native vegetation can begin to grow again.

What do Mats Mats residents think about the project? Feelings are mixed.

Local Dove House Volunteers and Clients Visit Children's Ranch

For the second year, a number of mothers, children, and staff from Dove House traveled to Whidbey Island recently to enjoy a day at the M Bar C Ranch. The ranch is sponsored by the Forgotten Children's Fund in King County and is devoted to making the lives of traumatized children more meaningful. Volunteers Betty Faulkner and Barbara Berthiaume accompanied the group. Dove House is the first organization on the Peninsula to utilize this resource.

Activities included horseback riding, a wagon trip to the beach, a western town complete with a fort, a jail, and a wardrobe room where kids dressed up in western outfits. The children had lunch, played in the activity room and were given stuffed animals and games to take home. The Forgotten Children's Fund is an all volunteer organization and retains no salaried employees. For more information, go to *www.forgottenchildrensfund.org*.

Audubon Recertifies Port Ludlow Golf Course

In July the Port Ludlow Golf Course received a visit from Joellen Lampman, Associate Director of Environmental Programs for Audubon International. The purpose of her visit was to recertify the course as an eco-friendly part of the conservation landscape. Recertification is done every two years. Of Golf Digest's 100 Greatest Golf Courses in America, half are Audubon International members. The Port Ludlow course has about 60 percent natural/native/unmowed land which is twice the normal amount. The reduction of chemical usage is one of the goals of the program.

According to Doug Huber, Vice Chair, PLVC Trails/ Natural Resources Committee, there are 41 bird-nesting boxes which have been placed on the three courses. When the boxes were last checked, some of them had been used by birds and others, by wasps. All boxes will be opened in September for cleaning and winterizing. If you would like to volunteer for this worthwhile endeavor, contact Huber at *4fanshen@broadstripe.net*.

Let's Go to the Dogs

by Karen Griffith, Guest Writer

Is your family dog adorable and smarter than any other dog you've ever seen? Then bring your dog to the first annual Mutt Strut on **Sunday, September 22** from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Chimacum Middle School Field. There will be several contests you can enter your "mutt" into: cutest dog, most obedient, fastest, ugliest, best Frisbee catcher, best costumed, and most unusual pet trick. Winning dogs in all contests will "strut" home with a blue ribbon and other prizes.

This event is hosted by the East Jefferson Rotary Club and is a fundraiser for the club's community and international service projects. Locally, we give several thousand dollars each year to seniors graduating from Chimacum and Quilcene high schools, as well as young adult students attending the Northwest School of Wooden Boat Building in Port Hadlock. The Rotary Club recently completed a major project by building the Jefferson County library bookmobile barn. Internationally, the club is partnering with other rotary clubs in the region to build water wells in the highlands of Honduras, among other projects.

The Mutt Strut will also have several professional dog groups putting on demonstrations. The Sentinel Shepherds, led by Tim Rieber, will be demonstrating tracking, protection (bite work) and obedience. Kay Thoreson will show dogs that do nose work and were recently featured on King 5 Television. Carla Ellis will have her Read to Rover dogs available for kids to use. There will be performances by agility dogs that go through obstacle courses, as well as dogs who dance with their handlers.

Our major sponsors are Pet Town and Dog Townsend of Port Townsend. There will be food and fun and face painting and vendors! Come bring your kids and your family dogs and join us at the Chimacum Middle School. For more information, call Karen Griffith, President of the East Jefferson Rotary Club, at 385-3578.

Bluebills Host Oktoberfest



Its fall again and time to jump into your lederhosen, grab your beer stein and join the Olympic Peninsula Bluebills for our annual Oktoberfest celebration. The festivities take place **Friday, October 4** at the Beach Club from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. We are serving up beverages and brats with all the trimmings, dessert, coffee and tea.

We are celebrating our 15th anniversary and presenting a check to Dove House Advocacy Services from the Second Annual Dove House Charity Golf Tournament, which takes place on **Saturday, September 7** at the Port Ludlow Golf Course. All Bluebills and spouses and retired Boeing folk are cordially invited.

The Olympic Peninsula Bluebills also extend a warm and friendly invitation to anyone who might be interested in volunteering their time in the Clallam, Jefferson and Kitsap county areas. Please RSVP to Michael Graham at *pljmikey@gmail.com* by **Friday, September 27**.

Become an IRS-certified TAX-AIDE Volunteer!

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

Training begins in December. All volunteers do an extensive amount of self-study, using training materials and software provided by the IRS. They must attend training classes and pass the IRS Test before assisting taxpayers during the tax season. TAX-AIDE volunteers provide free tax return preparation and electronic filing for members of our community. New volunteers in Jefferson County work with experienced volunteers in Chimacum and Port Townsend locations.

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

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

To volunteer, visit *www.aarp.org/taxaide* or call 1-888-687-2277. You can also contact David Self, our local coordinator, for more information at 385-2617 or *dcself@olypen.com*.

Peace Lutheran Welcomes New Pastor

Peace Lutheran Fellowship, a congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, will soon begin a new chapter in its three-year-old history. Recently, Peace moved from Beaver Springs Lodge to its new worship space in the Port Ludlow Beach Club, where worship services are held at 10:00 a.m. Sunday mornings. It was from Beaver Springs Lodge that Peace launched its Backpacks for Kids program, which will soon begin its fourth school year of nutritional assistance in our area schools. Members and friends of Peace are now preparing for the coming of Pastor and Mission Developer, Pastor Ron McClung.

Pastor McClung, his wife Carol and their two daughters will move to our area from Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran

Church in Stevenson, Washington, where he has served as pastor since his ordination in 2008. Ron graduated from high school in Spokane and received his BA degree in Pastoral Studies from Northwest University in Kirkland, Washington. He earned his Master of Divinity degree from Lutheran Theological Seminary in Gettysburg, PA. He has also served as a hospital chaplain at Good Samaritan Hospital in Puyallup, where he specialized in Grief Support and Palliative Care.

All are invited to welcome Pastor McClung who will begin his work with Peace Lutheran Fellowship early in September. Watch in "Breaking News" for the date of his first Sunday at Peace and join us in welcoming this new family to our community. For further information, call 732-0004.

Call for South Bay Quilters and Crafters Show Exhibitors

South Bay quilters, artisans and crafters should circle **Wednesday, November 6** as the date for the Sixth Annual South Bay Quilters and Crafters Show and Sale. Get your creative juices flowing and begin stocking up on the beautiful and clever things you love to make. As in the past, there will be a quilt show along with quilts and small quilted items such as wall hangings and table runners for sale.

Each year we have had a very successful show with participation from the Quilters by the Bay and many other exhibitors. Shoppers come from inside and outside the community to purchase items for Christmas gift-giving and their own personal use.

We are once again inviting all Port Ludlow artists and crafters to join us for this annual event. Each vendor is expected to donate 10 percent of their sales from the show to the Jefferson County Food Bank to help make a Merry Christmas for others in our area who are less fortunate.

Our publicity committee will be working to inform the community of the event so we will have lots of visitors to the show. If you are interested in participating, stop by the Bay Club and pick up an application form at the front desk. Details regarding set-up time and show hours are on the form. Space is limited so get your application in early. Besides the contribution to the Jefferson County Food Bank, each exhibitor is asked to pay \$5 to help offset publicity costs. For more information about the quilting, contact Janice Knodle at *edandjan@cablespeed.com*. For crafts, contact Linda Karp at *georgekarp@aol.com*.

Summer Y Literacy and Food Camp a Huge Success

by Barbara Adams, Guest Writer

The new Chimacum school year begins on September 3, and the very successful YMCA Literacy and Food Program for all children up to 18 years old ends. Erica Delma, Program Executive Director of the Y, applied for and received several grants with instruction and training sessions for implementing necessary requirements. Jennifer Cantlon, Site Coordinator, was responsible for all the food preparation and supervision of volunteers in the kitchen. Dawn Hildebrand, Literacy Specialist, planned lessons to improve reading skills for children ages 5 to 12, which was no easy task. It worked beautifully with the older kids helping and mentoring the young non-readers. At times, they were thrilled to be the "teacher" and read to the group. Dawn coordinated with volunteers in the classroom to achieve the objectives set forth in her plans each day.



Beverly Cooper volunteers at Literacy Program.

With Monday-through-Friday sessions from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for ten weeks, more than 95 children were present at least one day. The daily average was about 25 kids. More than 100 volunteers took turns at 8:30 a.m. each day preparing and packing the snacks and lunches for three food sites: Port Townsend Mountain View Commons, Port Hadlock Chimacum Creek Primary School and Quilcene Community Center. At 10:15, other volunteers showed up to help in the literacy part of the program at Chimacum Creek. A big factor in such a successful program were the individual volunteers from the community and from organizations: Peace Lutheran Fellowship, Port Ludlow Community Church, Community United Methodist Church, Port Hadlock,



Pat Cooper listening to a young reader. Photos by Dawn Hildebrand

Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA), We Act Club (local teens), Boeing Bluebills, Port Hadlock Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, and many individuals who committed to specific days each week.

This program was such a gift to working parents and children in the community. We'll soon hear from the schools to see if it made any difference in the "summer slide" of students not retaining what they learned last year. It has certainly made a difference in my life, and restored my faith in this community of people wanting to help and make a difference in young lives.

The Y offers many programs which benefit young people, and they always need help with tutoring, mentoring, teaching unusual skills in arts, music, etc. Call the Y at 385-5811 and ask how they can use your experience and skills, while you benefit from being with some very sweet, interesting and appreciative children.

Teal Lake Dock Suffers Damage

by Bill Master, Guest Writer

During the last week of July, it was discovered that the dock at Teal Lake had recently been damaged by misuse of fireworks. Three areas were damaged and weakened by fireworks. In one of those areas, the heat was enough to burn a hole in the dock. Unfortunately, this is not the first time that thoughtless misuse of fireworks has damaged the dock. This dock was furnished and is maintained by The Port Ludlow Fly Fishers as a public service, for the benefit of the community. It is handicap accessible and is used by local fishermen, as well as other groups from Western Washington.

