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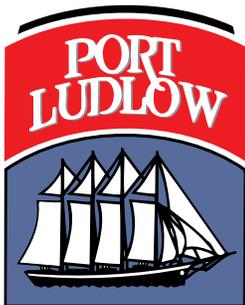
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A Portion of Ward's Walk by the Bay Club.
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The Resort at Port Ludlow
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Feature Articles

From the Editor's Keyboard

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor



The Bay Club has always been a friendly place but in recent months the South Bay Community Association Board of Directors has exhibited excessive concern about its management. Board paranoia has resulted in interference with management, exclusion of dissenting members of

the Board from participation in decision making, alteration of minutes to reflect individual agendas rather than what occurred, confusion and anxiety on the part of the employees, and loss of valuable staff members and at least one Board member. Communication with the members has been managed such that members have little knowledge of or input to Board actions. No previous board has been so in love with executive sessions or with empowering advisory committees (such as the Long Range Planning Committee) to do the Board's work.

Seeking justification for the intended direction of some Board members, it constructed and administered a questionnaire, ostensibly for use in long range planning. The survey results, which were to be released shortly after the data collection, took months to appear and the analyses haven't happened. The suggested analyses were inappropriate so their absence is no tragedy. But late and loose data does matter and one wonders about that.

It is tempting for this writer to conclude that the tardy release of data is related to general support on the part of survey respondents for the status quo. Many of the survey questions dealt with customer satisfaction. They showed that the majority of respondents (55 percent of the members) were happy with the range of events, activities and programs (74 percent), the maintenance of the club (86 percent) and grounds (78 percent), and the employees (78 percent). Written comments were collected but no effort was made to determine whether those comments came from a few people or many. The responses do not justify radical changes in club management.

Does this mean that there is no need for improvement at the Bay Club? Certainly not! We need to improve our physical facility, especially the exercise areas and locker rooms. We need to make sure that our facilities conform to state and county codes. There are certainly things that can be done to improve financial status but missing light

bulbs and rust in the bottom of the water heater are no reason to call in Bernanke to arrange a bail out. The atmosphere now is one of astonishing toxicity and that is what needs to go.

The views expressed in this editorial are the author's and do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the rest of the staff. Comments may be sent to the editor. Letters will be posted on the Voice website, plvoice.org.

Linda, We'll Miss You, Too

by Linda Karp, Contributing Writer



Linda Colasurdo.

Photo by Peggy Lee Flentie

Linda Colasurdo, South Bay's Operations Manager, has moved on and left an empty spot in our Bay Club lives. For those who didn't know Linda except for her work at the Bay Club, I think you will be amazed, as I was, to discover her many earlier experiences.

Linda, born in Norfolk, Virginia, to a Coast Guard family, soon moved to Garden Grove, California and then to north Seattle. After his retirement from the Coast Guard, her father became a college professor at the University of Washington and Seattle University, and her mother, who had taught at MIT, headed up admissions at South Seattle Community College.

Linda began her work life at the early age of 11 as a babysitter, and at 13 went to work for the Multiple Sclerosis Society at \$2.50 an hour as an aide to patients

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in their homes. She performed such duties as baking bread, housekeeping, laundry, and other duties. At 15, she was employed by Safeway Stores, eventually training to become a manager. The 10 years as a Safeway Night Manager allowed her to educate herself during the day in other ways: accounting school, boat building school and law enforcement school.

Linda married, became pregnant with her daughter and resigned her Safeway job. In 1984 after the birth of her first child, Maria, Linda and her husband purchased an antique store in north Seattle which operated for several years. After the birth of their second child, Joe, they moved their shop to Edmonds and started to specialize in Native American and ethnic art.

Linda has appraised art and at one time had an extensive collection of Makah Indian baskets, possibly the largest in the Northwest. The work included baskets, beadwork, wood carvings and textiles. She has kept her love for antique furniture and art glass.

At the same time, she and her husband began taking groups on tours of Mexico, Guatemala, Peru and Belize. The family moved from Seattle to Kingston, bought a home in Indianola and had their third child, Michael. After commuting to Edmonds for two years, they moved the business to Bainbridge Island, and Linda started leading tours to Nepal. She took groups of women on three-week tours which included white water rafting, riding elephants and trekking the mountains in the area. The tours provided interesting experiences with the clients and with the local people. Linda enjoyed working with the monks in Nepal and had the joy of selling the works of art they created.

Linda met Debbie Ueda, the person who brought her to the job at the Bay Club, when she and her mother joined one of Linda's tours. After returning from the trek, Debbie took a job at the Bay Club, only to have her husband transferred to Florida a year later. She approached Linda at her business and told her the Bay Club needed her, because she could do the job and liked people. At that time, the economy was crashing and the rents on Bainbridge were rising, so Linda went to check out the Bay Club position. She was hired by Mike Morgan and, when her lease was up, closed the business. The rest is history.

Linda says, "I have been at the Bay Club for 11 great years, have met and fallen in love with so many of the members and have found some lifelong friendships there. I will miss the hugs and smiles, but I feel lucky to have met so many wonderful people on my Bay Club journey."

Linda, we'll miss you, too!

Alternatives to Aging in Place

by Barrie Gustin, Contributing Writer

Aging in Place is one way to skulk unwillingly into your declining years. There are other possibilities. Along with the good companionship of Dan and Soozie Darrow, who were also interested in living options, we began exploring Continuing Care Retirement Communities (CCRCs) in the greater Seattle area.

We had seen advertisements for various facilities and had visited various facilities locally over the past years. That was a start, but I contacted Senior Services in Seattle and asked for a list of local assisted living facilities. We received eighty-nine pages of information to whittle down. Options ranged from very expensive to relatively inexpensive. Some were only open to those under certain income levels. Our research was limited to those we had heard of through friends and acquaintances in Port Ludlow and our reading.

Over eight months we picked up a lot of information. Two concepts which are helpful to understand:

- CCRCs which offer a contract agreement to folks 60 years old or older. These places offer a full range of care, from independent through assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing. They can have different kinds of contracts, and some move residents off-campus for higher levels of care. They generally have a fairly hefty buy-in fee which can be refundable if a resident leaves or it can go to their estate. There is also a substantial monthly fee.
- The other concept is called a Life Care Community. This is really a branch of CCRCs which also provides a continuum of care for life, but the difference is that residents who become unable to pay their monthly care fees will be subsidized by the community. They usually do not raise the monthly fees when higher levels of assisted care are required. They generally have all health services available on the campus. In the Seattle area, there are only three full life care facilities: Skyline at First Hill, Timber Ridge in Issaquah, and Emerald Heights in Redmond. The type of contract one would sign in such a facility is called a Type A contract. The entry fees here are higher than with other types of contracts, but they provide the lowest risk to the consumer. We were told to expect increases in monthly dues of 2-4 percent in non-profit CCRCs and 5-7 percent in for-profit communities.

Type B contracts, in facilities such as Mirabella in Seattle, are modified contracts which will subsidize some degree of continuing care. They will give the resident preferential access to the required facility but the

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resident pays a discounted amount of extra costs. The entry fees at these facilities are also pretty hefty but again are refundable to some extent. These contracts are good for people who can pay the extra costs, and for those who do not think their health care needs will increase a lot over time.

Type C contracts are basically fee-for-service contracts. There will be a much lower entry fee, and you get access to various degrees of care (again from independent to skilled nursing) but residents pay the full cost of care. Some of these facilities operate without an entry fee, only charging a monthly fee based on the level of care needed. They are good for people who are willing to pay the full costs of their health care. Fee-for-service residences include Seaport Landing and Victoria House in Port Townsend, Franke Tobey Jones in Tacoma and Country Meadows in Silverdale. These facilities will vary on the level of care they are able to accept.

We learned that both Type A and B contracts may offer some tax benefits. The Type C contracts do not.

It was a huge benefit to explore options with another couple. They asked questions we didn't think of, and it was good to bounce our ideas off each other. All of the facilities we visited were most helpful, and we got a lot of free lunches. You could probably cut your food bill substantially if you had the strength to keep on looking! Some of them will offer you a complimentary overnight stay as well to enjoy the ambience.

Whatever decision is right for you, start planning and looking sooner rather than later. If you elect to move to a CCRC, there may be a waiting list. Many of the facilities will offer assistance with the move; selling your home, downsizing and the myriad details are stressful (unless you wait long enough to dump it on your kids). The Type A and B contracts, however, will only accept you if you are independent when you move in. They ask for a health history and a financial statement before you are approved as a resident.

Inheriting Frequent Flier Miles

by Amanda Wilson, Olympic Peninsula Law Offices, LLC

Most people, when they think of their frequent flier miles, think “go see the family or call the family from a white sandy beach in the Bahamas.” When I think of frequent flier miles, I think of white sandy beaches in the Bahamas first. Then I think of their valuations and transferability.

But what if (and this is always my third thought) you decide to never leave that Bahamian beach and instead spend the rest of your days lounging under a palm tree with an umbrella drink? When the time comes, you will have some frequent flier miles left over. And those miles are valuable, beneficial and desirable to your friends, family, and loved ones.

The good news for your beneficiaries is that you can will your frequent flier miles from some airlines, though not all of them. A not-exhaustive list of airlines that will transfer your miles posthumously is: American, JetBlue, and US Airways. Delta and United Airlines might transfer airline miles though their policies are unclear. Southwest Airlines will not transfer miles posthumously.

So what should you do? Frequent flier miles can make a very thoughtful specific bequest in your Will or Trust. If you do not specifically mention the miles in these documents, they will be part of the residue or remainder of your estate and split among those heirs, *if someone thinks to check on them!* Almost all airlines allow the frequent flier to gift their miles to anyone, so it may be easier to give your beneficiary your frequent flier number and password and just let them book their tickets from your account. But, if you have multiple heirs or if your miles are not an exact amount for a ticket, this method may not work so well. As always, bring it up with your estate planning attorney and let him/her help you out.

And remember, if you are ever a beneficiary of someone else's estate, ask the Personal Representative or Executor about the estate's frequent flier miles. See you in the Bahamas!

Beavers and Their Dam Industry

by Barrie Gustin, Contributing Writer

Fall is the most active time for the Native American Beaver (*Castor Canadensis*) to build their lodges in preparation for winter. This is amply demonstrated if you walk the Timberton Loop and look at the trees around the pond between Rock Nine and the Beaver Dam Lookout.

Beavers are active mainly at night. Their lodges, which they construct of sticks, rocks and mud, may be surrounded by water or may touch land. The entry to the lodge is underwater and there are usually two levels, the first one used for drying out. Well known for their dam building and the ponds formed behind their dams, beavers are a “keystone species,” increasing biodiversity by the creation of beaver ponds and wetlands. Research on the Stillaguamish River showed that ponds aid the salmon and trout populations. The largest beaver dam is said to be

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over a half-mile long (in Alberta). That is twice as wide as the Hoover Dam.

The inner bark of trees, twigs, shoots and leaves are important to the beaver diet. Their strong incisors cut the trees down, and their front paws are used for digging and carrying. Their large flat tail and webbed hind feet make them strong swimmers. They usually mate for life, with the young kits staying with the parents for up to two years. Natural predators are wolves, coyotes and cougars.

In colonial times, the beaver was nearly wiped out from trapping for its fur. There is some indication that the westward expansion in early days was in part due to the search by traders for more beaver pelts.

So if you are interested in seeing ecology in action, take a stroll through the Timberton and bring the grandkids. You can do the whole loop (4.5 miles) or just walk in and back out (about 2 miles).

Seasonal Affective Patterns

by Mitzi Sturzu, MA LMHCA Port Ludlow Counseling

January can be a time for improvement, for new beginnings—a clean slate. For many of us it is a chance for renewal, to make resolutions or create positive change. For others January can be the bleakest month of the year. The house looks bare and drab after all of the holiday decorations are packed away. The cold dreary days can seem endless; the excitement of the season is gone.

As seasonal changes occur, some people may begin to experience changes in their mood. Many people describe a feeling of slowing down, a wish to hibernate. Others suffer from sleep disturbances, fatigue, difficulty concentrating and feelings of sadness.

People who are experiencing these symptoms may have what is called Seasonal Affective Disorder or SAD. It is a kind of depression that occurs at a certain time of the year, usually in the winter. Sometimes referred to as “Winter Blues,” the American Psychiatric Association describes such episodes of depression as having a “seasonal pattern” if the depression occurs repeatedly for at least two years and does not occur at other times of the year. It can happen in winter or summer, but must start and end at a characteristic time of the year.

People who live in places with long winter nights are at greater risk for SAD. Symptoms usually appear during the colder months of fall and winter when there is less exposure to sunlight during the day. Symptoms may be mild to moderate, but they can become severe. Seasonal affective

pattern may last several months and gradually dissipate when the days are longer and the sun shines brighter.

If you feel you may be experiencing this pattern and if it persists, please don’t hesitate to get an evaluation by a qualified physician or mental health professional. There are several different treatments that may help provide relief. For more information, contact me at mitzi@port-ludlowcounseling.com.

Oliver, the Awesome, Speaks

by Marti Duncan, Guest Writer



Oliver observes.

Photo by Marti Duncan

I see ankles. Sometimes I see fat waists and flabby stomachs and indescribable calves but mostly ankles—bony ankles, gym-sock ankles, compression-hose ankles, hairy ankles and wrinkly ankles, averting my eyes if they should wander to the feet. That’s far too disgusting to think about.

Being the solitary feline in a family of three (I include myself here) carries a great burden of responsibility. Training two older adults is a challenge. The woman is pretty easy; she feeds me. I wake her up by tapping gently on her face with my paw, usually around 6:30 a.m. She doesn’t always bounce up happily (I’m working on that) but she thinks it’s cute and it gets things going. She realizes I eat only chicken, tuna or turkey chunks mixed with garden greens and veggies. The man loves it when I snuggle up to him on the couch. I insist that he not move except to scratch my head and ears until I’m

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finished sleeping. Otherwise I might have to bite him. It's necessary to maintain control.

My housemates adopted me from a shelter when I was five. I'm what you'd call a Maine Coon so, as you can imagine, I'm quite a handsome devil, lots of long grey and black fur, fluffy tail, stunning eyes and big paws for hunting in the snow. One disadvantage is that my claws were removed when I was younger so I have no choice but to bite to get attention or to make a point. I do not see that as unreasonable.



