

LUNCHEON SPEAKER

Monday, August 6

Noon – 1:00 p.m.

Elks, 555 Otto St., PT



Speakers: Marsha Massey,
Olympic Peninsula Visitors
Bureau Executive Director &
Christina Pivarnik, City of Port
Townsend Marketing Director
“Why Tourism Matters—Locally,
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The Commons, Fort Worden



Speaker: Karen
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Celebrate Summer in East Jefferson Free Events Bring Community Together

Music, spirits, parade floats, and a movie under the stars are among the merriments on tap in East Jefferson County this month as two free community events bookend these final days of summer.

First up is the 3rd Annual Hadlock Block Party, slated for Saturday, Aug. 4 in Port Hadlock. The party kicks off at 11 a.m. and lasts into the night, with reveries ranging from live music, vendor booths, a keg toss, and beer and cider garden to a Porche Club Show & Shine, rescue dog demonstration, and a parade.

And don't miss the community photo at 2:30 p.m. at Ferino's!

Closing out the last weekend of the month is the 4th Annual Outdoor Movie Night at the Port Ludlow Marina. On this year's marquee is the Disney/Pixar movie “WALL-E.” The fun begins at 5 p.m. with food vendors, booths, and other onsite entertainment. Whether watching from shore (bring blankets and lawn chairs!) or boating in to watch from the bay, the film rolls – on gigantic 45-foot screens! – at dusk.

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce is proud to be involved in both of these community events. Please stop by the Chamber's booth to say “hi!”



Hadlock Block Party

Saturday, August 4

Port Hadlock

Details: hadlockblockparty.wordpress.com

Port Ludlow Outdoor Movie Night

Sunday, August 26

Port Ludlow Marina

Details: facebook.com/MovieNightPortLudlow



CHAMBER NEWS

Deadline Approaching for 2019 Business & Community Guide

by Executive Director
Arlene Alen,
CPM, IOM

It's that time of year again! Just when you all are extra busy amid the bustling summer season, as we are at the Visitor Information Center, here we go reminding you of one more thing that needs doing. (Thank you in advance!)

Our 2019 Business & Community Guide is now in pre-production, with an early September deadline. All current Chamber members are listed in the guide, and we want to ensure your membership is active and your contact information is up-to-date.

The guide is widely requested and utilized by visitors and locals alike, with a broad distribution across the United States and internationally that continues throughout the year. And for the first time, we will be integrating the guide with a new mapping program to provide an interactive experience



for those seeking area resources – all potential customers looking to do business with you.

Also beginning soon, as your membership investment renews, you will be receiving information about the new member services available – most at no additional cost to you. We are excited about our ability now and in the coming year to assist you in growing your business and continuously seeking out new channels to enhance your Chamber experience.

If you have any questions regarding your membership status and/or guide listing, please reach out to us soon. Don't miss the Sept. 1 deadline for inclusion in the 2019 Business & Community Guide – it's a tremendous opportunity to promote your business that only comes around once a year!

SUMMER EVENTS CALENDAR

Friday, August 3 @ 10 a.m. – Noon
Chamber Café @ Chamber Office,
2409 Jefferson St., PT

Saturday, August 4 @ 11 a.m.
3rd Annual Hadlock Block Party @ Port Hadlock

Monday, August 6 @ Noon – 1:00 p.m.
Chamber Luncheon @ Elks Lodge

Tuesday, August 14 @ 5:30 p.m.
Business after Business Mixer with Key City Public
Theatre @ Chetzemoka Park
(Come for the Mixer, Stay after for
KCPT's 60th Birthday Bash!)

