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Happy Thanksgiving.

Cannabis Taxes Need Improvement

BY CHARLIE BERMANT

Eleven years after Washington voters approved the use of recreational cannabis it is still a work in progress, but one where its benefits can balance the pitfalls.

Users are grateful for the access to product and the elimination of legal penalties, while merchants and legislators are often stymied by complicated rules and how to streamline the process.

"It's damn near impossible to stay in business," said Travis Morgan, who owns and operates Sea Change Cannabis in Port Hadlock. "It's a misconception that people in this business are making a killing. It's really challenging to follow tax and banking rules. At the end of the month, I have very little profit."

There are six cannabis outlets in East Jefferson County: One in Port Townsend, two in Port Hadlock, two in Chimacum, and one in Discovery Bay.

Merchants pay a 37 percent excise tax and 9 percent local sales tax on every cannabis purchase. This translates into a $20 product costing roughly $30 at the register. Most customers don't even notice, as the sticker price includes the taxes.

This compares to a 20.5 percent liquor excise tax which is generally not included on the

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NW Maritime Center opens Welcome Center in 2024

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER

The retail space that currently serves as the Wooden Boat Chandlery at the Northwest Maritime Center in downtown Port Townsend will become its new Welcome Center in the spring of 2024.

The Northwest Maritime Center's chief operating officer, Katie Oman, and its campus director, Kate Philbrick, spoke about ongoing efforts to make the center more accessible to the public.

"Since the Northwest Maritime Center was built, locals and visitors alike have requested ways that we could be clearer about who we are and what we do," Oman said. "The feedback we've received, dating back to before the pandemic, is that people would like more opportunities to connect and engage with us, more casually

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State Pledges Action on Highway 104

Last week The Leader reported on State Route 104 and the huge number of accidents on this dangerous stretch of road west of the Hood Canal Bridge. It also detailed the continuing delays to the safety improvements stretching back four years.

In the wake of that report, Washington State Secretary of Transportation Roger Millar has written to assure that this project will move forward as quickly as possible. We are publishing his letter here in full.

Good morning,

In 2024, WSDOT will deliver a safety improvement project in Jefferson County on State Route 104 at the intersections of SR 19 and Paradise Bay/Shine Road. The design phase of the project is wrapping up and the project will go to bid in January 2024. WSDOT is advancing this project forward as quickly as possible and the project is anticipated to begin construction in spring 2024.

As with any project, the actual start of construction can change for a number of reasons outside of our control including material delays, staffing issues and weather. This project experienced a significant design delay in 2021 after heavy rains hit the peninsula, triggering landslides that blocked State Route 101, 112 and 113 in multiple locations and cut off access to communities. The same office that was overseeing the design of the SR 104 safety improvement projects managed the emergency repairs on SR 112.

Once a contractor is selected and the project begins, our region communications team and project office will provide updates on the construction start date and what travelers can expect during construction.

Safety is a priority at our agency. Target Zero is our state highway safety plan, which aims to have zero deaths and zero serious injuries by 2030. It's a bold vision and it guides everything we do. We regularly look at our state highway system to find ways to reduce fatal and serious crashes. Over the next several years, we have many projects that will construct roundabouts at intersections on our state highways. This project on SR 104 in Jefferson County is one of many such projects.

Thank you,

Roger Millar, PE, FASCE, FAICP
Secretary of Transportation



THING 2023

THING fest leaves PT

BY CHARLIE BERMANT

There will be one less THING to do in Port Townsend next summer.

The Seattle Theater Group (STG), which sponsored three versions of its boutique music and arts fair at Fort Worden State Park, announced last week that it was pulling the festival from Port Townsend. The event, which will still be known as THING, will take place at another location in 2024 "with the same spirit and philosophy," according to a company spokesperson.

"It's unfortunate but not surprising to hear that THING won't be returning to Port Townsend," said Dominic Svornich, who operates the Salish Sound recording studio. "I know they struggled to sell enough tickets to make the festival viable, primarily because Port Townsend doesn't have the necessary accommodations to house enough attendees to hit their target."

Port Townsend City Council member Ben Thomas acknowledged that transportation insecurity was a drawback, saying he was really hoping to work with STG next year to give festival-goers the confidence to leave their car at home and use public transportation.

"THING wasn't just a music festival," Thomas said. "It was more of a Chautauqua-style experience of old, with a great mix of entertainment, education, and art. No shade on the venerable Centrum festivals, but I think that diverse-format festivals like THING set a great model for future festivals."

The first THING took place in 2019 and was termed a success, impressing many Port Townsend residents with its style and format. Jefferson County Commissioner Kate Dean was especially pumped, as it was for her "a birthday party in my backyard that included many of my favorite bands."

A larger festival was planned for 2020. Quimper Sound owner James Shultz said that STG's Adam Zacks showed him a list of potential performers that was "going to be amazing." But the pandemic knocked out the 2020 and 2021 festivals. When it returned in 2022 it had lost momentum.

The festival drew 4,500 people

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Robert Collins, director of construction, land and strategy for East Jefferson Habitat, and Washington State Department of Commerce Director Mike Fong are joined by state Rep. Steve Tharinger (D-Port Townsend) and Jamie Maciejewski, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County, plus Emma Bolin, director of planning and community development for the city of Port Townsend, and Port Townsend City Manager John Mauro at the six-home "Landes North" development Nov. 17. *Kirk Boxleitner/Leader staff*

State Commerce Director visits East Jefferson Habitat

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER

A Habitat for Humanity development in Port Townsend received a visit from state-level officials on Friday, Nov. 17, a day after millions of dollars in grants were announced.

The grants are intended to help meet statewide needs for affordable housing across all income levels.

Washington State Department of Commerce Director Mike Fong and state Rep. Steve Tharinger (D-Port Townsend) joined Jamie Maciejewski, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County, at the six-home "Landes North" development. Four of the homes are two-bedroom, and two are three-bedroom, ranging from approximately 900 to 1,200 square feet.

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A Judge in Search of Solutions

BY JON KARPILOW

On Friday, Nov. 17, Judge Brendan Mack entered the Jefferson County courtroom to sentence Pierce County resident Siaumau Sanele Auseuga after Auseuga was found guilty of being a felon in possession of a handgun.

The results of that hearing were unexpected.