The stunning eyes of the Maine Coon cat glow.

Photo by Marti Duncan

I'm told I "thunder" through the house. I have to admit when my people come home from daily errands, I feel the need to welcome them with great enthusiasm so they believe I really missed them. I spice things up by skidding around the corners and I sometimes fling myself over balconies. I admit it is not intentional (though I pretend that it is) since I do crash through lamp shades and plants on the way down. I've probably used up two of my nine lives doing that.

I do need to be heard. And talking a lot has its advantages, especially when I want extra food. Constant, uninterrupted begging often gets me some extra treats. Grabbing ankles sometimes works, as do giant leaps and bites on the elbow. Sleeping is important too and now I'm feeling tired. We'll talk more another time. Where is that man when I need him?

Shopping Locally Makes Economic Sense

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts and Entertainment Editor

Elizabeth Scott from Washington State Employment Security said that 69 cents of every Jefferson County dollar is spent outside of the County. Think what would happen if purchases of food, gifts, gasoline and other items shifted to locally-owned businesses.

Just in Port Ludlow, we have the choice of a variety of restaurants and services. They graciously support us when we ask for donations for our causes; let's in turn give back to them during this New Year.

How many times during the holidays did I drive over to our Village grocery to buy those one or two ingredients I had forgotten for a special dish I was making? Several times, and how glad I was that they were there!

Have you been to the Artists' League Gallery in the Upper Village? I have, and what a wonderful selection of decorative art, greeting cards, jewelry and more—everything handmade by local artists. This year there are some handsome mugs with a Port Ludlow scene.

These are a couple of examples of the goods that we can purchase in Jefferson County. To me, it's just as easy and a lot more fun to drive to Port Hadlock or Port Townsend to shop than to venture to Kitsap County—and there's no bridge to worry about!

This new year, I pledge to spend local, eat local, enjoy local and support the local businesses that support me and my community! Won't you join me?

Quinoa: The "Super Seed" for a Super Body

by Autumn Pappas, Contributing Writer

Ever get tired of eating the same old foods and want to add something new, delicious and healthy to your diet? Protein packed quinoa (KEEN-wah) is an ancient vegetable seed that was discovered by the Incas thousands of years ago and was highly valued by their civilization. It was used in many of their traditional dishes since it was grain-like, easy to cook and loaded with healthy nutrients.

This amazing "super seed" provides so many wonderful benefits for the body. It acts as a protein powerhouse with nine grams of protein per cup. It is rich in iron, fiber, magnesium, riboflavin, calcium, potassium and

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antioxidants. It even contains eight essential amino acids! Furthermore, it acts as a prebiotic because it detoxifies the intestinal tract and promotes healthy intestinal bacteria. Having healthy bacteria in your gut is important for good absorption of nutrients, proper digestion and your immune system.

Quinoa has a low glycemic index which assists the body in many ways. It promotes weight loss by digesting slowly in the stomach which leaves it feeling fuller longer. This yummy food keeps energy levels constant and cravings curbed since it prevents a spike in blood-glucose levels. Quinoa also protects the body's precious arteries and blood vessels.

The flavor of quinoa is subtle and slightly nutty. It has the same look, feel and texture as couscous. It can be used at a side dish, a noodle substitute, stuffing or pilaf. Additionally, it goes great in soups and stews. Quinoa is a perfect substitution food for our ever growing population of people with gluten sensitivities and intolerances since it is gluten free. This powerful and delicious food can be found at local markets, Costco or online.

Dining Around: The Olympic Timberhouse

by Eva Van Buren, Beach Club Editor

The Olympic Timberhouse Restaurant and Lounge in Quilcene opened November 28 under new management, with Chef Steve Serbousek offering a tantalizing new menu.

Arriving around 6:00 p.m. in early December, we entered the lobby—all decked out for Christmas with a gorgeous decorated tree. We were promptly led to a wide open dining room also festively decorated, which was surprisingly warm and inviting for such a large space. There are many small tables with tree trunk cross-section tops among larger wooden tables; no booths. This establishment offers two dining rooms and a lounge, plus outdoor dining and a gift shop, a northwest lodge-like destination off U.S. Hwy 101.

Though open for only a week, the staff worked hard at providing us attentive service. Despite having lost their recently-hired bartender, cocktails were offered and served. Bottled and draft beer plus a brief wine list are also available.

The a la carte menu (see *OlympicTimberhouse.com*) offers a selection of appetizers from \$8.99 to \$15.99, soups and salads, a large list of sandwiches, burgers, plus fish

and chips and shellfish. Signature dinners are available from 4:00 p.m. with prosciutto chicken, pork medallions, Angus steaks, wild salmon, crab cakes, seafood linguini and northwest seafood cioppino from \$15.99 to \$25.99. On Fridays and Saturdays only, premium choice Angus prime rib is available from 4:00 p.m. until sold out, 12 ounces for \$27.99 and 16 ounces for \$34.99.

We chose the spicy northwest cioppino in a light tomato broth and the prime rib dinner. Both were excellent — the cioppino was indeed spicy, which I really liked, and my spouse enjoyed the aromatic herb rub on the prime rib, served with a perfect baked potato and fresh sautéed vegetables.

The menu offers a choice of five desserts for \$5.99 and \$6.99 and we both ordered the Brinnon Brulee, a disappointment unfortunately. More pudding-like than the delicate custard we expected, with a poorly executed crackly uneven sugar crust, barely caramelized. We heard the bread pudding with Jack Daniels caramel sauce is proving popular, however.

There is plenty of parking. Be on the lookout for the two driveways right off the highway.

Olympic Timberhouse Restaurant and Lounge

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Pea Patch Possibilities

by Judy Arnold, Contributing Writer

There are many pea patches located in major cities across our nation. These communal garden plots spring up as a result of interest in sustainable agriculture practices and urban revitalization. Seattle has several volunteer-driven patches operated by Seattle Department of Neighborhoods.

A large, well-established plot is located in Belltown at Elliot and Vine a few blocks from the waterfront. It is a well-appointed established garden with a lovely iron gate. Another is located in the North Seattle neighborhood of North Beach at 85th and 25th. The general public may visit these gardens, as I did, and enjoy seeing the abundant variety of fruits and vegetables grown by local community members for themselves and as a resource for food banks.

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If visiting isn't enough and you want more involvement, a similar project close to home is the pea patch in Port Hadlock at 10632 Rhody Drive next to the OlyCap Thrift Store. Sunny plots, approximately 5 feet by 20 feet with raised beds, rent for \$25.00 per season. In the past, rich composted soil has been available to nurture your plants.

Four of us from Port Ludlow shared a patch this past summer. We had the most success with two kinds of peas—English and Sugar Snap. We also grew lettuce, broccoli, herbs, beets, and potatoes. We were not so successful with radishes and carrots but working in the vegetable garden was a rejuvenating and worthwhile endeavor.

This organic garden is managed by volunteers. Participants donate additional work hours to maintain the common areas of the garden. There is adequate watering equipment and the garden is fully fenced to keep pesky deer at bay. Guests may open the latched gate and enter. However, be aware that the garden has been put to bed for the winter. If participating in the OlyCap Pea Patch appeals to you for next season, please call Gail Pruitt at 360-385-0127 or Pam Begley at 360-301-3694 for details.

Persons new to the Northwest can discover what grows well here by asking any pea patch gardener or attending classes at Jefferson County Extension Office in Port Hadlock. If you decide to participate, please consider growing some extra food for the Jefferson County Food Bank. Email questions to food@olycap.org.

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You can't scare me. I have children.

I'm so behind, I think I'm first.

A fool and his money make a great date.

I was born free; now I'm expensive.

We have nothing to fear but fear itself . . . and spiders.

If you can't stand the heat, don't tickle the dragon.

No good deed goes unpunished.

It takes a real man to walk a poodle.

Take your brain to the gym. Go to the library!

Just when I thought I had it all, I forgot where I put it.

When all else fails, play dead.

Communication Technology: The Brave New World

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

Tremendous changes in the way we communicate with each other and access information have taken place in a very short time. Email used to be cutting edge but that has become so yesterday. Today there is an explosion in texting, tweeting, and using social media. These new technologies offer both advantages and hazards.

Almost all of new communication devices involve the user in multi-tasking. Everyone thinks they are fantastic at juggling several balls at once—but are they really? Psychologists, backed by a huge volume of research data, say those feelings of competence are self-congratulatory delusion. Human brains, they maintain, can't do two things at once very well. Multi-tasking takes away from performance rather than improving it.

NASA studies show that multi-tasking results in significantly slower performance and reduced memory. Everyday examples of deleterious effects of multi-tasking also abound. Most famously, those who use cell phones or text during driving are as likely to be involved in accidents as are drivers who are stoned.

Most recently, researchers have asked what the effect constant net use has on developing brains. This is an important question given that most kids spend as much as 50 hours a week with digital media, texting each other and gaming (Gary Small, UCLA). Some studies indicate decline in basic skills such as reading and writing, declines in attention span and declines in creative and analytical ability. Emotional intelligence expert, Daniel Goleman, posits that heavy users are less empathic and are inept at personal interaction. At the extreme, the virtual world of the heavy user becomes the real world.

Digital media also affects bullying behavior. It is easier to be cruel in the anonymous technical world than it is face to face. Technology has the power to eliminate hard thought, not just about things, but about people and their feelings. The incidences of adolescent suicide related to digital bullying is a testimony to those dangers.

None of this is going away but does it matter? To some extent the answer may depend on the kind of culture we want and the ability to find a way to keep the good and mediate the bad.



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.

Music From Around the World

by Barbara Wagner-Jauregg, Guest Writer

Arriving in the U.S. steeped in the cultures of their home countries of England, Japan and Russia, three young men, students at Boston's Berklee College of Music, met and came together to form an instrumental ensemble that blends music from many traditions.

Slava Tolstoy, founder and musical director, developed the ensemble's performance concept, calling it the International String Trio. Certainly not a traditional string group, its unique combination includes Tolstoy on guitar, Ben Powell on violin and Ipppei Ichimaru on string bass, which he also uses in a variety of ways for percussion.

They're coming to Port Ludlow on **Friday, February 22**, to perform music from around the world—Klezmer (Jewish), Russian, Italian, Irish, French, American Bluegrass and Latin American as well as familiar classical and jazz selections. Earlier in the day, they will conduct a Master Class at Chimacum High School for Pi Orchestra members.

Tickets for the evening concert at the Bay Club at \$24 each are available now on the website, www.plvoice.org/arts and after **Tuesday, January 8**, at the Bay Club. Six-ticket Flex Passes can still be purchased for \$132 and used for two people to attend the three remaining concerts during the Performing Arts in Port Ludlow 2012-13 season.

Petite Galleries All Around the Village!

A fresh new year and fresh new exhibits come to our Port Ludlow Village Merchants by way of the Port Ludlow Artists' League's quarterly displays. The talented artists work in many different styles and mediums, and our loyal

merchants provide places where that art can be viewed. Check out all those little galleries at these places of business while you're checking out the services that these merchants provide:

PLAL Merchant Exhibits: January through March, 2013

Active Life Physical Therapy
Christine Witte – Watercolors

Beach Club Gallery -
Marjean Webber

Coldwell Banker
Fran Bodman – Acrylics

Columbia Bank Conference Room
Wanda Mawhinney – Oils

Home Instead Senior Care
Carol Durbin – Acrylics

Mats Mats Chiropractic
Jeanne Joseph – Graphite, Acrylics

Port Ludlow Community Church
Barbara Adams – Watercolors

The Inn at Port Ludlow
January/February Exhibit – PLAL Artists

Additionally, The Inn At Port Ludlow provides a larger venue for even more great art! This display changes out every two months and carries a specific theme; in January and February the theme is "Frame-Up!" Visit the Inn and see the many variations on that mostly unadorned and under-appreciated little bit of wood surrounding each picture or photograph. You'll be in for a treat to the eyes and your tummy as well!

Have You Heard the Rumors?

by Val Durling, Director

A funny thing happened after the Ludlow Village Players auditions. *The Cat's "Meow"* was so loud the neighbors were throwing shoes at the back fence; the cat ran away and hasn't been seen since. The *Fox on the Fairway* scared the golfers; the fox was trapped and taken away. So, what were we to do?

We have, however, an extensive play inventory and remembered Neil Simon's comedy *Rumors*.

We've wanted to do this very funny play for years and reluctantly ruled it out due to difficult set requirements. Set builders to the rescue—they have found a way. This is a winner and will definitely delight our audiences. The cast to date includes Shirley Davies Owens, Jim Gormly, Doug Hubbard, Eve McDougall, Carl Miller, Andrea Stevens, Wynne Stevens and Vicki Valley; a female and a male role are still to be confirmed.

Performance dates have changed and will now be **March 21 and 22**, Thursday and Friday evenings and a Saturday matinee on **March 23**, times TBA. All performances will be at the Bay Club. Rehearsals are to begin in early **January**. Tickets will go on sale the third week of **February** at the Bay Club.

We are gathering a production team to support our talented actors, and we need you! Wardrobe, make-up, publicity, refreshments, greeters, set builders and decorators, special effects, stage crew, props and more are all areas of needed help. You don't need expertise in anything; sign on and we'll find the perfect niche for you. There's as much fun behind the scenes as treading the boards. Call Val at 437-2861 to get involved, or email rkd@waypoint.com. You'll be glad you did.

Artists' League "Starry, Starry Night" Continues

The Port Ludlow Artists' League has once again been "artistically challenged." All are invited to view the "Starry, Starry Night" exhibit, a tribute to Vincent Van Gogh that will show through January in the Columbia Bank.

Next door in the Artists' League Gallery, "The Faces of Love" exhibit will be up during January and February. The public is cordially invited to the Gallery's regular monthly reception on **Wednesday, January 9** from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the bank, and from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. in the Gallery. After stopping by the reception, why not continue with dinner at the Inn where you can view the "It's A Frame Up!" exhibit of just frames. Think hearts, flowers, red and pink!

