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Feature Articles

From the Editor's Keyboard

By Beverly Browne, Managing Editor



This month we are trying something different in the *Voice*, at least it is different for us. As you review the feature articles, you will find that they contain an economic theme. Although none are directed toward strictly local issues, our usual focus, the topics do touch on each of us and we thought readers might like us to explore them with us.

In our lead article, guest writer Michael Forrest discusses American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012, the last-ditch deal that avoided automatic spending cuts and tax rises which were to occur in January. Markets were relieved, but what did it all mean and can we expect the provisions of the Act to be effective? Forrest outlines some actions that he believes will help avert the fiscal cliff of the future which, he tells us, will come.

I have written about the value of the college degree today. As a former student who took advantage of Washington State subsidy of higher education at University of Washington in the late 1950s and early 1960s, this is a subject that is dear to my heart. You can decide for yourself if changes in higher education have taken away opportunity and diminished the gloss on the college degree or not.

Barbara Berthiaume talks about homelessness and what it is costing the taxpayer. She describes the work of the National Alliance to End Homelessness and its effort to reduce homelessness. This is a local issue given the numbers of homeless in our County. We have also included articles on traveling and on the value of tourism on the Olympic Peninsula.

Tell us if you like this idea of having a theme issue. Tell us if you don't like the idea. If you have suggestions for topics you would like us to consider, please don't be shy. Let us know what you think.

The views expressed in this editorial are the author's. Comments may be sent to the editor. Letters regarding the editorial or any other article in the Voice will be posted on the website, plvoice.org.

The Fiscal Cliff: Is the Sky Really Falling?

by Michael Forrest, Guest Writer

All we heard from the politicians and the press for the last half of 2012 was about the terrible *Fiscal Cliff*. Finally, on January 2, President Obama, on vacation in Hawaii, signed the measure electronically by autopen. Everyone breathed a sigh of relief. Even Wikipedia says, "The 'Fiscal Cliff' was largely eliminated by the eleventh-hour passage of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012'."

The good news is an extra \$65 billion/per year was pried out of the greedy hands of the rich. Everyone else gets to keep the "Bush Tax Cuts" permanently. Unemployment benefits were extended for another year for the long-term unemployed. And, workers are paying into Social Security, again. This should stimulate the economy – but will it?

It is hard to argue against the action that spared the nation's economy from the one-two punch of large tax increases and whopping across-the-board spending cuts, mandated by law in 2011. But the politicians simply kicked the can down the road. Just two months from now, they face mandated cuts, again, though they are a bit smaller because they changed some of the caps and reduced the size of the mandates.

Could we just print more dollars? Before I respond, take a look at our current state of affairs. The chart below presents a conservative view of our federal budget. On the second chart, eight digits have been removed so you can see what the numbers might look like, if we were talking about a household budget.

Federal Budget: 2013 Fiscal Year

U.S. Income	\$2,965,000,000,000
Federal Budget	\$3,800,000,000,000
New Debt	\$835,000,000,000
National Debt	\$16,432,705,914,000

The Budget from the Household Perspective

Annual Family Income	\$29,650
Annual Family Spending	\$38,000
New Debt	\$8,350
Credit Card Balance	\$164,327

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Now, the Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 does cut spending by a little more than \$1.5 billion annually (about \$16 for the family in the chart). But, it adds new spending averaging \$400 billion per year over the next 10 years (about \$4,000 for the family) — largely driven by the cost for making the Bush tax cuts permanent for all but the wealthy. Increases in income are negligible in that the income rate hike for the “wealthy” (about \$65 billion/year), was already comprehended in the 2013 budget, as was the resumption of an additional 2 percent in payroll.

So, how long do you think the homeowners in our comparison can maintain their ways with an income of \$29,650 and expenses \$42,000? How long can they sustain the mounting debt, that next year would be \$176,677? Clearly, it’s unsustainable.

The dilemma is that the whole world is based on economic structures that are unsustainable. The global monetary system rests on a fragile foundation of trust because most countries back their currencies with no more than a promise of good faith. Currencies, including our own, have value only as long as people have confidence in their value. And, when governments fail to be responsible and currency is printed without credible backing, their values decline.

We cannot simply print more currency because, eventually, the currency will fail. And, since U.S. dollars sit at the heart of the global monetary system, the failure of the U.S. dollar would be catastrophic. This is the real “fiscal cliff!” And it’s still coming, unless we do something before it’s too late.

So, what can the politicians do? Well, there are only four courses that can help us avoid the cliff. The first three embrace recommendations of the President’s Simpson-Bowles Debt commission:

1. Increase revenues by growing the economy. Reduce regulations and corporate taxes; reduce the cost of energy; and overhaul the income tax code with the goals of simplification, rate reduction, removal of deductions, and increased revenues.
2. Cut government and prioritize services. Focus on cost reductions, removing program redundancy and cutting waste and fraud. Create a culture that embraces efficiency by accepting change similar to those recommended by the Postmaster General, who advocates shutting post offices, melding operations and reducing the workforce through attrition.

3. Slow the growth of government and implement spending caps. As you read this article, the politicians are far down that road to changing the calculations for Social Security to systematically slow annual increases by 0.3 percent. This, together with modest increases salary cap upon which Social Security taxes are paid, would turn the program to solvency immediately.

The fourth measure to avoid the Fiscal Cliff is:

4. Manage inflation. Managed inflation is a rational and equitable way of sharing the pain that we must experience if our very real debt crisis is ever to get turned around, allowing us to catch up with our debt with cheaper dollars. By the way, politicians index their own takings (and those of their special interests) to protect themselves from inflation. They quickly become inured to the pain while everyone else — meaning the middle class— ends up hurting. If not controlled, inflation can have a severe deleterious effect, leading us over the cliff, even if a short term benefit is reducing debt with inflated dollars.

Our nation must act now, or the sky will fall.

Unfortunately, politicians of all stripes, here and abroad, seem to be waiting for Godot. We can only pray that they’ll begin to understand soon and that they will have courage to act.

Michael Forrest is a former Dean in the School of Business and Management at Pepperdine University. The calculations were based on data from the Congressional Budget Office, Estimate of the Budgetary Effects of the American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012 as passed by the Senate on January 1, 2013, and on data derived from <http://www.usgovernmentrevenue.com>.

Does College Still Pay Off?

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

Americans have long believed that an important route to upward mobility existed in post-secondary education. Generations of parents sacrificed so that their offspring had an opportunity to move ahead by going to college. Many students profited.

Today, tuition increases, high college graduate unemployment and increasing student debt present challenges. Washington State used to fund 70 percent of tuition. The situation is reversed today. Across the country, 2010 college graduates left school owing an average of \$25,250 in student loans and faced a dismal marketplace. Quality of education has declined and college degrees have ballooned, leading to degree

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denigration. High-profile examples of degree-less success, among them college dropouts Mark Zuckerberg, Bill Gates and Steve Jobs, imply that the cost and effort may not be worth it.

However, higher education can pay off in multiple ways. Chris Farrell, Economics Editor of *Marketplace Money*, contends that the return on investment in post-secondary education is still high and compelling. Students with college educations have lower unemployment rates and better life-time earnings than those without. His opinion is echoed by other policy makers and those working in education.

The *Huffington Post* has a series of articles indicating that college degrees are correlated with a number of positive outcomes, including more consistent employment and better health. Median incomes of college graduates are higher and job satisfaction is greater than among non-graduates. Post-secondary education is linked to lower rates of obesity, better parenting skills, and better support and encouragement of education, according to numerous studies.

If a student chooses to pursue a college degree, the choice of school impacts the value obtained. Will going to the pricey, out-of-state university provide more value than the local state college or a community college? These lower-priced options should not be ignored.

Community colleges offer economical education for university-bound students and for students on a vocational path. Many community college programs also benefit communities. The community college in Walla Walla was faced with declining agricultural incomes and instituted a vintner program, which provided valuable training for its enrollees and, at the same time, pulled the city out of its slump. Walla Walla's mayor ascribes reinvigoration of tourism, especially wine tourism, to the program. Wine tourists, he says, spend approximately seven times more than other tourists

Obtaining information about where to go is not easy. Recently, *Money* magazine listed some internet sources that can be helpful. PayScale.com/education/collegesalaryreport provides average incomes for various majors, including a salary calculator. The site, collegemeasures.org/esm, provides beginning salaries by major for schools within their incomplete listing. Cnn.money.com/college has tips for picking a school and a net price calculator.

The Economics of Homelessness

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

Homelessness is an area of concern for social service providers, government officials, policy makers, states, and communities. Approximately seven million people are currently homeless across the country and the numbers are rising. Washington State ranks eighth in the country with at least 23,000 individuals without a stable place to stay at night. *The National Alliance to End Homelessness 2012 Report* states that job losses, severely decreased or non-existent government funding sources, and lack of affordable housing, dramatically increases the risk of becoming homeless.

The direct economic consequences of homelessness can be seen in the high costs of emergency medical care, strained social service budgets, and job losses across many economic levels. The indirect economic consequences were eloquently put by Richard LeMieux, best-selling author of *Breakfast at Sally's* when he asks the question, "What is a family worth?" It turns out it is worth a lot. Homelessness means loss of those assets.

It usually starts out with the loss of a job, then credit, then the home, phone, insurance, and finally, the car. Homeless students are in such numbers that each school district has a homeless coordinator. The losses of educational opportunities, future earnings, health, and in many cases, loss of hope, are incalculable.

In 2000, the National Alliance to End Homelessness released *A Plan, Not a Dream: How to End Homelessness in Ten Years* which encouraged communities to develop and implement 10 year plans to end homelessness in their communities. Clallam, Jefferson, and Kitsap Counties have each developed a plan to this end. Jefferson County's goal is to reduce homelessness by 50 percent by the year 2015 by increasing the number of affordable housing units in the county. Although the economic downturn has slowed the pace, they continue to work with the community in developing resources to achieve this goal.

Homelessness is a multi-issue problem and there is no magic wand to make it go away. Affordable housing is a strong factor that provides stability for families and a first step to transitioning back to a world they once knew. Family homelessness is a solvable problem and affordable housing programs, rapid rehousing, and community-based services are important components in realizing the goal of eradicating homelessness.

Selling the Peninsula

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

No, it is not on the block! I'm talking about the business of tourism on the Olympic Peninsula and its ability to benefit local economies.

The Olympic National Forest is a big draw. In 2010, according to the Forest Service, there were 707,000 visitors. The Forest Service estimates that the average visitor spent \$92/day. In 2011, 2.84 million visitors contributed \$106 million to the economy, supporting 1,400 jobs. But somehow, all of those people have to get the bug to travel to this remote region and find out how to do it.

Sometimes there is a windfall. When Stephanie Meyers published her vampire/werewolf series which is set in Forks, she unleashed a torrent of tourists on the unsuspecting village and some of it spilled over to other communities. Forks itself is a rather gloomy place, where it rains 120 inches a year. Not one second of the first movie was shot in Forks and Stephanie Meyers has never been there. Nevertheless, tourism in Forks grew 1000 percent since the first novel was published in 2005.

Did the people of Forks like all the attention? They seemed to. Pictures of the actors sprouted in the windows of storefronts that resembled nothing in the movies. Buildings were renamed. Trinkets and memorabilia were sold. Commercially, it was a good thing.

However, planned efforts are more reliable. There are a number of publications that are published monthly or semiannually that inform visitors about features of and events on the Peninsula. For instance, *The Peninsula Daily News* publishes *The North Olympic Peninsula Newcomers and Visitors Guide*. The *Port Townsend Leader* and *Sequim Gazette* jointly distribute *Living on the Peninsula*. Both contain excellent ideas for "showing people around" or for self-guided trips. The Tourist Bureaus are also helpful.

Information also comes from the Chambers of Commerce. They promote the features of their areas and also support special forms of tourism, such as culinary/agri-tourism and adventure tourism.

Festivals make a valuable contribution to the economy of the region and the state, generating millions of dollars and attracting millions of visitors. An organization that promotes festivals and tourism is the Washington Festivals and Events Association. The non-profit tax exempt group has members that include event producers, chambers of commerce, visitor and convention bureaus, parks departments, government agencies, fairs, vendors, suppliers, consultants and others.

Senior Travel to the Moon

by Diane Ruff, Guest Writer

"Senior Travel to the Moon" was the only senior travel topic not listed on the Internet, however I expect to be writing about that soon. Meanwhile, let's plan your next adventure on Earth. Your challenge will be narrowing down your choices.

Your computer's Search Engine will bring up "Senior Travel." From there you can explore traveling with several venues. Examples are www.50plusexpeditions.com, www.frommers.com, www.eldertrav.com, www.eldertreks.com, www.journeywoman.com, www.over50andoverseas.com, www.ricksteves.com, www.roadscholar.org, www.poshnosh.com, www.smartertravel.com/senior-travel, www.thirdage.com/travel, www.travelwithachallenge.com, and www.wiredseniors.com. Companies such as Connecting, Solo Travel News now specialize in mature single and solo travel (www.cstn.org).

Many local seniors seem to gravitate to Grand Circle Travel or Holland America Cruises. Some companies specialize in off the beaten paths for small groups. Others specialize in budget travel and still others in learning cultures, etc. One company specializes in "Walking the World," where you walk through villages, meet locals, and sample their food and drink (www.walkingtheworld.com). This might be the first vacation where you don't gain weight.

I once took my daughters on a vacation through LeBoat (www.leboat.com.) We rented a fully equipped boat that meandered slowly through the Canal du Midi in southern France. This company has boats throughout the world, and you need no boating experience. We stopped at small villages, purchased local food and wine, and then returned to our boat for a picnic. This type of travel is great for families.

I enjoy travel research and getting the most bang for my buck; however, others might prefer the ease of calling their travel agent. No one way is right.

When younger, I traveled solo with few reservations, meeting people along the way. Now I want ease and that suitcase schlepped by someone else.

Port Ludlow has a plethora of knowledge. Bring up travel at any gathering, and you'll hear about places and trips you'd never considered. There will be no perfect time. Determine your budget, an area you're interested in, then pull up Google World or obtain a DVD of that area. Research in one area will lead to other areas. If you don't travel first class and make those dreams come true, your children will.

You're How Old?

by Mary Kletti, Contributing Writer

“Age is not a particularly interesting subject. Anyone can get old. All you have to do is live long enough.” – Groucho Marx

In last February's edition of the *Voice*, an article appeared under this same headline about having a birthday every four years on Leap Day. While there are probably plenty of 80-year-olds who would deny that they feel like they're still 20, positive age stereotypes could help make you feel like 80 is the new 60.

