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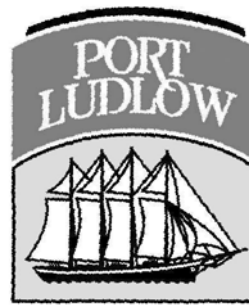
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## News & Community

### Editorial

by Mary Ronen, Staff Writer

As I am writing this, it looks like spring is just around the corner. Oh, sure, it is still pretty chilly, but the sun is shining! We survived getting through daylight saving time, and now can be out a little later without having to drive in the dark. Easter is coming up soon as well, and that always signals spring for me.

You may have noticed this issue is a little lighter. There are a couple of reasons for that—one being fewer contributors this month and the other reflects that some of our long-time advertisers have decided to retire. If you are a business owner, information about advertising with us can be found on our website at [plvoice.org](http://plvoice.org) under the Advertise tab. The *Voice* is mailed out monthly to over 2000 households; your name would be seen by a large local population. If you are not a business owner but have a favorite or two, they need to know about us! Dining out? Maybe your favorite place might want to advertise with us. Having work done in and around your home? We all want to know about the best people to call on.

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This issue may be smaller but it is packed with informative and interesting stories. Just to name a few, there is everything you want to know about chocolate on page 8. See how Jefferson Land Trust works to protect this beautiful peninsula while helping our local farms—that's on page 16. Summer will soon be here, and with it comes the danger of wildfires. Our Fire Department tells on page 6 how we can protect ourselves and our property. Throughout the magazine, you can find out what's going on with some of our clubs and organizations. Some pretty interesting people live right here in our community; read about some of them in this issue.

I, and the rest of the staff here at the *Voice*, appreciate the positive support that we have received from you all. If this issue arrives in your mailbox on a nice sunny day, get outside and get your vitamin D while reading through it.

In any case, sunshine or rain, and anything in between, I hope that you enjoy this month's issue.

### Another Community Theater Opportunity

by Randy G Powell, LVP, Staff Writer

The clown with his pants falling down, the dance with a dream of romance, the scene where the villain is mean, That's entertainment!—The song "That's Entertainment!"

This is community theater and what we love to do. It only works when actors, production crews and audience join together in a place, any place, that we choose to be a theater. Last year we staged a hilarious comedy called *The Outsider* and this month we bring you the suspense thriller *Night Watch*. What's next? This fall we are bringing you a warm and engaging musical filled with humor, drama and great music, we can all relate to, called *In This House*. To do this, we need you, the community, to be not just the audience, but performer and crew too. I know, if I asked you, you would say "I can't sing." Well, I am a singer, voice teacher, actor and director. How about letting me be the judge? Auditions for *In This House* will be held on **Friday, May 12** at the Beach Club here in Port Ludlow.

I am known for "Out of the box" audition opportunities that actually make performers more comfortable. This one is no different. It is a talent show! The four winners each receive a part in the fall (October) musical *In This House*. We are looking for an older couple 50+ and a younger couple to fill the four parts by singing solo performance songs. We will provide interested contestants with a music sample from the show, (to choose their own performance piece), as well as musical and acting coaching. C'mon, let that Streisand, Dion, Jackman, or Harris come out to play. Contact me at [rpowell25@earthlink.com](mailto:rpowell25@earthlink.com) with any questions, needed encouragement or suggestions.

There is an audience and they just make the show better. We will have limited seating (70) and we will start taking reservations on **Sunday, April 2** (no fooling) and while there is no admission fee, a donation of any amount to the Val Durling Performing Arts Scholarship would be greatly appreciated.

To participate as a contestant, merely send me an email (mention Talent Show in subject) and we can get things started. Oh, the sooner the better as we will only take the first 15 applicants.

On a side note: Don't forget to get your tickets for *Night Watch* which runs **April 7, 8, 14** and **15** at 7 p.m. and **April 8** and **16** at 2 p.m. at the Bay Club. Tickets can be purchased for \$19 from [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com) (just type in Ludlow for location).

Did you know: If actors were not performing, they had to stay behind the "leg line," which also meant they wouldn't get paid. If you were to tell the actor to "break a leg," you were wishing them the opportunity to perform and get paid. The sentiment remains the same today; the term means "good luck, give a good performance."

#### Reminder to Dog Owners

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



## Jefferson County Library District News & Events

### Library District Unveils New Hagen Building

The Library District is excited to celebrate the completion of our new Hagen Building, an expanded mobile services project named in honor of former Library Trustee Tom Hagen. All are invited to a ribbon cutting on **Saturday, April 8**, from 3 – 4 p.m. The celebration will include a tour of the new building, refreshments, and music from the Unexpected Brass Band. Don't miss the fun!

### Friends of the Library Spring Book Sale

The Friends of the Library will hold their spring Book Sale on **Saturday, April 15**, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Stop by and shop for gently used books, audiobooks, DVDs, and music CDs. The sale will take place in the Bookmobile garage next to the library building, and all sales support the Jefferson County Library District. Friends of the Library members get early access at 9:30 a.m.

### Internet Basics Classes for Teens and Adults

The District will host an Internet Basics Class series beginning **Friday, April 7**, from 2:30 – 4 p.m. This nine-week series will cover topics including navigating websites, finding the best search results, protecting your online identity, and more. Classes will continue each Friday afternoon through June 2, and no registration is required to attend. Enhance your understanding of technology and basic internet skills by joining us for one or more of these free workshops.

### Race Amity Discussion Series

Race Amity is vital in advancing access, equity, social justice, and unity. Join us for a five-part interactive discussion that explores the history of Americans working courageously to overcome racial injustice through acts of amity, harmony, and peace—from nationally significant friendships addressing anti-Black racism to our local challenges and progress on the Olympic Peninsula. The first discussion takes place on **Wednesday, April 19**, from 2 – 3:30 p.m., and subsequent conversations will continue each Wednesday through **May 17**.

### In Person and Online Collage Program for Adults

Bring your creativity to light in this fun collage workshop guided by SilverKite Community Arts (SKCA). Participants may come to the library or attend online on **Saturday, April 22**, from 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. While supplies will be provided, participants are encouraged to bring some of their own. Suggestions include newspapers, magazines, construction paper, cardboard, fabric scraps, buttons, and even beads. You can also use objects found in nature or around the house. **Registration is required.** Online attendees will need glue or a glue stick and have the option to pick up a supply kit before the program.

The library is located at 620 Cedar Avenue, Port Hadlock, and can be contacted at 360-385-6544 or [information@jclibrary.info](mailto:information@jclibrary.info). For complete program details and the event calendar, visit [jclibrary.info](http://jclibrary.info).

## First Wednesday Luncheon

Do you have a Victorian hat? Be sure to wear it to the First Wednesday Luncheon on **Wednesday, April 5**, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bay Club. Tracy Wirta and her husband, Scott Rovanner, will present a slice of Port Townsend's history with emphasis on the upcoming Victorian Heritage Festival. Scott is President of the Port Townsend Heritage Association, and he and Tracy will be dressed in costume. Let's have some fun and wear our hats too, Victorian or otherwise.

This luncheon will be a BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) including utensils. We will provide coffee, tea, water, and goodies.

Please RSVP to [firstwednesdayluncheon@gmail.com](mailto:firstwednesdayluncheon@gmail.com) by **Monday, April 3**. You are asked to sign up as a courtesy to the club so we can have the appropriate number of tables set up in advance. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us in this effort.

As First Wednesday Luncheon's mission is to support the Tri-Area Food Bank, attendees are asked to bring donations in the form of cash, checks made payable to the Tri-Area Food Bank, non-perishable food, and/or hygiene products. Due to the recent reduction in Covid relief funds, the need for assistance has greatly increased.

The luncheon always includes a raffle with proceeds used to help support the Food Bank during July and August when the luncheon is on hiatus.

Be sure to mark your calendars for next month's inspiring program: **Wednesday, May 3**: Community Wellness Project in conjunction with the Chimacum School District, held at the Bay Club. In honor of Cinco de Mayo, we will be offering a taco salad bar for lunch.

## Port Ludlow Garden Club: All About Fruit

We extend an invitation for all to join the Port Ludlow Garden Club on **Saturday, April 8**, at 11 a.m. at the Bay Club.

The speaker will be Master Gardener, Doug Van Allen. Growing food has been a constant for him spanning 50-plus years. He became interested in growing small fruits approximately 35 years ago and fruit trees about 20 years ago.

He is Chair of the Jefferson County Master Gardeners' Foundation and their Growing Groceries team, which presents a six-week course that introduces the public to fruit and vegetable gardening. For the past three and a half years he's been the lead volunteer at the Port Townsend High School Garden. He's also one of the three people who manage the 70-fruit-tree-orchard at Blue Heron Middle School.

Doug will share his love and expertise of growing fruit in our area with an emphasis on espalier, the process of training trees against a flat surface or wall.

Please plan to join us and RSVP to Michelle at [portludlowgardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:portludlowgardenclub@gmail.com) by **April 5**.

**February 2023 Statistics for East Jefferson Fire Rescue**

Effective 01/01/2023 Port Ludlow Fire & Rescue merged with East Jefferson Fire Rescue. Our monthly statistics will now include information for the entire Fire District.