The events that led to last week's hearing are well-documented. In 2021, members of the Jefferson County Sheriff's department stopped a vehicle being driven by Auseuga for expired tags. The officers learned that his license had been suspended and that he had been convicted of a felony

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OPINION

In predawn dark two days before Thanksgiving the streets are silent, cold rain isn't set to arrive until this afternoon, the old boiler below sends warmth clicking and burbling through pipes that heat this ancient building.

Two days before Thanksgiving.

For what are we thankful, and whom do we thank?

Thankful for an oversized bird stuffed with an unrecognizable gray brown goo that by the time it comes out of the oven smells wonderful but is looking a bit dangerous?

Thankful our team is winning on a day that seems to celebrate football?

Thankful for the noise of family, if we have one, for friends, if they're around?

Would we be thankful with no turkey, no football, no family or friends?

To whom do we give thanks? Do we bow our heads and on this day thank a God we don't understand who seems to exist in books we don't read as we take credit for our successes and blame others for our failures?

Stop it! That's too harsh. Be more gentle, it's Thanksgiving, for goodness sake and there are children about, or not, the team just scored a touchdown, or not, Uncle Ralph is shouting that the country is going to hell, or not.

It's tempting to merge faiths and thank God, or omit that detail and mutter softly to an undefined higher power, a being All Powerful and Everywhere and Who doesn't need to be named but has apparently acute hearing, that we're thankful for family and friends and that Uncle Ralph is here with us today after what he had to go through last summer.

Amen. Pass the potatoes.

Are we thankful for the stuff in our lives, even though we've been told that doesn't matter? Thankful for being better off? For not being worse off? That we're not the ones living at the edge of the forest under a blue tarp in the rain; cold, wet, truly alone?

Stop it. For The Children. Stop it, the forest people got what they deserved. Ralph! Don't start with that!. What's the score? Down six, four minutes left!

Noises: predictable, pleasing, disturbing, mulching a Knowledge that there's something more.

Thanksgiving. Thankful. Maybe that's it, maybe that's all there is, all there has to be.

There's More here, we didn't create all this and much will survive us, will survive this day, this moment. There's more here, in this moment. Thankful.

A sense of humility condenses like a light, bright mist. In This Moment. Family is more than a gathering of differences. Community is more than a sum.

In this moment a feeling of grace flows slowly into the room, a feeling that right now is alright, that the future is uncertain but the past is here, now, and it's Alright, as it is, as it should be. Forgiven. Shared.

Happy Thanksgiving.

~ ED



LETTERS

Avoiding TBD sales tax (legally)

Port Townsend's new 0.3% Transportation Benefit District (TBD) sales tax will take effect on January 1, 2024.

So, if you live in the county outside of the Port Townsend city limits but are in the 98368 ZIP code, you could be paying a higher sales tax rate next year unless you update your mailing address.

Non-Port Townsend places in 98368 include Adelma Beach, Cape George, Discovery Bay, Kala Point, Maynard, Tukey, … others.

For purchases made in-person at stores that are in 98368 but outside of Port Townsend, merchants will need to update their systems before January 1 to make sure they don't charge that extra 0.3% tax.

But to avoid paying that higher sales tax on anything that you order online or have shipped to you, YOU will need to make sure that every merchant that has your mailing address uses the correct, full 9-digit ZIP code (aka, ZIP+ 4).

With so much being bought online these days from Amazon and others, this will be particularly important because your delivery address is what determines how much sales tax you pay.

Check your receipts!

Tom Thiersch

Jefferson County, WA

Free, fair elections

Free, fair, and accurate elections are a basic tenet of our democracy. The Election Observers of the League of Women Voters-Jefferson County take pride in being present to witness the diligence of Jefferson County's Election Staff as they undertook their duties.

Our observers--Toyoko, Debbi, Deb, Angela, and Marilyn--witnessed the County's entire regulation-driven ballot process, from the opening of the ballot boxes to the six-batch audit. Watching the dedication and strict adherence to rules followed by our elections staff gave us confidence in the accuracy of the vote-counting process.

The League of Women Voters-Jefferson County is open to any resident of the county 16 years old or older. To learn more about voting rights and the League's voter education, vote-counting procedures, and non-partisan mission, please visit www.lwvwa.org/Jefferson.

Angela Gyurko

President, LWVJC Unit-at-Large

Angela Gyurko, Port Townsend

Teasing Vegans

It used to be easy, and fun, to tease vegans. In fact, we didn't call them vegans in the old days: we called them grazers.

We'd joke about where they got their protein and if they chewed their cud. It's gotten way tougher now. As soon as you start your tease they come back at you with statistics about how we eat way more protein than is good for us and how much water and land it takes to produce a quarter pound of beef, or they'll pontificate about meat's implication in a variety of serious health impacts. Occasionally you'll get "The Sneer" and a pompous lecture about the immorality of animal agriculture. If we had a bit more forests to cut down, and turn into pasture, and a bit more fresh water, it wouldn't be quite so difficult to find a comeback to their annoying "only one earth" diatribe.

It would also be helpful if the data on the health effects of meat consumption weren't so scary. Systemic inflammation doesn't sound like much fun. The documentaries on the treatment of animals raised for consumption also don't help at all. You do have to wonder how such cruelty can be taken for granted by so many of us.

So, it's getting tougher to tease vegans nowadays, but don't give up. There's a lot to be said for the health benefits of humor.

Jens Abrahamsen, Langley

On Shed Boys

I was surprised your November 15 article on shed boys didn't mention Rebecca Mizhir, a one-time Port Townsend writer for The Leader who was responsible for the term going viral long before we had social media. My memory is that the shed boys at the time were not necessarily young, and many relied on the kindness of the gainfully employed ladies in their lives for supplying creature comforts not available in their sheds.

Carol Cahill

Port Townsend

Highway 104 Truly Is Deadly

Kudos to the Port Townsend Leader for publishing a very timely article regarding the 247 accidents on the 10 miles of SR 104 on the Olympic Peninsula side of the Hood Canal Bridge.

Local residents are very aware of this busy stretch of road because we need to make a dangerous left turn on to it to access the bridge and the Kitsap Peninsula. We have been anxious to receive news of an improvement plan, e.g., a round-about, but have heard nothing from the WSDOT lately.

On Sunday, November 12th, my husband and I dodged an accident on 104 near the bridge when we left a party in Bridgehaven (West of 104) by taking 104 North instead of South. On Wednesday, Nov. 15th, I read Lucrezia Paxson's "Highway 104 Is Deadly" to my husband and was impressed with its coverage.