Friday, August 17 @ 10 a.m. – Noon
County Conversations @ Finnriver (Farmhouse
Library), 124 Center Road, Chimacum

Monday, August 20 @ Noon – 1:00 p.m.
Chamber Luncheon @ Fort Worden Commons

Sunday, August 26 @ 5 p.m.
4th Annual Outdoor Movie Night @
Port Ludlow Marina

Monday, August 27 @ 3:30 p.m.
PT Schools Welcome New Hires Event @ Cham-
ber Office, 2409 Jefferson St., PT

STAFF PROFILE

Reneé Mizar

The Olympic Peninsula has been my home for more than 13 years now, and I currently live in Sequim. I moved northward after spending a decade in the Bremerton/Silverdale area, and along the northern coast of Oregon before that.

I graduated from Washington State University (Go Cougs!) with a degree in Communication, specifically print journalism, and for the past decade worked in the nonprofit sector and in local government. Joining the JCCC team marks a happy return to nonprofit work for me.

My interests are somewhat eclectic, but my main passions revolve around local history, historic preservation, travel, and genealogy. All the better when I can combine them all! (In other words, I am the person who wants to stop at every single historical roadside marker and cemetery while on a trip or otherwise!) I was delighted to discover that several of our VIC volunteers also share an interest in genealogy and are fellow members of the Jefferson County Genealogical Society. I am actively pursuing becoming a certified genealogist – an educational journey that is proving both highly challenging and incredibly rewarding.

Now that you know a bit about me, I look forward to getting to know and working with you as Chamber members.



Want to Join Our Team?

Want to put your skills to use, support your community, and have fun doing it? Then join the Chamber team as a volunteer! Volunteer opportunities abound, including helping with events, in the Chamber office, as a Chamber Ambassador, and in our Visitor Information Center.

Our Port Townsend Visitor Information Center is the first stop for many travelers coming to our area from all over the world, and our welcoming volunteers are vital to keeping the VIC running smoothly seven days a week. Whether you're a longtime local or new in town, we have a place for you!

If you are interested in volunteering or want more information, contact the Jefferson County Chamber at 360-385-7869 or info@jeffcountychamber.org.

With Our Thanks

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce extends its appreciation to:

The Food Co-op for sponsoring our Chamber Luncheon on July 16 and

Port Townsend Vineyards for hosting our Business after Business Mixer on July 10.

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Lifelong Learning at Centrum

Centrum thanks the citizens of Jefferson County for supporting its mission and programs that change lives through immersive experiences in the arts. Founded in the early 1970s with a conviction that the impact of the arts in people's lives could be significantly amplified through engagement and learning that leverages the experiences and inputs of multiple generations, today Centrum generates more than \$3.4 million in annual economic impact for the County.

For 46 years, Centrum has been dedicated to presenting the world's standard bearers of artistic traditions in Port Townsend in the disciplines of music, creative writing, visual arts, dance, folkways and more. It now is one of the largest arts organizations in Washington state.

More than 2,000 artists participate in Centrum's programs each year, hailing



Photos courtesy of Centrum.

from 17 countries, all 50 states, and 30 of the 39 counties in Washington. In 2017, 27% of Centrum participants were age 18 or younger, and 200 painters, poets, composers, research-

ers, writers and performers were Artists-in-Residence at Centrum. Over 13,000 audience members attended Centrum performances in 2017 and 161 teaching artists served as paid teaching faculty members.

Although the content and teaching faculty have varied through the decades, what has remained constant in Centrum's programming is:

- Being artistically rigorous and culturally relevant
- Valuing diversity and individual viewpoints
- Fostering critical thinking and discernment
- Providing a broad range of creative learning opportunities in visual art, performance, and writing.

"We're proud of the diversity of artists, ideas and life experiences we bring to this community," said executive director Robert Birman. "Many community members, new and old, cite Centrum's programming as a key decision in their motivation to live here. We appreciate hearing this – it never gets old."

A core component in Centrum's operations are cultural partnerships that help expand the organization's outreach. These include Amazon Literary Partnership, ArtsWA, Copper Canyon Press, Goddard College, Humanities Washington, the National Endowment for the Arts, Olympic Music

Festival, Port Townsend Marine Science Center, Port Townsend School of the Arts, The Puyallup Tribe, Seattle Theater Group, The

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Suquamish Tribe, Tulalip Tribes and more.