Volunteers Eliminate Noxious Weeds

by Doug Huber, Natural Resources Committee Chair

Thirty-three volunteers toiled to decrease the stands of Scotch Broom and Tansy Ragwort during the last weed pull. In all, 77 cubic yards of material were collected. In addition, one volunteer pulled three garbage bags full of Tansy Ragwort and Herb Robert from around the North Bay area. Small crews continue to cut and haul Broom, Tansy, other noxious weeds, and haul the entangling blackberries to the dump until the rainy season closes efforts for the winter. Tansy goes into the garbage and is not recycled.

The area south of Oak Bay Road and west of Breaker Lane has seen the most effort. The team has taken Broom and blackberries back to the salal, which has significantly enhanced the look to the Interpretive Trail access road. The sign to the Interpretive Trail on the corner at Breaker Lane has been rebuilt to make it easier to see, and the sign at the entrance to the Interpretive Trail has been refurbished. A potential meadow has been created near the native garden. Future efforts will include cutting English Ivy from the trees as well as eliminating it from the ground.

Other cleared areas include: Mt Constance Way, the entrance to Olympic Terrace Loop and the slope above the Marina. Another session will remove all of the new growth. This effort maintains what we have accomplished in the past and ensures that the residents, their guests, and visitors to the resort are treated to the natural beauty of Port Ludlow.

Finally, the Timberton Loop benches have received a new coat of paint, as have the numbers and letters on the rocks marking the way.

Balance Class Offered

Active Life Physical Therapy introduces a new fitness class: "Balance for Life." This unique balance class helps improve your balance through strength, flexibility, endurance, and coordination training.

The instructor, Jessica Monroe, PTA, is well qualified as she holds a bachelor of science degree in Kinesiology (study of human movement), a post baccalaureate degree as a Physical Therapist Assistant, and two personal training certifications. Jessica's extensive knowledge of anatomy and physical therapy makes for a unique class where participants are closely monitored in order to avoid injury. Participants are encouraged to inform Jessica of prior conditions so the participant can get the most from each class. Smaller class sizes allow more individualized attention.

All community members welcome. Classes are held Mondays and Wednesdays from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m. at Active Life Physical Therapy, 9483 Oak Bay Road Port Ludlow. Call 360-437-2444 or stop by the clinic to register. The fee is \$10 per class. Additional information is at *www.activelifetherapy.com*.

Dance for Parkinson's Program

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

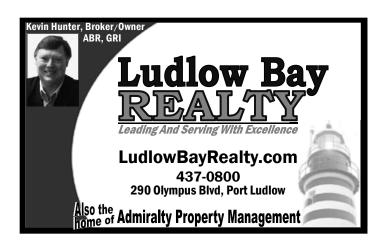
The concept for Dance for Parkinson's Disease (Dance for PD) has launched in more than 100 communities in nine countries, impacting thousands of people with Parkinson's, their families, and caregivers. In the Dance for PD classes, participants are empowered to explore movement in music in ways that are refreshing, enjoyable, stimulating, and creative. A non-profit collaboration between the Mark Morris Dance Group (MMDG) and the Brooklyn Parkinson's Group provides teacher training and nurtures relationships among a number of organizations so that classes, based on their model, are widely available.

The fundamental premise of the Dance for PD is that professionally trained dancers are movement experts whose knowledge is useful to persons with PD. They are expert about the power of dance to concentrate the mind, body, and emotion on movement because they use their thoughts, imagination, eyes, ear, and touch to control their bodies every day. According to the founding teacher, David Leventhal, the fundamentals of dancing and dance training-things like balance, movement sequencing, rhythm, spatial and aesthetic awareness, and dynamic coordination—seem to address many of the things people with Parkinson's want to work on to maintain a sense of confidence and grace in their movement. The primary goal of our program is for people to enjoy dance for dancing's sake in a group setting and to explore the range of physical, artistic, and creative possibilities that are still very much open to them. For additional information, go to www.danceforpd.org.

The Peninsula is very fortunate to have two dedicated professional dance instructors, Deborah Magallanes and Cory Befort, who currently conduct classes in Port

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Angeles, Anacortes, and Sequim. They have recently negotiated space at the Tri-Area Community Center at 10 West Valley Road in Chimacum for monthly classes. The class will start on **Saturday, September 21** from 4:00 to 5:30 p.m. and continue on **Saturday, October 19**. For further information, contact Deborah Magallanes at 206-550-4908 or Merrily Mount at 437-9308.



Fellowship

A Place of Grace New location: Port Ludlow Beach Club Sunday Worship at 10 a.m. web: www.peacelutheranfellowship.org

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Community Meetings

Port Ludlow Annual Book Sale

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) will hold its annual pre-owned Book and Media Sale on **Saturday**, **August 31** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Beach Club.

From 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. a \$5 admission charge will apply for early buyers to seek out preferred books from the large selection. Admission is free after 10:00 a.m.

Hardback books will sell for \$1.50, paperbacks for \$.75, books on tape for \$3, DVDs and board games for \$1 and puzzles and CDs for \$.50. From 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., you can fill a bag for \$2.

All proceeds from this sale will go towards CEA's Scholarship Fund. Last year three scholarships were awarded to Chimacum High School students. This was in addition to funding other educational requests.

Port Ludlow Hikes

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

Friday, September 6: Teal Lake, Olympic Terrace and Niblick's Loops

The trip to explore Seattle parks and trails has been postponed. Instead we will hike locally and stop for refreshments at Niblick's Café. Total distance is an easy 5 to 6 miles. Watch for further details via email.

Friday, September 13: Marmot Pass

This is a difficult and challenging excursion of 10.4 miles and 3,500 feet of elevation gain to one of the most scenic vistas in the Olympics. The group will proceed at a relaxed pace with a chance to rest at Camp Mystery. For information, contact Dean Morgan or Adele Govert at 437-8090.

Friday, September 20: Ebey's Landing, Whidbey Island

Ride the 9:30 a.m. Port Townsend ferry (car pools and reservations suggested) to Whidbey Island for an easy 5 or 6 mile walk along the bluff trail within Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve. This trail offers spectacular views of Mount Baker, the Strait of Juan de Fuca, the Olympic Mountains and Mount Rainier, as well as views over historic farmland. For information, contact Bob or Jan Abiecunas at 360-301-4466.

Wednesday, October 2: Fall Planning Meeting

We will meet at the Beach Club at 5:00 p.m. to enjoy a potluck dinner of soup, salad and dessert. Bring your own beverage and place setting. Spouses and guests are welcome. Sign up at the Beach Club. For information, contact Jack Riggen at 437-0370.

Friday, October 4: Elwha River

Explore the new dam free Elwha River on an easy 4 to 6 mile walk. See the results of the removal of the Elwha and Glines Canyon dams and the progress of the river and vegetation restoration. For information, contact John Fillers at 215-4049 or Jack Riggen at 437-0370.

Every Wednesday: Timberton Loop

Walk the 4.5-mile Timberton Loop. Enjoy views of the Olympic Mountains and Mt. Rainier. Meet at the trailhead on Timberton Road at 9:00 a.m.

First Wednesday Luncheons Resume

First Wednesday Luncheons started back in 1978 for the purpose of providing social/educational get-togethers while combating hunger locally by supporting the Tri-Area Food Bank. We are still going strong today. Our first luncheon of the season will be **Wednesday**, **September 4**, 11:00 a.m. at the Beach Club.

Our speaker will be Michael Haberpointner, Doctor of Physical Therapy (PT, DPT) who founded Active Life Physical Therapy in Port Ludlow in 2005. He has been helping residents in Port Ludlow with treatment of orthopedic and neurological disorders, with post-surgical physical therapy for all orthopedic surgeries (knees, shoulders, and hips, to name a few), and with strengthening and balance work to improve walking. He will discuss the possible causes and treatment for imbalance and dizziness.

Please invite all your friends and neighbors (men and women) to join us. Sign up at either the Bay Club or Beach Club by **Friday, August 30.** If later, please contact Fran Bodman at 437-5110.

A light lunch is prepared by a monthly volunteer food committee. In lieu of paying for lunch, we ask that each of you make a donation of cash and/or foods to the food bank. Donations of cash or check made payable to Tri-Area Food Bank are always appreciated. The

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requested donations for this month are baby food and cereals and, as always, personal hygiene items.

Please bring your own table service; the less money we spend, the more we can donate to the Food Bank. And, please mark your calendar for the rest of the season's luncheons, noting the January Luncheon will be **Wednesday, January 8**, the second Wednesday due to New Year's Day falling on the first Wednesday.

Stamping and Paper Arts

This month we will again have the dynamic duo of Barbara Emerson and Barbara McCaughin teaching us how to make a Pocket Card using double-sided patterned paper. Join us at the Beach Club on **Wednesday**, **September 25** from 10:00 a.m. to noon for another fun "make and take" card session. It requires no special tools, just 4 folds, and can be embellished to suit any occasion. When completed, the card has a pocket to tuck in greetings, special messages or a gift card. Using double-sided paper, it is a quick, versatile and colorful addition to your card-making repertoire. We ask that members bring their own 8-1/2 x 11-inch designer paper, coordinating plain card stock, and basic card-making tools.

Remember those handmade cards and paper art items to share during "show and tell," as well as used stamps and card-making supplies to sell. All money will be donated to our postage fund to mail cards to the troops.

The Big Shot embossing and die cutting machine class will meet on **Tuesday, September 24** from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Beach Club. Bring your embossing folders, die cuts, templates and card making ideas to share with others

CEA's Out to Lunch Bunch

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) invites you to join them for lunch at the Silverwater Café located at 237 Taylor Street in Port Townsend. The date is **Wednesday, September 25** and the time is noon.

The Silverwater Café is known for the quality and variety of its menu and can accommodate patrons with special dietary needs (vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, etc.). You may check *www.silverwatercafe.com* for more details.