All of us have beliefs dating back to childhood about what it means to get older—“never trust anyone over 30” comes to mind. Such a negative stereotype might convince seniors that becoming old means becoming useless and devalued, making them more likely to suffer memory loss and poor physical functioning. Positive stereotypes occur when seniors view age as a time of wisdom, self-realization and satisfaction, thus resulting in a higher level of functioning. In fact, *The Journal of the American Medical Association* reports that seniors with this positive bias are 44 percent more likely to fully recover from a disability as a result of illness or an injury. And they live 7.5 years longer than those with negative stereotypes.

A study conducted by the Department of Psychological Sciences at the University of Melbourne in Australia, maintains that positive attitudes to aging are associated with higher levels of satisfaction with life, better physical and mental health, and lower levels of anxiety and depression, thus contributing to healthier mental and physical outcomes in older adults. This group also concluded that overcoming negative stereotypes of aging through change at the societal and individual level may help to promote more successful aging.

For people who care about and interact with older people, there is a clear message: your attitude counts, because it can activate or potentially modify these deeply held age stereotypes. Dr. Becca Levy, an associate professor of epidemiology and psychology at Yale University, says that being more aware of the implications of our communications would help a lot. The tone of voice we use with seniors, the use of loaded phrases or expressions, or just giving older adults your undivided attention will help reinforce the more positive aspects of aging.

Remember: age is just a number. And in the words of Mark Twain, “Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter.”

Digestion: At the Forefront of Good Health

by Autumn Pappas, Contributing Writer

Did you know that at least 70 percent of our immune system resides inside our digestive system? Digestive disorders have plagued our society, affecting 70 million Americans. Our once healthy digestive tracts have become compromised due to infections, undigested food, parasites and the overuse of antibiotics. Unhealthy diets of constant yeasts, carbohydrates and sugars have impaired our mucus lining and created chronic inflammation in our bodies.

Chronic inflammation is the root cause of problems like heart disease, high cholesterol, high blood pressure, cancer, diabetes and strokes. Inflammation also affects our cells and damages our organs. With our immune systems so largely dependent upon a flourishing digestive system, we must take control of these issues and fight back.

How can we help our digestive systems? Take a probiotic supplement. The small intestine contains natural probiotics, or beneficial bacteria, that populate the digestive tract. They fight off invaders like toxins and bad bacteria. However, when the digestive system becomes imbalanced, these probiotics diminish. Probiotic supplements repopulate them.

Contrary to popular belief, yogurt does not contain enough probiotics to fight off bad bacteria for most people. For maximum results, buy a probiotic supplement that needs to be refrigerated and contains billions of microorganisms.

Inflammation can be counteracted by taking an Omega-3 supplement daily. Omega-3's boost brain activity and reduce cardiovascular disease. Look for high quality fish oil that contains Omega-3's, DHA, and vitamin D3. Interject Omega-3-rich foods like flax seeds, walnuts, beans, olive oil, salmon, tuna and halibut into your diet.

Stick to an anti-inflammatory diet by avoiding high fructose corn syrup, sugar, processed foods, saturated fats and partially hydrogenated oils. Limit your intake of animal proteins with the exception of fish. Fill your plate with fruits, vegetables, whole grains and fiber. Furthermore, take time to chew food slowly and completely.

Ask your doctor about taking Omega-3 supplements and probiotics to make sure they are right for you. A healthy digestive tract is essential for a thriving body and immune system. To read the extended version of this article please go to <http://plhealth.org/nutrition.html#categories>.

The Brain-Heart Tie-In

by Mitzi Sturzu, MA, LMHCA Port Ludlow Counseling

Ever wonder what happens when we fall madly in love with someone? I recently read an interview with Helen Fisher, PhD, published by the *American Association of Marriage and Family Therapy*. Fisher described her fascinating research on the brain, romantic love and human relationships.

Scanning technology allows neurologists to unearth incredible images of what happens in our brains when we fall in love. By mapping chemical changes that occur when parts of the brain activate – and more importantly shut down – they posit explanations for behaviors. These studies show increased levels of the brain chemical dopamine in individuals who are in love. Dopamine is linked to desire, addiction, and oftentimes, euphoria so intense that it may cause feelings of reward that makes love hard to give up. In fact, some of the same areas of the brain are activated when an individual is addicted to drugs.

Fisher studied dozens of brain scans of people claiming to be madly in love or just falling in love; others were in long term relationships. Surprisingly there was activity in the brain's addiction centers only when people had been rejected. Among those in love long term, she found no activity in brain areas linked to feelings of anxiety; instead, an area of the brain linked with feelings of calm was active. The same brain activity was found in individuals from different parts of the world, indicating that romantic love is a shared experience around the world.

Women were found to have much more activity in three brain regions associated with recall. They tended to remember what their lover did or didn't do last Valentine's Day; what he said he would do; and what he promised to do. Fisher's hypothesis is that this memory trail helps women size a man up as a possible partner. Men tend to have activation in brain regions associated with integration of visual stimuli, making them fall in love quicker and perhaps for different reasons.

Psychologists are still trying to understand why some become dangerously obsessed and risk everything for love. The emotion becomes a mental disorder and leads a person to become delusional. Learning to think differently can aid recovery. Help is available to explore more healthy love solutions. The statement "he broke my heart" should really be "he broke my brain."

To the Editor of the VOICE

to be passed on to Correspondent Oliver, who was published in the Jan 2013 issue:

Dear Oliver,



When I was pawing through the *Voice* (one of my favorite publications), I had to stop and stare at that beautiful kitty named Oliver. When your story was read to me I knew I had to send you a couple of my calendar photos. I have five years of calendars for which I have posed.



I twitched a couple of whiskers when I read about your big paw waking up your ma-ma in the morning, because I do the same thing. Don't tell anyone, but it works! They think it is so gentle that they can't help but get up and fix kitty's breakfast.

I need my rest, so think I'll take a nap now.

Tiger

The Business of Charitable Donations Survives

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

In 1859 Andrew Carnegie published his essay, *Wealth*, in which he posited that it was the duty of a wealthy man “to provide modestly for his dependents and to consider the balance of his wealth as simply trust funds which he is called upon to administer.” Wealthy families such as the Carnegies, the Mellons, and the Rockefellers made it their business to fund social causes, from libraries to hospitals to universities.

Consider conditions at the time *Wealth* was published. The United States was in the industrial age; there was no social welfare state. There were no child welfare laws, no universal suffrage, and only an ill-defined concept of equality. In this Darwinian world the unfortunate were very unfortunate indeed.

Charitable giving is catching on again in the United States, partly due to the consolidation of wealth among fewer individuals, a growing lower income stratum and a decreasing middle class. The total amount given is about 1.7 percent of GDP, the highest percent among developed nations.

Private foundations are on the increase. In 2010 more than 120,000 foundations controlled \$583 billion. They provide about 13 percent of money going to charity in the United States and receive tax benefits stemming from those donations (Mark Dowle, *American Foundations: An Investigative History*). The rest comes from individuals, the ones that donate to the food bank and the Salvation Army at Christmas.

There are some very high profile givers in the American business community; the names are well known to all and include:

- Ted Turner who gave \$1 million to fight global poverty (1997) through the United Nations
- Bill and Melinda Gates, who established the Gates Foundation to fight global disease (Malaria and AIDS) and poverty.
- Warren Buffet, originator of the Giving Pledge, who pledged \$30.7 billion to the Gates Foundation.
- The Koch brothers who fund various projects at universities across the country.

The results of grants and gifts from private sources have been impressive world wide. This does not mean that there has been no criticism. Some have observed that there is no oversight on how the money is spent and the

projects may carry a whiff of self interest. The latter is most important when the foundation’s goal involves remaking basic institutions such as education.

There are many others. For a more complete list together with eye-popping figures, google “philanthropy.”

Eating Around: Marché

by Judy Thomas

If you are looking for a special occasion restaurant or for casual elegance with delightful food look no further than Marché on Bainbridge Island. Well known chef Greg Atkinson is sure to please on both counts.

Two of our party of four had the Trout Meunière. The skin was browned and crisp while the inside was tender and delicious. It was served over a wonderful potato gratin with sautéed greens. We also sampled the Tuesday special of lamb brochette with pine nut pilaf as well as the steak and fries. Even the well done steak was tender and flavorful.

The menu also includes a selection of hors d’oeuvres, soups, salads, petite plates and à la carte items, as well as desserts. I would really like to try the Provençale Fish Soup, which is only available at lunch.

Marché is located at 150 Madrone Lane in Winslow and is open Tuesday through Saturday. Lunch is served from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and dinner is available from 5:30 to 10:00 p.m. The phone number is 206-642-1633 and I recommend reservations. We were there on a Tuesday night and by 6:30 the restaurant was full.

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Arts and Entertainment

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

Diverse Cultural Journey in Music

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Guest Writer

Enjoy an evening of light-hearted folk music, **Friday, February 22**, 7:30 p.m. at the Bay Club, when Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents “Music From Around the World” by the International String Trio (IST). Priding itself on stylistic diversity, IST leads its audiences on a cultural musical journey performing music from Russia, Italy, France and Ireland, Jewish Klezmer from Eastern Europe, as well as American Bluegrass, Appalachian folk and familiar movie themes.

IST’s members are all alumni of Berklee College of Music in Boston. The group’s unique performance aesthetic is influenced by the diverse cultural background of the three members who are Russian, Japanese and English.

Music Director and guitarist Slava Tolstoy studied composition and guitar performance at St. Petersburg Jazz School in Russia, and attended Berklee on a scholarship. He founded IST in 2002.

Ippei Ichimaru was born in Japan, later relocating to Australia, where in 1991 he became a professional bass player and arranger. Now making his home in the U.S., he is one of the most active bass players in the Boston/New York areas.

Violinist Ben Powell was raised in England until a scholarship at Berklee brought him to the U.S. A unique performer, his musicianship, technical brilliance, mature, intuitive style and delivery bring audiences to their feet.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for seat selection and a wine bar. Season subscribers will be admitted at 6:15 p.m. to select their reserved seats.

The work of two members of the Port Ludlow Artists’ League will be on exhibit. They include quilts and wearable art by Judy Danberg and photography by Gary Settle. Quilting for nearly 20 years, Danberg prefers bold and

vivid colors for her nontraditional works. Beadwork, her second love, and thread embellishment are incorporated into many of her quilts and wearable art. Settle began photographing big-name musicians while in high school. Now he presents a study of musicians who have appeared in Arts Council concerts over the years. Titled “Passion on a String,” he captures the connection between the musicians, their instruments and the music.

Concert tickets are \$24 and are available now at the Bay Club. For credit card purchases, go to Brown Paper Tickets on our website, www.portludlowartscouncil.com. Six-ticket Flex Passes at \$132 are available at the Bay Club and can be used by two people to attend the three remaining concerts in the 2012-13 season.

“From Russia with Love,” featuring concert pianist Liana Forest, will be presented **Friday, March 15**. Tickets are available online now or at the Bay Club around **February 15**.

Rumors on the Way

Ludlow Village Players are in rehearsal for Neil Simon’s *Rumors*. Early January brought a late Christmas present as Ginny Ford and Lou Vilvandre joined our troupe to complete the cast roster. The rest of the cast of *Rumors* are Wynne Stevens, Jim Gormly, Vicki Valley, Carl Miller, Shirley Davies-Owens, Doug Hubbard, Eve McDougall and Don Clark. Laughter is abundant at rehearsals, but we promise to bring in an outstanding production for our audiences to enjoy.

Tickets will be on sale **mid-February** at the Bay Club for performances of *Rumors* on **Thursday and Friday** evening, **March 21 and 22**, at 7:00 p.m. and **Saturday, March 23**, at 2:00 p.m. All performances will be at the Bay Club.

There is still time to get in on the fun. We need people for publicity, make-up crew, costumes and wardrobe, digital

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sound effects, house staff which includes greeters and refreshments help, and backstage “go-fers.” No experience needed; we’ll find a niche for you. Please contact Val Durling for further information at 437-2861 or rkd@waypoint.com.

Buy your tickets early for *Rumors*. Seating may be somewhat limited to allow for sight lines. You won’t want to miss this one.

Port Ludlow Artists’ League Features Wanda Mawhinney

The League’s February Artist of the Month, Wanda Mawhinney, will be featured in the lobby of Columbia Bank on Oak Bay Road. Mawhinney, known for her large canvas oils and mixed media, has been active in the League since 2005 and recently stepped down from a two-year tenure as the League’s president.

Her use of vibrant colors, unusual design, and bold composition and line create a style that is her signature. “As an experimental painter, every new canvas is an intuitive adventure; I have no preconceived ideas when I begin. My challenge is to use color and texture to build rich layers of paint while incorporating materials that fascinate me.”

Mawhinney’s paintings have been in galleries in both Arizona, where she lived for 35 years, and here in the Northwest. Recent juried shows include Port Townsend’s Northwind Arts Center and the Sequim Arts Juried Exhibit in both 2006 and 2009.

The community and League members are invited to view Mawhinney’s exhibit at the “Second Wednesday Reception” held on **February 13**, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the lobby of Columbia Bank on Oak Bay Road and from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Art Gallery adjacent to the bank.

Artists’ League February Happenings

Ah, February – the month for hearts and flowers and declarations of love. The Wikipedia history of Valentine’s Day states it actually began as a liturgical celebration of an early Christian saint, Valentinus, who was imprisoned for performing weddings for soldiers who were forbidden to marry and for ministering to Christians who were persecuted under the Roman Empire. The association with romantic love came from Geoffrey Chaucer in the High Middle Ages, when the tradition of courtly love

flourished. By the 15th century, it had evolved into an occasion in which lovers expressed their love for each other by presenting flowers, offering confectionery, and sending greeting cards known as “valentines.”

With that little bit of history in mind, come to the Port Ludlow Artists’ League Gallery adjacent to Columbia Bank to see our local artists express their ideas on the “Faces of Love.” You will find love in the many faces represented in many different ways – children and adults, pets and other things that will bring a smile to your heart. What a great place to pick up something for your Valentine.



Fishing vessel in colored pencil.

Submitted photo

February also brings a new artist to the League general meeting. Christy Camerer, charcoal and colored pencil artist, began sketching in elementary school, drawing for classmates in charcoal pencil. A Northwest Washington native, she has always had a strong love for the amazing mountains, waterways and animals. Her grandmother Beryl Williams encouraged her to pursue her dreams and passions, and with the years her talent grew.

