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A friendly deer poses on the golf course.

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# News & Community

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## Burn Ban is On!

by Mary Ronen, Editor

We live in the woods, “A village in the woods by the sea,” or whatever you may want to call it. We are surrounded by and are among trees. We’ve all seen the news and seen what is happening in other parts of our state, and in fact, the entire region. It is devastating and frightening. Conditions are extremely dry, and the slightest spark can easily take off. A total burn ban is in effect here in our county, as well as most, if not all, of Washington. And for good reason.

Recently our fire department was confronted with a dangerous situation—a small fire was caused by an ember that blew into some healthy shrubs. Fortunately, the shrub was not touching the house and the fire was contained by neighbors with garden hoses until the fire department arrived.

This sort of thing can easily happen in a number of ways, even by using an outside charcoal barbecue. According to our fire chief, “plants that look green and healthy are receptive fuel beds for ignition...nature is ready to burn this time of year.”

We all must do our part in preventing a wildfire from happening here.

## The Library: Easy, Modern, Convenient, and Fun, Now With Expanded Hours

The Jefferson County Library is now open Tuesday to Thursday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Friday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library continues to offer curbside pickup.

Bookmobile hours have also been expanded in Port Ludlow, providing an additional 30 minutes of browsing time. New hours are 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. every Wednesday. You can find the bookmobile near the Village store.

**Technology services.** Computer reservations and assistance are available during all operating hours. Other technology services include short-term laptop loans for use on library property and 24-hour Wi-Fi access in the library parking lot.

Wireless or 3D printing and mobile wireless MiFi loans are also available. The library currently has 20 mobile wireless devices in circulation, providing free Internet access to patrons at locations of their choice.

**Reading fun.** The library’s summer reading program, *Reading Colors Your World*, is ongoing through the end of August. The final day to sign up and earn prizes is **August 7**. For kids and teens, prizes include a t-shirt and a book. Adults can earn a t-shirt or have their name entered in a raffle for a gift certificate from a local vendor. For a list of additional programs, see the library’s event calendar at [jclibrary.info](http://jclibrary.info).

**Mask up to protect others.** Children 11 and under do not yet have access to a Covid-19 vaccine, so library staff is encouraging patrons to continue wearing masks inside the library and bookmobile. This action can help protect the young, the high-risk, and the vulnerable among us until everyone in the community has a vaccine available. Unvaccinated patrons are required to wear masks in public spaces.

**R&R: It’s not what you think.** The library read-and-return (R&R) collections are once again available at the Brinnon, Coyle, and Quilcene community centers during open hours. R&R collections are made available for times when patrons cannot make it to a library or bookmobile. No library card is required, and the shelves are self-service.

All R&R collections are stocked with materials carefully selected by library staff with volunteer assistance. The shelves have selections for all ages, and books can be returned to any library book drop.

The Jefferson County Library is located at 620 Cedar Avenue, Port Hadlock. Contact the library staff at 360-385-6544 or email [information@jclibrary.info](mailto:information@jclibrary.info).

## Donations Needed for Chimacum School Supplies

The Peninsula Support Organization (PSO) Bluebills are supporting Chimacum students in grades K through 6 by providing donations for school supplies. This year, according to Elma Beary, elementary school volunteer coordinator, the school is offering free supplies to all elementary students as a welcome back to school.

Donors can support this program with a check (suggested \$35) payable to the Bluebills and left at the Bay Club or Beach Club, or mailed to the Bluebills, 120 Spinnaker Place, Port Ludlow, WA 98365. Donations are requested by **Sunday, August 15**. For more information, call Barbara Berthiaume at 360-437-0423 or email her at [Barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com).

## Port Ludlow Art League Awards Scholarships

The Port Ludlow Art League provides scholarships for graduating Jefferson County high school seniors and continuing or returning students for study in community colleges, universities, vocational, and technical training institutes. The Port Ludlow Art League considers not only students interested in art, but also other creative areas of study.



*Nessa Seebergoss.*

To raise funds for creative scholarships, the Port Ludlow Art League members created 6" x 6" plaques of original art for sale to the public, raffled two original abstract art paintings, and held an art supply sale.

This year, the Port Ludlow Art League is delighted to award the Port Ludlow Art League scholarship to Nessa Seebergoss, who graduated from Port Townsend High School and plans to attend DigiPen Institute of Technology.



*Audrey Drake.*

Submitted photos

In an extraordinary act of generosity, Kent and Wendy Chesney offered a second scholarship for a graduating senior who plans to pursue a degree in Art or Art Education in honor of their daughter, Kristen Elizabeth Chesney. The Chesneys asked the Port Ludlow Art League to identify and recommend one of our scholarship applicants to receive this award.

Both the Chesneys and the Port Ludlow Art League are thrilled to award the Kristen Elizabeth Chesney Scholarship to Audrey Drake, who graduated from Port Townsend High School and plans to study visual arts at the University of Washington.

The Port Ludlow Art League wishes both students great success in their educational pursuits. In addition, we'd like to thank everyone for helping us build the scholarship fund. Please keep in mind new 6" x 6" plaques of original art are available for purchase toward the 2022 scholarship fund at the Port Ludlow Art League Gallery that is open Thursdays and Fridays from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. The Gallery is located next to the Sound Community Bank 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).

## Virtual Seminars Offer Free Legal Advice

Effective life care planning can help you protect your assets and remain independent. Richard Tizzano and Tony Hinson will present the practical and legal issues on **Tuesdays, August 3, 17, and 31**, at 11:30 a.m. Topics will include health care, Medicare and Medicaid, long-term care insurance, maintaining quality of life, aging in place, and supplemental-needs trusts.

Estate planning needs to be done with a changing landscape in mind. On **Tuesdays, August 10 and 24**, at 11:30 a.m., Hinson will discuss retirement account inheritance, state and federal tax issues, and some major upcoming changes likely for both. He will explain why estate plans call for more than just a will or trust, why powers of attorney and medical directives are critical, and why planning for retirement accounts is now more important than ever, with the end of the "stretch IRA."

These free seminars will be held online in real time, so you can interact directly with the experts in their field. To register, visit [sherrardlaw.com/seminars](http://sherrardlaw.com/seminars), or call 360-779-5551.

## Chimacum Backpacks for Kids

*by Marilyn Chadwell, Board Member*

At the end of a very challenging school year, we want the community to know that we persevered and made sure that bags of nutritious, kid-friendly food were delivered each and every week to the students in need in the Chimacum public schools.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all those people whose effort made this program work. When in-person classes stopped, our model of delivering food to the school for the children became useless. School staff quickly made revisions to the delivery system and soon our bags were going out on bus routes to reach the children. Despite the constantly

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changing obstacles, the counselors and food services staff demonstrated persistence and flexibility to keep food moving to the kids. When the risks associated with in-person gatherings were greatest, our volunteers got themselves vaccinated and returned as soon as they could to do the work of packing and delivering under the new, more restrictive circumstances. Working together with the Chimacum schools and limited volunteers, we got the job done.

We also want to recognize Sue and John Laird, managers at the Tri-Area Food Bank, for the many contributions they provide on our behalf. They give us a place to store food and pack bags each week along with helping us find alternative sources for cost effective food supplies. John and Sue understand and are empathetic to the needs of children who require the extra level of support our program provides. Their help makes our process smoother and our efforts more productive and for that we are most grateful!

So, by the end of the 2020-21 school year, we had packed and delivered 2,514 bags to children in the Chimacum schools. We are so grateful for the continued support of our community, and we relied on the many donations we received this year to keep our program going.

Thank you, Port Ludlow community, for your generosity throughout this most unusual school year. We could not have done it without you!

We will not be having a fund raiser this year, but donations will be happily accepted by mail: Chimacum Backpacks for Kids, P.O. Box 595, Chimacum, WA, 98325, or on our website [chimacumbackpacksforkids.com](http://chimacumbackpacksforkids.com).

## Cash for Platinum and Gold

*by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer*

The Peninsula Support Organization (PSO) Bluebills is again sponsoring the Cash for Platinum and Gold event on **Saturday, September 11**, at the Beach Club Gallery Room from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Start sorting out all of your old, broken, or unwanted gold, sterling, and platinum items and exchange them for cash. Pandemic protocols will be in place.

The buyer, Stan Morton, had been in the retail and wholesale jewelry business for much of his life and started Cash for Platinum & Gold more than 40 years ago to supplement his retirement. All of his business comes from referrals as satisfied customers have learned that he offers as much as 50 percent more than other buyers of precious metals. Morton said that he can provide good pricing because he has little overhead and has personal relationships with the local West Coast refiners to do the smelt and assaying.

A resident of Newport Beach, California, he has been an ambassador with his town's chamber of commerce for over 15 years. He volunteers in his community and has worked with charities, churches, and synagogues to put on Cash for Platinum & Gold fund raising events for their members.

The buying and selling process is simple: Morton weighs each item and then tests to determine the content—for instance with gold, whether it's 10K, 14K, 18K, 22K, 24K, or something in between. He pays in cash and provides a receipt for each client's records. Morton has been coming to Port Ludlow for nine years and has an avid following. He donates 10 percent of his proceeds to the PSO, which supports STEM education and the World Vision Essential Supplies programs on the Olympic Peninsula. For more information, contact either Barbara Berthiaume at [barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com) (360-437-0423) or Teresa Forrest at [Teresa.forrest@gmail.com](mailto:Teresa.forrest@gmail.com) (360-437-1191).

## Ways to Prepare for Wildfire Smoke

*by Keppie Keplinger, Public Information Officer,  
Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue*

Wildfire season typically runs from July through September and the National Weather Service shows this year's season could last longer because of the warmer, dryer weather we have had. Now is the time to begin preparing for the possibility of wildfire smoke to invade Jefferson County in the coming weeks and months.

Creating a clean air space inside your home is the best way to get relief from wildfire smoke. More information can be found at [epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq/create-clean-room-protect-indoor-air-quality-during-wildfire](http://epa.gov/indoor-air-quality-iaq/create-clean-room-protect-indoor-air-quality-during-wildfire).

You can also create your own low-cost air filter using a box fan and air filter to improve air quality in a single room in your home. For information on how to do it, see [pscleanair.gov/525/DIY-Air-Filter](http://pscleanair.gov/525/DIY-Air-Filter).