We will order off the menu, receive separate checks and have our own reserved space. The charity of our choice will receive 2% of the charges. Please sign up at either club or email Nadine Hale at *nkh360@hotmail.com* no later than **Friday, September 20** to make a reservation.

September Garden Club

The Port Ludlow Garden Club (PLGC) will visit Savage Nursery and Landscape located in Kingston on **Wednesday, September 11**. Upon arrival, Alley and Holly will give a guided tour of the expanded facility with a detailed focus on trees and shrubs, beginning with where to plant, and moving on to maintenance and disease control.

Please read the companion article on Jim Savage found on page 8 in this issue of *The Voice*, contributed by PLGC member, Eline Lybarger.

After our visit we will drive to Molly Ward Gardens on Big Valley Road and explore the kitchen and cutting garden, followed by a delicious lunch. Cost for members is \$20, guests \$25, or join the PLGC by paying the annual membership fee of \$20.

Reservations are a must as you will make your lunch selection at that time. Please call Mari Stuart at 437-8140 by **Monday, September 9**. Cash or check written to the PLGC will be collected when we meet to carpool at 9:45 a.m. at the Bay Club.

Please join us; this is our last outdoor event of the season.

Port Ludlow Book Club

On **Tuesday, September 10** at 6:30 p.m., the Book Club resumes its monthly meetings at the Bay Club with a spectacular selection, *Fall of Giants* by Ken Follett. This is the premier offering in Follett's Century Trilogy, which traces five families from different countries (Russia, Wales, England, Germany and the U.S.) through the twentieth century. *Fall of Giants* captures the years from 1911 to 1925 with a cast of characters the reader grows to care about—good and bad. This epic tale takes you on a whirlwind ride through history, from a mining town in Wales to the drawing rooms of the privileged aristocracy to the War Room in the White House of Woodrow Wilson.

Ken Follett delivers, as usual, with historical accuracy, exquisitely developed characters and the weaving in of such luminaries as Woodrow Wilson and the King and Queen of England. This epic brings intriguing stories of love and loyalty, a forbidden romance between a German spy and a British aristocrat, two Russian brothers in love with the same woman, upstairs-downstairs relationships, plus lust and betrayals. In short, the action is fast and the storytelling is fantastic!

The book selection for October is *Tigers in Red Weather: A Novel* by Liza Klaussmann. Everyone is welcome. For questions, please call Martha Dawson at 437-4167.

What is Dine and Discover?

Another season of speakers and dinners is about to begin. Dine and Discover is a community event that takes place on the first Monday of each month at either the Bay or Beach Club. It is a program that is open to all members of the Port Ludlow community.

Speakers are invited to present a program. You can enjoy drinks and appetizers from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m., dinner is from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. and the program is over by 9:00 p.m. Those interested in attending, please sign up at either club. You are responsible for bringing your own beverage and table setting and a dish to share that serves 10 people. The cost at the door is \$2 per person.

The first program will be on **Monday, October 7** at the Bay Club and the last program of the season will be at the Bay Club on **Monday, June 2**. Watch for details on the bulletin boards at each club and be sure to sign up early as seating is limited. Call Hilda and Michael Cahn with questions at 437-8223. We look forward to another season of interesting and informative topics.

Dine and Discover

Dine and Discover kicks off the 2013-2014 season on **Monday, October 7** at the Bay Club with John Sabella speaking on "The Great Age of Salmon."

John Sabella has 30 years of media experience in newspapers, radio, magazines and video production. His documentaries on Pacific Northwest and Alaska history, the region's maritime industries and the lifestyle and culture of its coastal communities represent a significant contribution to regional lore. His work appears regularly on public television and is widely distributed on DVD and via Internet streaming. The author of numerous books, articles and video scripts, he is a frequent contributor to trade publications and the general media on business issues, personalities and the environment. He remains personally involved in all of his firm's creative endeavors. For a list of titles in his Alaska History Series, go to *www. johnsabella.com/detail.lasso?title=30101*.

On **Monday**, **November 4**, at the Beach Club, Carl Nomura, award winning physicist, mathematician, writer, business executive and poker player, will share some of his life-impacting decisions and their consequences. The bumps in his road and his many achievements are chronicled in his autobiography, *Sleeping on Potatoes*. This is an event not to be missed! For each event, sign up at the appropriate club house (October: Bay Club, November: Beach Club) and select a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people. The doors open at 5:30 p.m. A fee of \$2 per person will be collected. Remember to bring complete place settings including placemats, dishes, glasses, utensils and napkins, as well as your favorite beverage.

For questions, call Hilda or Michael Cahn at 437-8223.

What is Port Ludlow DigitalLife (PLDL)?

PLDL is an organization of your friends and neighbors that, together, seek to expand their understanding and knowledge of the digital devices we use every day computers, smart phones, tablets, internet devices and more. Meetings are held to discuss various topics like digital photography, Microsoft Office programs, smart phones, and others. These meetings are open to any interested residents; Membership in DigitalLife is not required to visit and determine if the meeting has importance to them.

DigitalLife has offered a scholarship and grant program to our local schools for many years. These efforts are funded by contributions from the community and by neighbors contributing to the fund in thanks for efforts of club members solving their computer problems.

We have partnered with Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County to furnish a computer system to each of the families that have worked to become new homeowners. In 2013 we have given three systems to eligible families and more will be awarded in the coming months.

Join with us to continue these efforts and maintain PLDL efforts in our community. Your membership will allow us to offer presentations of general community interest, ensure that we have ongoing charitable programs and continue our specific topic meetings.

- Mac meets third Mondays, 6:00 p.m.
- Office meets first Mondays, 10:30 a.m.
- Photography and Pro Show Gold meets fourth Mondays, 10:00 a.m.
- Saturday Workshop meets every Saturday morning, 10:30 a.m.
- Women's Workshop meets fourth Mondays, 6:00 p.m.

All sessions meet at the Bay Club. For information about joining PLDL, contact Mary Ronen at 437-0268, or email *maryr@olympus*.net, or 437-0268.

CEA Class Is Assembling

Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is offering a short course in the art of conversation beginning Wednesday, September 11 at the Bay Club from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

You may think you are a great "talker" but do you really converse? This course will offer six lessons over three weeks focusing on effective communication, including the following key strategies:

- How to Become Conversationally Aware
- How the Conversational Floor Works
- How and When to be Direct and Indirect
- · How to Navigate Face-Threatening Acts
- How to Negotiate
- How to Maintain Relationships With Talk

The course, by Great Courses, is taught by Professor Anne Curzan of the University of Michigan where she currently teaches English, Literature and Literacy. She shares her insights weekly on Michigan radio in a segment titled "That's What They Say."

Consider this a warm-up for the longer course CEA will be offering in October-November semester which will appear next month in the *Voice*. If you are interested in going back to school and improving your conversational skills, please register by emailing *marimstuart@gmail.com*.

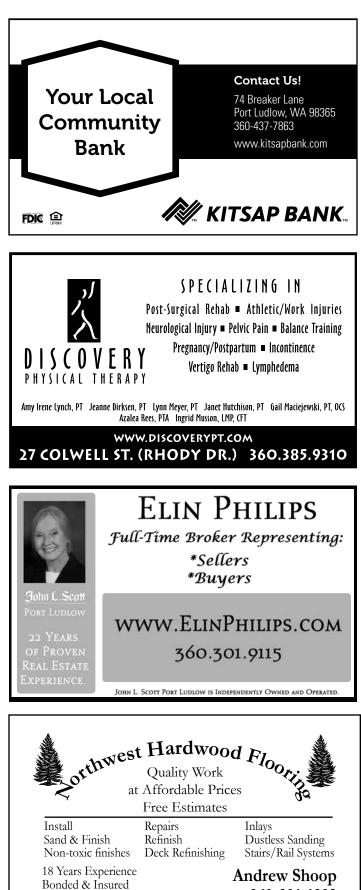
Senior Singles Dine at the Boat Shed

The Boat Shed has attained quite a following through the years, but this will be the first time for our group to dine there. It is located at 101 Shore Drive in Bremerton. Dinner reservations are Wednesday, September 25 at 4:30 p.m.

The menu features many starters priced from \$9 to \$11. Small and dinner-sized salads are \$6 to \$14. Pasta, chicken or seafood entrees range from \$15 to \$28 and include both mashed potatoes and vegetables. The signature Margarita is \$6, and award-winning clam chowder is \$4 for a cup or \$7 for a bowl.

Please call our hostess, Clara, at 437-9235 no later than Wednesday, September 18 to place your reservation. Advise her if you wish to be a passenger or a driver. Please offer your driver a few dollars to help defray expenses.

Invite your friends; they will surely enjoy this lively group.



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Port Ludlow Village Council

Port Ludlow Village Council Report

By Vicki Tallerico, Secretary

President David Armitage called the Thursday, August 1 General Meeting of the PLVC to order at 3:00 pm. in the Bay Club. Other Council members present to form a quorum were Tony Durham, Linda Haskin, Laury Hunt, Rose Hablutzel-Jackson, Tamra McDearmid, Larry Nobles, Lois Ruggles, Vicki Tallerico, John Walker, and Elizabeth Van Zonneveld. The meeting was recorded. The agenda was adopted as presented.

Community Reports

President Armitage reported that barges will be coming from Seattle to the Mats Mats barge facility soon. The barge traffic will increase to six barges per day as the tunneling operations proceed under Seattle.

Metropolitan Park District (MPD): President Armitage reported there is a levy lift on the Seattle ballot for the King County Local Park and Recreation District. The proposed property tax increase in King County will go from 13.3 cents per thousand of assessed property value to 18.77 cents per thousand of assessed value. Park and Recreation Districts have to renew levies every six years.

The MPD Steering Committee organized a park visit held August 9 at HJ Carroll Park.

New Business: President Armitage introduced John Walker, the new SBCA President and representative on the council.

Council Actions and Reports

Secretary's Report: The minutes from the PLVC Special Session Meeting on May 21 and the General Meeting for July 2 were seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report showed the total cash in the bank is \$32,416. The General Operating Funds are \$26,174 and the General Operating Account has \$15,228.