Camerer took up watercolor for a period of time, but desired more detail. She found color pencil to be her

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medium of choice, and was told by family members to go beyond just drawing gifts for friends and family. Thus began Bluewater Artworks, a husband and wife team that develops fine art, prints, and note cards. All matting, framing and fitting work is done in-house to produce a superior archival product. Avid hikers and kayakers, she and her husband use the photography from these outings primarily as the source of inspiration for a project. Christy and husband Russ live in Poulsbo and own the new Bluewater Gallery, situated where the old Nielsen's store used to be (for all of you old-timers).

The meeting will be held in the Bay Club on **Wednesday, February 20**, 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 email at gramcr@aol.com.

Bainbridge Performing Arts Presents

Tickle your funny bone with The Edge Improv on **February 2**, at 7:30 p.m. at Bainbridge Performing Arts (BPA), 200 Madison Avenue North, Bainbridge Island. Patrons are invited to join "The Edge" for an ingeniously improvised evening of on-the-spot comedy, all from audience suggestions. For more than eighteen years, the troupe's riotous antics have inspired rave reviews from audience members.

The Edge Improv appears first Saturdays all year at BPA. Tickets, (\$16 for adults and \$12 for seniors, students, youth, military, and teachers), may be purchased online at bainbridgeperformingarts.org, by phone at 206-842-8569, or in person at BPA. Box Office hours are 1:00 – 4:00 p.m., Wednesday through Friday, and one hour prior to each performance.

Port Townsend Community Orchestra

On **Saturday, February 23**, the Port Townsend Community Orchestra will present their winter concert, *Russian with a Sprinkling of English*. The orchestra, under the direction of Conductor Dewey Ehling, will play Rimsky-Korsakov's *The Tale of Tsar Saltan Suite*. This suite is in four parts and the orchestra will be playing three of them. The fourth is the most well known, "Flight of

the Bumblebee," but does not come as part of the package from the publisher. Rimsky-Korsakov is well known among musicians as the master orchestrator and pulls out all the stops in this suite. Tchaikovsky's *Andante Cantabile* will follow. This arrangement is for string orchestra, the original having been written for string quartet.

The second half of the program features the second movement of *Symphony No. 2* by Alexander Borodin. It is unique in that it is written with a time signature of 1/1 and is quite lively. The program finale will be Ralph Vaughan Williams' *English Folk Song Suite*, conducted by Hollie Kaufman.

The concert will begin at 7:30 p.m., but for those who like to know more about what they'll be listening to, Maestro Ehling will talk about the concert music from 6:45 to 7:00 p.m. The concert is free; donations and children are welcome. Audience members are asked to bring non-perishable food items for the Food Bank. A collection point will be located inside the main door.

Rapsodia Española at the Rawsons'

On **Friday and Sunday, February 1 and 3**, at 2:00 p.m., the Rawson Duo will present *Rapsodia Española*, early twentieth-century violin and piano art music of Spain.

Their program centers on two multi-movement studies, beginning with Eduardo Toldra's *Sis Sonets*. Written in 1922, the celebrated violinist, conductor and composer of Barcelona casts his impressions of contemporary poems by six poets and the inspiration of the revivalist movement in Catalan language and culture begun in the mid-1800s.

El poema de una sanluqueña (1923) by Joaquin Turina embraces the emotionally evocative, complex, perpetually sad and dreamy world of Andalusian women, set in four movements. Joachin Nin's impassioned essay of the Alhambra and its famous garden (1926) concludes the musical portion, followed by Sandy Rawson's *Tapas y Postres*.

Seating is limited and arranged through advanced paid reservation of \$25. For reservations contact Alan or Sandy Rawson, email rawsonduo@gmail.com or call 379-3449. Checks should be made payable to and mailed to Dr. Alan Rawson, 10318 Rhody Drive, Chimacum, WA 98325. Their website is www.rawsonduo.com.

Performing Arts Calendar

Friday, February 1

Classic Albums Live recreates—note for note, cut for cut—Fleetwood Mac’s superb combination of vocal harmonies alongside some of the industry’s most celebrated musicians, Bremerton’s Admiral Theatre, dinner 6:30 p.m., show 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday and Sunday, February 1 and 3

The Rawson Duo performs early twentieth-century Spanish music for violin and piano followed by a sumptuous reception at their Chimacum home, 2:00 p.m., limited seating through advanced paid reservations of \$25, 379-3449, rawsonduo@gmail.com, www.rawsonduo.com.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, February 1 - 10

Extended and distended family gather at the side of Charlie, their passing patriarch, reflecting on their relationships and the prospect of life without him; Charlie, however, can hear every word when *Blessed Event* comes to Poulsbo’s Jewel Box Theatre, Fridays and Saturdays at 8:00 p., Sundays at 2:00 p.m., 360-697-3183, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

Saturdays, February 2 and 9

The National Theatre of London presents Tony Award-winning actor John Lithgow performing as The Magistrate in this uproarious Victorian farce about the sparks, mishaps and indignities that ensue when the amiable magistrate learns the truth about his new wife, 11:00 a.m., on the screen at Port Townsend’s Rose Theatre, 385-1089, www.rosetheatre.com.

Saturday, February 2

PT Shorts is a monthly series of literary readings during Port Townsend’s Gallery Walk. This month’s program is “Love is...”, love in its many forms, 7:30 p.m., Cotton Building, produced by Key City Public Theatre, 379-0195, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Saturday, February 2

The Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra offers music by Beethoven, Prokofiev, Mendelssohn, as well as *Concerto in A for Clarinet and Orchestra*, K.622 by Mozart, dress rehearsal 10:00 a.m., pre-concert chat, 6:40 p.m., concert 7:30 p.m., Port Angeles High School Auditorium, 360-457-5579, www.portangelessymphony.org.

Sunday, February 3

Watch the biggest football game of the year on the biggest screen in town when the Admiral Theatre will stock the fridge and fire up the grill on “That” Football Sunday, FREE ADMISSION, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org. You bring the family and your La-Z-Boy!

Tuesday, February 5

See the world of Anne Frank, *Through the Eyes of a Friend*. This moving program is a poignant portrait of friendship and survival, brought to life through the eyes of Anne’s “best” friend. Presented by a solo performer in live-action format accompanied by historic photos, audio and video, 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays, February 8 – 17

The unlikelyst of hit musicals, *Putnam County Spelling Bee* is a quirky yet charming cast of outsiders for whom a spelling bee is the one place where they can stand out and fit in. Four audience volunteers are recruited before each performance so each show is unique, 7:30 p.m. with 3:00 p.m. Sunday matinees, Bainbridge Performing Arts, 360-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org. Pay-what-you-can preview on **Tuesday, February 7, 7:30 p.m.**

Friday, February 8

With four #1 hit singles, Grammy nominated singer-songwriter Shawn Mullins’ expressive music will leave you wanting more, dinner 6:30 p.m., show 8:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Tuesday, February 12

Celebrate Carnival in style with New Orleans’ own Hot 8 Brass Band—the epitome of New Orleans street music. Make Fat Tuesday special with the sounds the group coaxes from their well-worn instruments, dinner 5:30 p.m., show 7:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admorltheatre.org.

Thursday, February 14

Romance is the name of this game when *Casablanca* is shown on the Admiral Theatre’s big screen. Your love burns bright through a night of dinner, chocolates and flowers, dinner 5:30 p.m., film 7:00 p.m., Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday, February 15

Street Beat is a kinetic, maximum energy explosion of urban rhythm and hip-hop dance, utilizing found objects for percussion and featuring modern “street” choreography, dinner 6:30 p.m., show 8:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Sunday, February 17

Valentine’s Dinner Theater presented by Key City Public Theatre and featuring *Love Letters* by A.R. Gurney and three decadent courses by Alchemy Bistro & Wine Bar, 6:00 p.m., 385-0195, Port Townsend, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Friday, February 22

With one of the most evocative voices in American music, multiple Grammy-winning Aaron Neville is an international ambassador of New Orleans R&B and celebrating his 50th year in music, dinner 6:30 p.m., show 8:00 p.m., Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday, February 22

Enjoy an evening of light-hearted folk music when Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents “Music from Around the World” by the International String Trio consisting of guitar, bass and violin, doors open at 6:30 p.m., concert at 7:30 p.m., 437-2208. For credit card purchases, go to Brown Paper Tickets on www.portludlowartscouncil.com.

Saturday, February 23

The Port Townsend Community Orchestra presents their winter concert with music by Rimsky-Korsakov, Tchaikowsky and Borodin, pre-concert chat at 6:45 p.m., concert at 7:00 p.m., Chimacum High School Auditorium, www.porttownsendorchestra.org. Admission free but non-perishable items for the Food Bank accepted.

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Saturday, February 23

Past winners and finalists of the Seattle Comedy Underground's Comedy Competition guarantee you will laugh yourself silly, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Saturday and Sunday, February 23 and 24

The Jewel Box Theatre Play Readings are script-in-hand performances of interesting plays by respected authors, few props, no costumes, basic lighting, Poulsbo, no advance reservations, 360-697-3183, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

Saturday and Sunday, February 23 and 24

The Bainbridge Symphony Orchestra will perform Beethoven's *Pastoral* symphony and Tchaikovsky's *Variations on a Rococo Theme* with cellist Elizabeth Lee, as well as works by Smetana and Respighi, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, 3:00 p.m. Sunday, 360-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org.

Sunday, February 24

The Port Townsend Chamber Music Festival offers a baroque program of music with baroque violin, baroque cello and harpsichord, and works by Purcell, Handel and Scarlatti. Joining the musicians will be two celebrated sopranos, 2:00 p.m., Wheeler Theater, Fort Worden State Park, 385-3102, ext. 110, www.centrum.org.

The Story of Film: An Odyssey

The Rose Theatre in Port Townsend is presenting an unprecedented seven-week journey through the history of film. Six years in the making, 900 minutes, 15 chapters. *The Story of Film* takes us through 12 decades and across six continents of film history, visiting key sites from movie lore and presenting interviews with legendary filmmakers and actors. All films will be shown on Saturdays at 11:00 a.m. A Series Pass is \$40 and individual tickets are available. The series began on January 26, but the remainder will be:

February 2, Parts 3 and 4: *Expressionism, Impressionism and Surrealism: Golden Age of World Cinema* (1920s) and *The Arrival of Sound* (1930s)

February 9, Parts 5 and 6: *Postwar Cinema* (1940s) and *Sex & Melodrama* (1940s)

February 16, Parts 7 and 8: *European New Wave* and *New Directors, New Forms* (1960s)

February 23, Parts 9 and 10: *American Cinema* and *Movies to Change the World* (1970s)

March 2, Parts 11 & 12: *Arrival of Multiplexes* and *Asian Mainstream* (1970s) and *Protest in Film* (1980s)

March 9, Parts 13, 14 and 15: *World Cinema in Africa, Asia, Latin America, American Independents & the Digital Revolution* (1990s) and *Cinema Today and the Future* (2000s)

All programs run two hours, except the final, which runs three hours. Programs detailing each chapter are available in the lobby of the Rose Theatre, 235 Taylor Street. Email address is www.rosetheatre.com or call 385-1089.

The Art of Stewart Daniels

In February, The Bainbridge Performing Arts Gallery features "The Art of Stewart Daniels," an exhibit of several large oil paintings on canvas that spring directly from the artist's imagination with vivid color. Picasso said, "I used to draw like Raphael, but it has taken me a whole lifetime to learn to draw like a child." Daniels references this quote to explain the evolution of his work, which will be on exhibit throughout February. View more of Stewart's work online at www.stewartdaniels.com

Join us in the BPA Gallery for the "First Friday Art Walk" on **February 1**, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. for a fun evening of art, food, and friends. Gallery hours throughout the month are from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tuesday – Friday, plus one hour prior to each performance. Admission is free at BPA, 200 Madison Avenue North, Bainbridge Island.



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Local News

Free Tax-Aide Assistance Starts

IRS-certified AARP Tax-Aide volunteers will be available again this year to prepare and electronically file your tax returns at the Tri-Area Community Center. The service is free of charge. The Tax-Aide volunteers will be available starting **Monday, February 4, through** the tax season in April. Appointments are available on Mondays and Wednesdays.

Thanks to the “Fiscal Cliff” negotiations, the 2012 tax law was not even determined until the early hours of 2013; so the IRS is running behind their usual schedule. We are hopeful, since the tax law did not change significantly for most taxpayers, that any IRS delays in accepting returns will be minimal.

The AARP Tax-Aide volunteers are authorized to prepare most basic tax returns. They do not prepare returns for taxpayers that have income from rental properties, or for taxpayers with complicated business returns.

Although the Tax-Aide program is sponsored by the IRS and the AARP Foundation, you do not have to be an AARP member to benefit from this service. The program is available for low-to-middle-income taxpayers of all ages.

Taxpayers should bring the following with them to their Tax-Aide appointment:

- Photo ID
- Social Security cards for themselves and all dependents
- W-2 from each employer
- All 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, 1099-B, 1099-R, 1099-MISC, SSA-1099, 1099-G, 1099-C, etc.)—these include interest, dividend, stock sale, retirement, self-employment, Social Security, unemployment compensation, and cancellation of debt
- Copy of 2011 tax return
- Bank account ID numbers (typically from a check), if direct deposit desired
- Any other documents necessary to complete your return

An appointment is required. To make an appointment, contact the Tri-Area Community Center at 732-4822.

Last Call for Beginning Computer Classes

For the past 15 years, Beginning Computer Classes have been offered by Port Ludlow DigitalLife for only \$30, the actual cost of the easy-to-use text and course materials.

With the Microsoft announcement of their Windows 8 operating system, this means diminishing usage of their earlier operating systems. Therefore, the time is drawing near when the earlier classes will no longer be offered. This notice is “Last Call” for anyone wishing to learn or brush up on the fundamentals of computers using operating systems called Windows XP, Windows Vista or Windows 7. (Windows 8 classes may be offered at a later date.)

Beginning Computer Classes will be held at the Bay Club for five consecutive **Wednesdays, March 6 through April 3** from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. If you have interest in this final class, please call Bernie Kestler at 437-5102 no later than **Wednesday, February 20** for more details and/or to reserve your place.

