

# PORT LUDLOW VOICE

## Choral Belles



*Serving the Village of Port Ludlow since 1998*

*December 2020*



Karen Brattain—Broker 360-316-9246

Working with Buyers and Sellers

Karenaboutrealestate@gmail.com

www.portludlowbrokers.com

Call or text today

**PORT LUDLOW  
BROKERS**L.L.C.

Celebrating over 65 years!



**Port Ludlow**

9500 Oak Bay Rd.  
Port Ludlow, WA 98365

**Port Angeles**

110 N. Alder St.  
Port Angeles, WA 98362

**Sequim**

645 W. Washington St.  
990 E. Washington St.  
Sequim, WA 98382



**SOUND**  
COMMUNITY BANK

Simply better here.

soundcb.com | 800.458.5585



**Pizzb Computer Consulting**

360-437-7738 or cell: 206-780-8989

Mac, PC, iPhone, tablets, wireless  
networks, printers, tutoring,...

Remote support as well as  
free, Covid-safe, pick up & delivery

Taming your computer nightmares  
with patience, humor, and years  
of professional experience



**PORT LUDLOW  
BROKERS**L.L.C.

30 YEARS LISTING AND SELLING PORT LUDLOW



WWW.PORTLUDLOWBROKERS.COM | 360.437.4111

Member of:

National Association of Realtors  
Washington State Association of Realtors  
Jefferson County Association of Realtors  
Northwest Multiple Listing Service



**New Season Move Management**

Senior Moving Specialists

**Need Help Moving?**

**Down-sizing?**

**De-cluttering?**

- Custom fit plans for your needs & budget
- De-clutter, Stage Home for Market, RightSize
- Organize, Pack and Unpack So You Can Relax
- Estate Sales and Final Cleaning



Licensed, bonded & insured

Free in-home consultation!

**(360) 774-1255**

www.NewSeasonMove.com



Serving Jefferson County and Surrounding Area

The mission of the *Port Ludlow Voice* is to inform its readers of events and activities within the Village and in close proximity to the Village. We will print news articles that directly affect our local residents.

Published monthly by an all-volunteer staff.

### INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Arts & Entertainment	14
Bay Club / South Bay	25
Beach Club / North Bay	24
Classifieds	32
Features & Stories	9
News & Community	4
Recreation & Sports	27
Spotlight	18
Village Council	22

### The Voice Online

*plvoice.org*

**Breaking news and announcements:** Find information that was not available when the *Voice* went to press.

**Expanded Articles:** Read complete versions of articles, and articles appearing only online, on the announcements page.

**Local Artists:** See examples of local artists' work and get contact information. See the performing arts schedule.

**Letters to the Editor:** Read comments, criticisms, and suggestions from other readers on Read Online.

**Advertising Information:** Find out how to place classified and display ads. Access advertising websites from ads.

**Archived Voice Issues Online:** Copies of every issue of the *Voice*, beginning in August 1998 and continuing all the way to the present one, are at *plvoice.org/readonline*. Also, there is a search box on every page of our website. Look for it on the right under the Menu Bar, and then type in a few key words. A list of possible issues will appear. Happy hunting!

### ON THE FRONT COVER

The Choral Belles.

Photo by Richard Smith

Arranged by Jay Syverson

## Port Ludlow Voice

P.O. Box 65077, Port Ludlow, WA 98365  
*www.plvoice.org*

Send articles to *editor@plvoice.org*

### Management

Jenise Harper, *jharper@plvoice.org*

Mary Ronen, *mronen@plvoice.org*

Jo Buck, *jbuck@plvoice.org*

Cathy Thomas, *finance@plvoice.org*

Carol Riley, *criley@plvoice.org*

### Editorial Staff

#### Arts & Entertainment Editor

Beverly Rothenborg, *brothenborg@plvoice.org*

#### Copy Editor

Carol Riley, *criley@plvoice.org*

#### Features & Stories Editor

Jenise Harper, *jharper@plvoice.org*

#### Ludlow Maintenance Commission & Beach Club Editor

María Escobar-Bordyn, *newseditor@plvoice.org*

#### News & Community Editor

María Escobar-Bordyn, *newseditor@plvoice.org*

#### South Bay Community Association & Bay Club Editor

Jenise Harper, *jharper@plvoice.org*

#### Photo Editor

Jay Syverson, *jsyverson@plvoice.org*

#### Recreation & Sports Editor

Tim Propeck, *tpropeck@plvoice.org*

#### Regularly Scheduled Activities Editor

Kathie Bomke, *kbomke@plvoice.org*

#### Village Council Editor

Valerie Goree, *vgoree@plvoice.org*

### Business Staff

#### Classified Advertising Manager

Cathy Thomas, *voiceclassified@plvoice.org*

#### Display Advertising Manager

Jo Buck, *jbuck@plvoice.org*

#### Distribution Manager

Denny Schuch, *dschuch@plvoice.org*

#### Production Manager

Mary Ronen, *mronen@plvoice.org*

#### Subscription Manager

Sarah Schuch

*subscription@plvoice.org*

#### Web Manager

Tim Propeck, *plweb@plvoice.org*

# News & Community

Submit your articles by email to [editor@plvoice.org](mailto:editor@plvoice.org) no later than the 8th of the preceding month.

## From the Editor: Bidding Farewell

by Jenise Harper, Co-Managing Editor

Life happens—sometimes joyously, sometimes with challenges. Life's events are sometimes expected, sometimes unforeseen. My tenure as Co-Managing Editor of the *Port Ludlow Voice* is going to be brief in duration but filled with joy and numerous rewards. Jim and I are moving back to Colorado on December 1. Both our son and daughter live in the Denver area, as well as our only grandson. After our nine years as full-time RVers (glorious) and our two years in Port Ludlow (equally wonderful), it's time for us to go "home" and be with our family.

I'll be forever grateful to Mary Ronen and the *Voice* staff for all the support I received. The *Voice* is in good hands, since JoElla Buck, Carol Riley, and Cathy Thomas will join Mary in captaining our community magazine. You'll notice some changes with our section editors, as other staff members step in to fill vacant positions. Thanks to them, and gratitude for all the volunteers on the vibrant *Voice* team.

This has been a notable year for everyone, as we've changed routines to deal with the Covid-19 pandemic. We're all painfully aware of what we're missing, especially as the holiday season rolls around. But even as we lament the absence of the Christmas parties, the jolly gatherings, the pageants and plays and concerts, there are others who are affected by the absence of our Christmas giving, our holiday fundraisers, our Christmas Tree for Children. While the fundraising events will not be held this season, the need is still there. The suffering continues. Perhaps instead of buying that larger television or treating yourself or your spouse to a new mobile phone, you'd consider writing a check to one or more of our local charities in order to help a family in need, or a child who would be thrilled to have a new coat or a pair of warm shoes. You'll see several articles in this publication about charitable giving. Take note of the contact information, write a check, and get it in the mail today. You might not be buying an actual gift for a child or a family, but your gift of money will possibly buy them more than you could ever find at the store.

We have an iconic array of feature stories for this December issue—from how holidays are affected by the pandemic, to ushering 2020 out the door with great relief, from the first trek to the South Pole, to the sinking of the Monitor during a fierce bluster back in December 1862. Our community Spotlight offers a peek at the talented Choral Belles, while our story section brings you a Christmas tale.

Speaking of memories, thank you for two years of being embraced by all of you in Port Ludlow. It's been a great ride!

*Jenise*

## Voice Management Team Announced

Due to the departure of Jenise Harper, the management of the *Port Ludlow Voice* is being reorganized. A Management Team has been formed, one which represents Editorial and Editing, Production, and Advertising and Financing. We are grateful to those members of our staff who agreed to take on additional responsibility, sharing discussion and decision-making about the content of the magazine, its production, and its continued financial health. The team consists of Mary Ronen, JoElla Buck, Cathy Thomas, and Carol Riley.

Please note the *Voice's* new approach to sections, which will include News & Community, Features & Stories, Arts & Entertainment, and Recreation & Sports, in addition to our North Bay and South Bay sections, the Port Ludlow Village Council section, and our Spotlight article.

John Goldwood, one of our excellent proofreaders, has agreed to become section editor for both the Features & Stories section and the South Bay Community section.

The *Voice* is in need of additional section editors (North Bay and Community Spotlight), as well as proofreaders and writers. If you're interested, please send a message to [editor@plvoice.org](mailto:editor@plvoice.org).

## Preparing for Winter Storms

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

It's that time of year—time to make sure you have the needed items to sustain you and your family through winter storms that may include cold weather, wind, and power outages.

Have foods on hand you can cook on a BBQ or a camp stove. NEVER use a camp stove indoors. If you have a generator, have a supply of extra fuel and don't run a generator from inside your garage.

Here are some items to carry in your car:

- Blanket
- Flares, jumper cables, ice scraper, emergency tire sealant
- First aid kit
- Bag of sand to improve traction if you get stuck in snow or ice
- Dried foods like beef jerky and granola bars
- Flashlight and extra batteries
- Folding shovel and a small tool kit

Keep some cash on hand. If the power goes out, you won't be able to use your credit cards to buy needed items.

Plan to check on any neighbors who might need help especially during a power outage.

*continued on next page*

*Preparing* continued from previous page

Get some extra food for your pets.

If you don't have a portable cell phone charger, you can charge your phone in your car when you are driving.

Treat yourself and your family to some form of non-electric entertainment like jigsaw puzzles, board games, that one book you've been meaning to read all year long!

More preparedness ideas can be found in Jefferson County Dept. of Emergency Management's *Think, Plan, Do!* available at [bit.ly/thinkplando](http://bit.ly/thinkplando).

If you have any questions about the services Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue provides, please contact me at 360-437-2236 or via email at [bmartin@plfr.org](mailto:bmartin@plfr.org)

## Bluebills Sponsor Gifts for Homeless Children

Without the Bluebills Christmas Social this December, we will need help for our OlyCAP homeless families Christmas program. We are inviting the Port Ludlow community to join the Bluebills in buying Christmas presents for the 20 children under 18 years old living at OlyCAP properties.

We will divide the funds received by 20, and a Bluebill personal shopper will buy gifts for each child based on their age and gender. We will have a wrapping party before gifts are delivered to OlyCAP by **Friday, December 18**.

If you would like to donate, please send a check made out to Bluebills by **Friday, December 4** to Laura Paul, 52 Bayside Court, Port Ludlow, 98365. If you have questions, please call 360-344-2494. Together, we can make a special Christmas for these kids.

## Tri-Area Community Center Offers Christmas Dinner

by Carol Riley, Contributing Writer

The Holiday Meals/Tri-Area Community Meals organization is planning to offer a hot Christmas dinner with ham, potatoes, vegetables and more. The dinner will be available on **Christmas Day, December 25**, from noon to 2:00 p.m., at the Tri-Area Community Center, 10 West Valley Road, Chimacum.

Due to Covid-19, inside dining is not possible and meals will be available for curbside pickup. Reservations are required for pickup; please call 360-379-4228 and follow the instructions on the recorded message. Deliveries are available and are reserved for those who are homebound or without transportation. Call to leave a message and a member of the organization will call you back confirming your pickup reservation or to get your delivery information.

Would you like to volunteer? Please call Rita Hubbard at 360-301-1104 or email her at [sidandrita@yahoo.com](mailto:sidandrita@yahoo.com)

## First Wednesday Lunch Requests Food Bank Donations

Even though First Wednesday hasn't met as a group for several months now, rest assured we are still in contact with the Tri-Area Food Bank. Since Mike Boock was voted in as President of the Jefferson County Food Bank Association, John and Sue Laird have become the Tri-Area co-managers, and they are working tirelessly to meet the ever-increasing needs of our community. To that end, they are requesting the following items in particular, leading up to Christmas:

- Hams
- Any non-perishables to complement ham dinners (for example, canned yams, canned string beans or peas, packaged scalloped potatoes)
- Baby diapers, sizes 4, 5 and 6
- Feminine pads
- Toilet paper
- Baby wipes
- Depends for men and women, in size medium

Of course, if you are able, please continue to send your monthly donations in the form of a check, made payable to Tri-Area Food Bank. Checks are delivered on a weekly basis. Payment can be mailed to: Janette Hammond, Treasurer, First Wednesday Luncheon, 670 Rainier Lane, Port Ludlow, WA, 98365

Wishing you all a very healthy and merry Christmas.

We here at the Tri-Area Community Foodbank would like to thank the Port Ludlow Community for all their gracious donations of monies and food. Your kindness has and will go a long way during this holiday season of 2020. We appreciate your generous help now and in the future. Thank you!

John + Sue Laird  
Tri-Area Community Foodbank  
Management Team

Recent letter of thanks to the Port Ludlow community.

## Friends of Swansonville, Mission Becoming a Reality

by Jessie Michaels, Guest Writer



Swansonville church

Submitted photo

The Friends of Swansonville (FOS) continue their journey to save the Swansonville Church. In May, the grassroots nonprofit group obtained the legal title to the church and the property it sits on with the sole purpose of saving and honoring its history and the history of Port Ludlow.

In January, the group prepared and submitted an application along with picture documentation to the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP). While the group prepared to present to DAHP in June, Covid-19 became a reality and the timeline changed. DAHP has shared that they see great historical significance in the Swansonville Church and are proceeding with the application. FOS will present to the review committee sometime this fall.

Also noteworthy are the hours of research, documentation, and connections with the descendants of the original families who homesteaded in Port Ludlow over 100 years ago. Volunteers have created binders full of pictures and documentation of the area rich in history. With so many stories to be told and shared, the group continues to connect with families and build the trust of honoring our community's past who originally homesteaded where we are living today.

On August 31, the group was notified that their very first grant was awarded in the amount of \$4,000 by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, a prestigious organization—a prestigious grant and some “street cred” for FOS. The group submitted the grant proposal with the desire to create an online museum that honors six of the original families that came to Port Ludlow many years ago. In the future, they plan to extend to other ties and people from the Port Ludlow Mill town. The online space will be linked to their website, [friendsofswansonville.com](http://friendsofswansonville.com), once it has been completed. Now their plan can come to fruition as they embark on yet another achievement. The Friends of Swansonville mission is becoming a reality, which means the reality of saving the old, beautiful building is just around the corner.

## Multiple Saywards— Doppelganger? Same Person?

by Tim Rensema, Contributing Writer

According to historical records, a man named either “William F. Sayward” or “William T. Sayward” built the first sawmill in Port Ludlow in 1853. At approximately the same time, a “William Parsons Sayward” was a successful businessman in Victoria, British Columbia. It seems very coincidental that two men with the same last name, both from Maine, would end up in the same area at the same time, with both involved in the lumber industry.

The local William Sayward: William F. or William T. Sayward, came to Port Ludlow in 1853 to build a sawmill. He was a gaunt, red-haired logger from Maine who made his fortune in gold in California. He and John R. Thorndike, representing investors in San Francisco, constructed the two-sash lumber mill, the first on Puget Sound, which would eventually become a major producer of lumber to supply Seattle, San Francisco, and the world. Sayward was a well-known man in Jefferson County, being instrumental in the division of Jefferson and Clallam counties in 1854. He was also appointed sheriff by the Oregon Territorial Legislation in 1854 with Thorndike as treasurer.

Records show he was involved in various court cases as both William F. Sayward and William T. Sayward. Both names are listed in the Jefferson County Court Archives in suits against the Phinney estate up until 1879. Sayward leased the lumber mill to Phinney and Amos. Whether he bought out Thorndike who had filed the original timber claim is unknown; there is no record of court actions between the two. Given that when Sayward (with no reason given) leased the mill to Phinney, Amos, and Hooke in 1858, it is very possible that he still had some ownership in the mill. Other than in court documents, William (“T” or “F”) Sayward is not mentioned in any reference in the Jefferson County area after 1858.

The Canadian William Sayward: The discussion of William Parsons Sayward states that he came west in 1849 to make his fortune in the California goldfields. He found gold, but it was in selling bread. Documents show that his career prior to being a baker in California was as a ship's carpenter. However, once he became “dough rich” from the goldfields, he invested in a lumberyard on San Francisco Bay in 1851. Canadian research of William P. Sayward shows he moved to the Victoria area around 1858 and immediately entered business as a lumber merchant, obtaining a cargo of lumber from a mill on Puget Sound, Washington, and reported selling it “almost before it reached the wharf.” As the most important lumberman on Vancouver Island in the 1860s, he invested his profits back into lumber. So, at this time (1860), this particular Sayward was successfully in business in Canada and continued in the logging and lumbering trade. In 1881 he purchased a large sawmill in Port Madison, WA. He moved to San Francisco after retiring in 1891 and died there in 1905.