Have several days of water, groceries, and family needs on hand so you don't have to go out when it's smoky. And don't forget your pets. If the air quality is forecasted to be poor while you're away from home, plan ahead to keep your pets inside or with a caregiver.

Wildfire smoke may increase the severity of symptoms for people with Covid-19. Individuals who have recovered from Covid-19 may be more vulnerable to wildfire smoke due to potential long-term damage from Covid-19 in the lungs.

- Stay informed about local smoke conditions at [wasmoke.blogspot.com/](http://wasmoke.blogspot.com/).
- Local burn ban information can be found at [ejfr.org/information/burn-ban-guide/](http://ejfr.org/information/burn-ban-guide/).

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If you have any questions about the services that Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue provides to the community, please do not hesitate to call the office at 360-437-2236 or see our website at [plfr.org](http://plfr.org).

## Meet Your Firefighters

*by Ron Dawson, Contributing Writer*



Meet Elliot Stone, wildland firefighter/EMT, a volunteer with Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue. He has been a firefighter for four years, but started his involvement when he was fourteen doing ride-alongs with Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue. His interest in the fire service began when he was in middle school, when he researched the fire department for a culture fair project, and it grew from there. He also had a neighbor who was a firefighter who helped him cultivate his interest. He is very thankful for the mentoring that the crews gave him at the station. He says it has profoundly impacted him on the man he is becoming.

Elliot is originally from Bremerton, and his family moved to Port Ludlow where he resides today. He is single, and has dogs which are a big part of his life. When away from the station he likes to work out, hang out with friends, enjoys music, and gets outdoors as much as possible.

The thing he likes best about his job as a volunteer is being around the fire station, where there is a lot of laughter and the sharing of life experiences. He likes interacting with the public and enjoys public educational events. He is glad he can be there when families need help.

He has a personal goal to travel outside of Washington and ultimately see more of the United States. Most of his life has been on the Olympic Peninsula.

When asked about what people may not know about him, he said he is part Chippewa, Native American.

| <b>Port Ludlow Fire &amp; Rescue</b> |     |
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| <b>Alarm Statistics June 2021</b>    |     |
| <b>Alarms</b>                        |     |
| Fires                                | 3   |
| Rescue/Emergency Medical             | 68  |
| Service Call/Good Intent             | 28  |
| False Alarms                         | 4   |
| Hazmat                               | 1   |
| Total Alarms                         | 104 |
| <b>Ambulance Transports</b>          |     |
| Jefferson Healthcare                 | 7   |
| St. Michaels                         | 31  |
| Medevac                              | 1   |
| Total Transports                     | 39  |
| <b>Aid</b>                           |     |
| Aid Given                            | 6   |
| Aid Received                         | 4   |

## R2AK

*by Milton Lum, Contributing Writer*

A 750-mile race on any watercraft powered by wind and/or muscle only; bold and a bit crazy, this was a challenge to stir the juices of the most adventuresome mariner. R2AK, the Race to Alaska, the brainchild of Jake Beattie, executive director of the Northwest Maritime Center in Port Townsend, is that kind of a race. Conceived in the beer tent during a Wooden Boat Festival in Port Townsend, R2AK had its inaugural start on the morning of June 4, 2015, at 5:30 a.m.

The rules are simple: any boat without an engine, piloted solo or with a fixed crew for the duration; complete the qualifying stage of 40 miles from Port Townsend to Victoria, B.C.; complete the 750-mile course to Ketchikan, Alaska, passing through the way point in Bella Bella, B.C.; stay ahead of the sweeper boat; and no pre-arranged assistance from supply boats or onshore along the way. First place receives \$10,000 in cash, second place a set of engraved steak knives, and for the others swagger and the elation of having pulled it off.

Beattie stated in an interview for the *New York Times* prior to the first race, “Part of what’s intriguing about this race to people is that it’s a riddle.... We want to demonstrate

## Features & Stories

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### The Stars of Port Ludlow

by Marie Bogan, Contributing Writer

No, not Hollywood stars. Heavenly stars. Anyone who has lived in a city or other location with light pollution can appreciate the fact that Port Ludlow is ideal for stargazing. While it's true that our summer-evening skies stay light for too long and our winter-evening skies have an abundance of cloud cover, we are lucky to live in an area with exceptional nighttime darkness.

#### Getting Started: No Telescope? No Problem

If you have no experience with astronomy, don't be intimidated. Remember that you're in it for the fun. It's also an educational activity to enjoy with kids or grandkids. All you need to do is find an unobstructed view of the sky. Around here, that might mean a field or a beach.

For anyone getting started in astronomy, Bob Scott, president of Island County Astronomical Society in Oak Harbor, advised tapping into the knowledge of an experienced sky-watcher. "An hour of help will save you many hours of frustration," he said, adding that local astronomy clubs are a good resource, especially when they are having a star party. A statewide list of those clubs, including one on Bainbridge Island, can be found at [go-astronomy.com/astro-clubs](http://go-astronomy.com/astro-clubs).

Another local astronomer, Cliff Mygatt, who is national observing programs director for the Astronomical League, had advice for back yard astronomers who are considering the purchase of expensive equipment: "I often tell folks they probably have a telescope already, in the form of binoculars." He added, "Just get out there and look up. Simply sweeping the sky at night can be very rewarding and fun." In fact, you can see Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and Saturn without using any device at all—just as people have been doing since ancient times.

#### Sky Watching in August

This month is a particularly good time to watch the night skies because the Perseid meteor showers—one of the most captivating celestial events—will peak August 11, 12, and 13. Patient observers could see 50 to 75 shooting stars per hour, according to the American Meteor Society.

This year, the Perseids will coincide with a new moon, so moonlight will not interfere with hoped-for ideal atmospheric conditions. The meteors will be easily spotted in

all areas of the sky, with best viewing between midnight and dawn.

August is also notable this year because it will showcase a seasonal blue moon. Of course, it won't actually be blue; you might also hear it called Sturgeon Moon, Grain Moon, Fruit Moon, or Barley Moon. (Many full-moon names originated with Native American wisdom and traditions.) Regardless of what you call this moon, watch for it on August 22 and 23.



Comet Neowise over Hood Canal, 2020.

Photo by Roberta Johnson

#### Sky Watching Around the Year

Here's another reason to keep looking toward the heavens, all year round: You might see the International Space Station. The ISS looks something like an airplane streaking across the sky, but it moves in a smooth, continuous trajectory. It has no flashing lights. In low Earth orbit, it circles the planet every 90 minutes, traveling at 17,500 mph.

According to NASA, the space station is Earth's only microgravity laboratory. It's a football field-sized platform where crew members conduct science and technology experiments. As of this year, 243 astronauts from 19 countries have worked aboard the ISS. The trick is knowing when and where to look. For help in spotting it, try NASA's handy website called Spot the Station, where you can enter your location and find the "pass details."

Although we can't see Alpha Centauri—our closest star system—from here in the Northern Hemisphere, other bright stars and planets can easily be spotted. When

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pondering the wonders of the universe in colder weather, be sure to look for Sirius, a wintertime star, and the brightest star in our sky. (That, of course, is not counting the sun, our closest star, at about 94 million miles away.) To fully appreciate the starlight from Sirius on a dark Port Ludlow night, keep in mind the amount of time that star’s radiance takes to reach us: 8.6 years, door to door.

If you want to watch for upcoming celestial events, Scott recommends you visit this site: [timeanddate.com/astronomy/sights-to-see](http://timeanddate.com/astronomy/sights-to-see). It features photos, illustrations, short descriptions, and an astronomy calendar to help you plan your sky watching.

**Scope it Out**

Learning a little astronomy can be addictive. In fact, the more you learn, the more you realize how little you know. If you want to expand your knowledge—and your horizons—consider a field trip to the Goldendale observatory in Klickitat County. The facility has recently upgraded its learning center, main observatory dome, and 24.5-inch reflecting telescope.

The University of Washington Seattle campus also has an observatory. It houses a six-inch refracting telescope. Presentations there are geared to the general public with no prior knowledge of astronomy necessary.

**More Starry Resources**

Scott said that some of his favorite star-gazing phone apps include Sun Moon and Planets, Sunrise Sunset, Heavens-Above, and Constellation Map—all available for Android and iPhone. He also recommends free computer programs such as Stellarium and Virtual Moon Atlas.

For real-time visibility information on a given night, both Scott and Mygatt said they consult [cleardarksky.com](http://cleardarksky.com). The site’s easy-to-use charts let you pinpoint your location to find hourly forecasts for cloud cover, atmospheric transparency, and air “steadiness” for viewing planets and galaxies.

**We Are Not Alone**

“We’re made of star stuff,” astrophysicist Carl Sagan was fond of saying in the 1970s. He also speculated that there could be as many as 10,000 advanced extraterrestrial civilizations in our Milky Way galaxy. In 2020, National Geographic estimated a possible 150 million sunlike stars with “habitable real estate.”

If a further reminder is needed of our insignificance in the cosmos, we should regularly contemplate the fact that there are more stars in the known universe than grains of sand on planet Earth. And that’s why you need to keep your eyes on the skies, Port Ludlow Earthlings.

**ASK THE EXPERTS...**



**Q: What is your advice regarding making an offer on a home without a home inspection?**

**A:** Waiving home inspections has become routine in our current competitive and frenzied real estate market. Waiving a home inspection is not a good idea unless you, as the buyer, have expertise in electrical, plumbing, construction, etc. and can inspect the home yourself.

Consider having a pre-inspection conducted prior to submitting your offer so you know what you are buying. Your real estate broker can help you set up a pre-inspection prior to making an offer. You could also line up an inspection to occur within one or two days of accepted offer so that the ‘window to walk’ is shortened from the Seller’s perspective. Or, as mentioned previously, if you have enough expertise, do your own.

Certainly, if you are going to take the risk of foregoing an inspection make sure you have thoroughly reviewed the Seller Disclosure. Make sure the Disclosure is fully completed, including explanations for any asterisked questions in the Disclosure. Take the Disclosure with you to your showing. Ask questions, particularly if you see something that does not match the disclosure. Remember that the Seller is answering the questions based on their current knowledge. Sellers may not always be aware of what is going on in their attic or crawlspace for example.