It's Time for the Northwest Flower and Garden Show

by Eline Lybarger, Contributing Writer

The Northwest Flower & Garden Show in Seattle's Convention Center has been the harbinger of spring since 1989. You can attend from **Wednesday through Sunday, February 20 – 24**. Wednesday through Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Early Bird tickets are \$16 for one day; at the door they will be \$20; 2-day pass is \$29; 5-day pass is \$65. There is also a half-day pass that is good after 3 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday, and after 2 p.m. on Sunday.

To inspire you there are 6 acres of Show gardens with titles like *A River Runs Through It*, *Alien*, *California Dreaming*, and *Disco Fever*. Each day there are at least 20 free seminars like Sharon Lovejoy's The Artist in the Garden, Alexandra Hedin's Plant Now, Eat Later, Marianne Binetti's Easy Answers for Great Gardens, or James Ullrich's Beneficial Orchard Mason Bees.

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Let us not forget shopping. There are hundreds of vendors in the Market Place with everything from the practical to the most exotic. I cannot leave without a visit to the many orchid vendors. In case you buy more than you can carry, or what you buy is fragile, there is a check station for purchases.

In downtown Seattle there are restaurants everywhere; or you can eat in the food court. There is another place for coffee and snacks and a winebar. Shall we meet there?

Tablet and iPad Round Table

Do you use an iPad or tablet? Are you considering a purchasing one? Would you like to know more about the features and capabilities of these products? Are you willing to share your learned skills, secrets and frustrations with others?

Join other users and potential users at a Tablet Round Table Workshop on **Monday, February 18**, from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Bay Club classroom.

This workshop is open to all members of the community. Port Ludlow DigitalLife membership not required.

Spring Gardens of Oregon Tour

All Port Ludlow residents and friends are invited to join a four day, three night motor coach tour leaving **Wednesday, May 15** and returning on **Saturday, May 18**.

You will spend one night in Portland and visit the Chinese and Japanese Gardens. Then you will spend two nights in Silverton where you will visit Nichol's Garden Nursery, Tram ride in Oregon Garden, have free time to wander Adelman Peony Farm, Cooley's Iris Farm, St. Joseph Winery and Historic Deepwood Estates. Back in Washington you will browse the Hulda Klager Lilac Farm.

Tour Price \$549 per person, double occupancy. Single supplement \$199. Deposit of \$150 person to Alki Tours confirms your reservation. This includes three breakfasts and dinners and all admissions.

For more details and to register, please contact Ann Radwick at 437-0318.

We Need Your Help!

PortLudlow DigitalLife (PLDL), working in partnership with Jefferson County Habitat for Humanity, will be assisting the families by providing them with computers and printers. We need to prepare five more systems for the coming year . . . one in the next three weeks!

Did you or a neighbor receive a new computer system for a holiday gift? If so, will you consider donating your older system to PLDL for refurbishment and distribution to the new homeowners of the homes? PLDL will strip all information of the prior owner from the units and prepare them as if they were new systems.

If you have a PC that has a Vista or Windows 7 operating system, is in good operating order, and the original disks can be provided, and/or a printer that is in working order and capable of operating with Vista or Windows 7, please contact Matt Wallace at 437-2071 or Mary Ronen at 437-0268.

We Need Your Help!

Annual Spring Sock Hop Benefits Food Bank

The third annual edition of the Port Ludlow Sock Hop is coming up **Saturday, March 16** at the Beach Club. The event benefits the Tri Area Food Bank.

Once again, Steven Gross and Ned Luce are putting together an unforgettable opening vignette. After the "Extremes" two years ago and the "Village by the Bay People" last year, the bar is set pretty high, but the "BABBAs" appear to be up to the challenge. After entertainment provided by the "BABBAs" (curiously reminiscent of ABBA), the music will be provided by Michael and Leslie, a talented duo who played dance music for a sold-out event for the Yacht Club in December.

So, save **March 16** at the Beach Club for dancing from 7:00 p.m. until it ends. Soft drinks and snacks will be provided and you can bring anything else you'd like to drink. Buy your advance sale tickets for \$15 at the Beach Club in Port Ludlow. In addition, you can get your ticket from Ned Luce at 437-0191 or Steven Gross at 437-5110. Tickets at the door are \$20. It will again be an unforgettable event!

Get out your poodle skirt, jeans, or leather jacket and dress to impress. You will hear the 50's and 60's tunes you grew up with. You won't want to miss this event.

Port Ludlow Counseling Opens Office

Port Ludlow Counseling has recently opened an office at 117 Village Way in the Port Ludlow Village Shopping Center. Port Ludlow Counseling offers psychotherapy and counseling to individuals and couples for a variety of issues such as: depression, anxiety, relationship issues, career change, military and retirement issues, substance and addiction issues, post-traumatic stress, self-esteem, coping skills, and couples counseling. Therapy and counseling for many other life events that may be causing you distress are available.

Mitzi Sturzu is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor Associate trained in Marriage and Family Therapy. She completed training at the Joint Base Lewis McChord, Madigan Army Hospital Mental Health and Substance Abuse Program, ASAP, with deploying and returning military personnel. She holds a Master of Arts in Psychology with an emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy.

Please visit www.portludlowcounseling.com or email mitzi@portludlowcounseling.com for more information or call 930-9733 for an appointment. Office hours are by appointment only.

Donation Aids Fire Department Community Education Efforts

For the fourth year in a row, The Gammill Family Foundation has presented Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR) with a substantial donation, which will help support community education and ongoing educational needs for the district's staff, according to Fire Chief Brad Martin.

At the Tuesday, January 8 commissioners' meeting, Shawna Gammill Matthews, representing her family's foundation, presented Martin with a check for \$10,000.

"I live here and the importance of the work and services provided by Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue is something close to my heart," Matthews said.

The Gammill Family Foundation donations began in 2009 and have all been placed in the district's own foundation fund. The money has been used to purchase a highly

technical heart monitor, and has helped fund programs that include Community Emergency Response Training (CERT), a disaster preparedness course for local citizens, and training equipment for emergency medical services.

"We extend our deepest gratitude to Shawna Gammill Matthews and the Gammill Family Foundation for recognizing the importance of the services the district provides to the community," said Chief Martin. "The generous donation will allow us to continue to provide our staff and the community with vital educational opportunities that will make a positive difference for everyone."

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue is a full service emergency services provider covering 53 square miles of Jefferson County. Operating out of three fire stations, the district provides fire, rescue and emergency medical services and transport at both basic and paramedic levels.

Sheriff's Report

For the month of December 2012, there were a total of 112 recorded Port Ludlow events known to the Sheriff's Office. To help keep events in Port Ludlow in perspective, there were 994 events county-wide during December, 2012. SR 19, Tala Shore Drive, Oak Bay Road, and Olympus Boulevard are the parameters to define Port Ludlow.

Agency Assist	4
Alarm or Incomplete 911 Call	8
Animal Control	5
Disturbance (unwanted persons, gunshots, etc.)	2
Malicious Mischief	1
Miscellaneous/Informational	4
Suspicious Vehicle or Person	5
Theft/Burglary	8
Traffic Incident/Complaint	47
Welfare Check	1
Warrant Arrest	1
Traffic Violations	7
Assaults	1
Field Investigations	7
Patrol Requests	3
Missing Person	1
Civil Assist	7

Let's keep our neighborhoods safe: please contact the Sheriff's Office if you notice any suspicious activity, and always call 9-1-1 for an emergency!

A Village in the Woods by the Bay...with Flags

by Karen Griffith, Guest Writer

East Jefferson Rotary Club has started a program whereby they will install an American flag five times each year in front of your home or village entrance. The flags will be installed on Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, and Veterans Day.

The installation involves the placing of a "semi-permanent" 13-inch tube in the ground. The tube is not easily visible when the flag is not displayed and will have a small removable cover to keep dirt and debris from clogging the tube. The flag is displayed on a 10' aluminum pole which is easily inserted into the tube for display. The flag will be displayed from early morning until evening on the designated days.

Lower Bay View Village residents have pooled their resources and will have several flags at their entrance on Mariner Place starting on Presidents' Day.

Multiple flag prices are as follows: 1 for \$50, 2 for \$90, and three or more when purchased together are \$40 each. All placement and pick up is done by members of the East Jefferson Rotary Club.

If your village would like to do the same, or just place one in front of your home, please contact Karen Griffith, 437-2156 (South Bay) or Ned Luce, 437-0191 (North Bay) for more information and to subscribe to this patriotic service. Let's become "The Village in the Woods by the Bay....with Flags."

Recycling Reminder: Be Courteous

Remember to use the recycling area in a way that does not impede other people. There are only a few simple rules to follow. We can all do it.

While recycling materials, park so as not to block access for other people. There is plenty of parking if everyone cooperates. If you cannot carry a heavy bag or box, either reduce your load by visiting more frequently or pay Murrey's Disposal to pick up your recycling at home. To assume you can just park anywhere and block access to the bins is not okay. It is selfish and inconsiderate. Someday someone is going to get run over! This is not about entitlement, but common courtesy. You cannot assume that because you are the only one there, that seven cars won't arrive while you are busy unloading.

Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue

Alarm Statistics December 2012

Alarms	
Fires	3
Rescue/Emergency Medical	55
Service Call	2
Good Intent	11
Hazardous Conditions	3
False Alarm	1
Severe Weather	1
Total Alarms	76
Ambulance Transports	
Jefferson Healthcare	6
Harrison Medical Center - Bremerton	15
Harrison Hospital - Silverdale	3
Total Transports	24
Mutual/Automatic Aid with Neighboring Districts	
Provided	10
Received	3
Total Mutual Aid	13

Message from Chief Martin

by Brad Martin, Fire Chief, Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue

This time of year, we get busy, distracted and lose track of time. It's easy to forget about that Christmas tree that may still be sitting in your home. It will be very dry by now and extremely dangerous. A dried-out Christmas tree can engulf a room with fire, smoke and uninhabitable heat within seconds. Nationwide, Christmas tree fires cause millions of dollars damage every year. For a vivid demonstration, go to "youtube.com" and type in "Christmas Tree Fires" in the search window at the top of the webpage. This service is free and does not require you to enter any personal information.

As Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue moves into 2013, we continue to work on ensuring that the department's sustainability and financial security remain intact. The board of fire commissioners, firefighters and I are scheduling committee meetings to look at revenue sources, cost-cutting measures, and grant opportunities. Even though a budget has been passed, the work has not ceased. There is more work ahead of us.

As always, should you have any questions or would just like to come in and meet with me, I can be contacted at 360-437-2236 or by email at bradmartin@plfr.org.

Of Interest from the Courthouse

by John Austin, Jefferson County Commissioner

After years of valuable service on the County Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC), Port Ludlow resident Robert Burns has moved to Virginia. This creates an opening for a District 3 representative to SWAC. The Committee advises the county on issues related to solid waste including (but not limited to) junk vehicles, yard waste, recycling, hazardous waste, old tires, and other disposables. SWAC meets about 6 times a year on fourth Thursdays from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Public Works Building in Port Townsend. For more information or to apply, call Al Cairns at Public Works 385-9160.

Remember to properly dispose of unwanted and expired medications at the County Sheriff's office, 79 Elkins Road (off of Chimacum Road). The process is simple. The Sheriff's office is open Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The lobby contains a post-office style drop box. Pills do not have to be in original containers. You may deposit prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, vitamins, inhalers and unopened EpiPens.

Liquids, empty containers, needles and syringes, thermometers, IV bags, bloody or infectious waste, other chemicals or aerosol cans are unacceptable. If uncertain about what to dispose, feel free to call the office at 385-3831.

It's Gone!

Everyone, especially marina manager, Kori Ward, applauded the removal of the rusty hulk *New Star*, from the Port Ludlow Marina. A contractor from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) towed the derelict away on January 11. Cameras clicked as the *New Star* wallowed behind the tug, *Island Spirit*, en route to its destination at Stabbarð Maritime in Ballard.

The *New Star* will be dismantled for scrap as soon as a private contractor is found. The DNR will attempt to recover the costs of towing and dismantling through the sale of the scrap iron. Owner George Marincin reported having lost about \$100,000 on the operation so far.

Animal Hospital Changes Hands

Oak Bay Animal Hospital has been purchased by veterinarian Madelynn Curll. Former owner and veterinarian Hank Snelgrove will remain connected to the practice and available for consultation. Curll is a graduate of the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine. She has practiced small animal medicine at the Oak Bay Clinic for more than ten years. The animal hospital is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For appointments call 385-7297.




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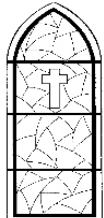
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Community Meetings

First Wednesday Luncheon

Please join us on **Wednesday, February 6** at the Bay Club, 11:00 a.m. for our monthly First Wednesday Luncheon. The menu for this lunch will be soup; bowls and spoons will be provided.

These luncheons were started back in 1978 to raise money for the Food Bank, but they have grown into so much more. They are a great opportunity for you to socialize with your friends, to meet and welcome new members of our community, to be entertained and educated. The meal, provided by the volunteer Food Committee, is paid for by your donations of cash and or food to the Food Bank. Personal hygiene items such as soap, shampoo, tooth paste, deodorant, feminine hygiene products are always needed as well as cleaning supplies and laundry soap.

After lunch we will have a representative from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center share details of the newly completed Orca Whale exhibit. The exhibit focuses on the possible reasons for the untimely death of the whale whose skeletal remains were so carefully reassembled by local volunteers in 2010 and 2011. This exhibit raises questions about human health as well. Please sign up at the Beach Club or the Bay Club.

The March luncheon will be held at the Beach Club.

Dine and Discover

We regret the cancellation of January's scheduled presentation, due to illness in Mr. Olson's family.

On **Monday, February 4**, at the Bay Club, hear Joe Gaydos, wildlife veterinarian, chief scientist for the SeaDoc Society, and chair of the Science Panel of the Puget Sound Partnership amaze you with his presentation, "Bears to Barnacles." Hear about some of the biggest, longest lived, and most unusual animals in the Salish Sea as he speaks about the web of life in our coastal ecosystem. Discover the unexpected connections between land and sea that Joe and his collaborators uncovered in their recent landmark compilation of all the birds and mammals of the Salish Sea. Sign up at the Bay Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people. To cancel or to be put on a wait list, call Bev and Dean Nelson at 437-0762.

On **Monday, March 4**, at the Beach Club, hear Skip Denny, Principal Ocean Engineer, Applied Physics Laboratory and Dr. Deborah Kelley, Professor of Oceanography, both at the University of Washington

(UW), present their update on the NSF Oceans Observatories Initiative. This program, started in 2009, is revolutionizing oceanography by using telecom cables to provide power and bandwidth to instruments on and above the seafloor, all day, every day. Through this technology, they have already studied undersea volcanoes and methane hydrates off our western shores. The primary infrastructure for the project is in place and will be expanded this summer to broaden their capabilities. Come to hear and see what is going on under our seas. Sign up at the Beach Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people. To cancel or to be put on a wait list, call Doris and Milt Lum at 437-5143.