So, the question is whether these two men are really the same man? Were there two “name-alike men,” both involved in the same career fields, or was William Sayward, whether with a “P” or a “T” or an “F” middle initial, really one and the same successful lumberman from Maine? Given how the two

*continued on next page*

**Saywards** *continued from previous page*

timelines overlap, and the significant commonalities between the two men from Maine—experience in logging, made money in the California gold rush, managed or owned a mill in Puget Sound, I would propose that these two men are really the same successful Maine Yankee who did well both in the United States and in Canada. Certainly, the available references do not correlate enough for us to know for sure, but our William Sayward definitely had an impact on the development of Port Ludlow and the Olympic Peninsula and may have been a leading businessman and citizen of Victoria, British Columbia, as well.

## Free Legal and Estate Planning Seminars

On **Tuesday, December 8**, at 11:30 a.m., join Tony Hinson and Richard Tizzano as they explore estate and life-care planning solutions that can help you protect your assets and remain independent.

Topics will include healthcare, Medicare, Medicaid, long-term care insurance, maintaining quality of life, aging in place, preserving wealth, estate plans, and supplemental-needs trusts.

Both of these free virtual seminars will be held live, so you can have an opportunity to ask the experts. Don't miss these last seminars of 2020, especially if you need to prepare end-of-year information for your financial planner or your CPA. To register, visit [sherrardlaw.com/seminars](http://sherrardlaw.com/seminars) or call 360-779-5551.

## JHC Receives Pulmonary Rehabilitation Certification

The pulmonary rehabilitation program at Jefferson Healthcare was recently certified by the American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation (AACVPR). AACVPR program certification is a recognition of our commitment to improving the quality of life of patients by enhancing standards of care.

To earn accreditation, our program participated in an application process that required extensive documentation of our practices. As the only peer-review accreditation process, AACVPR program certification is designed to review individual programs for adherence to the highest standards and guidelines developed and published by a group of professional societies in the field.

Our patients learn, through the program, to improve their overall quality of life through exercise and education. The program includes education to increase knowledge of lung disease, breathing techniques to control shortness of breath, medications, exercise conservation, and coping skills.

Often, individuals with Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) accommodate their shortness of breath by doing less in their life. This can lead to a steady decline in daily activities while compensating for their disease. Patients participating in the pulmonary rehabilitation program receive encouragement with monitored exercise to help build strength, endurance, and flexibility over time.

Through participation, patients gain knowledge to remain independent, decrease emergency trips to the hospital, control and alleviate symptoms, and gain knowledge to remain independent.

AACVPR-certified programs are leaders in cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation because they offer the most advanced practices available and have proven track records of high quality patient care. Jefferson Healthcare believes this is one more way we can provide the quality care our community deserves, right here at home.

Crystal Quillen BA, RRT, is the Pulmonary Rehabilitation Coordinator and can be reached at 360-385-2200, extension 1220. She is experienced in pulmonary rehabilitation, critical care, cardiac stress testing, and pulmonary function testing.

## Toys for Tots Locations in Port Ludlow

Toys for Tots is a program sponsored by the United States Marine Corps Reserve, with the Kiwanis Club of Port Townsend as the coordinator. The toy distribution is carried out by several other not-for-profit organizations for the benefit of children whose parents cannot afford to buy them gifts for Christmas. The National Toys for Tots program has been in operation since 1947. The local program started helping our children in 2011.

The demand for toys this year is expected to be extremely high due to the hardship many families are facing because of the pandemic. Collection boxes for your new and unwrapped children's gifts are available in Port Ludlow through **Wednesday, December 9**, at the following locations:

- The Village Store, 40 Village Way
- Coldwell Banker, 9522 Oak Bay Rd
- Port Ludlow Brokers, 40 Teal Lake Rd

In addition, on **Saturday, December 5**, you can "Fill the Bus with Toys" from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Safeway parking lot in Port Townsend. New unwrapped toys and cash donations are accepted. We usually have a couple of Marines in dress blue uniforms helping us, too.

Cash donations can be made online at [Toysfortots.org](http://Toysfortots.org). Go to 'find local campaign,' scroll to 'select your state' then select Jefferson East as your county. The donations go into our local account. For more information, contact Don Olsen, Toys for Tots Coordinator, at 360-379-6700.

**Our Law Firm is OPEN during COVID-19 & Appts. are being conducted via Tele & Video Conferencing**



**Richard C. Tizzano**  
Elder Law & Estate  
Planning Attorney  
Licensed in WA. & CA.

Elder Law	Guardianships
Estate Planning	IRA Trusts
Medicaid Planning	Supplemental Needs
Wills & Probates	Trusts
Powers of Attorney	...and More

**Call for an Appointment**  
**(360) 779-5551**  
19717 Front St. NE, Poulsbo

SHERRARD  
MCGONAGLE  
TIZZANO  
LIND

**www.westsoundlegal.com**

### Jefferson County Public Health Recognizes Local Businesses



Tony Dummigan, who received a Plaque of Appreciation from Pane d'Amore for five years of employment.

Please join Jefferson County Public Health, the Developmental Disabilities Program, in partnership with the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board, Skookum Contract Services, Concerned Citizens, and Cascade Community Connections in recognizing local businesses that continue to make a difference by employing people with intellectual/developmental disabilities in Jefferson County.



Emi Harris, who received a Plaque of Appreciation from Pane d'Amore for five years of employment.

Submitted photos

It is employers like these who lead by example when it comes to eliminating barriers to work, and we want to say thank you to: Bay View Restaurant, Business Guides, Chimacum School District, Concerned Citizens, Enclume, Finnriver Farm & Cidery, Fort Worden PDA, Gathering Place, Jefferson County Auditor's Office, Henery's Hardware, Management Services Northwest, Oak Bay Animal Hospital, Pane d'Amore, Pizza Factory, Port Townsend School District – Food Services Department, PhoFilling, PT Kayaks, The Car Wash, Quimper Mercantile, Safeway, Skookum Contract Services, Skookum Recycle, Skookum Laundry, and Subway Port Townsend.

By welcoming the work force talents of individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities, you are indispensable to building an inclusive county and robust economy.

**Is This The Year You Get A Boat?**  
**Power • Brokerage • Sail**




**Rob Sanderson**  
Broker, Captain, Instructor.

(360)316-9370 ptboatco@gmail.com  
 ★PORTTOWNSENDBOATCO.COM★



**Shine Mobile Vet Services**  
**Dr. Jaclynn Imai**  
 Vaccines, Wellness, In-home Euthanasia  
 (360) 302-6077 shinemobileveterinary.com

**ELIN PHILIPS** **34 YEARS PROVEN REAL ESTATE EXPERIENCE**



**Full-Time Managing Broker Representing:**  
 \*Sellers  
 \*Buyers  
**ABR-SRES-GRI**

Cell 360.301.9115  
 Elin.Philips40@gmail.com  
 www.portludlowbrokers.com



# Features & Stories

Submit your articles by email to [editor@plvoice.org](mailto:editor@plvoice.org) no later than the 8th of the preceding month. Information and guidelines for submitting your stories or poems are found on the Voice website,

[plvoice.org/breaking-news-2/guidelines-to-submit](http://plvoice.org/breaking-news-2/guidelines-to-submit).

## 2020: A Very Bad Year

by Marie Bogan, Contributing Writer

Good riddance to you, 2020, as you begin skulking toward the nearest exit. Don't let the swinging door hit your caboose on the way out. You have treated us badly and you will not be missed. Looking at the many misfortunes you left in your wake, Covid-19 and regional wildfires were among the most memorable.

Last summer, as we lurched, blinking and zombielike, from our hyper-sanitized homes to assess pandemic perils here in Port Ludlow, the fresh air seemed like a gift. Then, almost immediately, a menacing curtain of smoke descended, driving us back indoors.

While we coughed and choked, people in neighboring areas were actually losing their houses, or even their lives, to fire and smoke. We were more fortunate here, but the toxic cloud stole some of our most coveted Pacific Northwest outdoor time in the season we cherish most.

### Was There Ever a Year as Wretched?

Because misery loves company, we might look to another cruel year: 1933. Although that era had weathered its own pandemic—the 1918 influenza—by 1933 it was firmly under control. However, the U.S. was mired in the worst year of the Great Depression, with an unemployment rate of 25 percent. To make things even worse, 1933 marked dead center for the Dust Bowl years, whose magnitude makes our sporadic local smoke episodes seem almost benign.

So yes, 2020 could have been worse. But it also could have been better. A *lot* better. The good news, though, is that we're in the final stretch of "Unfriendly '20." And now that December is here, can we start celebrating the demise of this dreadful year?

### December: Decent or Deceptive?

Unfortunately, we are not home free yet. Caution is still the watchword for pandemic guidelines and that will be the case well into next year. Otherwise, nothing bad happens in December, right? Let's go back and ask 1933.

People were eager to see the end of that equally wretched year, and they probably thought no more ugly surprises could be in store. But 1933 also is noted for serving up Washington's wettest month in history. According to climatology reports from the University of Washington College of the Environment, the state received a record 16.61 inches of precipitation. Which month? December.

Could that wet and wild statistic have implications for our current year's December? It might. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration issued a *la Niña* advisory, indicating above-normal rainfall for western Washington. So, while we are all eager to get 2020 in our rearview mirror, we should not underestimate this fickle twelfth month.

## A Little Levity Lightens the Load

Here's one way to think of it: December 1933 did not break us, and December 2020 won't either. So, by all means, spend some time this month confidently crafting your New Year's Eve party hat. Just be sure it's made of Gore-Tex.

To help you stay properly paranoid, here's a handy checklist for the times: a) virus face mask, b) personal smoke shield, c) flu shot, d) shingles shot, e) even *more* Gore-Tex, f) "go bag" by the door, g) perhaps a suit of armor?, h) a one-way ticket to Mars? In fact, some combination of all A-to-H precautions—from the real to the ridiculous—might be the best way to say hello to December and goodbye to a very bad year.

## Jade Tree (*Crassula ovata*)

by Eline Lybarger, Contributing Writer

Spending more time indoors makes us aware of our inside plants, and the Jade is a popular house plant. It can be long-lived and has a mature tree structure when very small and requires little attention. It is a succulent originally from South Africa, with leaves that are thick, oblong, shiny, fleshy pods about one or two inches long.

In their natural habitat, Jades can grow to nine feet, but, if potted, can be kept small for years. They need a pot with good drainage, including sandy soil. Place in a location where it is 65 to 75 degrees F, with at least four hours of direct sunlight per day. Do not water it for at least a week after potting. Root-rot from over-watering is the primary cause of plant demise. Over-fertilizing is another cause of plant decay. Use a dilute low-nitrogen fertilizer once a year, in the spring.

Winter, the dormant season, is also the season for over-watering and root-rot. Fortunately, the plant will tell you how you are doing. Dropped leaves, squishy leaves, and sagging limbs say, "too much water." Wrinkled leaves that may have brown spots indicate "send water." You may need to water a mature plant only twice during the winter.

About the only bug infestation is an occasional mealy bug that can be removed with a cotton ball and alcohol, but treatment will need to be repeated.

If you are just starting out and want to purchase a tree, there are options other than the classic *Crassula ovata*. "Crosby's Dwarf" is low and more compact. "Sunset" has leaves that are yellow and tinged with red. "Tri-color" is green, white and pinkish, with clusters of pink star-shaped flowers. "ET's Fingers" has tubular leaves with red tips. "C-lycopodioides" is larger, one foot high and wide, with erect stems. The leaves are green, tiny, and in rows of four that look like a braided chain.

## Holidays and the Pandemic

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

2020 has tested our resiliency in so many ways. March began with the awareness, rise and anxiety of Covid-19 followed by the chaos and controversy of wearing masks. The deep divides in our nation were reflected in the November elections. These combinations of events have left many of us feeling worn out, stressed and emotionally exhausted, and now suddenly the holidays are upon us. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the country is experiencing a resurgence of Covid-19 and small household gatherings are being named as one of the primary causes. Under normal circumstances, the holidays are synonymous with stress for a variety of reasons. Family relationships fractured or too intense during the holidays, the pressures of shopping, cooking and entertaining, travel and houseguests, can increase our stress levels. Covid-19 has taken much of this away—except the stress level—and we now have to rethink how and with whom we spend the holidays.

A positive attitude is essential to begin your strategy for a calmer holiday. Set goals for how you would like to feel when the holidays are over. Enriched, grateful, blessed, healthy, and balanced are a few goals to strive for that would be helpful. Take a deep breath and reflect on how past holidays were spent, what will be different this year, and what will remain the same. This year, many of us are rethinking holiday traditions in light of the risk of spreading Covid-19. Discussions with family and friends will be helpful in shaping how your holidays will evolve. Being flexible and adapting to the new normal will ensure the safety of loved ones. If you know what your goals are for the holidays, you can make substitutions for what you will miss and maintain a sense of control of things that you are able to do.

Online communications such as Zoom and FaceTime can be the next best thing to in-person gatherings and can start a new family tradition. Reaching out safely to neighbors who are more vulnerable and making donations to organizations that support those in need can be a very helpful way to enrich the fabric of our community. The 2020 holidays will be remembered in years to come. Start making these memories so that one day in the future, you can look back, smile, and say that 2020 was a challenging year; we got through it and did it well!

*(From the Editor: This is the last profile for members of our “Contributing Writers Team” - at least until the team increases in number. **Barbara Berthiaume** received her B.A. from the University of Idaho, an M.S.W. from the University of Washington, and has studied in Tokyo, Japan, and London, England—where she established a private counseling practice. She’s held board positions with the Japanese American Citizen League, Seattle Neighborhood House, Families in Global Transition, and Jefferson County Hospice. Barbara’s career includes being a juvenile court probation officer, counselor*

*in the Big Brother program, a community organizer, as well as conducting workshops overseas on parenting, communication skills, conflict management, emotional intelligence, stress management, transition, re-entry for seniors, trauma, and grief. An annual speaker for the Fulbright program, Barbara also presents for the European Council of International Schools, American Women’s Associations, Families in Global Transition, FOCUS (London based women’s expat group), International Schools in London, Paris, and The Netherlands. She’s co-authored Your Move!, a children’s book on moving. In addition to writing for the Port Ludlow Voice, Barbara chairs the Olympic Peninsula Boeing Bluebills and offers volunteer counseling services.*

## Air Between Us

by Bill Mawhinney, Guest Writer

In this late Covid-19 summer  
I long for remnants of what I assumed  
would always be normal.

Standing in my morning garden  
I watch ragged vees of geese  
Wing south without a backward glance

Rising like morning prayer above me  
Breasting their way through blank air  
Pulled by compasses embedded in their blood.

They disappear beyond horizons of trees.  
I raise my hand to the brightening sky  
And wave them wishes for a safe journey

Then stand here feeling a palpable piece  
Of my world going south, too.  
A tiny virus made handshakes defunct,

No high fives, fist bumps or snappy hand slaps.  
Bear hugs and cheek kisses disappeared.  
Elbow bumps don’t cut it.

Will I ever grasp another’s hand again?  
I admire how those geese  
Socially distance in that vee formation,

yet support flock mates through the air between them.  
They sync their flapping wings to pass  
Updrafts of air from their swirling vortex

To a companion flying behind.  
Six feet of dictated social distance  
Will never nourish me like that.

I need rejuvenating fires of touch  
To lift me through the changing winds ahead.

*Mawhinney was host and curator of the Northwind Reading Series at Northwind Arts Center for 13 years.*

## The Sinking of the Monitor, December 30, 1862

by Tim Rensema, Contributing writer



*The Monitor and the Virginia battle at Hampton Roads, VA on March 9, 1862.*

*Citation: A contemporary lithograph found on pages 166 and 167 of "The U.S. Navy - An Illustrated History" by Nathan Miller, American Heritage Publishing Co. New York, 1977.*

Submitted photo

For anyone who has Civil War history in their education, the 1862 battle of the *Monitor* and the *Merrimack* should stand out. The battle, in reality, was between the *Monitor* and the *Virginia*, as the *Virginia* was a salvaged Union steam frigate, the *Merrimack*, that was burned when the Union pulled out of Norfolk.

Confederate engineers removed all the burned superstructure of the *Merrimack*, installed oak at an angle and covered it with one-inch iron, so the newly christened *Virginia* looked like a house roof on a raft, with ten guns (Dahlgrens and rifled guns) for armament. The engines in the *Merrimack* had been salvaged and were reused in this new 130-foot long, seven-foot high ironclad. It had a draft (depth under water) of 22 feet, restricting it to deep water, and would take 30 minutes to make a turn in calm water, so was poor in maneuverability but invincible to current munitions. An iron "beak" was installed on the front of the hull as a ram.