Communities served include: Port Townsend, Cape George, Kala Point, Marrowstone Is., Port Hadlock, Chimacum, Irondale, Port Ludlow MPR (North and South Bay), Paradise Bay, Beaver Valley, Bridgehaven, Mats Mats, Shine, South Point and other areas located within our boundaries.

<b>Alarms</b>	
Fires	7
Rescue/Emergency Medical	421
Hazmat	4
Service Call/Cancelled En Route	104
False Alarms	12
<b>Total Alarms</b>	<b>548</b>
<b>Ambulance Transports</b>	
911 Transports	187
Inter-Facility Transports	45
<b>Total Transports</b>	<b>232</b>
<b>FIRE CARES Contacts</b>	<b>70</b>

- Prune dead and over-hanging tree branches.
- Assemble emergency supplies and belongings and put them in a safe place.
- Stay aware of the latest news and information regarding local wildfires. Jefferson County radio stations KPTZ 91.9FM and KROH 91.1FM will broadcast evacuation orders and road closures.
- Sign up for NIXLE by texting JEFFCODEM to 888777 or go to [co.jefferson.wa.us/950/Dept-of-Emergency-Management](https://co.jefferson.wa.us/950/Dept-of-Emergency-Management) and click on the cell phone.
- Use an N95 mask to protect yourself from smoke inhalation.
- Keep your cell phone charged when wildfires could be in your area. Purchase backup charging devices to power electronics.

Log on to [bit.ly/wildfireready](https://bit.ly/wildfireready) to watch four short videos about wildfire preparedness that include Mitigating Harm from Wildfire; Home & Buildings; Landscaping and Evacuation.

If you have questions about the services East Jefferson Fire Rescue provides, call 360-437-2236. Visit the webpage at [ejfr.org](http://ejfr.org).

**Financial Focus - Can You Count on Social Security?**

*by Rick Smith, Guest Writer and Financial Advisor*

If you're getting closer to retirement, you might be thinking more about Social Security. Can you count on it to contribute part of the income you'll need as a retiree?

There's been a lot of talk about Social Security's potential financial troubles in the future, but because Social Security is a highly popular program, it's likely lawmakers will find a way to keep its funding intact.

You can begin taking Social Security at 62, but your monthly payments could be considerably larger if you can afford to wait until your full retirement age, which is probably between 66 and 67. But even if you do delay taking Social Security, it will still only make up part of the income you'll need as a retiree. So, while you're still working, it's a good idea to take full advantage of your IRA and your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan.

You could spend two or even three decades in retirement—so work to create a retirement income strategy that's built for the long run.

If you have questions for Rick, he can be reached at 360-427-5113 or [Richard.j.smith@edwardjones.com](mailto:Richard.j.smith@edwardjones.com).

**Wildfire Preparedness for Your Home and Family**



*East Jefferson Fire Rescue strongly encourages homeowners to begin now to move any flammable material from exterior walls to include bark chips, flammable plants, leaves and needles, firewood - anything that can burn.*

Now that we are into a new season it's time to prepare for the possibility of wildfires in Jefferson County.

- Clean roofs and gutters of dead leaves and fir needles that could catch fire.
- Remove anything stored underneath decks or porches.

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## Features & Stories

### My Travel Addiction

by Melissa Rosaaen, Guest Writer

It all started as a fluke. I was bored and slightly depressed. It was 2017 and my husband and I were living in Bangkok, Thailand. I was working in an international school while my husband worked remotely. Rick was returning to the United States for a month to assist our adult son with surgery aftercare, and a colleague asked if I'd be interested in watching a cat, Hickory, for a few days. I could stay in a luxury apartment in downtown Bangkok, for free. Just feed the cat and change the kitty box. Why not?

I felt like a celebrity influencer, living in a fancy penthouse with an enormous rooftop garden. Hickory and I would lounge about, snacking on tidbits, laughing, and drinking sparkling water. It was really a fun step out of my somewhat bland suburban tract home. And Hickory—love at first sight.

Living overseas offered us a chance to travel quite a bit and at real bargain prices. In the two years we lived in Thailand, we were able to explore nine new countries, some a few times. We hiked in the Himalayas, scuba dove in Indonesia, shopped the markets of Vietnam and Cambodia, and relaxed on beaches throughout Southeast Asia. The whole travel thing became a bit addictive, to say the least.

Returning home to the US was a shock on a number of levels, but the cost of travel was downright disheartening. It was during this time that a friend suggested we might enjoy a housesitting website, *trustedhousesitters.com*. Basically, it's a platform in which folks who need a pet-sitter can connect with folks who would like to "sit." You pay a nominal annual fee, get a background check, and collect your references. Upon verification, you are ready to apply for specific opportunities. Upgrading from the base plan adds in liability insurance, support hotline, sit cancellation insurance and even airport lounge passes. Like "Yelp," the sitter and the host rate each other after each "sit." Good reviews equal more opportunities. Why not?

So far, we've had excellent experiences. A historical snowstorm in New Mexico with two cats was memorable. Ben, the Retriever, near Peaks National Park in the UK will forever be in our hearts. Buddy, the blind dog with a rainbow dyed tail, showed us the ropes in Ballard, WA. And most recently, Pepper and Minnie, the hysterically funny and mischievous Canadian cats that literally tipped over furniture for attention. How did they do that?

Of course, houses need attention too. We've had a flooded laundry room and a leaky roof. But, having had a broken pipe in our own home while on vacation, we were happy to help our hosts avert a total remodel.

Being well past traveling to "see every single sight," we have found that this type of adventure offers a slower pace, allowing for a deep dive into a particular location. It's really a great way to see the world. And best of all? We can get out and do it a lot.

Do I need a 12-step program for this?

### Edibles—Kitchen Chemistry: Chocolate

by Libbey Lincoln, Staff Writer

Chocolate: A Complicated History—first in a series of articles on chocolate

Cultivation of cacao dates to at least 600 BCE. The Olmec word *kakawa* was coined over 3,000 years ago. Cocoa comes from the Spanish *cacao* via the Maya and Aztec. The first part of the seed of the cacao tree (*Theobroma*) to be eaten was probably the sweet pulp which surrounds the seeds we now process into chocolate.

The tree, native to the lands between southern Mexico and the northern Amazon basin, is challenging to grow. Requiring shade when young, it may be grown under banana or rubber trees. This serves as an alternative source of income in case of crop failure, which can be common as the tree is susceptible to numerous pests.

The average annual yield of fruit is about 30 pods per tree. Each pod bears about 40 seeds. It takes 500 seeds to produce one pound of bittersweet chocolate; one tree can produce enough seeds for two pounds of chocolate per year. In comparison, a mature apple tree produces about 400 pounds of fruit per year.

Seeds were roasted, ground, and made into a drink of religious importance by the Aztec. The first Europeans to see and import the seeds were probably crew from Columbus' fourth journey in 1502. An early account of chocolate was provided by a Milanese explorer in *History of the New World* circa 1564. The first European production of spiced chocolate paste began in Spain in 1580, and by the late 17<sup>th</sup> century, chocolate houses, much like coffee houses, were thriving in London.

Chocolate remained as a beverage for a couple of centuries. In 1828, to make chocolate less oily and the drink lighter and less filling, Conrad van Houten created a screw press to remove most of the cocoa butter from the ground bean. The defatted cocoa powder was sold for making hot chocolate.

It was the extracted cocoa butter that became the key to modern chocolate candy. Adding cocoa butter to a paste of ground cocoa beans along with sugar improved texture and taste. The first eating chocolate was introduced in England in 1847.

In 1876, dried milk powder produced by Henri Nestle was added to make the first milk chocolate. In 1878, Rodolphe Lindt invented the conche, a machine which grinds cacao beans, sugar, and milk powder for long periods of time to create the fine texture we expect today. These Swiss developments further refined chocolate. By 1917, an entire chapter of Alice Bradley's *Candy Cookbook* was devoted to chocolate. Chocolate as a confection had arrived.

*Note: Libbey is a self-proclaimed nerd. With a background in chemistry and fascination with culinary history, her library includes numerous culinary tomes. Vacation has meant an opportunity to train in kitchens at home and abroad. Pondering chocolate's interesting history, chemistry, cultural meaning,*

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social power, and just plain yumminess, resulted in a short series dedicated to one of nature's most amazing foods. Texts used as reference for this series can be found on the [plvoice.org](http://plvoice.org) website.

## Meet Your Firefighters

by Ron Dawson, Guest Writer



Meet Jason MacDonald, Battalion Chief on shift "A" of East Jefferson Fire Rescue. There are three shifts, each shift's work schedule is comprised of two full days "on" followed by four days "off."

In 1996, at the age of 16, Jason began his career as a cadet while still attending high school in Port Townsend. In 1998 he became a volunteer with the Port Townsend Fire Department. Jason became a firefighter and then completed paramedic training at Harborview Medical Center as their first paramedic trainee from East Jefferson.

Originally from Port Townsend, Jason now lives in Port Ludlow with his wife Blair and their two children, Harper, six, and Henry, three. The couple met while both were attending Western Washington University. Jason is a third generation firefighter, as both his grandfather and father were also in the fire service.

