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Jan Boutilier was in downtown Port Townsend and caught a full rainbow over the City of Dreams during a temporary respite in the bad weather last Thursday. *Jan Boutilier photo*

BEAR NECESSITIES

Brinnon's bothersome bruin

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Brinnon residents have had a large and rather bold visitor to their community as of late.

Don Coleman and Raymond Robinson, neighbors in the vicinity of the Brinnon General Store, are two of several residents who have encountered a large black bear on the prowl.

"I have him on camera three different times," Coleman said last Friday after sharing surveillance footage with The Leader.

The bear first started being a nuisance for Coleman on Nov. 28, when the creature dumped his trash cans. Twice, the bear has lumbered up to Coleman's porch.

"My wife's afraid to get out of the car anymore in the dark," Coleman said.

He estimates that since he first started seeing the bear, he spotted it every three days or so. Now, he hasn't seen it since Dec. 8.

Robinson might have the answer as to why.

He and his family have 20 acres perched above Coleman's property, and the bear was a regular visitor until a few days ago.

In the past, Robinson said, black bears haven't been an issue. A few years ago, one tore the plastic off of his greenhouse to access the raspberries inside, but that was the extent of the damages. His past experiences with black bears resonates with the common description of their shy nature.

"You go 'Boo!' he said, and they'll run off. Not this bear.

"He is not scared sh** of nothing," Robinson said, adding that the bear ripped at the windows of a parked Suburban with a litter of

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Brinnon resident Don Coleman picked up a large black bear on his property's surveillance camera several times in the past few weeks. *Image courtesy of Don Coleman*

Be bear aware

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife states that 95 percent of bear complaints are the result of irresponsibility on the part of people: Access to trash, pet food, bird feeders, and improper storage of food while camping are the biggest culprits.

Most conflicts between bears and humans result from bears associating food with humans. This can happen after only one handout experience. The reality is that these bears will likely die, being killed by someone protecting their property, or by a wildlife manager having to remove a potentially dangerous bear.

Bears will expend a great amount of time and energy navigating barriers to get food, including garbage. If you have a pickup service, don't leave the garbage out at night, put it out the morning of pickup. Garbage cans with tight-fitting lids kept in a shed, garage, or fenced area can reduce bear traffic. Spraying garbage cans and dumpsters regularly with disinfectants can also reduce odors.

Detective: No evidence of arson in Protection Island fire

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There is no indication the fire that devastated Protection Island Aug. 3 was human-caused, according to the lead detective investigating the blaze.

The probe into the fire on the wildlife-protected island — which killed an undetermined amount of migratory birds — has been closed, officials said this week.

In a document released by

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Updated signage saving lives on US Highway 101

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A deadly stretch of US Highway 101 has become decidedly less dangerous.

Since critical signage near Milepost 302 on US 101 was replaced and supplemented with flagging on Oct. 28, accidents in the vicinity have plummeted, said Brinnon Fire Department Chief Tim Manly.

The old beacon, which had topped a sign depicting curves and recommending a 40 miles-per-hour speed zone for the next mile, had been removed by Washington State Department of Transportation as it was working intermittently, and needed cleaning to remove a buildup of moss.

With the new blinking beacon installed, the number of accidents has returned to the monthly average, with just one vehicle crash near the milepost reported on Dec. 2. The driver was not injured, Manly said during a phone call last week.

"That was the first accident since Oct. 28," he added. "Almost 35 days."

That's in direct contrast to the period previous, which saw eight accidents happen in one month, including rollovers, two-vehicle collisions, and a fatality crash.

Manly's hunch that the removal

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Port posits three plans for Herb Beck Marina

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A primary draft distributed at the second informal Quilcene meeting with Port of Port Townsend officials suggested three possible alternatives to curb the decline of the Herb Beck Marina.

The meeting was a direct follow-up to a Nov. 16 meeting at the Quilcene Community Center, and this time, port executive director Eron Berg and deputy director Eric Toews brought options to the table.

It was something requested by the Quilcene community.

Three alternative plans with varying levels of risk and investment were presented to a crowd of about 30 people. The first option would mean no significant changes would be made to the infrastructure outside of repairs and maintenance. A second option would focus on campground and landscape improvements, and Alternative Three was the most ambitious, biting off upland revenue generating uses and reconfiguring the marina.

All options would honor the Coast Seafoods lease that runs through 2039, officials said.

With repairs to restrooms,

signage, docks, and the boat ramp under the purview of Alternative One, the second option would add a “dry” RV campground of up to eight sites that would be established south of the marina office, while “significant landscape improvements” would help screen and buffer the area from Coast Seafoods’ industrial area, making the area near the Yacht Club and beyond more aesthetically pleasing.

The ambitious move highlighted in Alternative Three would “substantially redevelop the facility, increase its revenue generating potential, and ... reduce long-term capital maintenance obligations of in-water infrastructure.”

What might the new Herb Beck Marina look like?

Envision picnic tables on concrete slabs, and scenic viewpoints with benches. Landscaping throughout would accent new buildings and the terrain.

An interpretive trail loop, and camping for hikers and bikers, plus “glamping” cabins, would add more accommodations to the eight-site RV space. The Yacht Club would be totally renovated and managed for day-use, and a new building would house new restrooms, an office, a small “bodega” style store, rural



Port of Port Townsend officials have presented three options for improvements at the Herb Beck Marina. *Leader file photo*

restaurant, and showers. The end of Linger Longer Road would be paved and additional parking added.

Off-land, the marina would be re-configured to allow for more types of boats, a concern raised at the Nov. 16 meeting in Quilcene.

Channel dredging would take place – noted in both option one and two, as well – with this third option being more aggressive by making the entrance channel more shallow than its current depth design, to help accommodate more types of

boats.

Permanent slips numbers would be reduced, making way for more seasonal travelers.

Lastly, the existing ramp would be demolished and replaced with a centrally located ramp and accompanying handling float.

A compare-and-contrast sheet included in the Dec. 7 meeting handout rates the third option as “highest” in terms of permitting complexity and lead times, along with high repair and long-term

operating costs.

The first two alternatives range from “low” to “moderate” ratings in terms of growth, impact, revenue, and environmental impact.

Quilcene residents Ray Canterbury and Ken Brotherton were selected by their community to speak on behalf of the group at the Dec. 8 regular port meeting.

“I’m going to call it a committee,” Berg said of the Quilcene gathering.

Canterbury took the lead, and thanked the port for allowing this “forum” for discussion.

“I think there is a renewed sense of optimism, and a genuine partnership forming between the community and the port itself,” he said.

Alternative Three seemed most appealing to many of the Quilcene folks.

There’s “broad support for doing a significant amount of maintenance,” Canterbury added.

Berg said the goal of the next meeting, planned for 5 p.m. Jan. 5, is to discuss a more developed option three.

“We can imagine a path to a plan that the community and the staff can jointly recommend to the [port] commission,” Berg said.

New contracts include pay increases, longevity pay for Teamsters, other union workers

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Jefferson County commissioners unanimously approved two new contracts with county employee unions at their meeting Monday.

The final OK on the two new agreements follows last week’s approval by commissioners of a three-year agreement with Teamsters Local Union No. 589.

At Monday’s meeting, commissioners signed off on a new collective bargaining agreement with United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local 21.

Members of the union local include clerks, appraisers, assessor technicians,

assistant and associate planners, elections workers, receptionists, permit technicians, and employees in the prosecuting attorney’s office, superior court, parks, and treasurer’s office.

Others of the UFCW Union Local 21 include public health employees, including nurses, nursing assistants, and others.

The new contract includes a 9 percent pay raise that is retroactive to Jan. 1.

Like the union contract approved last week, it also includes a 2.5 percent increase in the county’s step-based wage table, plus one more vacation day for workers starting in 2022.

The union contract, which

was ratified by the union membership Nov. 12, also includes longevity pay for employees.

Also starting in 2022, employees who have been with the county for five years will get an extra \$600 every year.

Workers with 10 years of service will get an extra \$1,000.

The size of the longevity payments grows based on years of employment; \$1,400 for 15 years on the job; \$1,800 for 20 years; and \$2,200 for 25 years.

Commissioners also approved a new collective bargaining agreement that covers corrections and court deputies and other jail

employees at the board meeting Dec. 13. The agreement had been ratified earlier by affected employees.

The new contract with the Jefferson County Sheriffs Office Uniformed Support Services/ Fraternal Order of Police will run through December 2024. The contract also calls for a retroactive raise (to Jan. 1) of 9 percent.

Also new: a 5 percent increase in the county’s step-based wage table.

Employees who work under the new agreement will receive the same longevity pay schedule that was included in the other union contracts approved by commissioners.

After the approval of the

new contracts Monday, which were part of the board’s consent agenda, County Commissioner Greg Brotherton noted that retention pay was a new component of the agreements.

“Retention is really critical to work on, so I really appreciate it,” Brotherton said.

“Really, it’s a pretty massive shift in how we compensate our employees, and I’m just so pleased that we were able to work with unions to come to an agreement,” added Commissioner Kate Dean.

“I hope that our employees are feeling appreciated,” she said.

“I’m so glad to be in a position that we can finally start

bringing wages up to comparable amounts. It’s a big shift; it’s taken a long time to get here,” she said, adding that she appreciated the county’s “300-plus employees hanging in here to get to this point.”

Interim County Administrator Mark McCauley noted that while some of new contacts replace expired agreements, one didn’t — the contract for some workers in the sheriff’s office.

“I might add that we’re negotiating these a bit earlier than we have in the past,” McCauley said.

“I expect further improvement there, so we’ll be on time with all of them going forward,” he added.



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ANCHORED ON WATER STREET

Community-focused eatery open daily, late

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She's more than 130 years old, but she has good bones. And a history as a gathering place.

This time, her name is the "Anchor," a laid-back bar and restaurant that owner Benjamin "Ben" Cooper hopes will become a community hub.

Settled in the Fred Lewis Building at 628 Water St., which formerly housed El Sarape, a Mexican restaurant, and the Tunnel Tavern, Anchor opened quietly in late November.

Locals can rejoice: finally, an eatery open seven days a week until late (10ish) with a menu \$14 and under.

Cooper hired local chef Woody Scanlon to serve up made-from-scratch ala carte dishes that allow a wide range of customization; a small anchor icon on menu items hints at items perfect for adding house-made whiskey onions, gravy, "Mama's hot peppers," or green chile pork.

Cooper calls Anchor's menu "grounded in reality," crafted especially with the working person in mind.

In pursuit of his own take on traditional comfort foods, Scanlon's version of clam chowder adds bacon, andouille sausage, and red potatoes. There's a broccoli cheese bake topped with crisp gratin, and a 4-ounce smash burger garnished with homemade pickles, special Anchor sauce, and good 'ol American cheese on a brioche roll for just \$6.

"Everyone loses their mind when they try the food off the menu," Cooper said.

Wash down the deliciousness with a pint of Rainier for \$5, or enjoy craft beers on tap for \$7. (The daily happy



Anchor chef Woody Scanlon puts an order together from the kitchen. His menu is based on comfort foods with myriad add-on options. *Leader photo by Laura Jean Schneider*

hour is from 5 to 6 p.m., with \$1 off beer and well drinks, and Tuesdays are "industry night," where anyone in town working in food service gets \$1 off beer and wells from 5 p.m. to close.)

For those with the munchies, there's a "roller" hotdog: just the basics in a bun, available for \$2.50 after the kitchen closes.

It's easy to see how Cooper admitted "this place is kinda the inside of my head right now."

On a slow afternoon last week, two women sat a two-top, conversing between bites of generous portions. Someone had ordered the classic wedge salad, which comes served on large black stoneware plates left over from El Sarape's heyday.

A bartender with a bleached blonde mohawk served two men at the bar. Through the ticket window, Scanlon and his helper could be seen prepping something surely tantalizing.

Cooper, 39, is new to Port Townsend. Sort of.

"I came out here a million times as a kid," he said with a smile.

After spending his early childhood in Sequim, his family moved to Issaquah where he completed school, and promptly enlisted in the Marines. He attended officer school at the same time, hoping to eventually become a pilot. But a knee injury disqualified him, and he found himself disillusioned and a bit unmoored.

Along with the help of a friend, he learned the language of computers and worked as consultant for 15 years, eventually landing a position as the technology and innovation director at Spokane-based 509, a leading manufacturer for snowmobile gear and accessories.

Encouraged by his sister in Port Townsend, Cooper discovered the Tunnel Tavern was for sale this summer.

He went out on a limb and bought it.

When the housing market exploded in Spokane, he sold his house, making nearly enough to purchase the business outright. Packing up his two Jack Russell and Chihuahua mix dogs, he headed to Port Townsend with a vision: "To make a



Benjamin "Ben" Cooper has launched into the restaurant business with the recent acquisition of 628 Water St. The building has served for several eateries over the years, and Cooper hopes to create the kind of ambiance he seeks when going out for a bite or a pint. *Leader photo by Laura Jean Schneider*

place that I would want to be in."

"I basically live here," he said of the restaurant, and laughed. "My life is this now."

Cooper's put a good deal of elbow grease into renovating the interior of the Anchor with his brother-in-law, a general contractor. The high

ceilings and exposed brick walls draw the eye to local artwork; a former storage space above the kitchen has been transformed into a platform band stand.

The owner's face lights up when he talks about hosting live music, and bringing a variety of genres to the mix.

"I'd rather just have a community-focused space," he said, than of attempting a high-end endeavor.

By keeping the doors open and the menu affordable, the Anchor is really a manifestation of Cooper's own ideals.

"It's me putting my money where my mouth is," he said.

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NEWS ROUNDUP



Left to right are Brinnon Fire Department Chief Tim Manly, EMT student Max Torres, medical service officer Tammy Ridgway, and EMT students Tyler Johnson-Cryder, Parker Hayne, Gavin Williams (behind Debra Ethier), Tyler Lloyd, Alex Lemoncelli, and Joshua Boe. *Image courtesy of Tim Manly*

Eight EMTs graduate training program

East Jefferson Fire Rescue and the Brinnon Fire Department has seen eight emergency medical technicians graduate from their 2021 EMT class.

Recent graduates of the department-sponsored fall and winter program are Tyler Lloyd, Parker Hayne, Gavin Williams, Tyler Johnson-Cryder, Max Torres, and Alex Lemoncelli. The students spent nearly 200 hours per person studying and preparing for the written and practical exams.

The training course is often the first step toward a career in the fire and emergency services, with graduates eligible to take the National Registry EMT test and/or attend East Jefferson Fire Rescue's fire academy next year.

Recruiting new EMTs and firefighters can be a challenge for many stations. East Jefferson has a robust vocational training program, recruiting residents into the group's firefighter and EMT volunteer programs. The station has hired numerous career EMTs and firefighters who began their careers as volunteers, officials said.

Last walkabout of year for hidden history tour

Those interested in seeing the Hidden History Tour

of Port Townsend's lesser known past have one last opportunity to see it this year.

The final chance is at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, and attendees will meet at the Haller Fountain situated between Washington and Taylor streets.

The interactive and engaging tours are led by a professional Key City Public Theatre actor, and are coordinated by the Port Townsend Main Street Program, and funded with a grant from the First Federal Community Foundation, the Port of Port Townsend, and Windermere Real Estate.

To learn more about the Hidden History Tours, visit ptmainstreet.org.

Master Gardeners present lecture series

Tickets are now on sale for the Jefferson County Master Gardener Foundation's 2022 Yard & Garden Virtual Lecture Series.

The series will be conducted in a live webinar format, and will run on six consecutive Saturdays from Jan. 8 to Feb. 12.

The series will feature: Linda Gilkeson, best-selling author of "Backyard Bounty: The Complete Guide to Year-Round Organic Gardening in the Pacific Northwest." Gilkeson is also an entomologist, private consultant, and instructor.

Her lecture on Jan. 8 will be "Planning Your 12-Month Garden."

Bess Bronstein, an educator and horticultural consultant with 35 years of experience in arboriculture, landscape management, and garden design. Bronstein's lecture on Jan. 15 will be "How to Successfully Prune Any Shrub."

Eric Lee-Mäder, co-director of the pollinator program at the Xerces Society for invertebrate conservation, and author of several books about bees, including "Attracting Native Pollinators" and "Farming with Beneficial Insects." Lee-Mäder's lecture on Jan. 22 will be "Bring Back the Pollinators: Sowing Biodiversity for Bees and Beneficial Insects."

Christina Pfeiffer, author of "Pacific Northwest Month-By-Month Gardening: What to Do Each Month to Have a Beautiful Garden All Year," and horticulturist with an emphasis on sustainable and efficient techniques. Pfeiffer's lecture on Jan. 29 will be "What on Earth? Taking Care of Garden Soils."

David Seabrook, a Jefferson County fire district commissioner, volunteer for the Department of Emergency Management and the Food Systems Unit, Master Gardener, and climate change activist. Seabrook's lecture on Feb. 5 will be "Growing Community

Food System Resilience for Uncertain Times."

James Cassidy, Oregon State University Soil Science instructor for more than 15 years, and faculty advisor for the wildly popular OSU Organic Growers Club. Cassidy's lecture on Feb. 12 will be "Mulches and Crop Rotations."

Each lecture will run from 10 a.m. to noon. Lectures will last approximately 90 minutes, and each event will allow time for the audience to ask questions.

The price for the entire six-lecture series is \$60. Single-event tickets are available for \$12. Tickets may be purchased from yardandgarden.brownpapertickets.com.

Ticket sales help support Jefferson County Master Gardener Program programs. For more information, visit jcmgf.org.

The event is cosponsored by Washington State University's Jefferson County Extension Service.

Camp Parsons has new camp director

The Chief Seattle Council of Boy Scouts of America welcomes Josh Cunningham as Camp Parson's new camp director.

Cunningham joins the Chief Seattle Council team with 10 years of outdoor youth development experience and four years as district executive and senior district



Josh Cunningham and his dog "Fitz" are moving to Brinnon's Camp Parsons to fill the role of new camp director. *Photo courtesy of Chief Seattle Council*

executive, all in Ohio. He has been awarded the Venturing Leadership Award and has been Vigil member of Order of the Arrow.

Cunningham's rich connection to outdoor adventure beyond scouting includes time as an outdoor educator and coordinator, retreats director, and assistant guest experience director.

He will be making the move to Camp Parsons, located at 970 Bee Road in Brinnon, with his 4-year-old Border Collie/Black Lab named "Fitz."

Visitors are encouraged to welcome Cunningham to the community after the New Year.

Chief Seattle Council proudly serves more than 11,000 boys and girls throughout the Puget Sound region with the time-tested leadership training program of scouting.

Navy has training event on Indian Island

Naval Magazine Indian Island will hold a training exercise Thursday, Dec. 16, the Navy announced this week.

Officials said the public may hear announcements from the base's loudspeaker system during the exercise.

The Navy conducts security exercises at installations across the world to maintain readiness and verify response procedures.

Windy weather impacts local travel

Strong winds throughout the region led to the cancellation of multiple sailings on the Port Townsend-Coupeville ferry route last week.

All sailings between Whidbey Island and Port Townsend were canceled from 6:30 a.m. through 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 because of the weather.