The size crew for this ship was 300 (converted soldiers) and originally captained by Captain Franklin Buchanan, the first superintendent of the U.S. Naval Academy. It began battle duty March 8, 1862, in Hampton Roads, against five wooden men of war of the Union Navy that were conducting blockade duty. After successfully ramming the union ship *Cumberland* which sank in fifteen minutes, the *Virginia* next attacked the *Congress*, which had run aground. The *Congress* surrendered (losing most of her crew in the battle) and blew up the night of March 8, 1862. Three other Union ships, in trying to engage the *Virginia*, managed to run aground as well. Because the tide was going out and the deep drafted *Virginia* could not maneuver well or get close to the grounded ships, it returned to port, planning to finish the destruction the following morning.

This was the prelude to the famous sea battle between ironclads. While Europe had been experimenting with ironclad wooden ships, this was the first time two different and unique ironclads battled each other. After the carnage of the *Virginia* against the Union wooden ships, the time for wooden ships of war had

ended. The *Monitor* was the brainchild of John Ericsson, a Swedish immigrant to the United States. Because of its design with a very shallow draft (12 feet) and a rotating turret, 20 feet wide with two guns, it had tremendous maneuverability, although it could only fire one shell every seven minutes. The weakness of the *Monitor* was that in rough seas the waves would wash over the hull, washing out the turret caulking and flowing down into the ship. Water would also flow into the air inlet pipes and disable the blowers for the engine. On the way from Greenpoint, Long Island (NY) to Hampton Roads, the *Monitor* nearly sank during a storm. Lt. John Worden commanded the 60 sailors of the *Monitor*. As described by the Confederates who first saw her when she came out to do battle with the *Virginia*, March, 1862, she looked like a floating shingle with a cheese box on top.

The *Monitor* positioned itself between the lead *Minnesota* which was aground and taking all the fire from the *Virginia*. The *Monitor* saved the *Minnesota* outright (so much so that one *Minnesota* crew member had his tombstone designed to look like the *Monitor*—the ship that saved his life). The battle itself proved to be a draw, as neither ship was damaged enough to leave the area. Lt. Worden was blinded by a shot that hit the bridge and replaced by his second-in-command. After four hours of trading shells, with the tide going out, the *Virginia* lost its maneuverability and moved back up river. The *Monitor* moved on to support an attempted landing near Drewry's Bluff, then reported to Charleston, SC, to assist the fleet there.

After leaving the battle with the *Monitor* due to low tide, the *Virginia* was bottled up on the James River, so the *Virginia/Merrimack* had an extension of "life" of about one year before fire demolished her, keeping her forever trapped in Hampton Roads until the vessel was destroyed by her own Confederate crew on May 11, 1862, following the recapture of Norfolk by Union forces.

The *Monitor* met its demise on December 30, 1862, while trying to weather a storm off Cape Hatteras. The area is notorious for shipwrecks, and the *Monitor* went down with sixteen men. This did not end the use of ironclads in the Civil War as six others had been constructed and were used extensively in the east and western theaters. However, these early ironclad battles did end the predominance of wooden war ships in the U.S. Navy.

Interest in the location of the *Monitor* started after the Civil War and continued until August 1973, when a cooperative effort between Duke University, MIT, the North Carolina Department of Cultural Resources and National Geographic located the *Monitor* in 220 feet of water in the infamous "Graveyard of the Atlantic." During the search, the expedition identified 21 wrecks that were not the *Monitor*. They positively identified it on August 27, 1973, the last day of the expedition. Because of the challenges in successfully lifting a ship at that depth and age, the *Monitor* was not recovered until August 5, 2002, by an expedition group made up of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Navy, the National Undersea Research Center, University of NC at Wilmington, and others. The engine and turret of the *Monitor* were both successfully raised and preserved, and now currently reside at the Mariners Museum and Park located in Newport News, Virginia.

## Remembrance

by Milton Lum, Contributing Writer

Janice reached over and silenced the alarm before it buzzed. She checked the WSDOT traffic alert. The pass was open and chains mandatory. Outside her window she heard Jefferson, her next-door neighbor, clearing her driveway. Bless that dear old man’s heart, she thought as she started coffee.

She negotiated the two blocks of unplowed side streets with her all-wheel drive SUV and entered the plowed on-ramp to I-90 west. Her dash read 6:00 with an outside temperature of 24 degrees. Katherine’s ringtone sounded and Janice punched the receiver icon on the screen.

“Merry Christmas, Kit-Kat,” said Janice to the speaker phone.

“Hey Sis, you’re up early. Are you in Seattle?”

“Be there in about two maybe three hours depending on the roads. We’ve got a white Christmas here. How’s Erin?”

“Your daughter is fine, sleeping. Ring me when you get to Dad’s. Drive safe. Love you.”

Freed from the glow of city lights, Janice looked up at the clear winter sky shimmering with stars and in the distance to the north the faint wavering green-yellow glow of the aurora. She loved the distant horizons of the plains and relished these moments of solitude to restore her equilibrium.

The year 2020 would have been a disastrous year with or without Covid. As the chief ICU nurse at a hospital in Spokane, Janice had little time to grieve the end of a twenty-five-year marriage that felt like a roller coaster ride. She was saddened more by her daughter’s leaving for college back east. Fortunately, the small liberal arts school in Maine had prepared well. Erin lived on campus without becoming infected and distanced herself from the emotional upheaval at home. And, letting her spend Christmas with her Aunt Kit-Kat was the best decision Janice made.

A pickup sped by her in the left lane and Janice eased up on the gas as snow splattered her windshield. She exhaled slowly and eased her grip on the steering wheel— no sense sweating the small stuff. The losses she witnessed in the past six months had provided her a new perspective about life, love, and what really mattered.

Her disciplined approach to her staff and herself was successful in keeping the virus at bay. Though fully vaccinated as an essential worker, Janice maintained the strict guidelines of social distancing and mask wearing. Katherine, while weathering the initial thrust of the virus in late spring as NYC became the epicenter, relaxed her guard when the city suffered pandemic fatigue. She socialized masked and ignored Janice’s warnings until two of her friends tested positive and joined the ranks of the long haulers. A chastened Kit-Kat swore that she would not relax her vigilance while her niece was visiting.

The clock read nine by the time she pulled into the parking lot of the residential care center that housed her father. One of the few nonprofit centers specializing in the care of seniors with dementia and Alzheimer’s, it reacted swiftly to lock down the facility at the start of the pandemic in March and escaped the scourge that had impacted

many of the other facilities. That in itself had relieved her of the guilt she had felt in placing him there after the second kitchen fire.

She remained in the car a few minutes to gather her strength. Since Erin’s visit in the summer to say good-bye, Janice noticed her father had showed a steady decline. Her chaotic work schedule and the strict visitation rules meant few visits. The brief visit at Thanksgiving was a disaster. He ignored her most of the time, and when he did talk mistook her for her dead mother, Martha.

Janice pressed the buzzer at the front door and waved to Lori, the petite CNA, whom she recognized. Lori signaled her in after releasing the lock using the remote on the wall. Multi-colored strands of Christmas lights lined the long corridors leading to the two residential wings extending right and left just beyond the atrium and along the shorter corridor ahead leading to the large recreation and dining rooms to the rear. Christmas carols played over the sound system.

A voice blending harmoniously with the choir singing the “Hallelujah Chorus” over the sound system rose from the recreation room. Janice froze in place, mesmerized by that voice which brought the scurrying staff to a standstill and residents out of their rooms. Her father’s rich powerful voice, one that had filled concert halls in his prime, had not been diminished by lying dormant since Mother died. Tears filled her eyes as she took out her phone to record him, a legacy for Erin of what he had been.

Janice waited for the crowd of his silver-haired admirers to leave before approaching him. “Hi, Dad.” He turned and smiled at her. “Kit-Kat. Nice to see you. Where’s Janice?”

She bent over and kissed him on the cheek. “Merry Christmas, Dad. I’m right here.”

### Beating The Covid Blues

What do you do for the pandemic blues? There’s cooking, reading, gardening or ...How about making your dog a ‘feel-good’ star on Twitter? Or serenading your neighbors with your skills as a classically trained pianist? Or ....? Port Ludlow is home to many creative people with great ideas for beating the pandemic blues. So, come on, folks! Send your favorites to [eviehm31@gmail.com](mailto:eviehm31@gmail.com). We’ll use them to make a community-wide hug.

Your Solution...  
to a Successful Transaction!

360-460-5303  
[sherrygrimes@gmail.com](mailto:sherrygrimes@gmail.com)





**Sherry Grimes**  
Your Dedicated  
Real Estate Broker

**PORT LUDLOW**  
BROKERS

[www.realestateportludlow.com](http://www.realestateportludlow.com)

## Poles Apart

by Jim Gormly, Contributing Writer

The North and South Poles are, well, poles apart, located at opposite extremes; one on a continent and one in an ocean, and therein lies the problem when positioning the North Pole. The location is covered by shifting ice, and if accurate readings of the sun and stars are not made and recorded properly, confident locations cannot be established. Furthermore, a flag planted on the ice tends to move, and its original position can't be later verified.

Claims by Robert Peary of having won the race to the North Pole in 1909 convinced Roald Amundsen, who planned his own attempt at going north that year, to head instead for Antarctica to claim the southern prize.

Amundsen was born in 1872 into a family of ship owners and sea captains just before the onset of the Heroic Age of Polar Exploration. At the turn of the 20th Century, adventurers set out to explore these desolate, frigid, and forbidding areas, when the simple act of going to places never before seen would inevitably lead to scientific as well as geographic insights. These expeditions, for which the primary objective was to be first, became feats of endurance that tested, and sometimes exceeded, the explorers' limits.

The Heroic Age began with an expedition launched by the Belgian Geographical Society in 1897, which Amundsen joined as first mate. Although it was unintentional, the expedition was the first to over-winter in Antarctica, a feat for which it was poorly prepared. In 1903 Amundsen led the first expedition to successfully traverse Canada's Northwest Passage between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, an undertaking in which he learned invaluable polar survival skills from the local Netsilik Inuit, expertise he later used in his expedition to the South Pole.

Racing Amundsen's team to the South Pole was an expedition led by the Englishman Robert F. Scott. On December 14, 1911, a team led by Amundsen won the race, planting a flag at the Pole and then returning safely. Arriving five weeks later, Scott's expedition was beset with numerous problems throughout, and, unfortunately, the entire team perished attempting to return. Amundsen's expedition benefited from his careful preparation, proper equipment and clothing, an understanding of dogs and their handling, and the effective use of skis. In contrast to the misfortunes of Scott's team, which were caused, in part, by poor planning and execution, Amundsen's trek proved relatively smooth and uneventful.

In the 1920s Amundsen made several unsuccessful attempts to reach the North Pole via ice and air. Finally, in May 1926, he was part of a crew that flew a dirigible, the *Norge*, over the Pole, departing from Spitzbergen and landing in Alaska. Unfortunately, Amundsen's life ended two years later when he and five others disappeared while flying on a rescue mission in the Arctic.

There's a curious twist to this tale, perhaps. If Peary's 1909 claim of reaching the North Pole is false, as suggested by some, due to dubious accuracy of his records, then the crew of the *Norge* would be the first explorers verified to have reached the North Pole, floating over it in 1926. And if so, then Amundsen and fellow crewman, Oscar Wisting, were the first men to have reached both geographic axes, poles apart, by ground or by air.

## 20 Seconds to a Better Brain

by Megan Devries, Speech-Language Pathologist,  
Jefferson Healthcare Rehabilitation Services

Do you want to improve your memory, digestion, blood pressure, and immune system in less than a minute? I imagine the answer is yes, and I bet you are wondering how that is possible. This article will show you how our brain is connected to every area of life.

I have always been fascinated by the brain. I received my bachelor of science in psychobiology (a fancy term that means the study of the biological reasons for our behaviors) and went on to earn my master of science in speech-language pathology.

As a speech-language pathologist at Jefferson Healthcare, I work with people who have cognitive difficulties. Cognition includes memory, attention, planning, decision-making, and word-finding. Patients see me for a variety of reasons such as stroke or traumatic brain injury. However, we all have one thing in common: we have a brain. And most of us want to improve how it works.

Research has shown certain tools can improve our thinking and memory. One simple practice is consistently proven to be effective: breathing. Yes, that thing you do all day is the key to better thinking, and you're doing it right now. You can learn how to modify your breathing by trying the 4-7-8 breath, or relaxation breath, below. Before we get started, please check with your doctor if you have any concerns about completing the following breathing exercise.

To begin, sit or lie comfortably, arms and legs relaxed (not crossed), and allow your gaze to soften or your eyes to close. Then follow these four steps:

1. Inhale through your nose for four seconds.
2. Hold your breath for seven seconds, staying relaxed in your body.
3. Exhale through your mouth for eight seconds.
4. Repeat steps 1 through 4, for three to five rounds.

The long, slow exhale triggers our parasympathetic nervous system, also known as our relaxation response—the opposite of “fight or flight.” When the relaxation response is activated, our brain receives increased oxygen and has improved connectivity (more connections = better thinking/memory).

Our bodily functions such as digestion, blood pressure, heart rate, and immune response also improve. Relaxation is our optimal state.

This technique has a cumulative effect, so when it's practiced regularly, the pathway in our brains is more easily activated and we see increased benefits. Three rounds take less than a minute. Try to pair this breathing technique with something you do regularly, to help you remember to do it. I like completing it before each meal.

Enjoy this simple and effective tool as often as needed; you can use it when feeling stressed, trying to fall asleep, or anytime you want increased peace. Share with friends and family for even greater benefits.

# Arts & Entertainment

*This section features Port Ludlow arts and entertainment events, as well as events in Jefferson, Clallam and Kitsap Counties. Submit items to editor@plvoice.org by the 8th of the preceding month.*

## Live Theater in Port Ludlow—Start to Finish

*by Vallery Durling, Ludlow Village Players*

This series of *Voice* articles has been highlighting the steps taken by Ludlow Village Players (LVP) when producing a play. Previous articles have described play selection and auditions. Casting the play follows auditions on the agenda, and is one of the most enjoyable things we do—also the most heart-wrenching.

I always approach what we do in LVP as a learning opportunity. The more people involved, the more fun. The director of the play is *always* the last word in casting. When we started LVP, I encouraged the advice of others with a caveat that anyone who auditioned could not participate in casting. This led to the audition committee's job description.

Each committee member would cast the roles independently and then the committee would meet for a reveal. One drawback soon became apparent: any auditioner could be picked for more than one role. In early days we barely had enough people turn out to cast every character. So I made place cards for the cast as stated in the script and paper-doll cutouts for those who auditioned. Then we "played paper dolls" until we had a cast. If we didn't get a full cast, we had to go on the hunt.

As LVP's reputation grew due to the success of its productions, the number who auditioned also grew. Soon there were more people trying out than there were roles to be cast. Heart-wrenching? I truly experienced angst when turning anyone down for a role. A turn-down isn't a reflection of a bad audition but often just a poor fit with a character.

I personally called each auditioner with the results when casting was complete. I either encouraged them in the role, invited them to help on the crew, or suggested that they try again in the future.

Here's how LVP Guest Director Randy Powell views the audition process: "Having a large cast and lots of people auditioning should make it easier for me, but it doesn't. I don't like to pre-cast, and I enjoy being surprised and enticed by auditioners, to pick the best *ensemble* possible. I am often asked, 'Why did you cast him or her in that particular part?' My answer is simple—I didn't. I cast them in that particular *ensemble*."

By way of explanation, Powell said, "Have you ever seen a movie with a bunch of nobodies and then one big star? It seldom works. I like the big picture. Each and every cast member must be a part of the family or company. They rehearse together, play together, party a little together, and that makes good theater."

Powell added, "I can teach acting, or characterization, but enthusiasm has to be shown in the audition. That is how I see the potential. Memorizing lines and reviving stereotypical roles doesn't show me a true actor's possibilities in a specific role or

*ensemble*. Enthusiasm does. Everybody has an equal chance to be cast," he concluded.

I am always amazed at the talent we see. We are so thankful to those who choose to share their time and talent with us. The process must work because most of them return to try again.

A Merry Christmas season to all our fans, friends, and family from Ludlow Village Players, your community theater.