Jason knew he wanted to be a fireman when he got to sit in a firetruck at age three while visiting the fire station.

The thing he likes best about his job is the spontaneity of the work. You never know what problems you will have to solve, or what the day will bring. The hardest part of the job, according to Jason, is having a front seat in dealing with society's grief.

A memorable event for Jason was a call many years ago where he knew the patient. He had to administer CPR to his grade school principal. The gentleman was revived, and Jason's thought was, "he helped me when I was young, and now I had the opportunity to help him." Jason found the experience to be very satisfying.

Jason would like to continue to grow in his role as Battalion Chief and take classes that will benefit him in his assignment. He has been a battalion chief for 18 months.

Away from the job Jason has an interest in old cars, camping, and playing with his daughter and son. Family relationships are very important to him.

Finally, Jason is very excited about the merger of Port Ludlow Fire and Rescue with East Jefferson Fire Rescue. He said that this has been discussed for many years and so it was great to see it finally happen. He looks forward to supporting our community.

## What's Up, Neighbor?

by Donna Geer, Staff Writer

Woodridge Village, with 35 homes, has been around for more than 25 years. It's a quiet neighborhood, with occasional noise from lawnmowers and tree trimmers, required accoutrements for yard maintenance. There are chirping birds, barking squirrels, hooting owls, chattering raccoons, and sometimes howling coyotes. More often, it's laughter and chatter as people walk up and down the streets, sometimes with dogs in tow, negotiating the long, steep hill.

Alice Oliver has lived in Woodridge Village since 2001 and is one of the original homeowners. Alice's job brought her to the Pacific Northwest, and she fell in love with the Olympic Peninsula, so when the opportunity presented itself, she retired after a long career as an executive with the pharmaceutical company Eli Lilly. Retirement is just a concept for some people, and Alice viewed it as an opportunity to try new things. She took belly dancing classes, learned how to swim, tried Jazzercise and hula dancing, and joined the hiking club. Alice has been the HOA president and the emergency preparedness coordinator. Her garden was featured on one of the Port Ludlow Garden Club tours in 2014.



Alice Oliver, Woodridge Village resident.  
Submitted photo

Alice shared with me some community newsletters published in the early 2000's by Woodridge volunteers. As I looked through some of the material, I laughed when I read about the neighborhood's pesky critters, like deer, raccoons, and squirrels. These are the same animals we all love to see, as long as they're not sampling the landscaping or eating the birdseed, right? There were these great ideas on how to keep them at bay, but the first thing I thought was that *they're not working!* The critters are still here, and

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the birdseed is still gone. I heard that there have even been bear and bobcat sightings. Alice had a raccoon pool party in her backyard once, though no invitations had been issued. Darn critters!

Some things don't change much, but other things do. Neighbors pass away or relocate, with new people moving in. Annual picnics are now held at the Bay Club rather than at someone's house, a reflection of neighborhood growth.

Remember that adage "it takes a village"? That sentiment is reflected in the Woodridge community. The covid pandemic played a large part in isolating people from those around them, but neighbors still check on one another. Holiday get-togethers and other events were put on the back burner for a while, but now they're starting up again. Neighborhoods and the people within them are important and play such an important role in our lives. When people get together to spread laughter and cheer, they are promoting community. Alice reminded me of that today.

If you want to share some stories about your neighborhood, reach out to Donna at [sports@plvoice.org](mailto:sports@plvoice.org) to start the conversation. Can't wait to hear from you!

## The Legacy of Billy Frank, Jr.

by Milt Lum, Staff Writer

David Brooks, in his book *The Road to Character*, describes two types of virtues: résumé and eulogy. Résumé virtues are what one presents when seeking a job. Eulogy virtues are those character traits that drive someone to endure and persist in spite of adversity. These are remembered at one's memorial service. Billy Frank, Jr.'s résumé virtues were: ninth grade education, fisherman, US Marine Corps—honorable discharge, and member of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 77. Billy died on May 14, 2014, preparing for yet another meeting on the future of the salmon. About 6,000 people attended his memorial service, including the sitting governor, state senators, and tribal leaders from all the Pacific Northwest tribes. His eulogy virtues extolled on that day are what contributed to the legacy of Billy Frank, Jr.

William Frank, Sr., Billy's dad, lived to be 103 years old and was a major influence on his son's life. He survived the indignities of having his language and culture stripped from him at an early age but retained and transferred them to his son. Billy learned to respect the land, rivers, and salmon that sustained his ancestors. Billy was fifteen years old when he first encountered the game warden while illegally catching fish with a net. That was the first of a series of confrontations, which escalated through the 1960s and early '70s, resulting in his 50 arrests and numerous incarcerations for violating fishing regulations.

Billy and his family's home at Frank's Landing were the nexus of the Fish Wars. Though obstinate, Billy was willing to incorporate the lessons he learned from the civil right leaders who supported his cause. He was patient and persistent, keeping his vision focused on the right to fish and the preservation of the salmon. When Judge Boldt ruled in favor of the Pacific Northwest tribes, Billy felt vindicated. But there loomed a more sinister adversary that could have altered his life and dashed any future hope of success.

From his time in the Marines and as a lineman on the road, Billy became heavily involved with alcohol and drugs. In the public eye, Billy was a hero, but to those who knew him, he was a drunk. His sister finally convinced Billy that he needed to stay sober, and at the age of 43 he agreed to inpatient treatment at a facility in Burien. In the ensuing 40 years of his life, Billy battled, without alcohol, for the rights of his people and for the rights of the salmon.

Judge Boldt's decision was a contentious one, resulting in numerous lawsuits filed by the commercial and sports fisheries. Billy and his mentor and fellow activist, Hank Adams, recognized the need for the tribes to speak as one to counter these suits. In 1974 they gathered the tribes and organized the Northwest Indians Fisheries Commission, charged with protecting treaty rights, managing resources, and educating the public. Elected to chair the commission in the third year of its existence, Billy established trust among the tribal leaders by listening to opposing views, compromising, and finding common ground.

In the spring of 1984, Billy and Bill Wilkerson, Director of Fisheries for Washington, met with tribal leaders in Port Ludlow to arbitrate differences that had resulted in a decade of lawsuits but little success in managing salmon stocks. Billy succeeded in getting both sides to talk with, instead of at, each other. A management plan for Chinook salmon fishing in Puget Sound resulted from these talks. It provided the basis for future meetings to arbitrate differences between nations and led to the establishment of the Pacific Salmon Treaty between the United States and Canada.

For the anadromous Pacific salmon, survival is dependent upon access to the streams of their origin. They need that access to mate; without it, they die off. Civilization had imposed numerous impediments to that access which Billy knew was one of the main reasons for the diminishing return of the Nisqually Chinook. In 1991, he negotiated with the Defense Department for access to Clear Creek, a tributary of the Nisqually River, and lobbied for funding to establish a fish hatchery there. For the returning salmon, it meant a shorter route to a clear gravel stream optimal for spawning. Improved salmon runs in subsequent years meant success for the Nisqually fisheries and for other fisheries as well. Billy's success in this project was in part due to the friendship he developed with Hawaii's Senator Daniel Inouye who wielded significant influence over Indian affairs and appropriations. Billy's advocacy for indigenous rights came at a time when tribes throughout the country sought self-determination and independence from the bureaucracy of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

For his work on behalf of the indigenous people and for improving salmon habitat, Billy received numerous accolades, including: the American Indian Distinguished Service Award (1989), the Martin Luther King, Jr. Distinguished Service Award (1990), the Albert Schweitzer Prize for Humanitarianism (1992), the Washington State Medal of Merit (2015), and the Presidential Medal of Freedom (2015). These awards acknowledged Billy's work. However, his legacy is found in the enhancement of salmon habitat in the state, in the pride of the indigenous youth he has inspired, in the preservation of his ancestor's culture, and in the restoration of the land his ancestors revered.

## One of the Fascinating Famous Folks 'Hiding Out' in Port Ludlow

by Dave Cunningham, Staff Writer

Last March, the *Port Ludlow Voice* published an article on a best-selling romance novelist in Port Ludlow also known for writing storylines for dozens of popular adventure video games. As it turns out, her husband, Robert Holmes, is famous in his own right as a musician, songwriter and composer, having worked with such superstars as Leon Russell, Jim Messina, Peter Asher, Sting, and The Zombies rock band, among others.

We sat down with Robert to find out how a Southern California rock guitarist ended up in this little village in the woods by the bay, and to pick his brain about his fabulous career.

**Voice:** You've collaborated with several rock 'n' roll stars over the last several decades. How did those connections come about, and do you have any interesting stories to tell about those experiences?

**Robert:** When I was doing studio work in Los Angeles, I got exposed to a lot of people like that, people who I sort of idolized and loved their work, so we worked with them, along with my daughter, as opening acts. When Leon Russell came to Southern California, we would tour with him, also with the Zombies and Peter Asher. We often did live collaborations where we would put bands together or be opening acts for them.