Following a discussion, a correction in the General Operating Account section was changed from April to July, and the report was approved, seconded and passed unanimously.

Correspondence Report: One piece of mail was received and transferred to the Communication Committee.

Port Ludlow Village Council Meetings

General Meeting Thursday, September 5 3:00 p.m., Beach Club

Workshop Meeting Tuesday, September 17 3:00 p.m., Beach Club www.plvc.org

Election: Tony Durham reported that there are two 2-year term positions for South Bay open for nominees. Ballots will be mailed very early in September and he will request several current members from the board to serve on the committee to complete the process.

By-Laws: Laury Hunt presented the Committee members' recommendations for amendments to the PLVC By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation.

- By-Laws Article IV shall be amended as follows: There shall be seven Directors of the PLVC who shall be elected from the voting membership. Four Directors shall be elected from the North Bay and three from the South Bay. In addition, the Presidents of Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) and the South Bay Community Association (SBCA), or their designees, shall be Directors of PLVC during the term of their presidency.
- Article IV, Section 2 shall be amended as follows: At each Annual Meeting of the Voting Members, the voting members shall vote to fill the vacancy of each Director who has served two years, or to replace a Director unable to complete the two-year term, serving for the remaining term of replaced Director.
- Articles of Incorporation Article IX, Section 2 shall be amended as follows: This corporation shall have seven Directors. Four Directors shall be elected from the North Bay and three from the South Bay. In addition, the Board of Directors shall include the Presidents or their designees of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) and the South Bay Community Association (SBCA).

Following a discussion, a motion was made, seconded and the three amendments were approved by acclamation.

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Communication Committee: Tamra McDearmid reported that the committee has updated the PLVC brochure and produced a post card of Port Ludlow featuring an overview of the website contents.

Market by the Marina: Vicki Tallerico reported that there has been a decrease in the number of shoppers at the market. Vendors and farmers are concerned with the amount of revenue they have been making, and there is a chance that the main produce farmer might be withdrawing from the market. Without power, musicians are not able to perform. Chef Dan is no longer cooking and it has been difficult to get other food vendors to come to the market as most of them need power to cook their food. The market averages 14 vendors and 200 plus or minus attendees each week; however, purchases have lagged. Efforts have been made to meet residents' requests. More support is required in order continue operating the market.

Wellness Committee: President Armitage presented two motions to the board:

To accept Tom Stone's resignation as the Chair of the PLVC Wellness Committee and extend a thank you from the council and the community for all the work that he has done in the creation of the Wellness Committee.

• To change the name of the committee to the Health and Wellness Committee.

Following a discussion, the motions were seconded and passed unanimously.

Health and Wellness Committee: President Armitage announced the appointment of Gunter and Ursel Krumme as Co-Chairs of the Health and Wellness Committee.

Metropolitan Park District (MPD): President Armitage presented a motion to form an ad hoc committee to be named The Ad Hoc Parks Strategy Committee. The committee will recommend strategies and actions to be taken with respect to the MPD and Park District initiatives. Following a discussion the motion was seconded and approved.

President Armitage announced the appointment of Richard Grieves as Chair of the Ad Hoc Parks Strategy Committee.

It was recommended that a forum on the proposed MPD and the local Park and Recreation District be held in September.

Telephone Directory: President Armitage announced that there is a need for a new chairperson and committee members for this project. The discussion was tabled until the next PLVC Workshop Meeting.

Welcome Committee: Barbara Berthiaume spoke on the purpose and need for a Community Welcome Committee

in Port Ludlow. The purpose of this committee will be to welcome new neighbors to Port Ludlow, provide a venue for new neighbors and those who feel new to get acquainted with each other and be introduced to the diversity of community activities and resources. The program will be an interactive and social event to encourage members to explore all that Port Ludlow has to offer as well as meet people.

President Armitage made two motions concerning this committee:

- To approve the committee as a new PLVC standing committee.
- To provide up to \$500 reimbursement of expenses for the committee for 2013.

Following a discussion, the motions were seconded and passed unanimously.

Disaster Preparedness Committee: The committee's new Chairperson, David Aho, gave an update on what the committee has planned in the upcoming months. He has met with Tom Stone and Pat Traci, and will meet with the Jefferson County Fire and Rescue soon. He plans on scheduling a CERT class in the near future. David requested that anyone with suggestions or recommendations should contact him by either phone 437-9888 or his e-mail address *aho@cablespeed.com*.

Announcements: Meeting dates, times and places are provided in the accompanying box. PLVC meetings are open to the public. There is time for public comment.

PLVC President's Message

by Dave Armitage, President

As I write this article I am sitting outside the County Commissioners' meeting room listening to a group of people making comments on the proposed Charter Government initiative. I am struck by the significant difference between what is going on in Port Ludlow and what is happening in this courthouse. After weeks of advertising for candidates to run for open positions on the Village Council, I cannot tell you if we have one candidate. Yet here are a diverse group of individuals that feel strongly enough about the opportunity to change the form of county government to travel to Port Townsend to spend three minutes commenting to the County Commissioners.

It's not like Port Ludlow has a scarcity of issues facing us as a community—Iron Mountain Quarry, a local Park and Recreation District, a Metropolitan Park District, health care availability, disaster preparedness and the potential sale of our local sewer and water utility, just to name a few.

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The issues that concern the Village Council are those matters that impact all of Port Ludlow rather than one or another of our homeowner associations. I find it curious that more people do not seem aware of these issues. I suppose that it could be that everyone assumes that someone else will pick up the baton. I would hate to think that people just don't care, but then again, a democracy is a great form of government you get exactly what you deserve.

For those of you that have the red Port Ludlow Telephone book, the last issue published, don't forget there are coupons in the back that local business people have provided for your use. Take advantage of the coupons, save money, and at the same time let the business people know that you support them. Shopping local is good for all.

Village Council Needs Candidates

The Port Ludlow Village Council serves the residents of Port Ludlow by interacting with other government entities on issues which impact this community. The Council also sponsors many organizations serving special interests and needs of the residents of Port Ludlow, including the Friday Market, Health and Wellness, Port Ludlow Festival, Trails and Natural Resources, and the Welcome Committee. These organizations serve important functions, especially as community development approaches completion.

In the coming year, there are four vacancies on the Council, two each assigned to North and South Bay. Village Council elections take place in October, with new members serving a two-year term in office. The Council needs a complete list of candidates, together with appropriate brief biographical information, by the end of August. We particularly encourage newer residents to join the Council. They bring a fresh perspective and new ideas that continue to improve this warm and attractive community.

Without vigorous and direct participation in matters that directly impact the continuing evolution of this community, current amenities are likely to wane and the community's voice will be muted or silenced. To keep this community strong, please give serious consideration to serving on the Port Ludlow Village Council. For additional information, please call or email Dave Armitage, 437-0347, gda141@gmail.com; Larry Nobles, 437-9613, *lnobles@cablespeed.com*; or Tony Durham, 437-0591, *afdurham@waypoint.com*.

Community Welcoming Event

by Tom Stone, Welcome Committee Chair

Port Ludlow Village Council's Community Welcoming Committee wants to assure that all newly arrived or recently arrived Port Ludlow residents have a chance to discover and rediscover Port Ludlow. On **Friday**, **October 11** from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Beach Club, we will hold our first Welcome Social. At this social, besides appetizers and drinks, various Port Ludlow organizations will give you a 2-3 minute brief on what they and you can do. Other organizations will be there with brochures and tips. You will also be able to meet other newcomers that moved here to enjoy this active, fun-filled lifestyle.

Hiking Trail Circles Teal Lake

By Larry Scott, Trails Committee Chair

The Trails Committee has finally achieved a longanticipated goal. We have completed development of a hiking trail around Teal Lake. It is a two-mile loop trail with the trailhead at the end of Mt. Constance, where it shares a small section with another newer trail, Olympic Terrace Loop. Let me emphasize that it is a trail "around" Teal Lake and not "to" Teal Lake. One of the caveats to developing this trail was to maintain a distance of 150 feet from the lake wherever possible, so the lake itself is seldom visible. However, having said that, it is still a very nice hike over part forested path and part old (still forested) logging road with little elevation gain/loss.

This development included a generous clearing of the old road by the folks at Olympic Resources Management. Patrick Raymond, an excavator, cut the rough path through the forested area (Mark Stewart Excavation), and your neighborhood volunteers from the Trails "Fun Day" crews worked almost every other day through June and July to open it up this year. We do have plans to chip the forested area, but that will not occur until later in the year; in the meantime, it is open and available for your enjoyment.

Let's keep improving our trails. As always, if you are interested in helping to improve our community a couple of hours at a time, let me know and I'll add your e-mail to our "Fun Day" announcement group. My points of contact are 437-9299 and *mclgscott@cablespeed.com*.

Port Ludlow Market by the Marina

by Vicki Tallerico, Market Manager

With the summer ending, it is time to think about putting up produce. The Market by the Marina has what you need and you will not have to travel out of our village to get it. Ken Vasey and Terrapin Farms from Port Gamble has been bringing beautiful fresh produce to our market and will be doing so for the next few weeks. He has vegetables, berries and fruit and, if you need a large quantity, will be happy to bring it to you at the market. To place an order, call 697-7388.

If you want to have fresh whole tomatoes for cooking all winter, come to the market any Friday from now until the end of September. Visit with Joanne and Fred Hatfield from Kol-Simcha Farm in Sequim. They will demonstrate the process of preparing the tomatoes so you can enjoy them during those cold wintry days. They will be ready for purchase soon, so either place your order at 775-0484 or stop at the market and buy them now. Also available are fresh brown eggs from pastured hens, and you can also purchase delicious cuts of lamb. If you want to place an order for a half or whole lamb, just let them know. Orders will be available for pick-up at the Sequim Grange on Wednesday, November 13. To find out more about this offer, call the above number.

We still have some sunny warm Fridays ahead of us so we hope to see you at the market where you can just kick back, relax and enjoy the beautiful views of the mountains and marina. If you are already thinking about the holidays and gift giving, the vendors have a wonderful selection of items that will fit any pocketbook.