The extreme weather also prompted a winter storm warning Friday morning that stretched through

4 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 12. Wind gusts of 50 mph were forecast throughout the Olympic region, as well as the Cascades.

Washington State Ferries called off the 8:30 p.m. sailing from Port Townsend and 9:10 p.m. sailing from Coupeville Friday due to high winds and rough seas.

Multiple stretches of US Highway 101 were closed due to the storm after debris and trees blocked the roadway Saturday morning.

Secret Garden hosts open house

Secret Gardens Northwest in Port Townsend will host a holiday-themed open house on Sunday Dec. 19.

Visitors can check out sparkling holiday displays and a sweet gift shop, take a walk through the garden, enjoy the lights, and sip a cup of cocoa or hot cider on the house. Children are welcome.

The garden center is located at 13570 Airport Cutoff Road.

Port Townsend student earns master's degree

Graceanne Tarsa of Port Townsend will be awarded a master of science degree from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee during commencement at the university later this month.

Tarsa is a student in the university's School of Freshwater Sciences.

Virtual commencement exercises at the the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee are planned for Sunday, Dec. 19 in Milwaukee. There are more than 1,900 prospective candidates for degrees in December's graduation ceremony.

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee is the second largest university in the State of Wisconsin, with more than 24,000 undergraduate and graduate students.

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Chimacum man not hurt in highway crash

Chimacum resident Wyatt Ranson escaped injury during a close call in Kitsap County Tuesday morning.

Ranson hit black ice on Highway 3 near Bangor and totaled his Chevrolet Suburban.

“The roads looked fine and normal, and the moment I hit the small overpass everything went to hell,” Ranson said as he awaited treatment in the emergency room in Harrison.

“I spun around like going sideways, facing the cars in the lane next to me before spinning around, facing the cars head-on while sliding between them, [and] going into the ditch.”

“I was very fortunate my vehicle threaded the needle between all the vehicles before going into the ditch,” he said.

PT native named Schwarzman Scholar

Daniel Charlton of Port Townsend has been accepted into the next cohort of the highly competitive Schwarzman Scholars program.

Charlton is a graduate of Whitman College in Walla Walla and earned his bachelor’s in biochemistry, biophysics, and molecular biology.

University officials announced Charlton was among a select group of students for the program.

From an initial pool of about 3,000 students, only 152 applicants received the scholarship. These select few come from 33 countries and 107 universities around the world, and just 60 awardees are from the United States.

As Schwarzman Scholars, they will join a one-year fully-funded master’s program in global affairs at Tsinghua University in Beijing.

“Daniel’s commitment to global health is unswerving,



One of the wheels of a Chevrolet Suburban is tucked under the vehicle involved in a Highway 3 crash Tuesday morning. Image courtesy of Wyatt Ranson

from his year with the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative in Eswatini (Swaziland) to health projects across Africa as a program officer at John Snow in Boston,” said Keith Raether, director of Whitman College’s Office of Fellowships and Grants.

“He is uniquely qualified to straddle the worlds of health and economics at the center of the COVID pandemic,” Raether added.

To be considered for the Schwarzman Scholars program, applicants must submit a resume demonstrating their leadership abilities and academic aptitude, along with two essays and three letters of recommendation. Finalists are interviewed by a panel that includes CEOs, government officials, university presidents, and nonprofit executives.

Charlton said he was elated to be admitted to Schwarzman Scholars and thankful for the clear guidance and constant support he received from family, friends, and mentors, including Raether and his thesis advisor, Jim Russo.

Both, Charlton noted, have been instrumental in shaping his post-Whitman path.

“I believe that Professor Jim Russo’s Infectious

Disease class embodies the central tenets of a liberal arts education,” he said. “Although we would start each week analyzing the biochemical transmission pathways of a specific etiology agent, we would end each week reviewing the political, economic and social barriers preventing management of this disease at scale.”

Charlton’s road to Beijing follows an early and evolving career centered on global healthcare issues and systems.

After graduating from Whitman, Charlton implemented an HIV-focused Project for Peace in Tanzania and then worked for one year as a Princeton in Africa fellow at the Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative in the Kingdom of Eswatini, the country with the highest prevalence of HIV in the world.

Charlton is currently employed in Boston at JSI, a public health management consulting firm that has implemented health system strengthening projects in 107 countries. He negotiates agreements with public and private donors ranging from USAID to the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, builds organizational consortiums for multilateral proposals,

and implements a \$223 million portfolio of locally-led projects focused on COVID-19, maternal health, HIV, and digital health in five countries.

Charlton’s experience collaborating closely with colleagues in Ethiopia, which has been embroiled in a civil war since November 2020, has revealed to him that the challenges facing health systems are interdisciplinary.

“I am cognizant that we must design international health systems and supply chains to withstand not only outbreaks of infectious disease, but also outbreaks of traditional conflict,” he said. “Similarly, the disproportionate impact of climate change in low- and middle-income countries may lead to increased instability in fragile states, further complicating the delivery of essential health services — from immunizations to contraceptives — already impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.”

Charlton, who aspires to write health systems policy, said he was drawn to Schwarzman because of the opportunity to collaborate with an international set of young leaders committed to addressing some of the world’s most pressing and

complex issues.

He is particularly enthusiastic about living in China since it will play a major role in financing and shaping the future of international health systems.

Additionally, after analyzing European Union public policy during a study abroad program in Germany, Charlton hopes to better understand how China’s Belt and Road Initiative and COVID-19 vaccine diplomacy will impact the broader trajectory of global development.

“Beyond learning more about China’s influential role in global affairs, I am excited to study Mandarin and explore the country’s rich history, philosophy, and cuisine. I can’t wait.”

Washington State Parks offers free day

The new year will start with Washington State Parks offering the first free day of the year for the initial First Day Hikes event.

While taking place statewide, some locations will be close to home in Jefferson County, providing family friendly activities.

Visitors won’t need a Discover Pass to park on state recreation lands. Registration is required for

some events; some have participation limits. Full descriptions for each hike and event offered can be found at parks.state.wa.us/1231/Northwest-Region-First-Day-Hikes.

Five hikes will offered at Fort Worden.

Selections include the “Back Through the Past Hike,” which will highlight Fort Worden’s history with a park ranger to learn more about the fort’s military history and operations from the late 1890s through the early 20th century.

“Winter Birds and Plants of Fort Worden” will touch on the nature of Fort Worden State Park, and hikers can enjoy beautiful vistas from Fort Worden’s Chinese Gardens areas.

A self-guided tour of Fort Worden’s Bluff Trail will include spectacular views, including the Strait of Juan de Fuca and the Admiralty Inlet, Whidbey Island, Mount Baker, and Mount Rainier.

“The Best of Fort Worden” is a self-guided hike on the upcoming free day. It’s a self-paced trek through a forest canopy that winds past several of the historic mortar batteries and main gun line. Hikers can stop at Memory’s Vault, a sculpture garden with columns of poetry. There are rest benches and restroom facilities along the way.

Just for the young, and young at heart, is the “Teddy Bear Botany Hike” at Fort Townsend Historical State Park. The 2- to 3-mile walk on quiet trails among big trees, mosses, and ferns will be interspersed with some aspects of basic forest ecology while introducing the concept and function of the “wood wide web.”

All participants can pick up a free, collectible Washington State Parks 2022 First Day Hikes pin after their excursion.

First Day Hikes is a national initiative led by America’s state parks, encouraging people to get outdoors on New Year’s Day.

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LETTERS

PT pool needs YOU to be a life guard

Like many of you, I'm a water person.

And since the Port Townsend pool re-opened in October, my well-being — and that of hundreds of others — has lifted off again. For some elders and people healing from injury, our pool is the only place to get some exercise.

Thank you to Rowen Matkins and the YMCA team and the city of Port Townsend for doing the messy work of transferring the pool's management, even during the pandemic.

To remain open, the PT pool desperately needs more life guards. Especially needed are adults who can cover morning shifts, when student lifeguards are at school.

Lifeguarding is a great fit for active adults and seniors, parents of school-aged kids, and high school students. If you're just starting out, it's the classic first job. If you've already had a full career, think of it as paid community service work.

If you lead outdoor sail, swim, kayak, surf, or paddle trips — consider the upcoming life guard training to keep loved ones safe. If you take shifts at the pool, you'll be "saving the lives" of those who can't exercise anywhere else.

Director Rowan Matkin's goal

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is to train get enough guards "to offer swim lessons again for children." This seems like the absolute minimum for youth in a maritime community.

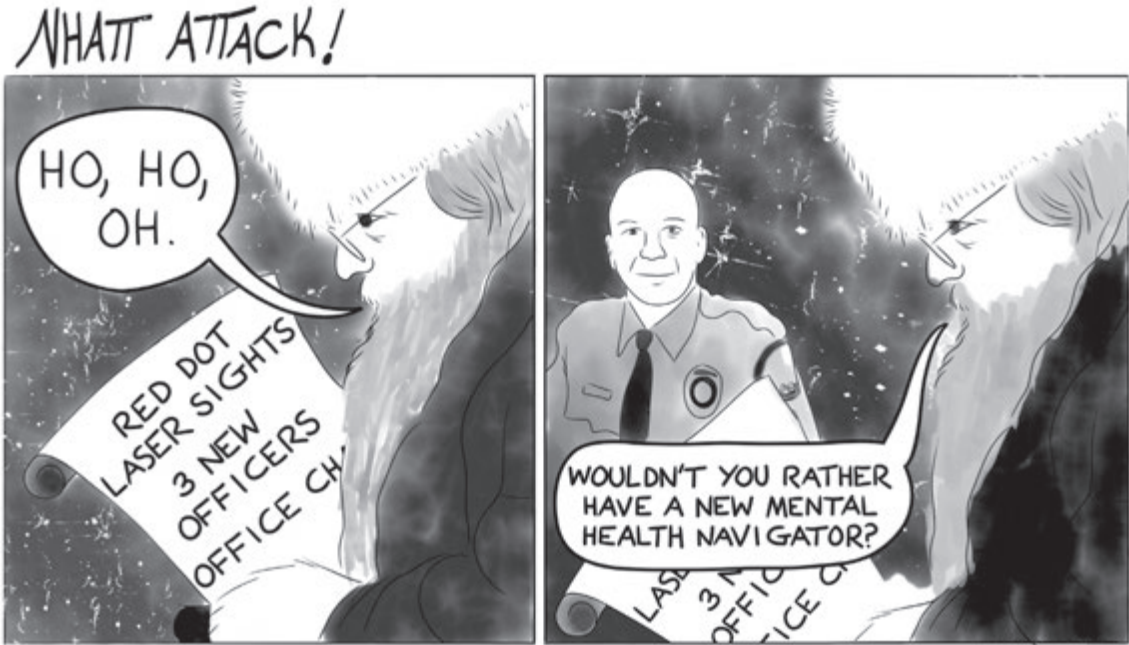
If even just a few people step up to as part-time lifeguards, the YMCA can keep the pool open, and soon offer swim lessons. Life-guard training is Dec. 20 through Jan. 16. Part online, and a few days in person. Scholarships are available to cover the fee (\$50). Register here: [operations.daxko.com/Online/2076/ProgramsV2/OfferingDetails.mvc?](https://operations.daxko.com/Online/2076/ProgramsV2/OfferingDetails.mvc?program_id=TMP107837&offering_id=SES2855266&location_id=S961)

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Please urge swimmers, boaters, marine resources people, teachers, retired active seniors, and parents to become life guards. Thank you.

Jude Rubin

PORT TOWNSEND



Global warming should be part of transit plan

I commend our County Commissioners Kate Dean, Greg Brotherton, and Heidi Eisenhour for speaking out regarding a lack of concern for global warming in the long-range plan for Jefferson Transit.

I also thank Scott Walker and Rebecca Kimball for addressing this issue.

The current transit plan barely acknowledges the climate crisis.

This is an opportunity to rethink Jefferson Transit planning and every effort should be made to include measures to address global warming. I look

forward to seeing significant changes to the current plan that will address a cleaner future for Jefferson County.

Dennis Daneau
PORT TOWNSEND

Remove designation for more growth in PT

Growth is something Port Townsend no longer needs and should not allow anymore.

We are the only city in Jefferson County designated for growth. We are endangering the fragile ecosystem and threatening the rural flavor.

The ruination of Port Townsend has begun. We continue to see loss

of trees for development.

The loss of trees includes loss of wildlife habitat, loss of oxygen-producing and carbon dioxide-absorbing entities, and loss of local beauty.

It's time, now, to preserve.

It's time, now, to contribute to the repair of our broken planet by doing our share which should include planting, not removing trees.

It's time, now, to stop increasing the density of a town that is so small, it will soon fall prey to severe increases in pollution, traffic, and crime.

Marilyn Lou Berry

PORT TOWNSEND

Let's lighten up, Port Townsend!

Christmas Car Prowl: I've been making my annual rounds looking for noteworthy Christmas lights locally. It's a fine tradition here. The best I surveilled this year were:

— The winner again, on McNeill, north of San Juan: Michael Ridgeway has done it again with this impressive, colorful flashing display and, as always, it has its own radio station. Bonus: A neighbor has restored the hot-chocolate stand just across the street on weekends. And Merilee Ridgeway is again handing stopped motorists candy canes. This display isn't subtle, but is impressive nonetheless.

— The goofy hot dog and friends as you come into town, at Mill Road. Lots of blue lights. One to relish.

— This really cuts it: Debbi

Hinton's showy display on Kearney, next to her Victorian Clipper barber shop, is a perennial visual treat. The old truck festooned with lights is the capper.

— A home on Lopez Street, off San Juan, that features one of the city's loveliest displays.

— Out on Hastings, across from New Life Church: This is always a lovely display.

— Seahawk City: On Thomas Street, just east of McPherson, the 12th Man shrine, complete with a

giant helmet and a big 12 on the roof, shows that Seahawk spirit is alive, even during a downer season.

— Two more of note uptown: the large new lighted Xmas tree at the east end of Lawrence; and the Blue Gull Inn's helicopter and

display on Clay Street.

Yes, I'm sure I've missed/overlooked some fine displays you may know. But hey, I'm not the brightest bulb in the box.

— Say cheese: On the very day my last column came out predicting we'd be seeing Canadians again here now that Canada vaccine restrictions have been eased to allow three-day visits, I was devouring mac-and-cheese at Tommyknocker's downtown when four tourists from Langley, B.C. sat down at the next table. Pleasant conversation about hockey, etc. ensued. BTW, Kraft Macaroni & Cheese is Canada's top-selling grocery item. (True). But Tommy's hearty version is far better.

— Speaking of Canadiana, this erstwhile TV critic recommends two enjoyable CBC comedy series available on Netflix: "Corner Gas" and "Kim's Convenience." Both are set in small grocery stores, and both are recommended. My holiday viewing gift.

Also, home-viewing fans, don't miss director Peter Jackson's 7.5-hour Beatles-finale doc, "Get Back." It's on Disney Plus, and

while I'd almost rather give money to a Trump gift as to Disney, it's worth the \$8.50 for one month. You'll see the band's final days in a different light. Yoko didn't break up the group, and Paul became the leader and is obviously a musical genius.

— Such a question: The Diagram Prize, for the Oddest Book Title, is run by The Bookseller magazine in England and voted for by the public. It pitted six titles against each other this year, from "Curves for the Mathematically Curious" to "Hats: A Very Unnatural History."

The winner this year has a definite Jewish twist: "Is Superman Circumsized?" Second-place was "The Life Cycle of Russian Things: From Fish Guts to Fabergé." "Superman Circumsized?" took 51% of the 11,000 public votes to win.

The title follows in the footsteps of former winners including "How to Avoid Huge Ships" and "The Big Book of Lesbian Horse Stories," and here author Roy Schwartz explores the creation of the "Mensch of Steel" by Jewish immigrants Jerry Siegel and

Joe Shuster. Schwartz argues that Superman's origin story is based "on Moses, his strength on Samson, his mission on the golem, and his nebbish secret identity on themselves," and that Krypton's society is based on Jewish culture. It's enough to make the Mensch of Steel schlep to his Fortress of Solitude.

— Looking for a classy place to share a holiday toast? The Meadery out on Cook remains open this month. I'm a virtual non-drinker, but it's a pleasant venue to sit and visit.

— Finally, Billy Connelly the preternaturally talented Scottish actor ("Mrs. Brown"), comic (his live shows are bombastic and funny) and travel documentarian (q.v., his superb BBC travelogue on traversing northern Canada) has developed Parkinson's. But Connelly still does occasional live shows. His funny opening line: "Good evening, symptoms spotters."

(PT humorist Bill Mann wishes readers Non-Sectarian Season's Greetings. Newsmann9@gmail.com)

Holiday greetings from Port Ludlow

The trappings of Christmas are everywhere and thank goodness for them.

Without some parties to frequent in the rain, some lights to provide colorful piercings of light through the dark, and some Christmas cards/letters to put fun in the mail box, what would I do? San Diego has a nice ring.

I confess that we send out a physical holiday letter every year, some better than others, as I wage my own campaign to save the U.S. Post Office. I know this because we have a copy of all of them.

Just think. They provide a usually positive summary of your life and maybe an embellished summary of your life.

Frankly, when I first considered writing this column my daughter said that it would

be just like writing a Christmas letter every week.

We do enjoy getting holiday greetings from many of our friends and family across the country. One widowed lady we had as a neighbor in the mid-'70s sent a letter this year with a picture of 24 people who are her family. We can always count on a couple in Lee's Summit, Missouri providing the first card on the day after Thanksgiving.

What, no news between Thanksgiving and Christmas?

Old friends in Massachusetts avoid the card duty around the holidays by sending Valentine letters.

I think I had better get going on our letter which only goes to the folks out of town. If we ever move again I will succumb to

using email and just send one Christmas letter to The Leader for anybody interested to read.

We generally like to visit the Camaraderie Winery in Port Angeles to pick

up the wine club selection for that quarter. In addition, we have in the past enjoyed the Christmas light display at Seven Cedars.

Put those together and we took a road trip west! Snow in the foothills was a bonus!

The holiday lights at Seven Cedars are incredible and now they have added the hotel providing additional landscaping and a building to decorate. The drive home was a little dicey with lots of dark and rain.

Another fabulous display is the product of Carol Wise's imagination on Highway 20 going into Port Townsend.

We have a minimal display at our house this year since I was struggling with a bum foot which was limiting my wandering outside. A shot of cortisone and a new orthotic are attacking that problem. Not to worry, though. Neighbors Bob and Sienna Sowatsky have a neat display across the street. I am optimistic you enjoy the lighting as much as I and also burden your family with night-time cruises to see them!

The Dusty Green Café joined with the Camaraderie Winery to create a wonderful wine dinner for about 80 folks presented at the Bay Club. We spent time with Jeff and Peggy Welker, Gregg and Shelley Patton,

Michael Stuber, and Garry Caven.

In a short conversation with local Gil Skinner he advised me that in last week's column I misspelled Yvonne Starkey's name and misnamed her friend Sara Freeman. I asked Gil if he wanted to edit my columns. So much for help; he quickly walked away.

The Sunday Seattle Times has an insert entitled "PacificNW." A recent edition highlighted the contributions of women in Washington's maritime industry with a theme of "A Sea Change."