Northwind Presents



"Reina", by Elizabeth Jameson

Submitted photo

Northwind Arts Center presents, "The Figure", a show featuring sculpture and drawings by Maitland Hardyman and Rita Kepner, and paintings and drawings by Elizabeth Jameson. The show will run from **January 18** until **February 24, 2013**. The Opening Reception will take place on **Saturday, February 2**, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. The artists will talk about their work on **Sunday, February 10**, at 1:00 p.m. at Northwind Arts Center, 2409 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend.

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Performing Arts Calendar

Saturday, January 5

PT Shorts presents Great Stories about the Great Depression, literary readings in conjunction with Gallery Walk, 7:30 p.m., Pope Marine Building, Port Townsend, free admission, sponsored by Port Townsend Arts Commission, 379-0195, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.

Saturday, January 5

A troupe of multi-talented performers entertains in an evening of totally improvised comedy and song when *The Edge* comes to Bainbridge Performing Arts, 7:30 p.m., 206-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org.

Thursday – Sunday, January 10 – 13,

Thursday and Friday, January 17 and 18

The *Somewhat True Tale of Robin Hood* is a spoof on the Robin Hood story, and the students at Chimacum High School have been working very hard on this family-friendly production, doors open at 6:30 p.m., show at 7:00 p.m., admission is \$5, children 12 and younger have free admission, Chimacum High School Auditorium.

Friday and Saturday, January 11 and 12

A concert of music for solo voices with piano and orchestra, featuring mezzo-soprano Jenny Knapp Parce and baritone Erich Parce, selections include sacred music by Vivaldi, *Two Ballades* by Hindemith and the “profane cantata,” *The Masked Ball* by Poulenc, 7:00 p.m., Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Port Angeles (Friday), Sequim Worship Center (Saturday), 360-457-5579, www.portangelessymphony.org.

Saturday and Sunday, January 12 and 13

The Jewel Box Theatre Play Readings are script-in-hand performances of interesting plays by respected authors, few props, no costumes, basic lighting and production values, Poulsbo, \$5, no advance reservations, 360-697-3183, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org.

Thursday – Sunday, January 17 – 20

This One-Act Festival showcases the very best talent Bainbridge Performing Arts has to offer in a selection of comedic one-act plays from playwrights, familiar and obscure, Thursday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, 3:00 p.m., 360-842-8569, www.bainbridgeperformingarts.org.

Saturday, January 19

Cirque Ziva is an acrobatic ensemble which dazzles with a breathtaking kaleidoscope of entertainment and wonder by producer Danny Chang of the Golden Dragon Acrobats, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, shows at 2:00 and 7:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Friday, January 25

Celtic Crossroads unleashes one jaw-dropping moment after another with seven musicians playing more than 20 instruments on stage and Irish dancers defying the laws of speed, Admiral Theatre, Bremerton, dinner at 6:30 p.m., show at 8:00 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays,

January 25 – February 10

Close, 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.m., Sundays at 2:00 p.m., 360-697-3183, www.jewelboxpoulsbo.org. Much laughter, but keep the tissues handy.

Tuesday, January 29

Get ready to hear the music of the Temptations, Gladys Knight & the Pips, Marvin Gaye & Tammi Terrell, Smokey Robinson, Diana Ross & The Supremes, Jackson Five, Stevie Wonder and many others when the Masters of Motown come to Bremerton’s Admiral Theatre, 7:30 p.m., 360-373-6743, www.admiraltheatre.org.

Thursday, January 31

A special musical performance at Port Townsend’s Key City Public Theatre with Steve James and Del Ray, 7:00 p.m., 379-0195, www.keycitypublictheatre.org.



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Local News

Cheery Lights Deck Paradise Bay Road

By Tamra McDearmid, PLVC Communications Committee



Firefighters installing lights on Paradise Bay Road.

Submitted photo

If you've been enjoying the holiday lights on Paradise Bay Road for the past month, thank the Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue (PLFR) for their continued participation in the annual 'Lighting up Ludlow' project.

The six-member crew met with hail, a bit of snow, cold temperatures in the 30's and a lot of rain, yet pushed on to decorate the parkways in front of our Village on Saturday, December 8, after being delayed the weekend before due to steady rainfall. The crew wrapped lights around each of the light standards, and used ladders and long poles to weave 300 lights in every tree. Their efforts have produced a bright and cheery atmosphere in the Village for this year and the last several years. The Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) sponsors the lighting and extends its appreciation to Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue.

These lights are so popular, the PLVC has arranged to have them remain until the first part of March and so continue to enjoy them.

PLAC Seeks Volunteers

The Port Ludlow Arts Council (PLAC), which relies on a large number of volunteers to present its concerts, raise funds and organize outreach, wants to reach out to the greater community in order to bring new skills into its midst. As websites, social media, desktop publishing and email newsletters become more a part of people's lives, new fresh ideas and skills will be welcomed and embraced.

Many of us remember typing on manual typewriters and then making the quantum leap to electric, self-correcting machines. When correspondence could be written on a computer and corrected as one wrote, a new era was born. Now businesses and non-profit organizations of all sizes and persuasions market their products and services using Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest, to name a few. While many of us in our late 60s, 70s and 80s are baffled, we look around and recognize those younger than us are embracing the changes.

Those of us in the last trimester of life find learning new technologies difficult, but we would like to meet people willing to share these newer skills and lend us a hand. If you're new to the community or need a change, PLAC always need volunteers. If you'd like to know and understand more about the work of our 21-year-old arts organization, let us know. We have a website, *port-ludlowartscouncil.com*, that is presently hosted by *Port Ludlow Today*. Take a look and check us out. If you'd like to get together to talk about where you might fit into our organization, email us at *plartscouncil@gmail.com*.

Estate Planning Seminar Announced

On **Tuesday, January 8**, Amanda Wilson from Olympic Peninsula Law Offices, LLC will be presenting an Estate Planning Seminar at the Beach Club at 7:00 p.m. She will be discussing basic Estate Plans, such as wills and trusts, and talking about how to update an Estate Plan that you already have in place.

National Weather Service Spotter Class

Skywarn Weather spotters are needed in Jefferson County! Become part of the trained network of volunteers to help report severe weather, observe weather conditions and make reports of severe weather to the National Weather Service Office in Seattle.

Sponsored by the Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management and Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue, the National Weather Service Seattle Office will present the materials and information needed to be a Weather Spotter. The class, intended for new or veteran spotters, will be held on **Thursday, January 17** at the Port Ludlow Beach Club from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. There is no tuition.

Individual citizens, amateur radio operators, neighborhood preparedness groups or other organizations are encouraged to participate. Training includes how to look for, recognize and report significant weather events to the National Weather Service.

Skywarn is a program of the National Weather Service. Reports from outlying areas are critical to helping the National Weather Service forecasters verify information which is used in issuing severe weather watches and warnings. Data obtained will also be used to help improve forecasting and warning processes for the future.

Good News! Web News!

Port Ludlow Artists' League will be starting the New Year at their meeting on **Wednesday, January 16**, with Bob Selby, owner of Olympic Mist Web Services. Selby, who is designing the League's new website, will be showing the various features of the new webpage and walking members through the steps of how to set up their own webpages. This will allow each member to display his or her own artwork on the League's new webpage.

As a retired web designer for SBC Communication, Selby formed his own company in 2001, with the goal of helping people build low-cost, high-quality websites. "Currently I am moving more and more clients to WordPress, which gives them access to update their website without any additional software. Additionally, WordPress allows access to thousands of software modules created by a massive support community. For me, it's like having a building full of programmers just waiting to improve your website; plus, they generally work for free!"

In addition to web design, Selby is an avid photographer, movie creator, glass artist, and also likes to dabble in graphic design. "Besides the creative aspect of my work, I enjoy working with customers, making their vision come alive on the internet!" says Selby.

This important meeting will be held at the Bay Club 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.

Free Tax Preparation Available

Have your tax return prepared at the Tri-Area Community Center this tax season! IRS-certified AARP TAX-AIDE volunteers will be available beginning in February and extending through the tax season in April. They will prepare and electronically file your tax return for you—and the service is free of charge!

TAX-AIDE volunteers prepare returns for low- and middle-income taxpayers of all ages. Membership in AARP is not required.

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.

The AARP TAX-AIDE program is sponsored by the IRS and the AARP Foundation. Appointments can be made starting the last week of January. To make an appointment, contact the Tri-Area Community Center at 732-4822.

Intermediate Life-Writing Workshop

Writing instructor Maureen Lander will teach an Intermediate Life-Writing Workshop that will include three Wednesday sessions: **January 30, February 6, and February 13** from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. All three sessions will be held at the Port Ludlow Community Church, downstairs. Each session will include instructions as well as a writers' group critique. The cost is \$70 per person. If you would like more information, contact Bev Nelson at 437-0762 or Barbara Berthiaume at 437-0423.

Trails Keeps Chipping and Chopping

by Larry Scott, Trails Committee Chair



Fun Day Volunteers pose on the newly-chipped section of Olympic Terrace Loop. Left to Right are Debbie Wills, Doug Huber, John Fillers, Don Folsom, Dean Morgan, Ron Kletti.

Photo by Larry Scott

This month the Trails Committee has focused on building Olympic Terrace Loop, the newest trail to contribute to the goal of developing one of the best (if not the best) hiking/walking experiences for any community in the area. We almost beat our estimated completion date of 2013, but as you know, the early December weather did not cooperate and our “Fun Day” crews will be taking a break until after the holidays.

While most of the trail has been chipped and two of the three wet areas have been completed, we still have a couple more days left to complete the chipping and place the signage before we officially open it up for business. This trail will loop around both Olympic Terraces I and II and connect to the Niblicks Loop trail. With the Dunsmuir Cut we added earlier this year, a dedicated hiker will soon be able to hike/walk from one end of our greater Port Ludlow area to the other with minimal travel on asphalt and no need at all to use the shoulder on either Oak Bay or Paradise Bay Roads.

Last month we had two new members sign up for our “Fun Day” announcements. 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 email address also. Contact me at 437-9299 and mclgscott@cablespeed.com.

Let’s keep improving our trails.

Changes in Demographics and Housing Observed

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

Port Ludlow has a growing population. Between 2000 and 2010, Port Ludlow grew by 32.3 percent according to census figures. The number of people under the age of 19 is now 8.5 percent of the population. The Chimacum School District confirms that there are over 200 students with a Port Ludlow address. These statistics exclude students that are home schooled. In North Bay, there are two school busses transporting students to school. South Bay has experienced an increase in families with children as well, and the yellow school bus is now a common sight.

Have you noticed the housing activity in your neighborhood recently? It seems that there are fewer homes with For Sale signs than in the past and we are hearing of more houses selling. Realtors in Port Ludlow confirm these findings.

Kathy Larkin of Kathy Larkin and Associates notes that Port Ludlow is a highly desirable location and draws active retirees from all over the country. However, home sales are dependent on people being able to sell their homes in other areas before buying here. Sellers have had to adjust their prices to reflect this economic reality.

Clydene Lloyd of John L. Scott notes that the listing and selling price are within five percent of each other and the number of days a house is on the market is greatly reduced from the past few years. She states that this is the lowest number of homes and condos on the market since 2009.

Kevin Hunter of Ludlow Bay Realty states that although housing prices are lower than from the peak, he sees a reviving market. He notes that Port Ludlow is basically a lifestyle choice and still has all of the amenities that make people want to live here.

Bryan Diehl of Coldwell Banker saw an upswing in the housing market in April and May of this year with a marked increase in sales. Diehl states that it has been a sustained market and it continues to trend upward. All three Realtors state that they are much more positive about the housing market and think that 2013 will continue an upward trend.

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Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue

Alarm Statistics November 2012

Alarms

Fires	1
Rescue/Emergency Medical	46
Service Call	3
Good Intent	11
Hazardous Conditions	6
False Alarm	1
Special Incident Type	1
Total Alarms	69

Ambulance Transports

Jefferson Healthcare	7
Harrison Medical Center - Silverdale	7
Harrison Medical Center	14
Total Transports	28

Mutual/Automatic Aid with Neighboring Districts

Provided	6
Received	1
Total Mutual Aid	7

Message from the Chief

by Brad Martin, Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue

Nixle: Over the weekend of December 1 and 2, Jefferson County had two significant incidents which affected the entire county. First, a Safeway truck rolled over, blocking Beaver Valley Rd (Hwy 19) for over 10 hours. Second, the 911 system failed when a dump truck broke a critical phone line.

Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management (DEM) has an important, but little known, free service called Nixle that is helpful in these situations. The system allows DEM coordinators to send out text messages to all who are registered with the system. It is used in severe weather events, significant road closures, large emergency incidents and other situations.

All you need is a cell phone that is capable of receiving text messages. Go to the following website, www.jeff-coeoc.org. When the page loads up, you will see a cell phone in the upper right corner. Click on the cell phone and it will ask you for your cell phone number, email address and zip code. Provide the information and you will then receive notifications as they are sent out.

The budget: In November, the board of fire commissioners accepted the proposed budget. Nevertheless, we are still looking into revenue sources and cost-cutting measures and working toward non-deficit spending. Two of the commissioners and I comprise a Revenue Committee that is examining our limited options for generating revenue. In completing this task, we hope to preserve service levels, but the reality is that reductions may be required in order to cut costs.

My door is open to anyone that wishes to talk to me. Phone me at 437-2236 or email me at brad.martin@plfr.org. Please have the safest and happiest holiday season.

Sheriff's Report

In November 2012 there were a total of 81 recorded Port Ludlow events known to the Sheriff's Office as compared to 959 events county-wide. SR 19, Tala Shore Drive, Oak Bay Road, and Olympus Boulevard are the parameters defining Port Ludlow.

Agency Assist	1
Alarm or Incomplete 911 Call	4
Animal Control	1
Disturbance (unwanted persons, gunshots, etc)	3
Drugs	0
Found Property	0
Malicious Mischief	1
Miscellaneous/Informational	11
Suspicious Vehicle or Person	3
Theft/Burglary	9
Traffic Incident/Complaint	3
Welfare Check	1
Warrant Arrests	2
Traffic Violations	33
Assaults	0
Field Investigations	3
Threats	0
Harassment	1
Patrol Requests	3
Missing Person	0
Civil Assist	2

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

Weight Loss Support Groups Have Openings

by Kathleen Traci, Guest Writer

There are now three PLVC Wellness Committee “We Are Losing It” (WALI) support groups up and running. There are several openings for new members in the following groups:

WALI 1 – Beach Club: Second and fourth Saturdays of the month with weigh-in from 9:00 to 9:10 a.m. and meeting from 9:10 to 10:00 a.m.