Terry, Pete and I would like to thank all of you who have made an effort to shop at the market and support the village market concept. We hope you enjoyed coming to the market as much as we enjoyed seeing you there.



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Village Activities Calendar

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

September

Sun., September 1

- Noon 3:00 p.m., Inner Harbor Village Labor Day BBQ, Bay Club
- 4:00 7:00 p.m., Olympic Terrace Homeowners BBQ, Bay Club

Mon., September 2

- 9:30 11:00 a.m., LOA meeting (members), Beach Club
- 10:30 noon, DigitalLife Office SIG (members), Bay Club
- 3:00 5:00 p.m., Timberton Board meeting (members), Bay Club
- 4:00 5:00 p.m., WALI 3 meeting, Bay Club

Tues., September 3

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Trails Committee meeting, Bay Club 9:30 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA Facilities meeting, Bay Club 10:00 a.m. – noon, CEA meeting, The Inn Noon – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment meeting, Bay Club 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., *Voice* staff meeting, Beach Club

Wed., September 4

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon, Beach Club

Thurs., September 5

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

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

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC General meeting, Beach Club

Fri., September 6

- 8:30 a.m., Hiking Club to explore local trails
- 9:30 11:30 a.m., SBCA Board meeting (members), Bay Club
- 1:00 5:00 p.m., Market by the Marina

Sat., September 7

- 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m., Pickleball Demonstration, Beach Club tennis court
- Bluebills Annual Dove House Golf Tournament, Golf Course

Mon., September 9

3:30 - 5:30 p.m., MGA Board meeting, Bay Club

Tues., September 10

9:30 a.m. – noon, SBCA Long Range Planning Committee meeting, Bay Club

6:30 - 8:00 p.m., Book Club, Bay Club

Wed., September 11

- 9:45 a.m., Garden Club members carpool from Bay Club
- 3:00 5:00 p.m., CEA Lecture, Conversation, Bay Club
- 4:00 5:00 p.m., Artists' League Second Wednesday reception, Columbia Bank lobby
- 6:00 8:00 p.m., DigitalLife Community Meeting on Smartphones, Bay Club
- 7:00 p.m., USCG General Meeting, Fire Station

Thurs., September 12

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

Fri., September 13

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club leaves for Marmot Pass, Bridge Deck 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay (members), Bay Club 10:00 a.m. – noon, Inner Harbor Board meeting (members),

- Bay Club
- 1:00-5:00 p.m., Market by the Marina
- 6:00 8:00 p.m., SBCA Monthly Social (members), Bay Club

Sat., September 14

6:00 p.m., Wine and Cheese Cocktail Gala, Beach Club

Mon., September 16

- 4:00 5:00 p.m., WALI 3 meeting, Bay Club
- 6:00 7:00 p.m., DigitalLife Mac SIG (members), Bay Club

Tues., September 17

- 1:00 3:00 p.m., KnitWits, Beach Club
- 3:00 5:00 p.m., PLVC Workshop, Beach Club
- 6:30 p.m., Readers' Theater, for location call 437-2861
- 7:00 9:00 p.m., Fly Fisher general meeting, Bay Club

Wed., September 18

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Artists' League meeting, Beach Club 3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Lecture, Conversation, Bay Club

Thurs., September 19

1:00 – 4:00 p.m., LMC meeting (members), Beach Club

Fri., September 20

- 8:30 a.m., Hiking Club leaves for Ebey's Landing, Bridge Deck
- 9:30 11:00 a.m., ARC Review meeting, Bay Club
- 1:00 –5:00 p.m., Market by the Marina

Mon., September 23

- 9:30 11:00 a.m., SBCA Finance Committee meeting, Bay Club
- 10:00 a.m. noon, DigitalLife Photography/Pro Show Gold SIG (members), Bay Club
- 3:30 5:00 p.m., Teal Lake Annual Meeting (members), Bay Club
- 6:00 7:00 p.m., Women's DigitalLife Workshop, Bay Club

Tues., September 24

10:00 - noon, Big Shots, Beach Club

Wed., September 25

10:00 a.m.- noon, Stamp and Paper Arts Club, Beach Club

- Noon CEA Out to Lunch Bunch, Silverwater Café
- 3:00 5:00 p.m., CEA Lecture, Conversation, Bay Club
- 4:30 p.m., Senior Singles dine at the Boat Shed, Bremerton
- 7:00 9:00 p.m., Ted Brancato Concert, Bay Club

Thurs., September 26

Noon - 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay (members), Bay Club

Fri., September 27

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay (members), Bay Club 1:00 - 5:00 p.m., Market by the Marina

Sat., September 28

6:15 p.m., PLAC Subscriber's early-bird seat selection, Bay Club

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6:30 – 7:30 p.m., Arts Council's Champagne Reception, Bay Club

7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Diane Lines and her four-piece Band in Jump!, Arts Council's Performing Arts in Port Ludlow series

Mon., September 30

3:00 - 5:00 p.m., Voice staff meeting, Bay Club

Future Events

PLUSH Investment Meeting, October 1 Hiking Club Planning Meeting, Beach Club, October 2 Golf-a-thon Fundraiser, Golf Course, October 3 Bluebills Oktoberfest, Beach Club, October 4 Hiking Club to explore Elwha River, October 4 Dine and Discover, Bay Club, October 7 Village Council Welcome Social, Beach Club, October 11 Arts Council "Everything Fitz," Champion Fiddlers and Step Dancers, October 24 Free Spirits Oktoberfest, October 26, Bay Club North Bay Halloween Party, October 26 CEA Silent Auction, November 2, Bay Club South Bay Crafters & Quilters, November 6, Bay Club

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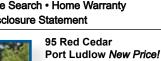
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LMC July Board Meeting Highlights

by Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC Secretary

The monthly business meeting of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Board of Trustees was held July 18 at the Beach Club. The following are highlights of that meeting:

Chief Brad Martin of Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue discussed the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) class held in August. The program is intended to help resident awareness of what might be needed in an emergency situation.

Due to intermittent low water pressure in the Beach Club, the main water service pressure regulator had to be replaced. At the same time, Olympic Water and Sewer changed out the water meter at their cost.

An in-wall electrical heater was found to have burnt wires and was replaced. Permanent electrical wiring with a wall switch was provided for the overhead stage lights in the Bay View Room. Additional electrical outlets were added in the hostess's office.

Two sections of the sidewalk leading to the Beach Club were scheduled to be replaced to eliminate a tripping hazard. The approximate cost was \$3,500.

New Beach Club Staff: Anthony Lane was hired as a parttime maintenance worker. Krista Hathaway and Bonnie Vahcic were hired as part-time hostesses.

The next meeting of the LMC Board of Trustees will be on **Thursday**, **September 19** at 1:00 p.m.

Welcome New Neighbors

Eugene and Betty Prentice

Sparrow Court

Important Dates

LOA Meeting Monday, September 2, 9:30 a.m.

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

> LMC Board Meeting Thursday, September 19, 1:00 p.m.

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

Visit *www.lmcbeachclub.com* for more complete information

All LMC members are welcome.

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President's Perspectives

by Rose Hablutzel/Jackson, LMC President

Have you noticed that sunny days make time go faster, and preparation for an event or outing no longer provides enough time to accomplish all you wish to cram into one day?

As friends and neighbors gather together, one becomes aware of the many issues affecting our daily lives. Some have shared concerns about the need to have a network of neighbors in place to allow a safety net for more vulnerable neighbors. There are great programs available for emergencies, and in some neighborhoods there is a binding sense of community that facilitates neighbors checking on each other. The neighbors are happy to benefit from this form of group protection.

I'm occasionally asked questions that require a committee to provide the appropriate answers. One idea that has been shared involves a system by which neighbors can implement a central check-in at certain times on the computer. It does allow one to establish another "layer" of protection. It has an element of security and would establish a sense of community in a small but effective manner. Opinions on this idea are welcome.

The LMC continues to address those issues of importance to neighbors in the areas of views, yard maintenance, and home development. As Port Ludlow continues to grow, there will be issues in which neighbors will seek answers about these topics. I encourage neighbors to enhance

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their neighborhood by using the welcome mat in their effort to develop a sense of community. I will continue to ask neighbors to use their creativity to bind rather than discourage neighborliness.

Update from the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

What a summer it has been in Port Ludlow! The weather has been gorgeous and we've had several opportunities to hear great music right here in our community, thanks to the North Bay Lot Owners Association (LOA) and the Port Ludlow Festival.

There has also been a lot going on at the Beach Club.

The electrical repairs have been completed by our contractor, Bird Electric. Even though much of the work Bird did for LMC isn't obvious to our members, as an employee, I'm so grateful to have the new electrical service, several new replacement sub panels installed and many safety-related corrections made.

In July we had two concrete slabs removed, then replaced, which were part of our sidewalk. One of the slabs had settled and had become a trip hazard, and the other had cracked pretty badly.

Over the past month or so, we noticed the water pressure was fluctuating in the Beach Club. We contacted a local plumber who told us it was probably the pressure regulator and that it probably needed to be replaced. When our staff started digging in preparation for the repairs, they found the outside of the two-inch water service line was corroded. It looked so bad our plumber was leery about even scraping the debris from the outside of the pipe for fear it might cause a leak. When our plumber disassembled the plumbing to replace the pressure regulator, we were pleasantly surprised to find the integrity of the galvanized pipe to be much better than we anticipated.

On August 1, the indoor pool motor quit working. We suspect the failure was caused by a bad impeller, which caused the motor to overheat and burn up. As I'm preparing this article, it is my hope to have the indoor pool back in operation by August 8. Fortunately, we have the outdoor pool open and are having one of the nicest summers Port Ludlow has experienced in quite a while.

If you come to the Beach Club, you may see a few new faces on our staff. We have hired Anthony Lane as a part-time maintenance worker. Anthony will work approximately 30 hours per week. LMC also hired Krista Hathaway and Bonnie Vahcic as part-time hostesses. If you have questions or comments about this article, or the work that is ongoing at the Beach Club, I can be reached at 437-9201 or *beachclub@olympus.net*.