One of the women featured was Amber Smith who is a "Vessel Project Engineer" for Washington State Ferries. Local luminaries Richard and Judi Smith also claim Amber as their daughter!

Love a curmudgeon, drive safely and have a great week!

(Ned Luce hasn't written his family Christmas letter yet, but he sent Santa a note — in June, before the "Naughty" list was done. Ned is a retired IBM executive and Port Ludlow resident; email him at ned@ptleader.com.)



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OPINION FORUM

Consider space that you might share

As we reflect and take stock of this past year, of relationships built, lessons learned, and progress made, I would like to share a few reflections on what has evolved over the year in the field of housing solutions.

Solutions for shelter and housing for the most vulnerable in our community have made progress this year.

We have seen the completion of one tiny shelter village, Peter's Place, and we are nearing the completion of a second one, Pat's Place. The brand- new Pfeiffer House was created in a refurbished Victorian and is now providing community and housing for youth who would otherwise have nowhere to go.

OlyCAP officially broke ground on its 43-unit Seventh Haven apartment building.

Additionally, the eviction moratorium ended, and the protections that were put in

place along with the distribution of eviction prevention rent assistance, are helping to keep eviction proceedings minimal in our community.

At Housing Solutions Network we are celebrating the completion of an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) that a pair of young property owners chose to build as an affordable rental. The project was made possible through the energy and commitment to affordability of the property owners, the creativity of their builder, and the financial flexibility offered to the project by individual

local investors.

This holiday season there is a family living in this efficient, permanent home,

and the property owners are celebrating the expansion of community on their land. This is an amazing example of ordinary people sharing what they have to create a tangible housing solution.

While we celebrate these successes, we must also face the reality that our community needs serious energy and emphasis on the creation of permanent housing for members of our local workforce.

To help meet this need, Habitat for Humanity has announced a goal to double their impact by 2025 and Olympic Housing Trust is working toward a development project.

These two organizations are currently best positioned to build and steward permanent housing for the people who power our local industries. Nonprofits like these will play a key role in providing the long-term housing that is needed, but housing developments take time to plan, fund, and build.

We also need immediate and near term solutions to keep our families stable, our businesses running, and our community

vibrant.

To be honest, we need more community members to share the spaces they have to create new units of housing, like the couple who built the ADU.

Whether through building a new unit, converting an existing space, or putting a vacant unit or bedroom on the rental market, we need to use existing resources to meet our pressing workforce housing needs.

Housing Solutions Network will be launching a community-wide Share Our Spaces campaign in the new year to highlight how homeowners can make an impact and to provide resources to help people turn empty spaces into homes.

During this reflective season, I invite you to consider what space you might be able to share, and I encourage you to reach out to Housing Solutions Network in the new year so we can help you turn ideas into action.

(Justine Gonzalez-Berg is the Director of Housing Solutions Network and a volunteer board member of Olympic Housing Trust.)



Justine Gonzalez-Berg
HOUSING
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Life away from home in Port Townsend

Someone told me that the average age in Port Townsend is 55, which puts me about 30 years behind the curve. I'm not entirely sure of the accuracy of that information, but looking around, I'd say it's spot on.

Though I'm that much younger than most people around Port Townsend, I really identify with the older folks in town. I think for that reason I'm a pretty bad representative of the younger population. I don't really do social media like others. I listen to really old music, and I try as much as I can to live a retired lifestyle.

I'd rather go fishing and sit in silence with a cigar than go to the club. I'm trying more and more to just call people instead of text, because I can communicate much more effectively that way. There's nothing



Luke Anderson
GUEST
VIEWPOINT

I hate more than going to the beach.

That's why this whole pandemic thing hasn't been that bad for me. I've enjoyed the slow pace of this community, relative to some bigger city, and I've liked having just a couple of friends to keep up with. I am no longer completely stretched, and I feel as though I can keep track of most things going on.

I think this all worked out like that for a lot of us, in the way that the pandemic has determined who we really spend time

with. For good or for bad, world events have caused everyone to take stock of their relationships and the things that are important to them.

But there is always the other side of things.

I woke up at 10 o'clock this morning and I really should've been up at 8. Most days when I wake up I feel the pressure to plan and formulate the next 40 years of my life. I bet most other young people do.

Personally, I've got to start applying for jobs and I have school to finish up. I also need a side job in the meantime to refill depleted coffers, and if I get a gig like that, it's going to take away from the time I should be spending doing other stuff. There's also the matter of figuring out which city I should move to and the living arrangement I need wherever I go.

So what did I end up doing today?

Nothing.

Somehow, I need to quell the 55-year-old lifestyle, for the time being, and return to some semblance of the young person's way of living, so I might be able to get somewhere. I'm a little too young to be old. A change such as this might include moving to an area with more young people, or just getting out into the world to see what it's got to offer, and what I might be able to offer it. I

really don't want to come out of retirement yet, though.

I think a lot of young people are really struggling, for many similar reasons as mentioned above. That's why we are on our phones so much. We think we can escape through a screen because it can block out the real world pretty well, but in reality it should probably be the other way around. But what are we supposed to do when the universe is coming at us from a million different angles?

I'm not sure.

So if you are one of these 55-ers or these twentysomethings, just know that one day you will be them, and one day they were you, and we're not all that different from one another, so let's all just get together and have a good time! Though, since COVID limits social gatherings, until then I'll be watching NBA on my couch.

Every day.

(Luke Anderson is a Port Townsend native who is currently attending college.)

Design/build plan will identify needed projects

Last week a longtime friend and supporter of Jefferson Healthcare stopped me as I walked down Water Street. His normally cheerful face was clouded with concern.

He asked me straight-away why the hospital was planning a huge \$112 million building project with no public input.

My answer was simple. We're not.

My friend was referring to a recent article in the Leader about a proposed building replacement and services upgrade plan. While the article was factually correct in the plan details, it missed the most important element of all: It is not the plan, it is a plan, created as a starting point to help

us develop the eventual actual working plan that will address two major issues:

First, the hospital district is committed to either bringing the old hospital building up to seismic, electrical, and mechanical codes, or replacing it with new construction. Built in 1965, the old hospital building is located between the new ESSB and waterside inpatient tower, and houses our express clinic, kitchen, café, Women's Health Clinic, MRI unit, and multiple administrative and support services. Engineering studies point to seismic and other deficiencies that must be addressed.

Second, the ESSB—designed to fill our space needs for at least a decade — is already full, thanks to the success of our new

dermatology, oncology, sleep medicine, wound care, cardiology, and orthopedic services. Every office, exam room, nook, cranny, and broom closet is being used to support patient care. We built it and you came. We see twice as many patients per day than we did just seven years ago.

With both issues looming, your hospital board and administration decided to replace rather than retrofit the '65 building— it is more cost-effective in the run, and better addresses our space needs. To make the most of this growth opportunity, we developed a potential Master Site Plan (MSP) that also includes future service possibilities, such as neurology, pulmonology, radiation oncology, etc. That plan is still in the making and is the source of the Leader article that caused my friend's confusion.

The site plan was part of an

application packet we submitted to the State of Washington for permission to use an alternative planning and construction process for the '65 building replacement project. Typically, construction by a public entity involves a design/ bid process: the agency hires an architect for the design, then sends out bid packets to contractors for the construction. We are required to accept the lowest bid, which, we have found, can cost more than hiring an up-front contractor. Recently, the state Legislature opened a different process to some government entities, such as rural hospital districts: the design/build process. It allows the hospital to hire an architect/ builder team to collaborate with the district at the outset, so the three work together to design the building and establish its cost. The MSP we submitted with the application was not required, nor

intended, to be the final plan. We are the first hospital district in the state to apply for this process, and, thankfully, have received the OK.

To be clear, the MSP captures all projects we could do. The design/build plan, set to begin in February, will identify all projects we can, need and afford to do.

Hospitals are not just building projects. They exist for just one reason: to serve the community. That's why we will be seeking your ideas through several open forums, online surveys, and more. Just as I was glad to hear from my friend, I and the rest of our team want to hear from you.

Your voice will help shape the future of healthcare in our region, for us and for generations to come.

(Jill Buhler is chairperson of the Jefferson Healthcare Board of Commissioners and Mike Glenn is chief executive officer of Jefferson Healthcare.)

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Jill Buhler
and Mike Glenn

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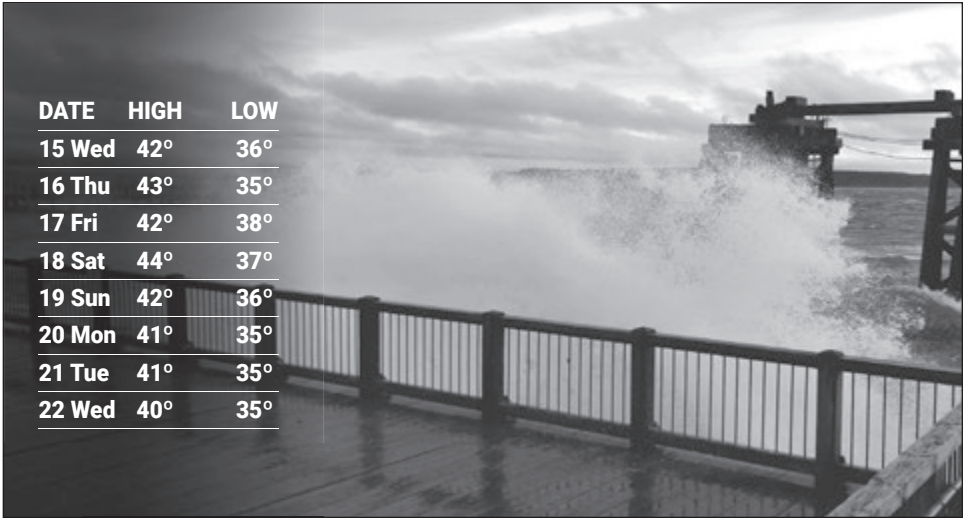
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Sports



The Acorn's Eddie Klatush tries to thread a pass by Quilcene's Isaiah Reimann during first-half action Friday. *Leader photo by Brian Kelly*

Acorns escape with boys hoops win in Quilcene

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The recent past caught up to the Quilcene Rangers on their home court last Friday.

The Oakville Acorns outlasted the Rangers in varsity boys basketball, winning 70-63.

The Rangers played strong early on, but ran out of gas in the first quarter after struggling to keep up with the Acorns.

Blame the extended gridiron season — which culminated in a historic first-time trip to the state championship game — for a bit of football-induced fatigue on the Rangers’ part. The playoff run actually prompted the cancellation of Quilcene’s first three games of the basketball season.

“The guys are still healing up from their run to the state championship with our football team,” said Quilcene Coach Grant Cornelius.

“I’m really looking forward to seeing what we can do when we get healthy,” he added.

The first period saw some standout plays from the Rangers, on both ends of the court. Five Rangers put points on the board, with Nate Kieffer and James Miller combining for eight points.

Quilcene outscored Oakville in the second period, 11-10, closing the score to 34-25 at the half.

The Rangers and Acorns battled nearly even in the third quarter, with Oakville taking the 16-15 edge, as Acorn forward Courtney Price scored eight of his 15 points in the second half.

Kieffer taxed the twine for nine points in the third, however, and the Rangers saw added offense from Isaiah Reimann, Kevin Alejo, and Taylor Boling.

The Rangers outscored the Acorns 23-20 in the final stanza, with Kieffer dropping in 11 of his team-high 29 points.

“It was a good game for us,” Cornelius said. “We played very good defense overall.”

Kieffer had a solid game on both ends of the floor, and came up with some crowd-pleasing



The Rangers’ Nathan Kieffer blocks a shot during the first quarter against Oakville. *Leader photo by Brian Kelly*

blocks in the first half.

“We had great success running the floor like we wanted to and getting the looks we wanted — but had some terrible luck actually getting the shots to drop. Was just one of those nights,” he added.

Reimann and Alejo were both very effective driving the lane and getting good looks or assist opportunities, the coach added.

Reimann finished with eight points, while Alejo added 12.

“Our freshman, Taylor Boling, played all 48 minutes and was just solid for us,” Cornelius added.



James Miller goes baseline during the Ranger-Quilcene varsity matchup. *Leader photo by Brian Kelly*

Boling finished with six points.

The Acorns had three players in double digits, with sophomore point guard Eddie Klatush scoring 29 points.

“Oakville’s point guard was very good at working off their ball screen to get open on

us,” Cornelius said.

The loss dropped Quilcene to 1-1. The Rangers were scheduled to play Mary M. Knight High School at home early this week, with a rematch against Oakville on the road Thursday.



Above, Taylor Boling elevates against Acorn during the first quarter of the non-conference game Friday. At right, Kevin Alejo tries to disrupt an Oakville play. *Leader photos by Brian Kelly*



Rangers fall in OT heartbreaker to Oakville Acorns

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Aw, nuts!

The Acorns dropped a loss on the Quilcene girls basketball team in a hard-fought overtime game Friday on the Rangers' home court.

It was a frantic, low-scoring affair as Oakville hung on the varsity win, 31-24.

It was an even contest early on. The teams traded baskets in the first period, with Ashley Jones taking it to the tin for seven points for the Rangers while Savannah McBride chipped in two.

With the score at 9-all going into the second period, the Acorns added offense from Sadie Dupont and Alyssa Forsyth to forge a slim, 13-9 lead.

Quilcene crept back in the turnover-plagued contest in the third, with the Rangers outscoring the Acorns 8-5.

Shelby Love, Ashley Jones, and McBride powered the Quilcene offense, and the score was tied at 17-17 going into the final stanza.

The Rangers looked like a lock to tie up the game, but Dupont and Forsyth forced overtime after bringing the Acorns back into the contest and knotting the score at 23-23 at the end of regulation play.

Quilcene couldn't match the Acorns' offense in overtime, as the Rangers struggled with offensive fouls and ball control and the scoring duo of Dupont-Forsyth put the game away.

Jones paced Quilcene with eight points. Love finished with five points for the Rangers, while teammate Abby Ward added three. McBride contributed five points, and Sierra Grounke added a pair from the line.

The loss pushed the Rangers to a season record of 1-4. The Quilcene girls were scheduled to play Mary M. Knight High School at home early this week, with a second chance to crack the Acorns coming on the road Thursday in Oakville.



Above, Savannah McBride looks to pass the ball to another Ranger during the first half of play against Oakville.

At right, Kaydence Yeoman comes up with the ball during a scramble while Shelby Love looks on. Leader photos by Brian Kelly



Abby Ward of the Quilcene Rangers defends against Sadie Dupont of the Oakville Acorns during Friday night's home contest. Leader photo by Brian Kelly



EJ wrestling teams compete

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The East Jefferson Rivals boys and girls wrestling teams competed last Wednesday, with the boys winning their duel 24-18 against Life Christian Academy.

Multiple EJ boys earned pins at the Life Christian meet. Gage Berry (182-pound weight division), Logan Massie (170 weight division), Sam Lampert (160 weight division), and A.J. Stevenson (138 weight division) all earned pins to get the victory over their foes.

The girls travelled to Bremerton for their meet, with four grapplers participating.

Mi Amada Lanphear-Ramirez (120-pound weight division) won her only matchup of the meet, and Chloe Lampert went 1-1 in her two matches, with a pin after falling behind in her winning match.

Savanna Hoffmann went 1-1 in her matches and Melody Douglas went 0-2 in her matches.

Both teams' next meet will be Wednesday, Dec. 15 at Klahowya High School.

EJ girls place first, boys place third in Forks tourney

The East Jefferson Rivals wrestling teams participated in the Forks Wrestling Tournament last Monday, with the girls team placing in first overall and the boys finishing in bronze.

Individually, Gage Barry (195-pound weight class) and Beau Manuel (285 weight class) won gold in the tournament.

Three EJ wrestlers won silver: Summer Shoop (120 weight class), Xael Duran-Ramirez (220 weight class), and Logan Massie (182 weight class).

Five grapplers for the Rivals placed in bronze: Mi Amada Lanphear-Ramirez (120 weight class), Melody Douglas (140 weight class), Gabe Evans (145 weight class), Devon Bennett-Anderson (195 weight class), and Lars Wakefield (285 weight class).

The Rivals wrestling teams will travel to Klahowya High School for their next meet on Wednesday, Dec. 15.

East Jefferson boys basketball team loses at home

The Rivals boys basketball team lost in their fourth matchup of the season against Annie Wright Schools on Thursday, Dec. 9.

The final score of the game was 96-42 with East Jefferson on the short end.

Senior Lonnie Kenney led EJ in scoring with 20 points. Austen Hammer and Lorenzo McCleese each scored six points, followed by Michael Petta with four and Brody Moore with three.

Currently, EJ's record sits at 1-3 (1-2 conference record) as the boys look to bounce back in their next match away from home this week versus Bellevue Christian High School.

Owls escape with win in girls hoops over Quilcene Rangers

The Owls outlasted the Rangers as Mary M. Knight High beat Quilcene in girls varsity basketball.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

The battle was a close one, with the Owls escaping 28-23 in the home game in Elma against the Rangers.

Crescent remains unbeaten after downing Rangers

The Loggers cut down the Rangers 29-11 in girls varsity basketball last week, with Crescent High.

Crescent (3-0) picked up its second victory of the season against Quilcene in the Dec. 7 matchup on the Loggers' home court in Joyce.

Rivals girls wrestlers hit the road this week

The East Jefferson girls wrestling team began its first-ever season as an official team. Although the girls have wrestled alongside the boys for years, the girls reached the minimum 10 person threshold to officially compete as an individual team.

Their first meet was in Port Angeles earlier in the month, and the girls most recently competed in Bremerton last Wednesday.

Upcoming meets are:

- Klahowya, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15 (away); Sequim, (Olympic League girls duel) 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 5 (away); Cascade Christian, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19 (home); and Vashon Island, 6:15 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 (away).

Rivals girls varsity basketball loses at home to Annie Wright

The East Jefferson girls basketball team was blown out by Annie Wright Schools at home on Thursday, with the final score reading 65-15.

The result marks the third consecutive loss for the girls' season as their varsity record stands at 0-3 (0-2 conference record).

The team looks to earn its first victory of the season against Bellevue Christian High this week away from home.

EJ boys wrestling team to face Klahowya on the road

The Rivals boys wrestling team geared up for their season, as East Jefferson prepares for a winter full of grappling on the mats. In their opening matchup, the boys hit Port Angeles High for a wrestling jamboree to start the season. The team has gone on to participate in events and tournaments in Forks and Life Christian Academy.

Upcoming meets are:

- Klahowya, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15 (away); Port Angeles, (Battle of the Axe), 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 (away); Olympic Wrestling Meet, 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 12 (home); Cascade Christian, 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 19 (away); and Vashon Island, 6:15 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 26 (away).

Rivals boys basketball team travels to Bellevue Christian

The East Jefferson boys varsity basketball team will take its 1-3 record to Seattle's Eastside for a matchup against Bellevue Christian this week on the road.