## Take AIM

*by Peggy Welker, PLPA Publicity Chairperson,*

As schools worldwide struggle to educate children during these difficult times, budgets are strained and teachers are challenged just to teach basic education. It is well known that when budgets are cut, the arts, including music, are one of the first things to go. However, the arts are important to help students develop both left and right brain skills.

In 2007, Ron Jones, a Port Angeles teacher, tracked statewide exam results and found that music students did 20 percent better on average in math, science, and reading than non-music students. A study published in the *Journal of Educational Psychology* found that high school students who take music courses score significantly better in math, science, and reading than their non-musical peers.

Adventures in Music (AIM) was founded twenty-six years ago by the Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra to provide music education for elementary school students. There is no charge to the students or the schools for this program. Donations from individuals and organizations like Port Ludlow Performing Arts (PLPA) make it possible to bring this program to eighteen elementary schools from Brinnon, Quilcene, and Chimacum to Sequim, Port Angeles, Joyce, Neah Bay, Clallam Bay, and Forks. It is estimated that this year the program reached approximately 13,000 students and 600 teachers.

In previous years, musicians from the Port Angeles Symphony have traveled to the various elementary schools three times a year to provide live music "edutainment" performances. These presentations have received rave reviews from teachers and students alike. This year, because of social distancing and virtual learning, the "live" programs have come to a screeching halt. However, the AIM program director, Al Harris, did not give up! After meeting with the symphony board of directors, and communicating with the schools via email, Harris learned that they are all now using digital technology. A decision was made to digitally produce three programs this year. Under Harris' direction and after tremendous effort, the first of these programs has been released. With the help of the symphony musicians, "The String Family" teaches young children what string instruments look like and how they sound. It also teaches about the life of Anton Dvorak and his *American String Quartet*. This 15-minute

*continued on next page*

*Take AIM* continued from previous page

video can be viewed by anyone at the following link: [tinyurl.com/AIMstrings](http://tinyurl.com/AIMstrings).

The early feedback for “The String Family” has been very positive. Elementary students from Brinnon said, “I like this soft music. I liked the cello sound best. I liked the music! It made me feel happy.” Another said, “I really like the music. I loved all that music that the different instruments made.” Teachers’ comments have been equally positive. Emma Eliason, music teacher from Quilcene, said, “Bravo!!! Wow! This is so great! The kids will love it. Awesome pictures and sound bites, and what a great quartet! I can easily post the video and handout in their music *Google* classroom as an assignment. I’m also going to show it in class since we’re meeting in person several days a week now.” AIM will produce two additional programs this year—one a brass quintet program and the other a woodwind quintet program.

Even though PLPA cannot bring live entertainment to the area at this time, our continued support of AIM through the Martha Dawson fund will ensure that the area children have an opportunity to continue to learn about and appreciate music. Please join us in extending a huge thanks to Al Harris, the Port Angeles Symphony Orchestra, and all the many individuals and businesses whose efforts and contributions make the AIM program possible. If you or your business would like to contribute directly to AIM, contact the Port Angeles Symphony’s Executive Director Jonathan Pasternak at 360-457-5579, or you can contribute to the Martha

## Online Art Show: Memories



Days Gone By, by Pamela Raine.

Submitted photo

We all have memories, some happy and some sad. Some memories are as vivid as if they happened yesterday and some fade only to be brought back into focus with a sight, a smell, or a sound.

Members of the Port Ludlow Art League will use a variety of mediums to translate their interpretation of memories for the December online art show. To view the show, please visit [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org).

If you would like to purchase any of the artwork, please click on the contact list to make an appointment to meet the artist at the Port Ludlow Art Gallery. The gallery is next to the Sound Community Bank located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org).

## Port Ludlow Art League

### Artist of the Month – The Port Ludlow Art League Board of Directors and Chairpersons



Art League Board of Directors and Chairpersons artwork.

You would be surprised how many volunteers it takes to keep an art league alive and thriving. The Board of Directors consists of 10 volunteers; and then four additional volunteers are needed to chair the various committees. In alphabetical order, these talented volunteers include Alan Ahtow, Fran Bodman, Larry Davidson, Ginny Ford, Ann Gagnier, Janice Gruber, Linda Henderson, David Layton, Mara Mauch, Georganne Muse, Pamela Raine, Cathy Thomas, Carol Tomas, and Patricia Webber. This month, the Board of Directors and Chairpersons will display their artwork in a wide variety of mediums at the Sound Community Bank and online at [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org).

If you would like to purchase their artwork, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org) to make an appointment to meet the artist at the Port Ludlow Art Gallery. The Gallery will be open for holiday shopping from noon to 4:00 p.m. for the first three Thursdays and Fridays in November and December. The Gallery is next to the Sound Community Bank located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org).

*continued on next page*

*Artists of the Month* continued from previous page

**Jeweler of the Month – Pamela Raine**



*Jewelry by Pamela Raine.*  
Submitted photos

Pamela is inspired by her travels, and weaves materials she found while hunting through local markets into her jewelry. She brought back coral from Cais Cais, Portugal, carved beads from a temple in Thailand, and turquoise from the night market at Luang Prabang, Laos.

You can view Pamela’s jewelry at the Sound Community Bank, at the Port Ludlow Art Gallery, and online at [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org). If you’d like to purchase any of her jewelry, please make an appointment to meet her at the Port Ludlow

Art Gallery by calling 206-465-5846. The Gallery is next to the Sound Community Bank located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org).

**Port Ludlow Art League Gallery Open for Holiday Shopping**



*The Gallery.*

The Port Ludlow Art League (PLAL) Gallery will be open for holiday shopping on the first three Thursdays and Fridays in November and December from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. in accordance with Governor Inslee’s Safe Start guidelines. The Gallery offers unique gifts, including jewelry, photographs, pottery, paintings, baskets, cards, books, and woodworking.

To continue providing college scholarships to local high school graduating seniors, PLAL artists have created original works of art on 6” x 6” plaques available for purchase for just \$20. All proceeds go directly into the PLAL Scholarship Fund. These plaques are available for purchase at the Gallery.

The Gallery is next to the Sound Community Bank located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org).



*Scholarship Fund plaques.*

Submitted photos

**Where Tradition Meets Technology**



**Since 1996**  
**Full Service Auto & Truck Repair**  
**Foreign, Domestic**  
**& Hybrid Maintenance**

- **Factory Maintenance**
- **Engine Repair & Service**
- **Transmissions / Clutches**
- **Alignments**
- **Electrical**
- **Brakes / Batteries**
- **Oil Lube Filter**



**www.autoworkspt.com**  
**2313 3rd Street • Port Townsend**  
**Behind Les Schwab off Sims Way**

**360-385-5682**

# Karla Nolan Connects with Creative Tradition

by Bev Rothenborg, Arts & Entertainment Editor



Nolan with one of her beaded headdresses. Submitted photo

When Karla Nolan saw a picture of an Alutiiq in a beaded headdress, she knew she had to make one for herself. Like many Alutiiq people born and raised in the lower 48 states, Nolan yearned to learn more about her Native American heritage. She called the Alutiiq Museum in Kodiak, Alaska, asking for help. Could they provide directions for making a headdress? The museum’s education and public outreach coordinator stepped up and mailed a packet of instructions.

Making a headdress was a way for Nolan

to immerse herself in an ancestral tradition and connect with her culture. Using the museum’s information as a basic guide, she decided to include a hummingbird design in her headdress and then worked out a pattern.

She had never worked with beads before, but she knew she could rely on her experiences working creatively with her hands to guide her process. She spent last winter beading to bring her vision to light. She named her finished piece “Energy,” and incorporated an exquisite hummingbird into the train.

Nolan’s plan is to make seven beaded headdresses; she has finished five. Two other designs use a butterfly and an otter motif. Each headdress takes months to complete.

Nolan also has a jewelry line, called Sister Spirit Northwest, that includes beautiful necklaces crafted from natural stones. She is offering a 10 percent holiday discount on her jewelry. To view the jewelry and the headdress in Port Ludlow, contact Nolan at 360-316-1526 to make an appointment.



**Michael Haberpointner, PT, DPT**  
**Timothy Mansour, PT, DPT**  
**Daniel Wittrock, PT, DPT**

**ACTIVE LIFE**  
**PHYSICAL THERAPY**

Balance Training • Spinal Rehab • Rehab After Surgery  
 • Vertigo Treatment • Personal Training  
 Medicare and most insurances accepted  
 www.activelifetherapy.com  
 9483 Oak Bay Rd. • Port Ludlow, WA 98365 • (360) 437-2444

**Peninsula Legal Secretarial Services, LLC**



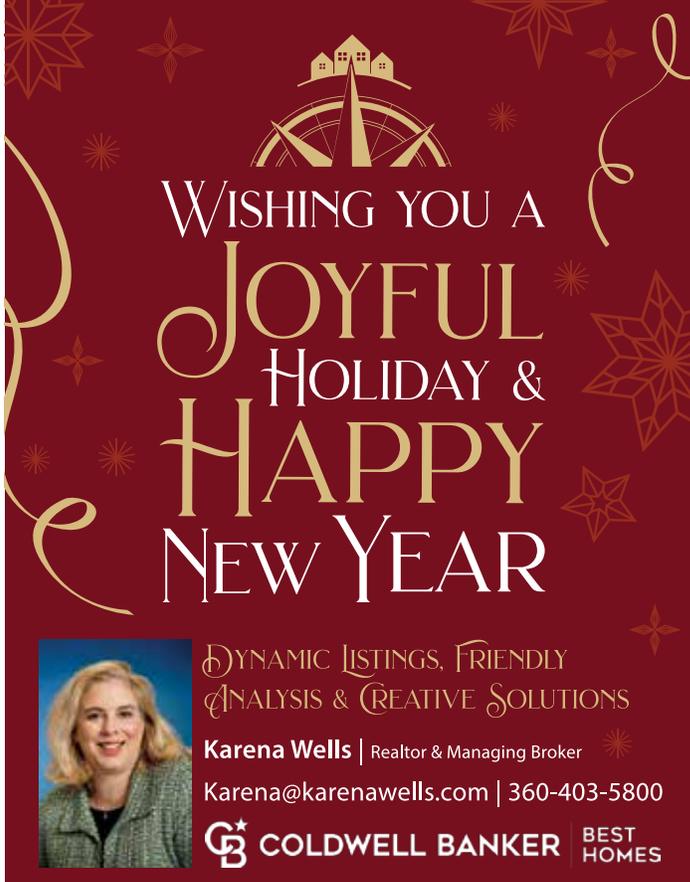

Affordable Secretarial Services  
 Legal & Business

Notary Public

360-301-2590  
 cebrow@cablespeed.com

*Cammy Brown*

*“If I can’t help you, I will find someone who can!”*



WISHING YOU A  
**JOYFUL**  
 HOLIDAY &  
**HAPPY**  
 NEW YEAR



DYNAMIC LISTINGS, FRIENDLY  
 ANALYSIS & CREATIVE SOLUTIONS

Karena Wells | Realtor & Managing Broker  
 Karena@karenawells.com | 360-403-5800

**COLDWELL BANKER** BEST HOMES

www.plvoice.org

**LATE-BREAKING NEWS, CALENDAR UPDATES**

**CURRENT ISSUE AND HISTORICAL ISSUES ON-LINE**

**COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY • LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

# Spotlight

## Joy! Through the Sound of Music!

by Jenise Harper, Contributing Writer, with contributions from the Choral Belles

Music has consistently been the “common denominator” for entertainment offerings in Port Ludlow, with the Choral Belles spending 25 years providing “notable” enchantment throughout our multi-peninsula area. Although the current pandemic is affecting all performing groups, the Choral Belles members are keeping music alive in their hearts and homes, while waiting for the doors to open at their wide variety of entertainment venues.

**History of the Choral Belles:** Originally founded in 1996, the Choral Belles established their mission: a commitment to community service through music. Bonnie Van Allsburg recalls, “It all started with Annette Koch and Lee Barnes who were going to Port Townsend to sing (with the Jeffco Community Chorus) and decided that was ‘nuts’ as surely there were others in Port Ludlow who liked to sing—so they found them. I was their first pick I think, since I had sung in the past and Bob (her husband, Bob Van Allsburg) was playing with a couple bands (clarinet and sax) in Sequim and Port Townsend. So they asked if he could help us.” Barbara Wagner-Jauregg was also among the group forming the Choral Belles, reaching out to Port Ludlow women wanting to sing light music and Broadway selections.



Vince Pace and his accordion accompanying the Choral Belles, 2001.



Choral Belles in 2003.

Submitted photos

Bob Van Allsburg helped the formation by becoming the first director, with Grace Prussing as accompanist. Concerts were held throughout the Olympic and Kitsap Peninsulas at churches, senior citizen homes/nursing homes, for organizations, and at both the Bay Club and Beach Club auditoriums. “Bob was the director one year,” explained Bonnie, “and then he said, ‘You need a lady to direct you.’ Janet Stark was the ticket as she had a music degree, so she took over from Bob.” Bonnie added, “A small group called ‘Hot Flashes’ grew out of the chorus to try some challenging tunes and arrangements like swing and jazz.”

As the group grew, it added new accompanists Marilyn Allred and Tami Quackenbush. Janet Stark joined forces with performer Peggy Smith, and together they initiated a series of concerts/revues with a Broadway theme, combining the Choral Belles with The Sounders, a barbershop group created by Bob Van Allsburg and Frank Siler. Also joining the singers were Dave Weakley and Bob Calderwood, and the groups swelled to a large ensemble. The troupe included dancers, soloists,

even dramatic and comedic actors, who would produce shows every year, including *Hooray for Hollywood ... Puttin’ On the Ritz ... Cinemagic ... 100 Years of Broadway ... That’s Entertainment*. But health issues and the general evolution of time and energy took over after a number of years, and the follies-type revues ceased, with the Choral Belles retaining their original identity as a women’s singing group.

**A look at the Choral Belles today:** The Choral Belles is currently directed by Mary Lou Montgomery; Amy Niemann is the accompanist, following tenures by Diane Thompson and Jolene Visser.

In addition to the director, the Choral Belles Board includes: Judi Smith, Chairman; Shannon Uyeda, Treasurer; Sandy Fry, Scheduler; Rona Anderson and Gloria Ricketts, Music/Performing Outfits; Lori McKinley, Assistant Director. Judi Smith explained the importance of several people throughout the evolution of the Choral Belles. “People who should be mentioned as valued members who gave much time for the success of the group include Marian Pace, an original member of the group who was our treasurer for many years, and Norma Brewer, another longtime member who was our music librarian and Assistant Director. One of the most challenging positions is held by the person who schedules all of our performances for our two performing seasons (spring, winter). Following Annette Koch was Joan Dragnich, Sheila Burrell, Ruth Braasch, and our current scheduler (coordinator), Sandy Fry.” Judi also credits the accompanists who have been with the Choral Belles throughout the years, “Their talent holds us together, keeps us on track, and helps us shine.”

continued on next page

*Choral Belles continued from previous page*



*Bay Club Christmas Tree Lighting, 2005.*

bright moment in their lives. The Choral Belles are true ‘Sisters in Song.’ They love and care for each other in so many ways. Right now, because of the pandemic, we aren’t able to sing together. But we are still together in spirit. We miss each other and miss the joy we feel when we are singing for others.”

Director Montgomery concluded, “Four members of our group are talented flautists who frequently accompany us on some of our numbers. They include Sandy Curtiss, Valery Hinchliff, Marsha Hamacher, and Kristy Cummins.”

Lori McKinley, assistant director, added, “I love both singing and directing. As a singer, it’s so exciting to feel the music. As a director, I hear all the wonderful blending of our voices that I couldn’t from being a singer. We have mutual support and loving care for each other.”

**From the Belles, Quotables/Notables:** Rona Anderson recalled, “My favorite quote from Mary Lou is when we are confronted with a difficult piece of music, ‘We are women. We can do this!’”

A humorous tidbit came from long-time member Mea Graham: “A funny anecdote is the day we sang in Sequim—a hot, hot day, and there was a power failure. Often the places we sing are quite warm anyway. So after we were done, we thought we would head to Dairy Queen for a refreshing cooling snack—only to find the power outage was city-wide. In desperation we headed home and as we passed the 7 Cedars Casino, we remembered they served food and beverages. So we dropped off our red jackets and walked in with white tops and black pants. We told the man at the door we were there for croupier/dealer classes since we were all dressed alike.”

From Judi Smith, “Singing at assisted and memory care facilities is always rewarding, sometimes challenging, and many times humorous. We frequently have limited space, no piano or a piano badly out of tune. One day we were ready to begin; our accompanist played one chord and said, ‘Oh, my gosh!’ with much emotion, and we fell apart laughing, hardly able to continue. Seems that the piano was so out of tune, we could barely recognize the song.”