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## Olympian History

by Jim Gormly, Contributing Writer

Olympiad: a period of four years reckoned from one celebration of the Olympic Games to the next, used by the ancient Greeks in maintaining historical chronology. If all goes according to plan, Tokyo is currently hosting the 32<sup>nd</sup> Modern Olympics, a tradition that began in Athens 31 olympiads ago (with a one-year pandemic postponement). By contrast, the Ancient Olympics were celebrated nearly 300 times over a 1,200-year time span. Apparently begun around 776 BCE (though possibly much earlier), the Ancient Olympics were a series of athletic competitions held every olympiad among representatives of Greek city-states. As much a religious festival as an athletic event, they were held in the town of Olympia to honor Zeus, whose statue in the temple at Olympia, a seated figure over 40 feet tall, was counted as one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. In addition to the spectators that came for the athletic events and the veneration of Zeus, were sculptors, orators, artists, religious proselytizers, singers, poets, and all kinds of performers hoping to make a drachma or two. Commercialization is not a 20<sup>th</sup>-century phenomenon.

The only competition held at the first thirteen Olympics was the *stadion*, a race of about 600 feet, or the distance Hercules could supposedly run on one breath. The word “stadium” is derived from this event. The program gradually increased to 23 contests, although no more than 20 were featured at any one Olympics. Many of these included sporting events familiar to us today: various races, jumping, javelin and discus throwing, boxing, wrestling, horse racing, and curiously, competition for heralds and trumpeters. Winners of the herald event were chosen for the clarity of the enunciation and volume of their voice, while victors in the trumpet contest were rewarded for the size and loudness of their trumpet. A running event that became the climax in the Olympic program was the 400-meter *hoplite* race, in which the runners wore a helmet and carried a shield. While most competitive events had a potential, though subtle, martial application to them, this was blatantly representative of a war tactic in which soldiers ran pell-mell in full military armor to attack an enemy.

Participation in events was limited to male athletes, and to ensure that a male was competing, athletes would be nude when they participated in the games (more on this later). Only men and unmarried women could watch the competitions, while married women were forbidden to attend. If a married woman was caught sneaking into the games, she could be hurled off the side of a mountain as punishment! Perhaps it was in the interest of maintaining harmony at home that they did not want a wife to compare the young athletes’ attributes with that of her husband.

Participants in the first 13 Olympics apparently raced down the track while wearing the typical apparel of the day: a belt of some kind and, one imagines, a loin cloth. However, as the belt was cumbersome, a man named Orsippus dropped his trousers and streaked down the track in 720 BCE to win the stadion race and became the first athlete to win while nude. From then on, all athletes “publicly stripped and anointed themselves with oil in their gymnastics exercises,” according to Greek historian Thucydides. Etymology lesson: the word “gymnasium” is the Latin word for “gymnastic school,” which is derived from the Greek adjective “gymnos,” meaning “naked”; a person undressed to exercise. It is interesting to note that in ancient Greece, gymnastics were not part of the Olympic competition, but were simply used as exercise to keep fit.

The Olympics continued to be celebrated when Greece came under Roman rule in the 2<sup>nd</sup> century BCE, until the emperor Theodosius I banned pagan festivals, including the Olympics in 394 CE, as part of the campaign to impose Christianity as the state religion of Rome. Not much seemed to happen for the next 1,500 years in terms of recorded recurring athletic competition in Europe. Sporadic attempts were made to revive the Games in the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries, but nothing consistent occurred until the 1890s. After attending the Olympian Games of the Wenlock Olympian Society in Shropshire, England, a forerunner of the modern version, Baron Pierre de Coubertin was inspired to found the International Olympic Committee. In a tribute to the Ancient Greeks and adhering to the four-year, or olympiad, custom, the Committee resurrected the Olympic Games, with the first Modern Olympics being held in Athens in 1896.

## The Search for History - In Vain

by Tim Rensema, Contributing Writer

In 2018, Ken Taylor wrote an article in the *Voice* titled, “A Long-Forgotten Cemetery in Our Midst.” He provided great background on the Port Ludlow cemetery located off Oak Bay Road. Currently, there is an interpretive sign located on the south side of Oak Bay Road that provides information on the cemetery and where it is situated. Dick Osburn (of Shine) has done extensive research in identifying and verifying where the cemetery exists in his pamphlet, “Historic Port Ludlow – Narrative of a Cemetery,” which introduced readers to the mystery of the missing monument of Minerva Jane Frazer Walker. Minerva, 15 years of age when she died in 1876, was married to Francis W. Walker. Minerva was the daughter of James and Emily Frazer (Emily was a full blood S’Klallam from Discovery Bay). After Minerva’s death, her husband Francis married her older sister Margaret.

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Minerva’s monument was of marble, approximately 2.5 feet by 5 feet by 2.5 inches thick, so a pretty significant monument. Other grave markers in the Port Ludlow Cemetery were probably of no later date than 1902 when folks from Port Ludlow were buried elsewhere, such as Forest Hill Cemetery in Swansonville. Minerva’s gravestone and a wooden monument to James Olson were removed in the early 1960s when Oak Bay Road was redesigned (moved uphill from Harbor Drive/Olympic Place) to its current location. Ken Taylor identified Tom Hannan as the person who moved the stone for safekeeping to his residence on Swansonville Road.

There have been “sightings” of the monument since it was moved. In 1975, a ten-year-old boy staying with his sister remembered seeing the stone monument leaning against either a tree or embankment. In the early 1980s, Patrick Robards, who helped Tom Hannan move the monuments, came back and cleared all the weeds and brush from the monument. By this time the house on the lot was in major disrepair. That was the last anyone saw or even thought of the monument. Dick Osburn, a local historian, has done some major investigation and located the place where Hannan likely moved the two monuments. Osburn also located a picture of the monument, which is all that remains today of the monument’s existence. *Note: The picture of the monument can be found accompanying the article on plvoice.org.*

This mystery needed to be solved! Six stalwart individuals (including one of the owners of the property) set up a date to find the monument. After all, searching an area only 12 square feet, it had to be easy to find. Of course, it was raining and a bit cool when we scheduled this search. However, that made the prodders (rebar) go into the soil more than deep enough to locate the monument, if it was there. After two hours of going over the area where we felt certain the monument had been set, and poking hundreds of little holes in the ground, we found the chimney of the residence and a piece of a Bluebird bus wheel (of 1950s vintage); however, we did not find the monument. We conjectured that perhaps the monument was taken with the building debris when it was torn down, or possibly removed by a visitor as a unique coffee table top. Given the size of the monument (and weight), moving it would have been strenuous. The bottom line is that we failed to locate the monument.

It is a terrible shame that the monument, which was so touching in its dedication to the life of Minerva Jane, is lost to her final resting place. It is to be expected that James Olson’s wooden monument would be gone. All the wooden monuments at Port Ludlow cemetery have long since rotted away. Given the cemetery was likely in use from as early

as 1852 to 1902, it is possible there are many graves in the cemetery and that Forest Hills was necessary because Port Ludlow cemetery could not expand. The size of the cemetery is approximately 50 feet x 150 feet (or 7500 square feet) and located on a slope leaving some of the property unusable. Because of the dangerous occupations in both the sawmill and the woods, as well as the deaths of children due to diphtheria, cholera, and all the other ailments of those days, the idea that the Port Ludlow cemetery was full is not too hard to believe.

Ken Taylor reported that a proposal had been approved by the Port Ludlow Village Council in 2016 to locate and potentially restore the Port Ludlow cemetery. If we are unable to find the monument, an option is to produce a replica of Minerva’s headstone based on the photo. This replica would be placed in a cleared and marked area in the old cemetery and include the inscription from the original gravestone: *“Sacred to the Memory of MINE WA JANE The Beloved Wife of Francis W. Walker Who Departed This Life Dec 25th A.D. 1876 Aged 15 Years 9 Months 21 Days. Judge of Justice hears my prayer; Spare me Lord to mercy spare, Ere the reckoning day appear; Farewell.”* This effort would not only recover an important cultural artifact of “old” Port Ludlow but do the next best thing to restoring the history and memory of Minerva Jane Walker, an early pioneer of Port Ludlow.

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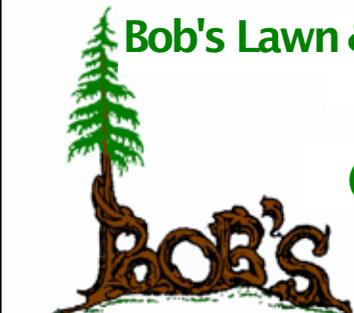
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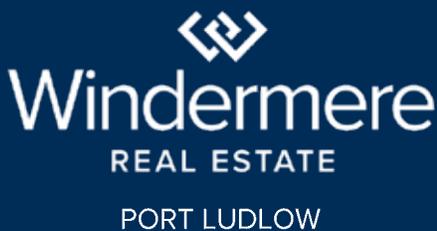


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## Edibles - Sisters' Cider House

by Carol Riley, Contributing Writer



Port Ludlow residents Roger and Lee Anderson are getting ready to fulfill a dream—one they have been nurturing for over 30 years. The Andersons will open Sisters' Cider House

on Bainbridge Island in the fall with cider crafted on site. The Andersons had hoped to open the business sooner, but delays have pushed the date back.

Roger, who has worked in the pharmaceutical industry most of his life, began to make beer as a hobby many years ago. His daughter Caron, age 7 at the time, loved to help her father brew beer; but when Caron was a teenager, she presented her father with a book about cider making, and they found their new love. The Anderson's have been making cider for the last 15 years and extol the virtues of cider over beer. According to them, cider is easier on the digestive system and doesn't produce that bloating sensation that beer drinking can cause.

Roger has included courses at WSU in cider making in his quest for the best product possible, and that afforded him the opportunity to forge a relationship with Finnriver Farm and Cidery. He says the relationship has been mutually beneficial as he had process experience to share with them as well as learning about their operation. Customer education is a big part of Roger's mission, and he hopes to share his knowledge with his patrons. He is intrigued at the differences in palate between men and women. Women favor the flavor of cider while men talk about the texture and mouth feel. The Sisters' cider formulations balance the acid, sugar (dryness), and alcohol content in a way that satisfies both needs.



Roger's daughters, Randi and Caron, known on Bainbridge as the "Island Sisters" because of their real estate careers, have stayed connected to the business and will be very involved in the operation of the cidery on Hildebrand Lane. The vision is for a family-oriented business, sorely needed

in their view. Parents can sip cider while children play games provided and the plan is for food trucks and local restaurants to supply food. Membership will be available in the cider club, and Sisters' Cider House will be joining the Brewskee-Ball League for more fun and games.