This fall, Centrum will launch a brand-new program entitled *Native American Voices Arts Academy* in partnership with the Superintendent of Schools in Washington State. With nearly 50 students in this first year, their chaperones, and a cohort of teachers from their schools, the four-day community learning program at Centrum is a complete arts and cultural immersion. Learning through the arts takes center stage, guided by outstanding artist faculty representing both traditional and contemporary Native arts and culture.



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Key City Public Theatre



CELEBRATING 60 YEARS

In the spring of 1958, a group calling themselves Key City Players came together to form a permanent theater troupe in Port Townsend, a city struggling for purpose after the recent closure of nearby Army post Fort Worden. Just as the city has grown in the intervening years, Key City Public Theatre is celebrating its 60th anniversary as a vibrant, award-winning, professional theater that still holds onto its deep roots in Port Townsend's renowned arts community. From our first production of *The Whole Town's Talking*, to this summer's production of *Hamlet*, KCPT is proud to create outstanding art for and by the Port Townsend community.

KCPT is a 501(c)3 nonprofit that provides opportunities for theater artists of all walks of life, from visiting actors who have starred on television and Broadway, to community actors who have lived in and entertained the community for decades, to the local youth who get their first taste of theater either in KCPT's 66-seat Black Box or our Shakespeare in Chetzemoka Park productions. We have offered numerous opportunities for our artists to not only practice their craft, but to do so professionally.

Our annual new works festival, PlayFest, completed its 22nd iteration last March, and provides a valuable proving ground for local, regional, and national playwrights to see their work lift off the page and be given life by our actors. Our apprentice program provides paid experience for new graduates in a facilitated, mentored



The cast of Key City Public Theatre's production of "The Book Club Play." Photo by Christopher Clow.

environment that is hard to find outside the confines of the university. Our artistic apprentices learn to direct not only by shadowing our directors, but by directing themselves, as recent hit shows *Daddy Long Legs* and *The Book Club Play*, both

directed by outgoing artistic apprentice Brendan Chambers, can attest. Our stage management apprentices are not getting coffee for our staff, they are leading crews, organizing schedules, and actively participating in the process that they will ultimately make their profession.

We'll be co-hosting this August's Chamber Mixer at the Chetzemoka Park kitchen shelter with our season sponsor, the uniquely Port Townsend Aldrich's Market, where you can hear more about KCPT's upcoming productions from Artistic Director Denise Winter, and about Aldrich's expanding products and services from its owner Scott Rogers.

Immediately after, we would love it if you joined our

Key City Public Theatre

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The Key City Public Theatre holiday musical "Spirit of the Yule," with actors Consuelo Aduiso (left) and Angela Poynter. Photo by Amy Johnson Photography.

patrons and artists in celebrating 60 years of Key City Public Theatre at the afterparty, an evening birthday bash down the hill at Chetzemoka Park, where we're going to dance until dusk on the set of *Hamlet*, complete with birthday cake by Aldrich's Market!



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Northwind Arts Center

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For nearly 16 years, Northwind Arts Center has made it its mission to connect arts and community. That means we are committed to cultivate and encourage the arts by showcasing and serving visual, literary, and performance artists. We foster arts appreciation and education throughout the region.

Northwind aspires to be a cultural beacon and catalyst for furthering the arts in our region. Through our community-based programs, collaborations, and outreach, we are a leader in the curation and exhibition of our region's visual, literary, and performing arts. We hope to be a vital part of local economic, social, and cultural growth, as well as a key player in the ongoing vitalization of downtown Port Townsend.