On Thursday, Nov. 16th, we were greeted at the Paradise Bay Rd. and 104 intersections by EMT's and ambulances, police/fire department vehicles and personnel, and the remnants of a mighty crash between two pickups. The large Dodge Ram had been brought to its knees in the middle of the road, its entire front end decimated. The other truck that was carrying two countertop slabs was in a ditch across the road. The EMTs were loading the victims of this horrific crash into the ambulances.

Vehicles coming off the bridge onto the Olympic Peninsula race forward to climb the hill and beat out their competition after one lane becomes two and then merges shortly back into one lane. Vehicles approaching the bridge from the Olympic Peninsula speed up due to the incline and their desire to make it across the bridge while it is still open.

We understand the pressure on the WSDOT to improve the situation. We are just hopeful that they will do something soon.

Kathleen Traci

Port Ludlow

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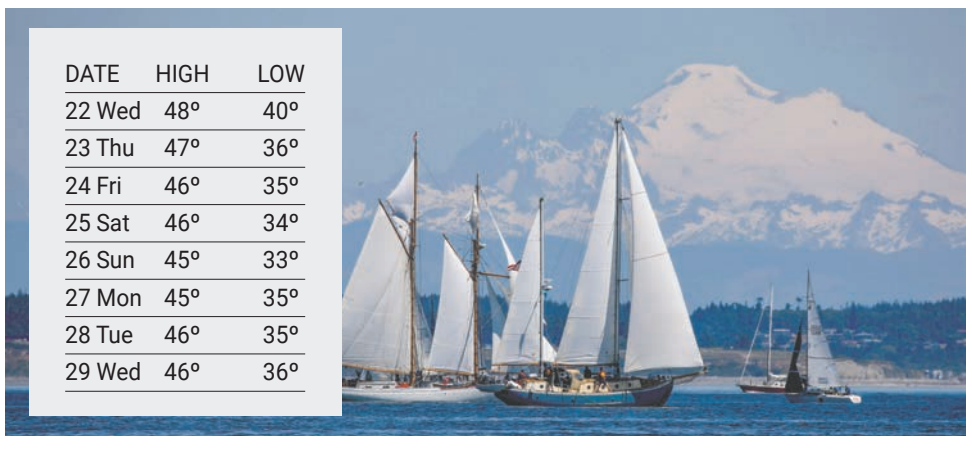
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WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22-29, 2023



DATE	HIGH	LOW
22 Wed	48º	40º
23 Thu	47º	36º
24 Fri	46º	35º
25 Sat	46º	34º
26 Sun	45º	33º
27 Mon	45º	35º
28 Tue	46º	35º
29 Wed	46º	36º

PORT TOWNSEND TIDES

	HIGH				LOW						
DATE	A.M.	ft.	P.M.	ft.	A.M.	ft.	P.M.	ft.	SUNRISE	SUNSET	MOON
22 Wed			12:16	9.1	4:41	1.7	6:55	2.7	7:26	4:27	◐
23 Thu	12:51	5.8	12:45	9.1	5:43	3.0	7:27	1.2	7:27	4:27	◐
24 Fri	2:24	6.7	1:12	9.2	6:41	4.2	8:00	-0.2	7:29	4:26	◐
25 Sat	3:34	7.7	1:37	9.1	7:38	5.4	8:34	-1.3	7:30	4:25	◐
26 Sun	4:32	8.6	2:03	9.1	8:32	6.3	9:09	-2.0	7:31	4:24	◐
27 Mon	5:25	9.2	2:29	8.9	9:27	7.0	9:46	-2.4	7:33	4:24	◐
28 Tue	6:14	9.6	2:55	8.6	10:23	7.4	10:24	-2.3	7:34	4:23	◑
29 Wed	7:01	9.7	3:23	8.2	11:23	7.6	11:04	-2.0	7:35	4:22	◑

DISCOVERY BAY TIDES

	HIGH				LOW						
DATE	A.M.	ft.	P.M.	ft.	A.M.	ft.	P.M.	ft.	SUNRISE	SUNSET	MOON
22 Wed	11:29	8.5			4:24	1.6	6:38	2.6	7:26	4:27	◐
23 Thu	12:04	5.4	11:58 AM	8.6	5:26	2.8	7:10	1.1	7:27	4:27	◐
24 Fri	1:37	6.3	12:25	8.6	6:24	4.0	7:43	-0.2	7:29	4:26	◐
25 Sat	2:47	7.2	12:50	8.6	7:21	5.1	8:17	-1.2	7:30	4:25	◐
26 Sun	3:45	8.0	1:16	8.5	8:15	5.9	8:52	-1.9	7:31	4:24	◐
27 Mon	4:38	8.7	1:42	8.3	9:10	6.6	9:29	-2.2	7:33	4:24	◐
28 Tue	5:27	9.0	2:08	8.1	10:06	7.0	10:07	-2.2	7:34	4:23	◑
29 Wed	6:14	9.1	2:36	7.7	11:06	7.1	10:47	-1.9	7:35	4:22	◑

PORT LUDLOW TIDES

	HIGH				LOW						
DATE	A.M.	ft.	P.M.	ft.	A.M.	ft.	P.M.	ft.	SUNRISE	SUNSET	MOON
22 Wed			12:30	10.5	5:32	2.1	7:20	2.8	7:23	4:27	◐
23 Thu	1:08	7.4	1:06	10.6	6:38	3.3	8:01	1.1	7:24	4:27	◐
24 Fri	2:29	8.2	1:40	10.6	7:41	4.4	8:39	-0.4	7:25	4:26	◐
25 Sat	3:36	9.1	2:12	10.6	8:40	5.5	9:16	-1.6	7:27	4:25	◐
26 Sun	4:33	9.9	2:46	10.4	9:36	6.3	9:52	-2.3	7:28	4:24	◐
27 Mon	5:24	10.5	3:20	10.0	10:30	7.0	10:29	-2.6	7:29	4:24	◐
28 Tue	6:11	10.8	3:56	9.6	11:24	7.4	11:07	-2.5	7:31	4:23	◑
29 Wed	6:55	10.8	4:35	9.1	12:17 PM	7.6	11:47	-2.1	7:32	4:23	◑

Jefferson County Sheriff's Log

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office responded to 275 calls for service from Nov. 10 to Nov. 17. Below are some of the calls for service our deputies responded to during that time.

Nov. 10: A deputy responded to assist at a house fire in the Oak Bay area in the evening hours. The two occupants of the home were okay, and the fire was contained to the garage area of the home. The deputy helped retrieve the homeowners' two cats from inside the residence, and brought them out to the owners' vehicle where they were reunited.