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

Port Ludlow Hikes

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

Friday, February 1: Anderson Lake

The group will explore the trail system at this local state park on an easy 5.5 mile walk around this beautiful lake and will also enjoy a view from Tamanowas Rock. Plan for some muddy trails. A Discover Pass is required for parking. For information contact John or Doreen Fillers at (360) 215-4049.

Friday, February 15: Ebey's Landing

Walk on the 9:30 a.m. Port Townsend ferry to Whidbey Island. Explore Fort Casey and the Ebey's Landing National Historic Reserve. Expect an easy 6 mile excursion. For information contact Tom Satterlee at 437-4117.

Friday, March 1: Larry Scott Trail

Hike the new portion of the Larry Scott Trail in Port Townsend. It should be an easy 5 miles. Afterwards you may want to enjoy one of the local restaurants for lunch. For information contact Doris Monti at 437-0716.

Every Wednesday: Timberton Ridge

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.

Senior Singles

We will gather at the Valley Tavern, 21 Chimacum Road in Port Hadlock at 5:00 p.m. on **Friday, February 8**.

Our hostess, Shirley, has arranged for us to enjoy their Friday featured item, Beer Battered Cod Dinner (may be mixed with prawns at no extra cost), fries and coleslaw for \$12. Burgers, sandwiches and other items will also be available, as are beer, wine and additional beverages.

Please call Shirley at 437-8177 by **Friday, February 1**, to make your reservation and let her know whether you wish to be a driver or a passenger.

Port Ludlow Book Club

The Book Club meets on **Tuesday, February 12**, 6:30 p.m. at the Bay Club to discuss *Nothing Daunted*, a fascinating book sub-titled: *The Unexpected Education of Two Society Girls in the West*, by Dorothy Wickenden. The book details the life of Wickenden's grandmother Dorothy Woodruff and her best friend, Rosamond Underwood. In 1916, these two highly educated and well-traveled women become bored with their privileged lives in Aurora, New York, and the expectations for how their adult life should be. They leave all that they know and travel to the wild and woolly environs of Western Colorado to teach school, for nine months, in a 30 by 50 foot schoolhouse. These lovely ladies are handed over to teach children who come to school on horseback, wearing shoes held together with string. They are "wined and dined" by the local bachelors in hopes that these bright and forward-thinking women would find one of the locals charming and interesting enough to marry.

The author wrote this biographical book after finding letters that her grandmother wrote. This gripping story captures the voices of the pioneer women, their children, and the whole cadre of people they get to know and love. In short, this story delivers it all: romance, intrigue, adventure, politics and family histories. Join us to discuss this look at two spirited women becoming a small part of the history of the American West.

The book selection for March is *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. Everyone is welcome. For questions, please call Martha Dawson at 437-4167.

Garden Club Meets the Farm Community

We look forward to seeing you on **Wednesday, February 13**, 11:00 am at the Bay Club. Invite a neighbor, a friend! Bring a brown bag lunch and we'll provide beverages and dessert.

The broad expanse of the Chimacum Valley is more than a pretty picture on a sunlit afternoon. It is the backdrop for the Port Ludlow Garden Club's February Get-together.

Co-owner of the Chimacum Corner Farmstand, Malcolm Dorn, and retail manager, Krisin Berg, will present an introduction to the growing Chimacum farm community and how it has evolved into a burgeoning farm business community.

The presentation will include, but not be limited to, the

- vision that seeded farm produce to grocery product
- vision that blossomed into the Chimacum Corner Farmstand
- kernel dream that sprouted into the mission statement
- budding strength of the local farm community
- enriched food production via value-added products

The program is free for members and \$5 for guests. 2013 annual membership dues of \$20 may be paid at the door.

Break up the Winter Blahs at Stella's

Join the Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) Out to Lunch Bunch on **Wednesday, February 20**, 11:30 a.m. at Stella's in Poulsbo. Stella's is located in the blue and tan building next to Central Market.

The restaurant is somewhat Italian but has lunch specials that include pizzas, subs, gyros, soups, salads, and pastas. They also have low carbohydrate and gluten free selections. We will have our own dining room and separate checks will be provided.

You may register at the Beach or Bay Clubs or at www.ceainfo.org so we know how many diners to expect. We look forward to seeing a crowd.

Stamping and Paper Arts

Join us at the Bay Club on **Wednesday, February 27** at 10:00 a.m. to learn another unique medium in card making. Our theme this month is the wonderful art of paper folding. Norma Brewer, who is familiar with many styles of paper folding, will demonstrate a popular and modern style called diamond or lattice folding. She will supply the template to make this lovely embellishment for a "make and take" card.

The question of where and when the art of paper folding originated is still unanswered. Many think it was either China or Japan where fine paper was owned by only the wealthy and used for Origami folding. Europe has a separate history and origin of its own, as well. We have many illustrations of folded and pleated clothing and exquisite table decorations beginning with the Egyptian, Classical, Byzantine, and Renaissance eras, and then spreading to northern Europe.

Bring your show 'n' tell items to share and card making supplies you wish to sell at bargain prices. The money from sales will go into the postage fund for our ongoing Cards for the Troops project.

The Big Shot/Die Cut machine meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 26** from 10 a.m. to noon at the **Bay Club**. For more information, please call Barbara Emerson at 437-7800.

DigitalLife Happenings

Port Ludlow DigitalLife (PLDL) is busy working on exciting new programs for future community presentations. Regular PLDL workshops are held every Saturday morning from 10:30 a.m. to noon. The Women's Workshop meets on **Monday, February 25**, at 6:00 p.m. This workshop is for women only, where they can meet and learn about their computers in a non-threatening and friendly environment. Office Group meets on **Monday, February 4**, at 10:30 a.m. to learn about all the areas of Microsoft Office. **Monday, February 25**, at 10:00 finds the Photography/Pro Show Gold group working with photos. PLDL MAC Group meets on **Monday, February 18**, at 6:00 p.m. and keeps up with all the latest for the MAC system. All groups and workshops meet at the Bay Club.

For information about joining PLDL, contact Mary Ronen at 437-0268 or email her at maryr@olympus.net. Check the club's website at www.pldigitallife.org to see up-to-date Club news or to obtain a membership application.

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Port Ludlow Village Council

Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Dave Armitage, President, and Vicki Tallerico, Secretary

President David Armitage called the Thursday, January 3, 2013 General Meeting of the PLVC to order at 3 p.m. in the Beach Club. Tony Durham, Linda Haskin, Tamra McDermid, Larry Nobles, Jerry Purdy, Lois Ruggles, Sue Oemichen and Terry Umbreit formed a quorum. Absent were Laurie Hunt and Vickie Tallerico. The meeting was recorded.

Council Monthly Reports and Actions

The Council approved the General Meeting minutes for December 6.

Treasurer Linda Haskins presented the treasurer's report. It showed the year-end operating funds to be \$32,179.

Committee Reports and Invited Speakers

Guest Speaker: Phil Otness introduced the guest speaker, Marine Resource Committee Restoration Manager Lisa Kaufman and guest Bridget Kaminski Richardson from the Department of Natural Resources. The topic of the talk was the creosote removal program in the Northern Sound.

Lisa began by providing background on the program. DNR has been working with various partners since 2004 to remove the creosote-treated debris from beaches. The program was expanded in 2005 and 2006 to include structures. The goal is to prevent further leaching of chemicals into the water, and the accumulation of broken pilings on beaches or in the water where they may become a hazard for navigation. Money for the program is provided through a Jobs Bill; manpower is provided by the Civilian Conservation Corps.

Kaufman said that creosote has been used as a wood preservative for more than a century to treat telephone poles, railroad ties, docks and floats. Thousands of old pilings and structures remain in the sound, where they are a danger to navigation and marine life. Over 12,600 tons of pilings have been removed from Puget Sound.

Creosote is comprised of over 300 chemicals. The primary chemicals of concern within the compound are polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), phenols and creosols. The chemicals in creosote break down slowly and often don't migrate far from the point of contamination. As a phototoxin, they continue to leach throughout their lifetime, especially when exposed to ultraviolet light or sunlight.

Port Ludlow Village Council Meetings

General Meeting
Thursday, February 7
3:00 p.m., Bay Club

Workshop Meeting
Tuesday, February 19
3:00 p.m., Bay Club
www.plvc.org

Creosote is toxic to marine life and humans. Toxins can accumulate quickly in organisms, but most will eliminate them. Mollusks and other benthic invertebrates metabolize toxins less efficiently than fish and may acquire concentrations resulting in death. Some fish species suffer adverse impacts that include reproductive impairment, suppressed immune function, liver lesions and fin abnormalities.

The State looks at the project as an improvement of the shoreline and determines whether the pilings will be removed. They will not replace any structures unless there is a partner. Removed pilings are sent to landfill. Piling removal in Port Ludlow is likely to cost less than \$100,000 (about \$300 per piling). The cost may be as low as \$50,000, as the equipment will be used for other work in the Hood Canal at the same time. There may be money available through the Marine Resources Committee to mitigate the loss of pilings used by purple martins, eagles or ospreys.

Moving ahead on the project depends on funding and management approval. The goal is to do the removal this year. The Agency would like to mobilize the effort in multiple local sites to obtain cost advantages. The contact for the project is Dennis.Clark@DNR.WA.gov.

Several residents in attendance opposed removal and expressed concern over losing perches for birds. Several possible mitigation measures were discussed. In the end, the PLVC generated a motion to send a letter to the DNR supporting the removal of pilings. It passed 5 to 4 with the President casting the final vote. Van Zonneveld also moved that the council investigate the mitigation measures. The measure passed with one abstention. Terry Umbreit was tasked with contacting DNR.

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County Report

Department of Community Development: David Wayne Johnson, County Lead Planner and Liaison for Port Ludlow, reported on the status of the IMQ litigations. He said the Shockey Planning Group is reviewing the documents. The \$3 million claim against the County by IMQ has not been adjusted. DCD has received new information from IMQ on wetlands and traffic.

The PLA Development Agreement extension request is waiting for a letter from the DCD attorney before they will act. The Ludlow Cove II development has been approved. The Development Agreement has been extended another five years. The amendment for Olympic Terrace II is pending. Dave Armitage will send requested information on the Metropolitan Park District proposal by e-mail to the members of the Council.

Committee Reports

Iron Mountain (IMQ) Mitigation Committee: Tony Simpson, IMQ Committee Chair, proposed keeping the remaining funds dedicated to IMQ legal expenses as a contingency fund. The Committee has no standing in the matters between the County and IMQ. Motions were made to (1) dissolve the IMQ Mitigation Committee and (2) to hold the balance of the IMQ mitigation fund for expenses relating to pending legalities. Both motions passed unanimously.

Archives: Tony Simpson reported on the collection of archives that have been installed on the website. The PLVC Board Manual on the site has recent additions. To find the manual, go to www.plarchive.org and run down the menu to Board Manual.

Disaster Preparedness Committee: Chair Pat Traci gave a history and update of the committee and its activities. The primary goal of the program is to educate residents regarding preparations for a major disaster such as might result from earthquake or fire. There is a system of neighborhood block captains who, in the event of emergency, would survey their areas for damage and injury and report to the Fire Department via radio. In South Bay Pat Lowrey, Kevin Ryan and Tink Green are responsible for reporting; in North Bay, Russ Henry and Pat Cooper assume that function.

Radio drills are conducted quarterly. Community Emergency Training (CERT) has been given to 70 residents. The training was funded by a private grant, but the budgetary problems of the Fire Department are expected to have an impact on future CERT training. At present, a CERT course is being planned for **May or June**.

Formation of CERT teams is under consideration. Chief Brad Martin has met with a representative of the Disaster Preparedness group to discuss the teams and continuing radio drills. The Council supports continuing CERT.

Trails and Natural Resources: Larry Scott, Trails Chair, requested \$1000 to maintain current trails and develop new ones. Scott also said that estimates of the cost of replacing asphalt were too low; they should have been between \$18,000 and \$25,000. For a description of the completed and projected projects, see the accompanying article in this section. The Council voted to give the Trails Committee the requested funds.

Publicity: Bill Browne reported that the PLVC brochure has been updated and new copies should be available at the workshop

Wellness Committee: Ursel Krumme requested \$300 for wellness forums and support groups. The request was approved. She also reported a new member of the Wellness Committee, Autumn Pappas. The addition of the new member was also approved.

Finance: Linda Haskins proposed registering with TechSoup, an organization that aids in the computation of taxes and will make QuickBooks available to the organization. Following discussion, the Council approved the \$75 registration fee. The Council also approved \$125 to renew membership in the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce.

Announcements: Meeting dates are provided in the box on page 24. The February PLVC meeting will feature Kate McNare from the Olympic Region Clean Air Agency. She will speak on clean air issues in Jefferson County.

Tony Durham suggested that the Council review the committees and devise a plan to help them become more effective. This will be a topic of future meetings.



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New Trails Open

by Larry Scott, Trails Committee Chair



Fun Day Crew on newly chipped trail.

Photo by Larry Scott

Our community's newest trail is open and ready for your enjoyment; that's the Olympic Terrace Loop. It's a mix of chipped trail in the open and through the forest, part maintenance road from a Niblicks Loop intersection, and part asphalt road through both Olympic Terraces I and II. The trail is on our new map (at both clubs and in the new directory). It will also appear on our new bicycle map. Our next project is either the planned Teal Lake Loop or the proposed connector from Talbot Trail to Upper Rainier Trail.

Meeting our 2012 goals with the help of many volunteers and "Fun Days" of effort, we were able to open the Estuary Trail, Talbot Trail and Beach Loop Trail, each with appropriate signage. We hope to be as successful in 2013 with the new projects.

We have met with our financial sponsors to request our annual funding, and proposed to continue saving as much as possible each year towards replacement of the asphalt on the west side of the Around-The-Bay Trail from marker 3 to marker 5.

Last month we had another two members sign up for our "Fun Day" announcements and it's always good to have new, interested folks who want to lend a hand. 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 address. Reach me at 437-9299 and/or mclgscott@cablespeed.com. Let's keep improving our trails.