WALI 2 – Bay Club: Second and fourth Mondays of the month with weigh-in from 10:00 to 10:10 a.m. and meeting from 10:10 to 11:00 a.m.

WALI 3 – Bay Club: First and third Mondays of the month with weigh-in from 4:00 to 4:10 p.m. and meeting from 4:10 to 5:00 p.m.

There is an annual prorated fee of \$24 for membership (\$2 per month). The emphasis of the support groups is on sharing information about healthy eating and exercise options. Nothing tastes as good as being slimmer and healthier feels! For more information, contact Kathy Traci, 301-5378, tracipkt@aol.com.

Jefferson Healthcare Home Health

by John Orchanian, Physical Therapist

When you are sick, disabled, or recovering from a recent surgery, there is no place more comfortable than your own home. Jefferson Healthcare Home Health agency realizes this fact and has been providing skilled home healthcare to Jefferson County residents for over 25 years.

Examples of people who may qualify for our services are those who have a difficult time getting to their doctor or therapist due to a recent joint replacement or other surgical procedure, or may need assistance with chronic disease management such as diabetes, heart failure, or breathing issues. Home Health can also be of assistance to people who have had falls or just a general decline in their ability to care for themselves at home with bathing and dressing, for example.

Jefferson Healthcare Home Health has a network of medical professionals including nurses, physical, occupational, and speech therapists, medical social workers and home health aides. Our home health team members

are specially trained to bring a blend of extensive clinical experience and compassion while providing skilled care in the comfort of your own home.

For qualified patients, Medicare and Medicaid will cover 100 percent of your home health coverage with no co-pay or out-of-pocket expense. Other insurances typically pay with normal co-pays or deductibles.

Speak with your doctor about whether home health could be right for you or a loved one, or contact us directly at 360-385-0610 for further information. Jefferson Healthcare Home Health is working to keep you safe at home and in our community. Visit us on the web at www.jeffersonhealthcare.org

Driver Safety Course Offered in January

AARP is sponsoring an eight-hour Driver Safety course on **Monday, January 28, and Thursday, January 31**, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. With the excitement and activity of the holidays behind us, everyone is encouraged to consider setting aside a couple mornings in January to attend this course. You will learn how to improve your driving habits and perhaps avoid that serious accident, as well as receive a discount for your auto insurance.

In addition to discussing how drivers can compensate for the effects of aging, the class will review recent changes in traffic laws, the changing driving environment and the latest in safety equipment in personal vehicles. The purpose of the course is to enable drivers to enhance and extend their safe driving experience.

Classes are open to the public. A \$14 fee is charged to cover the cost of materials. AARP members receive a \$2 discount. Certificates of completion will be provided. Washington State has ruled that all drivers age 55 and over completing the course will be given a discount on their automobile insurance premiums.

The Beach Club requests a room fee of \$1 per person each day (please bring exact change). The course is eight hours, so attendance is required both days. The class is limited in size, so please sign up early. To reserve a place in the class or to ask for further information, call Russ Henry at 437-2250 or email him at russhenry62@gmail.com.

Cards for the Troops Project Receives Recognition

by Paula Davis, Guest Writer



Front Row: L to R: Norma Brewer, Jina Lankford, Paula Davis, Diane Purdy, Mary Ann Walker. Back Row: L to R: Barbara Emerson, Barbara McCaughlin, Pat Nesbitt, Monica Martin, Kari Black

Photo by Harry Davis

The dispatching group for the northwest region called ORCAS (Oregon Coast Avid Stampers) has commended the local Stamping and Paper Arts group for their contribution to servicemen abroad. The group boxed and mailed ORCAS over 4,400 cards for the troops this year, of which 868 were handmade or crafted from recycled materials.

About five years ago, the stamping group reached out to the community for donations of card fronts from holiday and all occasion cards to be recycled into new cards. Bundles were dropped off at both the Bay and Beach Clubs. Then brand new cards and envelopes started appearing as well, and the project was underway.

At their recent meeting, the ladies of the Stamping and Paper Arts group completed 155 handmade Valentines Day and children's birthday cards to be sent to the troops overseas for their use to send back home to their families and friends. The group says the members are proud and humbled at this community's continued support of our military troops serving in war zones and remote areas where greeting cards and stationery are not readily available for them to keep in contact with their families. Some are on their third and fourth deployment in Afghanistan, Kuwait and Iraq. Many have written to express appreciation for the gift of cards and the opportunity that they provide for communicating with family.

Columbia Bank Consolidation

by Paula Zimmerman, Guest Writer

As some of you may know, through December 21, 2012, there were two branches of Columbia State Bank in Jefferson County: our branch here in Port Ludlow and the Port Townsend branch inside the Safeway store. Columbia State Bank has combined the two Jefferson County branches, and all accounts are now housed at the Port Ludlow Branch.

Paula Zimmerman has been busy managing both branches and dividing her time between the two. She is now in the Port Ludlow Branch full time, focusing the branch's efforts on local projects and partnerships that help make our community thrive. She is happy to make herself and her staff available for any questions or concerns you may have about the merge. There was no interruption of banking service during the transition.

The decision to close the Port Townsend Branch was a sound business choice based on the banking market. There are currently eleven banks competing for the market share. Columbia State Bank was unable to find a suitable location to build or remodel a stand-alone branch in Port Townsend. That setback, combined with the current economic environment, drove the decision to consolidate the branches.

Columbia State Bank continues its success across the Northwest with a footprint of 101 branches. Columbia State Bank President Melanie Dressel has made a strong commitment to be "the best community bank in every community Columbia serves."

For more information on Columbia State Bank, please visit their website at www.columbiabank.com.

AAUW Seeks Homes for Kitchen Tour

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) is in the planning stages of its annual Kitchen Tour which will be held this year in Port Ludlow on **Saturday, April 27**. This major AAUW event funds scholarships for graduating senior girls at Quilcene, Chimacum, and Port Townsend High Schools, as well as the AAUW math and phonics programs in the local elementary schools.

The group is looking for homes with beautiful new or remodeled kitchens to participate in the Kitchen Tour. If you have such a kitchen or know of someone who would be interested in being part of this exciting tour, please call Sandi Rezinat at 360-379-2886.

LPV Spruces Up

by Diane Ridgley, Guest Writer



LPV volunteers at work.

Submitted photo

Ludlow Point Village (LPV) volunteers joined together to improve the entry at South Bay Lane and Paradise Bay Road. Concerned about the look of their entry area, LPV3 and 4 presidents put together a plan for improvement.

The first challenge was to determine who the various owners were, besides SBCA, and secure their permission and funding to proceed with a beautification plan. Once that was done, the work began. More than 40 homeowner volunteers spent 3 days removing dead material, trimming, planting new plants, and putting down bark.

The result was wonderful. Everyone agrees that it was well worth the time and the money. Besides the improvement in the looks, we got better acquainted with a lot of our wonderful neighbors. We recommend group projects such as this to foster community spirit.

Mats Mats Bay Holds Final Public Meetings

Jefferson County Public Health reported on the Mats Mats Bay Water Quality Improvement Project at two public meetings in November and December. Staff from Public Health presented the results of a four-year effort to reduce sources of fecal pollution in the watershed and the bay.

The Mats Mats Bay Water Quality Improvement Project is a Centennial Clean Water Project, funded by Washington State Department of Ecology and Jefferson County. It has been directed at preventing downgrades of shellfish harvest areas and keeping the waters clean for safe recreation and enjoyment.

Causes of pollution that were addressed in the project included failing septic systems and farm runoff. Public Health staff conducted door-to-door septic “sanitary surveys” to help homeowners learn how to protect and monitor their septic systems. Classes were conducted and educational newsletters sent out to all residents in the area. Failing septic systems were repaired, with financial assistance available for qualified homeowners.

Interested parties should contact Jefferson County Public Health, Environmental Health Water Quality Program at 385-9444 Mondays through Thursdays with questions, or see the website at www.jeffersoncountypublichealth.org.

Hood Canal Bridge Improvements

Bicyclists will be happy to hear that the Washington State Department of Transportation is currently making improvements to the gridded sections of the Hood Canal Bridge in order to enhance bicycle safety. A five foot wide swath of grating is currently being filled with elastomeric concrete to provide a safer, smoother surface for bicyclists who previously had to contend with slick metal plates, raised rivets and gaps that caused falls.

A Department of Transportation spokesperson emphasized that this work does not mean that the bridge is part of a bicycle trail system. It is merely intended to promote safety and does not interfere with automobile access to the improved portions of the bridge.

The work is being completed by Razz Construction of Bellingham and the bulk of the 1.7 million dollar cost is covered by federal funds.

Pet Pals Donations Get Matching Moneys

Donations to the nonprofit charity Olympic Mountain Pet Pals will be matched up to \$5,000 by a local group. The benefactors are Robin Hake, Pam Kolacy, Ginny Messina, Shonda Scharf, Berry Shoen, Marsha Wiener, and Randy Winger.

The donations must be received by December 31 to get the matching money. Donations may be mailed to OMPP, PO Box 1466, Port Hadlock WA 98339.

Pet Pals works with local veterinarians to spay and neuter cats and dogs owned by low income persons. It also has a feral animal program and contributes to the cost of emergency medical care for pets in needy families.

Resort to Residence: Admiralty II Condos in Transition

by Cameron Sharp, Guest Writer



Sails are seen from the Admiralty II condos.

Submitted photo

Located on the north end of Ludlow Bay, the Admiralty II Condominiums were developed in the mid-1970's as the premier rental units of the Port Ludlow Resort. The condo Association is in the midst of a major transformation. Many of the Admiralty II units are now being converted from rentals to full-time, owner-occupied residences.

Interior spaces are being redesigned and updated to reflect personal tastes and provide comfortable waterfront living. Retirees, home-office workers and week-end home buyers are discovering that waterfront condos in Port Ludlow offer some of the best view property values available anywhere in the Northwest. The result has been that the Admiralty II condos have considerably higher value as residential properties.

Each of the six buildings at Admiralty II has four units—two upper and two lower. The lower apartments contain 1,278 sq. ft. while upper apartments have a second floor, providing 1,605 sq. ft. or more. Many upper units have added a good sized “bonus room” off the loft stairway. Original double-wall construction between units and the light-weight poured concrete floors provide outstanding sound insulation for each owner of the Admiralty II units.

North Bay and Admiralty I condos were constructed in the 1960s. Many of those have wonderful views as well. Admiralty I and II, and North Bay Condo Associations, along with other North Bay homeowners share the Beach Club with its pools, hot tub, tennis courts, exercise rooms and meeting facilities.

Admiralty II has just received FHA loan approval, making units easier to finance. The recently-completed Reserves Study shows a very healthy balance. Association assessments for maintaining the property and providing healthy reserves are competitive with other associations, thus providing financial assurance to new buyers. With careful maintenance and well-funded reserves, the Admiralty II has become a solid investment. In conjunction with pleasing amenities and wonderful neighbors, Admiralty II has become a favorite location to enjoy the resort, the views, and relaxed lifestyle all year.

Development Extension Requested

A public announcement appearing in the *Port Townsend Leader* indicates that Port Ludlow Associates has applied for an extension to the preliminary plat approval from seven to ten years (Case Number: ZON12-00031). The application was submitted on December 3. The application is pending. A date on the public hearing has not been announced.

County planner, David W. Johnson, is the project lead with responsibility for providing information about the project. Due to cuts in the Department of Community Development (DCD) budget, the staff is on reduced hours effective January 1, 2013. All DCD staff will be going to a four-day per week, 32-hour schedule, Monday through Friday, due to anticipated levels of revenue in the New Year. The cuts have substantially affected DCD's ability to process applications.

Call for Submissions to *Tidepools*

Tidepools is an annual literary and art magazine published by Peninsula College students and staff and sponsored by the Associated Student Council and the *Peninsula Daily News (PDN)*. Editors are seeking submissions of poetry, short stories and essays (less than 3,000 words), art photography, and original music for the 49th edition of the magazine.

The submissions to the magazine are blind judged. All submissions must be postmarked by **January 11**. Cash prizes are awarded in adult and youth categories.

Submit entries online at www.tidepools.student.pencol.edu. *Tidepools* also accepts paper entries, hand-delivered art and music on CD. Obtain paper forms at *PDN*, 305 W. First Street in Port Angeles.

Community Meetings

Port Ludlow Hiking Club

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

Friday, January 4 – Fort Flagler

This will be an easy 5-mile walk with forest and beach views of Port Townsend Bay, Rat Island and Admiralty Inlet. Following the hike, there will be a special guided tour (with coffee and donuts) of the Fort Flagler Historic Hospital (circ. 1905) by John and Carol Maki from the Friends of Fort Flagler. Information: Don & Lynne Folsom 437-9251.

Friday, January 18 – Clear Creek Trails

Join an easy 5-mile trek through the extensive trail system in Silverdale. Plan on lunch, shopping or a brew after the excursion. Information: Jack Manning 437-9522

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 as well as a view from Tamanowas Rock. Expect some muddy trails. A Discover Pass is required for parking. Information: John & Doreen Fillers 215-4049

Every Wednesday – Timberton Loop

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

Dine and Discover

On **Monday, January 7** at the Beach Club, hear retired journalist John Olson of Poulsbo describe his adventures traveling 12,000 miles around the United States in 2009, recreating a similar trip made by prize-winning author John Steinbeck in 1960. Steinbeck wrote *Travels with Charley* in 1962, and Olson recently published *Down the Road*.

Sign up at the Beach Club to bring a potluck dish to serve at least 10 people. To cancel or be put on a waiting list, call Bev and Dean Nelson at 437-0762.

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 (the state agency charged with restoring Puget Sound) 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 on 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 be put on a waiting 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 and 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.