Judi added, “One day while performing at a memory care facility, one of the residents was so taken by the music she decided to be a part of our group. We continued singing while she positioned herself in our front row. Although a little distracting, it turned out to be an enjoyable experience.”

“At another memory care facility one jolly man, a former minister, always said ‘Amen!’ in a loud booming voice after each of our songs. It was his way of showing appreciation and joy,” said Judi, continuing, “It is always touching to see how music reaches the inner souls on non-responsive residents. Frequently people whose heads are down with no engagement with their surroundings will perk up when they hear a familiar song and there becomes a connection. I have seen tears run down resident’s cheeks when we sing *God Bless America*.”

Bonnie Van Allsburg summed it up, “I think the highlight of singing is to see the older folks smile and even tap their feet when we go to the retirement homes ... we are making folks happy.”

**The Choral Belles Mission:** Marsha Hamacher expressed it beautifully. “I have only been a member for a couple of years, but I love how the Belles are so welcoming and encouraging to new members and how much they love each other and support each other. Further, their care for the people for whom we sing is amazing. Most of our performances are at assisted living and nursing homes and in each one, the ladies always recognize people they’ve seen before, ask about people they know were there the last time and aren’t currently, and speak with as many people in the audience as possible after each performance. They live the compassionate, caring life that we should all live to make this world a better place and I am grateful that they include me as a member.”

When rehearsals begin again Thursday nights at the Beach Club, you’re invited to join the group if you can read music and enjoy bringing pleasure and happiness to others. Please contact Judi Smith at 360-437-7660 or Mary Lou Montgomery at 360-385-2821 for more information. As Judi said, “I’m a member of the Choral Belles for the joy of singing and for the joy of serving our community through song.”

15 years of Guiding You Home!  
Let me be the key to your move!

NIKKI CASAL, BROKER  
GLOBAL LUXURY PROPERTY SPECIALIST  
360.301.3384  
MYAGENTNIKKI@YAHOO.COM

COLDWELL BANKER BEST HOMES

I LIVE. I WORK. I PLAY IN PORT LUDLOW!

# Merry Christmas



**Shelli K. Cates**  
Financial Advisor

201 West Patison Street  
Port Hadlock, WA 98339  
360-379-0170



**Edward Jones**  
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Member SIPC

The Fireside PRESENTS

**Christmas Eve Dinner**  
Four Course Menu

Thursday December 24, 2020

Dinner \$49 | Wine Pairing \$29  
plus tax and gratuity Children's menu available

THE RESORT AT PORT LUDLOW

Reservations beginning at 4pm ~ 8pm  
For more information visit: [www.portludlowresort.com/the-fireside/](http://www.portludlowresort.com/the-fireside/)  
Call 360.437.7412 to make your reservation

## ASK THE EXPERTS AT BEST HOMES...



**Q:** Are the holidays /winter a good time to sell a house?

**A:** Usually there is less inventory during the holiday season and early winter months. This can mean there is more time for a buyer to focus on your home! Buyers who are looking over the holidays and winter months tend to be more serious. With fewer homes to compete with, you may be able to command a higher price. We are still seeing buyers in the market.

Holiday décor allows you to stage your home to make it a bit homier and cozier, which can create an emotional connection for buyers. Even your neighborhood can show differently as your neighbors decorate with outdoor lights and festive décor. The emotional appeal is high during the holidays - a good time to tug on the heartstrings!

There may also be an end-of-year tax break for buyers as buyers can deduct the mortgage interest, property taxes, and interest costs of the loan if their loan closes before the end of the year.

Bottom line, when you sell your home during the holidays or even at the first of the year, you will face less competition, find more serious buyers, and you may even experience a quicker sales process.

Give us a call. One of our experienced agents is ready to make your home sale wish come true now or any time.



**We are a holiday donation center for:**  
**Tri-Area Food Bank - all month**  
**and**  
**Toys for Tots - thru Dec. 9th**

Port Ludlow  
9522 Oak Bay Rd  
360.437.2278



[cbbesthomes.com](http://cbbesthomes.com)

Port Townsend  
234 Taylor Street  
360.385.0836

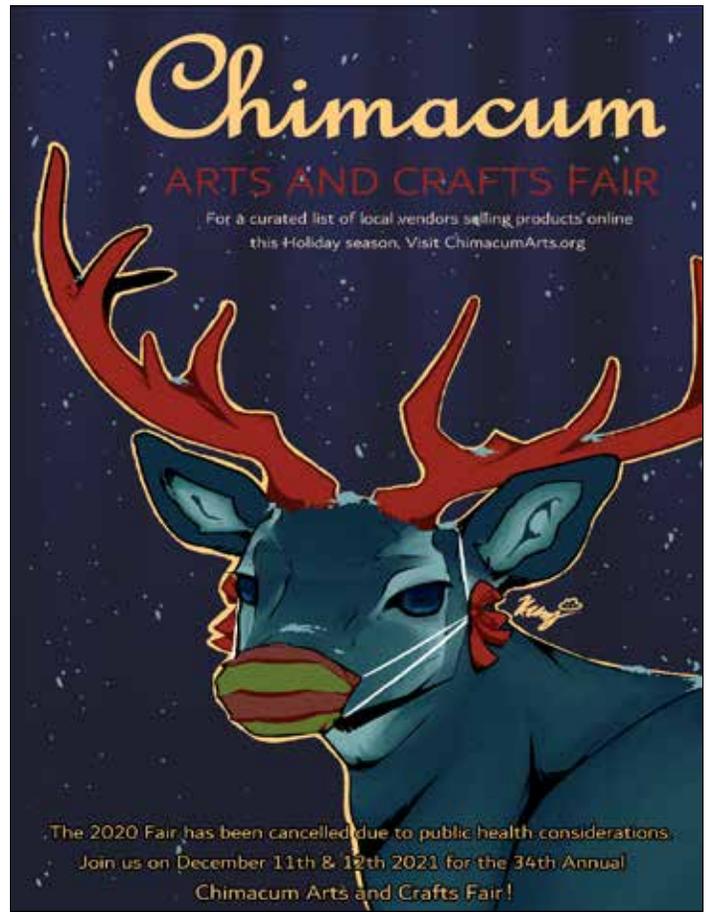
### Northwind Arts Center

Small Expressions 19 is an exhibit of small formal artwork created by a wide selection of artists who submitted their work online. The juror was Jeff Olson, a Seattle based artist with an original body of work. He holds an MFA in painting and drawing from Washington State University. The show will be on display from **Friday, December 4**, until **Sunday, December 27**.

The Artist Showcase at Northwind will feature new works from 32 Showcase artists working in a variety of media—wood, stone, paint, metal, photography, and more. The exhibit will run from **Thursday, December 3**, until **Sunday, December 27**. It will be on display in the Jeanette Best Gallery at Northwind which is located at 701 Water Street in Port Townsend. Northwind Arts Center is open on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays from noon until 5:00 p.m. For more information, visit [northwindarts.org](http://northwindarts.org). The phone number is 360-379-1086.

**Volunteers Needed!**

The *Port Ludlow Voice* needs volunteers who are interested in writing feature articles and/or reporting on local events and meetings. There are openings for proofreaders and editors. **Experience is helpful but not required.** Curiosity, energy, and knowledge of English grammar are needed. Interested? Contact [editor@plvoice.org](mailto:editor@plvoice.org)



The Holidays may look different this year.  
 No matter how you choose to celebrate,  
 Windermere wishes you  
 Peace, Joy, Love  
 and a brighter 2021!

**Windermere**  
 REAL ESTATE  
 PORT LUDLOW

360 797-9344      9483 Oak Bay Rd

# Village Council

## Trail Mix

by Merrily Mount, PLVC Trails Committee

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of our neighbors!

“Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth,” as Muhammed Ali so beautifully stated.

As we progress into 2021 with the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) Trails Committee, there will be new personnel that have stepped into these new roles. These individuals will be in “silent service” to our community, securing and maintaining our trail system for your continuing pleasure and enjoyment.

We have had a very rewarding year here in Port Ludlow maintaining and improving our trails, and we have a full schedule for the coming year. All good stuff.

We encourage you to visit the PLVC website and review the Trails Committee meeting minutes to gain an appreciation for the work of this volunteer corps here in our community, and the continuing growth of our efforts to secure our corner of this special spot on Earth.



DNR trails, Olympic Mountains.

Accomplishments of 2020: Removed 21 downed trees from the trails; rerouted the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) connector trail for safety and environmental requirements; rerouted the Rainier trail off of a private lot; installed corduroy on entrance to Garden at Ludlow Falls; installed corduroy on wet areas of Teal Lake Loop; Garden at Ludlow Falls renamed and

## Village Council Meetings

### Board Meeting

Thursday, December 3

2:45 p.m., Video Conference Call

Virtual Access Code 389 672#

Online: [join.freeconferencecall.com/villagecouncilconference](https://join.freeconferencecall.com/villagecouncilconference)

Or Phone: 339-207-8391

### Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, December 15

2:45 p.m., Video Conference Call

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



Timberton Loop at Beaver Pond.

Photos by Gary Hicks

upgraded; replaced four benches at Picnic Point; installed two benches on the Around the Bay Trail (ABT) at Camber Lane; painted the Trails kiosk at the Recycle Center and reinstalled the plaque; completed first aid/CPR and chain saw training for seven volunteers; replaced DNR and directional signs; installed liability signs in South Bay Community Association trails; installed seventeen historic/natural interpretive signs on trails utilizing Lodging Tax Advisory Committee grant funding; new tool location secured; committee Policy and Procedures updated and approved; Liability Releases and Safety Guidelines signed for twenty-three current volunteers; seasonal mowing and trail stewardship; 1,050 volunteer hours reported with a value of \$31,280—THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!!!!

## Board Meeting Summary

by Sally Franzel, PLVC Board Secretary

At the November 5 Port Ludlow Village Council Board Meeting, the following reports were given:

### Diana Smeland, President of Port Ludlow Associates (PLA)

Smeland said that The Inn is now in its slower season. Wind breaks have been constructed and heaters added on the deck to extend the period of outside dining. The Cove Cottages development is now sold out and the remaining homes under contract will be built within six to nine months. The next real estate development will be to prepare the plat for Phase Two of Olympic Terrace Two. As a result of feedback from prospective buyers, Phase Two lots will be just under a quarter-acre compared to the half-acre lots of Phase One, and home size would start at 1,500 square feet.

Reporting on the Olympic Water and Sewer Inc. (OWSI) chlorination project, Smeland said the selected contractor is in the process of ordering building supplies and expects to be on site in January or February. The builder anticipated completion of work by late September 2021. This should ensure completion of the project by the January 1, 2022, deadline allowing OWSI to maintain the better interest rate on the federal loan.

Smeland continued that the slips at the marina are in demand, with a wait list for larger boats. To comply with Department of Natural Resources regulations, PLA is required to replace all docks over a 30-year period. A permit application to the Corps of Engineers has been delayed because the organization is revising its policies. PLA anticipated commencing the rebuilding of Dock D, including full replacement of pilings and dock, by July 2021. The balance of the docks will need to be replaced during the next 10 to 15 years.

### Greg Brotherton, County Commissioner

Brotherton reported on the results of a six-year study orchestrated by Long Live the Kings, a nonprofit that focuses on the restoration of wild salmon and sustainable fishing in the Pacific Northwest. A study of the Hood Canal Bridge detailed the threat of the bridge to local fish populations, especially steelhead trout, as half of the juvenile fish aren't able to pass under the bridge as they migrate out to sea. Since there is a funding priority in Washington state to protect local fish populations, possible solutions to this problem are being sought.

Regarding road safety, Brotherton confirmed that a public hearing will be held before the end of the year to explain the traffic consultant's recommendations for improving road safety in Port Ludlow. Since the solution to road safety comprises speed limits, road engineering, and enforcement, Brotherton has met with Sheriff Nole to discuss traffic-regulation enforcement in Jefferson County.

Reporting on broadband and the issues of funding broadband infrastructure, Brotherton said the Hoh tribe in rural Washington state was selected to be one of the first users of the SpaceX Starlink broadband program. The tribe had the worst internet service in the county and the Starlink network now provides reliable, fast broadband to local residents. This issue has been especially important in the Covid era as children can now participate in remote learning and residents can access virtual healthcare.

Brotherton continued that the Housing Task Force has discussed the addition of a one-tenth of one percent sales tax to be used for affordable housing under House Bill 1590. The county is experiencing severe shortages of affordable housing, especially when trying to move families from transitional to permanent housing. The addition of this minimal sales tax will be one of the few revenue-generating tools available to the county, and a public hearing will be held shortly. In the meantime, the Housing Task Force is working on a strategy for making the most effective use of the proposed additional revenue.

### Rita Garcia, Chair, Communications Committee

Work is continuing on updating the PLVC website platform to make information more accessible and current. The clubs and organizations directory, put together by the Communications Committee, should be available on the website by December, and an e-blast notification will be sent out to participating organizations.

As chair of the committee, Garcia said that she would be the recipient of emails directed to the village council through the website and other means. She has designed a process so that residents' communications will be assigned to the appropriate committee and followed through to resolution. Copies of email correspondence, once resolved, will be stored off-site, using Google Drive for future reference. The aim of the process is to provide residents with timely and respectful communication.

### Tam McDearmid, Committee Membership Changes

McDearmid reported that because October marks the end of the village council's year, the board welcomed the following new committee members:

Communication: Tom Sprandel  
 Community Development: Karin Nyrop  
 Emergency Management: Gail Chanpong, Ellen Johnson, Karin Nyrop  
 Holiday Lights: John Griffith  
 Trails/Natural Resources: Soozie Darrow, Cheri Gerstenberger, John Griffith, Mark Makarowski, Jack Moffitt, Karin Nyrop, and Larry Scott.  
 Utilities: John Griffith

McDearmid also thanked retiring committee members for their hard work and support of the community over the last year.

Liberty Shores  
SENIOR LIVING



Harbor House  
MEMORY CARE

*Exceptional Care  
in an Exceptional Place*

19360 Viking Ave. N.W., Poulsbo, WA 98370  
360.779.5533

# Beach Club / North Bay News

Submit your articles by email to [editor@plvoice.org](mailto:editor@plvoice.org) no later than the 8th of the preceding month.

✳ Denotes Beach Club members-only activity

## Update from the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

Last month Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC) held its 2020 Annual Member Meeting which had been postponed since April due to Covid-19. Members can view voting results from this year's Annual Meeting on the LMC website [lmbeachclub.org/](http://lmbeachclub.org/).

On **Thursday, December 17**, LMC will hold the 2021 budget ratification meeting. This meeting will also be conducted remotely. LMC members should be receiving their mailing packet, which contains meeting connection instructions, their proxy/ballot, and 2021 budgets for both operating and reserves. If you have not received your budget packet by December 7, please call or email me at the Beach Club, and I will make sure you get a replacement packet.

Although our members are not yet able to enjoy the amenities at the Beach Club, work is being done. Our maintenance staff has recently replaced a perimeter drain line for the indoor pool that had broken. Don Baker, Jason Allen, and Rebecca Doolittle did a great job. Later this month Peninsula Floors and Furnishings is replacing the workout room floor which had been in place for nearly 25 years. The room has been repainted. LMC members Charlie and Sharon Jackson donated a large flat screen TV that we have installed in the workout room. Our maintenance staff will be installing new cabinets, sink and countertop in there soon. When we do reopen our members should be pleased with the new fresh look.

Recently I had several members contact me about a water leak in front of the Beach Club next to the sidewalk. Olympic Water and Sewer (OWSI) determined that a 2-inch valve that provided water service to the Beach Club was leaking and needed to be replaced. The valve and connecting service line had probably been in place for nearly 50 years. Because the valve was near the fire hydrant and there was going to be a large hole dug to replace the valve, OWSI decided to replace the old style hydrant as well as the water service line running to the Beach Club water meter. I would like to thank Greg Rae and his OWSI staff for the work they did on this project. I would also like to recognize Derek Franson of Franson Trucking and Excavating and his crew who were hired to assist OWSI. Everyone did a great job! Thank you.

As always, if you have questions or comments about this article or the ongoing work at the Beach Club, I can be reached at 360-437-9201 or [beachclub@olympus.net](mailto:beachclub@olympus.net).

## Important Dates

### LOA Meeting

Email: [portludlowloa@yahoo.com](mailto:portludlowloa@yahoo.com)  
for information about remote access to meeting.