Northwind Arts Center has grown since moving downtown in 2015. Our art exhibits and performance programs have brought the community together in so many ways. Northwind's new home in the historic Waterman & Katz Building allows us to better serve the community by offering quality art exhibits and performances from a

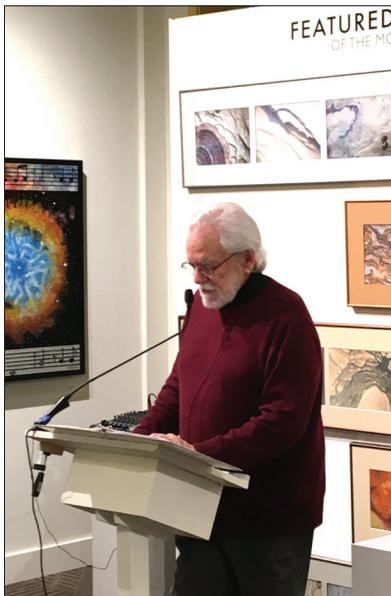
convenient and beautiful space. Our programs give visual, literary and performing artists a venue from which to exhibit their talents.

In 2018 we partnered with Matt Miner Presents and expanded the Songwriters Showcase to bring singer-songwriters from across the western half of the U.S. to Northwind for reasonably priced, intimate monthly music performances. For 11 years running, the Northwind Reading Series features poets and writers from around the country giving, free of charge, monthly reading events to local audiences. Later in the year Northwind will sponsor the release of a semi-annual literary journal to further support literary artists and tie in with the reading series. In 2017, we teamed up with The Rose Theatre to create the Community Arts Film Series, a season from October to April of monthly films focused on the subject of art and artists.

Northwind and the Art Port Townsend (APT) Arts Festival have brought the Artist Studio Tour and a five-state juried art exhibit to our community for 20 years. The festival has grown to include many other arts events in literature, performance and education. This year we dedicate the 20th Anniversary of APT to its founder, Jeanette Best. Jeanette's efforts, along with those she inspired and worked with, sparked a number of great arts enterprises in Port Townsend. Northwind is eternally grateful to her and will continue her legacy through our commitment to connect arts and community and provide the many programs that serve artists and the region.



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Katherine Hansen

Katherine Hansen was born and raised in Southern California. She began her real estate career in 1984 in Newport Beach, CA, continuing in Midcoast Maine, and now Washington.



Maine, and are both now living their adult lives on the Northwest Coast. She brings with her a wealth of experience, expertise and enthusiasm for such a lovely place to call home and do business.

"I believe in following the golden rule – this is exemplified in my business practice," Katherine said. "I love what I do and understand what it takes to facilitate real estate transaction, and I will take great care in helping you in the process."

From being an assistant to handling rentals to renovating properties, representing both buyers and sellers, Katherine's experience has spanned more than 30 years and many miles. Her professional life also includes being an actor and member of SAG-AFTRA for more than 22 years, and a fitness instructor, including teaching and owning a Pilates studio.

Moving to Port Townsend is part of her second act. Katherine has two wonderful grown children whom she raised in Southern California and Midcoast,

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Steve Mullensky

Steve Mullensky is an award-winning photographer and photojournalist who has been taking photographs for more than 50 years. Self-taught in photography, he developed his early career by shooting sports action.



At first concentrating on the sports that he participated in – tennis, skiing and golf – Steve honed his reflexes to capture the peak of action. Eventually he expanded his reach and added auto racing, basketball, football, and many other professional sports to his resume.

Since moving to Port Townsend in 2005, Steve started freelancing for the local newspapers and he can

be seen, camera around his neck, at some of the most noteworthy and newsworthy events around town.

"I've developed a great eye for composition and color," Steve said. "I try to frame and capture the image in my camera so there is minimal cropping in post-processing. Every digital image will need a little tweaking, such as contrast and exposure, just like film, to bring out what I visualized before I clicked the shutter but the end result is as true to reality as I can make it."