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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

February

Fri., February 1

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club leaves for Anderson Lake, Bridge Deck
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., SBCA Board Meeting (members), Bay Club

Mon., February 4

9:30 – 11:00 a.m., LOA Meeting (members), Beach Club
10:30 a.m. – noon, DigitalLife Office SIG (members), Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Timberton Board Meeting (members),
Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Voice Staff Meeting (members), Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Woodridge Board Meeting (members),
Bay Club
4:00 – 5:00 p.m., WALI 3 Meeting (members), Bay Club
5:30 – 8:00 p.m., Dine and Discover, Bay Club

Tues., February 5

9:00 – 11:00 a.m., Trails Committee Meeting, Beach Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, CEA Meeting, The Inn At Port Ludlow
Noon – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment Meeting, Bay Club

Wed., February 6

11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., First Wednesday Luncheon, Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn Lecture Series,
Great Decisions, Bay Club

Thurs., February 7

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

Fri., February 8

10:00 a.m. – noon, Inner Harbor Board meeting (members),
Bay Club
5:00 – 7:00 p.m., SBCA Monthly Social (members), Bay Club
5:00 p.m., Senior Singles dine at Valley Tavern, Port Hadlock

Mon., February 11

10:00 – 11:30 a.m., WALI 2, Bay Club
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., WALI Cooks, Bay Club
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., MGA Meeting, Bay Club

Tues., February 12

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Book Club, Bay Club

Wed., February 13

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., Garden Club Luncheon, Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn Lecture Series,
Great Decisions, Bay Club
4:00 – 6:00 p.m., Artists' League reception and exhibit,
Columbia Bank lobby and Art Gallery
7:00 p.m., USCG Auxiliary General Meeting, Fire Station

Thurs., February 14

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

Fri., February 15

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
9:30 a.m., Hiking Club walks on ferry for Fort Casey and
Ebey's Landing National Historic Reserve
9:30 – 11:00 a.m., ARC Review Meeting, Bay Club

Sat., February 16

6:00 – 8:00 p.m., North Bay Potluck and Talent Contest,
Beach Club

Mon., February 18

10:00 a.m. – noon, Tablet/iPad Workshop, Bay Club
4:00 – 5:00 p.m., WALI 3 Meeting, Bay Club
6:00 – 7:30 p.m., DigitalLife Mac SIG (members), Bay Club

Tues., February 19

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Knitwits, Beach Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC Workshop, Bay 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., February 20

10:30 a.m. – noon, Long-Range Planning Meeting, Bay Club
11:30 a.m., Out to Lunch Bunch with CEA at Stella's, Poulsbo
1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Artists' League Meeting, Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn Lecture Series,
Great Decisions, Bay Club

Thurs., February 21

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

Fri., February 22

6:30 p.m., Social Hour and Art Exhibit featuring quilts by Judy
Danberg and photographic studies by Gary Settle, Bay Club
7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents
"Music from Around the World," with the International String
Trio, Bay Club

Mon., February 25

9:30 – 11:00 a.m., Finance Committee Meeting, Bay Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, DigitalLife Photography/Pro Show Gold
SIG (members), Bay Club
10:00 – 11:30 a.m., WALI 2 Meeting, Bay Club
6:00 – 7:30 p.m., PLCC Women's Workshop, Bay Club

Tues., February 26

10:00 a.m. – noon, Big Shots Meeting, Bay Club

Wed., February 27

9:30 – 11:00 a.m., Facilities Meeting, Bay Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, Stamp and Paper Arts, Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn Lecture Series,
Great Decisions, Bay Club

Thurs., February 28

Noon – 8:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
1:30 – 3:00 p.m., Wellness Committee, Beach Club

Future Events

Hands on Clay, March 1
Hiking Club leaves for Larry Scott Trail, March 1
South Bay Board Meeting, March 1
Beginning Computer Class starts, March 6
Performing Arts in Port Ludlow, March 15

Beach Club/North Bay News

Submit your articles to Eva Van Buren at 437-7932, or
by e-mail to be4547@msn.com
no later than the 10th of the preceding month.

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LMC December Board Meeting Highlights

by Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC Secretary

The monthly business meeting of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Board of Trustees was held December 20 at the Beach Club. The following are highlights of that meeting:

The operating and reserve budgets for 2013 were approved by the board subject to ratification by the membership. The operating budget includes reopening the Beach Club for eight hours on Sundays during the winter and fall beginning in **February**.

The LMC maintenance staff has been painting the interior of the Bridge Deck building.

Maintenance Supervisor Don Baker donated and installed a used desk unit in the Hostess's Office. It is a big improvement over the previous desk and also saved \$800, which had been budgeted for this project.

The Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) has finalized their commitment to contribute \$1,500 toward the cost of correcting drainage problems around the exterior of the Beach Club. This will be paid when the contracted work is in process.

The North Bay Lot Owners Association (NBLOA) has proposed a grant project to help North Bay homeowners who might suffer from the special assessment in 2013. Jamie Bima is recruiting volunteers for this project.

The Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Trails Committee is proposing to extend the Upper Rainier Trail to join the Talbot Way Trail. Letters have been sent by the LMC Greenbelt Committee to potentially affected neighbors.

The board has approved proposals from Shoal Excavating for the drainage remediation project and Bird Electric for the electrical work. The drainage project will be scheduled subject to weather limitations.

Important Dates

LOA Meeting
Monday, February 4, 9:30 a.m.

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

LMC Board Meeting
Thursday, February 21, 1:00 p.m.

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

Visit www.lmcbeachclub.com for more complete information

All LMC members are welcome.



The next business meeting of the LMC Board of Trustees was scheduled for January 17. The meeting after that is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. **Thursday, February 21.**

Community Working Together

by Teddy Clark, LMC President

A community working together is much like the flow of seasons in nature. There is a constant, subtle shift over hours, days, months and years. Observing nature helps me understand the energy of community: sometimes anxious and stormy and sometimes peaceful and calm. Most times lives and nature are somewhere in between – as it is now when winter is waning and we are both impatient and hopeful waiting for spring.

With the change of seasons, the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) is preparing for its Annual Meeting on **Saturday, April 20**. This Community Association meeting will be followed by a social hour to visit with friends and neighbors.

The LMC Board of Trustees has two trustee Lot Owner Association (LOA) positions and a Condo position open. Among the responsibilities assumed by a trustee are attending a monthly meeting and the workshop (where issues are discussed, but no votes are taken). Each trustee usually belongs to two standing committees. Trustees need an ability to think clearly, have the greater good of the community in mind, listen well, work well with

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others, and have a good sense of humor. For information on how to apply as a candidate for a trustee position, please contact the Beach Club.

I want to thank all the trustees, committee chairs and members for their efforts this year. You have attended meetings, volunteered on special projects, asked important questions, and encouraged to give their best.

Some instances of community cooperation need recognition. The Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) assisted with a portion of the cost of the LMC drainage project related to the slope outside the Beach Club. The Lot Owners Association (LOA) helped residents experiencing financial hardship due to our recent assessment vote. Information about applying for assistance is on the bulletin board at the Beach Club. The assistance applies to both condo and lot owners and any application information is confidential. The LOA is accepting financial donations from members who want to assist in this project.

As we work together for a better community we experience the joy of planning for our shared future. Catch the spirit.

John Van Zonneveld “Big John” Award

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

The late John Van Zonneveld was a man who often volunteered in our community and was a very noticeable presence with his energy, size and ideas. He was quick to meet people and share his thoughts, concerns and ideas. John began volunteering at a young age in Holland during World War II, and some of his family and several friends were involved with Dutch resistance efforts. John continued volunteering for the rest of his life.

Following John’s death, former Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Trustee Jim Boyer suggested a “Big John” Award be presented each year to a member of our community who exemplified the spirit of volunteerism. The LMC Board of Trustees agreed with the idea and the “Big John” Award was established.

The first Big John Award was presented to an LMC member, Peggy Schafran, in 2010. In 2011 it was awarded to LMC member, Ian Feltham, and in 2012 Diane Campo was the recipient of the “Big John” Award.

In conjunction with the LMC Annual Member Meeting Election in **April 2013**, the Board of Trustees will present the “Big John” Van Zonneveld award for exceptional volunteerism in service to the community. This award commemorates John’s commitment to the Port Ludlow community and recognizes those who share that value.

Nominations are open to North Bay residents and should be delivered in writing to the LMC Board by **Thursday, February 28**. For further information, contact the Beach Club at 437-9201 or email at beachclub@olympus.net.

This award may be presented each year for outstanding and dedicated volunteer service to the North Bay community. The recipient may or may not be an LMC member. The LMC Board will consider prospects each year at its March meeting. Current Board members are ineligible. Recognition is in form of a certificate and the placing of her/his name on a brass plate attached to the John Van Zonneveld “Big John” Award plaque in the Beach Club.

Holiday Luncheon Update

Based on members’ comments, the December 2012 North Bay Holiday Luncheon may have been the best of four we have had at the Beach Club. The food catered by Port Townsend’s Belmont Restaurant was excellent (the owner even prepared all the chocolate raspberry cheesecakes himself, which were to die for), and the wild salmon with caper sauce received rave reviews.

Kathie Sharp’s piano music was superb, as well as her two outstanding young students playing for an audience for their very first time! David Weakley’s Port Ludlow Choir performed exceedingly well on difficult Christmas songs and the sing-along was the icing on the cake. The questionnaires placed at each table revealed hands-down agreement to repeat this holiday event next year.

Donations for the Tri Area Food Bank totaled \$162 and were used to purchase much needed toiletries such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, lotion, razors, shampoo, etc. and were delivered prior to Christmas.

Welcome New North Bay Members

Kathleen Raffo and
Carrol Hernandez
Douglas and Teri Price

Pathfinder Lane
Rainier Lane

Potluck and Second Annual Big Talent Show

Join your neighbors at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 16, at the Beach Club for a potluck followed by a talent show. We can't say what unusual and fascinating acts might appear, but it's guaranteed to be fun and entertaining.

We are taking sign-ups now for talent. Can you sing, juggle, dance, act, play the piano or do magic or comedy? We want you!

Sign up at the Beach Club to bring a dish to share. Bring tableware and BYOB if you wish. Pay only \$3 per person for all this fun and entertainment. To sign up to entertain or volunteer to help, call Fran Bodman at 437-5110. ☼

NBLOA Email News

The North Bay Lot Owners Association (NBLOA) sends pertinent news and information via email to all North Bay condo and lot owners who are signed up. If you want to learn about upcoming community events and do not currently receive the NBLOA emails, send your email address to portludlowloa@yahoo.com and you will receive news of the North Bay neighborhood. ☼

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For information, call Linda Colasurdo at 437-2208.

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SBCA Important Dates

Monthly Board Meeting
Please note time change:
Friday, February 1, 7:00 p.m.

Visit <http://plsbc.org>

All SBCA members are welcome. 

SBCA Board Meeting Highlights

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

Sue Oemichen, Board President, called the January SBCA meeting to order on Friday, January 4 at 9:30 a.m. All seven members of the Board were present. A quorum was determined and Oemichen reviewed the protocol for conducting the meeting. The agenda was approved with one addition. The minutes of the December 7 meeting were unanimously approved.

Larry Scott reviewed the progress of maintenance and development of the trails system (see the PLVC report for details). He requested \$1000 for continued support. Chris Whitehurst made a motion to approve the contribution, seconded by Steve Shanklin. The motion was unanimously approved.

Status of the Club: Oemichen reported on the status of the Bay Club. Bay Club manager Mike Morgan is on medical leave. She said that, although December is the busiest month for the Club, Board members, staff and volunteers were able to accomplish the necessary tasks. An important goal of the Board, according to Oemichen, is to correct past errors. Issues cited were improper IRA payments, inaccurate information on insurance, employee payment irregularities, labor industry insurance payments, and erroneous health care and insurance deductions and benefits.

The Board also worked on safety issues, including compliance with the Virginia Grant Baker legal requirements for pool drains. Other physical facility issues addressed were inspection of fire extinguishers and exit signs, fixing inoperable lights, installing a heat pump, updating the security system, and instituting pest control measures. The blanket roller for the pool has been fixed at nominal cost by resident Jim Nickless. The defibrillator has been serviced. Training on using the defibrillator is planned at a projected cost of \$45 per person. Details will be provided later.

Steve Shanklin reported that the landscape project is ongoing. One corroded valve has been replaced. The next area to be addressed is the area between the patio and the shed. Pressure washing of cement walls is planned. Shanklin plans to be gone for three months. His duties will be assumed by Dick Grieves.

Comments from the Floor: A large number of comments were offered by residents in attendance. Several people thanked the Board for their attention to the facility in the last month. There were comments to the effect that the December *Voice* editorial, which was highly critical of recent Board actions, was too harsh. Hana Buresova advocated dropping the *Voice* in favor of an electronic newsletter. Thelma Keefe disagreed. Jerry Conover complained about the profile of Linda Colasurdo. Bill Browne asked about recruiting and was told by Grieves that, in view of the many uncertainties, it did not make sense to hire a short-term employee.

Financial Report: The financial report was delivered by Ken Thomas. He reported that current assets stand at \$378,705.59. Net long-term assets are \$339,398.41. Income for the month of November was \$9,010.87. Total operating expenses were \$34,240.14. At Columbia Bank, the operating account balance was \$7,055.77; operating money market account balance was \$96,306.95.

Reserve account balances were as follows: The maintenance money market account at Kitsap Bank was \$48,122.29; reserve renovation fund was \$15,708.84. The CD at Kitsap Bank is \$15,708.84. The CD at Columbia Bank is \$110,034.64. Total reserves are \$274,844.87.

Thomas said that one goal is to keep SBCA funds housed locally. The Financial Report was received by unanimous vote.

Correspondence: Kay Cathcart listed letters received and sent. No response was required for most of the correspondence.

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Committee Reports

Architectural Review (ARC): Brett Oemichen delivered the ARC report. The ARC approved two tree trimming projects, one under Village ARC purview. It denied a hedge planting project in Inner Harbor Village and a tree trimming project in Timberton. It approved a building modification in Inner Harbor.

Design Standards: Whitehurst said that the project of reviewing the Design Standards and coordinating with the CC&Rs is underway. The committee has been going through the documents to ensure compliance. A meeting was planned for Friday, January 11.

Facilities Committee: John Walker proposed the addition of a new committee member, Dennis Rooks. With Shanklin away, the committee needs the addition of two members. Grieves offered to return to the committee. Diane Ridgley and Ed Knodle will serve as co-chairs. Changes to the Facilities Committee were unanimously approved by the Board.