Nov. 11: Deputies responded to a report of threats in the Irondale region in the wee hours of the morning. The reporting party stated their neighbors had "surrounded them" in their vehicle and were making threats. Deputies learned this was an ongoing "beef" between the neighbors in question, and the reporting person later stated the group was just harassing them as part of an ongoing issue.

Nov. 12: Deputies responded to an assault in Irondale in the evening. The reporting person stated they'd been attacked by someone, and the perpetrator hit them in the back of the head with something. The reporting person stated the perpetrator had been "coming at him" and defended himself by hitting them. The perpetrator then bit the reporting person on the chest. Deputies were able to contact both parties to the assault, and neither wished to press charges.

Nov. 13: Deputies responded to a report of a male trying to break into a Port Hadlock business around noon. The caller reported seeing the man "kicking doors" and stated the man appeared "very likely" intoxicated. Deputies contacted the man who advised he "just wanted a coffee", noting no damage was done to the building and there were no signs any entry had been forcibly made into the business. The man moved along from the area after being contacted by deputies.

Nov. 14: A Deputy assisted with rescuing a clam digger in Quilcene around midnight. The victim had been out digging clams and wandered into a particularly soft spot of mud, sinking waist deep in the muck and becoming stuck. Quilcene Fire personnel and a deputy were able to successfully pull the person from the mud and bring them back to shore safely.

-Deputies arrested a man for DUI after a deputy witnessed the driver "all over the road." The driver initially would not stop the vehicle, but ultimately came to a stop after being followed briefly, and was removed from the vehicle peacefully. The man was subsequently booked into jail, and the vehicle towed.

Nov. 15: A Port Ludlow business reported a vehicle had been stolen from them overnight. An unknown male subject is seen on camera entering through an outside door, and taking a set of keys from within the business. A white cargo van was stolen using the keys. Nothing else was reportedly taken during the break in.

Nov. 16: A deputy was called to a HAZMAT scene by East Jefferson Fire personnel after discovering the source of a large scale fuel leak was likely caused by a thief stealing gasoline in Port Hadlock. The deputy agreed with this assessment after noting a large fuel hose was cut into, and a smaller hose was snaked into the fuel tank to siphon the gasoline. Cameras on site were reviewed, but no identities have been confirmed.

- Two deputies responded to the Hadlock QFC after a caller spotted someone "lighting up tin foil in their car." The suspect was behind the driver's wheel of the vehicle, apparently smoking narcotics. The suspect was cooperative with deputies, and was educated about the dangers of using drugs and driving, and ultimately cited and referred to the LEAD (Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion) team for follow-up resources.

Nov. 17: Deputies responded to a report of an assault with a weapon in Port Hadlock. After interviewing the victim, it was determined that an elevated response was warranted to ensure the safest outcome for the suspect and responding law enforcement. Citizens may have witnessed the armored vehicle response in the area. After several hours of efforts from the Sheriff's Office negotiator, as well as other deputies and personnel from Clallam County Sheriff, Port Angeles PD, Sequim PD, and Port Townsend PD, the suspect ultimately surrendered peacefully and was taken into custody without incident.

Port Townsend Police Log

Between Nov. 10 and Nov. 17, the Port Townsend Police Department received 1,161 calls. A selection is below:

Nov. 11: During the early morning hours, officers dealt with traffic hazards in three different locations. The hazards included trees in the roadway and an extensive amount of construction signage blown into the roadway by a storm.

– Officers were dispatched to the report of a male tipping city trash cans over and yelling profanities. When officers attempted to contact the suspect, he barricaded himself in a public restroom and refused to come out. He eventually exited the stall carrying a walking stick and advanced toward officers. He continued to refuse commands after being told he was under arrest. Officers were able to de-escalate the situation. He was arrested and charged with malicious mischief for damaging a trash can and resisting arrest.

Nov. 12: A business owner called police to report subjects trespassing in their store. The subjects left the store prior to officers' arrival. Officers were able to identify the subjects and develop probable cause for their arrest for criminal trespass. One of the suspects was located the following day and arrested.

Nov. 13: Officers conducted eight traffic stops for different violations throughout the city during the nighttime and morning hours. This is in effort to reduce collisions and create safer driving habits.

– Officers made two warrant arrests. One subject turned himself in at the police station. The other was contacted by officers and arrested after confirming the probable cause for trespassing.

Nov. 14: Officers impounded a vehicle that was illegally parked and obstructing traffic on the detour for construction, parked in the crosswalk in front of the yellow curb and blocking the view of traffic.

Nov. 15: A citizen reported a theft after they purchased a motorcycle on EBAY. The victim paid the $500 but never received the motorcycle. Officers completed a theft report.

Nov. 16: Officers were dispatched to the report of a transient male going around a parking lot and tapping on cars. The subject was wearing a long trench coat and carrying multiple sticks. Officers contacted the male, and he was nonaggressive. Officers determined this was a mental health issue and no crime had been committed.

– Officers were dispatched to the report of two people smoking drugs off of tin foil in a parked vehicle. Officers contacted the occupants but did not observe the alleged activity. Therefore, officers offered resources for addiction services since no crime had been witnessed.

Nov. 17: The reporting party called and stated their door had been kicked in by an unwanted guest. Tenants at the apartment are only allowed to have guests for up to five days. After the guest was repeatedly told they had to leave, he re-entered the apartment by kicking the door in. Officers arrested the suspect for malicious mischief and assault.

The Leader is looking for writers.

We need more eyes and ears, with writers attached.

We are looking to expand coverage of local governments, including the City of Port Townsend, Jefferson County, the Jefferson County Public Hospital District No. 2, etc.

If interested, please write to **editor@ptleader.com** and include a short summary of experience.

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price tag and can surprise people at check-out.

It is up to the individual store, but most vendors choose to embed the taxes. Paying one-third more than the sticker price would be too much of a shock to the customer, according to Chimacum Cannabis owner Kody McConnell.

If managing taxes can be excruciating, the banking process is excessively inconvenient. Cannabis use is not approved by the federal government, so vendors aren't allowed to use banks. Morgan accepts cash only, making twice-weekly trips to a private credit union in Poulsbo.

Many cannabis outlets have corporate ownership, considered to be an eventual path to profitability. Not Morgan. He manages the store. His wife handles the financial end. His son works at the store. And Samson, a 100-pound Labradoodle, rides shotgun on deliveries.