Upcoming scheduled games are:

- Seattle Christian, 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17 (home); North Mason, 7 p.m. Tuesday Dec. 21 (away); Charles Wright, 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4 (away); Cascade Christian, 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 6 (home); Klahowya, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 (away); Vashon Island, 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14 (away); Life Christian, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan 18 (home); Annie Wright, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 (away); Bellevue Christian, 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 (home); Seattle Christian, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 25 (away); Charles Wright, 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 28 (home); Cascade Christian, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 1 (away); and Klahowya, 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 4 (home).

The procrastinator’s guide to Christmas

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Already into the 12 days of Christmas, and have yet to decorate and formulate a holiday plan? No problem. This handy guide is a one-stop list of how to act like you’d planned it like this all along.

THE TREE

Pre-cut: The Port Townsend Garden Center at 406 Benedict St. has a new batch of fresh-cut trees starting at \$39.99. Hurry down, because it might be the last load!

Family outing: You pick the tree, and the friendly folks at Pork ‘n’ Patch will cut it for you. Open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily, and Sunday 12:30 to 3 p.m. Trees priced at \$7 per foot, nothing over \$70. Located at 13554 Center Rd, Quilcene. Call them at 360-301-5873

THE WREATH

Locally Made: Maya Moon crafts wreaths from foraged foliage, utilizing Pacific Northwest finds like lichens and twigs, as well as providing traditional holly and pine wreaths. From \$35 to \$50. Find her on Facebook at Maya Moon, call her at 360-301-9188, or email her at fleurdelunanw@gmail.com.

Bargain: Stay true to your budget while still bringing the scent and feel of the holidays home. The DIY wreath room at the Port Townsend Garden Center offers the greenery, pinecones, form and bow, you put in the elbow grease during a tutorial. From \$9.99 for a 6-inch wreath. Open Monday to Saturday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Reservations recommended by calling 360-385-3354.

THE FEAST

The Whole Enchilada: There’s plenty of room for the whole family at Spirits Bar and Grill in Port Hadlock. Plus, there’s a dessert buffet. Entrees include ham or duck for \$75 per meal; vegetarian options are \$65. Make your reservations for Christmas Day now by calling 360-302-6348.

A Beach Picnic: Why not opt for something hassle-free that gets you outdoors? Flagship Market’s Gingham Basket feeds four, and checks all the boxes for fun and flavor, with bubbles, charcuterie, and sweets included. Stop by the market at 1015 Water St. or call 360-531-4208.

THE ICING ON THE CAKE

Splurge: Chimacum Corner Farm Stand. If you can get an order in by noon on Friday, Dec. 17, you too can enjoy a made-from-scratch New York cheesecake that’s so pretty it doesn’t even need icing. \$40. Email Jenna to order: Pickup runs from Dec. 22 to Dec. 24.

Bargain: Spicy gingerbread cookies taste like the season without breaking the bank. \$6 for six. Order by noon, Tuesday, Dec. 21 for Christmas Eve. Pane d’ Amore is at 617 Tyler St., and is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday. Call in your order at 360-385-1199.

Assortment: Cafe Tenby’s mixed cookie boxes are just \$22, and anyone local knows that any baked good made in that place is delectable. The perfect last-minute gift. Located at 636 Water St. Call 360-385-6060 with questions. Open Wednesday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



Shelly Weber of PNW GIRL prepares a macrame angel for display at her booth at the Chimacum Arts and Crafts Fair. Leader photo by Brian Kelly

Fairs draw crowds in Chimacum

It was a busy weekend for holiday shoppers in Chimacum Saturday, with the return of both the Chimacum Arts and Crafts Fair and The Farmer’s Craft Fair at the Chimacum Grange.

Hundreds of shoppers jammed the fairs, with people waiting patiently to enter both venues due to COVID precautions.

Business had been brisk, said Shelly Weber of Sequim as she put little silver tags on her hand-made macrame angels. “These angels have been super hot sellers,” she said.

“It’s actually been an amazing day here,” Weber added.



Brenda Hill of Sugar Hill Farms in Chimacum poses for a photo with the Grinch at the 34th Annual Chimacum Arts and Crafts Fair Saturday. Sugar Hill had pies, candy apples, carmel popcorn and other tasty treats for sale. Leader photo by Brian Kelly



Above, ceramic whisking bowls were part of the wide array of potential gift items for sale Saturday at the 34th Annual Chimacum Arts and Crafts Fair. At right, Mike Derzon and Johnny Bregar of Buckshot perform at the Chimacum Grange during the grange’s annual craft sale Saturday. Leader photos by Brian Kelly



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Port Townsend rug gallery to close, but memories remain

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Some customers came to Shirvan Rug Gallery in Port Townsend to buy rugs, others came to have rugs cleaned or repaired.

Some came for the baklava.

They'll have to go somewhere else after Shirvan closes around the end of the year — perhaps to the Shirvan store that will remain open on Bainbridge Island. After more than 11 years, the last two fighting difficulties caused by COVID, Adem and Birgul Solak will close the Port Townsend gallery.

Originally located in the Clapp Building, since purchased by a winery and converted into a tasting room, Shirvan Rug Gallery has been at their current location at 913 Water St. for five years. The lease was coming up for renewal in January 2022, and the Solaks faced the decision of whether to extend for another two years.

But COVID has had a huge impact on their business.

"We are not finding workers. They prefer to work from home, not in a shop, because you do not know who is coming in," Birgul explained, her words as colored by her Turkish accent as the brightly-hued rugs themselves from around what used to be called the Mideast.

Customers, too, were slower to make the major purchase an authentic rug could



Birgul Solak contemplates the closing of Shirvan Rug Gallery in Port Townsend. *Photo by Erik Dolson*

represent, despite the expertise the Solaks offered.

The couple met 35 years ago.

"I worked in a rug company in Istanbul with my father and brothers. Adem was a wholesaler and retailer who sold to our business. He was certified in Turkey to authenticate rugs for export," Birgil said.

But wars in Iran and Iraq basically shut

down the business in Turkey. The couple came to visit Birgul's brother in Seattle.

"My brother wanted family [close], and we liked it," she added.

They opened Shirvan Rug Gallery on Bainbridge Island 24 years ago. It was a success, as was the Port Townsend store before COVID, because "customers liked the quality and reasonable prices, and for cleaning and

repair," she said.

"My husband is an expert," Birgul explained. Adem is one of few in the area qualified to professionally clean and repair often delicate antique rugs.

Adem also made an extremely popular baklava dessert that brought customers into the store.

"People would say 'I never had this kind of baklava,' and we would serve that and wine during art walks in Port Townsend. But not since COVID."

Birgul used to travel back to Turkey once a year to visit family, but she has not been able to go since the beginning of the epidemic and their labor shortage. Closing the Port Townsend store will give her a chance for a visit early next year.

It will also give the couple more time together. Birgul has had a small apartment in Port Townsend, and Adem has been coming over a couple of times a week. They will now be together on Bainbridge.

But leaving is not easy.

"I like Port Townsend, and the people here. But with life, you never know. COVID could be everywhere, and for a long time," Birgul said.

As they have in the past, the Solaks will adapt, and move on.

PT Main Street presents leadership and volunteer awards

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The city of Port Townsend's Public Works Department was awarded "Main Street Champion" by the Port Townsend Main Street Program for the department's efforts to build and improve public spaces around town.

PT Main Street hosted its yearly membership meeting and appreciation event on Thursday at the Tyler Street Plaza tent, recapping 2021 program highlights and giving out leadership and volunteer awards to recognize people who've shown outstanding support for the nonprofit.

Steve King, public works director for the city, accepted the "Main Street Champion" award at the event.

"Public Works contributed to many more ways we can enjoy public spaces in our community," said Mari Mullen, executive director of PT Main Street.

"They have anchored the Tyler Plaza tent with 2,000-pound eco-blocks for the holidays; they skillfully moved giant planters and boulders for the new Adams Street parklet; they artfully placed 1,000-pound sculptures and trail signs in the Creative District; and they assisted with

the Hidden History sign project. They are professional, capable, strong and positive," she said.

PT Main Street board vice president Wendy Duede honored Sandy Spencer, the program's outgoing board president, as "Volunteer of the Year" for her six years of dedicated work on the nonprofit's board.

"Sandy has worked behind the scenes planning meetings, assisting with the budget during challenging times, working events, and sharing her wisdom from running successful retail businesses," Duede said. "Lucky for us, Sandy will continue to be involved as past president and be part of our promotion committee."

The "Extra Thanks" award was presented to volunteer Randy Rosens by Jan Carter, PT Main Street's board secretary. This award is given to someone who goes the extra mile to support the Port Townsend Main Street Program in an unexpected way.

Rosens was successful at fundraising for the nonprofit at Concerts on the Dock this past summer, Carter said.

"Randy really knows how to work the crowd, and he had fun doing it at all five shows," Carter noted.



"Volunteer of the Year" winner Sandy Spencer poses with incoming board member Jennifer Wake of Lively Olive Tasting Bar after winning the award. *Photo courtesy of Port Townsend Main Street*



Steve King, director of the city's public works department, accepts the Port Townsend "Main Street Champion" award on behalf of the department. *Photo courtesy of Port Townsend Main Street*

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PORT TOWNSEND POLICE LOG

The Port Townsend Police Department received a total of 139 calls between Friday, Dec. 3 and Thursday, Dec. 9. Below are selected reports.

At 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, a caller reported that a man in a truck with the lights off was parked near Hancock and Ninth Street. The caller was concerned because there had been burglaries in the area. When officers arrived, they were unable to locate the man.

At 8:15 p.m. Friday, Dec. 3, someone called to complain that a car had been honking for 5 minutes at Point Hudson. Officers found a dog laying on the horn, presumably for its owners.

At 12:35 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, a woman in the 600 block of Clay Street called to report that her wheelchair-bound friend hadn't been in touch for several days. They were supposed to be going to a holiday lighting celebration together. Officers located the caller's friend, who was fine, and put her in telephone contact with the caller so the two could talk.

At 5:55 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4, a caller reported that a man had passed out in the bathroom in the 600 block of Water Street. Officers found the man incoherent and highly intoxicated. He was removed from the bathroom and provided with socks, a hat, hand warmers, and a blanket. Later, dispatch advised officers that the man had a felony warrant. He was taken into custody, transported to the hospital for clearance, and booked into jail.

At 6:15 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, someone in the 200 block of Logan Street complained of mail theft. Upon moving from a previous address, the person hadn't submitted a change of address form and was certain the mail was being withheld by the current resident. The alleged mail thief did not answer the door and hung up on police when called.

At 1:15 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, a caller reported that a minor might bring a firearm to school. The caller said the youth in question had been suspended for bringing a knife to school the previous week. According to a school group chat among Blue Heron Middle School students, the student had called the principal to tell them he was bringing a gun to school. Officers were advised by school staff that the school had done an assessment in the case of the knife, which was to be used for an after-school outdoor class elsewhere, and said no calls had been made to the principal. No risk or threat was determined.

At 10:35 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5, a caller in the area of 21st Street complained of multiple people in a white Hyundai SUV with a Christmas wreath on the grill. The caller said they were doing drugs. Officers on foot located the vehicle, but no one was around.

At 12:15 a.m. Monday, Dec. 6, someone in the 1400 block of Lopez Street called to say a person was trying to get in their back door. The caller was upstairs and had not looked outside. Officers walked around the premises but were not able to locate anyone.

At 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, a caller reported that a semi-trailer truck hit a stoplight pole at the intersection of Mill Road and Highway 20 and had left the scene. The Department of Transportation assisted.

At 11:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, a caller in the vicinity of Rainier Street and Sims Way reported that a Chevy Malibu with a PT sticker on it was weaving on the road.

The caller had observed the car for 5 minutes. Officers located the vehicle just as the woman was parking and approached on foot. The woman struggled to get out of the car and had slurred speech. She vacillated between being cooperative and belligerent. She refused sobriety tests, so officers received a telephonic blood warrant and transported the woman to the hospital for a blood

draw. She was booked into jail on a DUI and an interlock device violation.

At 2:25 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, a caller in the 600 block of Hancock Street saw two men in black masks outside their window. Officers arrived, but no one was observed. The caller thanked officers and said they had thought somebody was there.

At 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, a caller in the 600 block of 21st Street said a locksmith had advised them that someone had broken into the caller's sister's apartment. The sister was in the hospital at the time. The caller found several items missing, but nothing of value. Damage to the door was estimated at \$300.

At 3:50 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7, a woman in the 200 block of Holcomb Street said she was concerned about her upstairs tenant. She hadn't heard back from a call and text she'd left with the tenant, which was unusual. She also noted that the lights had been on all night. Officers contacted the upstairs tenant, who said they were just tired after a procedure.

At 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, a woman reported that her \$300 extension cord had been taken during the night in the 200 block of Pierce Street.

At 11:45 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, in the vicinity of Fir and Q streets, a caller reported that someone had driven onto their property and crashed into a carport pole, nearly breaking it. There was no vehicle description given.

At 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8, a business in the 2000 block of Washington Street reported that a woman was destroying a room. All drains had been plugged in an attempt to flood the place, and a bagel with needles in it and "weird hospital stuff" was discovered in the microwave. The woman was taken into custody.

At 8 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, a 15-year-old girl hit the back of a parked car with her bike. The girl was taken to the hospital, where she was released 30 minutes later. Her bike was taken to Blue Heron Middle School.

At 9:20 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, a person walked into the police station and reported that a female cousin was threatening him via Facebook. They were both upset about the passing of a relative. The cousin wrote messages alluding to the concerned party being gagged and "bouncing in the back of a car."

The cousin lives in Spokane. The reporting party, who lives in Port Townsend, was advised to seek an anti-harassment order from the court.

At 11:15 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, in the 2100 block of Washington Street, a caller reported someone had thrown a chair through their vehicle's window. There were no suspects.

At 1:10 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, officers approached a man caught stealing a sandwich on a Safeway security camera. The man claimed he'd taken sandwiches before but hadn't this time. The evidence had been consumed or destroyed. The value of the sandwich was \$12.

At 5 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, a caller reported that a woman had left a bar in the 900 block of Lawrence Street and gotten stuck on the sidewalk. She proceeded to drive toward North Beach, where officers lost track of the wayward driver.

At 8:20 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9, a teenage girl in the 600 block of Taylor Street whose parents were aware she was calling, reported that her 11-year-old-brother was having a mental health issue and that she was scared.

The boy had pushed her, and the issue was ongoing. The boy didn't want to speak to officers when they arrived, but he became more calm. The case was referred to a Navigator for follow-up.

JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S LOG

The Jefferson County Sheriff Office received 160 calls for service from Saturday, Dec. 4 through Friday, Dec. 10. Below are selected reports.

At 8:19 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 in Sequim, a caller reported a canine causing problems.

The dog from across the street was an ongoing issue; it had been getting out and attacking the caller's dog. Right now, the caller said, it was going through his trash.

The man said he had contacted the animal's owner but nothing had changed. The day before, the dog, described as a Great Pyrenees sheepdog, had attacked his pet and his dog was injured. The caller said he didn't actually see the dog attack.

He added he can't afford to keep paying the veterinarian bills every other week, and next time he will defend his property if it happens again. He didn't want that to happen, he said, so that was why he was calling.

Animal control contacted the dog's owner, and he said he used the dog to protect his orchard. The man was educated about the county's regulations on animals at large and potentially dangerous dogs.

The dog's owner said the dog would be kept on a run from now on. Animal control said the man would not get another warning because it was the second time the dog had attacked another animal.

The dog owner called back a few hours later asking for the phone number for the Humane Society, and said the dog was too smart to stay chained up and the man didn't want to risk any other dogs getting hurt.

He then called a few hours later and asked animal control to come by so he could relinquish the dog.

At 4:10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 in Port Hadlock, a caller reported a case of animal abuse that was happening at a nearby property. The caller said she saw a neighbor yanking the dog by the animal's collar, and said the dog was yowling. A deputy visited the property and found the dog on a line in the yard. Previous visits to the property had also not turned up any signs of abuse.

The caller believed the dog was not well, but said she understood the deputy could not do anything since there were no obvious injuries to the animal. Upon further investigation, it was determined the owner had been trying to correct the dog's bad behavior when the woman saw the owner grabbing it by the collar.

At 9:54 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5 in Port Hadlock, a Jefferson Healthcare employee said a patient in the emergency room was being treated after being attacked at an unknown location by multiple people.

The patient knew the names of the assailants, but the caller did not. The victim was waiting for X-rays and wouldn't be leaving immediately; the person was requesting in-person contact from law enforcement.

At 1:04 a.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in Port Ludlow, a caller said a neighbor was shouting and revving the engine of a vehicle.

The caller said it had been going on all day, and also happened on Dec. 3. The resident called back and said the noise had stopped.

At 10:33 a.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in Port Ludlow, squatters were reported on private property near Shine Tideland State Park. A Park Ranger could see the camp. The caller said the camp looked old and unoccupied.

At 2:35 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in Quilcene, a caller asked animal control to respond after reporting a white-and-yellow dog that appeared emaciated.

The caller said the dog was so thin that the ribs could be counted. Animal control responded and talked to a person on the property. He said the dog belonged to his mother, who lives out of town.

Authorities spoke with the man's mother, who said her son owned the dog and he was living in a property that she had rented to him.

The son said he would take the animal to a veterinarian and if the dog can be saved, he will try to deal with the bill. Otherwise, he said he would put the dog down or take it to Center Valley Animal Rescue.

All of the other animals on the property were very healthy and it appeared the animal was suffering from a medical issue and not abuse. The next day, the son contacted authorities to report he had relinquished the animal to Center Valley Animal Rescue; animal control scheduled a follow-up inquiry on the case.

At 3:32 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in Port Hadlock, a woman reported being the victim of fraud.

A cell phone account had been opened in her name, and she discovered the scam after getting a credit report. The report said the woman owed \$1,500 on the cell phone account. She said she contacted the credit agency and learned the account had been opened in spring 2019.

She noted she never has had a Sprint account, and that she was filling out paperwork with a debt collection agency to resolve the issue. The woman was given a case number.

At 5:21 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6 in Port Hadlock, a woman wanted to know if a report was made about a man who may have been involved in a suspicious situation.

Authorities said the case was likely related to another call involving a man who was assaulted at his home and was taken to Jefferson Healthcare, where he was put into a medically induced coma because of head injuries.

One of the callers said the man had two trucks, but one was missing.

A deputy spoke to the victim's mother, who said a doctor told her that the injuries sustained by her son appeared to have come from being severely beaten. He had been found on the ground with injuries at a storage unit in Chimacum. The case remains under investigation, but there was no immediate indication that he was the victim of an assault.

At 7:28 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 7 in Port Hadlock, a caller reported getting a suspicious call that said someone would be delivering a package to her father at the Hadlock Motel in 10 minutes. The caller thought the message might be coming from his ex-wife and was worried about potential harm. It was unknown what the package was, or what might be inside.

The man had been staying at the hotel, and she feared his ex-wife might try to do something to hurt him. When asked if she thought his ex-wife would go to the trouble of having a booby-trap device delivered to him, she said she didn't think so. A deputy contacted motel staff to see if anyone had delivered a package. The deputy then waited in Hadlock for a delivery driver to show up. The woman was called back and said nothing unusual was seen.

At 9:26 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 in Queets, a deputy received a third-hand report of suspicious activity, possibly a theft.