The Facilities Committee recommended the establishment of a “mess management and storage” committee. The duties of the committee would be to examine stored items, eliminate unusable goods, and organize a storage system for retained goods. The Board approved the establishment of the committee.

Finance Committee: Thomas proposed that Jim Nickless be approved as an addition to the committee. The Board unanimously agreed. Thomas also discussed bringing the accounting functions of the SBCA in house. The benefits would be those of better information access, local control and convenience. Four computers could be linked.

Long Range Planning Committee: Sherry Robinson reported that the committee had made its first attempt at constructing a SWOT analysis based on the survey data. There was input from other community members. See the report in this issue.

Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC): Oemichen reported that the PLVC hosted a guest speaker who described the effort to remove creosote pilings in Puget Sound, including Ludlow Bay. A full report is on the PLVC pages. The PLVC also dissolved the Iron Mountain Quarry committee.

Working Members Task Force: Members who are working have been concerned that the club hours do not accommodate their needs. A new task force, consisting of Jarilyn Rust, Chair, Thomas, and Nickless has been formed to examine this issue. Several suggestions to remedy the problem were suggested. The issue will be

addressed at the next Board meeting. Thomas made a motion to hold an evening meeting; Grieves seconded the motion and the motion passed. The meeting will be held on **Friday, February 1** at 7:00 p.m.

New Business

Various comments were collected from the audience concerning the role of the *Port Ludlow Voice* in the community and its relationship with the SBCA. Sue Oemichen made a motion to initiate a meeting with the *Voice* editors to discuss the organization of the South Bay section, specifically the report of the meeting. Whitehurst seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Building Our Future Together

by Sue Oemichen, SBCA Board

The following are some thoughts from the Community Associations Institute about how we all can make our community an even better place to live in 2013 and beyond.

Responsibility. We all take responsibility for adhering to rules and meeting our financial obligations to the community.

Sharing. We share our ideas, perspectives and concerns so we can all work together to build an even better community. We talk about problems. Direct conversation is more effective than sending a letter or banging on a wall.

Fellowship. We actively participate in the recreational, social and cultural activities of the community.

Involvement. We attend association meetings and take the time to review important information about our community. We serve on association committees or help to organize an activity.

Inclusiveness. We actively welcome new residents, making all member/owners feel part of the community. We respect each other's opinions. We share a smile with a neighbor.

Pride. We are proud to live in our community and recommend it to others who are looking for a good place to call home.

As members of the elected board, we will certainly strive to do our part. It's our goal to serve as neighborhood facilitators and regard our authority as a temporary stewardship, even as we plan for a future well beyond our tenure on the Board.

We look forward to working with you, our members, as we build our future together. We are very proud to call South Bay home.

Organization Planning Moves Ahead

All the SBCA Board of Directors and a healthy number of residents attended a special meeting on January 7 to examine the Bay Club's organizational structure and collect suggestions for improvements to the structure. President Sue Oemichen chaired the meeting.

Oemichen began by reviewing the responsibilities of the Board of Directors and examining the current organizational chart. She said that the missing element was the members/owners to whom the Board is ultimately responsible.

In comments from the floor, Jim Watson asked for a statement of the purpose of the Association. Brett Oemichen replied that he believed the association was a blend of business and community government. Larry Elton suggested that the major responsibility of the Board was to make the community happy. Tony Simpson said a better mission statement, from which policies and plans would flow, is needed.

Dick Grieves said that information about the Beach Club and Kala Point Home Owner's Associations (HOA) organizational functioning had been sought. He said that, in both organizations, only the senior manager was salaried; all others were hourly. Besides the senior manager, the HOAs employed a senior management assistant with office duties and a maintenance person.

There are significant differences between the SBCA and comparison HOAs, including extent of the pool areas and road ownership. Kala Point owns and maintains their road system. The associations also differ in approach to reserve funds, dues structure and functions of committees. For example, the Beach Club has an Operations Committee and the manager sits on that committee.

The structure of two other associations, one in Arizona and the other in Mill Creek, were described.

Ken Thomas presented three proposals for handling bookkeeping. The first was to have local Kitsap Bank take over the accounting function and handle the checks. Communication with the bank would be done by computer. The SBCA would do the quarterly billing. The second was to adapt the process now employed with Linda Cook. Information would be sent by computer, eliminating trips to Poulsbo. We would use electronic time cards and do our own billing. The third option is to have a qualified person in-house. Due to the rapidly changing conditions in the club, Thomas did not recommend this.

Some key functions were: accounting, activities planning and scheduling, property management, and personnel management. Jim Nickless suggested that a centralized computer data base be instituted. This could be contracted.

Arnie Danberg suggested that the board propose a plan with a timeline. The board retired to meet in executive session to discuss personnel issues. Upon return, the board unanimously voted to recess the Executive Session to Wednesday, January 9 at 3:00 p.m.

The Board sent the following announcement to the membership on Thursday, January 10:

The SBCA Board of Directors has unanimously decided to eliminate the Director and Operations/ARC Manager positions, effective immediately. These positions will be replaced with a General Manager position. This decision will benefit SBCA by redistributing our labor cost from managerial to facility maintenance and service. Our labor costs will also be better aligned with the size and responsibilities of our organization.

Our plan is to put an Interim Manager in place while we recruit for the General Manager position. Your cooperation and patience is appreciated during this transition period.

Did You Know . . .

by the Bay Club Staff

The Bay Club has a special offer for you. First of all, "Yes, we do have a Lost and Found." In fact it seems to grow daily with all sorts of misplaced or forgotten items. Some are interesting or useful – others have probably been left because they are of no use to anyone! So, in order to start the New Year off with a "cleaner house", we are placing all of these forgotten items on a table in the Great Room during the month of February. In addition, there are numerous coats and jackets that have been left in the Coat Closet. The Lost and Found coats are hanging on the left as you enter the closet. Please stop by and take a look. If something is yours, please take it home – if it isn't yours but you like it, at the end of the month, it is yours for free! At the end of the month, all remaining treasures will be donated to Goodwill.

Most of you know that we have a lending library of paperbacks and hard cover books, but did you know that we also have a fairly extensive video library consisting of mostly older films (even some classics) and a few newer films on DVD? Please inquire at the Front Desk as to the location and procedure for checking out the films. 🏠

Learn Defibrillator, CPR and First Aid

The SBCA and Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR) will offer a 6 hour class in the use of the Bay Club defibrillator, CPR and personal first aid on **Tuesday, February 26**, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The class will be taught by Tom Manley.

Bay Club staff will attend the class. Interested SBCA members may also participate. The cost is \$50 per student. If you are interested in joining the staff for this life-saving training, sign up at the Bay Club front desk by **Friday, February 15**. The class limit is 12 persons. ♣

Free Spirits


Two items of interest: Our Spring event and a request for your assistance.

Please plan to join Free Spirit members on **Saturday, April 27** to celebrate the end of winter and to dance (or listen) to the music of Michael and Leslie. No details yet on the menu; however, the members of the board are considering a theme around Cherry Blossoms and looking for a menu to match. Remember the first three weeks are always for our members to sign up, but the last week is open to new folk. Take advantage and invite someone new to join us – a friend or a neighbor who has never attended a Free Spirits Event. Details will be provided in the March *Voice* and on the Flyer. Save the Date!

It is time again to ask for volunteers for board positions – we need new ideas and new energy. We begin work on next season in July and there are several board members who have served faithfully for years and wish to move on to other activities or just take a break. There are many ways for you to be involved and positions to be filled. If you are interested, talk to Sherry Robinson (437-7948) or any one of the other board members. It is occasionally hard work; however, it is fun, the rewards are many and the members are truly supportive. Try it – it may become habit forming. Thank You .

SBCA Members' Social

South Bay members are invited to the monthly social on **Friday, February 8** from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Bring a delicious appetizer to share with provided beverages. ♣



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Investing in Each of Us

by Diana Smeland, President, Port Ludlow Associates

Most people think of their investments in terms of profit loss statements; however, this last year I've often been reminded of the many other realms in which the word "investment" is truly appropriate. Think about the investment in our family, kids, pets and our community. Another investment is in ourselves as we continue to learn and grow at all ages.

As I mentioned in December, one of our goals is to become "The Northwest's Best." In working towards this goal, I've found that an investment in the individuals who make up our company is the single most important investment that we can make. With this in mind, I've been working with our Executive Team to further introduce strategies that complement our historical commitment to success.

One investment I've made in our Executive Team is to change our approach to team meetings. We've begun to encourage each other to embrace a greater level of debate within our group to allow us to see new perspectives and learn from one other. We are fortunate to have a very skilled and diverse Executive Team that offers many years of experience and wisdom from a variety of realms. Drawing upon this breadth of knowledge allows us to improve the way we conduct business each day.

Additionally, to utilize the knowledge in my network of business owners, CEO's, and other industry leaders, I've begun implementing their successful business strategies here in Port Ludlow. By sharing these strategies with our Executive Team, I've challenged each Manager not only to apply these principles within their respective business units, but to find creative options to accustomed traditional approaches. This investment in our day-to-day processes and procedures will, inevitably, provide us with even greater successes as an organization.

I'm encouraged by the growth I've observed within our Executive Team in such a short period of time. Their desire to succeed inspires me each and every day, and I will continue to build, lead and inspire our team to be "The Northwest's Best". The results will be good for the Golf Course, Marina, Inn, our home division and, ultimately, Port Ludlow.

I would love to hear from you with questions that could be answered in this column. All of us with Port Ludlow Associates continue to look forward to meeting with groups and residents to share ideas or deal with any concerns about Port Ludlow's future. If you have questions, my direct line is 360-437-8342 or my e-mail is dsmeland@portludlowassociates.com.

Happenings Around The Resort

By Jennifer Lampe, Marketing Manager, Port Ludlow Associates

Change is in the air here at The Resort this month and The Resort has a new look online these days. We've been working long and hard for a number of months to give our website a fresh new look and feel. We've made a number of updates and have reorganized the layout to ensure that the information you and our guests are looking for is easy to find and access. The new website is a little crisper and a little more sophisticated, while still ensuring that what makes Port Ludlow great is as prominent as ever. We hope you'll take some time to explore the new website and share it with family and friends who are curious to know what Port Ludlow is all about.

For all the boaters heading to the Seattle area in the next few days, be sure to stop by to see Kori at the Seattle Boat Show now

through **February 3**, and enter to win one of nearly 700 prizes – including free moorage for a year.

For the golfers out there, Vito will be on the road heading to both the Seattle Golf Show from **February 8 – 10**, and then he's off to the Portland Golf Show, **February 22 – 24**. Stop by the booth to say "hi" and check out the prizes you can enter to win.

Speaking of the Golf Club, as many of you may have already discovered recently, Niblicks has a fresh new menu and manager that are taking Port Ludlow by storm. There is an abundance of healthy and delicious menu



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items, traditional favorites like the classic Reuben sandwiches, delightful options like breakfast all day and a tasty new “Petite Appetites” menu. Be sure to head up to Niblicks to try their new menu and introduce yourself to Liz, Niblicks’ new Manager.

If the winter weather has you craving some “comfort” food, be sure to stop by The Fireside on Tuesdays this winter when Chef Dan will prepare some of his favorite comfort foods for just \$18 per person. Call 360-437-7412 for reservations and a weekly selection of indulgent dishes. Additionally, The Fireside is looking forward to making your Valentine’s Day a night to remember. The seven-course tasting menu is sure to delight the senses and will be offered at \$95 per person. Celebrate on either **February 14, 15 or 16**, to enjoy a special evening.



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Sports & Games

December Duplicate Bridge Winners

by Tom Stone, Scribe

December 3: Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, first; Doris and Ian Feltham, second; Sandra Flaherty/Marge Wille third.

December 10: Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, first; Norm Crump/Darrell Fett, second; Dan and Soozie Darrow, third.

December 17: Dan and Soozie Darrow, first; Eleanor Rodin/Marvin Segar second; Barbara Sexauer/Marilyn Linrothe, third.

No games on December 24 or December 31.

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

A Brain Too Full Impedes Golf

by Peggy Selby

As we all know, we attain great wisdom as we age. It is a phenomenon that is not questioned. This great wisdom has led me to understand why it is we can no longer come up with the words that were there yesterday in our everyday conversations. Recently in trying to remember a movie actor's name (couldn't remember the name of the movie either), we stumbled back and forth with statements like "you know, he was dating that girl that was in the movie with that guy who was so good, in that TV show about the kid who is now a grown actor, but you never see him anymore." The amazing thing is we figured it out from these clues. Talk about wisdom! But, we also then figured out that all this wisdom, in occupying more space in our brain, has shoved out things like names and easy words that were there just yesterday.

All the space this wisdom is taking in the brain is also crowding out the place that was once reserved as a skill learning center. This should make you feel better on the golf course. We all know what we should be doing out there to make that ball do what we want it to. But our heads are just so full of wisdom that there is no room left for the skill sets we need to perform as we should on the course.

So the next time you shank that drive or slice that putt (yes, it is a real problem for some of us), just remember that it isn't that you don't know how to play golf. Recognize that our heads have now been filled with so much wisdom there isn't room for such mundane things like simple words, familiar names, skills or abilities anymore. So, it stands to reason if someone has the skill set remaining to play a really good round, we would actually pity them as they are obviously not as wise or full of wisdom as we.

Nine-Hole Golf Association Memberships Open

The men's and women's Nine-Hole Golf Associations are soliciting members for the 2013 season. The Niners welcome golfers of all skill levels. The primary requirements are interest in the game of golf and course membership.

The season for the nine-hole golfers begins in March and continues through October. Casual golf games are played during the winter months. During the season, members play weekly on Thursdays, unless tournament play necessitates rescheduling. Regular social functions are planned for members throughout the year, beginning with a season opening party.

Golf is a great way to get exercise, improve skills and make new friends. Those interested in exploring membership in the Niners should consult the golf course staff or call a member.

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This Month on the Peninsula

Fort Flagler State Park: 10541 Flagler Road, Marrowstone Island, hiking trails and beaches, WWII defenses. Tours are \$5 for adults; \$2 for children. For information, email fofflagler@gmail.com.

Fort Worden State Park: Beach access. Historic buildings and light house. Centrum.

Gateway Visitor Center: Route 19, open 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Featuring photographs of early immigrants, books and travel information. For information or to volunteer, call 437-0120 or visit gatewayvcr@olympus.net.

JCHS Research Center: 13692 Airport Cutoff Road, Port Townsend, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is \$4 for adults, free for those under 12. Phone 379-6673.