Beach Club Kitchen Remodel Project

by Jamie Bima, Guest Writer

The volunteer-driven project to accomplish remodeling of the Beach Club kitchen began as conversation with a huge wish list and a long list of obstacles, and has grown into a realistic project with a design, budget and fundraising plans. The LMC Board supports the effort, receives updates and approves each aspect of the project as it develops.

Jeanne Joseph surveyed the users of the kitchen and developed a list of wants and must-haves, which was submitted to a kitchen designer who generously provided an initial design conforming to the inevitable and numerous constraints of the building. The design has been vetted by users and others, including the fire department. A great deal of work went into pricing the costs of appliances, cabinets, and other factors necessary to develop a realistic budget.

Enthusiasm has grown and community members continue to step forward with offers of assistance, ranging from welcome cash donations to pro bono work and discounted purchases.

Everyone in the North Bay community is invited to see the design details and hear an update on the project and fundraising plans at the North Bay Potluck Wine and Cheese Cocktail Party (see accompanying article) at the Beach Club on **Saturday, September 14** at 6:00 p.m. Sign up at the Beach Club.

North Bay Potlucks Wine and Cheese Gala

Save this date! On **Saturday, September 14** at 6:00 p.m., North Bay Potlucks kicks off the 2013-2014 season at the Beach Club with a Wine and Cheese Cocktail Party. We'll provide the wine and cheese. You may bring an appetizer to share and other drinks if you wish. Sign up at the Beach Club. It's only \$3 each for this event.

Bring a neighbor, mingle with friends and learn about the Beach Club Kitchen Renovation Project. It will be a fun and informative evening. Don't miss it.

Our next event will be our annual Halloween costume party on **Saturday, October 26**. 🕸

Bay Club/South Bay News

Submit articles to Judy Thomas, 437-7906, Bay Club Editor., by e-mail at judythomas2@yahoo.com Janet Force, 437-0419, ludlow4c@gmail.com is the SBCA Editor.

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SBCA Important Dates

Monthly Board Meeting Friday, September 6, 9:30 a.m.

Visit *http://plsbca.org* All SBCA members are welcome.

SBCA Meeting Highlights

by Tom Stone, Secretary

The August South Bay Community Association (SBCA) Board of Directors meeting was held on Friday, August 2 at 9:30 a.m. at the Bay Club. For details of the meeting, please see the minutes posted on our website, *www. plsbca.org*, or call a board member. Our meetings are open to all SBCA members. Your attendance and participation are appreciated.

John Walker introduced the newly-elected Board members: Billy Land, Jerry Conover, Steve Shanklin and Tom Stone are joining Ed Knodle, Kay Cathcart and himself.

Election of Officers: The following slate of Directors to Officer Positions was identified and unanimously elected by the board: President, Walker; Vice President, Knodle; Secretary, Stone; and Treasurer, Cathcart.

The Agenda was approved; the July 5 and July 17 minutes were approved.

Operations Report: General Manager Jeremy Bubnick reported that three proposals for landscaping have been received. A new ice machine bin has been installed. The new fitness equipment was serviced to tighten belts, etc. He has received bids for painting of the Fitness Room which should be scheduled and completed within a month (hopefully). A motion was made and approved to allow Jeremy to accept a painting bid that does not exceed \$2,500. He has worked with the staff to draft an updated facility use/rental policy that he believes is fair and consistent. He will be sharing it with the Board at an upcoming workshop and hopes to have a policy adopted at the September Board Meeting.

Two Katsura trees were removed, others had roots cut back and an Alder was removed on South Bay Lane. Bids for the sidewalk repair have been received and the work should be done by late August to mid-September. Specs for the dry rot repairs and trim painting have been prepared and bids will be scheduled soon. The new phone system is up and working. There was a meeting to discuss the tennis court history, security and management. The consensus was that there didn't seem to be a large problem regarding security and that the recommendation to the Board should be to continue leaving the courts unlocked. He will purchase a supplemental sign that states that the courts are not for public use.

Financial report: Cathcart gave the financial report for the month ending July 31. She invited new members to join the Finance Committee. She will give copies of various accounts to anyone interested.

Architectural Review Committee (ARC): Shanklin reported that in their July 19 meeting, they discussed the Timberton ARC view issue and the dispute between Woodridge and Olympic Terrace villages regarding view maintenance. The ARC also approved and issued three permits and reviewed eight village ARC projects. Three issues are left from last year: an appeal on Timberton permit approval, Woodridge/Olympic Terrace Village view maintenance issue, and the new SBCA and Village ARCs need to update guidelines of view maintenance to reflect what has been received from attorneys. Walker noted that past ARC Chairman Brett Oemichen retired. Harlen Whitling was approved by the Board as the new ARC Chairman.

Facilities Committee: Chair Dianne Ridgley spoke of moss removal in the lawn to be reseeded this September. The Committee reviewed community feedback regarding kitchen area needs and recommended a cement pad be added beside the present one, and a wood fence be placed to screen the electrical box. The cement pad could be done at the same time as the sidewalk repair in front of the building. The community wants the doors on the garbage bins to be replaced with wood, but as this is extremely expensive, it was decided to have them painted to match the building trim. It was decided Bubnick would see if this work could be added into the sidewalk repair task. He will gather required information and costs and report back to the Board.

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The noise from pickleball games has raised concerns from nearby homeowners. The CC&R addresses excessive noise and states that the tennis courts are to be used for tennis only. Ridgley stated that her committee recommends we follow our rules and policies, or change them. There are compatibility issues between the lines for tennis and pickleball. Facilities Committee further recommended that since money is already allocated in our Reserve Study for maintaining the tennis courts, we work to create tennis courts that we can be proud of. Walker stated that the Board must study the issue and not make a quick decision. To be continued in the Board's Workshop.

The PLVC report was given by Walker.

Other Business: For the next three months, the monthly Social will be moved from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. to allow attendance by still-employed members.

The SBCA Board meetings will continue to be on the first Friday of the month starting at 9:30 a.m. The Board members decided which committees they will serve on. Each Committee will have at least two board members assigned.

Fiscal 2013 Surplus: Cathcart reported that a decision to put last year's surplus in an account can be delayed until a later meeting. Knodle stated there will be two to four Village Presidents' meetings scheduled this year. Walker stated that he intended to use the Long Range Planning Committee's goals, briefed at the Annual meeting, as this year's Board goals. The first Housekeeping Workshop was set for Wednesday, August 7. Mess Management is still ongoing, especially the shed storage.

Parking Lot items assignments were discussed. It was requested that the Long Range Planning Committee compose a response to the Mission/Value issue discussed at the Annual Meeting. The tennis court issues are being addressed by committees; this may be a bid action for next year.

The next regular SBCA Board meeting will be held on **Friday, September 6** at 9:30 a.m.

South Bay Members' Social

Our next South Bay Members' Social event will be held at the Bay Club on **Friday, September 13** at 6:00 p.m.

You bring the goodies to munch with provided beverages. See you there! \clubsuit

Free Spirits Presents Oktoberfest

SBCA members are now welcome to attend Free Spirits events without joining a formal organization. They may also help in planning the events which they will enjoy. This year's events have been scheduled and Free Spirits needs volunteers to plan and implement the year's program.

The first event is taking us to Austria! All members of SBCA, associate members and guests are invited to mark **Saturday, October 26** on their calendars so as not to miss a grand fall party. There will be delicious Austrian fare, plus beer, wine, apple cider and other soft drinks, and Vince Pace will be there to entertain us. Sign-up for all will begin **Thursday, September 26** and will end **Tuesday, October 22**. The cost for SBCA members and associates is \$20; for guests, \$25.

We are looking for volunteers to assist in planning the details and implementing this event. If you are interested in helping in some way, please contact Teresa Forrest, 437-1191, email *teresa.forrest@gmail.com*, or Sherry Robinson, 437-7948, email *sarrobinson@msn.com*. Volunteer help ranges from greeting people at the reception table to clean up after the event. It also includes tasks such as decorating and table setting, preparing simple recipes, making appetizers, bar tending or whatever else may need to be done. It is a wonderful way to get to know people in small groups and to sometimes even learn new skills. We welcome new people and new ideas.

Please Welcome New South Bay Members

Kevin ReedFairwood VillageJohn & Frances GauerTeal Lake Village



Port Ludlow Associates

Developer News

by Diana Smeland, Port Ludlow Associates President

Village Center

As many of you know, there is

currently one vacancy in the

commercial center. If you or someone you know is consid-

ering beginning a small busi-

ness, the space available is 755

square feet and is located next

from the courtyard. There are a

number of new businesses that

would be very successful both

in Port Ludlow and within this

available space. Some of the

to the post office with access



Diana Smeland.

businesses we feel would be well suited to the space are a boutique pet supply store, a coffee shop, or even a small hardware store. For more information on the space or lease terms, please contact Larry Smith at 437-8246.

Personnel Update

Recently, Kurt Rinear, a valued employee of over 10 years, made the decision to move back to Texas to be closer to family. He is greatly missed by all of us here at PLA, and due to his departure, we are currently looking for a new Network Administrator. The position is a full-time, salaried opportunity with benefits. If you know of any well-qualified individuals who may be interested in working for Port Ludlow Associates, please direct them to the careers section of our website, *www.portludlowresort.com/careers-page*.

Wooden Boat Festival

As 2013-2104 sponsors of the Northwest Maritime Center, The Resort At Port Ludlow is proud to announce that for this year's Wooden Boat Festival, we will be providing a complimentary shuttle to and from the festival throughout the weekend.

The shuttle bus service is contracted through Agate Pass Transportation and will be available at no cost on a firstcome, first-serve basis. The shuttle will depart the Port Ludlow Marina and the Northwest Maritime Center every two hours. Complimentary parking will be available in the gravel lots above the marina, and festival tickets will be available for purchase at both locations. For detailed schedule information, please visit *www.PortLudlowResort.com/calendar*. At the Wooden Boat Festival, The Fireside will be sponsoring a wine bar on **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 6 through 8**, on the upper deck of the Northwest Maritime Center. The views of Port Townsend Bay from the wine bar seating areas should be spectacular, and the location will offer a perfect spot to relax and enjoy the festivities from above.