**Voice:** At what age did you become interested in playing music, and what triggered that interest?

**Robert:** I started playing guitar about age 10. At 14, I did my first professional tour. I was doing USO shows. The headliners on the tour were the Doublemint Twins (the singing girls from the TV commercial for Wrigley's gum). I traveled by bus for the whole tour. We'd go to a military base, and three thousand guys are waiting to see the Doublemint Twins, and they'd bring out this 14-year-old boy with a guitar as the opening act. It taught me a lot about tough audiences!

**Voice:** You mentioned that you've had dual careers, the other one involving tech, including working with Paul Allen's Starwave. Tell us about what you did for the co-founder of Microsoft.

**Robert:** I had been working for Sierra Online down in California as a game producer and composer, and I got a call from a friend who worked with Paul Allen. They were looking for a producer who had a music background and could work with people like Peter Gabriel and similar artists. So, it was a wonderful experience. This was in the heyday of CD-ROM's, so we produced a CD-ROM with Sting called *All This Time*, and we followed him around the world for two years and got to see a lot of wonderful music.

**Voice:** So how did an accomplished professional musician, one who has worked with many famous bands and collaborated with lots of well-known performers in Hollywood and Los Angeles, end up in Port Ludlow of all places?

**Robert:** Well, although I grew up in Southern California, I consider myself a Northwesterner. I came up here and lived on Bainbridge Island in my early and mid-20's and ended up doing

a lot of work in Seattle for 20 years in Capitol Hill with my wife Jane and daughter Raleigh, and we just love the Northwest. We bought a farm in Pennsylvania and lived there for 10 years, but when my daughter moved back to the Northwest, we decided to move back to be close to her. Port Ludlow was exactly what we were looking for, the beauty of the woods, the trails, and the water. We really love the peaceful environment.

**Voice:** I believe your years with the computer gaming giant Sierra Online involved your writing and recording original musical scores, yes?

**Robert:** Yeah, this was back in the wild west days of computer gaming, and Sierra Online was one of the first companies to do that commercially, and it was a lot like doing films. And that's actually how I met my wife, Jane. She was the writer, and my job was to write music for those games, and one thing led to another. We've been married 25 years now.

**Voice:** You describe yourself on your website as "a composer, musician, family man, lover of dogs, trees and the occasional donut." Tell us a little about that.

**Robert:** One of the things we love about Port Ludlow is walking the trails, all the beautiful trees. I'm a real lover of nature, I love to get out on the water and kayak, and I'm a huge dog fan. We've had a lot of English bulldogs. We have a beautiful daughter, Raleigh, on Whidbey Island. She's a very talented vocalist, a great songwriter, and a talented actress. She did several movies, but she decided that wasn't the life she wanted to live, and she's much happier back up here in the Northwest. Her husband is an accomplished actor as well. He just played Luke Skywalker in the last TV series that George Lucas Arts did, *The Mandalorian*.

**Voice:** Of all your original musical compositions, which is your favorite, or the one you are most proud of?

**Robert:** I think I'm most proud of the work I did with Raleigh. It was a real joy to be able to work musically with my child. Also, it's a joy to hear from fans. A fan wrote to me last week and said he was in the eighth grade when he heard the *Gabriel Knight* main theme. He was being bullied at the time in school, and he used to play that theme every morning before he went to school to bolster his self-confidence. I love stories like that.

## Bulb Care

by Eline Lybarger, Staff Writer

A few years ago, you planted red tulips, yellow daffodils, and white Leucojum (snow drops) in well-drained, mulched soil where they got plenty of sun. The first year they were vigorous with lush green foliage and big blossoms. However, since then they have gone backwards: the foliage droops and the blooms are small. What can you do to turn around this situation?

The most important thing to remember is the direct correlation between bulb size and bloom size. So, what you need are bigger bulbs. This begins in the spring when you first see a green leaf. You fertilize it with a balanced fertilizer i.e., 20-20-20. If you wait too long, all the growth will go into foliage and not blossoms. As soon as the blooms have faded, fertilize them with bone

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meal, which feeds the bulb. Next, do nothing! Especially resist the temptation to clean up. Do not remove the leaves until they are completely brown and lying on the ground. They, too, feed the bulb.

“But they are so ugly,” you say. To make them look tidy, I like to fold over the leaves and tie them with more of their own leaves. One year I used strings to tie them and was picking up string for the next two years. Another way to hide dying leaves is to plant the bulbs with a low-growing grass. This will hide the leaves and when they are completely dead, you can mow the grass and the bulbs. It may take a couple of years, but you will again have lush foliage, large blooms, and your bulbs will multiply.

## What Is It With Our Weather?

*by Donna Geer, Staff Writer*

Rainy weather has always been the perfect time to sit in a cushy chair and enjoy that cup of coffee in the morning, or peppermint tea when it's too late for caffeine, while reading the latest mystery novel. Something's amiss, though. This past summer and fall, it was too hot and too dry in the Pacific Northwest, which is such an anomaly that it's almost blasphemous. This meant resorting to Diet Cokes when I craved something cold, and lemonade when I didn't want the caffeine. I don't even have an icemaker because I've never needed one, but I found myself purchasing ice cube trays just so I could savor the fizz and the tart.

You'd think I would've enjoyed all the sunbursts outside since it's not a daily occurrence, but wildfire smoke from up and down the coast impacted our air quality, so we were advised to stay indoors. Even Canada's smoke and haze drifted across the borders, oblivious to passport requirements and visa permits. Most homes in the Pacific Northwest don't have air conditioning, so we couldn't even open the windows to cool off without inhaling sooty air.

Winter came in with a bang, later and louder than normal, right after the prolonged summer weather, and skipping the fall. We were wearing shorts one week and heavy sweaters the next. Streets were plowed and kids had snow days for missing school. We had ice storms too, creating days-long power outages caused by snapping tree limbs and blown transformers. This just added to people's despair while shopping online for last-minute Christmas presents, because no one was delivering. Package delivery trucks couldn't traverse the slick streets and cargo flights were cancelled because they couldn't land on closed runways. I guess I waited too long to start my Christmas shopping.

We've had humongous king tides too, causing lots of coastal flooding and destruction. That's great if you like to beachcomb and look for rocks and shells, or if you're not too worried about cold sea water submerging your yard or mud from the hill across the street flowing to your door. But now it's too cold to spend much time on the beach, so I'm back to my coffee and peppermint tea, curled up in my cushy chair, trying really hard to read the book I never finished. I'm not having much success because the lights are flickering again and the sky's too dark to get much light from the window. I guess I better drag out the lanterns while I can still see. What is it with this weather?

## You're On Your Own In A Disaster



The LMC Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) and the Port Ludlow Village Council (PLVC) will be hosting a seminar for North and South Bay on **Thursday, April 27**. The theme of the seminar is “You're On Your Own In A Disaster.”

The scenario we are presenting is a very wet February with the ground saturated. Then a major ice and windstorm blows into Puget Sound, and the temperature at night is below freezing. There are trees down all over Port Ludlow, Port Hadlock, and Port Townsend. Paradise Bay Road, Oak Bay Road, and most local roads are impassable and the Hood Canal Bridge is out. The best estimate for the restoration of electricity is 7 to 10 days. (This is what happened in February 1979 when the Hood Canal Bridge sank. Port Ludlow was paralyzed due to 80 mph winds).

Key guest speakers we've lined up for this event are Jefferson County Emergency Management, the Public Utility District, Olympic Water and Sewer, East Jefferson Fire Rescue, and Linda Lowe, the PLVC Emergency Management Block Captain Coordinator.

“Could you survive a week without electricity, water, internet and cell service, while stuck in your house without any outside support?”

You don't want to miss this! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, April 27**, at 2 p.m. at the Beach Club.

## The Soul of an Octopus

*by Milt Lum, Staff Writer*

Martha's Book Group selection for April is the *Library Journal's* Best Sci-Tech Book of 2015, Sy Montgomery's fascinating and informative exploration into the world of the octopus. Her immersion journalism takes us from the laboratory to dive into the realm of this intriguing sea creature. Join us for a discussion of *The Soul of an Octopus* to gain a new perspective on this elusive mollusk and the studies which demonstrate that it is smarter than you think. We will meet on **Tuesday, April 11** at 4 p.m. in the Bay Club.

Martha's Book Group is open to all who love to read. Books to discuss are selected by members of the group and not restricted by genre. We meet monthly on the second Tuesday at 4 p.m. in the Bay Club. May's selection will be *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir.

## Arts & Entertainment

### Port Ludlow Art League

#### Artist of the Month – Shirley Bomgaars



*Jelly Dancing by Shirley Bomgaars.*

Shirley Bomgaars enjoys exploring innovative subjects and new media, expressed on both large canvases and small watercolors. She uses traditional light and the more challenging black canvases on which to paint. Shirley's whimsical style shows through her subject matter, perspective, and avant-garde color choices.

During April, you can view Shirley's "Go Big or Go Small" art exhibit at the Sound Community Bank and online at [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org). A reception for Shirley is set for 4 to 5 p.m., **Wednesday, April 12**, in the lobby of the bank and 5 to 6 p.m. next door at the Art Gallery, which is at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive, Port Ludlow. Beginning in April, the gallery will be open Thursday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m.