After responding to the call, it appeared that someone had taken \$5,000 worth of cedar and moved it to a property that was a short distance away. A person on the property was contacted, and the resident claimed ignorance of laws restricting the harvesting of forest specialty products.

A case report will be completed and forwarded to the prosecutor following a visit to the site by a forester.

At 12:27 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 in Chimacum, a caller found an unknown substance on his property that he thought might be drugs. The substance was tested, but it did not test positive for methamphetamine.

At 2:38 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8 in Port Ludlow, a woman said her identity had been stolen in October. She froze her account and notified her bank, but said she had just discovered that a Discover credit card application had been made in her name.

The woman contacted Discover, and an employee said the application had been put on hold because the address could not be verified. The person used an address that did not match the caller's. The woman was given a case number and advised to contact the FBI's website for fraud.

At 10:06 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 in Brinnon, a man said the neighbor's dogs chased him and he ran to his shop to escape. The dogs barked and growled at him. The animals were described as a German shepherd and a smaller dog.

The man said the shepherd belonged to a neighbor but he had never seen the smaller one before. Animal control made plans to contact the owner of the shepherd.

At 10:23 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 in Nordland, a woman said she was afraid of her ex-partner. She was afraid the 72-year-old was going to hurt or kidnap her, and added that she almost left her house the previous night with the fear that the man "and his thugs would pretend to be police and attack."

She couldn't articulate what made her think that way, but she said she thinks it's going to happen and that she "put the pieces together" She said the man was her ex from 20 years ago and is a dangerous person. She had no recent contact from him but added she called him weeks ago to ask if he had seen her son. No actual threat was reported and the deputy said they would patrol the area.

At 3:37 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 in Glen Cove, someone entered a storage facility and sawed off the catalytic converter on a motor home. There was no other damage.

The caller was asked to provide a damage estimate.

At 5:35 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 9 in Chimacum, a woman said she had an ongoing issue with someone messing with her tires.

She reported multiple issues with finding her tires flat after she'd taken the vehicle to the shop.

The woman reported an ongoing issue of a blocked easement to her property by a renter who leaves inoperable vehicles on the easement, and her flat tires may be retaliation. Her complaint was documented.

At 12:31 a.m. Friday, Dec. 10 in Port Ludlow, a caller said someone tried to kick in the door to their shop. It happened in the last 45 minutes and it was unknown if anything was missing. Deputies responded and found the door had been forced open. A house fire had been previously reported on the property, so it was unsure if the damaged door had been part of an emergency response.

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Decision to drop case against alleged rapist prompts challenge from defense attorney

Public defender asks for permanent dismissal of case

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The attorney for a Marysville man charged with first-degree rape and first-degree kidnapping accused county prosecutors of mismanagement and asked a judge to dismiss the case during a hearing last week in Jefferson County Superior Court.

Rhyan Tyler Vasquez, 26, was charged for first-degree rape (domestic violence); first-degree kidnapping (domestic violence); unlawful imprisonment (domestic violence); and harassment-threats to kill (domestic violence) after authorities alleged he repeatedly raped a former girlfriend who tried to give him a ride home after he was released from Clallam Bay Corrections Center in July 2019.

Vasquez has a history of 27 criminal convictions and 39 previous court warrants for his arrest. He was being held in Snohomish County at the time he was charged in Jefferson County because he had tracked down his victim and broke her jaw, according to court documents.

Vasquez was arraigned on the felony charges in Jefferson County in July and his trial had been set for September.

The trial was later postponed



Rhyan Tyler Vasquez

to January 2022, and in late November, prosecutors asked for the case to be dismissed without prejudice — meaning the state could bring charges and refile the case at a later date.

In November, a court commissioner agreed to dismiss the case.

DECISION DISPUTED

Last week in Jefferson County Superior Court, the dismissal of the case was criticized by attorney Richard Davies, Vasquez’s court-appointed attorney.

Davies asked Superior Court Judge Keith Harper to instead have the case dismissed with prejudice, which would mean Vasquez would not face charges for kidnapping, rape, and other alleged crimes.

In his request to have the case tossed out, Davies noted the alleged crimes occurred in July 2019, and a warrant was issued for Vasquez’s arrest because he was already in jail in Snohomish County.

Davies was appointed as the public defender in the case 10 months later, and in court papers, Davies recalled getting more than

3,600 pages of discovery material just two days after he became Vasquez’s attorney.

Davies also noted that prosecutors asked the case to be dismissed without prejudice on Nov. 24 — the date pretrial motions were scheduled to be heard in court.

Vasquez has a right to a speedy trial, Davies added, and said the court commissioner who dismissed the case without prejudice had “abused her discretion.”

Davies, in court papers, also said Vasquez had been prejudiced by prosecutors’ mismanagement of the case.

MORE EVIDENCE UNDER REVIEW

Deputy Prosecutor Anna Phillips disputed that account, however, and said the court commissioner didn’t do anything wrong when she dismissed the case last month.

“The state did not engage in any misconduct,” Phillips added.

Phillips said the state asked that the case be dismissed without prejudice because prosecutors needed to complete their investigation into the case.

Officials learned that the victim had been interviewed by Vasquez’s attorney in the pending case in Snohomish County that involved allegations of kidnapping and assault.

Phillips said it was clear that prosecutors here needed more time to review evidence, and that there was nothing improper about their request to have the case dismissed or the commissioner’s approval of it.

“We need time to investigate

what this new evidence is,” she said.

The state needs to be sure it is prepared when the case goes to trial, Phillips added.

What’s more, she said, Davies had not presented an improper basis for their request to have the case dismissed without prejudice.

“This is not a game. This is serious,” Phillips said. “His liberty is at a stake.”

Davies again noted the time that had passed from the date of the alleged crimes, and said prosecutors asked the case to be dropped “in the 11th hour.”

He said the Snohomish County interview with the victim was also not new; he had already received it.

“And the reason I have that — I did some investigation into this case. I contacted the attorney representing [Vasquez] in the Snohomish County case,” Davies said.

“That’s why I have it; because I did my job,” he added.

The state has sat on its hands, he said, and that’s why they asked for the case to be dismissed without prejudice.

“It’s because of their own mismanagement,” Davies said.

If the Snohomish County case goes to trial first, the attorney continued, and Vasquez is convicted, he could face a longer sentence after conviction in Jefferson County.

“His offender score would be jacked up,” Davies said.

The judge, however, said he agreed that the case should be dismissed without prejudice.

“The short answer here is, I’m

going to grant the state’s request,” Harper said.

He said he was satisfied that prosecutors actually did need more time to prepare.

“I’m not in their office; I don’t look in their files. I don’t know what they have and don’t have,” Harper said.

If prosecutors need more time for further investigation, he added, it did not mean it was improper for them to ask that the case be dismissed without prejudice.

SOMETHING SMELLS

Still, Harper said the timing of the request for dismissal of the case did not appear right.

That request came while he was on vacation, Harper said.

“I’m going to be frank here,” Harper said, recalling how he found out about the decision when he returned.

“Quite frankly, it did not smell right to me. And it did not appear right to me,” Harper said.

The judge said the case was already two years old, and pointed out that Davies was appointed as the public defender for Vasquez in November 2020.

“He’s been on the case for over a year now,” Harper said, adding that Vasquez has asserted his right to a speedy trial “from the get-go.”

“So then to find that this was dismissed while I was gone, a couple of days before I get back based on needing more time, did not appear to me to smell right,” Harper said. “I don’t know any other different way to say it.”

Surveying firm hired for new county trail

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Jefferson County will hire Clark Land Office for surveying and staking work for a section of the Rick Tollefson Memorial Trail and the realignment of a section of Old Hadlock Road.

County commissioners approved a professional services agreement for the project Monday.

The company will be paid up to \$29,517 for the work.

The overall project, which is included

in both the county’s 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Program and the 2021 Annual Construction Program, has three aims:

To improve sight distance for drivers by realigning Old Hadlock Road into a 90-degree intersection with Chimacum Road;

Building the new Rick Tollefson Memorial Trail along the west side of Chimacum Road between Old Hadlock Road and Pomwell Road to improve safety for bikers and walkers; and

Installing a pedestrian crossing

across Chimacum Road to the Bob Bates Ball Fields.

Surveying by the Sequim-based company is expected to be finished by the end of 2024.




The overall project includes the construction of roughly 142 feet of Old Hadlock Road in its new alignment, as well as the construction of the new Rick Tollefson Memorial Trail. The trail has an estimated length of 852 feet.

Commissioners approved the contract with Clark Land Office during their meeting Monday.



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Commissioners approve contract for new hearing examiner

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Gary McClean will be Jefferson County’s next hearing examiner.

Jefferson County Commissioners approved a contract with McClean to provide hearing examiner services at their Monday meeting.

Stephen Causseaux is currently the county’s hearing examiner.

He told county officials last summer that he was planning to retire by the end of 2021.

Earlier this year, the county’s Department of Community Development created a “request for proposals” to find a new hearing

examiner.

While the document was widely disseminated, county officials said they received just one response.

After the request was republished, three responses were received by the deadline and a panel interviewed candidates on Dec. 7 and Dec. 8.

The panel included County Commissioner Greg Brotherton, Interim County Administrator Mark McCauley, Department of Community Development Director Brett Butler, and Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Barbara Ehrlichman.

In addition to interviews, the panel also reviewed materials provided by the applicants, which included

sample decisions.

McLean was the unanimous pick for the job. County officials said McClean has extensive land-use experience and has been a hearing examiner exclusively for the past 12 years, and his work includes services for several other rural counties.

“Both Mark and I were really impressed,” Brotherton said of McClean, who is vice president of the Hearing Examiner Association of Washington.

Brotherton said McClean understands the role well and would bring great balance to the job.

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All decked out: Western Flyer passes crucial point in renovation

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Last week, the deckhouse of the historic Western Flyer was reattached to the newly renovated vessel.

Present was Melanya Nordstrom, newly elected to the board of the Port Townsend Maritime Trades Association, who documented the process.

“It took about seven hours from start to finish,” she said in a conversation with The Leader. “It was very well thought out.”

As a professional finisher for the Port Townsend Shipwright’s Co-op, Nordstrom has some dirt, or maybe mud, on the vessel.

The walls of the cabin were packed with dried dirt and barnacles from the boat’s time underwater pre-rescue. In fact, since the wood of the cabin was in better shape than the rest of the boat, some of those traces remain underneath the shiny new look of the cabin.

“I painted a lot of the exterior of the house,” Nordstrom said, adding that paint colors were sourced from Holland to come as close as possible to the original hues.

“I bet I’ve put in, like, 300 hours,” she said of elbow grease put into the wooden boat.

The 84-year-old purse seiner was built in Tacoma, and used to fish sardines in Monterey. The boat is most famous for bearing writer



It took a crew of people, plus crane and bulldozer operators, to slowly but surely reattach the deckhouse of the Western Flyer to the body of the vessel last week. Photo courtesy of Melanya Nordstrom

John Steinbeck around for an expedition that sparked “The Log From the Sea of Cortez,” but it was never his boat. John Gregg purchased the boat for \$1 million, and it was hauled into Port Townsend in 2013.

The renovated deckhouse, which still needs some finishing touches, weighed in at 14,500 pounds,

including the framework to hoist it and the crane’s shackle. Workers incrementally used a bulldozer to scoot the 77-foot-long Western Flyer slowly forward, as a crane operator did the same with the deckhouse.

Nordstrom noted the collaboration involved in the process, from the Port Townsend Foundry

casting new port lights, to a man in Quilcene who helped source a good deal of the lumber.

Then there’s the fellow who just happened to have a real funky old toilet, removed from a farmhouse, and donated it to replaced the cracked head.

(No, Steinbeck didn’t sit on it, but



A glimpse inside the deckhouse of the Western Flyer in March of 2015. Leader file photo

it will probably do. However, his feet certainly touched the bathroom tiles, which are original.)

While the re-addition of the two parts of the boat give the appearance of completion, “There’s still so many components that need to come together,” Nordstrom said.

Next up is the decision of how to power the boat, as the damaged engines and electrical have been removed, leaving the opportunity for green power options wide open.

“There’s a lot of behind the scenes,” she added.

Fire: Investigation may be reopened if witnesses come forward

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Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Police, lead Detective Smith made the following statement:

“Although the initial cause of the fire on Protection Island was thought to have been associated with a careless or intentional act by an individual or individuals, the Department of Natural Resource[s] fire investigator has not relayed to us their final determination as to the cause of the fire. Initially, detectives from the DFW Police investigated the fire as a possible arson and conducted interviews with eyewitnesses. Detectives further worked with the U.S. Coast Guard to examine marine vessel traffic in and around the island prior to and during the fire.

“All leads were followed up on and this time no persons of interests have been identified.”



There has been no evidence to suggest that a mysterious fire on Protection Island in early August was human-caused. Here, Rhinoceros auklet burrows are shown in the foreground and gull nesting habitat in the background. Image courtesy of Scott Pearson

The detective said the case could be reopened if officials receive information in the

future that someone was involved in sparking the fire. After the fire was reported

11:15 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 3, the state Department of Fish and Wildlife took the lead in

battling the blaze.

Around 70 percent of nesting seabirds in the Puget Sound area and Straits of San Juan de Fuca depend on the island’s unique habitat, including 50 percent of the last remaining tufted puffins in Puget Sound. Much of the seabird population and wildlife on Protection Island appears to escaped harm from the blaze, which consumed approximately 25 acres on the southwestern side of the 379-acre federally protected refuge, according to experts who visited the island.

As part of the National Wildlife Refuge System, the Department of Fish and Wildlife has jurisdiction over the 48 acres on the west end of the island known as the Zella Schultz Seabird Sanctuary.

Although the island is a National Wildlife Refuge and closed to the public, the island is inhabited — by just one resident.

Marty Bluewater is the sole caretaker of the island; he was not on the island when the fire broke out.

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US 101: Stretch of highway was scene of repeated crashes

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of the beacon on Highway 101’s north-south corridor might be the culprit drew some skeptics.

However, seeing the incredible decrease in accidents has left the chief feeling vindicated.

But it’s hard to know how long it might have taken to get that beacon replaced without Manly’s input.

A final bad accident on Oct. 28 resulted in three people being transferred to hospitals in Jefferson and nearby counties. A 60-year-old man from Glens Ferry was airlifted to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle. His skull was fractured when the vehicle he was in overturned.

“Last I heard he was still in the hospital,” Manly said last week.

He’d heard the number of surgeries the man had undergone thus far “was in the teens.”

As one of the emergency responders frequently called to wrecks near Milepost 302, Manly put his foot down

after that accident, telling The Leader later that day “I am done,” and adding, “We have to do something.”

That evening, he further conferred with the Washington State Department of Transportation and Washington State Patrol, and almost miraculously, he reported that the missing beacon light had been replaced.

“That corner will still just grab people,” Manly said last week. He pointed out that the WSDOT had also added orange flags to the beacon to add even more attention-getting attributes.

The next step, he said, would be rumble strips, but for now the beacon is doing its job.

In previous conversations with The Leader, Manly wrote that the stretch of US 101 near Milepost 302 had become a “hot spot” in recent years.

“Two years ago, a new sign was installed across from the Mt. Walker Department of Transportation shop,” he said at the time.

“After being installed, we noticed a considerable change in our response to that corner from once a week to maybe



New signage has been installed at a problem spot on US Highway 101, complete with a blinking light and two orange flags. Photo courtesy of Brinnon Fire Chief Tim Manly

once a month,” he added.

That average held steady until about a month ago, when the beacon was removed.

Last week, Manly celebrated the improved conditions.

“We’re back to normal,” he said.

Bruin: Bear visits have left residents on edge

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kittens inside.

The bruin’s interest in other animals has escalated. Robinson came home one day to find his doe goat, who had been picketed out, slaughtered. Her single kid was hiding in the kennel with Robinson’s two mastiff and Great Dane cross dogs.

The bear struck again when the kid returned to its mother.

“The bear got mama goat, then killed the kid,” Robinson said.

“He’s been very different from the black bears we’ve had through the years,” he added.

Both of Robinson’s dogs are highly trained and are allowed to break their tethers and charge under certain circumstances.

Upon the last visit from the bruin, the dogs broke tether and flew into the dark.

Robinson heard a ruckus; his dogs came back with lacerations on their sides. He put nine stitches in the shoulder of one of his dogs.

“Mr. Bear’s been missing for a day and half,” he said.

It remains to be seen whether the bear will make another visit to the Brinnon neighborhood.

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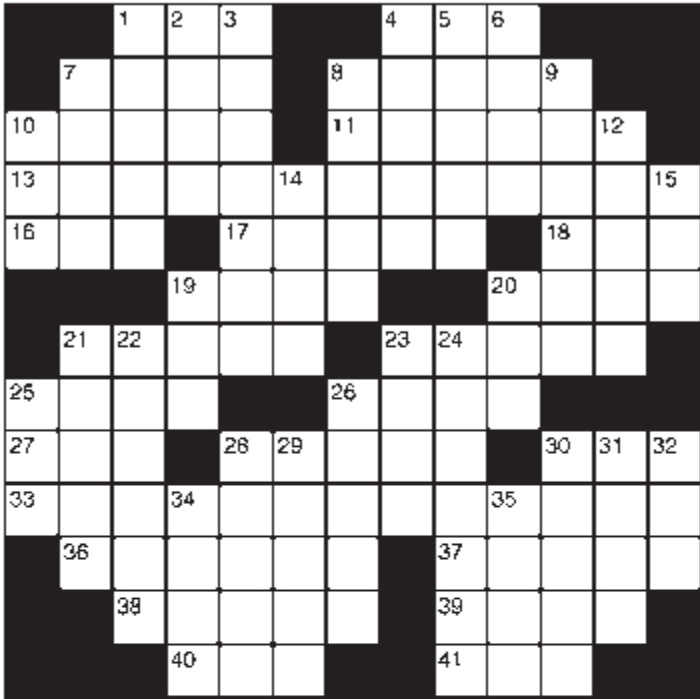


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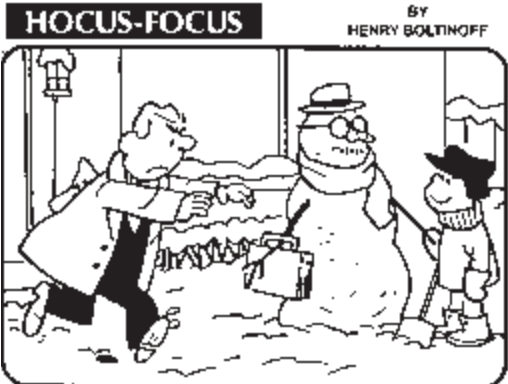
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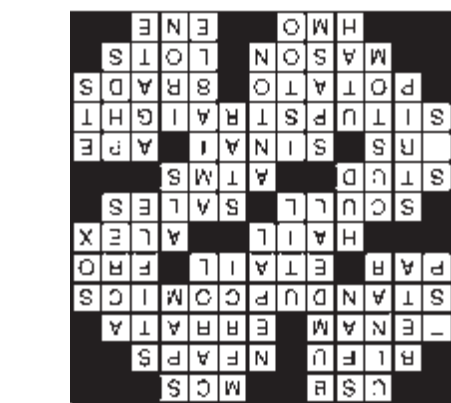


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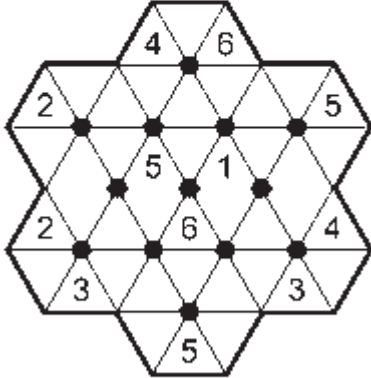


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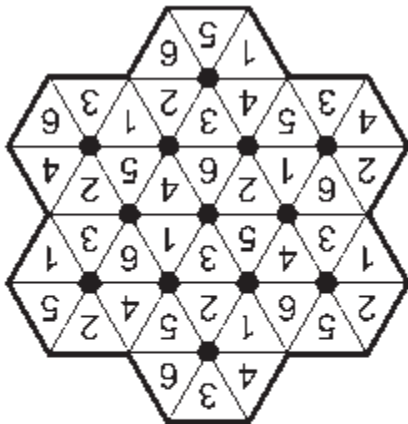
SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6 around each of them. No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



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SNOWFLAKES



"He must be considering marriage — he's started taking me to restaurants."