First Wednesday Luncheon

It's Bingo and Brown Bag (bring your own lunch) for our Luncheon. Come join us on **Wednesday, January 2**, 11:00 a.m. at the Beach Club for a fun and casual afternoon. Bingo cards will be \$1 each or 6 for \$5, with a prize for every game. Dessert will be provided by our board. Sign up at the Beach Club or Bay Club by Monday, December 31. After that, contact Fran Bodman at 437-5510.

What a festive time we had at our December lunch! The Food Committee served us a delicious chicken salad and yummy holiday desserts on beautifully decorated tables. We were entertained by pianist Peter Mercer, music director of the Community United Methodist Church of Port Hadlock, and we all joined together to sing holiday songs. We had a very successful drawing for gift baskets prepared by Joanne Racki, raising even more money for the Food Bank. A very special thank you to all those who helped us kick off the holiday season with such joy.

Our donations to the Tri Area Food Bank have been outstanding this season. Let's keep it up. Bring your donations with you as we try our luck at bingo.

Our luncheon on **Wednesday, February 6** will be at the Bay Club. Our guest, a representative from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center, will share with us the details of the newly completed Orca Whale Exhibit.

Mark your calendar for the entire year. We lunch the first Wednesday of every month except July and August.

Port Ludlow Book Club

On **Tuesday, January 8**, 6:30 p.m. at the Bay Club, Hillary Jordan's amazing first novel, *Mudbound* will be the topic of discussion. This novel won the Bellwether Prize, founded by Barbara Kingsolver, to reward books of conscience, social responsibility and literary merit.

The book exudes incredible skill at constructing a novel that focuses on the Mississippi Delta in 1946 and life after WWII. Two WWII veterans return to their respective families knowing the world has changed, but their home community has not. The story is told in "six voices" in alternating chapters. Through the voices of these six characters, one learns how prejudice takes many forms, both subtle and brutal. The men and women of each family tell their versions of events and the reader is drawn into their lives as they become participants in a tragedy on the grandest scale involving the two veterans: Jamie, a charming young white man but disturbed war hero; and Ronsel, a black sharecropper's son who fought with General George Patton. Both men are battling nightmares from the horrors they witnessed in battle and each is unable to accept life in rural Mississippi after experiencing the eye-opening years in Europe.

With the Jim Crow south as a backdrop for this novel, the six characters in this book face an uphill battle every day. They will capture your heart and imagination, repel your sensibilities and live on in your mind after you have finished the book.

The book selection for February is *Nothing Daunted: The Unexpected Education of Two Society Girls in the West* by Dorothy Wickenden. Everyone is welcome. For questions, please call Martha Dawson at 437-4167.

Port Ludlow Garden Club

by Janie Cain, Guest Writer

The Port Ludlow Garden Club will feature Christie Lassen on **Wednesday, January 9**, 11:00 a.m. at the Beach Club. Most of us who love gardening and gardens also love seeing birds in our gardens. Christie's presentation on "How to Help Birds Survive Winter" promises to be educational and will provide practical information for winter bird feeding. Learn how to create an environment that encourages birds to inhabit your garden year round.

Christie and her husband, Marc, are the owners of Wild Birds Unlimited, located at 275953 Hwy 101. Gardener, WA. The shop celebrated its 20 year anniversary this year. The Lassen's bought the shop in 2002 after a fire gutted

the original building. They rebuilt it and reopened in 2003. Christie says it has been a wonderful experience. She feels fortunate to get to do what she loves every day, sharing her enthusiasm for birds, nature and wildlife habitat with others. She will have items from their shop for sale after the meeting.

Bring a friend or a new neighbor and your lunch; dessert and beverages are provided. Garden Club programs are free to members, and guests may attend for \$5. Annual membership is \$20 and members may pay for their 2013 membership at the door.

DigitalLife Community Event

On **Monday, January 14**, the Port Ludlow DigitalLife (PLDL) brings a guest speaker from Assured Independence. His seminar on "Improving Home Care for Seniors" will present options to problems we are facing, the technology used in delivering care, budgetary costs and more. There will be demonstrations of how systems such as telecare, meds management, mobile help buttons, etc. work. The evening begins at the Bay Club with a social time at 5:30; the presentation begins at 6:00.

- Office Group meets **Monday, January 7**, 10:30 a.m. – noon
- Mac Group meets **Monday, January 21**, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.
- Photography / Pro Show Gold meets **Monday, January 28**, 10:00 a.m. – noon.
- Women's Workshop meets **Monday, January 28**, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Workshops are held every Saturday morning from 10:30 a.m. to noon. 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.pldigi-tallife.org to see up-to-date Club news or to obtain a membership application.

Out to Lunch with the CEA

The Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) invites you to celebrate the New Year with lunch at Fiesta Jalisco Mexican Restaurant on Rhody Drive in Port Hadlock. The date is **Wednesday, January 16** and the time is 11:30 a.m. We will order from the menu and receive separate checks.

You may register at the Bay or Beach clubs or at www.ceainfo.org or by calling Pauline Stearns at 437-5123. The deadline for reservations is **Monday, January 14**.

Stamping and Paper Arts

Our first meeting in the New Year will be held at the Beach Club on **Wednesday, January 23** from 10:00 a.m. to noon. Please note this meeting and all future meetings will be held on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

Pat Nesbitt will get things started this year with her card-making demonstration using a cut out oval-framed card that she will provide, as well as the surprise that will go inside. Since everyone loves surprises, don't miss out on joining us in making one of these cards along with Pat.

Be sure to bring all those lovely handmade holiday cards you received to share at our Show and Tell portion of the meeting. Our postage fund for the Cards for the Troops project is now in the black again, thanks to all the donated money from members' gently used stamps and card making supplies for sale at bargain prices each meeting.

The Big Shot/Die Cut machine meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 22** from 10:00 a.m. to noon at the Beach Club. For more information, please call Barbara Emerson at 437-7800.

CEA Offers Great Decisions 2013 Course

Community Enrichment Alliance (CEA) is pleased to offer an educational outreach program titled Great Decisions 2013, sponsored by the Foreign Policy Association.

This program will be an eight-week course of study designed "to inspire us to develop a stronger curiosity and learning about our ever-changing world." The class will center around eight topics of a global nature and is being developed and published as you read this invitation. Topics include but are not limited to the following:

- Future of the Euro
- Intervention: The "responsibility to protect" doctrine
- China in Africa
- Egypt: How will the military and civilian government balance power?

We are confident this opportunity will expand your understanding of foreign policy in this fast-paced global marketplace.

Former Secretary of State Colin Powell summed up the importance of such a study this way: "Foreign policy is not just something for intellectuals and people in government to do, it is something for every American because we are counting on you to tell the leaders of your country what you want to see happen with the foreign policy of the United States of America."

The cost, including registration and materials, will be \$25 for singles and \$30 for two sharing a syllabus. These materials need to be ordered by **Tuesday, January 15** to assure late January delivery. Reading the first chapter prior to the first class on **Wednesday, February 6** is extremely important. The February classes will be held at the Bay Club and the March classes will be held at the Beach Club. All classes are scheduled between the hours of 3:00 and 5:00 p.m.

Any questions, call Mari Stuart at 437-8140 or email marimstuart@gmail.com.

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Port Ludlow Village Council

Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Report

by Vicki Tallerico, Secretary

President David Armitage called the Thursday, December 6, General Meeting of the PLVC to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Bay Club. Other Council members present were Tony Durham, Tamra McDermid, Linda Haskins, Laury Hunt, Larry Nobles, Lois Ruggles, Vicki Tallerico and Terry Umbreit. Absent were Susan Oemichen and Jerry Purdy. A quorum was declared. The meeting was recorded. Seven residents attended the meeting.

Council Actions

Secretary's Report: A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the minutes from the PLVC General Meeting for November 1.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Linda Haskin gave the recent Treasurer's Report. IMQ Legal Fund contained \$3,645; the General Operating Account held \$21,289; Certificate of Deposit stood at \$10,939; General Operating Funds available were \$32,228. Following a discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report.

Guest Speaker: David W. Johnson, from the Department of Community Development Lead Planner for Port Ludlow, announced that the Department of Community Development will start a four-day work week starting in January as part of a need to reduce expenses by 20 percent. The department is considered an Enterprise Department which means that it needs to generate 50 percent of its budget from fees. Given that there is no or minimal new home construction, fees are at a minimum.

The department is working on methods to improve the delivery of services and become more efficient. This work looks to be worthwhile and hold promise of having a significant payback.

Iron Mountain Quarry (IMQ) now has two active legal actions against the County: an action against the original SEPA determination and a second against the mitigation attached to the Storm Water Permit. Court dates have not been set.

Committee Reports

Trails/Natural Resources: Soozie Darrow reported that the Trails Committee has made significant progress in completing the Olympic Terrace II trail. The trail has been laid out, cut in and partially backed.

Port Ludlow Village Council Meetings

General Meeting

Thursday, January 3

3:00 p.m., Beach Club

Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, January 15

3:00 p.m., Beach Club

www.plvc.org

Wellness Committee: Ursel Krumme reported that 110 people attended the Wellness Forum on "Healthcare Coverage including Medicare" held on November 14 at the Bay Club. The speakers included a representative from the Washington State Insurance Commission who discussed the implications of the Affordable Care Act; Marjorie Stewart from State Health Insurance Benefits Advisors gave an update on Medicare. Lastly, the Harrison Hospital's Medical Quality Director presented the new standardized patient discharge instructions and monitoring tools growing out of the Affordable Care Act. More details concerning this information can be found on www.plhealth.org.

Tom Broughner has scheduled the next Forum to be held on **February 28**. The Forum will address the control strategies for pre-diabetes and diabetes. Speakers will include Port Ludlow Clinic's Wes Schott, ARNP and Jefferson Healthcare's Certified Diabetes Educators Amber Benner, RN,BSN and Irene Marble, Dietician.

Friday Market: Vicki Tallerico's presentation on the future of the market was tabled. It will be a discussion topic at the next PLVC Workshop Meeting.

Maritime: Phil Otness explained there is an opportunity to remove the creosoted pilings as part of the Bangor Pier Expansion Mitigation. A general discussion of the opportunity, pros and cons, will take place at the PLVC's January General Meeting.

Communications: Tamra McDermid received documents for the Stipulation Waiving Initial Hearing Pursuant to RCW 36.70C.080(5) and Proposed Order Setting Case Schedule; a copy of the agenda request to change the Final 2013 Budget for potential adoption on December 10, 2012 or a subsequent date; and, a copy of the Public Notice of Type I Land Decision and SEPA Addendum.

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New Committee for Environmental Compliance: The members of the PLVC see the need for a new committee to monitor the health of the local environment. With the addition of the Iron Mountain Quarry, Port Ludlow has five quarries in the near vicinity. There is a need to assure that Port Ludlow's environmental quality is not adversely impacted by all of these mining operations; therefore, the council is looking for volunteers with an interest in the environment and a willingness to work with State Agencies to monitor the environment. If you have any questions or are interested in serving on this committee, please contact David Armitage at 437-0347.

Banners: There is no approved design yet. The Council proposes to order the banners from Sound Repro Graphics of Bainbridge Island.

Announcements: The next General Meeting will be held on **Thursday, January 3**, 3:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. The next Workshop Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, January 15**, 3:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. Information about the PLVC and Port Ludlow is available at www.plvc.org.

Removal of Creosote Pilings in Ludlow Bay

by Phil Otness, PLVC Maritime Representative

Once again, there is an opportunity to remove the creosote pilings and dolphins (groups of pilings) in Ludlow Bay. The US Navy has been approved to expand wharfs at the Kitsap Naval Base Bangor and has paid \$6.9 million as mitigation. These moneys are available for removal projects. The Hood Canal Coordination Council (HCCC) will use the funds to remove old docks and pilings and eliminate other shoreline problems. Port Ludlow Bay's proximity to the Bangor Base qualifies it to be included in the program.

The PLVC considered this issue at its December meeting and voted to defer its decision until the **Thursday, January 3** meeting in order to hear from the community on this issue. The Council has asked a representative of the HCCC to discuss the proposal at the January PLVC meeting. Residents also may send comments and opinions regarding the advisability of removing the pilings to the Village Council via the Bay or Beach Clubs, to members of the council, or to Phil Otness (otness@cablespeed.com).

It has been a goal of State and Federal agencies for many years to remove those older pilings and docks that leach chemicals into the water that harm aquatic life. The topic of removing the creosote pilings in Ludlow Bay was discussed before the PLVC in 2010 with no resolution.