Every cannabis merchant has a variation of the same story. Universally, they are not allowed to deduct business expenses on their federal tax return. There are some workarounds: Morgan makes his tax payments with checks drawn on his credit union account.

Bryan Keith, owner of One Hit Wonder in Port Townsend, invests in an armored car service that securely transfers the proceeds.

Running a cannabis store includes obstacles absent in many small businesses, but Morgan isn't going to change direction.

"I got into this to help people," Morgan said. "Cannabis addresses a whole range of health issues." McConnell said helping people was also his motivation, along with guiding people to the right product. "I think of myself as a sophisticated sommelier for cannabis."

Keith said that the business is profitable, enough so to meet payroll and make sure that everyone is happy.

It will get a lot easier for everyone once the federal government reschedules cannabis, which has the support of President Biden.

An August 30 report in Marijuana Business Daily stated that the official recommendation to reclassify cannabis from a Schedule 1 substance to Schedule 3 (the same category as Tylenol with codeine) was a significant step. The next step is an official recommendation from the Drug Enforcement Agency, which could take place before the November 2024 election.

Rescheduling would be the first step toward allowing banks to accommodate cannabis businesses, a step that would require congressional approval that is not immediately forthcoming.

"No one has a crystal ball as to when Congress will act on this," said Washington State Representative Sharon Wylie (D-Vancouver), co-chair of the Regulated Substances and Gaming Committee. "Right now they are having problems that are more urgent and more complex."

McConnell is aware of the logjam, but said "there is a glimmer of hope they will do the right thing."

Wylie admits that the system puts a lot of pressure on vendors, but favors those who follow the rules. Morgan confirms this, saying "the state is uninvolved unless you screw up and don't pay your taxes. If you get behind they are willing to work with you."

The Liquor and Cannabis Board projects $1.23 billion in cannabis sales for fiscal year 2023, collecting roughly $475 million in taxes.

Of this, $6 million was collected in Jefferson County during fiscal year 2023. This generated a little more than $2 million in excise tax, which was allocated to the state general fund. Of this, the county expects to receive about $60,000 for its general fund, according to Jefferson County Treasurer Stacie Prada.

This amount represents less than what counties were promised when the initiative passed, according to Jefferson County Commissioner Kate Dean. But the benefit brought from cannabis taxes crosses county lines and supports several statewide programs.

All the money collected from these excise taxes is deposited into a dedicated marijuana account, which then distributes the funds to a variety of sources. This includes support of health programs like Medicaid and marijuana-specific aspects of research and education. So even if the counties receive a sliver of funding from the total, many of these pockets benefit the citizenry as a whole.

Wylie said the cannabis tax structure reflects the role of government, and "how much money we need to spend to protect people from themselves." She adds that any change in taxation is always "a heavy lift."

"Washington has the highest cannabis excise taxes in the country," said Washington State Rep. Kelly Chambers (R-Puyallup) who serves on House Regulated Substances and Gaming Committee and the House Appropriations Committee. "It frustrates many small businesses trying to be profitable."

Chambers suggests that any funds remaining after the required allocations be redistributed to the public, perhaps as across-the-board sales or property tax reductions. This isn't likely because Democrats write the budget "and they aren't likely to give anything back."

Users who remember pre-legalization days are grateful they can visit a clean, fragrant store rather than spend an hour on a smelly couch admiring someone's aquarium.

"I grew up with this," One Hit Wonder's Keith said. "I wanted to be part of the change. It's about providing a cure to what ails you versus getting baked all the time, although that can be fun as well."

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and with less effort."

Following a 2019 evaluation that revealed many visitors' difficulties with navigating the site, updated wayfinding signage was agreed upon, but the conclusion was reached that further measures would be requiredto address the public's calls for further information about the Northwest Maritime Center's mission, activities, and heritage.

"When giving campus tours, we found that many people were surprised at the depth and breadth of our offerings, and wanted a way to learn more," said Molly McCarthy, communications director for the Northwest Maritime Center.

Oman sees the renovation of the "front door" corner of the Northwest Maritime Center as a way to "tell our story," from educating the public on the rich maritime history of the region, to inviting visitors to partake of resources such as the center's on-site library, which is part of the same network as the Jefferson County and Port Townsend libraries, all while affording greater ADA accessibility for those with mobility issues.

"As you walk in, you'll be met by a map in the corner, to help orient you where you are, focusing on the surrounding waterways, to illustrate how we got here," Philbruck said. "The front desk will serve as a stop-in point for folks to find out about events that we have planned, the maritime culture we're coming from, and the educational programs we provide."

McCarthy noted the front desk will be created out of a boat, while the Welcome Center's floor plan of interactive exhibits will be laid out like a sextant from overhead, to underscore its connections to maritime traditions, in addition to still furnishing a retail space, for everything from navigational supplies to books and other nautically-themed gifts.

The ADA accessibility of the newly exterior canopy-framed front entrance will be carried through the center's more spacious interior, ADA-accessible dressing room and new visitor center entry doors, to allow for boats and other objects to be more easily brought in.

And a new, transparent display wall, between the Welcome Center and the Velocity coffee shop, is designed to let in both the light and a view of the sea, while also housing the Northwest Maritime Center's collection of historic ship models.

On-site construction is set to commence on Jan. 8, 2024, after the Wooden Boat Chandlery space shuts down on Dec. 31. The project is budgeted to run roughly $200,000 for its exhibits and approximately $375,000 for its construction.

"We'll be offering a killer 'Black Friday' sale in the meantime, so be sure to check that out," McCarthy chuckled.

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a day in 2023 on multiple stages that were augmented by a robust regional crafts fair. This wasn't quite enough to continue. In a press release, STG said that while artistic and community impact were significant the company recognizes revenue shortfall and some location accessibility factors as the primary reasons for pivoting away from Fort Worden.

"I'm disappointed," said former Port Townsend Mayor Michelle Sandoval, who attended all three festivals. "I liked the sense of community. And while there was some grumbling about the inconvenience and ticket prices, STG managed to alleviate any problems."

Sandoval said that STG provided free tickets to any residents who might be inconvenienced. And while the ticket prices seemed steep to some, there was always the opportunity to exchange volunteer time for free admission.

Shultz said he was excited that STG was committed to presenting one-off events, like the 2018 Modest Mouse concert that served as a test run for THING.

Shultz said he had more of a sales uptick in the days surrounding the Modest Mouse show than any of the THING festivals.