#### Jeweler of the Month – Georganne Muse

Using semi-precious stones collected over many years, Georganne began creating artisan wire jewelry and soon discovered she had a talent for creating striking jewelry pieces.

Georganne will be showing her jewelry that features sterling silver and semi-precious stones reflecting the natural beauty of the Pacific Northwest. Georganne uses white pearls reminiscent of clouds on a warm summer day, blue stones representing the sky's reflection off the water, orange stones portraying fiery sunrises and sunsets, and green stones depicting our verdant forests. Some of Georganne's jewelry also includes shells and driftwood collected while beach combing.



*Jewelry by Georganne Muse.*

Submitted photos

During April, Georganne's Pacific Northwest jewelry collection will be on display at the Port Ludlow Art Gallery and at the Sound Community Bank. You can also view Georganne's jewelry online at [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org).

The bank and gallery are located at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. Beginning in April, the gallery will be open Thursday through Saturday, noon to 4 p.m.

For more information, please email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org) or visit [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org).

#### Abstract Art Exhibit at the Bay Club

*by Patricia Webber, Guest Writer*

What is abstract art? Is abstract art beautiful paintings inspired by sunsets and sailboats, or is it engaging visual experiences of feelings? It is both, and much more.

During the month of April, a dynamic group of abstract artists will exhibit their work at the Bay Club. This art exhibit illustrates a broad spectrum of colors, techniques, mediums, and expressions that defines abstract art.

This is the group's fourth annual art exhibit and it promises to be one of its best. Exhibiting artists include Ann Bernard, JoAnna Caro, Ann Gagnier, Gail Larson, Georganne Muse, Carol Nielsen, Lucrezia Cuen Paxson, Pamela Raine, Diane Walker, Patricia Webber, and Terri Wolf.

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For information on this group of abstract artists, please email Patricia Webber at [perceptionstudio@gmx.com](mailto:perceptionstudio@gmx.com). For information on exhibits at the Bay Club or the Port Ludlow Art League, email Alan Ahtow at [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org). The Bay Club is located at 120 Spinnaker Lane in Port Ludlow.



Morning Walk, by Lucrezia Cuen Paxson.

Submitted photo

### PLAL April Program Meeting Speaker - Melinie Perry

The Port Ludlow Art League is pleased to welcome Melinie Perry as the speaker for their April Program Meeting. Although Melinie studied fine art at Western Washington University, her artistic education began much earlier by observing her highly creative family.

From birds and plants to landscapes and archaeological remains, Melinie’s stunning artwork portrays the breathtaking scenery of the Hawaiian Islands. Melinie’s paintings emphasize the need to preserve Hawaii’s flora and fauna that are threatened by tourism.

Melinie studied hula, a sensuous mimetic Hawaiian dance, which helps Melinie capture the Hawaiian culture in vibrant, saturated colors. Her portraits often focus on the emotion captured in a

single moment, as well. Melinie will share her process of creating realistic paintings that embrace the drama and contrast between light and shadows. She’ll also share cautionary tales on how to succeed as an artist in a business-oriented world.

The meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 19** from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Port Ludlow Beach Club. The Beach Club is located at 121 Marina View Drive in Port Ludlow. Guests are welcome to attend for a small fee of \$5. For more information, email [info@portludlowart.org](mailto:info@portludlowart.org) or visit [portludlowart.org](http://portludlowart.org).



Lawai Orchids, by Melinie Perry.

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## A Chance Meeting in Switzerland Led to Musical Magic

by Dave Cunningham, Staff Writer



Stephanie Trick and Paolo Alderighi.

Submitted photo

One piano, four hands. That's all it takes for Stephanie Trick and Paolo Alderighi to produce some of the most eclectic and entertaining live music one can hear anywhere. Port Ludlow Performing Arts hosts these two accomplished pianists at the Bay Club in Port Ludlow on **Saturday, April 29**, at 7 p.m. They will be playing their arrangements of classics from the stride piano, ragtime and boogie woogie traditions, as well as from the Swing Era and the Golden Age of Tin Pan Alley.

How did a woman from St. Louis (Stephanie Trick) and a man from Milan, Italy, (Paolo Alderighi) end up sitting side by side in front of the same piano, performing critically acclaimed music all over the world?

Trick said they met at a piano festival in Switzerland in 2008 but just remained acquaintances until three years later, when they decided to collaborate on a four-hands piano project dedicated to classic jazz. Other performers over the years have performed four-hands piano, but it's rarely seen in jazz. They turned out two successful albums in that genre, *Two for One* (2012) and *Sentimental Journey* (2014).

Their partnership continued with *Double Trio Live* (2015) and *Double Trio Always* (2016), albums recorded in the piano trio setting, but with two pianists instead of one. In 2018, they released their first album on two pianos, *Broadway and More*.

The four-hands piano duo has performed in a variety of world-wide venues, including the London Jazz Festival, the Kobe Jazz Street Festival in Japan, the Edinburgh Jazz & Blues Festival, the Ascona Jazz Festival in Switzerland, the Silkeborg Riverboat Jazz Festival in Denmark, the Bohém Ragtime & Jazz Festival in Hungary, and Jazzland in Vienna.

And now you can see them in Port Ludlow on **April 29**. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased online at [portludlowperformingarts.com](http://portludlowperformingarts.com).

Here's a sampling of what the critics have said about Stephanie Trick and Paolo Alderighi:

*"I love to hear Stephanie and Paolo together. They are an inspiration. Such sympatico! Such back-and-forth! Individually they are marvelous musicians—we've known that, but together, they play four-handed stride as it's never been done. Brava, bravo!"* – Dick Hyman

*"It is unusual to hear a piano duet that is played by four hands on just one piano. Somehow, Stephanie Trick and Paolo Alderighi manage this near-impossible feat without getting in each other's way. Their playing is very complementary and mutually inspiring, with plenty of fireworks being felt along the way. In their individual careers and together in this collaboration, Paolo and Stephanie keep the rich legacies of ragtime, stride piano and swing alive, fresh and creative."* – Scott Yanow

*"Stephanie and Paolo revel in a gorgeous lightness of being on a beautiful assortment of songs, tempos, and approaches."* – Michael Steinman

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## Spotlight

### Jefferson Land Trust: Protecting Places That Matter for 30+ Years



*On their farm protected in partnership with Jefferson Land Trust, the folks at Midori farm cultivate a beautiful spread, with offerings including everything from fresh organic vegetables, to eggs from pasture-raised hens to farmstead krauts and kimchi.*

Photo by John Gussman

Did you know that there is a local grassroots, community-powered, nonprofit organization that's been working for more than three decades to protect places that matter in Jefferson County? Working with the community, Jefferson Land Trust has protected almost 18,000 acres of forestland, farmland, wild places, and open spaces that sustain the people, plants, and animals who share this beautiful corner of the world.

The Land Trust was founded in 1989 and, for its first 14 years, primarily focused on protecting and restoring wildlife and salmon habitat. Then, 20 years ago in 2003, the organization took a broader look at our local landscape and expanded its mission to include protecting working lands—the iconic farms and forests of our area.

Since then, in partnership with willing landowners, the Land Trust has permanently protected more than 5,400 acres of working forestland and almost 1,450 acres of farmland in Jefferson County for the benefit of the people and wildlife who live here.

#### Why protecting local farms is so important

Family farms are an essential part of our region's cultural and physical landscape. Thriving farms give us access to fresh, healthy food that is grown, produced, and sold by folks in our own community. The vibrant local farm scene may be part of what drew us to this area or one of the things that we most enjoy about living here.

Local farms also benefit our economy by keeping money spent on food inside the county, providing jobs, and attracting tourist dollars from many visitors who appreciate fresh food and the beauty of rolling fields, picturesque barns, and wide-open vistas as much as residents do.

Farmland, which currently makes up about three percent of all private land in the county, is one of our most valuable resources. For such a limited resource, farmland plays a profound role in our lives. As we adapt to a growing population and a changing climate, farms are becoming even more important because, when farmland stays open and the soils and crops are nurtured, they absorb carbon and help cool our warming planet.

#### Farmland— a threatened and diminishing resource

With skyrocketing farmland prices and a generation of farmers planning to retire, farms are becoming more and more vulnerable throughout the U.S. According to American Farmland Trust, every day across the nation “2,000 acres of agricultural land are paved over, fragmented, or converted to uses that jeopardize farming.” In the next 15 years, “one-third of America's farmland and rangeland will likely change hands, as current landowners age and sell.”

Here in Jefferson County, we face the same challenges, with many of our long-term farmers nearing retirement. This means that thousands of acres of local farmland are vulnerable to being sold and taken out of agricultural production—a transformation that threatens our local food economy and security, our wildlife, the rural character of our landscape, and the opportunity for our children and their children to live in balance with nature.

Fortunately for us, many young people are interested in joining the next generation of local farmers. Unfortunately, they face numerous barriers to accessing farmland. That's where the Land Trust's partnerships, expertise, and conservation tools come into play.