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag.

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TODAY'S WORD

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: C equals T

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SCRAMBLERS
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1. Sharp 2. Please!
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Today's Word
CHEAP

CryptoQuip
answer
When the people gnawed
his two companions, the lord
monarch gave them the word
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COMMUNITY RECORD

OBITUARIES

Paid notices

Carol Jane Bangs

JUNE 22, 1949 - NOVEMBER 30, 2021

Carol Jane Bangs, 72, longtime Port Townsend and Marrowstone Island resident, died Nov. 30, 2021 after a long battle with Parkinson's disease.

Carol lived a creative life as a published poet (New Directions), editor, educator, director of the Centrum Writers Conference, flamenco dancer, Irish folk musician, avid gardener, sailor, potter, and beloved improvisational cook.

She is survived by her children William Geoffrey Heynen and Emily Jane Heynen Seru; son-in-law Davu Seru and daughter-in-law Bobbie (Yuko) Ishikawa; grandchildren Raina Jane Heynen and August James Seru; husband Denis R. Dignan and step-daughter Danielle Dignan; sister Beth Shelby and brother-in-law Shawn Shelby; and nephews Ryan Shelby, Matthew Shelby, and Brett Shelby.

A small service is planned for July of 2022. Please send any remembrances to Emily Seru at ejseru@gmail.com.



Johnny M. Floyd

JANUARY 22, 1937 - AUGUST 21, 2021

Johnny Mac Floyd passed away suddenly and peacefully of natural causes, at home, on Aug. 21, 2021.

Johnny was born Jan. 22, 1937, to Norine Burke and Jewel Vickers Floyd, in Navasota, Texas. He grew up in Navasota, surrounded by extended family.

His mother was a nurse and when Johnny was small, they lived in the little local hospital. When Norine was called to work at night, she would take Johnny with her. From the window of an adjoining office, he would watch her assist with emergency surgeries. Her dedication to nursing instilled a deep service ethic in Johnny. After graduating from high school, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps and served for 20 years. Eventually, he received a commission and retired as a captain. He went overseas twice and was awarded the Purple Heart during his tour of Vietnam in 1967. He carried the core values he learned in the USMC with him throughout his life. As he often told his children, "Once a Marine, always a Marine."

In 1958, Johnny met and married the love of his life, Claire Lydon Floyd, in Tuscon, Arizona. They had two daughters, Elisa and Shannon. The four of them had many adventures, traveling from coast to coast, living at duty stations from Washington, D.C. to Kaneohe, Hawaii; from Kodiak, Alaska to New Orleans, Louisiana. In-between, there were many visits to Claire's family in Rhode Island and Johnny's family in Texas.

In 1976, the Floyds decided it was time for a new adventure. Johnny retired from the USMC and the family moved to Port Townsend, Washington. He and Claire were active in the life of the community for many years. Johnny worked for the City of Port Townsend and Jefferson County. They both worked on numerous political campaigns and local causes.

And there was fun: Johnny was at the inaugural Port Townsend Chili Cook-off, and was part of a group of Oklahoma/Texas transplants and friends, who loved to barbecue on Fourth of July. In 1990, Johnny and Claire spent a year living in Claire's ancestral village in western Ireland.

In 2008, Claire became ill and required full-time nursing care at Messenger House on Bainbridge Island. Johnny commuted to the gentle care unit at Messenger House five days a week, for five years, to visit and care for her. The staff there became a second family to Johnny and Claire.

After Claire's death in 2012, Johnny mourned and remained at the family home of 45 years. He had a weekly round of people he visited, and was always sure to bring a small gift. He maintained his friendships with the nursing staff who cared for Claire, chatted with his daughters, and spent much time with daughter Elisa and her partner Michael. The last few years of his life, he even invested a little in Michael's coffee company, Port Townsend Coffee Roasting. He dropped by the roaster frequently to see how things were going. And every visit, watching Michael roast, he would say, "I love hard work. I could stand here and watch it all day!"

Johnny is sorely missed. He leaves behind Elisa Westall (Michael LeDonna); Shannon (Jim) Madonna; his sister Peggy (David) Choate; and two nephews. He will forever be a hero to his family for his love and dedication to his beloved Claire. Semper Fi, Johnny Mac. Always Faithful.

A Celebration of Life is planned for June 2022. If you would like to remember Johnny in some way, please send a donation to Habitat for Humanity, his favorite organization.



Wilma Calkins

OCTOBER 26, 1924 - DECEMBER 9, 2021

Wilma Calkins, a resident of Nordland, Washington, went to be with the Lord on Dec. 9, 2021. She was born in Reedsport, Oregon on October 26, 1924.

Shortly after her father returned from serving in WWI, the family moved to Newport, Oregon. Wilma married George Calkins, son of well known county commissioner Elmer Calkins. Her husband turned out to be a designer and builder of fine boats. Together they developed the 'Calkins Craft Boat Co'. Friends called them a team. Their last project was to build a 63-foot sailing schooner on which they lived for 14 years. They cruised from Alaska to Canada, the West Coast to Mexico, the Hawaiian Islands to the Queen Charlotte Islands, then home. Their marriage lasted 67 years. She is survived by her sister Lavon Harson of Spokane, Washington. She leaves behind many friends and loved ones who were blessed by her along the way.



Elaine Ruth Shore

JUNE 9, 1932 - NOVEMBER 17, 2021

Elaine R. Shore passed away peacefully in the early hours of Nov. 17, 2021, of a massive heart attack at the age of 89.

Born in Sumner, Iowa she was adopted at 2 years of age by John and Lelia Thureau. She spent her early years growing up in Des Moines, Iowa, graduating from high school there and then attending Drake University where she received her BS with Honors in Education.

She married Donald L. Shore, a longtime family friend, in 1954. They moved to the Minneapolis-St. Paul area, where Don completed his education at the University of Minnesota in Mechanical Engineering.

She taught second grade for four years and then raised her family; David, Karen, and Susan. After all her children were in school she returned to the University of Minnesota to obtain her Master's Degree in Special Education. She returned to the St. Paul School District where she taught special education for 20-plus years, retiring in 1991. She and her husband moved to Kala Point where they spent 29 years of their 67-year marriage.

Elaine is survived by her husband, three children, one granddaughter, and two great-granddaughters.

Elaine was active in Kala Point's Social Plus Committee. She so loved playing Bridge and was active in various groups in the Port Townsend area. She also enjoyed traveling with Don throughout the United States, England, France, the Scandinavian countries, Russia, and all of the Mediterranean.

A memorial service will be held after the first of the year in Kala Point.



MEMORIAL

Connie Jump

DECEASED NOVEMBER 27, 2021

After five decades of caring for and entertaining multiple groups of folks, Connie Jump passed away comfortably in her Port Hadlock home after 75 years of life.

She was an active member of the Port Townsend Friends Meeting. She is survived by her dog Toby; feline Lizzy; and siblings Leyton and Janet.

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Screenprinter Edward Parker spent years living in California, and found inspiration for “Clearing Storm, Bodega Head,” from a popular spot on the coast of Sonoma County, California, an hour north of San Francisco. *Image courtesy of Edward Parker*

THE SPIRIT OF PLACE

Former environmental lawyer’s prints depict essence of landscape

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Lichtenstein, Pollock, and Rothko blew up the New York art scene in the 1960s, and Edward “Ed” Parker couldn’t escape.

While attending Cornell University, upstate, the fervor of avant garde art, and in particular, the process of silkscreen printing to create original works of art, captivated him.

“I’d actually been into art since elementary school,” he said during a chat last week.

While art seemed the polar opposite of his political philosophy major, he packed his last semester into the studio, studying drawing, painting, etching, and silkscreen printing.

The latter stuck.

While Parker remained creative, crafting a handmade Christmas card every year since 1971, his career as an environmental lawyer and father took priority.

Parker moved from Maryland to California, where he and his wife lived on and off for 18 years. Four years ago, Parker retired. And just recently, they moved to Port Townsend after visiting friends here and falling under the seaport’s spell.

“I’m sorta dead in the water,” Parker said of his ability to generate any prints at the moment.

After packing up his little studio and heading Northwest, he hasn’t yet found a studio space. But, while keeping an eye out for a house to purchase, he is keeping busy, using Photoshop to alter his photographs in preparation of that day.

“Even though I can’t print, I can still design,” he said.

“When I retired, I promised myself I’d get back into it,” he said of screen printing.

However, the process had changed quite a bit since he’d last partook. Some helpful classes and new information got him started in the right direction.

“The ability to use photographs got me back into taking photographs,” Parker said. And using Photoshop, he’s taken his art next-level.

While a photograph can contain many colors, Parker uses the program to narrow the colors per image down to 10 or 12.

“More than that, and it gets tedious,” he said.

Next, he makes a stencil for each color, and prints it onto a translucent paper. That sheet is positioned on a silkscreen prepped with photosensitive emulsion. After



The screen print “Sawtooth Ranch” was selected for a recent show at Grover Gallery. Artist Edward Parker says, “This quintessentially western ranch is nestled against the Sawtooth Range near Sun Valley, Idaho,” and is based on a photo by his friend Cameron Bohn. *Image courtesy of Edward Parker*

exposing the stencil, the areas creating the shape of each color can be washed away, leaving openings to apply water-based ink.

Layer by layer, a print emerges.

“The momentum keeps building,” he explained, saying that it’s encouraging to see the art taking shape beneath his hands.

The process is not for the impatient. The actual design time takes almost as long as making each print, Parker said. He estimates that a 10-color print might take eight to 10 hours to design, followed by 10 to 12 hours of printing.

“I usually print editions of 20 to 25,” he said, adding that he can print three or four colors in a day since the ink dries instantly.

The mention of ink brought up Parker’s initial experience with printmaking.

“Back then all the chemicals were petroleum-based,” he said.

Now, he works with non-toxic colors.

Mixing custom ink colors can be time consuming, he said, taking up to half an hour depending on how sophisticated a hue might be.

Parker has found that Lenox 100-pound cotton rag paper takes ink well, and provides a museum-quality print.

The result of his labors are small print runs at affordable prices, ranging from around \$50 to \$75 for original silkscreens. Most are under 10-inches-by-8-inches, but he found working in a larger format (13-inches-by-9-inches), as he did in his 2020 print, “San Fransisco Landscape,” invigorating.

“I’m serious about selling my work,” Parker said, adding that it’s not to make money as much as it is to be recognized for his work.

“Being able to sell your work validates the value of your work,” he said. “I’ve done reasonably well the last few years.”

As someone who’s spent a great deal of time in, and advocating for, outdoor landscapes, Parker feels the importance scale adds to the sense of a place.

“The larger ones do have more of an impact,” he said.

“The challenge is not just composing the designs so it works, but also trying to capture the spirit and mood of the place,” he said.

“Every place has got a spirit to it.”



Artist Edward Parker describes “San Francisco Landscape” as “A beguiling view of the Golden Gate Bridge from the Presidio, an 18th Century military base guarding the entrance to San Francisco Bay, now transformed into a civic playground.” The print is based on a photo by Parker’s friend Jim Peters. *Image courtesy of Edward Parker*

Screen Star

What: One of Edward “Ed” Parker’s screen prints was selected for inclusion in the “small expressions 20” juried exhibit at Jeanette Best Gallery, 701 Water St.

“Sawtooth Ranch” is 9-inches-by-7 inches, and from an edition of 20 prints. Priced at \$65. Prints available at www.edwardparker-studios.com/sawtooth-ranch.

When: Exhibition juror Jaleesa Johnston has been invited to jury all art entries in person, on-site, rather than online, making for a much more immediate experience. Award winners will be announced live at the juror talk Thursday, Dec. 16. Award-winners will be announced live at this event. This is event is free but registration is required at www.northwindart.org/exhibits.

Where: “small expressions 20” runs through Jan. 30. Jeanette Best Gallery is open from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday.

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Figs come in a variety of choices and are delicious in a wide assortment of recipes. Photo courtesy of Sidonie Maroon

From pudding to pastry, festive figs fit with the holidays

It's easy to make appetizing holiday treats when you have dried figs. I recently made poached figs in my Instant Pot with orange juice and anise seeds. After poaching, I puréed them into a fig spread, which we're eating on buttered toast in the mornings.

POACH FIGS TO BAKE IN PASTRY

Try poaching them in wine or brandy and then reduce the poaching juices to a syrup. They'll keep in the fridge, and are ready to wrap whole in pastry and bake. Figs go well on a charcuterie board, or sliced into a winter salad. Fig spreads make wonderful impromptu gifts, or whip up some filled cookies — Sicilian Buccellati is an excellent example.

BRING OUT THE FIGGY PUDDING

For Saint Nicholas Day, Dec. 6, I had my family over to fold paper stars; every year we make a different style. Before they arrived, I baked a figgy pudding, really it was a figgy cake that I steamed, but we still sang "We Wish you a Merry Christmas." So satisfying. I used a banana cake recipe, but instead of using bananas, I poured boiling water over dried figs and dates and let them soak for 10 minutes, and then puréed them. This made a sweet purée, so the cake didn't need added sugar! With the chopped walnuts, figs, and anise seeds, the cake was festive and the house smelled fabulous.

TIP

Steam baked cakes and quick breads before serving. They taste better, moist, and hot. It's also an easy way to get a steamed pudding flavor without the trouble.

WHICH FIG?

When you buy dried figs, you'll often have three choices: Black Mission, Calimyrna, and Turkish Smyrna. Interestingly, Calimyrna and

Smyrna are of the same variety. Calimyrna is a late 19th century California cutting from the centuries old Turkish cultivar named for the city of Smyrna.

Black Mission Figs have a thin, moist, dark skin, robust fruitiness, and dry interior full of delicate seeds. They are best for slicing and tossing into salads, baking into breads, or eating as is.

Smyrna (Calimyrna) is larger with a thick beige skin. They're sweet with subtle notes of vanilla and bourbon. The interior is moist with a poppy seed-like crunch. They're best for fillings, poaching, jam, and baking.

LOCAL FIGS

The figs that grow in our climate are delicious. While they're not as common as other fruits, I think with interest we could become a fig hotspot.

I have three baby figs planted in my backyard.

Two are cultivars from local fig enthusiast Mike Biskup, and the other is a cutting from the giant fig that was removed from the Uptown courtyard when the Food Coop moved. I hear that there are descendants of this tree all over town.

JAPANESE-STYLE FIG CULTIVATION

I'm learning that we can train figs to espalier on south-facing walls. They're productive if kept small and manageable through proper pruning.

There is a Japanese technique of fig production, they train low cordons, and allow the fruit to ripen on seasonal vertical branches. If we can espalier trees for cider, why not figs? Explore local varieties online at Raintree Nursery or Cloud Mountain Farm Center.

Find an introduction to Japanese fig growing by searching "How to grow Japanese Figs — fig farm in Japan" on YouTube.

Anise Orange Fig Spread

Makes 2 cups

INGREDIENTS

10 ounces (280g) dried Calimyrna figs
1 cup medium dry sherry



Forget the figgy pudding: Figgy cake will really get your carolling crowd demanding more. Photo courtesy of Sidonie Maroon

- 1 cup orange juice
- Zest of one orange
- Zest of one lemon
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon peppercorns
- 2 teaspoons anise seed
- 2 pinches of fine sea salt
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice, or to taste

DIRECTIONS

Cut the stem tips off the figs. In a small saucepan, add the figs, spices, sherry, orange juice, and bay leaf.

Bring up to a boil and reduce to a simmer. Simmer for 30 minutes. Turn off the heat and poach for 1 hour.

Remove figs and strain out the bay leaf and seeds from the poaching liquid. Add orange and lemon zest, salt and lemon juice to the figs and liquid. Purée until smooth.

(Sidonie Maroon is culinary educator at The Food Co-op; abluedotkitchen.com. Follow Sidonie on The Food Co-op's Facebook group Cooking with the Co-op. Find more recipes at www.foodcoop.coop/blog/festive-figs.)

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“Fish Soup” by John Liczwinko. Northwind Art is celebrating the 20th year of a juried exhibit of small format artworks from regional artists executed within the last three years — but with a few twists. Juror Jaleesa Johnston has been invited to jury all art entries in person, on-site, rather than online, making for a much more immediate experience. small expressions 20 is at Jeanette Best Gallery, 701 Water St., open from noon to 5 p.m. Thursdays through Mondays. Image courtesy of Northwind Art



The functional fine woodworking of Robin McKann is on display this month at Gallery-9. Gallery-9 is at 1012 Water St., Port Townsend. Gallery-9 is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday. Photo courtesy of Gallery-9



Necklaces by Sheryl Goldsberry. The Port Ludlow Art League Board of Directors and committee chairpersons are the organization's Artists of the Month for December. The Port Ludlow Art Gallery, located next to the Sound Community Bank at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow, is open between noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday during December. Image courtesy of the Port Ludlow Art League

today

Rotary meets. Sunrise Rotary of Port Townsend has Zoom and in-person meetings at 7:15 a.m. every Wednesday in a new location at Grace Lutheran Church, 1120 Walker St. Visitors are welcome. For more info, email MWinters@Avamere.com or go to PortTownsendSunriseRotary.org.

Online storytime. Join Jefferson County Library staff on Zoom for Storytime; stories and movement activities for preschoolers, toddlers, and caregivers to enjoy together. Storytime is 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 15.

Clay creations. Jefferson County Library presents “Kids Make it at the Library: Clay Creations” through Dec. 31. Kids ages 7 to 11 can combine creativity and engineering at the library's new crafting station and create something new each month. Supplies and instructions will be available at the library for children to work at their own pace. This month, use clay to create a snowperson, then decorate it with beads and other craft supplies. Get details at jclibrary.librarymarket.com/events/upcoming.

New gallery show. The Port Townsend Gallery presents the work of four artists in December: Kristen Wade, Andrea Guarino-Slemmons, Shirley Moss, and Martha Collins. The Port Townsend Gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily and by appointment. The gallery is located at 715 Water St., Port Townsend. For information, call 360-379-8110 or go to www.porttownsendgallery.com.