"You would think as the only record store in town my business would've gone dramatically up," he said. "But it was very similar to a normal summer weekend. I think it's going to make a more positive effect in our community to have a series of one-night-only headliner shows."

Although camping is available at the fairgrounds, the demographic that the lineup targets doesn't want to camp for three nights, according to Svornich. But it did prove that a larger-scale music festival is possible at the Fort.

"As we see more of our music venues close their doors in town, one-off events at venues like the Fort or the fairgrounds will become more and more important to retain the cultural landscape that so many have worked so hard to preserve over the recent years," he said. "As Port Townsend becomes more gentrified and artists/musicians continue to move away due to lack of affordable housing and working wages, it'll be interesting to see what pops up to fill the void that THING leaves."

"It was really fun to see the inspiration that THING instilled in local volunteers, performers and organizations," Thomas, the city counselor, said. "Hopefully we'll take this as an opportunity to divert more energy toward locally-organized festivals like Departure Fest and Soundcheck, which originally sprouted in THING's shadow and has already developed a personality of its own."

The first Soundcheck occurred simultaneously with THING and was established as a way for locals to enjoy art without having to pay festival prices. It broke off in 2022 and took place on the preceding weekend. It will continue this year, according to event producer Gage Pacifera.

There are no solid dates for this year's Soundcheck, but is expected to be a mostly free multi-venue event that blankets both Downtown and Uptown. It remains as "an important way to showcase our local creative talent," according to Svornich.

"Soundcheck will continue to happen," Pacifera said. "It's important for the town's creative district and for artists to be displayed. THING was a great event for the town that provided a high-profile cultural event, but its leaving won't change our mission."

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stemming from domestic violence charges in 2015.

An examination of the contents of Auseuga's pockets led to the discovery of two mismatched 9mm bullets. A subsequent search of the vehicle identified a fully-loaded handgun tucked between the driver's seat and the center console.

Both Washington state and federal law prohibit individuals convicted of a felony from possessing handguns. Federal law also bars felons from owning ammunition. Based on these laws, Auseuga was arrested and charged with illegal possession of a firearm.

A trial followed Auseuga's arrest. The defense provided a witness, Miranda Palmer, who testified that both the car and the gun belonged to her and that she had accidentally left the weapon in the vehicle. This was countered by the prosecution's demonstration that the gun recovered from the vehicle contained the same mismatched bullets that were found in Auseuga's pocket. Details related to the position of the gun within the car and statements made by Auseuga that he came from a "rough area" were, apparently, persuasive. The jury returned a verdict of guilty.

There were few in attendance when Auseuga was escorted into the courtroom this past Friday. Judge Mack opened the hearing by allowing the prosecution to walk through a series of arguments for why Auseuga's sentence should be 42 months, the midpoint between the state-prescribed 36-48 month mandatory sentencing window.

Included was the fact that Auseuga had skipped bail on one occasion since his arrest.

Auseuga's defense attorney, Lilly Powers of the Public Defender's office, followed by first acknowledging the friends and family members who were present in the courtroom. She spoke of her client's progress as a father and a husband since his original felony in 2015, and finished by asking the court for leniency.Auseuga then spoke on his own behalf. In a halted, sometimes emotional reading, he described the path that led him to this day in court and acknowledged that he could not run from his problems. He thanked his family for their support, and reemphasized his desire to move forward in his journeyUp until this point in the hearing, everything presented could be found in the official court filings that were available in the clerk's office across the hall. But when it came time for Judge Mack to make a ruling, the hearing took an unexpected turn.As he appeared to be studying notes on his courtroom computer, the judge began to verbally walk through the facts of the case, adding his own, seemingly unrehearsed, positions as he considered the options before him.

He reminded the audience that this was a victimless crime and that Auseuga was a father and a grandfather, whose son had recently graduated from school in Port Townsend.

Judge Mack acknowledged that claims of racism had arisen during the trial and recounted that Auseuga had revealed he felt "harassed" each time he came to Jefferson County. Auseuga, a man of Samoan descent, was convicted by an all-white jury.

Regarding the crime of illegal possession of a firearm, Judge Mack mused over the applicability of the legal concept of "crimes committed under duress" – advancing the possibility that Auseuga's need for an illegal firearm could be tied to the pressures associated with living in a 'rough area.'

Finally, the judge reflected on the fairness of current sentencing guidelines by reminding the court that identical crimes committed in disparate parts of the country often carry very different penalties.

At this point, the judge turned his full attention to the audience in the courtroom. He speculated on alternative penalties – work-release programs and suspended sentences. And then, speaking directly to the prosecution and defense teams, he asked them to consider leaving the courtroom and returning on Dec. 1 with new proposals.

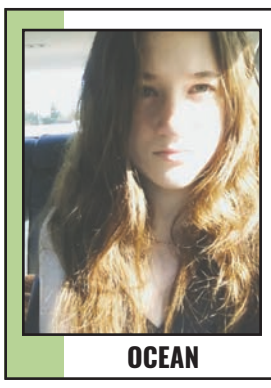
The request was not delivered as a rebuke to the opposing legal teams that sat before him. Rather, it seemed more of a push for the two parties to work together to find alternatives to the staunch, often unwavering, sentencing guidelines that repeatedly send individuals to jail for victimless crimes.

While the proposed Dec. 1 deadline would place a greater burden on the prosecution and defense teams, Judge Mack's request closely parallels his background in programs that attempt to limit the impact of victimless crimes on the state penal system and minimize the detrimental effects that incarceration has on family structures. Prior to joining the bench in late 2022, Judge Mack's background focused on at-risk youth through the Outward Bound and AmeriCorps programs. Subsequently, at the Washington State Attorney General's Office, he represented the Department of Children, Youth and Families, and volunteered with the Northwest Immigrant Right's Project

At the conclusion of the hearing, the parties agreed to the judge's request and committed to resume discussions the following month.

Jefferson County STUDENT OF THE WEEK





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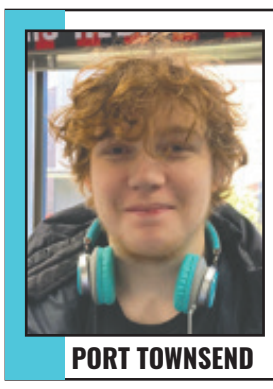
OCEAN student of the week is **Shire Welch**. This is Shire's third year in OCEAN's Online Program, and she has consistently impressed us with her ability to take responsibility for her learning, and to embrace challenges! Shire is amazing at time management, and enjoys challenging herself to work ahead in all of her classes! In her spare time, Shire volunteers at an assisted living home. She shows all she encounters kindness and compassion, and is considering working with this population after graduation. We who work with her know that she will be successful at whatever she puts her mind to.