An October 2021 opening will hopefully coincide with an Oktoberfest theme featuring pumpkin cider, apple pie cider, and what the Anderson's see as the Bainbridge Island signature flavor, blackberry cider. It appears that we have another very tasty reason to visit Bainbridge Island.

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## High Drama at the Birdfeeders

by Eline Lybarger, Contributing Writer

The Hummingbirds are the most bellicose. Like bullets they dive, hover, bluster and threaten each other. Fortunately, no one gets injured. The Purple and House Finches travel in large groups and are like a cloud of flowers floating through the air. We thank our neighbor for putting a yellow ribbon near her birdfeeder to attract Goldfinches. It did such a good job that we, too, have them at our feeder. This late in the season, most of the striped Pine Siskins have moved on.

We have an open-sided feeder for the larger birds, but they also feed on the ground along with the Grey Squirrels, Douglas Squirrels and Townsend's Chipmunks. The Band-Tailed Pigeons are easily spooked—perhaps they have heard about pigeon pie. The Mourning Doves are very polite and wait their turn. They like the open-sided feeder, where we see as many as four in there at once. This makes them very cozy, as it will normally accommodate only one squirrel. A Steller's Jay always brightens our landscape. A few Crows drop by for a bite, and we watched a mother Mallard duck raise five babies. Mother ate like a vacuum, while making a constant low sound that seemed to keep the babies in control. Papa Mallard was very protective. With wings out, neck extended, and bill open he backed off a large hungry squirrel. For lively black, orange and white color there are the Warblers and Grosbeaks; the Evening Grosbeaks are particularly colorful.

There are also a couple of predators. Occasionally an eagle will perch on top of a tall evergreen to check out the small-bird menu. Usually, during this time there is not an animal to be found anywhere. The smaller Sharp-shinned Hawk has been more successful. We had the interesting, although unpleasant, experience of watching it squeeze the life out of a small bird before flying away with it. Also, one day I was weeding in the garden when a Finch came around the corner of the house at warp speed and flew into the boxwood, a leafy, dense, woody plant. Immediately behind was the Hawk. I assumed the Finch would be safe in the dense plant, but the falcon prevailed.

Our favorite bird is Flash Gordon, a Red-winged Blackbird. Slightly larger than a Robin, with glistening black feathers and only a slip of yellow on his wings until he flies, then the iridescent red wing patches appear. When he flies, he leaves streaks in the air.

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## Lily of the Valley

by Eline Lybarger, Contributing Writer

Lily of the Valley (*Convallaria majalis*) has early spring leaves, 8 to 10 inches tall, and one-sided racemes, 6 to 12 inches long, appearing with 8 to 15 tiny campanula-shaped white flowers with an intoxicatingly sweet fragrance. In later summer, after the flowers are gone, red-orange berries appear.

*Convallaria* like spring sunshine, but not hot summer sun. They will tolerate deep shade, but may not bloom as well. The soil should be humus-rich, moist, and slightly acid. (Most of Port Ludlow's soil is already slightly acid.) Fleshy white rhizomes allow it to aggressively spread. It is best to divide it in early fall when the rhizomes go dormant. It makes an attractive planting under deciduous trees.

A few other interesting members of this genus:

- *Convallaria majalis* sold as 'Striata,' 'Aureovariegata,' and 'Variegata' has distinctive striped foliage. 'Potsdam Stripe' also has bold leaf stripes.
- 'Snow Chimes' with a white edge on its leaves, and 'Soft Stripes' has diffused, creamy striations on the foliage, giving it a frosted look.
- 'Berlin Giant' is a larger plant, good for cutting; 'Bordeaux' is also tall, with 10-inch stems, and large flowers. 'Fortin's Giant' has large flowers on 12 to 15-inch stems.
- 'Flore Pleno' ('Plena') has fully double cream-colored flowers. 'Rosa' (*C. majalis* var. *rosea*) has pale, iridescent pink flowers with an open habit.

The plant has a long medical history. The leaves and flowers contain cardiac glycosides, including convallatoxin, a cardiac tonic and digitalis alternative. It was also used for sprains, as a memory and speech restorer, and to prevent gout and ease colic. Despite the rich history of medical uses, be warned that all parts of the plant are toxic and can be fatal if ingested. So, enjoy the fragrance and the flowers but do not nibble any part of the plant.

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### PSO Bluebills World Vision Essential Supply Program: How it Works and What They Need



Ralph Archung and Barbara Burke staffing the local Bluebills warehouse filled with goods to be distributed.

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The Bluebills Essential Supply Distribution Program is done in conjunction with World Vision. The Peninsula Support Organization (PSO) Bluebills represent non-profit agencies, schools, and churches in Jefferson County that are members of the World Vision Program.

Each month Bluebill members drive to Fife, Washington, and receive three or four pickup-truck loads of goods and bring them back to the local warehouse for sorting and inventory. A list of items is then sent to each non-profit agency to select what they need for their clients.

To be part of this program, member agencies must pay \$300 a year. To help pay that fee, the agencies appreciate financial donations from community members or local organizations.

Following is a list of member agencies in the Port Ludlow and Port Townsend area that the program is currently serving:

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## Two Popular Organizations Celebrate Local Craft Skills



*Finnriver's Head Cider Maker, Andrew Byers, and Chief Instructor at the Northwest School of Wooden Boatbuilding, Sean Koomen, toast to craftsmanship.*

The Northwest School of Wooden Boatbuilding is kicking off its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a little help from Finnriver Farm & Cidery. The organic orchard is issuing a limited edition of its Oak & Apple cider with a label showing *Bryony*, a gaff cutter that was built by the boat school.

“The Olympic Peninsula is home to so many makers, builders, growers, and people who work with their hands,” said Betsy Davis, executive director of the boat school, which launched *Bryony* in 1983. The boat was designed by a local resident and built by the founder of the boat school, Bob Prothero, and some of his early students.

Wrecked by a massive winter storm in 1989, *Bryony* was rebuilt by the boat school with significant help from the supporting community. That same bond with community is part of the vision shared between the cidery and the boat school. The two organizations also sustain a tradition of craft, which “reflects the values of so many of our neighbors on the Olympic Peninsula,” said Davis.

*Bryony*, owned and cared for by a boat school alum, continues to be moored near the facility in Mystery Bay. The *Bryony* cider label will be offered for the rest of the year.

Oak & Apple semi-dry hard cider is aged in oak whiskey barrels. It’s available at [Finnriver.com](http://Finnriver.com), at regional farmers markets, and at the Finnriver Cider Garden in Chimacum. Summer hours there are noon to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday to Sunday. Finnriver endorses organic agriculture, land conservation, renewable energy, local business, and preservation of craft in the surrounding rural environment.

The Northwest School of Wooden Boatbuilding is part of a larger local community of skilled crafts persons. It promotes traditional boat building skills through hands-on education and active practice of the craft. The school is completing a major expansion including the addition of a new marine systems teaching facility, renovation of the historic Galster House, and repairs to the workshops at the working waterfront of Lower Hadlock.



*The limited-edition version of Finnriver's 'Oak & Apple' cider, features an image of "Bryony," a gaff cutter built by the Boat School in 1983, on its label.*

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# 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](mailto:editor@plvoice.org) by the 8th of the preceding month.

## Port Ludlow Performing Arts: The Sound of Music Returns

by Peggy Welker, Publicity Chairperson

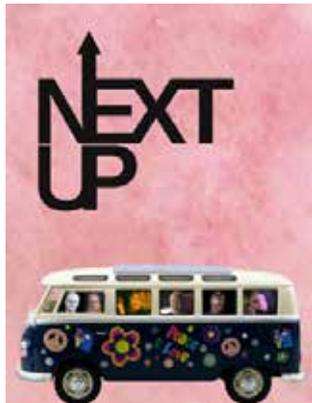
The “sound of music” is once again returning to Port Ludlow. On **Sunday, September 5**, from 1:30 to 5:00 p.m., Port Ludlow Performing Arts (PLPA) is sponsoring a free outdoor concert on the lawn area directly below Grace Christian Center. The purpose of this family friendly event is to welcome back our past patrons and to introduce PLPA to the many new members of our community.

To make the day even more exciting, the Port Ludlow Art League will be hosting their 2021 Art Fair at the Inn at Port Ludlow. From 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. you will be able to browse unique works for sale by local artists, including jewelry, watercolors, acrylics, photographs, woodworking, ceramics, books, cards, and baskets, while enjoying views of the Port Ludlow Marina and the Olympic Mountains.

The outdoor concert will feature two of the most outstanding groups from the Pacific Northwest. From 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. will be *Next Up* which is a Northwest super group of talented musicians and recording artists, including some who have performed on the world stage alongside Oscar Peterson, Supertramp, Jonathan Butler as well as local groups Freddie Pink, The Relics, Emerald City Horns and Backstreet Jellyroll, among others. They bring their own blend of danceable soul and rock ‘n’ roll from the '60s, '70s and '80s. Featuring

local musician Kelly Carpenter, *Next Up* is back by popular demand after entertaining Port Ludlow residents with a fabulous “Music on the Green” concert several years ago.

From 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. *Black Diamond Junction (BDJ)* will take the stage. They began in 2014 as a project to bring some of the best musicians in northwest Washington together, creating a project to perform songs no other groups in the area were doing at the time. Over the years, *BDJ* added new friends to its core performers and has landed on the formula that consistently draws large crowds...flocking to see shows featuring superior musicianship and entertainment. *BDJ* has been named the region’s “Best Live Entertainment Group” in 2016, 2017, 2018 and



2019. You will hear a little of everything, including artists such as: The Eagles, Fleetwood Mac, Doobie Brothers, and Linda Ronstadt. Great covers and phenomenal vocals, *BDJ* shows are true dancing and sing-along events. Expect high energy, superior musicianship, and some humor as well.

Food and non-alcoholic beverages will be available during the concert through two local vendors. The God Bless Coffee food truck located by Grace Christian Church will offer their full menu of gourmet coffee, sandwiches, sweets, etc. You can view the menu on their website [gbfcatering.com/general-9](http://gbfcatering.com/general-9). In addition, Port Ludlow's Dusty Green Café will be offering box lunches and a variety of beverages.

Parking for the event will be well marked and directed by volunteers. It will be located in the upper Yacht Club parking lot and parking areas above the Bridge Deck. Handicapped parking will be available in Grace Christian Church parking lot for those unable to walk the distance from the parking area to the concert.