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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

January

Tues., January 1

Beach Club Closed for New Year's Day
Bay Club Opens at Noon

Wed., January 2

9:30 – 11:30 a.m., Long Range Planning meeting, Bay Club
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., First Wednesday Bingo and
Brown Bag Luncheon, Beach Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., Voice staff meeting, Beach Club

Thurs., January 3

9:00 a.m. – noon, Bayview Board meeting (members),
Bay Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC General meeting, Beach Club

Fri., January 4

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club leaves for Fort Flagler, Bridge Deck
9:30 – 11:00 a.m., SBCA Board meeting (members), Bay Club

Sat., January 5

1:30 – 3:30 p.m., North Bay Condo 1 meeting (members),
Beach Club

Mon., January 7

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

Tues., January 8

9:00 – 10:30 a.m., Trails/Natural Resources Committee
meeting, Bay Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, CEA Meeting, Inn At Port Ludlow
1:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLUSH Investment meeting, Bay Club
6:30 – 8:00 p.m., Book Club discusses *Mudbound*, Bay Club
7:00 p.m., Estate Planning Seminar, Beach Club

Wed., January 9

11:00 a.m., Garden Club, Beach Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn "Secrets of Mental
Math," Lecture Series, Beach Club
4:00 – 5:00 p.m., Artists' League Reception, Columbia Bank
Lobby
5:00 – 6:00 p.m., Artists' League Reception continues,
Art Gallery
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., USCG Auxiliary general meeting,
Fire Station

Thurs., January 10

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

Fri., January 11

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Hands on Clay, Bay Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, Inner Harbor Board meeting (members),
Bay Club
5:00 – 7:00 p.m., SBCA Monthly Social (members), Bay Club

Sat., January 12

9:00 – 10:00 a.m., WALI 1 meeting, Beach Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, North Bay Condo II meeting (members),
Beach Club

Mon., January 14

10:00 – 11:00 a.m., WALI 2 meeting, Bay Club
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., WALI cooks, Bay Club
3:30 – 5:30 p.m., MGA Board meeting, Bay Club
5:30 p.m., DigitalLife Social Time, Bay Club
6:00 p.m., DigitalLife Presentation, Bay Club

Tues., January 15

3:00 – 5:00 p.m., PLVC Workshop, Beach Club
5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Fairwood Village Board meeting (members),
Bay Club
6:30 p.m., Readers' Theater, call for location, 437-2861
7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Fly Fisher General meeting, Bay Club

Wed., January 16

10:15 a.m. – 11:45, Long Range Planning meeting, Bay Club
10:00 a.m. – noon, Stamp and Paper Arts Club, Beach Club
11:30 a.m., CEA Out to Lunch Bunch at Fiesta Jalisco, Port
Hadlock
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn "Secrets of Mental
Math," Lecture Series, Beach Club

Thurs., January 17

1:00 – 4:00 p.m., LMC Board meeting (members), Beach Club
6:30 – 9:00 p.m., Weather Service Spotter Class, Beach Club

Fri., January 18

8:30 a.m., Hiking Club leaves for Clear Creek Trails,
Bridge Deck
9:30 – 11:00 a.m., South Bay ARC Review Committee,
Bay Club

Sat., January 19

6:00 – 8:00 p.m., North Bay Homeowners Chili Cook-off and
Bingo Night (members), Beach Club

Mon., January 21

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

Wed., January 23

10:00 a.m. – noon, Stamp and Paper Arts, Beach Club
3:00 – 5:00 p.m., CEA Live and Learn "Secrets of Mental
Math," Lecture Series, Bay Club

Thurs., January 24

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

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Fri., January 25

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

Sat., January 26

9:00 – 10:00 a.m., WALI 1 meeting Beach Club

Mon., January 28

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Driver Safety Class, Beach Club

10:00 – 11:00 a.m., WALI 2 meeting, Bay Club

10:00 a.m. – noon, DigitalLife Photo/Pro Show Gold SIG (members), Bay Club

6:00 – 7:30 p.m., DigitalLife Women’s Workshop, Bay Club

Wed., January 30

1:00 – 3:00 p.m., Life Writing Workshop, Port Ludlow Community Church

Thurs., January 31

9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., Driver Safety Class, Beach Club

Future Events

Hiking Club leaves for Anderson Lake, February 1

SBCA Board Meeting, February 1

PLVC General Meeting, February 3

CEA Great Decisions 2013 Course begins, February 6

Performing Arts in Port Ludlow presents “Music from around the World”, a musical journey with the International String Trio, February 22

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LMC Board Meeting Highlights

by Vaughn Bradshaw, LMC Secretary

The monthly business meeting of the Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) Board of Trustees was held November 15 at the Beach Club. The following are highlights of that meeting:

Due to dry rot, the handrails outside the Bay View Room are being replaced by the maintenance staff.

It was announced that Sheila Brunstad has resigned from the Operations Committee.

The installation of a drainage pipe from Pioneer Drive to Oak Bay Road is now complete and the area affected has been hydroseeded.

The Port Ludlow Drainage District (PLDD) has verbally communicated that they will contribute approximately \$11,700 toward the cost of correcting drainage problems around the exterior of the Beach Club. They are agreeing to help fund the installation of a French drain to remediate inadequate soil drainage and site slope conditions because that is within the scope of their charter. PLDD funds will not be used on the portion of the work that corrects deficiencies in the building's downspout collector. They will provide their contribution once the project has been completed and invoices are received. The necessary permits for the project have been received from Jefferson County.

A draft easement has been prepared by the LMC Attorney to formally allow LMC staff and members access to what is currently the driveway to the Beach Club maintenance area, as well as a few parking spaces in what is currently the Harbormaster parking lot. The draft easement will be forwarded to Port Ludlow Associates (the owner of the property) for review by their attorney. In addition to formalizing a long-standing practice by LMC maintenance staff as the PLA completes their plan for the resort, the board is considering the addition of direct access to the lower level of the Beach Club by members with limited mobility.

Important Dates

LOA Meeting
Monday, January 7, 9:30 a.m.

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

LMC Board Meeting
Thursday, January 17, 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 will be held on Thursday, December 20. The meeting following is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on **Thursday, January 17.**

People Who Make a Difference

by Teddy Clark, President LMC

Recently, I was taking a walk to get a breath of fresh air and enjoy a brief period of sunshine. During that walk, I met a woman walking the opposite direction; we both nodded and said hello and commented on a lovely day. As we were passing each other she said, "Thank you, I appreciate all of the things you do for our community." I must say those few words made my day.

I don't know this lovely lady, but since then I have thought of some things I want to say. There are so many people who have spent countless hours working on behalf of our community association. Thank you to all our members who volunteer on committees, ambassadors who contact their neighbors, trustees, our General Manager and wonderful staff. Thanks to all of these amazing volunteers, our community association is at a new crossroads, working positively with many community members to accomplish the work of the LMC.

The votes cast by our members on the two measures before the LMC on December 6 was a clear affirmation that members are paying attention to the work done by community volunteers. Members took the time to read

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the *Navigator* and *Voice* articles, as well as attend workshops and community meetings to gain information and make an informed vote. Many of you called our General Manager or a trustee or committee members to fact check. That is a very positive sign for a community that cares about our shared future.

The members who have volunteered in 2012 are too numerous to name here, but they deserve thanks and recognition. Working together, you have all helped to make a positive difference in our community. May this shared commitment continue into the next year.

The New Year is a wonderful time to get involved as we develop plans for the future. Check out the various standing committees, attend a meeting or become involved in a special project. Remember to keep reading the *Voice* and the *Navigator*, check out the LMC website, visit the Beach Club and check out the bulletin boards. We have many very interesting people in our community with creative ideas and a willingness to work with others to benefit our community association. Join in and get involved; it may be a bit of work but it is also very rewarding. Catch the spirit.

Update from the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

On December 6, the LMC membership had an opportunity to vote on two ballot measures at a Special Member Meeting. Ballot Item 1 increases the assessment base beginning in 2013. Item 1 required majority approval by participating condominium and lot owner members. Both classes of members overwhelmingly approved this ballot item with 77 percent from the condominium owners and 65 percent from the lot owner members supporting this measure.

Ballot Item 2 asked members to approve a \$200 Special Assessment to fund Beach Club electrical and drainage repairs. The Special Assessment is payable as two \$100 payments due in **January 2013** and **January 2014**. This ballot item, which required majority approval of the participating members, received a 70 percent approval.

Not only were we pleased with the high percentage of approval, we were even more surprised and encouraged by the fact that more than 55 percent of our members cast their vote in the Special Member Meeting. In recent years LMC has felt fortunate to have 40 percent participation at member meetings.

Now that the funding source has been secured, the LMC Board of Trustees is signing contracts to move ahead on the electrical and drainage repairs. By the time this article

is published, LMC should have a timeline set for both projects. We will do everything we can to keep the disruption to our members to a minimum. However, we do expect that the electrical project will require a complete Beach Club shutdown for possibly as long as seven days.

We will keep our members apprised of our progress and of any scheduled closures. Because we have several reciprocal groups using the Beach Club, we will do our best to give everyone as much advance notice as possible of pending closures.

If you have questions or comments about this article, or the work that is ongoing at the Beach Club, I can be reached at 360-437-9201 or beachclub@olympus.net.

North Bay Potluck Chili Cook Off

Think you can cook chili? Sign up at the Beach Club to be one of ten entrants in this year's competition. Not a cook but you like to eat chili? Come to the event and bring a side dish to share. Taste all the entries and cast a vote for your favorite. Ribbons for the winners!

After dinner, stay for bingo and prizes. The event is scheduled for **Saturday, January 19** at 6:00 p.m. at the Beach Club. Don't forget your place settings and BYOB if you wish.

The next North Bay Potluck will be a talent show in **February**. Watch for details and practice your act. For information or to volunteer, contact Fran at 437-5110 or franbodman@cablespeed.com. (icon)

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SBCA Important Dates

Monthly Board Meeting
Friday, January 4, 9:30 a.m.
Visit <http://plsbc.org>

Special Workshop
Monday, January 7, 9:30 a.m.

All SBCA members are welcome. 

SBCA December Meeting News

by Jen Portz, Contributing Writer

Sue Oemichen called the December Board meeting to order Friday, December 7 at 9:30 a.m. Directors Kay Cathcart, Richard Grieves, Ken Thomas, John Walker and Chris Whitehurst were present; 122 members attended. A quorum was determined and agenda and November 2 Board and November 5 Special Meetings' minutes were unanimously approved. Grieves moved to have Steve Shanklin fill the vacant Board position; it passed with Whitehurst dissenting.

Walker observed, "We didn't fire Linda (Colasurdo), she resigned... She left a board meeting in tears... She didn't like the pressure of the relationship of the Board." He added, "Mike (Morgan) is on medical leave. We wish he would get well and get back." Oemichen reported on the Club's status, saying the Board's "philosophy is trust but verify... the focus is on accountability." She acknowledged a September 5 unannounced meeting, "We shouldn't have gotten the Board together... We could have sent out an email but didn't."

In management's absence, the Board stood four-hour shifts. They decorated, handled the annual Fire Department audit, and ensured timely employee pay. Out-of-date fire extinguishers and exit light issues were found and fixed. The water heater was replaced and the kitchen phone repaired. With Colasurdo's help they sent emails to members. The pool's new heat pump needs to be hooked up and outside lighting repaired. Oemichen noted Morgan's two weeks medical leave was extended an additional two weeks. Grieves later said that he anticipated hiring an Interim Operations Manager.

Thomas gave a financial process explanation and monthly report (available online); he encouraged audits every two years. Bill Browne asked for clarification regarding a person "banned from the club;" Grieves advised Shattuck sent Morgan a letter saying "if you're on sick leave,

stay home and get better." Browne asked whether the Club was assuming accounting duties; Thomas noted he was "investigating the possibility." Michelle Mattoni (CPCU, ARM, CIC. Mattoni writes insurance nationally) said when people say, "Linda left crying," it implies a hostile environment; she questioned if SBCA had an Employers' Liability Insurance Policy, as Director and Officer Policies generally exclude employer liability; if a claim had not been opened, she suggested a discussion with SBCA's broker. Oemichen remarked, "Asking for accountability isn't hostile."

The Financial Report was received by unanimous vote. Grieves noted that historically employee compensation had been kept confidential; counsel advised the Board was under no obligation to do so and state law allowed members to see all financial information. Cathcart noted the Board had received several letters and emails, at least one of which was anonymous.

Architectural Review (ARC): Brett Oemichen noted three tree removal applications for view or hazard. Another application for view maintenance required additional information. Biata Simonson was assisting with Colasurdo's job. Whitehurst said work on the Design Standards' revisions is ongoing. Shanklin was unanimously approved as the ARC's second Board member.

Facilities Planning: Shanklin gave an update on landscaping; bids for trim painting and dry-rot identification were needed; the Reserve Study should be to members via email after January's meeting, and recommended it be "fully funded to 100 percent as required by law." Grieves noted the law "encouraged" a Reserve Account but "the level of funding is left up to the club." Ed Knodle was unanimously confirmed and, as Shanklin was now a Board member, Grieves resigned from the committee. Eline Lybarger reported additional caulking work on the trellis would be finished and planting completed soon.

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Finance: Thomas began a discussion regarding bringing Linda Cook's job of accountant in-house. No decision was made.

Long Range Planning: Sherry Robinson advised the deadline for returning SWOT (Strength, Weakness, Opportunities and Threats) worksheets was extended to **January 5**.

Other Highlights: Oemichen explained the 2012/2013 Board Goals (available online). Whitehurst moved to have her letter of explanation attached to the August meeting minutes; it passed with Cathcart dissenting. Walker suggested changing the "tour of duty on the Board" to three years. Jarilyn Rust volunteered to assist the Board in finding new and better accounting software. She will head-up a Working Members Task Force to look for ways to be more inclusive. The Board voted unanimously to authorize Oemichen to hire an Interim Operations Manager (Colasurdo's job) to work only until Morgan returns, saying "When Mike's back that person's role wouldn't be required." Members were advised of the Special Meeting **Monday, January 7** at 9:30 a.m. to address "management structure." The Board moved to Executive Session to discuss personnel at 11:42 a.m. Upon returning to open meeting, two motions were made and unanimously approved: Employee Holiday Bonuses totaling \$1,800 (taxes included); and including an employees' spouse on the health insurance policy.

Status of the Pool and Spa

by John Walker, SBCA Board Member

With Mike Morgan, Director, pool and spa maintainer on medical leave, you might be anxious to know the status of several changes to the Bay Club swimming facilities. In the past few weeks, there have been some significant improvements, which include completing the electrical portion of our pumping system to meet the 2008 Federal Virginia Graeme Baker Act which requires special drain covers, pump switches and drain suction alarms for user safety concerns.

Two heat pumps are being installed to reduce the electricity required for heating our pools 24/7. Conservatively estimated, this investment can be repaid in electricity cost savings in approximately 10 years.

Coincidentally, the bottom fell out of the 50-gallon hot water tank in the pump room, which we were able to have replaced by the next day.

Biada Simonson, our new evening staff personnel, had been trained by Mike and has ably taken over the voodoo

of the necessary chemicals to control the pool and spa vermin. On a temporary basis, Jim Kocker from The Inn At Port Ludlow has agreed to assist us with weekly back washing and vacuuming the pool bottom.

All of the above leaves one delicate maneuver for the Board to handle...temperature. The pool is usually at 84 degrees and only varies by ½ to 1 degree when water is added and then is recovered in 6 to 8 hours. The pool heater is about two years old and is quite responsive, as compared to the older one for the spa. That spa heater has had spits, spurts, ups and downs in its most recent life, from 96 -106 degrees F. We are soliciting bids for replacement of the rusting 15-year-old hulk. In the meantime, enjoy your spa and keep soakings to 15 minutes.