Sign up for the *LOA Bulletin*  
by emailing the above address.

### LMC Board Meeting

Phone: 360-437-9201

Email: [beachclub@olympus.net](mailto:beachclub@olympus.net)  
for information about remote access to meeting.

Sign up for the *Navigator*  
by emailing the above address.  
Visit [lmbeachclub.com](http://lmbeachclub.com) for complete information.

All LMC members are welcome. ✳



## Residential Design Build Firm

- Architectural design for new homes and remodels
- Permit facilitator for all phases
- Full service general contractor



*Our team of expert craftsmen will take your project from design phase to handing you keys to your new home!*

Marie Peterson, *President*  
360 437 8148 • Cell 360 621 0312  
[marie@newleafwa.com](mailto:marie@newleafwa.com)

## Oak Bay Animal Hospital

975 OAK BAY ROAD • PORT HADLOCK, WA 98339  
E-mail: [oakbayanimal@olympus.net](mailto:oakbayanimal@olympus.net) • FAX (360) 379-8124  
Phone: (360) 385-PAWS



**Madelyn Curll, DVM**

Housecalls since 1996



# Bay Club / South Bay News

Submit your articles by email to [editor@plvoice.org](mailto:editor@plvoice.org) no later than the 8th of the preceding month.



Denotes Bay Club members-only activity

## SBCA Update

by Bartholomew Clark, SBCA President

As we approach the New Year and are nearing another quarter of dues payments, I am sure that many among the membership are wondering about the status of the Board's July 2020 promise to analyze SBCA's financials in view of the changes brought about by the Covid-19 pandemic. Many questions have been raised. What are the Board and the General Manager working on? Do we still need employees? There must be a huge savings in expenses—why are we not hearing anything about a dues reduction/rebate or change to the budget? What is the Board's plan if this goes on into the next fiscal year?

Both the SBCA Board and the Finance Committee have given a great deal of thought to your questions. Other members, and we ourselves, share your concerns and ask many of the same questions. While the Bay Club has been unavailable to our membership, it has also been unavailable for the numerous rental opportunities that provide additional sources of incoming funds that gird against financial pressure to increase dues. In this environment, we have taken numerous prudent steps to reduce expenses during the Bay Club closure. These steps include reducing utility expenses to the bare minimum, and furloughing all employees except for the SBCA general manager, one hourly maintenance worker, and one part-time hourly employee. The hourly and part-time employees only work when needed to assist the GM. During this time, we have also been making some physical improvements to the facility that can be made more efficiently while the Club is closed, such as resurfacing the swimming pool. We have also made improvements that will be needed upon reopening in terms of safety measures to reduce the possibility of viral spread among members. One small example is the installation of touchless faucets and soap dispensers in the restrooms.

Our Finance Committee has been taking a long look at SBCA's present finances as well as realistic projections for the next several years. Example: The current HVAC system is 30 years old. Yes, it still works but is, in comparison to current heating options, inefficient, outdated, and much more expensive to operate. A modern replacement will incur a significant investment but is projected to result in a significant energy expense reduction. The system should pay for itself in about 5 years, with the efficiency improvements providing reduction in expenses for the years beyond.

As promised at the July 2020 Annual Meeting, the Finance Committee and the full Board are analyzing the potential benefits and costs of a temporary dues reduction. At the time of this writing in early November, we anticipate that we will have provided a communication to the SBCA membership after our November Board meeting that will have laid out the Board's plans for maintaining the current and future financial health of

## SBCA Important Dates

### Monthly Board Meeting Friday, December 11, 9:30 a.m.

Plans are for a virtual meeting.  
To join by phone, dial 339-209-6193.  
All SBCA members are welcome

### Committee Meetings

All committee meetings are held virtually.  
To keep informed of meeting dates and times,  
please visit [plsbca.org](http://plsbca.org).  
Meeting minutes are posted at [plsbca.org](http://plsbca.org)  
under Association Business.



SBCA. With many unknowns and our continued concern for the safety of our members, and for the soundness of SBCA's financial standing, this analysis likely will be part of an ongoing process of evaluation and reevaluation as circumstances evolve. Stay tuned!

## December at the Bay Club

by Carol Riley, Chair, Activities and Amenities Committee

December—the last month of this very difficult year—2020. Our beloved Bay Club remains closed, but members are still active, still listening, and still responding to outreach efforts on behalf of our community. How heartening it is to see that as of November 9 a total of \$3,500 has been raised toward the goal of \$10,000 for the Tri-Area Food Bank. Gil Skinner has also been collecting donations of food on the porch of his home at 115 Clear View Place. Gil reports that he has transported over three trunk loads of items to the food bank. A big thank-you to all who have already donated and a reminder that we are continuing to collect donations of food and cash to reach our goal.

Christmas for Children, an organization that has been helping children of deserving families in Port Townsend, Port Hadlock, Port Ludlow, and Chimacum since 1974, is again asking for our help. In years past, the Bay Club was a 'tree host.' Our beautifully decorated Christmas tree was adorned with tags requesting gifts for children. The generosity of Bay Club members is legendary, and it was so much fun to select a tag and shop for gifts. This year the pandemic has made it impossible for us to host a tree, but the need is greater than ever.

*continued on next page*

December continued from previous page

Please consider making a cash donation to Christmas for Children, which will allow their team of shoppers to fulfill the children's Christmas wishes. Please send your donation to Christmas for Children, 1240 West Sims Way, #286, Port Townsend, Washington, 98368.

Warm wishes for a happy holiday season. The Activities Committee is longing for the day when we can all be back together again.

### Welcome to South Bay

The South Bay Community Association (SBCA) welcomes our new neighbors—even if we are forced to stay six feet apart. We are glad you're here, and we hope to meet you at one of our monthly socials when the Bay Club reopens and sizable gatherings are permitted. To learn more about SBCA, please visit [plsbca.org](http://plsbca.org).

### Reminder to Dog Owners

So we all can enjoy our walks, please carry a plastic bag and clean up after your dog.



**Bob's Lawn & Garden Service**  
*"Your Pruning & Lawn Care Specialist"*  
 Quality Service Since 1991  
**(360) 732-5052**  
**Bob Hoyle, Owner**  
 CERTIFIED MASTER PRUNER  
 Contractor Lic. # BOBSLGS0160Z  
 P.O. Box 361 Chimacum, WA 98325-0361 E-mail: [bobhoyle@usa.net](mailto:bobhoyle@usa.net)

**DISCOVERY**  
 PHYSICAL THERAPY

**SPECIALIZING IN**  
 Post-Surgical Rehab ■ Athletic/Work Injuries  
 Neurological Injury ■ Cancer Rehab ■ Balance Training  
 Senior Fitness Classes ■ Vertigo Rehab  
 Incontinence ■ Foot/Ankle Injuries

Amy Irene Lynch, PT Gail Maciejewski, PT Blake Thedinga, DPT Max Selisch, PT  
 Erica Nixon-Mack, PT Wendy Nordquist, OT Symbolyn Sebastian, PTA Kara Knox, DPT

[WWW.DISCOVERYPT.COM](http://WWW.DISCOVERYPT.COM)  
**27 COLWELL ST. (RHODY DR.) 360.385.9310**



**Port Ludlow Community Church**  
 9534 Oak Bay Road  
**360-437-0145**  
[www.mypbcc.net](http://www.mypbcc.net) [plcc@olympus.net](mailto:plcc@olympus.net)  
**Brent Hirschy**  
 Pastor  
*"Connecting Christ and Community"*  
**Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.**  
**Adult Education - 8:45 a.m. Home Groups - Tuesdays**  
 Blending Traditional Hymns with Contemporary Worship  
 • Come • Connect • Grow • Go •

**Do It Right Roofing & Construction**

*Located locally in Port Ludlow • Excellent Local References  
 Quality and Customer Satisfaction is our #1 Goal*

- ◆ All Types of Composition
- ◆ Metal, Cedar Shakes
- ◆ Re-Roofs
- ◆ New Construction
- ◆ All Types of Repairs
- ◆ All Types of Construction
- ◆ Repairs
- ◆ Remodels
- ◆ Decks, Siding
- ◆ Custom Woodwork

General Contractor's License Lic # DOITRIR943Q Bonded, Insured  
 William Bacchus Phone: **360.774.6348**  
 email: [doitrightroofing@msn.com](mailto:doitrightroofing@msn.com)

**chimacum corner farmstand**  
 visit us! YUM!  
**FOOD FROM HERE** open daily 9am-7pm  
 9122 Rhody Drive, Chimacum, WA 360-732-0107, [chimacumcorner.com](http://chimacumcorner.com)

**Box of Local Treats!**  


**VOLVO • BMW • AUDI • MERCEDES • MINI • VOLKSWAGEN  
 LAND ROVER • JAGUAR • SAAB**

**CIRCLE & SQUARE AUTO CARE**  
**(360)385-2070 WWW.CIRCLEANDSQUARE.COM**

ENVIROSTARS 5 Star Business Green Business AAA AWARDED Approved Auto Repair ASE BOSCH Service

## Recreation & Sports

### Port Ludlow Hiking

by Dan Darrow, Hiking Club

At the time this information is being prepared, we do not know the status of the “Stay Home, Stay Healthy” guidelines for Covid-19 as it relates to organized hiking groups, carpooling, etc. Note that those who have chosen to join a hiking event have followed CDC guidelines for outdoor recreation. Now that we are into the fall/winter season, the excursions will be closer to home base.

Those on the hiking email roster will receive an update the week of a scheduled outing. If you would like to be added to the email roster, send a note to [desdarrow@olympen.com](mailto:desdarrow@olympen.com).

Everyone is encouraged to get outside on their own at any time and explore trails here in Port Ludlow or elsewhere as appropriate!

Unless otherwise noted, hikers meet at the Bridge Deck at 8:15 a.m., get directions to the trailheads, and depart at 8:30 a.m.

#### Friday, December 11—Larry Scott Trail

This trail begins in Port Townsend and extends to Four Corners and will eventually link up with the Discovery Trail to go all the way to the Pacific coast. The plan is for an easy four to six-mile walk on a local section of the trail. The trail is wide and flat and offers views of some of the local farms.

#### Friday, December 25—Christmas

There will not be a scheduled excursion. It is suggested that individuals and families celebrate the holidays with a mid-day walk on a local trail followed by a warm beverage—perhaps some hot chocolate!

#### Friday, January 1—New Year’s Day

It is traditional for people to welcome the New Year by getting outside. Now is the time to make a resolution to enjoy the Northwest environment. There is no group outing scheduled.

#### Every Wednesday: Timberton Loop

Walk the 4.2-mile Timberton Loop. Enjoy views of the Olympic Mountains. This is a no-leader hike. Meet other walkers at the parking lot trailhead on Timberton Drive at 9:00 a.m.

#### Monday/Wednesday/Friday—8:00 a.m.

Join the “Trail Club Group” that meets at the golf club parking lot for a self-led walk on the abandoned golf cart path trail or another alternative route.

For more hiking information, map of the Port Ludlow Trails, and pictures of previous hikes and other destinations, check out [portludlowhiking.com](http://portludlowhiking.com).

### Holiday Lighted Boat Parade

by Rob Hamilton, Guest Writer

About a decade ago, Port Ludlow Marina and the Port Ludlow Yacht Club sponsored a lighted-boat parade in Ludlow Bay just before Christmas. Evidently at some point there was a close call between a kayaker and a parading boat. This caused both the marina and the yacht club to withdraw from supporting this activity due to potential liability issues.

That said, two yacht club member boats (*Alaska Quest* and *Maxine*) decided last year to parade as independents on two of the evenings before Christmas. Judging by the response from several homeowners, they were very happy to see us from their houses. We are planning to do it again this year, on **Saturday, December 19**, and **Wednesday, December 23**.

We will start at dusk (about 4:30 p.m.) and cover as much of the perimeter of Ludlow Bay as we can. Weather permitting, we will work our way along the North Bay waterfront, north of the Beach Club. We will be inviting other decorated boats to participate, and hope to have several boats each evening. The schedule is subject to change given weather conditions, but it is our aim to parade on at least these two dates.

For a little background on me, I participated in the Portland, Oregon, Christmas Ships parades for many years and eventually helped new participants learning the various maneuvers and becoming comfortable with parading at night.

For more information you can contact me at 503-881-0821 or email me at [rob\\_hamilton2000@yahoo.com](mailto:rob_hamilton2000@yahoo.com).

### Climbing Denali

by Tim Propeck, Sports Editor

In my biography published in the October *Voice*, I noted that Mountaineering used to be part of my sports interests. I want to share one experience which was an attempt to climb Denali in Alaska. It is the tallest mountain in North America at just over 20,000 ft. I made the attempt in 2004 with Rainier Mountaineering Expeditions after having completed a five-day climb with the same guiding company on Mt. Rainier.

The Alaskan venture was much longer. The actual length of the climb could not be known before the trip due to highly variable weather conditions. The maximum amount of time was fixed at 22 days, which was the limit of the food supply we carried.

All the participants flew to Anchorage on the assigned date. We then took a shuttle to the small town of Talkeetna. I had seen Talkeetna several times from the air when I was stationed in Alaska in the Air Force. It was known for frigid temperatures nearing 40 degrees below zero in the winter. You had to be a hardy soul to live there.

*Denali continued from previous page*



*Starting the trek.*

The next day we got equipment packed and weighed for our flight in a light airplane with skis that would take us to the launch point for the climb. Each person's gear was weighed and could not be more than 90 lbs. due to the aircraft's limitations. We each had 60 lbs. in a backpack, and 30 lbs. that would be towed on a sled.

The flight to the start for the climb had spectacular views. The landing area was a camp that was maintained during the climbing season. After a fresh snow fall, the person in charge of the camp would have everyone waiting for a pick-up put on their snowshoes and stomp down the fresh snow to make the aircraft landing safer. We had been shown a photo of a ski plane that flipped over on landing due to fresh snow, so no one complained about the task.

We knew that we had 20 miles of distance, and 13,000 feet of climbing ahead of us, so off we went. We were hiking on a glacier with not much of a slope. It was a good way to get acclimated to the surroundings. When we made camp for the night, the guide informed us that we should not zip the tent completely closed. There were three people per tent, and the amount of carbon dioxide exhaled could prove dangerous, or even deadly. It was like sleeping in the open air. Down sleeping bags were crucial.



*The climb to 17,000 feet.*

Each day we would gather in the "mess" tent for breakfast, which the guides prepared. When finished, we would pack up and continue our trek. We had rest days mixed in to keep up the energy level. Once we got to the steeper part of the climb, we parked the sleds and would haul a load to a new location and cache it there before returning to our prior camp site at the lower altitude. The "climb high, sleep low" process helped us to acclimate to the altitude, but the result was we climbed a lot of the segments twice.

The serious climbing started from a camp set up for the season by rescue climbing rangers at 14,000 ft. We rested there for a day. I remember getting my resting pulse checked: it was 100. After the rest day, we climbed the steepest portion of the trip on a fixed line using a device that would stop your fall if you slipped. It was slow going and a lot of work with a heavy backpack. We ascended to a ridge I remember being very narrow. We were roped together so if someone stumbled, the others on the same rope would attempt to stop the fall.

That climb took us to our last camp site at 17,000 ft. Our guides explained why we were not feeling good at that altitude. It turns out that the oxygen content of the air at that altitude so far north of the equator was far less than the same altitude near the equator. They said we were



*View from the narrow ridge.*

Submitted photos

experiencing the equivalent of a 20,000 foot mountain near the equator, where most of the big mountains existed.

Our plan was to have a rest day, then make our summit attempt the following day. Unfortunately, the weather did not cooperate. We had high winds for the next several days. We spent that time building wind blocks around our tents, so we did not get blown off the mountain. It was not a fun time. It was difficult to sleep at night, and your appetite was non-existent. The temperature got down to 20 below zero. We did have a spectacular view from our camping spot. We spent five nights there before we had to depart due to the food supply hitting our minimum. It was disappointing, but I had learned from other mountaineering experiences that you had to take what the mountain would give and not press the issue. The most experienced guides would reinforce that.

The trip back down was interesting. As we got to lower altitudes, the "thick air" made us feel great. When we got back to our pick-up point, we found we would have to spend the night because the ski planes were way behind schedule due to weather issues. We asked one of the pilots making a pick-up if he would bring a six-pack of beer with him on his next trip. When he made his next trip, he came through. I remember sitting in a lawn chair in the snow drinking one of the best-tasting beers I ever had.