Farm Dinner at Finnriver Farm

Our fourth Farm Series Dinner will occur on **Friday**, **September 13**, at the award-winning Finnriver Farm and Cidery in Chimacum. Their outdoor pavilion offers views of the farmland and is an ideal location to enjoy all that this local organic family farm has to offer. Tickets are available through Brown Paper Tickets for just \$59 (plus tax and gratuity). The price includes a six-course menu created by Chef Dan, wine pairings with each course, and the opportunity to not only dine on incredible local food, but to hear the farmers speak about cultivating each aspect of your meal. We look forward to seeing you there.

Let me know your thoughts on Port Ludlow. My direct line is 437-8342 and my e-mail address is *dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com*.



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Sports & Games

Winners of Port Ludlow's 2013 Festival Golf Tournament

Bill Browne, the tournament organizer, reports that a full field of 21 foursomes, comprised of all skill levels, participated in the annual summer tournament using a scramble format in the event to determine the winning foursomes. Following the tournament, most all players joined in a celebration at Niblicks Café to watch the results being posted and prizes awarded. The results were:

First Place Gross: Jeremy Vance, Jason Vance, Scott McKeag and Chris Holloway

Second Place Gross: Randy Cason, Barb Carson, Suzy Lee, and Torrin Westwood

Third Place Gross: Troy Atwell, Dustin Brenske, Alex Atwell and Louis Bertone

First Place Net: Randy Verrue, John Stow, Jim Watson and Bob Bertoia

Second Place Net: Jim Selby, Peggy Selby, Bill Wight, Cherie Wight

Third Place Net: Lee Kitchel, Eric Cooper, Bob Iverson and Jason Eckard

Festival by the Bay Tennis Tournament Results

According to Hana Buresova, tournament organizer, the play was excellent and great fun! Congratulations to the following participants:

Women's Doubles:

Winners: Terri Ross and Hana Buresova 2nd place: Kozue Carmody and Leslie Wake

Men's Doubles:

Winners: Jon Fox and Ken Easterbrook 2nd place: Garry Romjue and Elan Solvik

Mixed Doubles:

Winners: Hana Buresova and Ken Easterbrook 2nd place: Terri Ross and Jon Fox

Pickleball Day in Port Ludlow

by Dave Pike, Guest Writer

The Port Ludlow Pickleball Association has scheduled a pickleball demonstration clinic for beginners and interested members of the community on **Saturday**, **September 7th**. Pickleball is the fastest growing SENIOR sport in North America and is quickly catching on in this area. There will be extra paddles and balls as well as instructors to help introduce you to this vibrant activity. Since we play gender-neutral doubles on a smaller court than tennis, it is kinder to our older bodies. But it still provides a good anaerobic workout while having a lot of fun, plus you meet fellow members of the community. It is also an excellent family activity for young children who can then play until they are our age or better.

You can arrive at any time from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. The clinic will take place on the lower tennis court adjacent to the Beach Club. If you care to participate, please wear non-marking soft-soled shoes. At 11:00 a.m. we will feature a game between some of our women members and the local firefighters. Due to the gap in age, the firefighters will be wearing their full fire fighting gear. Please mark your calendar now.

News from the Niners

Fall is definitely in the air but there are many fine golfing days left under the blue skies of Port Ludlow. In September the Ladies Niners continue the regular schedule of Thursday play. Games on September 5 and 26 have not been announced at the time of this writing. Games that are determined are the fourth Captain's Cup on **September 12** and the Couples Shotgun on **September 19**. The shotgun will be played on Timber. A post-play dinner will be served at the Beach Club. Remember to bring place settings and a beverage. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the club house.

The Men's Niners continues with the Ludlow Challenge on **September 5 and 12**. They join the ladies for the shotgun on **September 19**. On **September 26** they play a Tournament Chair Mystery Game at 9:00 a.m. It is a shotgun start. After the game there will be a clinic and lunch at Niblicks Café.

WGA Announces Winners and Future Events

We have been blessed with the most beautiful spring and summer I can ever remember and a lot has been going on at the Port Ludlow Golf Course. The winner of the Captain's Cup was Barb Cason. She and Joy Herring had their "A" game for that final match. Congratulations to everyone who participated in the event.

We completed the Member/Member tournament. John Germain and his crew are responsible for all the work and coordination to conduct these two days of fun. The tables were packed after the second day of play for a great picnic lunch, complete with ice cream cones for all.

We also completed the WGA/MGA exchange with a large number of participants.

Next month is busy; our calendar just doesn't stop. Top on that list is the Club Championship. Sally Lynum-Lee will open her house to celebrate the great three-day tournament with all the players and the victor.

The season begins to slow down as the Gals Getaway begins. The WGA gals are usually exhausted from the good time on the trip. Details will be forthcoming. Remember, what goes on at the Getaway, stays on the Getaway.

So, don't put that sun block away just yet. You can rest in the winter. Get out there and take advantage of the wind down to the best summer I can remember! Whatever needs doing inside the house can wait for the rain.

Duplicate Bridge Winners to Date

by Tom Stone, Scribe

July 8: Dan and Soozie Darrow, first; Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, second; Ralph Stroy/Nancy McGillis, third

July 15: Ted Wurtz/Joy Herring, first; Ralph Stroy/Nancy McGillis, second; Michael and Beverly Walker, third

July 22: Darrell Fett/Norm Crump, first; Dan and Soozie Darrow, second; Ralph Phillips/Lois Ruggles, third

July 29: Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, first; Dan and Soozie Darrow, second; Ralph Phillips/Lois Ruggles, third

August 5: Lucy Stone/Ted Wurtz, first; Ralph Phillips/ Lois Ruggles, second; Janice and Jim Akins, third

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

Derrenberger Wins Turbo Contest



Jeff Derrenberger, center, exhibits trophy

Submitted photo

Jeff Derrenberger of Port Ludlow won \$65,000 in the Turbo Racing League contest, a free racing game app inspired by DreamWorks Animation's new film, Turbo. Jeff won \$25,000 in his heat to gualify for the final race on July 17, and he came in third in that finale to win an additional \$40,000. He is originally from Indiana, but moved to Port Ludlow about three years ago with his family. He is 27 years old and is very much an outdoorsy kind of guy, loving to hike, bike and kayak on the peninsula.

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Regional News

This Month on the Peninsula

First Friday Lecture: Bob Bartlett presents *York, the Forgotten Hero*, a story about the slave who traveled with Lewis and Clark, at 7:00 p.m. at Port Townsend City Hall Council Chamber. Sponsored by the Jefferson County Historical Society.

Film Festival: September 20-22, Uptown and downtown Port Townsend, 379-1333, *ptfilmfest.org*.

Gateway Visitor Center, Route 19, open 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Memorial Day through Labor Day. After Labor Day, open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For information or to volunteer, call 437-0120 or visit *gatewayvcr@olympus.net*

Markets: Chimacum, Sundays May through October, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.; Port Ludlow, Fridays, May through September, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.; Port Townsend, Uptown at Tyler and Lawrence, Saturdays through early October, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Northwest Maritime Center: Wooden Boat Chandlery, 431 Water Street. Tours available, 2:00 p.m. on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Call 385-3628.

Parks: Fort Flagler, Marrowstone Island, beach access, hiking, WWII defenses; **Fort Worden,** Port Townsend, beach access, lighthouse, museums, Centrum; **H.J. Carroll,** Port Hadlock, playing fields.

Port Townsend Aero Museum: Jefferson County International Airport, 195 Airport Road, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission fee.

Port Townsend Summer Band: September 8, Quimper Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 2333 San Juan Avenue, Port Townsend, *ptsummerband.org*.

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

Royal Scottish Dance: Friday through Sunday, September 6, 7 and 8. Workshop is followed by Saturday night ball at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds.

Ukulele Festival: Wednesday through Sunday, September 11 through 15. Centrum, *centrum.org*.

Wooden Boat Festival: Over 300 wooden vessels are displayed at Point Hudson, Friday through Sunday, September 6, 7 and 8. Presentations and demonstrations. Sponsored by the Wooden Boat Foundation, 385-3628, *woodenboat.org*.

Jefferson Healthcare among Top WA Hospitals for Surgery

Jefferson Healthcare ranks as one of the top Washington hospitals in *Consumer Reports*' new hospital surgery rating system. Other top-rated hospitals in Washington include: Overlake Hospital Medical Center in Bellevue; Providence Hospital in Centralia and Walla Walla; Swedish Medical Center – First Hill, Seattle; UW Medicine/Valley Medical Center in Renton; and Wenatchee Valley Medical Center.

Consumer Reports, August 2013, rated 2,463 hospitals for common surgical procedures using three years of Medicare billing records and working with MPA, a healthcare consulting firm with expertise in analyzing billing claims and clinical data. The analysis covered 27 kinds of common surgeries, including hip and knee replacements, back surgery, and surgery to clear blocked arteries.

Hospitals were rated based on the percent of Medicare patients undergoing surgery who died or were hospitalized longer than expected, which could indicate complications. The analysis confirmed that:

- Some hospitals do a much better job than others. Ratings reflect wide variation, sometimes between hospitals only a few miles apart. For example, the Greater Baltimore Medical Center earned high marks for overall surgery and for several individual procedures, but Johns Hopkins Bayview Medical Center, also in Baltimore, got a low rating. A representative for the hospital said, "We handle many complex cases and are always looking for ways to address any opportunities for improvement."
- Teaching hospitals, thought to represent the nation's best and the recipients of generous federal funding, often fell short in surgery ratings. Though some did rate high, on average teaching hospitals performed no better than other hospitals.
- Urban and rural hospitals can excel. Several urban hospitals did well despite often serving poorer, sicker patients. Rural hospitals did better, on average, than other hospitals.
- Big-name hospitals don't always live up to their reputation when it comes to these surgery ratings. For example, though several Mayo Clinic hospitals did well, others rated only average.