South Bay Monthly Social

Come to the Bay Club on **Friday, January 11**, for our always fun Social. Bring an appetizer to enjoy with the provided drink of your choice. See you all there, starting at 5:00 p.m. 🍷

South Bay Potluckers

Have you turned around twice and discovered some of our friends have departed for warmer climes? Do you feel proud of yourself for "sticking it out?" Well, let's get together on **Monday, January 21** from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Bay Club with the South Bay Potluckers and toot our own horns for being so hearty.

All you need to do is bring an entrée, a salad, or a dessert for 8-10 people, a libation of your choice, your table setting and \$1 each. What could be easier? You may sign up in the activity book at the Bay Club, or by calling Roz Greene at 437-9870. 🍷

Free Spirits' New Look

At the Free Spirits' annual meeting, the Board asked for assistance from the membership regarding the Free Spirits events. We specifically looked at types, number, and cost of events. Input was collected and time was spent on how to respond. There were decisions to make on minor, temporary alterations to test their popularity with the membership.

Generally, information collected indicated that both reducing the number of major events and eliminating live entertainment at each event was worth trying. Our first step was to reduce the number of formal dinners from five to four and schedule them seasonally. Currently, we provide events in July, October, December, February and April - with an informal Pizza Party at the Annual Meeting.

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Our events so far this year have been a July Fourth celebration, a Halloween Party, and our Annual Holiday Dinner. Minor changes were made in October by experimenting with canned music instead of live entertainment. In December we did not have music during dinner, but we did invite a choral group from Port Townsend High School to provide our Holiday entertainment. These minor changes seemed to work.

Our major change this year will be the cancellation of the Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance. Instead we will hold an April Spring Dinner/Dance. This event may change each year dependent upon interest and attendance. The annual Pizza Party/Membership Meeting in June will remain the same.

With so many activities available, we hope our changes will not impact our membership negatively. Our goal is to maintain the same quality of event and not raise the cost to our members. We welcome your comments and your suggestions.

Remember: **Saturday, April 27**, Spring Dinner/Dance and **Thursday, June 6**, Annual Meeting and Pizza Party. ☚



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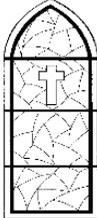
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Port Ludlow Associates

Real Estate Developments

by Diana Smeland, President, Port Ludlow Associates

Fully explaining information that is familiar to me is a challenge and sometimes I need reminders to be clearer in my communication. In last month's article, I made a reference to OWSI which is an acronym for Olympic Water and Sewer, Inc. Also, that The Fireside Restaurant is located at the Port Ludlow Inn. It is always more difficult for a restaurant when it is inside another building. Thank you to the caller who requested clarification.

Many people have expressed an interest in the progress of Port Ludlow Associates' real estate developments. By the time you read this, our last Olympic Terrace II home will have closed. As a result, we are examining which of our other plats will be our next building focus. An important consideration before we build new homes is that our market must prove it can sustain property values. We are currently undergoing an analysis to determine this. If our completed studies confirm that market values support our plans, we will commence building additional homes.

Our Ludlow Bay Village Condominiums are an amazing project which we'd love to start building today. However, after having this project appraised and after taking a focused look at the Port Ludlow condominium market, we were not satisfied with the outcome.

As of today, we have found that the condominium market is not currently supporting the values we would like to see. Ultimately, before we move forward, we want to see the average price per square foot increase and will wait for the condominium market to recover a bit more in order to protect both our values and all the other condominium values here in Port Ludlow.

Additionally, we have recently learned that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has changed the Flood Zones in our area. We will be working to verify whether these new boundary lines will affect this project. In the interim, look for the addition of a condominium page to our Port Ludlow Resort website (www.portludlowresort.com) soon. This new page will allow prospective purchasers to better view the design, finishes, and layouts of each of these waterfront units. The project is still tentative, however. Until the condominium market improves, our questions regarding the FEMA boundaries are settled, and we have at least three mutually accepted contracts in place, building will be postponed.

It is sometimes hard to see what is happening behind the scenes, as 80 percent of the work is usually accomplished before any visible signs are seen. We are excited to see things moving in what we perceive to be the right direction.

Let me know your thoughts on Port Ludlow. My direct line is 360-437-8342, and my email address is dsme-land@portludlowassociates.com.

Congratulations, Bob and Clydene!

by Ryan Mowery, Designated Broker, John L. Scott Port Ludlow

We are excited for 2013 and thankful for a great year in 2012. At the time of writing this article (early December), I'm wrapping up my budgets, performance audits and helping brokers plan for 2013. It's important to acknowledge our brokers' efforts throughout the year. Without our brokers, John L. Scott Port Ludlow would cease to exist. It's because of them that I have a great office to enjoy each and every day.

It's the time of the year where the entire John L. Scott organization recognizes their production award winners. It gives me great pleasure to welcome back to the production award list, Bob and Clydene Lloyd. Many of you know Bob and Clydene. They have lived, worked and played in Port Ludlow for well over 22 years. Bob and Clydene will be recognized in an exclusive list of John L. Scott real estate brokers due to their real estate success in 2012. In a market that has experienced a lot of pain, Bob and Clydene have helped even more clients buy or sell homes this year than in the recent past. They use the power of teamwork, coupled with over 48 years of combined experience; and, most importantly a proven marketing plan.

Bob and Clydene understand the importance of technology in today's real estate. We know that buyers are spending more time online and on their mobile apps. Don't be surprised to see Bob standing in front of a listing looking up comps with his iPad, or Clydene discussing the three factors that get homes sold in today's market: Presentation, Promotion and Pricing.

Presentation: The Lloyds' use presentation techniques to make your home look its best to attract the greatest number of potential buyers.

Promotion: They market on a local and regional level, as well as nationally and internationally, through a

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network of brokerages across the nation and around the world. They create an individual website for each listing and it has its own web address, which is included in all marketing. This gives every buyer access to a photo gallery of your home's best attributes, maps, driving directions, demographics, schools, social media sharing and more. They can connect with buyers even more closely with the John L. Scott Mobile App.

Pricing: The Lloyds' understand that today's buyers are more educated than ever before. They have seen many homes online and even walked through some of them. Bob and Clydene pride themselves in communicating to their clients the current market conditions. Their goal is to get as many qualified buyers as possible to see your home. Pricing is a big component to formula.

Bob and Clydene's 2012 success wasn't a reactive guess. They are competent professionals who have evolved with the demands of today's real estate needs. I'm very proud to have witnessed their growth. I have always viewed them as being honest, ethical, professional and hard working, and always with a smile. I can also say tech savvy. Bob and Clydene, congratulations on your production award from Lennox Scott. You have earned it!

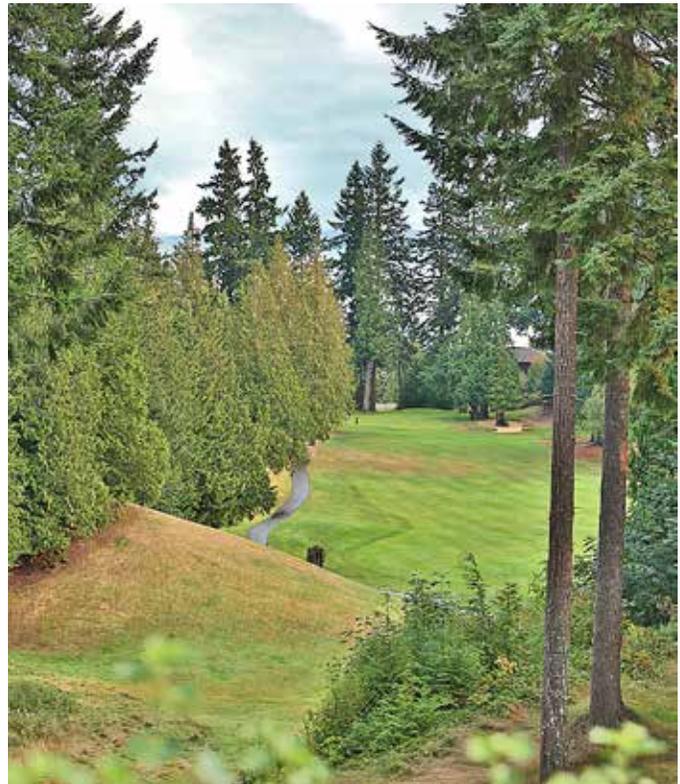
Happenings at the Resort

by Jennifer Lampe, Marketing Manager, Port Ludlow Associates

Now with the holidays and celebrations of the New Year officially behind us, most of us are looking ahead to the changes we'd like to make in the upcoming year.

If you're looking to exercise more and are looking for a new challenge, why not try adding a little more golf into your life? Golf can be great physical and mental exercise, plus The Port Ludlow Golf Club is offering Unlimited Golf Specials. Weekdays, play all day for just \$39 or weekends for just \$49. If you enjoy your day, you might consider purchasing three rounds for just \$99. Also, the "Arctic Open" is just around the corner on **January 13**, and the "Valentine Scramble" is on **February 10**, so be sure to sign up soon at the Pro Shop.

After you play a round or two, be sure to stop into Niblicks Café where you can try the brand new menu and meet the new Café Manager, Liz, who arrived just last month. She has already made some exciting changes to Niblicks. Come up and say hello when you get a few moments and give one of her new breakfast or lunch specials a try. You will be surprised how many healthy new options are available to enjoy.



View of the Port Ludlow Golf Course.

Submitted photo

For those looking to spend more time with family and friends during the New Year, may we suggest our "Happy Hour" which is offered every day from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at The Fireside Restaurant? The Fireside is the perfect spot to enjoy an abundant selection of beverages, one or two selections from the exceptionally-sized small plate menu and the conversation of someone you care about.

However, if you'd like to truly kick the New Year off in style, be sure to try the Fireside's first 2013 winemaker dinner "Slightly Mind Blowing" on **January 18**. The Fireside is proud to host Trey Busch and his slightly mind-blowing collection of Bordeaux-style blends and Syrahs during this extraordinary evening of wine and cuisine.

The event features Busch's nationally acclaimed limited production and limited release wines paired with a multi-course Northwest inspired tasting menu, prepared by the resort's Executive Chef Dan Ratigan. Busch's wines rarely make it beyond the cellars of wine club members, so this is a night not to be missed. Tickets to this "Slightly Mind Blowing" event are \$120 per person and are available at <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/300183>.

Next, if travel is on your list of New Year's resolutions, The Resort At Port Ludlow has a gift for you! Now, as

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Finally, for all the boaters out there, we hope you'll stop by to see the Port Ludlow team at the 2013 Seattle Boat Show between **January 25 and February 3** at our booth in the West Hall (booth 1034). The Seattle Boat Show is always an inspiring way to start planning the 2013 cruising season.



New at the Fireside

At the Fireside, we like our martinis dry, our whiskies up and our single malts neat. We believe simple is often better. Enter St. Germain: A French liqueur made from elderflower blossoms, offering a curious and complex mixture of delicate and subtle flavors.

Try it served up as an aperitif, or enjoy it neat at the end of your meal while nestled up next to the fireplace. St. Germain is best when served simply, although its flavors are anything but simple.

New Year's Eve is next on the calendar. To purchase tickets, please visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/285467. Stay overnight with an amazing rooms package—overnight stay on December 31 with breakfast the next morning. Call for reservations or visit www.portludlowresort.com.

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Sports & Games

Duplicate Bridge Winners for November

by Tom Stone, Scribe

November 5: Ted Wurtz/Eleanor Rodin, first; Ralph Phillips/Lois Ruggles, second; Norm Crump/Darrell Fett, third.

November 12: Lucy Stone/Joy Herring, first; Dan/Soozie Darrow, second; Ralph Stroy/Nancy McGillis, third.

November 19: Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, first; Doris/Ian Feltham, second; Sandra Flaherty/Marge Wille, third.

November 26: Tom Stone/Ted Wurtz, first; Norm Crump/Darrell Fett, second; Sandra Flaherty/Marge Wille, third.

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

Anchors Away is not Just a Song

by Beverly Browne, Managing Editor

The use of long putters anchored to the body, also called belly putters, has become increasingly popular among golfers. But now the USGA and the R&A have proposed a ban on the practice of anchoring the end of the putter to the body, thus creating a hinged stroke. Long putters could still be used; they just couldn't be anchored. The rule would take effect on January 1, 2016.

As increasing numbers of players have come to see the stroke as an advantage, officials have become concerned that the stroke may supplant traditional putting. But is it really an advantage? The jury seems to be out. None of the golfers named among the 20 best putters in the PGA rely on the anchored stroke. However, three of the last five major champions used a belly putter.

There is a three-month period to comment on the ruling and professional players have already begun chiming in. Those who oppose the stroke, which has been used since the 1930s, include Tiger Woods. Woods believes that anchoring the stroke takes away from "nerves in the hands." Other golfers are more lackadaisical about the ruling. Jack Nicklaus, for one, says that golfers will adjust.

If the rule is adopted, the penalty would be the loss of a hole in match play and a two-stroke penalty in stroke play.

PLWGA Greet the New Year

by Peggy Selby, Guest Writer



Standing water challenges play.

Submitted photo

The lights are down; the tree is gone. All that remains is to find a place to store the decorations that again seem to have multiplied this season. I know everything fit in these boxes last year. It is a mystery how the same stuff won't fit in the same boxes.

During dinner at a friend's house last week, our host asked if I was a "mudder". Now, I have always thought of the race track with that term, but according to the World Book Dictionary, it is also an athlete who plays well on a wet muddy ground. (Right next to the definition was a picture of Port Ludlow in December.) With the river running through the fairway at that time, a better question would have been if I were a swimmer or a white water rafter? The river is now gone, but the rain just keeps on falling.

Winter golfers look to the skies hoping for sunshine. It's odd that decisions to skip golf when it is below 50 degrees slip to 40 degrees then down to the 30s when one is desperate. I look out at the sunshine on the glistening firs

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and know there is no more beautiful place to golf in the winter. Just bundle up and take advantage of the sunshine.

Tuesday morning golf times are 9:51 and 10:00. If the sun doesn't show, there is always hot coffee or cocoa at Niblicks. It is a good time to catch up with the golf gang and events at the course.

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Zumba Gold is a Latin-based dance fitness class for both men and women. It features exciting music and elevating rhythms; it's a good workout and it's fun. If you want to enjoy yourself and feel better at the same time, come and try Zumba Gold.