CHIMACUM

Addison Hamilton was nominated for student of the week by the CJSHS ASB. She is a freshman and is in yearbook. She is a good role model and gets her work done. She works to get good grades and helps those around her.



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Tristyn Savill's character sings a quiet symphony of kindness, respect, and empathy for others. He stands tall in the face of adversity and always shares a smile with those who say hello. When faced with setbacks he keeps marching forward. He accepts input and support, and he uses it to keep learning and growing. Tristyn's presence on our campus is powerful. We need people like him in the world today. He is a remarkable young man, and his quiet example is one that we can all learn from. Tristyn's plan after graduation involves cooking!

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East Jefferson Habitat Board Vice President Brian Cullin touted Landes North as a "poster child for successful affordable housing" in the area and as "permanently affordable, multifamily housing that integrates really well with the community."

On Thurs., Nov. 16, the Department of Commerce announced nearly $3 million for 54 cities across 16 Washington counties to support the adoption of local comprehensive plan policies and zoning codes to allow more middle housing in residential neighborhoods in turn.



Former President Jimmy Carter and former First Lady Rosalynn Carter were advocates for Habitat. Rosalynn died last week.

Maciejewski described Landes North as being built on a "September to September" timeline of roughly a year, and acknowledged that East Jefferson Habitat has been forced to turn away some qualified housing applicants. She hopes to serve some of those folks in successive rounds of housing developments, especially as Habitat recycles some of its homes.

Tharinger credited East Jefferson Habitat with serving not only Port Townsend and the Tri-Area, but also areas such as Port Hadlock, while Maciejewski noted that Landes North's residents range from healthcare to construction workers, and "a lot of our local workforce" is below 80 percent of the average median Income, or AMI.

Robert Collins serves as director of construction, land and strategy for East Jefferson Habitat. He pointed out how local developments such as Landes North have been made possible by cooperation with not only the city of Port Townsend, but also those properties' neighbors, which has enabled Habitat to increase its housing density.

"A lot of the same folks who initially said they couldn't stand duplexes are looking at what got built, and saying they want something like that now," Collins said.

Tharinger emphasized that the local community is not only on the Olympic Peninsula, but also on the Quimper Peninsula, isolating it twice over, so those who are part of that relatively rarefied community "have got to collaborate with each other to get stuff done."

Emma Bolin, director of planning and community development for the City of Port Townsend, credited East Jefferson Habitat with providing the impetus for the city to "test-drive" methods of re-platting and revising regulations, in order to increase subdivisions and housing density.

Port Townsend City Manager John Mauro praised everyone present for their contributions to "rethinking residential capacity," even as he acknowledged that "we all still have a lot of work that we know we need to do," in a 7-square-mile town with nearly 90 miles of roads.

"We're the most unaffordable city in the state for housing, ahead of even Mercer Island," Mauro said. "And Jefferson is the second-most unaffordable county in the state, after San Juan."

Fong—in his current position for six months—cited affordable housing as an issue of primary importance to every community in the state, and pledged that the Department of Commerce would seek to promote and empower affordable housing with as many different resources as possible, given how many aspects of the department affect housing.

"If there are gaps in the system, that's why I'm out here," Fong said. "We're looking at a million more homes that need to be available across the state within the next 20 years, many of them for people who are 80 percent or even 60 percent under the AMI. Whether it's surplussing property or land banking, we need more tools in our toolbox. And our solutions need to be flexible, because Seattle's vision for its community is going to be very different from yours."

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Rosalynn and Habitat

The passing of the former U.S. First Lady Rosalynn Carter was personal and close to home for many of us at Habitat. She was the embodiment of service to humanity.

She and her husband were known throughout the world - and just as importantly to their neighbors - as being personally committed to building a better place for all of us to live.

Two stories come to mind about Mrs. Carter that resonate strongly with our Habitat family. The first is her famously, without precedent, attending White House cabinet meetings. Our CEO of Habitat for Humanity International, Jonathan Reckford, would call this "showing up in places people might not expect us" – in order to make a difference. Habitat is following this lead by increasingly and successfully working affordable housing solutions in new arenas.

The second was the former First Lady's account of remodeling of their bedroom in Plains. According to Mrs. Carter, they took on their project with confidence gained from spending a week every year building homes with Habitat for Humanity - more than 4,300 homes in 14 countries.

Home ownership has been a key Habitat pillar for decades - building strength, stability and self-reliance in partnership with families in need of decent and affordable housing.

As your Habitat sets out to double our building and repair efforts in the months and years to come, we remember Rosalynn Carter and honor her legacy as we go forward, together, to grow our community.

Jamie Maciejewski, Executive Director of Habitat for Humanity of East Jefferson County

Plan ahead to travel by ferry during Thanksgiving weekend

The Washington State Ferries system advises carving out some extra time if your Thanksgiving travel plans include a state ferry ride.

In addition to the long vehicle lines over holiday weekends, all passengers should prepare for possible last-minute schedulechanges, according to Nicole McIntosh, deputy assistant secretary of the Washington State Department of Transportation's Ferries Division.



A car deck of a Washington State Ferry carries several vehicles and bicycles, with a few people standing by the bicycles. *Courtesy photo*

McIntosh specifically stipulated that Edmonds/Kingston route travelers should plan for reduced one-boat service due to limited vessel availability.

To avoid potentially long waits when boarding a vessel in a vehicle, McIntosh encourages customers to download and check the Washington State Ferries' mobile app, before heading to the terminal for service updates and real-time conditions.

McIntosh predicted the busiest sailings for vehicles would likely be westbound, or onto an island, during Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 22-23, then eastbound, or off an island, Friday and Saturday, Nov. 24-25.

To reduce or eliminate waiting, McIntosh suggested that riders might consider taking an early morning or late-night sailing, or use transit to walk or bike onto the ferry, if possible.

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Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce employee Victoria Kellogg (front) herds local dignitaries into place for a ribbon-cutting celebrating a new rideshare program

East Jefferson Rideshare Program Picks Up Steam

BY CHARLIE BERMANT

A new rideshare program is intended to provide lower-income citizens with access to a vehicle and decrease the area's carbon footprint.