#### How Jefferson Land Trust is helping

When farmers, or those interested in becoming farmers, seek out the Land Trust, they have a wide variety of goals. Lifelong farmers may need to sell their land in order to retire, but worry their farming legacy will be lost with the sale. Young farmers may need to

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make new investments in infrastructure, tools, or supplies to be competitive—investments that require access to capital. And aspiring farmers may be hoping to purchase farmland at more affordable prices. Many farmers are also searching for a way to make sure the land they love and care for will always remain productive and available for farming.

An easement, either donated to, or purchased by, the Land Trust, can help local farmers meet these goals. Easements are voluntary legal agreements between landowners and qualified land trusts, with which landowners agree to restrict future development and certain uses of the land as they continue operating and managing it.

Easements can do any one or more of the following:

- Let a farm buyer purchase land at a lower value once its development rights are removed;
- Realize capital from the sale of development or land use rights that provides the funds necessary to invest in equipment or infrastructure;
- Allow landowners who are land rich and cash poor to retire, while also reducing the cost of land for the next farmer(s); and
- Assure owners that the land they love will remain available for agriculture, forever.

And it's not just humans who benefit from protected farmland. It's also beneficial for wildlife. In fact, many of the local farms the Land Trust has protected have also set aside areas with conservation easements for wildlife habitat, such as buffers along the salmon creeks running through the properties.

To date, Jefferson Land Trust has protected 18 local farms, including these local favorites:

- Midori Farm, where Hanako Myers and Marko Colby produce award-winning kimchi and sauerkraut, and grow more than 100,000 seedlings each year;
- Finnriver Farm & Cidery, where locals and visitors alike enjoy scenic vistas while sipping craft cider and sampling a variety of local food;
- Red Dog Farm, where Karyn and her team grow more than 150 varieties of certified organic vegetables, berries, and plant starts;
- Kodama Farm & Food Forest, where siblings Grace and Ben farm using organic, permaculture-based techniques; raise Nigerian Dwarf goats and chickens; and are able to grow citrus and other tropical fruit in a geodesic greenhouse;
- SpringRain Farm and Orchards, on which owners Roxanne Hudson and John Bellow donated a conservation easement and where a gaggle of 75+ geese provide eggs and help out by eating weeds and grass that threaten berry bushes, apple and pear trees, and other organic crops;
- Kawamoto-Wipala Farm, where the purchase of two easements made the farm more affordable for new owners, Ana Galvis, Juan Daniel Galvis, Brent Walker, and Natalia Pinzón, and where the Land Trust will soon work with local partners, the new owners, and the Kawamoto family to create an interpretive display to honor the farm's Japanese American and Indigenous heritage and history.

Everyone who shares this land has a stake in keeping it resilient, healthy, and beautiful. The more we can protect local land, the more we can help build local climate resilience. The more we can fund sustainable solutions to resource development, the healthier our Jefferson County community and economy will be.

Thankfully, we live in a place where local farming families are interested in protecting their land forever and where there's a Land Trust committed to protecting farmland for the benefit of all of us and local wildlife. Best of all, we're part of a community that generously supports land conservation and local food producers.

You can find a great example of such support close by at the Resort at Port Ludlow, which has been a Save the Land partner of the Land Trust for almost a decade. Save the Land partners are generous community-minded businesses that support local conservation by pledging a portion of their profits to the Land Trust throughout the year.



*SpringRain Farm & Orchard is famous for both their farm-fresh produce and their gaggle geese that provide both eggs and farm-landscaping as they chomp their way through weeds and grass that can threaten organic crops. The farm's owners donated an easement to the Land Trust to protect the farm forever.*

Photo courtesy of Roxanne Hudson



*Land Trust continued from previous page*

At the Fireside Restaurant, Chef Dan Ratigan and his team design the daily menu around the bounty of seasonal ingredients from many local protected farms, delighting diners from near and far with fresh Northwestern flavors. Additionally, every bill at the Fireside includes a donation to Jefferson Land Trust (unless diners choose to opt out).

If you're interested in learning more about the Land Trust, visit [saveland.org](http://saveland.org), where you can find the latest news, get information about upcoming events and educational opportunities, sign up to get involved as a volunteer, read about past and current projects, and plenty more.

While you're there, subscribe to their monthly newsletter to stay in the loop, and make a donation in support of one of their many worthy projects! You can also follow them on Facebook and Instagram (@JeffersonLandTrust).

Or, next time you're in Port Townsend, stop by their office at 1033 Lawrence Street in Uptown Port Townsend from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, to pick up some Jefferson Land Trust literature (brochures, annual reports, maps, and more!) or just to say hello.

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## *Bay Club / South Bay*

### South Bay Community Association Update

*by Gil Skinner, President, SBCA Board of Directors*

March was a great month at the SBCA. We had another great Pancake Breakfast with the number of attendees continuing upwards. We also had a new event celebrating St. Patrick's Day, and we finished our crime prevention series. A TV has been installed in the pool area, and this opens a wide variety of video-guided exercise classes for our members. Watch for additional details on programs and use of this new amenity. Great job on this by the entire Health and Fitness Committee which includes Dean Rosenthal, John Sweet, Barb Sweet, Jeanette Hanson, Maureen Black, Randy Edwards, and Peggy Ponto. In addition, we have added a new dust extractor to the wood shop continuing our improvement efforts to provide a clean and healthy environment for our members. Thank you, Rob York, for spearheading this effort.

A quick note on our new lounge. We are continuing our slow "shakedown cruise" opening, but based on member comments, we are already contemplating adding one more day per week. Here are some comments from our members regarding the lounge:

*Hope to see more members taking advantage of this cozy atmosphere relaxing with old and new friends.*

*All the staff were super kind, welcoming, and helpful!*

*The prices were very reasonable, and the payment process was fine.*

Here are some upcoming events for April:

First Friday pancake breakfast – **April 7**

Hiker safety presentation - **April 18**

NW flowers and rock gardens – **April 20**

Special event (surprise!) – **April 21**

Jefferson Health Care presentation – **April 25**

'Moving towards a better world' presentation – **April 27**

As mentioned previously, the Board authorized a study of our "backyard" lawn area for purposes of enhancing member experiences and providing a better venue for weddings and other events to help generate outside income. An initial proposal was prepared and after a lot of work, a subcommittee of Facilities narrowed down the scope of the project immensely. Following review by both Facilities and Finance Committees, the new proposal was sent to the Board. This work would require a small one-time special assessment (\$250 or less), and the Board wants members to have ample opportunity to become informed about the proposal. Dates for the 'town hall' meetings will already have been posted by the time you read this, so please plan to attend one or more of the meetings.

#### SBCA Important Dates

**Monthly Board Meeting  
Thursday, April 13, 9:30 a.m.**

Unless there are changes to county requirements, meetings are in person.

All SBCA members are welcome

To keep informed of meeting dates and times, please visit: [sbca.club/home/schedule-sbca](http://sbca.club/home/schedule-sbca)

Committee Meeting minutes are posted at [sbca.club](http://sbca.club), then click on Board Minutes Page

In closing, I want to give a special salute to one of our outstanding staff members, Marie Brown, who does the majority of our custodial work. Many of you recognize her as the hard-working woman moving chairs and tables around as though they were nothing. Every time I ask to help, she smiles, says no thank you, and whips another table into place. Marie helps on Pancake Breakfasts by cleaning up during the event. She is the one who makes the perfect rows of chairs for presentations and other events. She keeps the Bay Club clean and tidy, and also makes your morning coffee at the Club. One quick note on her cleaning—recently, I was at the Club talking to two potential, and now actual, Associate Members. It was a couple, and the woman expressed to me that one of the best things she valued in our Club was its cleanliness. She went on to say how she and her husband had belonged to another club in another city and that our Club was so superior in its cleanliness. Thank you, Marie. We are so fortunate to have a great staff, so please say thank you to Marie and our other staff members when you see them around the Bay Club.

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## *Beach Club / North Bay*

### Update from the Manager

*by Brian Belmont, General Manager*

This year's LMC Annual Membership Meeting will be held on **Saturday, April 15**, at the Beach Club. The meeting will begin at 2 p.m. LMC will mail out the Annual Meeting packet of information on or about **March 31**. If you haven't received it by **Friday, April 7**, call the Beach Club at 360-437-9201 or send an email to [BeachClub@Olympus.net](mailto:BeachClub@Olympus.net) and request another copy.

At this year's Members' meeting, owners will be asked to elect three members to the Board of Trustees and vote on several administrative matters. Those in attendance will hear reports from our committees and staff.

The three trustees whose terms are expiring this year are Mike Nilssen, who has served since 2014; Austin Kerr, who was first elected in 2017; and Bob Shaw, who has been on the Board since 2020. In addition to their service to our North Bay community as Board members, each has also served on several LMC committees during their Board tenure. Thank you, gentlemen, your contributions to our community are appreciated and will be long lasting.

Due to the pandemic, we have not held an Annual Meeting Member Reception since 2019. This year's reception is scheduled for **Friday, April 14**, from 5 - 7 p.m. in the Bay View room of the Beach Club. LMC will provide hors d'oeuvres and refreshments for our members. Hope to see you there!

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).