Gingerbread houses. Jefferson County Library presents “Homes for the Holidays: Gingerbread House Making Contest” through Dec. 22. Gingerbread folks are home for the holidays, but they need a place to live. Kids, adults, and families can help by building a home out of anything that can be eaten. Participants can create an edible structure, then enter the contest and send the library a photograph. Homebuilders can also bring their entry to the library to add to the display. Voting online will start Dec. 13 and continue through Dec. 20; a winner will be chosen for kids, adults, and family categories.

New art show. The works of local writer and artist Diane Walker are featured in a new show at Wilderbee Farm. Walker's colorful abstract paintings are inspired by her 25 years of life on the shores of the Pacific Northwest. Get info at farmgeeks@wilderbeefarm.com, 360-379-2434.

December's artists. The Port Ludlow Art League's volunteers are the Artists of the Month for December. Work from the artists, as well as from Jeweler of the Month Sheryl Goldsberry, is on display this month at the gallery and online at www.portlud-lowart.org. The Port Ludlow Art Gallery is open from noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday. The gallery is located next to the Sound Community

Bank at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive in Port Ludlow. For more information, email info@portludlowart.org.

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Historical landscapes. Jefferson Museum of Art & History has opened “Women Outdoors: Field, Forest, and Shore,” an exhibition of turn-of-the-century landscapes from the Jefferson County Historical Society's permanent collection. The exhibition will be on view in the women's jail at the museum through Dec. 31. The Jefferson County Historical Society is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, at 540 Water St.

New show. Gallery-9; home of the North Olympic Artist, presents Linda Lundell and Robin McKann as the featured artists for December. Lundell creates oil paintings and cloisonné jewelry, while McKann is known for fine woodworking. Gallery-9 is at 1012 Water St., Port Townsend. The Gallery-9 is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday.

Rotary Club of East Jefferson County. The Rotary Club of East Jefferson County meets at noon Thursdays at the Old Alcohol Plant, 310 Hadlock Bay Road, Port Hadlock. Get info at ejcrotary.club.

Buddhadharma. The Ati Yoga Sangha has resumed in-person practice and discussion sessions at 5:30 p.m. every Thursday at Unity Center of Port Townsend, 3918 San Juan Ave. All are welcome to attend and all sessions are donation-based. Contact Joe Evans at josef.t.evans@gmail.com, 480-772-8444.

The Great Dissenter. The book discussion series “The Great Dissenter: The Story of John Marshall Harlan, America's Judicial Hero” by Peter S. Cannellos continues at 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 16 and Thursday, Jan. 6. Jefferson County Library hosts three discussions based on the book about John Marshall Harlan, an associate justice on the U.S. Supreme Court from 1877 until his death in 1911, a period spanning the abandonment of Civil War Reconstruction through the Gilded Age. Many scholars now consider him to be one of the greatest Supreme Court justices. Registration is required. Get info at jclibrary.librarymarket.com/events/great-dissenter.

Live music. The Key City Ramblers will play in concert at Manresa Castle at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 17 with their unique covers of classic tunes. The band covers a wide variety of songs from the '60s to the present day and draws from a multitude of styles including folk rock, alt-country, Americana, and blues. The show is free and will take place in the ballroom. Get info at www.thecastleinpt.com.

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Port Townsend Farmers Market. Uptown Port Townsend, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. The last day of the Port Townsend Farmers Market is 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, on Tyler Street with live music, farms, artisan food, and arts.

Holiday Farm Store. Wilderbee Farm opens its Holiday Farm Store for holiday shopping on Saturday, Dec. 18 and Sunday, Dec. 19. There will be gift bundles under \$10 and \$20, as well as an assortment of woodcrafts, honey, mead, and freshly blended lavender products. Get info at farmgeeks@wilderbeefarm.com, and 360-379-2434.

Holiday sketching. Port Townsend Urban Sketchers will be sketching at Fort Worden on Saturday, Dec. 18. The group will meet at 10 a.m. in front of the fire-place inside Fort Worden Commons (Building 210). After sketching at chosen spots, the artists will meet back at 12:15 p.m. to admire sketches and take a group photo.

Tastings at Wilderbee Farm. The Mead Werks at Wilderbee Farm Tasting Room is open from noon to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays for mead tastings, flights, pours, and by-the-bottle. Proof of vaccination required for sipping indoors. Get info at farmgeeks@wilderbeefarm.com, and 360-379-2434.

Just for laughs. Comedy at the Castle returns for another night of laughs at 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18 at Manresa Castle. Andrew Sleighter and Narin Vann will bring the funny. Sleighter performed on Last Comic Standing, recorded a comedy special for Dry Bar, and made his late-night stand-up debut on Conan. He's also written and performed sketch comedy for Comedy Central and wrote and blogged for the “Sports Show with Norm Macdonald” on Comedy Central. Vann's style of comedy is observational where he likes to make fun of his friends, family, and pop culture. Get ticket info at www.thecastleinpt.com.

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Live music at Finnriver. Jack Dwyer will perform at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 19 at Finnriver Farm & Cider. Dwyer is a multi-instrumentalist, singer/songwriter, and teacher based in the Pacific Northwest. He records and performs original music under his own name and works as a freelance picker with some of the most respected Northwest and nationally-based musicians. He tours year round, teaches privately, and operates a recording studio in Port Townsend. Formerly a resident of Portland, Oregon, he taught on the music faculty at Lewis and Clark College for seven years. There is a \$5 cover at the door starting 30 minutes before music starts. All entry into the Cider Garden will require proof of vaccination and an ID at the door (with the exception of children under the age of 12). Attendees

should stay masked up when not seated at their tables.

next week

Online storytime. Join Jefferson County Library staff on Zoom for Storytime; stories and movement activities for preschoolers, toddlers, and caregivers to enjoy together. Storytime is 10:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 20. Hear favorite songs and rhymes every week while building a love of books with the whole family.

Time for trivia. Jefferson County Library hosts Live Online: Third Tuesdays Trivia at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 21. Meet library staff live online for a night of friendly competition. Trivia questions will feature science, history, pop culture, geography, and other various topics. Grab your computer, tablet, or smartphone and join the fun. Get info at jclibrary.librarymarket.com/events/upcoming.

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All aboard. The Puget Sound Express presents its Protection Island Cruise from 1 to 4 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31. Participants will get an unobstructed view of Protection Island Aquatic Reserve and hear commentary on sea birds and marine life from naturalists from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center. For details visit www.pugetsoundexpress.com.

Let's dance. DJ Pixel hosts an all-ages Sparkle Dance Party at 6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 31 at Finnriver Farm & Cider. Sarah Peller, aka DJ Pixel, is a lover of music and dance. She is part of a wide variety of dance scenes and appreciates music from all over the globe. She loves creating community through music and dance for all ages. There is a \$5 cover at the door starting 30 minutes before music starts.

New show. “Looking at the World,” a solo exhibit by Craig Rogers, will be on display at the Grover Gallery through Jan. 17. Rogers is an outsider artist who integrates his life story into his paintings. With influences that range from jazz to the streets of Port Townsend, he paints energetic, colorful, and complex scenes that combine realism with fantasy. Grover Gallery is at 236 Taylor St., Port Townsend, and is open from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday through Monday.

Local artist puts sparkle in the holidays with handmade ornaments

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Quilcene glassblower Sean Liechti is afraid he might be making Christmas ornaments into next spring. After posting some images of his recent work on social media, including a selection of clear glass icicle ornaments, on Dec. 7, he's in production over-time.

"I've made icicles for well over 15 years," Liechti said during a short break on Friday, adding that his 9-year-old daughter, Audrey, whom he raised as a single parent, has learned how now, too.

Liechti used some inheritance money to get a start in glassblowing 22 years ago, crafting everything from adult toys to wedding cake toppers. But it had been five years since he last picked up his tools, until just three weeks ago.

"I'm hoping to expand to offer classes," he said, buoyant. Right now, he's keeping his eye open for a space to turn into a studio.

"It's been a love/hate relationship," Liechti said, of working with glass.

But it feels awfully good to be back at it, he confessed.

"Oh man, indescribably tickled, elated," Liechti said. "Like doing a dance and a jig" at the same time, he added.

The outpouring of interest for his ornaments is rewarding, Liechti said. People are asking for custom globes with hand-applied names. His signature icicles, which are crafted with a crook on one end for



These handblown glass icicle ornaments, made by local artist Sean Liechti, add a touch of natural glamour to the holiday tree. *Image courtesy of Sean Liechti*

hanging, reflect tree lights and glimmer. They sell for \$25 for five, or as a set of 10 for \$45. Liechti can be reached at 360-214-1230.

Harpist presents 'Skyburst'

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Local musician David Michael has released "Skyburst," his 26th CD.

The album is a suite of original music for Celtic harp and instruments from around the globe, and the new release includes special guest artists Grammy Award-winning oboe player Nancy Rumbel, tabla expert Benjy Wertheimer, cellist Jami Sieber, guitarist Michael Mandrell, local violinist Gwen Franz, and others.

He recorded on a 38-string harp made of bubinga wood, which he noted is the harp of his dreams, and Michael believes the new album is his finest work to date.

The music of "Skyburst" explores the rich depths and deep tones of Michael's favorite instrument: the Celtic harp.

Conceived throughout the dark months of the



David Michael has released his 26th CD, "Skyburst." *Photo courtesy of David Michael*

pandemic, he said his composing served as a cathartic release and therapeutic respite from the isolation and the turmoil unfolding globally. The new album "became a synthesis of big joy, deep dreams, and great gratitude."

Michael said the new album was made possible by a generous grant

from a patron, and he is offering free CD-quality streams of "Skyburst" at his new website, www.DavidMichaelHarp.com.

Michael noted that musicians receive little payment for their music from major streaming platforms, and sites offer MP3s with compressed, hollowed-out sound quality, so the free streams are offered as a reward to his fan base.

"I did replicate hard copies, too, for those folks like me who are old enough to still own CD players," he added.

Hard copies of his new CD can be purchased from his website or directly from him during his increasingly rare public performances.

The website also offers name-your-own-price downloads for those wishing to actually own the music. There's a digital tip jar, as well, for anyone who wishes to support his work.

Port Ludlow Art League honors its volunteers

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The Port Ludlow Art League Board of Directors and committee chairpersons are the organization's Artists of the Month for December.

League representatives said it takes a surprising number of volunteers to keep the organization running smoothly, with a 10-member board of directors and three additional volunteers who chair various committees.

In alphabetical order, these talented volunteers include Alan Ahtow, Fran Bodman, Shirley Bomgaars, Larry Davidson, Ann Gagnier, Janice Gruber, David Layton, Georganne Muse, Pamela Raine, Cathy Thomas, Carol Tomas,

Diane Walker, and Patricia Webber.

The board of directors and chairpersons will display their artwork in December in a wide variety of mediums at the Sound Community Bank and online at www.portludlowart.org.

The league has named Sheryl Goldsberry as its Jeweler of the Month.

A new member of the art league, Goldsberry not only enjoys creating jewelry, but also works in a variety of media, including watercolor, illustration, sewing, glass, and ceramics. Exploring new techniques that fueled fun and creative ideas, she started her own online business selling her handmade items.

In celebration of women who have shattered the glass ceiling, Goldsberry

has designed a collection of Shattered Glass pendant necklaces and earrings in a variety of colors.

Her jewelry is on display at the Sound Community Bank, at the Port Ludlow Art Gallery, and online at www.portludlowart.org.

Anyone interested in purchasing artwork from the group show or jewelry from this month's featured jeweler can email info@portludlowart.org to make a sales appointment or drop by the Port Ludlow Art Gallery between noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Friday during December.

The gallery is located next to the Sound Community Bank at the corner of Oak Bay Road and Osprey Ridge Drive. For more information, email info@portludlowart.org.

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198130 12/8

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198225 12/15-12/29

Chimacum School District is currently seeking: Food Service Assistant; Paraeducators; Bus Drivers; High School Assistant Coaches for Girls Tennis, Boys Basketball, Softball; High School Head Coaches for Baseball and Softball; Middle School Assistant and Head Track Coaches; Middle School Assistant Coach for Girls and Boys Basketball; Certificated and Classified Substitutes. Visit www.csd49.org to apply!
198133 12/8-12/29

EDC Team Jefferson is hiring an Administrative Assistant! Full job description here: <https://www.edcteamejjefferson.org/joinourteam>. Send cover letter/resume to admin@edcteamejjefferson.org
198301 12/15-1/5

Environmental Specialist

The Port of Port Townsend is seeking qualified candidates for this position. The Environmental Specialist reports to the Deputy Director, and is responsible for ensuring Port compliance with Federal, State, and local environmental policies and regulations, as well as the Port's environmental policies, rules, best management practices and Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan. The ideal candidate will have a high school diploma or GED, college degree preferred; a minimum of 2-years' experience in operations and environmental monitoring. Knowledge of the marine industry and OSHA HAZWOPER training or certification a plus. This is a fulltime, represented position with a starting pay range of \$25.78-\$27.35 per hour (DOE/DOQ), with full benefits. Weekly schedule Tuesday-Saturday, with occasional over-time and/or call-out time. Background and Drug testing is required. All interested candidates must submit a letter of interest, application, and resume. A full job description & application online at www.portoftpt.com
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198156 12/8-12/15

HOIST OPERATOR II - The Port of Port Townsend is accepting applications for a full-time Hoist Op II. Compensation DOE/DOQ. More information and applications can be obtained online at www.portoftpt.com. The Port is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
198148 12/8-12/15

Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's Social and Community Services (SCS) department is searching for a benefited, full-time Elders SCS Supervisor and an Elders SCS Case Worker to join our growing team! Apply online at: www.jamestowntribe.org/careers.
198179 12/8-12/15

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198178 12/8-12/15



Kitsap Transit Operations Technical Specialist
Support installation and use of scheduling software in an operations environment. Job details, reqs, appl. packet & benefits info at <http://kitsaptransit.appone.com/>. First review of applications: 4:00 pm (PST) Fri, 12/31/21. Applications accepted until filled. KITSAP TRANSIT IS AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.
198224 12/15-12/29

Port Hadlock Vision Clinic is seeking a full time Medical Tech/ Doctor's Assistant. Will train. Need to be able to multitask and work in a busy environment. Please email resume to staff@phvisionclinic.com, Attn Ivy.
197897 11/24-1/12

PORT TOWNSEND CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The City is seeking a citizen to serve on the city Civil Service Commission. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, must have lived within the City for at least three years preceding appointment, and must be registered voters in Jefferson County. Duties of the Commission include approving the form of employment and promotional testing for the City Police Departments and hearing appeals and complaints respecting allocation of positions, rejection of examinees, and discipline of non-probationary employees. Civil Service Commissioners are subject to the Port Townsend Ethics Code. The Commission is scheduled to meet once a month, currently at 3:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday. Download the application form at www.cityoftpt.us on the Boards and Commissions page or call the City Clerk at 379-5083 if you would like further information.
198205 12/15

Port Townsend Elks - Event Coordinator. Must have computer skills, and knowledge of publisher. Hours are Tues-Fri 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
198310 12/15-1/5

Port Townsend School District Needs Substitute Teachers!

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198220 12/15-12/22

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Join the dynamic team at the Port of Port Townsend! The Port is seeking self-motivated, team-oriented, and positive individual to join the Port team as full-time employee. A position as a night-time Security Officer is now open. See application at www.portoftpt.com. Submissions should include application, resume, and cover letter. Hourly pay range \$24.00-27.00, DOE/DOQ, plus great benefits package. This is a non-union position, open until filled. The Port of Port Townsend is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
198188 12/8-12/15

The Jefferson County Fair Association is accepting applications for a Fairgrounds Manager. For job description and to apply, email cover letter and resume to jeffcofairgrounds@olypen.com. Compensation DOE. The fair is a Equal Opportunity Employer.
198303 12/15-12/29

➡ ASTROLOGY ⚡

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Relationships will be easy for you this week, Aries. You will be in tune with the vibe of the people with whom you interact on a daily basis and can push interactions further.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Remember to take lessons from those who have blazed trails before you. Taurus. You don't have to reinvent the wheel. Explore some tried and true strategies.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, your desire to remodel or redecorate your home could come to the forefront this week. Be careful to set a budget; otherwise, you run the risk of overspending.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

You may be lacking some self-confidence in the romance department right now, Cancer. Phone a friend and get the pep talk you need to realize you've got what it takes.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, you may tempted to turn off your phone this week, as the idea of a device-free day is enticing. Take a brief time out from technology each day.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, if you feel backed into a corner, try not to lash out but understand others' opinions and why they may be questioning you. Listen and you'll find a solution.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER 12 Jennifer Connelly, Actress (51)
DECEMBER 13 Taylor Swift, Singer (32)
DECEMBER 14 Tori Kelly, Singer (29)
DECEMBER 18 Billie Eilish, Singer (20)

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, it's unlikely you can check everything off of your list this week. Don't let that get you down, however. You will accomplish a lot. Measured progress is still progress.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you may be known for being serious much of the time, but it's alright to be goofy and playful once in a while. Engage in some entertaining antics.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Stand up for what you believe in this week, Sagittarius. Others will be inspired by your actions and may join in support of the cause you've championed.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

The pressure on you has been tremendous lately, Capricorn. You may want to treat yourself to a well-deserved rest. The break will quickly rejuvenate you.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

This is a good time to pursue your dreams, Aquarius. Make a list of smaller steps that will help you achieve your goals and then put the plan into action.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

You can't avoid every poor situation that comes your way, Pisces. Don't run and hide, but step up and face the music.

DECEMBER 15 Adam Brody, Actor (42)
DECEMBER 16 Theo James, Actor (37)
DECEMBER 17 Pope Francis, Religious Leader (85)
DECEMBER 18 Billie Eilish, Singer (20)



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197749 11/10-12/15

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197792 11/10-1/26

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197458 10/13-4/6

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194549 12/1-3/2

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195568 9/1-3/2

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191306 7/21-1/26

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191306 7/21-1/26

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City Notices

Legal Notice

Summary of Ordinance 3277 and 3278

On December 6, 2021, the Port Townsend City Council approved Ordinance 3277 Adopting the Budget for the City of Port Townsend, Washington, for the Fiscal Year Ending December 31,

2022 and Ordinance 3278 Adopting 2021 Supplemental #3 Budget Appropriations. The ordinances are available for viewing in the Office of the City Clerk on the second floor of City Hall, 250 Madison Street, and on the City website at www.cityofpt.us. The full text of the ordinance will be mailed upon request.

198306 12/15

SCJ Alliance, Whitney Holm, 8730 Tallon Ln NE Ste 200 Lacey, WA 98516, is seeking coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology's Construction Stormwater NPDES and State Waste Discharge General Permit.

The proposed project, Discovery Road Bikeway, Roadway and Sidewalk, is located at Discovery Road between Rainier St. and McClellan St in Port Townsend in Jefferson County.

This project involves 5.8 acres of soil disturbance for Highway or Road construction activities.


The receiving waterbodies are Port Townsend Bay and Kah Tai Lagoon.