PLPA would like to thank all of those who have made this concert possible, including Terri Ross for underwriting the concert; Port Ludlow Associates for use of the space and the golf cart; and Grace Christian Center for use of their parking area and facilities.

Come one, come all and mark your calendars for Sunday of Labor Day Weekend so you don’t miss the biggest event of the year in Port Ludlow. PLPA invites all Port Ludlow and surrounding area residents to bring your family, friends and neighbors, along with your lawn chairs, camping chairs or picnic blankets to enjoy a fantastic afternoon of music and art—and don’t forget your dancing shoes!

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## Spotlight

### A Rotary Year Unlike Any Other— East Jefferson Rotary Club Shines Amidst Pandemic

by Rick Smith, President, EJC Rotary

I can't tell you how honored I am to have served as President of this great club over the past 12 months. I am extremely proud of the way the club has responded to the challenges that have resulted from the pandemic. It hasn't been an easy task and the ability to socialize and converse in person, one of our club's greatest strengths, was limited, yet we still managed to accomplish quite a bit over the last year to help those in need in the community.



Rotary pantry.

I would like to share this past year in a review of our accomplishments and a few special thanks to those who went above and beyond to help our club accomplish these goals.

Over the last couple of years, we have cultivated a great relationship with the Community Wellness Project (CWP), [jccwp.org](http://jccwp.org), and partnered with them to support the Little Free Pantry at Irondale Church and to construct and establish a second Little Free Pantry at the Chimacum Grange. Modeled on Little Free Libraries, Little Free Pantries (LFP) are “take what you need, leave what you can.” Each is a centrally located cupboard that holds non-perishable food, available for all, regardless of need. In addition to the LFP's, we also helped with the Chimacum High School produce garden—weeding and tending to the plants over the summer. A special thanks to Kathryn Lamka and Abbie Jorgenson with CWP; we look forward to our continued partnership and the diverse initiatives you support.

In addition to gardening at the high school, we had a Grange cleanup day at the Chimacum Grange this last spring to get it ready for the summer. We organized a gardening day at the Native Plant Garden at HJ Carroll Park in June; and last fall, we helped the Holiday Meals organization serve and deliver meals to over 150 people in the community. Thank you to the Rotarians involved in these service projects.

The Rotary Club has had a long-standing relationship with the Tri-Area Food Bank, and we continue to support them with donations and volunteer hours. I volunteered with the food bank a handful of times this last summer, and I am

always amazed and delighted by the amount of inventory preparation and work that goes into such a vital resource in our community. It warms my heart, seeing firsthand the impact of John and Sue Laird's team at the Chimacum food bank.

Although the pandemic has impacted our ability to connect in person with those in the community, I am proud of two longstanding fundraisers that went on uninterrupted over the last year. The biggest challenge we faced in fundraising involved our annual Rose Sale. Traditionally this has been done with sales solicited primarily in person by Rotarians. With the social distancing mandate, you can imagine the difficulty this presented to our club and the hesitancy of members to engage their Rotary networks. However, showing agility and nimbleness, the club migrated our Rose Sale online thanks to the help of John English with the Port Townsend Rotary Club and his webpage expertise. We had another successful year and managed to raise \$4,393 to support local community projects and scholarships. Thanks to all of you who purchased roses and supported this program.

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The other more visible fundraising project we continue to grow in the Tri-Area is our Holiday Flag program which supports the scholarship fund of the EJRC. For \$50 per year, we will fly a flag at your business or residence for five patriotic holidays (Presidents, Memorial, Independence, Labor, and Veterans Day.) As a Rotarian putting up flags several times a year, I feel a great sense of pride and joy each time I put up or take down a flag. For more information about this program or to participate, please contact Ned Luce at [nhluce66@gmail.com](mailto:nhluce66@gmail.com). Again, thank you to those in the community who are currently flying flags and supporting this program.

**Why we fundraise**

Our Rotary club’s willingness to take on projects and fundraisers is what allows our club to have an impact on our community. Donations and proceeds from our work has allowed us to support the following programs:

- Local Scholarships
- Connected Students Initiative - The goal is to bring affordable internet connectivity to every student in Jefferson County.
- Levi’s Chair – Track mobility chair for a local 6-year-old boy
- Dove House of Jefferson County
- PSO Bluebills

I am excited for the Rotary year ahead as we transition to our incoming President, Pete Leenhouts. I thank all of you in the community who have had a hand in supporting our club. If you would like to find out more information about the East Jefferson Rotary Club or how you can join us at one of our weekly meetings, please contact me at [richard.j.smith@edwardjones.com](mailto:richard.j.smith@edwardjones.com) or 360-437-5113.

**Upcoming Events:**

**What: East Jefferson Rotary Car Show**  
**When: Saturday, September 25, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** for spectators.  
**Where: Port Ludlow, above the Marina in the parking lot across from the Port Ludlow Yacht Club**  
 Registration for cars available in advance: \$15, and at the door, \$20  
 Registration for cars: 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.  
 Prizes, awards and “goodie bags”  
 Contacts: Ned Luce at [nhluce66@gmail.com](mailto:nhluce66@gmail.com) or Pat Cooper at [cooperwp@aol.com](mailto:cooperwp@aol.com)



*Rotary members setting up flags.*

Submitted photos

**What: Cycle Marrowstone Bike Ride**

**When: TBD – August 2022**  
**Where: HJ Carroll Park – 16, 27, and 47-mile routes**  
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## Now Playing: Concerts in the Woods

*Editor’s Note: Last month the Voice ran a Spotlight article on Concerts in the Barn. The article below features another excellent music venue, Concerts in the Woods. So, whether you prefer classical, modern, traditional, nostalgic, or an eclectic mix of them all, the Voice can help you get your groove on.*



Blues musician John “Greyhound” Maxwell will perform guitar, mandolin, and vocals at Music in the Woods on August 21.

Photo by Crystal Craig

Somewhere down at the “End of the Earth”—well, actually just 14 miles south of the Hood Canal Bridge on the little-known Toandos Peninsula—sits the quietly unassuming Laurel B. Johnson Community Center in Coyle, home of Concerts in the Woods. The music series was founded in 2009 by Coyle resident and long-time local music promoter/supporter Norm Johnson.

After hosting the series for its first 10 years, Johnson began looking for a replacement, hoping to find someone who would share his enthusiasm for showcasing a variety of music genres with an emphasis on as much local talent as he could spotlight. Mats Mats resident Joe McKinstry stepped in and now, after an 18-month Covid-19 caused delay, McKinstry is hosting the shortened 2021 season, which kicked off last month. The next performance, **Saturday, August 21**, at 7:30 p.m., will feature musician John “Greyhound” Maxwell, who was voted best acoustic blues guitarist by Washington Blues Society.

The concerts are for all ages, featuring the best of folk, Americana, country, singer/songwriter, jazz, Appalachian, bluegrass, Celtic, and more. Two 45-minute sets of music comprise the performances and admission is by donation; no tickets are sold for the shows. Complimentary cookies and coffee are served at intermission.

Concerts in the Woods is usually a year-round series, said McKinstry, but due to the pandemic-related delay in starting up, the 2021 season will be limited to about nine shows through December. A return to a full slate of 20

shows is expected in 2022, with a variety of talented local and national musicians on the schedule.

“Fans of Concerts in the Woods can take heart that Norm Johnson will still be very much a part of the series, offering his expertise and guidance to help maintain the family- and artist-friendly environment he created,” said McKinstry. “In fact, Norm is planning to be in attendance at many of the shows, so long-time attendees just might be seeing that familiar and friendly face.”

There are no services in Coyle—no gas station, no restaurant, and no market—so concertgoers should be prepared for a rustic experience. They should also be prepared for a beautiful drive through the woods just west of Hood Canal, and a memorable afternoon/evening of music.

For a calendar of upcoming performances, as well as directions to Concerts in the Woods, see [coyleconcerts.com](http://coyleconcerts.com).



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Uncle Funk brings his dance band to the venue on **August 5**. Abakis will perform classic soul with her fingerpicking guitar on **August 12**. Performing favorites from the '60s and '70s will be the dance band Sound Advice on **August 19**. You'll hear a mix of psychedelia and roots rock on **August 26**, with the Merry Makers. The season will close on **September 2** with the Port Townsend All Stars.

For more information, visit [ptmainstreet.org](http://ptmainstreet.org).

## Group Art Exhibit at the Port Ludlow Bay Club



Heron, by Georganne Muse.

Submitted photo

After a long hiatus, the Bay Club will once again host group art exhibits sponsored by the Port Ludlow Art League. The theme for this group art exhibit is *Feathered Friends*.

Birds in art can symbolize freedom, hope, and peace. Birds also evoke images of flight, song, caring for young, hunting, and as pets. Members of the Port Ludlow Art League will create artwork that features all aspects of our feathered friends.

The art exhibit is available for viewing in person at the Bay Club during August and September. The Bay Club is located at 120 Spinnaker Place in Port Ludlow. For more information on art exhibits at the Bay Club, contact Alan Ahtow at [alanahtow@gmail.com](mailto:alanahtow@gmail.com).

## Port Ludlow Art League

Port Ludlow Art League's Artist of the Month—**Diane Walker**



Afternoon Delight, by Diane Walker.

Before she began creating abstract paintings, Diane Walker was a professional photographer whose award-winning work has been featured in books, magazines, and galleries across the country.

Currently, Diane's photography is integral to her ongoing contemplative practice. She began posting her photos and poems in 2007 and continues to post daily on Facebook and at [ContemplativePhotography.com](http://ContemplativePhotography.com). Best known for her boat photos, Diane now focuses on local flora and fauna and waterfront scenes but also includes images from India and Nepal. Her photos are complemented with a brief message summarizing her contemplative response to the image.

In August, Diane's photographs will be on display at the Sound Community Bank and online at [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org). Her books and additional prints will be available at the Port Ludlow Art League Gallery. If you'd like to purchase her artwork, email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org) to make a sales appointment or stop by the Gallery from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays. The Gallery is located next to the Sound Community Bank at the corner of Oak Bay

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Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org).

**Jeweler of the Month – Mara Mauch**



Necklace by Mara Mauch.

Submitted photos

Mara has been working with glass for over 30 years. She finds her work with fused glass exhilarating because it combines the scientific properties of glass with her artistic imagination, oftentimes producing unpredictable but exquisite results.