**Speed Limit in  
Port Ludlow Bay  
5 mph  
No Wake, It's the Law!**

**Low interest rates getting you down? Let's talk.**

---



**Rick Smith**  
Financial Advisor  
9526 Oak Bay Rd Suite 300  
Port Ludlow, WA 98365-0138  
360-437-5113

**Edward Jones**  
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING  
edwardjones.com

Member SIPC

# Port Ludlow Yacht Club Welcomes New Members

by Lori Longo, PLYC Commodore



Welcome New Members, Mike and Debbie Charron. Submitted photo

December signifies the Change of Watch for the Port Ludlow Yacht Club (PLYC) where we celebrate the outgoing board and welcome the new officers for the Club. We are thrilled to introduce Lori Longo, Commodore; Bryan Gilbreath, Vice Commodore; Tom Satre, Rear Commodore; and Rand Lien, Immediate Past Commodore. As we close out 2020, PLYC partners with the Port Ludlow Marina to bring Holiday Lights to the community. Be sure to drive by the marina after dark and enjoy the lighted boats this holiday season.

Five new memberships joined the club in 2020 seeking cruising and social connections. Cruising is one of the safe ways to

enjoy the beautiful Pacific Northwest together, and, of course, we look forward to opening our social activities as soon as it is safe to do so. Whether you are new to Port Ludlow or simply seeking your next adventure, please consider joining us, and your first meal will be free with one of the flag officers as your host for the night. To express your interest in visiting PLYC, please complete the form on our website at [plyc.us/visit](http://plyc.us/visit).



**Cucina**  
Port Ludlow Village 360-437-8200

**\$4 Off**  
**Extra Large Pizza**

**\$3 Off**  
**Large Pizza**

\*one coupon per order & may not be combined with other coupons.

**Dine In - Take Out - Delivery (home & marina)**  
[www.cucinaitalianrestaurant.com](http://www.cucinaitalianrestaurant.com)

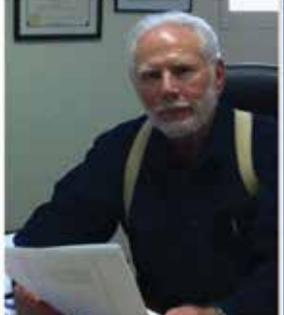
**GRIMES LAW OFFICE**  
GERALD W. GRIMES  
ATTORNEY AT LAW

PORT LUDLOW AND SEQUIM  
WHATEVER YOUR NEEDS....

**I COME TO YOU!!**

BY APPOINTMENT  
360-461-7194  
[grimes.gwlaw@gmail.com](mailto:grimes.gwlaw@gmail.com)

**WILLS, TRUSTS, ESTATE PLANNING,**  
**PROBATE & GUARDIANSHIPS**




## Classic Grounds Care

GENERAL CONTRACTOR

SINCE 1989

### Time to winterize your property

-  24 hour emergency service
-  Removing Leaves/Debris
-  Renovation & Clean up
-  Mowing lawn to correct height
-  Commercial & Residential
-  Winterize irrigation/sprinkler system



360-698-1292 | [classicgroundscare@wavecable.com](mailto:classicgroundscare@wavecable.com) |  
[www.classicgroundscare.com](http://www.classicgroundscare.com) | #CLASSGC8582LJ | WSDA #87776

## Edibles—December and Coping

by Carol Riley, Contributing Writer

December—the month of Ho, Ho, Ho! But for 2020, December is more like Ho, Ho, Horrible! The pandemic, wildfires, hurricanes, contentious elections, anxiety, sleepless nights—how does one cope? For many of us, it was a return to our kitchens and the blessed relief of cooking, baking, stewing, brewing, and braising for ourselves and others.

I don't think it's a fluke that the most recent offering from Ina Garten, America's beloved cook and cookbook author, is *Modern Comfort Food*. Garten, in a recent interview, said that she had the idea for the book even before the pandemic, but it couldn't have come at a more opportune time. Her recipes are familiar favorites but with an updated, modern, elevated twist.

I asked my fellow staff members at the *Voice*, my neighbors, my friends, "What are the foods (takeout options included) or recipes that you resurrected or discovered that have comforted you during this difficult time?" Takeout options certainly struck a chord with many, even those of us who love to cook. We all welcome a break sometimes, and the idea that we could support local small businesses was an added bonus. GBF Catering, Molly Ward, Ajax Café, El Molcajete, and Dusty Green Café all got high marks.

Recipes came flooding in too, and they ranged from simple fish dishes to breads to cookies we find we just can't live without. Long after a return of some kind of normalcy, these are the foods that we will go back to again and again.

For years, especially when my kids were growing up, I would bake bread every week. It was so therapeutic! So hands on! All the mixing and kneading and pushing and pulling—it was exhausting, but in a good way, and the aroma of baking bread is intoxicating. So for me, it was back to bread and Martha Stewart's recipe for whole grain bread is a winner that I can't be without. It's delicious, healthy, and perfect for toasting.

It's no surprise that cookie recipes (including the *New York Times* recipe for chocolate-chip cookies) were a huge favorite among those that people shared with me. Below are some of the others.

MJ McCullough, a valued proofreader for the *Voice*, sent this favorite for "Ginger Nuts from Miss Mooney."

### Ginger Nuts

¾ cup butter  
2 cups flour  
1 cup sugar  
2 tsp. baking soda  
4 Tbsp. molasses  
1 egg  
1 tsp. each ginger, cinnamon, and salt

- Cream butter and sugar.
- Add eggs and molasses.
- Mix dry ingredients well and add gradually.
- Roll into quarter-sized balls and roll in granulated sugar.
- Bake at 350 degrees for about 10 minutes.

Another favorite category was soup. Few foods are as comforting as a warm bowl of soup, no matter the weather outside. Split pea soup with ham was a hit, as was this recipe that comes from Mary Ronen, who was looking for a way to jazz up her sweet potatoes.

### Sweet Potato Soup

1 Tbsp. butter  
½ cup chopped onion  
1 clove chopped garlic  
1 or 2 sweet potatoes (one-inch chunks)  
2 carrots (one-inch chunks)  
2 parsnips (one-inch chunks)  
6 cups chicken broth or water, or combination of both  
1 tsp. salt  
¼ tsp. cayenne (if you like it)  
½ cup cream, milk, sour cream, or coconut milk.

- Melt butter in soup pot.
- Add chopped onion and garlic.
- Add sweet potatoes, carrots, parsnips, chicken broth or water, salt, and cayenne.
- Simmer, covered, about 25 minutes, until tender.
- Puree in a blender.
- Stir in cream, milk, sour cream, or coconut milk.

This soup is easily modified to taste with other seasonings as desired.

Another comforting soup recipe comes from my neighbor and fellow block captain, Lee Anderson. Lee has been making this soup since early March with great results. A traditional curry soup with origins in Indian cuisine, it's deeply satisfying, comforting, and delicious.

### Mulligatawny Soup

Prep time: 8 minutes. Cook time: 22 minutes. Servings: 6.

2 Tbsp. unsalted butter  
1 large chopped onion  
1 large chopped carrot  
2 stalks chopped celery  
2 cloves minced garlic  
½ tsp. salt (or to taste)  
¼ tsp. pepper (or to taste)  
4 chicken thighs (about 1 lb.), boneless and skinless  
1 tsp. dried oregano  
1 tsp. turmeric  
1 Tbsp. curry powder  
1 Tbsp. all-purpose flour  
6 cups low-sodium chicken broth  
½ cup rice  
14 oz. unsweetened coconut milk (1 can)  
2 small apples peeled, cored, and chopped  
1 Tbsp. fresh chopped parsley

- In a large Dutch oven or soup pot, melt the butter over medium-high heat. Add the onion, carrot, celery, and garlic to the pot. Season with salt and pepper, stir, then cook for about three minutes until the onion and carrot soften and the garlic becomes aromatic.

*continued on next page*

*Edibles continued from previous page*

- Add the chicken thighs to the pot, then season them with salt and pepper. Stir and cook for about five minutes until the chicken is no longer pink. (Don't worry if it's not cooked through.)
- Stir in the oregano, turmeric, and curry powder. Dust with the flour and stir again.
- Add the chicken broth, rice, and coconut milk. Reduce the heat to medium-low, then let the soup cook for about ten minutes or until the rice is cooked through.
- Transfer the chicken thighs to a bowl and shred with a couple forks, then add back to the pot.
- Add the apples and cook for a couple more minutes.
- Garnish with fresh parsley and serve.

Moving on to some favorite entrees, Sara Schuch, a *Voice* staff member, shared this recipe she discovered during Covid-19. She makes it often.

#### Egg Roll in a Bowl

1 lb. ground pork (can substitute ground turkey, ground chicken, or ground beef)

1 onion, diced

1 Tbsp. sesame oil

1 Tbsp. rice vinegar

2 tsp. minced fresh garlic

1 tsp. minced or grated fresh ginger

¼ cup soy sauce

1 (16-oz.) bag coleslaw mix

½ cup grated or "matchstick" carrots

2 green onions, thinly sliced

Salt and pepper, to taste

1 Tbsp. hoisin sauce (optional, but recommended)

- Heat a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add ground meat and cook, stirring, until no longer pink. Drain. Return meat to skillet.
- Add diced onion, sesame oil, and rice vinegar to the skillet. Cook, stirring, for a few more minutes (until onion is tender).
- Add garlic, ginger, soy sauce, optional hoisin sauce, coleslaw mix, and carrots to the skillet. Cook, stirring, for five to seven more minutes, or until cabbage is wilted.
- Remove skillet from heat. Stir in green onions and season with salt and pepper to taste.

From my neighbor Linda comes this recipe for a simple, satisfying fish dish. It never fails to be as delicious as it is easy. It's from Nigella Lawson in the *New York Times*, and Linda likes to use halibut or cod.

#### Fish With Toasted Almonds

4 servings/20 minutes

½ cup sliced almonds

3 Tbsp. butter

2 Tbsp. olive oil

4 six-ounce cod (or other white fish) fillets

Salt and freshly ground black pepper

Juice of 1 lemon

1 cup flat-leaf parsley flakes, chopped (If you don't have parsley on hand, you can omit and the fish will still be delicious.)

- Place a large, dry non-stick skillet over medium heat and add almonds. Stir constantly until they are tinged with color. Remove from heat and transfer to a bowl to cool.
- Season both sides of the fish well with salt and pepper. Place the same pan over medium heat and add butter and olive oil. When both begin to bubble, add filets skin side up. Brown fish until opaque all the way through, turning once, three to four minutes each side. Transfer fish to a warm serving plate, skin side down.
- Reduce heat under pan to low and add lemon juice. Stir to blend with butter and oil, then pour this sauce over fish. Scatter parsley over fish then scatter with toasted almonds.

Other favorites, courtesy of my neighbors Kathy and Deana, included the Pioneer Woman's recipe for braised short ribs and a wonderful Greek lamb with yogurt-mint sauce from Ina Garten.

Last but not least is this recipe for banana walnut bread from the husband of another *Voice* staff member, Jenise Harper. Her husband Jim found that cooking and baking were skills he didn't know he had, until Covid. For this recipe he had a little help from the huge bunches of bananas at Costco.

#### Banana Walnut Bread

1½ cups all-purpose flour

1 tsp. baking soda

½ tsp. fine salt

2 large eggs, at room temperature

½ tsp. vanilla extract

½ cup unsalted butter, at room temperature

1 cup sugar

3 very ripe bananas, peeled and mashed with a fork

½ cup toasted walnut pieces

- Sift the dry ingredients together.
- Whisk the eggs and vanilla together.
- Brush a 9x5x3-inch loaf pan with butter.
- Preheat oven to 350 degrees.
- With an electric mixer, cream the butter and sugar until light and fluffy.
- Slowly pour the egg mixture into the butter, and mix well.
- Add bananas.
- Mix in the flour mixture.
- Fold in the nuts.
- Transfer the batter to the buttered pan.
- Bake 55 minutes or until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean.
- Cool in the pan on a wire rack for five minutes.



**Hear for Life**  
AUDIOLOGY



*"When experience makes the difference."*  
Comprehensive Hearing Evaluations  
Digital Hearing and Assistive Listening Devices  
Hearing Device Repairs & Batteries  
Insurance Billing • Physician Referrals

**Call For A Hearing Consultation:**  
**360 437-7767**  
115 Village Way, Port Ludlow

Camron Meikle, Au.D.  
Board Certified Audiologist

**Glessing & Associates**  
Certified Public Accountant  
Kathleen A. Glessing

- Tax Preparation for Individuals, Partnerships, Corporations, Estates and Trusts
- Financial and Tax Planning
- Accounting and Auditing, Preparation of Financial Statements
- Computerized Bookkeeping and Payroll, Business Start-up
- Senior Financial Services

Telephone 360-437-9443 / Fax 360-437-9446  
56 Village Way, Port Ludlow, WA 98365

**GALE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT**

**STEPHANIE GALE, CFP®, AIF®**

Holistic financial planning & investment management

New Uptown location: 675 Tyler Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368  
By appointment: 9481 Oak Bay Road, Suite F, Port Ludlow, WA 98365

360-385-5044      www.galeim.com

STEPHANIE A. GALE, DBA GALE INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, OFFERS SECURITIES AND ADVISORY SERVICES THROUGH COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL NETWORK®, MEMBER FINRA/SIPC, A REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISER. FIXED INSURANCE PRODUCTS AND SERVICES OFFERED THROUGH CES INSURANCE AGENCY.

# Classifieds

The cost of classified ads is 60 cents per word (\$12 minimum charge). There is a prepayment discount, 10% for 6 months or more. We accept "personal" ads such as public "thank you" ads. We do not accept ads of a political nature. The deadline for new ads, changes, and cancellations is the 8th of the preceding month. We send out invoices on the 1st of the month. We normally send emailed invoices but will mail them if you request. Ads will run until canceled. You may pay by check, money order, credit card or bank transfer. Email your ad and contact information (name, billing address, phone numbers, and email address) to [classified@plvoice.org](mailto:classified@plvoice.org).

## COMPUTER & TECHNOLOGY

**Pizzo Computer Consulting.** Taming your computer nightmares with patience, humor & years of professional experience. To learn more about us & our happy customers, [pizzoconsulting.com](http://pizzoconsulting.com) or 360-437-7738.

**Computer Sleuth** – Is your computer walking instead of running? Try the simple things first! Local references available. Call Eric Hammond 360-343-4052.

**Apple Mac and PC warranted sales and service** at Port Townsend Computers includes Mac warranty repair by the Peninsula's only authorized Apple technician. House calls: setup, repair, and networking. 360-379-0605.

## EMPLOYMENT

**Ready to get back to work?** Helping seniors remain sheltered at home is a fulfilling AND safe career. We are a caregiver-owned home care agency enjoying job security, profit sharing, and unparalleled camaraderie. [phc.coop/careers](http://phc.coop/careers), 360-385-9664

## FINANCIAL SERVICES

**Taxes & Accounting.** We specialize in tax preparation & needs of small businesses. We make house calls. Call 360-437-1392. Great service/fair prices. Duane E. Anderson, CPA.

**Accounting:** Bookkeeping services, payroll & payroll taxes, tax return preparation. Need someone to get your books ready for tax season or to keep the books up to date? Do you need help with personal or business tax return preparation? More than 20 yrs. experience. email Rhonda @ [r3granger@gmail.com](mailto:r3granger@gmail.com) or call 360-358-5340 for more info.

## HEALTH & BEAUTY

**Joy Point Acupuncture** is an integrative practice specializing in chronic pain relief, utilizing organ balancing, cranial sacral therapy, myofascial release, and shiatsu massage. Accepts major insurances. Now Offering Ashiatsu Massage! Contact Jillian Rifkind L.Ac, EAMP at 360-523-2091 or visit [joypointclinic.com](http://joypointclinic.com). 9481 Oak Bay Road.

**Physical Therapy in Port Ludlow.** Active Life Physical Therapy. Our services include balance training, spinal rehabilitation, vertigo treatment, and joint replacement therapy. Medicare accepted. 360-437-2444. [Michael@activelifetherapy.com](mailto:Michael@activelifetherapy.com).

**Ludlow Bay Massage & Wellness Spa** - Serving Port Ludlow since 1998. We offer a spectrum of treatments to suit each person. Massage Therapy, Skin Care, Waxing, Body Scrubs, Mud Wraps, Eyebrow Microblading, Eyelash Extensions & Gift Certificates, Open Mon.-Sun. by appointment. [PortLudlowSpa.com](http://PortLudlowSpa.com), 360-437-3798.