Any persons desiring to present their views to the Washington State Department of Ecology regarding this Application, or interested in Ecology's action on this Application, may notify Ecology in writing no later than 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice. Ecology reviews public comments and considers whether discharges from this project would cause a measurable change in receiving water quality, and, if so, whether the project is necessary and in the overriding public interest according to Tier II anti-degradation requirements under WAC 173-201A-320.

Comments can be submitted to:

ecyrewqianoi@ecy.wa.gov, or
ATTN: Water Quality Program,
Construction Stormwater
Washington State Department of Ecology
P.O. Box 47696
Olympia, WA 98504-7696

198293 12/15-12/22



JEFFERSON COUNTY

PUBLIC NOTICE OF PENDING SEPA DETERMINATION AND TYPE I LAND USE APPLICATION

MLA20-00152 / SUB2020-00018 AND MLA21-00023 / ZON2021-000016

APPLICANT:
Cape George Land Company CO LLC
PO BOX 4438
Olympia, WA 98501-1779

Project Numbers:
MLA20-00152 and MLA21-00023

Application Received Date: January 1, 2021
Application Notice Date: December 15, 2021

SITE ADDRESS AND PROJECT LOCATION:

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| Parcels: | 963600101, 963600401, 963600701, 963601001, 963601301, 963601601, 963601901, 963602201, 963603401, | 963600301, 963600601, 963600901, 963601201, 963601501, 963601801, 963602101, 963602401, 963304102, 963304103; |
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Section 17 - Township 30 N - Range 1 W. Port Townsend, WA 98368.

APPLICANT: Long Live the Kings, Lucas Hall
1326 5th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

Application Received Date: October 26, 2021
Application Complete Date: November 24, 2021
Application Notice Date: December 15, 2021

SITE ADDRESS AND PROJECT LOCATION:
In waterway on both sides of the Hood Canal Bridge Section: 2 Township: 27N, Range: 1E.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND REQUIRED PERMITS/STUDIES:
Shoreline Conditional Use Permit will temporarily place Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers and telemetry receivers underwater and anchor them to the seafloor with natural rock anchors. The receivers will track salmonid migration past the Hood Canal Bridge to gauge the effectiveness of restoration alternatives. This is a component of a watershed restoration project that is designed to improve fish and wildlife habitat and reduce impediments to migrating fish. The project will take place from 2022-2024.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND REQUIRED PERMITS/STUDIES:
SUB2020-00018 and ZON2021-00016

Jefferson County Department of Community Development Notice of State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) for the entire proposal to reconfigure and develop 135 originally platted lots in 1890 on 23 tax parcels into 68 homes sites through a boundary line adjustment (BLA) to reconfigure the lots. The proposal also requires a Jefferson County Class IV General Stormwater Permit with a Forest Practice Application (FPA) Permit from the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), road right-of-way and development permits, and septic and building permits for each parcel. The applicant proposes to install a manufactured home on each resultant lot. The applicant has submitted a preliminary engineered stormwater management plan for the planned clearing and grading, a traffic impact analysis (TIA), a preliminary BLA Survey, preliminary road designs, and a SEPA Checklist for this proposal. Jefferson County issued an outstanding additional information request on October 7, 2021, which requires the applicant to prove each lot is buildable (Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 58.17.040(6)). This requires preliminary septic designs for each lot, proving buildable areas in conjunction with onsite slopes, allowing for road right-of-way, and providing evidence of the ability to accommodate onsite stormwater management for each lot. This request has the potential to alter the proposal into fewer resultant lots. Jefferson County has opted to evaluate and postpone a SEPA Determination to allow for public comments and any revisions to be reviewed and incorporated in making the decision.

COMMENT PERIOD, SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW, AND WHERE TO VIEW DOCUMENTS:

Jefferson County will issue a SEPA Determination Public Notice, after review of a completed environmental checklist, public comments, required additional information and other information on file with the agency. This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposal. Copies of the project are available to the public upon request from the Jefferson County Department of Community Development, Development Review Division, 621 Sheridan Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368, (360) 379-4450. The project documents can also be accessed online here: <https://test.co.jefferson.wa.us/WebLinkExternal/0/fol/3351204/Row1.aspx>.

Written comments must be submitted to the Department of Community Development no later than **4:30 p.m. on December 29, 2021**. If the last day of the comment period falls on a weekend or holiday, then the comment period shall be extended to the first working day after the weekend or holiday. Submit comments to scartmel@co.jefferson.wa.us, in person, or by mail at, 621 Sheridan Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

Project Planner:
Shannen Cartmel,
360-379-4450

For further information, please visit the Jefferson County Department of Community Development web page at www.co.jefferson.wa.us/commdevelopment/

198311 12/15

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGARDING LAND USE AND BUILDING REGULATIONS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS THAT REQUIRE RECOGNITION OF LEGAL LOTS OF RECORD AND PLATS IN EXISTENCE PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 7, 1971 FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT

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Project Planner:
Shannen Cartmel,
360-379-4450

For further information, please visit the Jefferson County Department of Community Development web page at www.co.jefferson.wa.us/commdevelopment/

JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE OF TYPE II LAND USE APPLICATION MLA21-00113

APPLICANT: Long Live the Kings, Lucas Hall
1326 5th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98101

Application Received Date: October 26, 2021
Application Complete Date: November 24, 2021
Application Notice Date: December 15, 2021

SITE ADDRESS AND PROJECT LOCATION:
In waterway on both sides of the Hood Canal Bridge Section: 2 Township: 27N, Range: 1E.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND REQUIRED PERMITS/STUDIES:
Shoreline Conditional Use Permit will temporarily place Acoustic Doppler Current Profilers and telemetry receivers underwater and anchor them to the seafloor with natural rock anchors. The receivers will track salmonid migration past the Hood Canal Bridge to gauge the effectiveness of restoration alternatives. This is a component of a watershed restoration project that is designed to improve fish and wildlife habitat and reduce impediments to migrating fish. The project will take place from 2022-2024.

Partners include WDFW, NOAA, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, U.S. Navy, and the Hood Canal Coordinating Council. Project Site Plan and Staff Report are available for review regarding the Shoreline Conditional Use Permit. This project is exempt from SEPA under WAC 197-11-800(17).

COMMENT PERIOD AND WHERE TO VIEW DOCUMENTS:
The application and any studies may be reviewed at the Jefferson County Department of Community Development. All interested persons are invited to (a) comment on the application; (b) receive notice of and participate in any hearings; and (c) receive a copy of the decision by submitting such written comment(s)/ request(s) to the Jefferson County Department of Community Development, Development Review Division, 621 Sheridan Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368, (360) 379-4450. Comments concerning this application should be submitted to the Department by **4:30 p.m.** on January 14, 2022. If the last day of the comment period falls on a weekend or holiday, then the comment period shall be extended to the first working day after the weekend or holiday. Comments submitted after this date may not be considered in the staff report.

Project Planner:
David Ullrich, 360-379-4463
or DUllrich@co.jefferson.wa.us

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NOTICE OF MEETING CANCELLATION

The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners has cancelled their regularly scheduled meeting for Monday, December 27, 2021. The regular meeting schedule will be resumed on Monday, January 3, 2022. Meetings are held the first four Mondays of each month at 9:00 a.m.

Dated this 6th day of December, 2021.
Jefferson County Board of Commissioners
Kate Dean, Chair

198184 12/15

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WHEREAS, various Jefferson County departments have made requests for supplemental budget appropriations/ extensions for their 2021 budgets; and

WHEREAS, the increased spending in such requests are funded by additional sources which were not anticipated at the time of preparing said budgets; and such sources include unanticipated revenue received from fees, or grants from the State and Federal government, or proceeds from the sale of bonds, or budgeted but unexpended monies from the prior budget year; and

WHEREAS, it appears to the Board of County Commissioners that a need exists that could not have been foreseen or contemplated at the time of preparing the budgets for 2021. The following identified revenue and expenditure amounts are to be added to the various Funds. Expenditure amounts in excess of revenues listed shall be appropriated from the unencumbered balances and represent an extension of the Fund budgets listed:

residences, development of one new single-family residence, any development already deemed complete as of October 4, 2021 or on a lot already recognized by the County, any development on lots that meet the existing zoning classification, development of publicly-funded housing for persons experiencing homelessness or low-income households, any development within the Irontdale and Port Hadlock Urban Growth Area Overlay District, and any development of an essential public facility, or development by any public entity. Both ordinances also identify a workplan already developed by the Department of Community Development which would allow for the study of this issue and development of a new code that regulates the recognition and development of such lots and plats within Jefferson County.

On December 20, 2021, as part of their Regular Meeting, the Board of County Commissioners will take public testimony and consider amending Ordinance 06-1011-21 by adding a new exception to the moratorium as follows: "(10) Any boundary line adjustment and other necessary permits requested by a Tribe, public entity or nonprofit applicant for the primary purpose of restoring, improving, or conserving habitat and functions in critical areas, shorelines or other natural areas; provided that, this exception does not allow for the building of habitable structures or for the installation of septic systems."

The Board of County Commissioners will also consider amending exception number 6 to the moratorium to read as follows: "(6) Any application necessary to develop one single-family residence for occupancy by the applicant, as long as all required setbacks, health and sanitation requirements, and stormwater management requirements can be met on site. Only one application per applicant will be allowed during the period of the moratorium , and the applicant must have taken ownership of the property prior to October 4, 2021."

The Board of County Commissioners may review the findings of fact adopted in Ordinance 06-1011-21, and either reaffirm or modify those findings. The workplan and timeline may also be discussed at the hearing. Other modifications of Ordinance 06-1011-21 also may be considered.

In addition, written testimony is also invited beginning on December 8, 2021 and ending on December 20, 2021 at the end of the Public Hearing, unless extended by the Board of County Commissioners. Written public testimony may be submitted by **Email to:** jeffbocc@co.jefferson.wa.us; or by **Mail to:** Jefferson County Commissioners' Office; PO Box 1220, Port Townsend, WA 98368. To provide oral testimony, dial 1-253-215-8782 and enter access code: 937-7784-1705# by 10:30 a.m. so your call can be taken. Testimony must be received by the Board of County Commissioners by the end of the hearing public comment period.

Approved and signed this 6th day of December, 2021.
JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Kate Dean, Chair

198186 12/8, 12/15

Selective thinning harvest for forest health improvement to take place at Trailhead County Park and along the Larry Scott Trail in the Cape George area from between December 20-24. Park will be closed, Larry Scott will remain open. Please contact Jefferson County Parks or Central Services with questions.

198304 12/15, 12/22

STATE OF WASHINGTON JEFFERSON COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF A HEARING NOTICE FOR FOURTH QUARTER 2021 PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS/ EXTENSIONS FOR VARIOUS COUNTY FUNDS

RESOLUTION NO. 71-21

WHEREAS, various Jefferson County departments have made requests for supplemental budget appropriations/ extensions for their 2021 budgets; and

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| EXPENSE \$20,327 |
| 001-060-000 COMMISSIONERS AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$31,937 |
| 001-067-000 PUBLIC SAFETY AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$7,930 |
| 001-080-000 DISTRICT COURT AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$42,126 |
| 001-110-000 JUVENILE SERVICES AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$45,536 |
| 001-150-000 PROSECUTING ATTORNEY AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$87,266 |
| 001-180-000 SHERIFF AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$94,908 EXPENSE \$142,204 |
| 001-240-000 SUPERIOR COURT AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$6,187 |
| 001-250-000 TREASURER |

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| AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$75,000 EXPENSE \$19,885 |
| 001-270-000 NON-DEPARTMENTAL AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$371,000 |
| TOTAL GENERAL FUND AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$731,249 REVENUE \$169,908 EXPENSE \$901,157 |
| SPECIAL REVENUE/CAPITAL/ ENTERPRISE/INTERNAL SERVICE FUNDS |
| 105-000-010 AUDITOR'S O&M AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$37,000 EXPENSE \$37,000 |
| 108-000-010 COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$28,767 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$27,767 |
| 123-000-010 GRANT MANAGEMENT AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$378,926 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$379,926 |
| 127-000-010 PUBLIC HEALTH AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$275,148 REVENUE \$30,000 EXPENSE \$275,148 |
| 128-000-010 WATER QUALITY AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$22,617 |

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| REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$22,617 |
| 131-000-010 CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$35,241 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$35,241 |
| 143-000-010 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$98,540 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$98,540 |
| 148-000-010 AFFORDABLE HOUSING AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$20,000 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$20,000 |
| 150-000-010 TREASURER'S O&M AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$12,250 EXPENSE \$12,250 |
| 174-000-010 PARKS & RECREATION AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$30,426 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$30,426 |
| 175-000-010 PARKS IMPROVEMENT AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$2,076 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$2,076 |
| 180-000-010 ROADS AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$307,897 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$307,897 |

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| 181-000-010 PUBLIC WORKS EMERGENCY RD AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$25 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$25 |
| 304-000-010 HJ CARROLL PARK AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 REVENUE \$30,000 EXPENSE \$30,000 |
| 401-000-010 SOLID WASTE AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$56,617 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$56,617 |
| 402-000-010 SOLID WASTE POST CLOSURE AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$25 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$25 |
| 403-000-010 SOLID WASTE EQUIP RESERVE AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$100 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$100 |
| 405-000-010 TRI AREA SEWER AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$2,268 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$2,268 |
| 501-000-010 ER&R AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$42,018 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$42,018 |
| 505-000-010 EMPLOYEE BENEFIT RESERVE AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$0 |

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| REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$75,000 |
| 506-000-010 INFORMATION SERVICES AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$84,783 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$84,783 |
| 507-000-010 FACILITIES MANAGEMENT AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$32,319 REVENUE \$0 EXPENSE \$32,319 |
| TOTAL OTHER FUNDS AMOUNT FROM UNENCUMBERED FUND BALANCE \$1,417,793 REVENUE \$109,500 EXPENSE \$1,572,293 |

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that supplemental budget appropriations/ extensions be considered for the above noted funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a public hearing is scheduled by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners for **MONDAY, December 20, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.** in the Commissioners' Chambers, County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368 (**NOTE: No In-Person Attendance Allowed (Per Jefferson County RESOLUTION No. 45-21)**), and said notice of said hearing be published in the official newspaper of Jefferson County, and that at said hearing any interested person may appear virtually and be heard for or against extensions. The proposed budget appropriations are available for viewing on the County website at <https://test.co.jefferson.wa.us/WebLinkExternal/0/doc/3345336/Page1.aspx>

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APPROVED this 6th day of December, 2021.

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/S/Kate Dean, Chair
198181 12/8, 12/15

P.U.D. Notices

Jefferson County PUD High Voltage Electrical Contractors

Prequalification Application for the Year 2022

Washington State Law (RCW 54.04.080 and RCW 54.04.085) requires that Public Utility Districts maintain a list of prequalified bidders for electrical facility construction or improvement and that this list be updated on an annual basis. Prequalified electrical workers perform work on high voltage electrical facilities and are generally projects over \$350,000.00

Interested high voltage electrical contractors wishing to be placed on the Jefferson County PUD prequalified high voltage electrical contractors list are invited to submit a completed application with all required documents. All required documents must be returned on or before January 7, 2022. To received required documents please use contact information below.

Scott A. Bancroft
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Jefferson County PUD
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Notice to Creditors

JEFFERSON COUNTY, WASHINGTON STATE SUPERIOR COURT

ESTATE OF CINDI A. HARPER, Deceased
No. 21-4-00089-16

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030.

The person named below has been appointed as personal representative of the above-named estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of First Publication: 12/8/2021

Personal Representative of Estate: Timothy Hartzell

Attorney & Service Address: David J. Faber, Faber Feinson PLLC, 800 Polk St Ste B, Port Townsend, WA 98368
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JEFFERSON COUNTY, WASHINGTON STATE SUPERIOR COURT

ESTATE OF JOAN FARRINGTON SHACKFORD, Deceased
No. 21-4-00112-16

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Personal Representative of Estate: Laura Suzanne Gibbons

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, WASHINGTON STATE SUPERIOR COURT

ESTATE OF ROBERT EARL OCKERLANDER, JR, Deceased
No. 21-4-00117-16

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Personal Representative of Estate: Amy Christine Ockerlander

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JEFFERSON COUNTY, WASHINGTON STATE SUPERIOR COURT

ESTATE OF ROBIN L. RICHARDS, Deceased
No. 21-4-00114-16

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030.

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Personal Representative of Estate: Brandi Redden

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Summons

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

KENDRA L. HERMANSON, Plaintiff,

vs. SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE HARRY DAVID JOHNSON LIVING TRUST; HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS OF HARRY DAVID JOHNSON, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN, Defendants.

NO. 21-2-00179-16
SUMMONS (by publication)

The State of Washington to the said SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE AND BENEFICIARIES OF THE HARRY DAVID JOHNSON LIVING TRUST; HEIRS, DEVISEES AND ASSIGNS OF HARRY DAVID JOHNSON, and ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 15th day of December 2021, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff Kendra L. Hermanson, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorney for plaintiff Kendra L. Hermanson at her office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court.

The object of the action is to quiet title in plaintiff to that certain real property described as Lots 1 and 2 of Block 57, Pettygrove's 2nd Addition in Jefferson County, Washington.

KOSTELEC LAW OFFICE
/s/Colette M. Kostelec,
WSBA #37151
Plaintiff's Attorney
PO Box 1868
Port Townsend, WA 98368
Jefferson County
198191 12/15/2021-1/19/2022

Superior Court of Washington, County of Jefferson

In re: Petitioner:
BRIANNA L. MURPHY

And Respondent:
JEREMY L. MURPHY

No. 21-3-00066-16
Summons Served by Publication (SMPB)

Summons Served by Publication

To: JEREMY LEE MURPHY

I have started a court case by filing a petition. The name of the Petition is: BRIANNA L. MURPHY vs. JEREMY LEE MURPHY

You must respond in writing if you want the court to consider your side.

Deadline! Your Response must be **filed and served** within **60 days** of the date this Summons is published **November 24, 2021**. If you do not file and serve your Response or a Notice of Appearance by the deadline:

- No one has to notify you about other hearings in this case, and
- The court may approve the requests in the Petition without hearing your side (called a default judgment).

Follow these steps:

1. Read the *Petition* and any other documents that were filed at court with this *Summons*. Those documents explain what the other party is asking for.

2. Fill out a *Response* on this form (*check the Response that matches the Petition*):
FL Divorce 211, *Response to Petition about a Marriage*
You can get the Response form and other forms you may need at:

- The Washington State Courts' website: www.courts.wa.gov/forms
- Washington LawHelp: www.washingtonlawhelp.org, or
- The Superior Court Clerk's office or county law library (for a fee).

3. Serve (give) a copy of your *Response* to the person who filed this *Summons* at the address below, and to any other parties. You may use certified mail with return receipt requested. For more information on how to serve, read Superior Court Civil Rule 5.

4. File your original *Response* with the court clerk at this address:

Superior Court Clerk
Jefferson County
1820 Jefferson St.
Port Townsend, WA 98368

5. Lawyer not required: It is a good idea to talk to a lawyer, but you may file and serve your *Response* without one.

/Signed/
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