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Men's Golf Associations (MGA) Consider Rules Changes

The Men's Niners officers are presently reviewing the Niner's bylaws to include a formal procedure for using the gold tees. Being considered is a Bylaw under the Standing Rules section stating that Men playing with the nine-hole golfers have the option to play from the forward Gold Tees provided that the man is 70 years old or older and has a nine-hole handicap of twelve or higher. Gold tee players will be in their own handicap flights.

There is also interest among the 18-hole MGA players to initiate a Forward Tee flight for in 2013. To initiate the plan, 10 -15 interested players would be required.

Proposed rules include the following:

- Forward Tee players would be eligible for all MGA sponsored play
- Player must be 75 or older in 2013
- Must have a handicap of 25 or greater
- Sign up for play would be on a weekly basis
- Forward tee players would be in a unique flight
- All prize money generated within the flight would be distributed within the flight
- KPs would be paid across all players (as now)

- Forward tee players would be eligible for Ludlow Cup play - team selection would continue to be based on annual play
- Tournaments (including the Ludlow Cup) would be flighted across all players (same as today), with play from the white tees
- Home and Home play would stay as is with play from the white tees

Feedback on the rules changes should be submitted to the trustees.



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This Month on the Peninsula

First Night Celebration: December 31. Sponsored by the Jefferson County Historical Society, 360-385-1003, jchsmuseum.org.

Fort Flagler State Park: 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: Port Townsend. Beach access. Historic buildings and lighthouse. 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: \$4 for adults, free for those under 12. Call 379-6673.

Jefferson Museum of Art and History: 540 Water Street, Port Townsend, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. General admission: \$4, free to Jefferson County residents on the first Saturday of the month. Porter Art Collection exhibit continues through 2012. Maritime heritage and other exhibits. History camps. Call 395-1003 for information.

Northwest Maritime Center: Wooden Boat Chandlery, 431 Water Street, Port Townsend. Tours available, 2:00 p.m., Friday, Saturday and Sunday; other times by arrangement. Pets not allowed in the building. Free. Call 385-3628 for information.

Polar Bear Dip: Nordland, **Tuesday, January 1**, noon. Call 385-0777

Port Townsend Aero Museum: Jefferson County International Airport, 195 Airport Road, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission: \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$6 for children 7-12 years old, 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: \$5 for adults, \$3 for youths 6-17, children 5 and under free. PTMSC members free. Call 385-5582, email info@ptmsc.org.

Puget Sound Coast Artillery Museum: Fort Worden State Park, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 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.

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

Harrison Plans Expansion to Bainbridge

Harrison Medical Center and its medical group, Harrison HealthPartners, have completed a purchase agreement for a 2.5-acre property at the intersection of Madison Avenue and New Brooklyn, off SR 305 on Bainbridge Island. The expansion is expected to improve services for island residents.

Harrison plans to break ground on the 13,000-square-foot facility this spring. The location was selected because of its convenient access to other local services, as well as its proximity to long-term care facilities. Harrison's Bainbridge location will feature 24-7 urgent care and a medical clinic with primary care and community-based specialty practice physicians.

Harrison's Bainbridge facility architects will be Coates Design with construction by Tim Ryan Construction, Inc. The clinic and urgent care offices are expected to be open by late winter of 2014.

Harrison's Patty Cochrell Receives Distinguished Nurse Award

In recognition of nurses whose extraordinary efforts stand out, the March of Dimes Washington Chapter held its tenth annual Western Washington Nurse of the Year Awards honoring nurses throughout the region. There were four nurses from Harrison Medical Center nominated among the 13 categories. Patty Cochrell, RN, Senior Vice President of Quality, Operations and Chief Nursing Officer for Harrison Medical Center was recognized as the Distinguished Nurse of the Year.

The Distinguished Nurse of the Year Award is awarded to RNs who have demonstrated leadership and expertise throughout their career in the areas of patient care, community service and advocacy. "Patty is an exceptional nursing leader with great vision and broad regional influence, and this recognition exemplifies her passion for nursing and her significant, genuine contributions to our patients and community," said Scott Bosch, Harrison's President and CEO.

Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce

Monday Member Lunch Meetings: Meetings are from Noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge in Port Townsend. Lunch is served by Subway.

January 7: Speaker Tina Flores, McCleese of Clarity Enterprises, sponsored by UGN.

January 14: Speaker Richard Bechtel, Bechtel Consulting Group discusses Market Research — the “Science of Listening”. No matter the size or type business you’re in, market research can help you make better informed decisions, apply limited resources more effectively and move from reactive to proactive.

January 21: No Meeting.

January 28: Speaker Christina Pivanik, City of Port Townsend Marketing Director will present “Why Tourism Matters—Locally, Regionally and Statewide.”

Coffee Talks and Other Events

January 8: After Hours Mixer, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

January 9: Executive Board Meeting, 8am to 9am, VIC, 440 12th St., Port Townsend.

January 16: Board of Directors Meeting, 8 to 9 a.m. at Peninsula Legal Secretarial Services, 20 Colwell Street, Port Hadlock.

January 17: Ambassador Meeting at The Cellar Door 5:30 to 7:00 p.m., 940 Water St., Ste. A, Port Townsend.

January 31: Young Professional Network Test Lab at the Silverwater Mezzaluna Lounge, Topic “Intentions: 2013”, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., 237 Taylor St. Port Townsend.

For questions or additional information, contact Laura Brackenridge, Chamber Meeting Events Coordinator, 360-385-7869.

Business Leader, Citizen of the Year Nominees Sought

There were many local business leaders and citizens who have stood out in the past year. Now it’s time to decide who will be crowned the Tim Caldwell Business Leader of the Year and Citizen of the Year.

The community is encouraged to submit nominations. Forms and criteria can be found at the Chamber website, jeffcountychamber.org, by calling the Chamber office, 385-7869, or by picking up forms at the Port Townsend Visitor Information Center, 440 12th St., or the *Leader* offices, 226 Adams St. Deadline for nominations is **January 7**. There is one change this year. Nominees must actually own their businesses to qualify for the award.

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce is celebrating the designations with an awards ceremony and brunch on **Sunday, Jan. 27**, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Northwest Maritime Center. Also on the program is installation of the new board of directors.

This awards ceremony is a longstanding tradition. The first Citizen of the Year title was awarded in 1949 to H.J. Carroll. The Business Leader of the Year was later added and first awarded to Scott Wilson of *The Port Townsend & Jefferson County Leader* in 1998. The business award was renamed the Tim Caldwell Business Leader of the Year in 2007 in honor of the Chamber’s former manager for his dedication to the business community.

Why Would Anybody Want to Raise Worms?

by Julie Fritts, owner of the 3in1 Worm Farm

We do it at 3in1 Worm Ranch. Our specialty is growing red wiggler worms that produce worm tea and worm castings. And there are good reasons for raising them.

We started this as a hobby about 15 years ago. One of our frugal evangelist friends was growing her own worms to feed her tropical fish. She did not feel right using ministry money to feed her pets. In helping her dig worms one rainy day, our conversation went on to talk about how worms eat your garbage and make fertilizer. Because we had no garbage service, we wanted a solution for our fruit and vegetable scraps.

The next day I purchased our first worm factory and away we went. Before we knew it, we had more worm tea than we knew what to do with and started marketing it. Now we have an average of 100 or more pounds of worms working at a time. Each pound contains 800 to 1,000 worms!

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For more information on worm tea and castings, contact Julie Fritts at www.3in1wormranch.com or at 360-598-4242. Worm castings and tea are available at Cenex in Poulsbo and Farmland in Silverdale.

Psychotherapy Office Opens in Port Hadlock

Alicia R. Marroquin, C.N.S., PhD will treat emotional, spiritual, psychological and psychiatric issues at her new office in Port Hadlock. Marroquin specializes in psychiatry and mental health, has a doctorate in esoteric religious studies and has worked as a theosophical teacher and counselor for 24 years. She also offers astrobiographical counseling.

As a registered nurse, she will work with providers to monitor medication; however, she does not prescribe medication. Marroquin accepts Medicare and most health insurance. She bills on a sliding scale. For information visit blackpearlarts.com or call 360-473-7777.

Wastewater Treatment in Hadlock

The United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development has decided that the proposed wastewater treatment facilities in the Irondale/Port Hadlock urban growth area will not significantly affect environmental quality. It has issued a determination of no significant environmental impact.

The proposed project consists of a conventional gravity collection system, pump stations, and a membrane bioreactor system. The system will produce Class A reclaimed water. It is intended to phase the system in over time.

Mitigation for adverse affects will include noise, traffic and dust reduction measure, wetland protections, erosion and sedimentation controls, and a discovery plan to determine if the site has undiscovered human remains. Developers are required to obtain all necessary permits before beginning construction.

The proposal is available for public review at USDA Rural Development, 1835 Black Lake Boulevard SW, Olympia, Washington 98512. Questions may be addressed to Deborah Harper, Debbie.harper@wa.usda.gov, or 360-704-7764.

County Announces Budget Expenditures

Jefferson County approved the 2013 budget this December. It contains \$16,464,866 for the general fund and \$37,080,973 for all other funds.

Commissioner's pay was held to 2007 levels (\$63,925). A 1 percent raise was granted to six elected officials. Auditor, assessor, clerk and treasurer salaries have been set at \$71,091. The sheriff receives a slight increase to \$83,925. Jill Landis, District Court Judge, will receive \$141,710.

Some officials are partially reimbursed by the state. Prosecuting Attorney Scott Rosekrans and Superior Court Judge Keith Harper fall into that category. Rosekrans earns \$126,369. Harper will make \$74,416 plus benefits paid by the state.

The budget will be particularly hard on non-mandated areas. County parks will be hard hit. Irondale Park is scheduled for closure. Maintenance will be curtailed at H.J. Carroll Park in Port Hadlock. Memorial Field and the Rec Center in Port Townsend have been spared for the time being. Additional cuts to the budget are expected next year according to County Administrator, Philip Morley.

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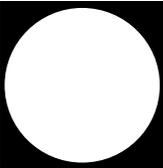
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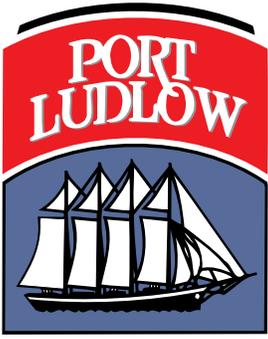
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Regularly Scheduled Community Activities

January 2013

Activity	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
Aquacise. Water fitness. Instructed, no fee. Beach Club	Women's: 9-10 a.m. Co-Ed.: 10-11 a.m.		Women's: 9-10 a.m. Co-Ed.: 10-11 a.m.		Women's: 9-10 a.m. Co-Ed.: 10-11 a.m.	
Aquarobics. Exercise Program. No-impact water exercise. No instructor, no fee. Members only. Bay Club	8-9 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	8-9 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	8-9 a.m.	9-10 a.m.
Aquawalk. Exercise Program. Walk your way to fitness. No instructor, no fee. Members only. Bay Club	9-10 a.m.	8-9 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	8-9 a.m.	9-10 a.m.	10-11 a.m.
Casual Bridge. Learn while playing. Bay Club	1-4 p.m.					
Bridge ACBL. Duplicate. Bridge Deck	12:30-4 p.m.					
Bridge Overtricks. Chicago-style bridge. Bay Club					1-4 p.m.	
Computer Club Workshop. Topics vary. Bring your questions and problems. Bay Club						10:30 a.m.-noon
Exercise Group. Men and women welcome. Instructed, no fee. Bay Club		7:30 a.m. - 9:00		7:30 a.m. - 9:00		
Flyfishers. Feathers, thread, and imagination come together in creations that tempt fish. Bay Club		9 a.m.-noon				
Golf. Ladies' 18 hole. WGA		See Bulletin Board in Pro Shop				
Golf. Men's 18 hole. MGA			See Bulletin Board in Pro Shop			
Golf. 9 hole. Nifty Niners				See Bulletin Board in Pro Shop		
Hikers. Timberton Loop Hike. Meet at Timberton Road parking area			9 a.m.			



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Jazzercise Light. Combines music, resistance training, Pilates, Yoga, kick boxing. Instructed, fee.		9-10:30 a.m. Bay Club		9-10:30 a.m. Conference Center		9-10:30 a.m. Bay Club
Line Dancing. All levels of dancers welcome. No fee, great fun, exercise. Bay Club				9:30-10:30 a.m.		
Mahjonn Bay Club			12:45-4:45 p.m.			
North Bay Arts Group. Workshop for all experience levels. Bridge Deck					1-4 p.m.	
Port Ludlow Amateur Radio Club. Ferino's Pizzeria			11:30 a.m.			
Quilters by the Bay. Beginners through expert. Bay Club			1-4 p.m.			
Swimming. Open swim - adults Open swim (children welcome) Lap Swim - adults Open swim (children welcome) Bay Club Pool	10-noon noon-3 p.m. 3-4:30 p.m. 4:30-7:30	10-noon noon-3 p.m. 3-4:30 p.m. 4:30-7:30	10-noon noon-3 p.m. 3-4:30 p.m. 4:30-7:30	10-noon noon-3 p.m. 3-4:30 p.m. 4:30-7:30	10-noon noon-3 p.m. 3-4:30 p.m. 4:30-7:30	11-noon noon-3:00 3-4:30
Tap Dancing. Instructed, fee. Advanced. Bay Club Intermediate. Beach Club	9:30-10:45 11-noon					
Tennis. Organized doubles play. Kehele Park / South Bay Courts Mixed Men's Women's Pickleball Round Robin		9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m.		9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m.		9:30 a.m.
U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary. America's Volunteer Guardians. Flotilla 41. Snug Harbor Cafe		9:00 a.m.				
Yoga. Excellent non-aerobic exercise. Instructed, fee. Bay Club			9:30-10:45 a.m.			
Yolates. Cross training workout combining Yoga and Pilates. Instructed, no fee. Bay Club	8:15-9:30 a.m.		8:15-9:30 a.m.		8:15-9:30 a.m.	
Zumba Gold, Latin-based dance fitness for men and women; at your own pace. Instructed, fee. Conference Center.	10-11 a.m.		10-11 a.m.		10-11 a.m.	

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