Jefferson Museum of Art and History: 540 Water Street, Port Townsend, weekends only in January and February, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. General admission is \$4; free to Jefferson County residents on the first Saturday of the month. New Scapes exhibit features land-, town- and sea -scapes from 1860 to present, along with maritime heritage and other exhibits. Call 385-1003 for information.

Northwest Maritime Center: Wooden Boat Chandlery, 431 Water Street, Port Townsend. Tours available at 2 p.m. **Friday, Saturday and Sunday;** other times by arrangement. Pets not allowed in the building. Free. Call 385-3628 for information.

Olympic Peninsula Salmon Derby: February 16-18, sponsored by the Gardiner Salmon Derby Association, discoverybaysalmonderby.com.

Port Townsend Aero Museum: Jefferson County International Airport, 195 Airport Road, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$6 for children 7-12, free for children less than 6. Exhibits feature vintage aircraft. Biplane rides by Goodwin Aviation Company, 531-1727.

Port Townsend Marine Science Center (PTMSC): 200 Battery Way, Fort Worden State Park. Natural history and marine exhibits. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for youths 6-17, PTMSC members free. Call 385-5582, e-mail info@ptmsc.org.

PT Shorts: Readings of literary works on **Saturday, February 2,** 7:30 p.m., Cotton Building in Port Townsend, keycitypublictheater.org.

Puget Sound Coast Artillery Museum: Fort Worden State Park, 10:00 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$3 for adults, \$1 for children, JCHS members free. Harbor defenses in Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan de Fuca. Call 385-0373 or visit jchsmuseum.org.

Red Wine and Chocolate at wineries throughout the region, **February 11-12 and February 18-20.**

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

Chef Arran Stark's Community Cooking Class Series

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

Jefferson County is fortunate to have a chef in our community with the background and experience of Chef Arran Stark. Since 2011, he has been the Executive Chef at Jefferson Healthcare, where I have been able to sample the food on occasion, and it is good. I've also enjoyed a delicious catered lunch by Chef Stark. Soon after arriving, he opened Cultivated Palate Catering, a 1,250-square-foot catering kitchen/teaching facility at 1433 Sims Way in Port Townsend.

Chef Stark has a long list of past experiences (check it out on Google), which include stints with one of the oldest country clubs in the U.S. and the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston. As Nash Huber of Nash's Organic Produce says, "He walks the talk as far as using local ingredients." Now we can share his expertise and passion as Chef Stark offers his special blend of classical techniques and food fun! Adult classes are on Wednesdays from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and are \$30 per person. Kids' classes are Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Full dinners and kids' classes are \$45. Students try taste-sized portions and a full meal after the Valentines' class.

Here's the schedule:

- February 6** Legumes—beans, lentils and peas
- February 9** Special Kids' Class on Vegetables
- February 13** Perfect New England Clam Chowder (includes dinner)
- February 14** Happy Valentine's Day—Couples Cooking Class Dinner
- February 20** Potatoes
- February 23** Special Kids' Class – How to feed your parents breakfast
- February 27** Grains that are good for you.

Email avschef@yahoo.com or call 379-2647 to reserve your space or to find out about the March list of classes.

Chef Stark's classes strive to inspire everyone "from the budget-conscious home cook to copper-clad foodies." I'm not sure where I fit in, but after cooking meals for 50+ years, I need some "food fun!" I don't own any copper-bottom cookware, but I know there's something I could learn. As Chef Arran Stark says, "Cook well and prosper in 2013."

Jefferson Healthcare Employees Care for Jefferson County



Mike Glenn presents check to UGN.

Submitted photo

Jefferson Healthcare employees raised \$41,664.35 for United Good Neighbors campaign in Jefferson County. The Jefferson Healthcare employee participation also increased from 17 percent in 2011 to 34 percent in 2012.

The campaign was led by Penny Westerfield, Clinical Administrative Assistant, who championed this effort from its beginning in late November through mid-December. In January, Mike Glenn, CEO, along with Joyce Cardinal, Chief of Nursing, and Penny Westerfield, presented UGN Representatives Kim Hammers and Steve Rafoth with a check.

The Jefferson Healthcare employees also donated over 120 gifts through the Secret Santa program. There were bikes, skateboards, cameras, clothing, dolls, footballs, basketballs, games, winter coats and so much more. The outpouring of gifts and money by Jefferson Healthcare employees is a testament to their compassion for the community they serve.

Jefferson Healthcare (Jefferson County Public Hospital District No. 2) is the primary healthcare provider for the more than 29,000 residents of Eastern Jefferson County Peninsula. Located in Port Townsend, the 25-bed critical access hospital provides a comprehensive array of services, including acute and emergency care, surgical services, advanced diagnostic imaging, orthopedics, physical therapy and rehabilitation, chemotherapy, and sleep medicine services. In addition, Jefferson Healthcare operates eight primary care clinics including ones in Port Ludlow and in Quilcene as well as a home health and hospice agency. For more information, visit www.jeffersonhealthcare.org.

YMCA and Jefferson Healthcare Collaborate on Exercise Program

The Jefferson County YMCA and Jefferson Healthcare are teaming up again to offer the second session of Exercise and Thrive. The Jefferson County YMCA has begun to register participants for this amazing 12-week class for cancer survivors that will start in February, 2013. Exercise and Thrive is held at Jefferson Healthcare's Olympic Room from 6:00-7:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays. Pre-registration and a screening appointment are required. For more information, or to register, contact the YMCA at 385-5811.

Through the Jefferson County YMCA and Jefferson Healthcare, Jefferson County cancer survivors have access to a professionally designed and research proven, strength-and-wellness program that is tailored to participants. Exercise and Thrive was developed through a partnership between the YMCA of Greater Seattle, LIVESTRONG, and the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center. The 12-week program is open to the community and is available to adults 21 and older, who are at least 90 days out of active cancer treatment, regardless of where they were treated.

JHC Welcomes Dr. Stephen Erickson, Family Medicine

Stephen Erickson, MD, has joined the Jefferson Healthcare's medical team at the Madrona Family Medicine Clinic.

Dr. Erickson is a graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Medicine. He completed his internship and residency at Tacoma Family Medicine in Washington and practiced for ten years as a Family Medicine Physician including surgical OB and GI endoscopy in Waupaca, Wisconsin. He has also practiced in New Mexico, Colorado, Juneau and New Zealand.

Dr. Erickson is a faculty member of the National Procedures Institute, teaching courses in office procedures.

He is a sailing enthusiast and recently returned from sailing with his wife and son in the Australian waters by Vanuatu and the Solomon Islands.

Dr. Erickson will lead the medical team at Madrona Family Medicine Clinic. Jefferson Healthcare purchased the practice from Dr. Bruce Stowe in 2012 when he and his nurse practitioner wife, Sandra Vanvig, retired after 14 years of providing medical care for the Jefferson County community. Madrona Family Medicine Clinic is

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located at 1010 Sheridan in Port Townsend by Jefferson Healthcare Hospital. The Clinic is open Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. New patients are now being accepted. Please call 360-385-5388 to make an appointment.

Eleanor Stopps and the Protection Island Story

by D.B. Janke, Audubon Membership Chair

“What else could I do? This is the only thing that could be done for the birds. It had to be done and there was no one else around to do it. So I did. You know it is about our own survival too.”

The life of Eleanor Stopps is testimony that one determined person can make a difference. Although she volunteered on behalf of many environmental causes, she is best known as the driving force behind the establishment of the Protection Island National Wildlife Refuge in the Strait of Juan de Fuca at the mouth of Discovery Bay. Protection Island provides nesting habitat for more than 70 percent of seabirds in the Puget Sound region.

Eleanor lobbied for over a decade and testified before the Washington State Legislature and US Congress. Eleanor had worked in sales when she was a young person, and she enjoyed sales, particularly when she believed in what she was selling. She believed that the unique and precious nesting habitat represented by Protection Island needed to live up to its name.

Eleanor died at the age of 92; she wanted no funeral or memorial service. But she agreed to the idea of a memorial sculpture, as long as it was a tribute to Protection Island. Gulls, guillemots, auklets, eagles, and seal pups were all mentioned as possible inclusions. The process of bringing that sculpture to fruition has begun. Sculpture design and permanent location are under active consideration. Tony Angell, wildlife sculptor, has agreed to produce the sculpture. Contributions toward this lasting tribute to a great lady and her lifetime of accomplishments would be most welcome. If you would like to donate to this cause, please visit <http://eleanorstopps.blogspot.com>. Donations by check (to the Admiralty Audubon Memorial Fund) may also be sent directly to First Federal Bank, P.O. Box 1510, Port Townsend, WA, 98368.

Admiralty Audubon is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and your donation is tax deductible to the extent allowed by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) code.

Learn about Local Streams, Shorelines, and Forests

Each spring, WSU Jefferson County Extension presents a series of nine Beach Watchers classes/field trips to educate residents about water, local watersheds and our human interactions and impacts. This is your chance to participate in a high-quality, science-based, fun learning opportunity with people who share your interest in natural resources and the outdoors. In return, after taking the classes, participants are expected to volunteer 85 hours helping with local projects or community outreach of their choice.

The series will be offered for 5 weeks on Tuesday and Thursdays, **April 2** through **April 30** on from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. based at the Port Townsend Northwest Maritime Center. The curriculum mixes stimulating lectures and discussions with experts and engaging field trips to local forest, streams and shorelines. Cost is \$85 for the 9 class series. Call Cheryl Lowe at WSU extension, 360-379-5610, ext.230 to register or for additional information.

Topics include: Overview of the science, biology and geology of our local watersheds; forests, streams and rivers (the local salmon connection); nearshore, shorelines and estuaries; wetlands; coastal geology; shellfish; toxics, stormwater; septic systems; and local watershed issues.

Beach Watcher volunteers work on community outreach, education and science-based projects such as salmon monitoring, creosote log inventories, plastics monitoring, Olympia oyster restoration, eel grass protection, education at fairs and schools, pet waste education, and planting trees along streams, restoring native plants to estuary areas and helping with PT Marine Science Center projects.

Beach Watchers come from all walks of life and bring a rich cross-section of backgrounds, experiences, service, and talents. All county Beach Watcher programs follow an identical Beach Watcher model and have consistent training materials, but each county develops its unique projects for volunteers. Beach Watchers are dedicated to protecting and preserving the fragile environment of Puget Sound through research, education, public awareness and example.

Become a part-time Washington State University Extension student for one month (no credit, no pressure) to learn and discuss natural resource topics with local and state experts in these fields. See why local water may be the most important wealth we have in this community.

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Biomass Project Faces Opposition

Court appeals continue to delay the \$55 billion biomass project in Port Townsend. The Port Townsend Paper Corp. expects that it will not be able to begin operation until 2014 or 2015. The project would generate electricity for sale and for supporting the mill's operations.

A number of environmental groups oppose the project because they believe it to be environmentally damaging and will increase air pollution. Opposing groups include PT Airwatchers, Biomass Burn, the Olympic Environmental Council, the Olympic Forest Coalition and the World Temperate Rainforest Network.

The group's first appeal was rejected but the state appeals court said that it had merit. The appeal will be heard by the state Supreme Court.

Child Advocate Program Needs Volunteers

Jefferson County Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) Program is a group of volunteers who advocate for local children. These kids are the most abused and neglected children in Jefferson County, and we help them find a safe, permanent home. Our volunteers come from all walks of life and include retired executives, teachers, and almost every other profession. GAL is now accepting applications for our annual training. Call the GAL Program Coordinator at 385-9190, and learn more at our website www.JeffersonCountyGAL.org.

OlyCAP Struggles to Stay Solvent

Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP) has faced funding cuts since 2007 and needs to take extra steps in order to continue providing services and remain financially stable according to Director of Operations Geoff Crump. The organization has made long-term survival a priority.

In order to meet its goal, OlyCAP will sell two Port Townsend homes originally intended to house people with mental health issues. Each house is listed at \$220,000. Residents moved to other housing last June. The cost of staffing the residences was significant, some \$40,000 a year in addition to maintenance. The residences had been maintained by the nonprofit since 2002.

In other cost-cutting measures OlyCAP has discontinued a portable dental program and closed dental clinics for low income patients.

Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

By Laura Brackenridge, Meeting and Events Coordinator

Monday Member Lunch Meetings: Meetings are from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 555 Otto St., Port Townsend. Lunch is served by Jordini's.

February 4: Speaker Kenna Eaton, General Manager, Port Townsend Food Co-op. Eaton will discuss the Food Co-op's new strategic plan for helping them grow into the future.

February 11: Speaker Bill Mann discusses "How to attract Canadian visitors to your Port Townsend business – and get repeat visits."

February 18: No Meeting

February 25: Lisa Iverson, Head of School at Jefferson Community School, will discuss the role of strong independent schools in a vibrant community.

Coffee Talk and Other Events

Tuesday, February 5: Coffee Talk with Casey Reeter who will discuss the Young Professionals Network Business Mentor Program, Resort At Port Ludlow, 1 Heron Road, Port Ludlow.

Tuesday, February 12: After Hours Mixer at Doc's Marina Grill, 141 Hudson St., Port Townsend.

Wednesday, February 20: Board of Directors Meeting at Peninsula Legal Secretarial Services, 20 Colwell St., Port Hadlock.

Thursday, February 21: Ambassador Meeting at Pedro's Fiesta Jalisco, 10893 Rhody Dr., Port Hadlock.

Shoreline Master Program Update

by Michelle McConnell

The County is pursuing a set of conditional use permit criteria/performance standards that will allow in-water finfish aquaculture in limited locations with appropriate protections. A number of additional items to the issue of net pen operations have been a target of briefing the Board of County Commissioners in January 2013. No specific date is currently set; the County website, the *Port Townsend Leader* and emails will contain details.

A limiting factor is the ability of the Department of Community Development (DCD) to process the recommendations. The department will face serious budget and staffing constraints in the 2013 including reduced hours of operation and fewer services. All DCD staff will be reduced to 32 hours a week starting January 1.

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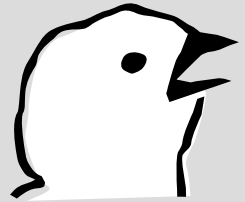


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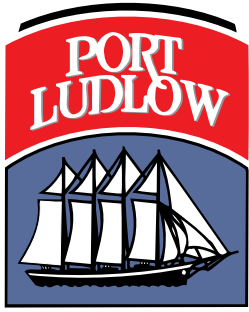
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