Using a kiln, Mara fuses several layers of glass with or without dichroic (metallic coatings) or gold or silver

inclusions to create cabochons that are used in necklaces, bracelets, and earrings. After adding more layers of glass and incorporating precious metals or other materials, she shapes the pieces by hand and then re-fires them.

Mara’s jewelry will be online at [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org) and on display at the Sound Community Bank and at the Port Ludlow Art League Gallery. You can also see Mara’s jewelry at the Bainbridge Island Studio Tour on August 13-15, [bistudiotour.com](http://bistudiotour.com).

The Sound Community Bank is located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. The Gallery is located next to the bank and open every Thursday and Friday from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org).

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**Port Ludlow Labor Day Weekend Festivities—Art Fair & Outdoor Concert**

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, September 5**, so you don’t miss the biggest event of the year in Port Ludlow—the Art Fair at the Port Ludlow Inn from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and the free outdoor concert near the Grace Christian Center from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To get your day started, stop by the Port Ludlow Inn (front lawn) and the deck below the Yacht Club for the Port Ludlow Art League’s Art Fair. You’ll be able to browse unique works for sale by local artists, including jewelry, watercolors, acrylics, photographs, woodworking, ceramics, books, cards, and baskets, all while enjoying views of the Port Ludlow Marina and the Olympic Mountains. You’ll also be able to contribute to the Port Ludlow Art League’s Scholarship Fund by purchasing original works of art on 6" x 6" plaques.

Then make your way to the lawn area near the Grace Christian Center to attend a free outdoor concert sponsored by the Port Ludlow Performing Arts. The outdoor concert will feature outstanding local musicians from the Pacific Northwest, including Next Up, Black Diamond Junction, and Kelly Carpenter.

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# Village Council

## Board Meeting Summary

by Sally Franzel, PLVC Secretary

At the July 1 Port Ludlow Village Council Board Meeting the following reports were given:

### **Diana Smeland—President, Port Ludlow Associates**

**Hospitality:** The Fireside Restaurant has been impacted by the on-going shortage of staff. The restaurant will be closed to the general public Mondays and Tuesdays. Breakfast and a take-out dinner will still be offered to guests staying at the Inn. Washington State has 80,000 jobs available in the hospitality area. PLA continues to search for interested individuals including retirees and high school students and would appreciate any referrals.

**Real estate:** West Harbor Homes is experiencing supply chain issues with materials such as roof trusses, engineered wood, appliances, and windows. Those delays made pre-sales difficult as prices were increasing and many potential customers could not wait a year and a half to have their homes built. Referring to Olympic Terrace 2 (OT2) Phase 2, the information on desired plat changes had been published for 30-day public comment. The sales of Phase 2 are scheduled to commence in first or second quarter 2022, but might be delayed due to the shortages of building supplies and changes in demand in the real estate market.

**D docks replacement:** PLA's application to the Corps of Engineers for a permit to replace D docks has been on hold for a year and a half. The Corps is in the process of putting together a mitigation program which will apply even if the applicant wishes to replace or repair an existing dock in exactly the same place. The Port Hadlock Marina has recently received their permit, and PLA is hopeful that their permit will be received soon so that work on D Dock West could be scheduled between June and October 2022, using steel pilings. Only one permit can be applied for at a time and once the first project has been completed, a permit would then be requested for work on three quarters of the marina, and eventually a permit for work on the remaining quarter of the marina and a possible expansion.

**Olympic Water and Sewer, Inc. (OWSI):** The water filtration project is 90 percent complete and testing will commence in July or August. The project should be completed by the beginning of fourth quarter 2021 and management remained confident that the January 1, 2022, deadline for a reduced interest rate on the loan would be met.

## Village Council Meetings

### Board Meeting

Thursday, August 5

2:45 p.m., Zoom Video Conference Call

### Workshop Meeting

Tuesday, August 17

2:45 p.m., Zoom Video Conference Call

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### Guest presentation by Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Fire Division

The guest speakers were Eric Flanigan, Fire District Manager, Olympic Region, and Matt Cervenka, DNR Fire Unit Manager for East Jefferson and East Clallam Counties. The presentation included a description of how DNR Fire Division operated and how it worked with communities, local fire districts, and with third party forestry neighbors to protect and educate. The Firewise USA program was explained together with an illustration of home ignition zones and how the homeowner can create defensible space and provided ideas for suitable plants in each zone. The complete presentation, including resources for the homeowner, will be posted on the PLVC website on the Emergency Management Committee page at: [plvc.org/plvc-committees/emergency-management](http://plvc.org/plvc-committees/emergency-management)

Bill Dean, Chair of the Emergency Management Committee, commented that one neighborhood, Edgewood, has been certified as a Firewise community. The Bay and Beach Clubs decided to use the principles and materials recommended in the Firewise program, but they will not apply formally for certification. In addition, the Committee continued to work closely with Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue. The Fire Chief and his crew have visited the various neighborhoods and have given advice on how to clean up the brush and also how to take care of the common areas. The Committee held a Block Captain Fair on July 22 to continue discussion on fire prevention. Evacuation in case of a fire emergency was also discussed as evacuation routes were limited for the Port Ludlow community.

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**Trails and Natural Resources Report—Larry Scott, Committee Chair**

Larry Scott provided a detailed list of the trail maintenance projects completed by the Trails Committee and its volunteers during the second quarter. During the first six months of 2021, volunteers invested a total of 602 hours, or an average of 100 volunteer hours per month.

Since the American Volkssport Association will host 10k and 5k walks on some of the Port Ludlow trails on **Saturday, August 28, 2021**, volunteers from the Trails Committee were working to ensure that participants' experiences on the Port Ludlow trails will be as enjoyable as possible. The Board thanked the members of the Committee and its volunteers for their on-going contribution to the maintenance and safety of the trails which are of prime importance to many members of the community.

**Utilities Committee Report—given by Jim Moffitt in Robert Chanpong's absence**

Jim Moffitt referred to the OWSI Customer Information notice dated June, 2021, which had been enclosed with the most recent billing statements sent to customers and emailed to those using electronic billing. This notice provided up-to-date information on the 2020 Water Quality Report, the Water Use Efficiency Report, the New Sewer Rates, and the New Water Rates. A copy of the information notice will be posted on the PLVC website, Utilities Committee page at [plvc.org/plvc-committees/utilities](http://plvc.org/plvc-committees/utilities).

**Trail Mix**

*by Larry Scott, Trails Committee Chair*

Ahhhhh, spring and summer. Rain and sunshine in steady combination. What a wonderful time to live here in the great Pacific Northwest. What else goes with that combination of rain and sunshine? Why growth, of course. Growth of blackberries, salmon berries, scotch broom, nettles, and various grasses. That is where your local Port Ludlow Village Council Trails Committee comes to the rescue. A group of dedicated trail stewards look out for the condition and status of their respective trail. There is another (abey much smaller) group that does the maintenance on the trails whether it's clearing downed trees/limbs, removing dangerous dead/leaner trees, or this time of year mowing, weed whacking, or extensive side encroachment removal. This has been going on all spring. The Trails Chair can't seem to stay home long enough to keep the *Voice* articles current each month and keep the local community up to date.

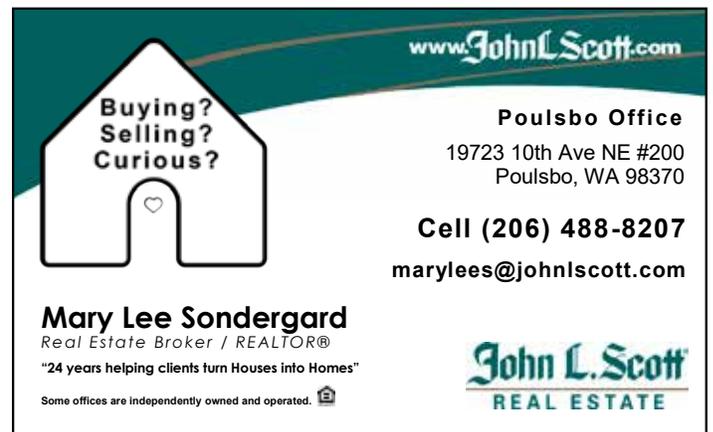
As of this publication, the committee is trying to put the best conditions in place for the specific trails along the route of the upcoming Volkswalk later in August. We are looking forward to visitors from afar who may have never been to this part of our Northwest paradise. They will only be using a small portion (5K & 10K) of our 46K of trails, but we hope they thoroughly enjoy their stay and the walk their sponsor, Jane Holmes, has identified for them.



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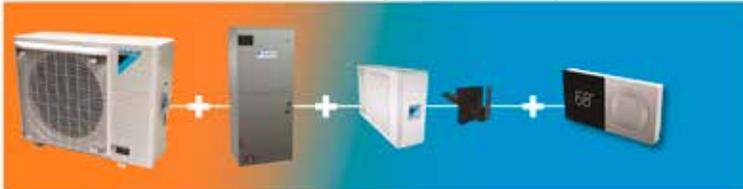
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# Beach Club / North Bay News

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## Update From the Manager

by Brian Belmont, General Manager

The Beach Club is open! It has been a long time coming but we are finally there! Beginning July 6 our hours of operation were expanded as follows:

Monday – Saturday  
7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Sunday  
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

For more information regarding swimming pool, spa, and gym usage, visit our website at [LMCBeachClub.org](http://LMCBeachClub.org). LMC members are once again permitted to bring guests to the Beach Club. Pool and gym reservations are no longer required. Unvaccinated individuals are asked to wear masks while indoors except when in the water.

Groups that had used the Beach Club and Bridge Deck for meetings pre-Covid, are asked to call the Club to reestablish those activities.

I encourage our members who haven't been to the Beach Club since we reopened to stop by and take a look. I am especially pleased with how the Bay View room and gym look with new flooring and fresh paint.

A reminder to our LMC members that Regulation 6.11 Parking, which was suspended while the LMC RV storage lots were closed for renovation, has been reinstated by the Board of Trustees effective July 10. Moving forward, boats, RVs and trailers may only be stored on lots for a cumulative total of 72 hours in a calendar month unless the equipment can be screened from view of other lots and common areas.

On August 14, LMC will sponsor a North Bay barbecue for our members. The event is scheduled from 12:00 – 2:00 p.m. on the Beach Club lawn and if the weather doesn't cooperate, we will move indoors. LMC will provide the food and beverages—you just need to bring your appetite.