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- Hospital choice matters more for some procedures than for others. There were wider variations for several surgeries, including hip and knee replacements and back surgery, than for others, such as colon surgery and hysterectomy.
- Specialty hospitals tended to do better. Six of the top performers for carotid artery surgery were heart hospitals, but that's not always the case. For example, Hospital for Special Surgery in New York, which specializes in orthopedics, earned high marks in other ratings that focus on infections related to surgical incisions. But it got low marks in hip and knee surgery ratings, which look at how surgery patients fare over their entire hospital stay. The results of the study can be seen at www.consumerreports.org/surgeryratings.com.

Jefferson Healthcare is the primary healthcare provider for the 29,000-plus residents of East Jefferson County on the Olympic Peninsula. Located in Port Townsend, the 25-bed critical access hospital provides a comprehensive array of services, including general surgery, full service orthopedic clinic, acute and emergency care, oncology and infusion services, advanced diagnostic imaging, Baby Friendly Family Birth Center, physical therapy and rehabilitation, Coumadin clinic, and sleep medicine services. In addition, Jefferson Healthcare operates eight primary care clinics, including clinics in Port Ludlow and Quilcene, as well as a home health and hospice agency. For more information, visit *www.jeffersonhealthcare.org*.

Jefferson Healthcare Sponsors Health Access Fair

Jefferson Healthcare is sponsoring a free Health Access Fair on **Saturday, September 21** at Jefferson County Fairgrounds, Erickson Building, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The Fair is to provide community members with information and resources to understand health insurance options as the Affordable Care Act begins on **January 1, 2014**.

Jefferson Healthcare wants to provide as much assistance as possible to access and enroll in the best health insurance options. The Health Access Fair will have speakers presenting on the Washington Health Benefits Exchange and the importance of preventative health. There will be a variety of professionals available throughout the day to discuss insurance options with the attendees. Most insurance plans will include a basic set of required preventative services such as doctor appointments, emergency medical care, laboratory services and wellness checkups.

"We want to help our friends and neighbors find the best health insurance options for them in an atmosphere that's both fun and informative," says Erin Brown, Jefferson Healthcare's Financial Counseling Supervisor. "The Health Access Fair is sure to be a great resource for our community." The *Port Townsend Leader* and the *Peninsula Daily News* have additional details.

Starting on **Tuesday, October 1**, Washington will have a new online marketplace for individuals and families to compare and enroll in health insurance plans, access savings on their insurance premiums or determine their eligibility for Medicaid through *www.wahealthplanfinder*. *org.* Armed with the information received at the Health Access Fair, people will be much more comfortable in enrolling in the plan that is right for them.

Hospice Has Volunteer Opportunities

If you are longing to do work that comes from the heart, work that allows you to form a deep connection with others, consider volunteering with Hospice of Jefferson County, a non-profit hospice program of Jefferson Healthcare. Hospice needs volunteers to provide a few hours a week of patient and family support in the way of running errands, staying with the patient so the family or caregiver can rest, and providing comfort and companionship during end of life.

Volunteering with hospice is rewarding work that will not only change the way you look at death, it will change the way you live your life. Training will take place on **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 16, 17 and 18**, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Jefferson Healthcare in Port Townsend. To find out more or for an application, call Kolby Mertz, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, 385-2200, Ext. 4648, or email *kmertz@jeffersonhealthcare.org*.

Harrison Medical Center Welcomes New Chief Medical Officer

Recently retired U.S. Navy Rear Admiral Michael H. Anderson, MD, has joined Harrison Medical Center as the organization's new Chief Medical Officer. Dr. Anderson most recently served as the Medical Officer to the Marine Corps, and Director, Health Services, Headquarters U.S. Marine Corps.

"Dr. Anderson has tremendous capabilities in bringing together diverse medical systems in ways that transform quality and access to care," said Scott Bosch, President and CEO of Harrison Medical Center.

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Anderson has championed a transformational relationship with the Department of Veterans Affairs that established a new form of joint healthcare delivery. He also established new clinical standards for garrison healthcare within the Navy's operational forces and later served as the Navy's Medical Inspector General. Dr. Anderson is a member of the American Academy of Family Practitioners (AAFP).

Along with his significant professional accomplishments, Dr. Anderson understands the unique healthcare needs of Kitsap and Olympic peninsula residents, having served in this region from November 1990 to July 1995 at the newly established Puget Sound Family Medicine Residency. He returned to the Kitsap community, serving as Director of Medical Services for Naval Hospital Bremerton from 1998-2000.

Dr. Anderson received his degree in medicine in May 1983 from the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences School of Medicine in Bethesda, Maryland, and a bachelor's degree with a major in biology from the University of California, San Diego. He completed his family practice internship at the Naval Regional Medical Center, Camp Pendleton.

Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

by Laura Brackenridge, Media and Events Coordinator

Monday Member Lunch Meetings: Noon to 1:00 p.m., Elks Lodge, 555 Otto Street, Port Townsend. Lunch served.

September 9: Rob Birman, Centrum Director. Sponsor: The CoLab.

September 16: Port Commissioner Forum. Sponsor: Ajax Café.

September 23: Hospital Commissioner Forum. Sponsor: Peninsula Credit Union.

September 30: Carl Smith, Jefferson County Department of Community Development Director, will talk about the development trends in the County and improvements at DCD. Sponsor: Hope Roofing and Construction.

Other Events and Meetings

September 11: Executive Board Meeting, 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. at VIC, 440 12th Street, Port Townsend.

September 10: After Hours Mixer, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Key City Public Theatre, 419 Washington Street, Port Townsend.

September 18: Board of Directors Meeting, 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., Jefferson County Library, 620 Cedar Ave., Port Hadlock.

September 19: Ambassador Meeting 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., Siren's Pub, 823 Water Street, Port Townsend.

September 26: YPN Meeting, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m., The CoLab, 237 Taylor Street, Second Floor, Port Townsend.

UGN Day of Caring Kicks Off Fundraising

Port Townsend–Jefferson County nonprofit organizations depend on volunteers to carry out their missions. United Good Neighbors (UGN) of Jefferson County will celebrate our community's spirit of volunteerism during the second Annual Day of Caring on **Friday, September 13**. This will start the UGN 2013-2014 fundraising campaign.

The event begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Mountain View Commons. A continental breakfast will be served, t-shirts will be distributed to volunteers, and the annual UGN Good Neighbors Award will be presented to a local Good Neighbor from our community. From 9:00 a.m.to noon, community volunteers will spread across the county providing hands-on help, neighbor with neighbor, working alongside one another. Volunteer projects include painting, clean up, organizing and landscaping. UGN matches volunteers with nonprofits.

To request volunteer assistance for an organization, or to sign up a business or organization to offer volunteers for projects, visit UGN's website at *www.weareugn.org* or call the UGN office at 385-3797. This is a great teambuilding opportunity among local businesses. Challenge your staff to become involved.

For more than 50 years, when your neighbors have needed critical services, United Good Neighbors of Jefferson County has been there. As a member of United Way of Washington, last year UGN helped over three dozen agencies provide emergency, senior, youth, and community services to neighbors in Port Townsend, Port Hadlock, Chimacum, Port Ludlow, and surrounding areas.

Kingston Bookery Survives

Are you a person who loves to touch books, real honestto-goodness paper ones? Do you like to poke among shelves of well-loved and oft-read volumes? Are you nervous about the power of Amazon in the publishing industry? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you might have been dismayed about the prospect of the demise of Mr. B's Bookery in Kingston.

Originally opened by Bill Wiley, Mr. B's Bookery was about to go out of business due to the owner's health problems. Its loyal customers were undone. But at the last minute, staunch reader, the day has been saved. After discussions with several community members, writers Danya Simkus and Rik Scott became co-owners with the Wiley's son, Jeff.

Some things have changed. The store has a slightly smaller footprint. A new restaurant, the Ax Handle, moved in next door. A website has been set up. The children's section has been revamped. Scott is setting up a cooperative writers group in Kingston.

Located at 10978 NE State Highway 104 (near the IGA), The Bookery is a good place to visit, coupled with coffee and a pastry from next door while you are waiting for the ferry or just browsing Kingston. The Bookery takes your old books and gives credit on new old books.

Freeholder Candidates File

As filing opened for freeholder positions in the potential Jefferson County charter government, 51 people stepped up to the plate. To date, sixteen candidates have filed in District 3, which includes Port Ludlow. In District 2, which includes Chimacum, Port Hadlock, Irondale, Four Corners, Nordland, Kala Point and Cape George, fifteen indicated interest. The rest of the potential freeholders (20) came from District 1 (Port Townsend). The freeholders are tasked with crafting the charter for the new government.

Candidates from District 3 to date are: Nicole Black, Jim Boyer, Jim Davis, David Dixon, Craig Durgan, Bill Eldridge, Larry Hovde, Diane Johnson, Wayne King, Ron Gregory, Ed Jaramillo, Norm Norton, Bob Pontius, Davis Steelquist and Dan Toepper. Each voter will select five. The positions will go to the top five candidates if voters approve the change from the current form of county government.

In addition, five people filed to serve as commissioners in the potential Port Ludlow park district. They were: Mike Brainerd, Lani Bartlett, Ron Gregory (petition sponsor), Peggy Manspeaker and Art Mover. The candidates were unopposed at press time. The five member board will have taxing authority and the ability to seek funding for recreational programs.

Youth Mental Health Clinic Opens

Free, confidential mental health counseling became available in Port Townsend last month. The service is designed for clients 13 to 25 years-old. It is located at 1136 Water Street. The clinic opened after it was observed that Jefferson County has a higher than average number of young people with suicidal ideation. The staff includes pychiatric nurse Karen Ciccarone and mental health counselor Tom Duke. The clinic operates under the auspices of the Jefferson County Medical and Advocacy Services also known as JC MASH ..



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