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## Village Council

### PLVC Board Summary

by Chris Dean, PLVC Secretary

PLVC Board Members attending the March 2, 2023, meeting: Joan Johnston, Jane Holmes, Randy Edwards, Paul Hinton, Tam McDearmid, Dave McDearmid, Dave Jurca, Chris Dean, Ken Sondergard.

### Stakeholder Updates

**Diana Smeland, President of Port Ludlow Associates,** announced the preliminary plat for Olympic Terrace 2, Phase 2, was approved by the Board of County Commissioners. Infrastructure improvements will commence when loans are approved. There are two homes available in OT 2, Phase 1. The Marina is celebrating its 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary. In the Village Center there are three rental spaces. Cucina Pizza will be vacating their space at the end of the month. OWSI is requesting a rate increase and an audit will commence soon. In response to a resident question, PLA indicated they are concerned about the legal consequences and are unwilling to require construction trucks to use the emergency/construction entrance during construction of homes in OT 2, Phase 2. The reasons for their position were strongly questioned, especially the legal basis for their unwillingness.

**Greg Brotherton, Jefferson County Commissioner, District 3,** shared that the County has allocated \$100K from Covid funding grants for stabilization of two areas of Shine Road. Following a meeting with WADOT, the County is drafting a letter expressing dissatisfaction with the schedule for the bridge closures this summer and proposing some modifications to the preliminary timing. The closure dates should be finalized by the end of March. Brotherton indicated he is also concerned about the legality of requiring a particular route for construction truck traffic during construction of OT2, Phase 2. This legal position was challenged by some community members and Brotherton agreed to reconfirm the legal opinion from the County. The determination of whether the OT 2, Phase 2 roads will be public or private has not yet been finalized.

**Bret Black, Chief, East Jefferson Fire Rescue,** reported the EJFR Board will meet on Wednesday, March 15, at 6 p.m. at the Chimacum Station 11. The meeting is open to the public. Staffing levels throughout the County have improved from nine to 13 fire fighters per day and is anticipated to increase further in the next few months. The CARES program is a follow-up program designed to reduce overuse of the 911 system by having fire or police personnel refer individuals to other resources.

### Committee Reports

**Administration Committee, Tam McDearmid, Chair,** advised that the committee will meet soon to discuss updates to the Policies and Procedures, Bylaws, and the process of voting online.

### Village Council Meetings

**Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, April 6**  
 3 p.m., TBD

**Workshop Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 18**  
 3 p.m., TBD  
*plvc.org*

**Community Opportunity Fair, Tam McDearmid, Board Liaison,** informed the committee that meetings have begun. A date for the fair has not been selected yet due to the uncertainty of the schedule for reroofing of the Bay Club.

**Holiday Lights, Dave McDearmid, Chair,** reported that the light strings were problematic due to this winter's wet weather. As a result, they were turned off after the first of the year. The strings will be removed on March 24. Astound will again assist the volunteers with a bucket truck and Lakeside will provide traffic control.

**Ad Hoc Website Development, Tom Sprandel,** provided the status of development of the PLVC website. The site has gone live.

### Citizen Comments

There were no comments.

### Board Business

**Paul Hinton, Treasurer,** presented the financial report for the month ending February 28, 2023.

### Next Village Council Meetings:

Board Meeting; **Thursday, April 6,** 3 p.m., Location TBD  
 Workshop Meeting; **Tuesday, April 18,** 3 p.m., Location TBD

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## Recreation & Sports

### TJ's Workouts

by Donna Geer, Staff Writer

Note: This is a condensed reprint and includes a point of contact.

TJ Plastow, a Group Fitness Instructor for over 25 years, offers courses indoors at the South Bay Club and outdoors at Port Ludlow Marina. Classes are held Monday through Friday, between 8–11:30 a.m. All exercises can be modified to accommodate any level of fitness.

The popular *Let's Keep Movin'* class is a combination of floor aerobics, balance, strengthening and stretching moves. Other classes offered are *Dance and Tone*, *Step/Weights*, *Dance/Core*, and *Cardio/Weights*. The same classes are offered via Zoom. Classes are \$7 for 45 minutes at Port Ludlow Marina and \$8 for 55 minutes at the Bay Club. For more information, you can reach TJ at [tom.plastow@gmail.com](mailto:tom.plastow@gmail.com).

### The Port Ludlow Women's Golf League

by Kathleen Traci, PLWGA Publicity Chairperson

The Port Ludlow Women's Golf Association (PLWGA) is an 18-hole Women's Golf League led by Captain Elaine Raymond. Members play 18 holes every Tuesday morning during the April through October 2023 season. Opening day for the PLWGA is **April 4**. An emailed Golf Genius invitation will be sent to all active and social members. Members may sign up for a luncheon at Dusty Green Café and/or a round of golf. The pro shop will collect the day's score cards, enter the members' scores into Golf Genius, and deposit the winnings into the winning players' Port Ludlow Golf Course (PLGC) accounts.

The Golf Genius scheduling program will be used for all PLWGA event sign-ups. This computer program calculates individual golf statistics for members. The Washington State Golf Association Membership (included with PLGC Membership fees) updates members' handicaps and periodically emails updates to members. Individual email addresses are needed for this service. Note: As of March 1, all scores for non-practice rounds must be entered into the Golf Handicap Information Network (GHIN) system. Scores must be posted hole by hole. Eighteen-hole score rounds need to be posted when 14 holes have been completed. (Par plus handicap pops are to be listed for the holes not completed.)

The annual dues of \$115 for active memberships and \$10 for social memberships need to be submitted to Treasurer Linda Haskin as soon as possible. At the PLWGA Board meeting, it was announced that Bonnie Vahcic will continue as Rules Chairperson and Linda Aho will continue as Handicap Chairperson. Sue Fechner and Kathi Williams will chair the Captain's Cup and the Club Championship for 2023.

PLWGA Casual Golf continued November 2022 through March 2023 (Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays). A big thank you to former League Captain, Linda Haskin, for utilizing Golf Genius

to organize Casual play for the past five months. With the commencement of the regular season, PLWGA Casual Golf will be played on Fridays during April through October 2023. Please contact Linda Haskin to be added to the Casual Play Golf Genius announcement email list. Member news will be posted on the PLWGA Bulletin Board in the PLGC Women's Locker Room and distributed by email.

PLWGA Captain Elaine Raymond invites prospective league members to play 18 holes with the group any Tuesday beginning in April 2023. To sign up to play with the PLWGA or to join the PLWGA league, please contact the Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop at 360-437-0272.

### Nine-Hole Golf Leagues Annual Social

by Kathleen Traci, Niners' Publicity Chairperson

The Port Ludlow Niner's Opening Day is **April 6**. The Lady Niners and Men Niners play nine holes of golf every Thursday – **April 6** through **October 19, 2023**. Captain Barb Burke welcomed the Lady Niners at the March 2 social at member Carole Fett's beautiful home. At the Social event, Captain Barb Burke announced



Lady Niners' Captain, Barb Burke (seated); Co-Captains Sharon Russell and Elaine Girard (standing, left to right.)

Photo by Diane Germaine

plans for a Niner's Men/Women exchange, a Putting Contest/Happy Hour, Luncheons after Thursday Play, and a Play Away Day. Carole Fett, Barb Burke and Barb Berthiaume, Dove House Tournament Chairpersons, requested that more of the Niner members volunteer to make the 2023 charity tournament even more successful.

The yearly opening cocktail party for the Nifty Niners was held on March 30 at the Bay Club. The potluck appetizer event for the Niner's leagues was well attended. The cocktail party provided an opportunity for the league captain to introduce new members and to introduce the Niner's Board. The annual dues of \$35 per person was collected. Golfer Niner families picked up handbooks containing the schedule of games and social events for the 2023 Niners' season at the Port Ludlow Golf Course.

The Niners play every Thursday of the month. The Men Niner foursomes will go out first this season. Niners Couples Events will

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be held on the fourth Thursday of each month April—September. Games will vary and include low net, best ball, 5-clubs, fewest putts, stableford, and scrambles to name a few. The year-end banquet closes the season on October 19 and features the season's award presentations.

The Niners are a friendly group who welcome golfers of all skill levels. The goals of the members are to improve individual golfing skills, to enjoy comradeship and competition with like-minded people, and to exercise in the fresh air of the Northwest. As of March 1, all nine-hole scores are to be entered into the GHIN system hole by hole.

With the commencement of the regular season, Ladies Casual Golf will be played on Fridays, April through October 2023. Members need to contact Linda Haskin to have their name added to the Golf Genius invitation list for Casual Golf Fridays. Member news will be posted on the Niners' Bulletin Board in the PLGC Locker Rooms and distributed by email.

Lady Niners' Captain Barbara Burke and her co-captains, Sharon Russell and Elaine Girard invite prospective league members to play 9 holes with the group any Thursday. To sign up to play 9 holes with the Niners or to join the men's or women's Niners' league, please contact the Port Ludlow Golf Course Pro Shop.

## Port Ludlow Hiking

*by John Nuereberg Hiking Club*



*Hiking Club Members at the Torpedo Tower in Fort Townsend State Park.*

Photo by John Nuereberg

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. The hikers abide by the "Stay Healthy" recommendations and follow CDC guidelines for outdoor recreation.