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

## Important Dates

### LOA Meeting

Email: [portludlowloa@yahoo.com](mailto:portludlowloa@yahoo.com)  
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Sign up for the *LOA Bulletin*  
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### LMC Board Meeting

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All LMC members are welcome. ✳

## Eats and Exercise

by Linda Johnson, North Bay Editor

GBF Catering: Delicious complete dinners to go, Tuesday and Friday, 4:30-6:30 curbside pick up. For meal information, go to their website [GBFcatering.com](http://GBFcatering.com). GBC coffee and food trailer coming soon with delicious coffee drinks as well as breakfast and lunch items.

Yoga with Shayann Hoffer-Pauley: Wednesdays 3:00-4:00 p.m., Sundays 8:30-9:30 a.m. outside Port Ludlow Resort/Inn at the Totem Pole. For more info: [shayann.massageplanet.com](http://shayann.massageplanet.com) or email [shayann\\_hoffer@yahoo.com](mailto:shayann_hoffer@yahoo.com) or call 360-774-0763.

Mind Body Practice with Margaret (Max) Painter: Bay View Room at Beach Club 7:30-9:00 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. For more info contact Max by email at [Painterm76@gmail.com](mailto:Painterm76@gmail.com) or call 206 612 0422.

Zumba with Kathy Anderson: Outdoor classes 6:00 p.m., Monday and Wednesday at Port Ludlow Marina. For more info, email [chimacumhulagal@hotmail.com](mailto:chimacumhulagal@hotmail.com) or phone 360-821-8173.

# Bay Club / South Bay News

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## SBCA Update and the 2020 - 2021 SBCA Year in Review

by Bartholomew Clark, SBCA President  
(July 15, 2020 – July 28, 2021)

### Board Activity

Beginning with last year's Annual Meeting, ending with our 2021 Meeting, and barring the possibility of yet another Special Meeting between the time of this writing and our 2021 Annual Meeting, the Board will have convened for a total of 27 Regular and Special meetings. Much was accomplished during this difficult year despite constantly changing circumstances, pandemic-induced and otherwise.

### Improvements and Repairs Made to the Bay Club

- Installation of a new, energy-efficient HVAC system and converting lighting systems to LEDs. The increased efficiency is predicted to provide a return on investment that will cover the entire expense of these upgrades in about seven years. It is expected that energy savings provided by the HVAC and lighting systems will be 30 percent per year or about \$800,000 over the next 15 to 20 years. Further, the air quality inside the Club is now cleaner and safer due to improved filtration, carbon dioxide sensors, and "air scrubbers."
- Resurfacing the swimming pool without inconvenience to members due to the Club's closure.
- Also, without inconveniencing our members, the Bay Club's parking lots and entry road were resealed and restriped while not in use.
- New flooring was installed in offices, the cardroom, and the classroom.
- Touchless faucets and soap dispensers were installed in Club restrooms.
- Vice-President and Communications Committee Chair Tom Sprandel generously donated his talents in designing, bringing online and maintaining the SBCA's new user-friendly member website *SBCA.CLUB*
- Happily, the SBCA had the good fortune to retain most of our staff furloughed during the pandemic closure. Welcome back!
- Thanks to the generosity of SBCA members, fundraising support of the Tri-Area Food Bank and other local charities continued during the current pandemic; over \$10,000 was donated during the past year.

## SBCA Important Dates

### Monthly Board Meeting

**Thursday, August 12, 9:30 a.m.**

Plans are for a virtual meeting.

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## Usual and Unusual Challenges Over the Past Year

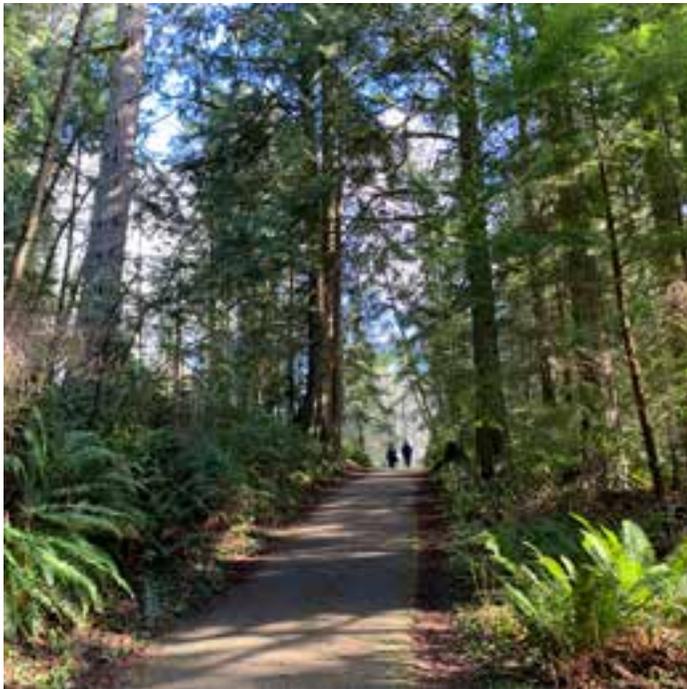
Issues ranged from responding to and ruling on disputes between members involving ARC and other typical issues, to dealing with ongoing and mercurial changes brought about by the pandemic. The Board spent a tremendous amount of time dealing with violations of our CC&Rs that involved levying fines and interest, incurring substantial legal fees, and ultimately filing a lawsuit and a property lien for noncompliance. Thanks to the excellent work of our legal counsel and diligence of the Board, the Association prevailed successfully in these matters and recovered funds in excess of our legal fees.

In dealing with the Covid-19 pandemic, we had to make some difficult, and sometimes unpopular, decisions in doing our best to protect the physical health of our members and the fiscal health of our Association. Not the least of challenges in this regard was the constant evolution of public health recommendations and guidelines. As SBCA enters a new year, I wish our membership and our newly constituted Board the best of good fortune in navigating the year to come. I hope it won't be as challenging as the year just completed. When it comes to serving on the Board, it's the mileage not the years that generates one's personal wear and tear. Stay safe, everyone.

## Recreation & Sports

### Come Out and Walk Port Ludlow

by Jane Holmes, Guest Writer



Trail View

Everyone is invited to come out and walk in Port Ludlow on **Saturday, August 28**. 10K and 5K routes are being set up by a local “volksmarching” club. Both routes will be marked with ribbons and arrows. The 5K (3.1 mile) route traverses the beach and heads around the bay to Picnic Point, Ludlow Cove Cottages, and back. You can add on a visit to the Interpretive Trail and Ludlow Falls if desired. The 10K (6.2 mile) route starts out with the 5K route but then heads up the Osprey Trail to do a loop on shady, wooded trails in the “highlands.”

These walks show off the fabulous trail system here in Port Ludlow. It is a chance to walk as a community, walk at your own pace, and feel secure walking with others along the same route.

All walks start and end at the Bridge Deck above the Ludlow Beach Club (121 Marine View Drive). Come sign in and start your walk anytime between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on August 28. The event will end at 4:00 p.m. It is free to walk, and you might discover nooks and crannies of our town that you’ve never seen before. Water, trail bars, and porta potties will be provided. Everyone who walks will get a free raffle ticket and a chance to win some cool prizes.

We expect volksmarchers from around Washington and even Canada to come for the event (the border situation

permitting), so if you see walkers, say hello! And if you notice trail markers, please leave them in place. Volunteers will pick them up after the walk ends.



Port Ludlow Hikers

Submitted photos

This event is co-sponsored by The Port Ludlow Village Council, Port Ludlow Associates, and the Four Plus Foolhardy Folks volksmarch club.

For more information contact Jane Holmes, email [jensenholmespa@gmail.com](mailto:jensenholmespa@gmail.com), phone 360-496-8610.

### Dove House Golf Benefit

by Barbara Berthiaume, Contributing Writer

The ninth annual Dove House Golf Benefit will be held on **Friday, August 27**, at the Port Ludlow Golf Club. This event, sponsored by the Olympic Peninsula Bluebills, will kick off with a shotgun start at noon.

The fee is \$110 for the general community and \$65 for Port Ludlow Golf Club members. Fees include a golf cart, box lunch, winner prizes, raffle prizes, and an awards ceremony with a lasagna dinner catered by God Bless Food.

Dove House will receive 100 percent of all donations, which will help alleviate dangerous living situations for victims of sexual assault and domestic violence. Items not in the Dove House budget include such things as personal care products, emergency housing, transportation, and school supplies. These are just a few of the things that can ease the lives of traumatized families. Since its inception, the tournament has raised more than \$100,000 on behalf of Dove House clients and in 2018 the Bluebills presented a check to Dove House for \$19,000.

For further information, phone Barbara Berthiaume at 360-437-0423 or email her at [barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com](mailto:barbara.berthiaume@gmail.com). Sign up at the pro shop by **Friday, August 20**, for a fun day out and a worthy cause.

## Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association Update

by Kathy Traci, PLWGA Publicity Chairperson

On Tuesday, June 29, The Port Ludlow Golf Club Ladies' Invitational welcomed women golfers from an array of golf clubs, including White Horse, Kitsap, Jackson Jills, Sunland, Cedars at Dungeness, Gallery, Avalon, Discovery, Emerald Canyons, Swinomish, and Gig Harbor. A number of PLWGA members were in the winners' circle of the Invitational. They included individuals Lucinda Thompson for longest putt on hole 9 and Beth Weaver for straightest drive on hole 18. Additionally, the following teams were successful in their quest: Lucinda Thompson and Bonnie Vahcic for Flight One Gross, third place; Debi Bozanich and Sue Fechner for Flight One Net, fourth place; Linda DeForest and Beth Weaver for Flight Two Net, first place; Sharon Russell and Kathy Traci for Flight Two Net, second place; and Meryl Friedman and Alice Chang for Flight Two Net, fourth place. Visiting players were quite impressed and effusively complimented the excellent condition of Port Ludlow Golf Course. The event ended with winner announcements at a delicious late afternoon luncheon served by the Dusty Green Café. The weather was perfect, and many participants vowed to come back to play Port Ludlow Golf Course again.