**Foot Care.** Dr. Steven Reiner, DPM, Podiatric Physician & Surgeon. Bunions, hammer toes, toenails, diabetic shoes, orthotics, heel pain. Located at 204 Gaines Street in Port Townsend. Call 360-385-6486 for an appointment.

**Senior's Special**      **Every Sunday**  
(55) plus Receive a FREE UPGRADE

**Lady's Special**      **Every Tuesday**  
Receive a FREE UPGRADE

**Guy's Special**      **Every Wednesday**  
Receive a FREE UPGRADE

Environmentally friendly!  
LOCALLY OWNED!  
**\$38.00** monthly  
unlimited wash club  
FULL SERVICE professional  
detailing available!



**the car wash**  
515 Rainier St. • 379-5717  
Located in Port Townsend  
at the first roundabout

**Tootsies: your neighborhood nail spa.** 7551 Oak Bay Rd (across from Port Ludlow Fire Hall) Available by appointment, 360-437-2332.

**Haircuts at Sonja's Bayside Barber.** Open Wednesday thru Friday starting at 8:30 a.m. By appointment only, located in Port Ludlow Village, 360-301-0009. Thank you for your business.

**Ear Candling.** Gentle, fun, relaxing, and soothing to the soul; treat yourself! This is a routine health procedure in many European countries. Call Janette at Discover Your Health, 949-275-3848.

**Susan's Foot Care** - "Gentle Care for your Toenails and Feet." Done in the comfort of your own home. Fingernail clipping included. Call for more information to make appointment. Port Ludlow client references available. Susan Vokurka, L.P.N. 360-379-5710.

**Home Care Aide in Port Ludlow.** Certified and experienced. Available for in-home care, light housekeeping, and transportation. Hard working, non-smoking, pet loving, and patient. \$30/hr + mileage for errands. Call or text Rebecca at 360-316-9354.

**Compassionate CNA Caregiver.** I help you or your loved one stay safe and comfortable at home. Local Port Ludlow resident with reasonable rates. State-licensed and insured. Excellent references. David Ullmann, CNA 360-979-3211 or [ullmandb@aim.com](mailto:ullmandb@aim.com).

### HOME RENOVATION & DÉCOR

**Quality Painting with Affordable Pricing.** Exterior, interior. Pressure washing. Lots of local Port Ludlow references. Bonded & insured. License CBSAP\*917CD. Call Tony Forrest, owner, CBS Painting, for a free estimate. 360-633-5702.

**Arnett's Affordable Home Improvement** - All remodeling and home repair, Kitchen and Bath Specialist, Tile, Stone, Hardwood and Laminate flooring, Construction, and repair of Decks. "When you want it done right the first time-call us!!" Arnett General Construction 360-477-1935; [WEB.constructiontilepro.com](http://WEB.constructiontilepro.com); CCDONARAG875DL; local references.

**Ludlow Custom Contractors.** Specializes in custom home painting, decks, & finish carpentry. Contractor's License #MOSHECJ994MC. Christopher Mosher, 360-301-9629. "Custom Designing Your Dreams."

**RW Construction.** 30-years' experience remodeling & custom construction. Small jobs OK. I also consult on renovations or remodels. Avoid innocent but expensive mistakes. Great references. Licensed/bonded JOHNRC\*983DF, 360-302-1242.

**JDG Construction Inc.** 30 years in local business. Free estimates on remodel & new construction, 360- 385-3287.

**Do It Right Roofing & Construction.** High quality roofing & construction & remodeling. Owner on every job. General contractor Reg. #DOITRIR943QL. Locally located in Port Ludlow. Excellent local references. 360-774-6348.

**Dave Peterson Tile & Stone.** 35 years' quality service. Kitchen & bath specialist. Master stone setter. General contractor. Modeled cement showers. In-floor heated ADA showers. Neat & clean. Local references. Lic#CCDAVEPPT943DW. 360-681-2133.

**Professional Tile & Grout Cleaning/Sealing.** Clean Grout Northwest, re-grouting, re-caulking. Cleaning & sealing, ceramic, porcelain, natural stone. Licensed, bonded, insured. Lic#GROUTGN905DJ, 360-621-1730. [cleangROUTNW.com](http://cleangROUTNW.com).

**Remodels, Additions, Finish Work & Handyman Services.** Carpenter dedicated in providing quality work for Port Ludlow customers! Licensed, Bonded & Insured. Call Chris Travaglio, 360-434-8999. [THEGREYDOOR.net](http://THEGREYDOOR.net).

### HOME SERVICES

**Call Jeremy at All Clear** for your gutter and window cleaning needs. Serving the area for over 10 years. Free bids and reliable service. Licensed and insured. 360-301-6083.

**Legion of Clean (formerly Stefani's Cleaning)** Jefferson County's Top Professional & Reliable Cleaning Service. New name, same owner, and same great service! Licensed, Bonded and Insured. 360-344-8409 [stefani@legionofclean.com](mailto:stefani@legionofclean.com).

**Olympic Gutter Cleaning & Moss Treatment.** Improving the appearance & life of your home. Call to set up an appointment at 360-301-9980. Licensed & insured.

**Pristine Clean Gutter and Moss Removal:** Commercial and Residential. Tile, Comp, Cedar and Metal rooftops, Gutter repair, Moss prevention plans. Pressure Washing, Siding and Surfaces, Fences. Licensed, Bonded and Insured. Lic# IMMEDRL942PQ. Immediate Results Landscaping. Call: 360-379-2498 or 360-440-2238.

**Pressure washing is our specialty.** Make it look new again with ecoclean pressure washing services! Driveways, patios, decks and more. Give us a call 360-531-4821.

**Handyman.** Pressure Washing, I use an environmentally Green safe soap. Garbage disposal, Faucet, Light fixture, Ceiling fan and Bath fan replacement. Faulty outlet or Switch replacement or maybe something else? Give James a call @ R&M Services 360-301-2683. Residential Repair and Maintenance Lic# RMSERS\*835B3. Bonded and Insured. [randmservicesrm@gmail.com](mailto:randmservicesrm@gmail.com), Port Ludlow Resident.

**Downsize for Inner Peace.** Personalized solutions for relocation planning, space editing, organizing, private sales of select items, or entire estates. I work with you to honor privacy, reduce stress, and find joy. Licensed, bonded, insured. 508-284-0078. [lisa@lisabmartin.com](mailto:lisa@lisabmartin.com).

**Window Blind Restrings and Repairs.** Most cases same day service. Give James a call @ R&M Services 360-301-2683, Port Ludlow Resident.

**Peninsula Residential Services.** Moving, hauling, storage, load-ing moving trucks, dump run, real estate cleanup, hoarding cleanup. Landscape Disaster Repair. 16' Box Truck. Local Port Ludlow Business. [peninsularesidentialservices.com](http://peninsularesidentialservices.com). Questions? Call Chris 360-316-1523.

**JC's Painting and More.** Painting--drywall repair & finishing--car-pentry-handyman tasks and More. Free Estimates 360-550-6101. Lic. # JCSPAPM919DS. [jcpaintingandmore.com](http://jcpaintingandmore.com).

**Pressure Washing Services.** Plus yard cleanup, light hauling, mowing, weed whacking, minor outdoor repairs and honey-do lists. Reliable local resident. Safe social distancing. Outstanding references. 425-422-9709 Ask for Gary.

**Home Maintenance** Painting, electrical, plumbing, roofing, drywall, light remodel, landscaping, decks, hauling, concrete, pressure washing, general labor, and handyman services and more. David 360-301-9012.

**Need a Helping Hand?** Have some painting or projects around the house that you just don't have time for or could use a hand with? Have mask will travel :) "Old fashioned hard work, mixed in with quality craftsmanship," is what I do. I work strictly by the hour which in effect makes you the boss. Please see our ad on craigslist, in "services." "**Need a Helping Hand?**" 360-316-6299, [Johnonthespot52@gmail.com](mailto:Johnonthespot52@gmail.com).

### LANDSCAPE & YARD SERVICES

**Brett's Stump Grinding.** Goodbye ugly tree stumps! I'm professional, reliable, & reasonably priced. For info & to see before & after photos, go to [bretts-stumpgrinding.com](http://bretts-stumpgrinding.com) or call Brett Anibaldi at 360-774-1226.

**Field's Tree Care LLC** is a Certified Arborist here to help you with all your tree & shrub needs. Fine Pruning. Free Estimates. Licensed, bonded, insured. Lic # FIELDTC876DH. Dan Field 360-994-0166.

**Immediate Results Landscape:** Aeration, pruning, dethatch, moss control, bark, rock walls, water features, fencing, maintenance. James Caldwell, licensed, bonded, insured. Lic #IMMEDRL942Q. 360-440-2238 or 360-379-2498.

**Artistic Landscape Creations** – Specializing in all facets of landscape construction including landscape design and installation. Please visit our website at [artisticlandscapecreations.net](http://artisticlandscapecreations.net). Licensed, Bonded, and Insured for your protection. Lic. #ARTISCL842DQ. Ken Taylor 360-316-6107.

**Irrigation repair, maintenance, and automatic flower bed systems.** Seasonal start up and shut down. Call Wayne 360-643-3114. Email [waynegrassman@aol.com](mailto:waynegrassman@aol.com).

**William's Tree Work** - Felling, removal, storm clean up, view enhancement, habitat creation. Licensed, Bonded, Insured. Lic# WILLITW834DU, 406-599-6868 Will Brinker Owner Operator locally based in Quilcene, [williamstreework.com](http://williamstreework.com).

**LEGAL SERVICES**

**R. G. Bowen, Attorney at Law.** Wills, Trust, Real Estate and Bankruptcy. 832-499-1921.

**Secretarial Services.** Call Cammy Brown, Peninsula Legal Secretarial Services, LLC, 360-301-2590, [cammybrown.org](http://cammybrown.org), for all your business and legal secretarial needs. Transcription, preparation of legal and business documents, typing projects, etc. I now have a second office inside the Post Office in Port Ludlow. Same phone, etc. By appointment only.

**Notary Public:** For Notary Public services call Cammy Brown, Peninsula Legal Secretarial Services LLC, 360-301-2590, located in Kivley Center, Port Hadlock and the Post Office in Port Ludlow, by appointment only.

**Sandy's Mobile Notary.** 20 years' experience. Certified Notary signing agent 360-437- 5025, or cell 661-857-3804.

**Gerald W. Grimes, Attorney at Law:** Wills, Trusts, Estate Planning, Probate, & Guardianships. I Come to You! Over 30 years' experience. 360-461-7194, [grimes.gwlaw@gmail.com](mailto:grimes.gwlaw@gmail.com).

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**Clock Repair.** Mantel, wall, cuckoo, or Grandfather's clocks repaired quickly at reasonable prices. Pickup & delivery or house call. Call Father Time at 360-437-5060.

**Janice Fischer still accepting** clothing alterations including hems, waists, mending, and repair. Household items like pillows and curtains. Reasonable. Sewing by Jan, located in Port Hadlock. Janice Fischer 360-385-9026.

**Elena's Alterations & Tailoring.** Providing professional seamstress services since 1992. For only the highest quality alterations or tailoring, call Elena today 360-437-9564(h), 206-305-1101(m).

**SemperFiChauffeur.com** Tired of the lack of options getting to SeaTac Airport? Leave your car & your worries locked at home in your garage. Call Retired Gunny, Brent Neel for quote. Best way to start/end your vacation. 206-718-6139.

**Time to Hang Those Decorations?** Have ladders will travel. 360-316-6299 [Johneonthespot52@gmail.com](mailto:Johneonthespot52@gmail.com)

**PET CARE**

**Big Valley Pet Resort** is a great place for your socialized pet to play while you are away. Check out [bigvalleyanimalcarecenter.com](http://bigvalleyanimalcarecenter.com) or call 360-697-1451 for more information.

**Fido Betta Katta.** Pet-sitting, house-sitting, and dog walking – hourly, daily, and overnight. Licensed, bonded, and insured. Local references available. Call 425-559-1841 or email [fidobettakatta@hotmail.com](mailto:fidobettakatta@hotmail.com) for more information.

**RV/BOATING/TRAVEL**

**RV Storage.** South Bay, 1 mile west of Hood Canal Bridge on Hwy. 104. Call Shirley, 360-437-9298.

**Beaver Valley Storage.** 100 - 800 square feet. Twenty-four-hour security on duty. One month free with minimum six-month lease. 360-732-0400.

**Financial Disclosure**

*The Port Ludlow Voice*

The Port Ludlow Voice is a 501(c)(4) organization. Its entire staff consists of unpaid volunteers. All writing and editing is done in the homes of staff members on their personal computers. The production editor formats each issue and provides an electronic copy to the printer. The Voice is delivered at no cost to readers on all U.S. Post Office carrier routes in the Master Planned Resort (MPR). As of August 2019, subscriptions are \$36/year or prorated at \$3/month

Financial support for publishing the Voice each month comes from advertising, subscriptions and contributions primarily from community organizations. Average monthly income was:

1. Ludlow Maintenance Commission (LMC)	\$200
2. South Bay Community Association (SBCA)	\$200
3. Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC)	\$200
4. Display Advertising	\$5,680
5. Classified Advertising	\$547
6. Subscriptions	\$45
7. Web Advertising	<u>\$32</u>
Total average monthly income in fiscal year 2019/20	\$6,904

This issue proofread by Marie Bogan, Gene Carmody, Jim Gormly, Mary Ellen Meryhew and Mary Small.

Paper Content: The *Voice* gloss cover stock is balanced recycled FSC certified with 30 percent recycled content. It is elemental chlorine free. The inside stock is acid free and meets the sourcing requirements of the Sustainable Forest Initiative.

©2020 *Port Ludlow Voice*. All rights reserved.

Printed in the U.S.A.

No part of this publication may be reproduced in any form without express written permission of the *Port Ludlow Voice*.

The printing of an article, or of classified or display advertising, does not necessarily constitute endorsement by the *Voice*.



FULL SERVICE BOATYARD

ABYC Master Technicians • Haul Out Lift  
Canvas Shop • Full Joinery Shop  
Electrical Repower • Plumbing • Painting  
Winter Storage • Provisions

SYSTEMS SHOW ROOM & SERVICE CENTER

GPS Navigation • Beta Engines • Electronics  
Water Heaters • Heating Systems • Inverters



Sandy Bakken, Broker

BROKERAGE SERVICES

Buying a boat? Selling a boat?  
SEA Marine offers full Brokerage Services.  
Contact Sandy Bakken for a consultation.  
<http://seamarineco.com/yacht-brokerage-listings/>

*For all your boating needs!*  
**SEA...the difference.**

Point Hudson, Port Townsend  
(360)385-4000 • [seamarineco.com](http://seamarineco.com)

# Clydene Lloyd

## Port Ludlow Brokers, LLC

I have lived in Port Ludlow for 30 years and have 48 years in real estate, specializing in clients who need my help!

Before you sign a listing agreement, call me to hear about my ultimate listing package.  
Call Clydene at 360-301-4316

(360) 301-4316 | [clloyd@olypen.com](mailto:clloyd@olypen.com)  
[www.portludlowbrokers.com](http://www.portludlowbrokers.com)

## Grace Christian Center

*Solid, Spirit-Filled Bible Teaching*

Grace Christian Center is celebrating 20 years of serving our Lord Jesus here. Planted in Port Ludlow, we welcome people from all over the Kitsap and Olympic Peninsulas to worship with us. We believe the Bible is God's Word and we bring relevant teaching for today from the Scriptures, with understanding of history and context, to bring you strength and hope in your daily life.

Grace Christian Center--look forward to seeing you, Sunday mornings at 10.

Pastors Kevin and Sherri Hunter  
Senior Pastors

360-821-9680

360-821-9684

Port Ludlow Conference Center • 200 Olympia Place, Port Ludlow  
[www.gracechristiancenter.us](http://www.gracechristiancenter.us)

*Loving Jesus and Loving Each Other*

## Medicare Solutions Made Simple!

Need a Consultation?  
Call our office!



Kristin Manwaring Insurance



Kristin Manwaring, Licensed Agent

360-385-4400

[www.KristinManwaring.com](http://www.KristinManwaring.com)



## Port Ludlow Art League

Go to [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org) for creative inspiration and online art shows!

**Christine Skorberg, MD, FACOG and Asif Luqman, MD, OB-GYN**  
CHAMPIONS FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH AT EVERY STAGE | ACCEPTING PATIENTS



Jefferson  
Healthcare **WOMEN'S CLINIC**

[JeffersonHealthcare.org](https://JeffersonHealthcare.org)  
SCHEDULE: 360.344.0403