Steve Mullensky, Photographer
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Sklar Receives Regional Financial Eagle Award

Congratulations to Edward Jones Financial Advisor Stephen Sklar, who recently received several awards at the firm's annual regional meeting. Sklar was recognized with the firm's Eagle Award and Edward Jones Talent



Acquisition Recognition Award, as well as the exclusive Field Trainer Award for his efforts in voluntarily training new financial advisors. For exceptional achievement in building client relationships, he also won the firm's Edward Jones Sr. Founders Award. **Stephen Sklar, Edward Jones Financial Advisor**
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Help Welcome New School Employees Aug. 27

Please join the Jefferson County Chamber in welcoming all new Port Townsend School District employees at a reception on Monday, Aug. 27 at 3:30 p.m. at our building, 2409 Jefferson St. in Port Townsend!

These nearly 30 new employees – and their families – are entirely new to our area. To make them feel even more welcome, we're seeking from our members donations of gift certificates, discount coupons, and items for gift bags – all which can promote and inform about your business to these potential new customers!

If you would like to donate for the gift bags, contact the Jefferson County Chamber at 360-385-7869 or admin@jeffcountychamber.org.

PT Schools New Hire Welcome Event
Monday, August 27 @ 3:30 p.m.
Location: Chamber Office, 2409 Jefferson St., Port Townsend

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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHTS



Finnriver Farm & Cidery State Reps. Mike Chapman and Steve Tharinger were among those lending a hand at Finnriver Farm & Cidery, 124 Center Road in Chimacum, to celebrate the installation of Finnriver's new solar energy system at its Chimacum Cider Garden on June 23. Photo by Steve Mullensky.



PT Boat Company Chamber Ambassadors welcomed new member Port Townsend Boat Company to the Chamber during a ribbon cutting and grand opening event on June 2 at its location in the Sanderling Building, 1136 Water St., Suite 104, in Port Townsend. Photo by Steve Mullensky.

Ambassadors Celebrate at Ribbon Cuttings!



Port Townsend Vineyards Chamber Ambassadors raised a glass and red ribbon for Port Townsend Vineyards during a ribbon cutting at the vineyards' winery, 2640 W. Sims Way in Port Townsend, on June 15. Courtesy of the Jefferson County Chamber.



"Party at the Plaza" Port Townsend Mayor Deborah Stinson did the ribbon-cutting honors at the "Party at the Plaza" event on June 30 to hail the completion of the Water Street construction project. Photo by Steve Mullensky.

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Kindergarten Guide to Port Townsend

Our sincere thanks to all of the Port Townsend kindergarten students and their teachers, Ms. Sally, Ms. Kelsie and Ms. Katie, for donating the artistic "Kindergarten Guide to Port Townsend" and "Our Favorite Port Townsend Places" booklets they made during this past school year. These colorful booklets are now on display in the Visitor Information Center for our visitors from around the world to see!

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Key City Public Theatre,
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Tuesday, August 14
5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Chetzemoka Park
Kitchen Shelter, Port Townsend

We Need Your Advice

Do visitors to Port Townsend drive your business? Have you asked how they heard about PT or your business? Where do they come from to YOUR business? The Jefferson County Chamber needs your input.

The marketing of the City of Port Townsend for 2019 and beyond will have a new look and feel, but what that looks like depends on our market research and you are our market. A new Marketing Advisory Committee (MAC) comprised of LTAC members and Chamber Board members is forming to provide input on market assessment and direction, and is looking to launch a Vendor Marketing Advisory Committee (V-MAC) to provide feet on the street research and input from people like you currently working in the space.

We are scheduling a meeting of the joint committees that will consist of a presentation by the marketing team of their current campaign and some ideas to consider going forward. After this initial meeting, the V-MAC Committee will meet two-to-three times annually and not be a major time commitment for the value your engagement will provide the Chamber and the City.

Your thoughts, data and ideas will be the basis of marketing our community for the future. For additional information or to join the team, contact Chamber Executive Director Arlene Alen at director@jeffcountychamber.org.

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