At the WGA/MGA Exchange on Tuesday, July 6, teams of one WGA member and one MGA member played a modified Chapman. The event culminated with awards announced at the Dusty Green Café and a luncheon hosted by the women's league. The team of Z Thomas and Bob Bertoia were the winners of this Exchange golf competition. On **August 4**, the men's league will host the Exchange using a similar format.

The Mid-Season Luncheon and General meeting was held at the Beach Club on Wednesday, July 21. The winners of the Captain's Cup Tournament, (a match play event) were announced and the Queen of the Captain's Cup Tournament was honored. (Forthcoming details will be announced in the next issue of the *Voice*.) August PLWGA regular play continues on Tuesdays and casual play on Fridays. Tuesday's August games will include Par 4's, Nassau, and Fives. **On Tuesday, August 17**, the Port Ludlow Golf Club will host a Washington State Women's Public Link Association (WSWPLA) tournament. In this year's first WSWPLA event, PLWGA member Sharon Russell placed in her Flight. Entry fees will be announced soon and all handicap level players are encouraged to participate. The Dove House Golf Tournament, scheduled for **Friday, August 27**, is a charity event sponsored by the PSO/Boeing Bluebills and supported by area businesses.

Captain Meryl Friedman announced that the next major women's tournament is the PLWGA Club Championship, a three-day event that will be held on **September 13, 15, and 17**. Also, the All-Star Cup will take place on **Tuesday, September 21**. In this event, two teams of members will compete for the honor of being named the 2021 All Star Cup Champs. When information becomes available, tournament Chairperson Grace Allen will share details.

PLWGA Captain Meryl Friedman invites prospective PLWGA members to play on Tuesday mornings and welcomed new members Z Thomas, MaryBeth Sabine and Lisa Taylor to the league. Even if you're not a member of the Port Ludlow Golf Club, you are welcome to play in one of our leagues for up to a year as a trial to see if you like it. Non-club members pay greens fees each time they golf.

To get a tee time, sign up for a league, or inquire about any of the above events, please contact the Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop at 360-437-0272.

## Lady Niners News - August 2021

by Kathy Traci, Lady Niners Publicity Chairperson

The Port Ludlow Golf Course is in beautiful condition and the Lady Niners have enjoyed playing together every Thursday morning. In July, due to the Pro-Am event scheduled at the Port Ludlow Golf Course, the Lady Niners traveled to Port Townsend Discovery Bay Golf Course for play. Niners Couples Chairs have organized games for the last Thursday of each month. The August Couples golf event and luncheon are scheduled for **Thursday, August 26**. The Dove House Tournament (Charity Event), sponsored by the PSO/Boeing Bluebills, is scheduled for **Friday, August 27**.

The Lady Niners ranks have expanded in 2021 with some additional Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association (PLWGA) members joining the league. Winners of all regular Thursday games are announced via email and winnings are accumulated in members' accounts and may be used to purchase Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop items.

Those league members interested in casual play on Friday mornings should contact Linda Haskin. Linda sends out an email Golf Genius invitation with play times. Then members need to respond to Linda's emailed announcement via Golf Genius. Due to the limited number of tee times, inclusion is based on members' email response times.

New members are always welcome. Lady Niners Captain Sharon Russell invites prospective Lady Niners to play on Thursday mornings. To sign up to play, please contact the Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop at 360-437-0272. Please note: PLGC membership is a requisite for participation in the Lady Niners golf league.

## Port Ludlow Men's Golf Association News

by Tim Propeck, Sports Editor

The PLMGA tournament directors, John Germaine and Shelly Washburn, outdid themselves when they came up with a tournament that pitted the two club Pro's against teams of PLMGA members. There was some haggling on the make-up of the PLMGA teams. The initial definition was a group of three-man teams playing a scramble format, where each team member hit a shot and the best shot was selected for the following shot until the hole was finished. The Pro's thought that would give the PLMGA members an unfair advantage, so the teams were reduced to two members playing the shotgun format.

The Pro's turned out to be correct in their protest on team size. Even with the reduced team size of two, nine of the twenty PLMGA teams wound up beating the Pro's, and shared the pay-out. The winning team was Shelly Washburn and Mike Burke.

## Port Ludlow Hiking

by John Nuernberg, Hiking Club

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

Those on the hiking email roster receive an update the week of a scheduled outing. If you would like to be added to the email roster, send a note to [plhikingclub@yahoo.com](mailto:plhikingclub@yahoo.com), or go to the club's website: [portludlowhikingclub.com](http://portludlowhikingclub.com) and click on Contact to send a message.

### Friday, August 13 – Lower Lena Lake

Lena Lake Trail is an easy six-mile roundtrip with 1,225 feet of elevation change. Lena Lake is a small backcountry lake surrounded by fir and cedar trees. The trail is easy to follow and well maintained. As you near the lake, you will find good view points to rest and enjoy the lake view. The turnaround point is a large boulder with the best view of the lake. Here we will take a break, eat a snack/lunch, and enjoy the views. There is a restroom at the trail head. National or Interagency Pass is required. Hike leaders: John & Sally Nuernberg, 623-975-0503.

### Friday, August 27 – Switchback Trail/Klahhane Ridge

Of the four ways to reach the rugged, rocky, and wide-open Klahhane Ridge, the Switchback Trail is the shortest. Ascending 1,500 feet in 1.5 miles, this direct approach wastes no time ruthlessly reaching the high ridge crest. You, however, may need to take your time. The south-facing ascent guarantees an early season entry into the

high country, but also exposes you to plenty of direct sunlight (description is Craig Romano's). The trail is five miles long with 1,700 feet elevation gain. National Park or Interagency Pass required. Hike leaders- Sally & John Nuernberg, 623-975-0503.

**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 other alternative route.

For more hiking information, map of the Port Ludlow Trails, and descriptions and pictures of previous hikes and other destinations, go to [portludlowhikingclub.com](http://portludlowhikingclub.com).

## Mitch Black Memorial Golf Tournament Coming in September

The second annual Mitch Black Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on **Sunday, September 19**. Friends of Chimacum Schools Education Foundation and Port Ludlow Golf Club are sponsors of the event, which supports educational programs at the school where Black taught and coached for more than 30 years.

At last year's tournament, a large contingent of friends, family, and former students turned out, in spite of the Covid-19 pandemic and intense forest-fire smoke, to reminisce about Black's kindness, intelligence, and love of golf. Profits from that event funded three \$1,000 scholarships for Chimacum graduates and provided \$1,000 in educator grants. Another goal for this year's tournament is to generate funds for the Chimacum High School golf program, which was started by Black and became integrated with Port Ludlow's rich golf history.

A \$400 per-team fee includes a round of golf, lunch provided by The Dusty Green Cafe, and on-course competitions with prizes. For details contact Adam Barrows at the Port Ludlow Golf Course, email [abarrows@portludlowresort.com](mailto:abarrows@portludlowresort.com) or phone 360-437-0272.



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human capability.” Fighting wind and current, the racers are challenged with developing the most efficient and sustainable use of propulsion (sails, paddles, bicycle-driven propellers) to overcome the fickle and feisty weather and tides along the remote and rugged route.

That first year, applicants from all parts of the boating world heard the siren call, a challenge unlike any other. Boats and crew were carefully screened by the race committee. Canadian Coast Guard would be on stand-by, but help in an emergency would be hours away. It was critical for each team to be fully prepared to deal with any contingency.

When the results of the first R2AK were entered into the record books, the range of human capabilities had been demonstrated. Team Elsie Piddock, named for a 1937 children’s story heroine, finished first with a three-man crew sailing a catamaran better suited for tropical waters. They were weathered and worn but not too exhausted to celebrate. During the next 21 days, 14 additional teams followed to ring the bell in Ketchikan. Included within that group were a solo kayaker, Mike Higgins, and a solo sailor, Roger Mann, who finished 11<sup>th</sup> despite capsizing in the Seymour Narrows. All those who finished and even those forced to drop out were winners for taking the dare and pitting themselves against the elements. Beattie’s dream had come to fruition.

Until Covid put a temporary halt to everything, four more races each produced winners with their own quirky personae and team names. Mad Dog Racing, a team of three men from the Pacific NW, finished in 3rd, 20h 55m, in 2016, a time that has yet to be bested. Among the 24 other teams ringing the bell at the finish line that year were five soloists who had paddled or rowed the entire distance. In the years to follow the pattern remained the same: sailing boats at the top but undaunted individuals, including a standup paddle boarder, slogging it out to complete the journey within the requisite time.

An all-woman team, ‘Sail Like a Girl’ from Bainbridge Island, entered for the first time in 2018 and won it. In their own words: *it was a walk in the park* compared to the hectic lives they lived balancing professional and domestic responsibilities. They channeled their success into establishing a (501)(C) foundation to encourage young girls and women to take up sailing. Matt Pistay of Port Ludlow and his crew of six Angry Beavers were the first to cross the finish line in 2019. Because of communication difficulties during the last leg of the race, the Beavers were unaware that they were the winners until they heard it from the cheering crowd on the docks.

Emerging from the enforced hiatus, R2AK 2022 may be viewed as a template for recovery from future pandemics or disasters. It is about the human capacity to suffer privation, to be creative, to mobilize skills, and to work in concert with others to face and overcome adversities.

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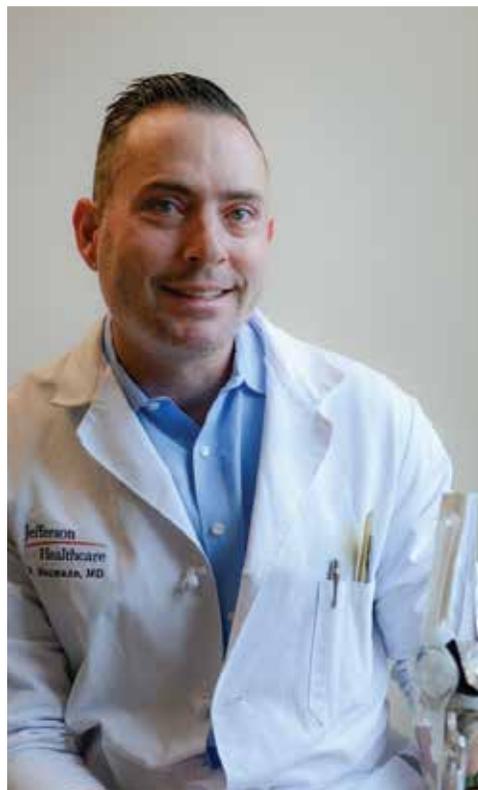
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