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, April 14 – Lower Big Quilcene Trail

Starting on the Lower Big Quilcene trail we will hike with

gradual elevation gain to Bark Shanty where there is a comfortable campsite by the river to have lunch before returning to the trailhead. The distance: 5.6 Miles with an elevation gain of about 695' total. National Park Pass is required for parking. Restroom is available at the trailhead. Hike leader: Jack Rikken, 360-437-0370.

### Friday, April 28 – Gold Creek/Green Mountain

The hike on April 28 is in Kitsap County at Gold Creek/Green Mountain. The planned hike is "The High Road," to go to the top of Green Mountain. If the weather is good then you will have great views of the Olympics / Hood Canal on one side and all the way to Seattle on the other side. It is about 1000-foot elevation gain and 5.2 miles round trip for a moderate hike. It is about a 50-minute drive (address 1400 Gold Creek Rd W, Bremerton, WA 98312). A Discovery Pass is required. Dress appropriately for the forecasted weather. Bring your walking sticks. The trail is dog-friendly. Hiking time 2-1/2 to three hours. Privy restrooms are available at the trailhead and near the summit. Gold Creek Trail Map: [dnr.wa.gov/publications/eng\\_rms\\_green\\_08\\_full.pdf](http://dnr.wa.gov/publications/eng_rms_green_08_full.pdf). Hike leader: Jack Rikken, 360-437-0370.

### Wednesdays: 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).

## Port Ludlow Fly Fishers

*by Bob Olbrych, PLFF Newsletter Editor*


Our club was established in 1995 to promote fly fishing and the preservation of the fly-fishing habitat in Northwest Washington. Port Ludlow Fly Fishers (PLFF) is a group of men and women dedicated to improving their fly-fishing skills, the preservation of natural resources, and community service. No prior knowledge of fly fishing is required. Participation in meetings and events with experienced members generally provides enough information for even novice members to get started.

The club's conservation project is management of Teal Lake. By maintaining the lake access area and picnic facilities, the area can be enjoyed throughout the year by the greater community. PLFF was instrumental in bringing the state, local businesses, and the landowner together to develop the park with handicapped access. The WDFW stocks fish twice a year, and the club sponsors a spring fish plant. Since our maintenance funds come mainly from annual dues, we welcome donations.

PLFF meets weekly at the Bay Club to tie flies and plan fishing activities every Tuesday from 10 a.m. till noon, January through November, except when we are fishing! These are informal

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business meetings. We have had expert fly tiers, guides, and other professionals conduct presentations in person or on Zoom. Once the temperature warms, we'll be fishing the local waters. There will be a spring Teal Lake clean-up, the spring fish plant, and the annual club trip. This year, we will be going to wilderness camps in Kamloops, BC. In the summer, we'll hold the annual casting clinic, and another tackle garage sale.



20th Anniversary BBQ of the Teal Lake Project.

Submitted photo

In February, Kyle McCurdy, Manager of Waters West, gave an overview of fishing the Olympic Peninsula's rivers, lakes, and saltwater areas. The information he provided will be included in a peninsula fishing guide used to plan future fishing trips in the local area. PLFF has also started tying flies for our June trip to Kamloops and the Northwest Youth Conservation Fly Fishing Academy held in Shelton, WA, later this summer.

If you would like to learn more about the club, become a member, or contribute to our stewardship of Teal Lake or other conservation projects, please contact us at [portludlowflyfishersclub@gmail.com](mailto:portludlowflyfishersclub@gmail.com).

## Trail Mix

by Larry Scott, Trails Chair

It was too darn/dang/d\*\*\* (pick one) cold and snowy/sleety/rainy (pick one) to schedule any "Fun Days" in February and into the beginning of March. Just by definition, the days we gather crews, whether large or small, to "*Keep Improving our Trails*" are supposed to have enjoyable elements to the day. Just trying to keep fingers from losing all sensation does not qualify as a Fun Day. However, a few things have been accomplished from our smaller TO-DO list. These are the ones that we can get to during the small windows when Ma Nature takes a break before huffing and puffing another storm our way. Multiple historical signs for both the McCormick Rail Trail and the Port Ludlow Cemetery have been ordered and received. In addition, the post material for installing them has been purchased and staged for installation whenever we can get that trail built. We have reinstalled (with anchorage this time) the four benches at Picnic Point that floated



Volunteers at Picnic Point: Tim Rensema, Jeff Sarantopulos, Jack Riggen, Mike Bainter.

Photo by Larry Scott

away during the king tides in December. The weather didn't cooperate to allow us to reapply a needed protective coating, but hopefully we have solved the problem of the elevated/drifted benches. This successful effort was accomplished thanks to Mike Bainter, Tim Rensema, Jack Riggen, and Jeff Sarantopulos. At Breaker Lane, we rehabbed the directional sign to the Interpretive Trail/Ludlow Falls. It had seriously dry rotted over its many years of service. Also at the Interpretive Trail, the section of lower stairs damaged by a falling tree from one of our many storms has been repaired. Lastly, during the lull from Fun Days, eleven new steps were created from raw cedar material for installation on the rerouted Mt. Wilder to DNR trail. So, Trails continues to do what it can under Mother Nature's wrath or benevolence (if you're a fan of snow). Hopefully we'll get some weather breaks when spring arrives. And a shout out—We Still Need a Secretary! (Come on, somebody, step up!!). "*Let's Keep Improving our Trails.*" If you would like to volunteer, contact me at [mclgscott@cablespeed.com](mailto:mclgscott@cablespeed.com).

## 2023 PLYC Cruising Calendar

by Lori Longo, PLYC Communications Officer

Have a boat and want to cruise with some great people? Check out the robust 2023 PLYC Cruising Calendar, starting **April 21-26** with our traditional Wake-Up Cruise down the Hood Canal to Pleasant Harbor and Alderbrook Resort. Next up is Marvelous May Moorings, a trip to the South Sound followed by four nights anchoring at Mystery Bay. In June, we sail back to the South Sound. July finds us heading north on a Pirate Cruise to the San Juan Islands, then a cruise to Victoria. The Commodore's Cruise in August heads through the Gulf Islands of British Columbia, just in time to head to Desolation Sound and the Broughton Archipelago on the BC Rendezvous Cruise which ends in September. We close the year with our traditional mid-December Holiday Cruise to Bell Harbor. Land cruisers are welcome!

If you are looking for a vibrant social and cruising venue, the Port Ludlow Yacht Club is a great place to meet people and make

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PLYC September Cruise to Reed Harbor, San Juan Islands, 2021.  
Photo by Lori Longo

lifelong friends. Please consider joining us and your first meal will be free, with one of the flag officers as your host for the night. To express your interest in visiting PLYC, please complete the form on our website at [plyc.us/visit](http://plyc.us/visit).



### Home Composting Classes

by Chris Dean, PLVC Secretary

Jefferson County Public Health Department will be conducting interactive workshops with instruction on how to create and maintain a healthy compost system using food and yard waste. Through the workshops, participants will learn how to create compost to amend soil, retain moisture, provide essential nutrients for plants, and more.

Workshop cost is \$25. Additional family members or friends may attend at no charge with one paid registration. Participants who attend the full workshop will receive a \$125 Earth Machine compost bin, limit one per household. Workshops are limited to Jefferson County residents who have not attended a previous compost class with the county.

### Class schedule:

- Tuesday, April 18**, 7-8:30 p.m., via Zoom
- Wednesday, April 19**, 10:30-noon, via Zoom
- Saturday, April 29**, 10-11:30 a.m., in person at Finnriver Farm & Cidery in Chimacum.

For more information, email Laura Tucker [ltucker@co.jefferson](mailto:ltucker@co.jefferson) or call 360-379-4491. Register for classes through Brown Paper Tickets, [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com).



### KCTS Presents REDD by Kat Agudo



*REDD* is a magical retelling of Little Red Riding Hood, adapted with the setting of Spanish-Colonial Philippines. The tale follows Rue, a mysterious orphan who is a trapped Princess, betrothed to a Spanish Viceroyal Huntsman in the sheltered town of Intramuros, Manila. Rue is then accompanied by their spirit guide, Rin, who has protected her bloodline for centuries as a means to escape. Rue and Rin journey to Grandmother's house, who introduces the magic which has been dormant within Rue until this moment—her 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. What follows is a magical battle fueled by the sacrifice of Rue's ancestors and a chance for liberation of her people. *REDD* celebrates the Philippines' rich culture, female empowerment, and the diverse community of resident artists in this World Premiere commissioned piece, which was recently awarded the National Endowment for the Arts Challenge America grant.

The show features familiar faces to KCPT: Brendan Chambers (*New Moon: A Dog's Tale*), Tomoki Sage and Consuelo Aduviseo (*Around the World is Less than Eighty Days*). The show also features the talent of Gabs Cervas as Rue Redd, an accomplished dancer who hails from California along with director and sister, Yari Cervas, from MaArte Theatre Collective, which prides themselves in creating safe spaces for the Filipinx experience through fearless storytelling.

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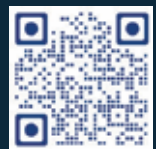
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