The program has been in operation for several months but was commemorated with a ribbon-cutting on Wednesday that drew about 30 people from the Port Townsend city government, the Chamber of Commerce, OlyCAP, and other agencies.

Currently, there are two vehicles in operation; one at the Chamber offices, 2409 Jefferson St., and at the Seventh Haven apartments at the corner of Seventh and Hendricks St.

The cars belong to ZEV. Coop of Bainbridge Island, which hopes to network the entire state with rideshare options.

Drivers interested in participating need to visit the ZEV.Coop web page to sign up. After a screening, they download an app that allows them to reserve a vehicle for a specific time. The cost is a sliding scale, with an average $5 hourly rate (although those who cannot afford this will get an adjustment).

OlyCap director Cherish Cronmiller said the local program needs about 50 registered drivers locally to become sustainable.

"There are families that struggle with car ownership and maintaining a vehicle," she said. "Car-sharing programs allow users to share the costs of transportation, making it more affordable for low-income individuals."

There are no restrictions on rideshare use. Once borrowed, a family could use it for a doctor's appointment in Silverdale or a trip to the Sequim WalMart. They are asked to return the car half-charged, or allow an extra hour for it to be topped off.

Seventh Haven property manager Karen Bondurant said the program has been "wildly successful" so far, and expects it to be more so when an ADA-compliant van is added to the local fleet.

"Climate change matters in a town that is surrounded by water," said Port Townsend City Manager John Mauro during the ribbon-cutting ceremony. "It matters to a town that has really checked in to being part of the solution. We are a step ahead and will continue to be so."

First Fed makes five-year commitment to arts

In celebration of 100 years of local banking in western Washington at First Fed, and 50 years of changing lives through the arts at Centrum, the bank has made a five-year, $50,000 commitment to Centrum's programs and to scholarships for participants.

"We take great pride in commemorating the remarkable 50-year journey of Centrum and celebrating their unwavering commitment to delivering world-class creative arts experiences for individuals of all ages," said Cindy Finnie, First Fed board chair. "Their dedication to arts, education, and residencies has played a pivotal role in nurturing and enriching the arts in our communities.

"We are genuinely thrilled to be a part of their ongoing success and to support their inspiring mission."

The gift was first announced at Centrum's 50th anniversary gala this summer, part of a record-breaking event which raised more than $275,000 for Centrum's programs and scholarships.

"We are grateful to be a part of First Fed's milestone centennial year, and that they chose to be a part of our legacy of art and education in Port Townsend," stated Centrum executive director Robert Birman.

"Making a multi-year gift means a great deal as we plan for the next 50 years of ever-increasing creativity and inclusivity. First Fed's generosity will fuel our programs and ensure that artists and learners—no matter their financial situation—can be a part of them."

First Fed's gift also helped to launch the "Centrum Circle" which gives recognition to donors who make a commitment of $1,000 or more for the next three to five years.

Members will be included on a donor wall in Centrum's new headquarters in building 305 at Fort Worden State Park, receive invitations to special thank-you events, and more. The generosity of the community—and supporters like First Fed—has made Centrum a vibrant home for the arts for 50 years and is what will help keep it thriving for the next generation.

In the past seven years, First Fed has donated over $8 million to non-profit organizations. In 2022, its employees volunteered over 6,800 hours with non-profit organizations.

Centrum's mission is to foster creative arts experiences that change lives. Created as a center for lifelong learning in 1974 in a unique partnership between Washington State Parks, the Superintendent of Schools, and the State Arts Commission, Centrum presents and honors traditional and evolving arts; provides creative education programs for a wide array of learners; and offers residencies for emerging and established artists.

Centrum's immersive workshops bring together aspiring and renowned artists to pass on creative legacies and build community. Public performances for thousands of visitors celebrate these programs and introduce audiences to diverse artists and art forms.

First Fed is a local community bank in Washington which has served customers and communities since 1923. It has 16 locations including 12 full-service branches in Clallam, Jefferson, King, Kitsap, and Whatcom counties.



WDFW seeks comment on orca

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is seeking public input on a draft Periodic Status Review for killer whale that includes a recommendation to keep the species on Washington's endangered species list due to the status of the Southern Resident killer whale population.

The public comment period is open until Feb. 19, 2024.

All members of the public are invited to share their perspectives and participate in WDFW public feedback.

"Following the public comment period, we will finalize the Periodic Status Review and brief the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission on the recommendation," said Cotten. The commission is tentatively scheduled to consider this topic in spring 2024.

Although Washington's transient and offshore killer whale populations are stable or increasing, the species is broadly listed as endangered in Washington due to the status of the imperiled Southern Residents.

NW Maritime Center set to shore up king tide damage

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER

A new Welcome Center isn't the only renovation coming to the Northwest Maritime Center in the New Year.

It might seem incongruous that damage done by a king tide event on Dec. 20, 2018, won't be fixed until the early winter months of 2024, but the Northwest Maritime Center's chief operating officer, Katie Oman, explained that it's taken time to secure the needed resources and ensure the job will be done properly.

Molly McCarthy, communications director for the Northwest Maritime Center, recounted how the storm surge that damaged the center's beach also caused heavy erosion at the base of the concrete stairs leading down to the beach.

"The wind-driven water scoured sediment away from the concrete beach stairs, exposing the footings, dislodging some embedded architectural boulders, and causing some of the pavers in the courtyard area to fail," said McCarthy who added that the storm surge also dislodged some large logs, which were previously anchored on the beach, as a form of shoreline protection. "Large driftwood logs were slammed into an electrical panel at the foot of the pier, crushing some conduits and damaging the enclosure."

The Northwest Maritime Center not only engaged the architects of Seattle-based Miller Hull to lead the design and estimating process, but also sought public assistance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency for the damage, based on a federal disaster declaration.

Although the design work began in 2019, the COVID-19 pandemic forced an intermission that didn't allow that work to resume in earnest until 2021.

Oman noted that the Northwest Maritime Center has been diligent in obtaining all the required permits from the city of Port Townsend, local tribal governments, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Washington State Departments of Ecology and Fish and Wildlife.

However, those permits only allow construction work to be performed during the local fish window, which began July 16 of this year and ends Feb. 15 of next year, and the project's federal funding required it to be open for public bidding by contractors, which Oman projected to take place this month.

"We hope to start this work ASAP, and complete it before the end of January 2024," McCarthy said. "The construction period is estimated to be one to two months."

Oman elaborated that construction aims to repair the exposed foundation of the concrete pathway and beach stairs at the plaza, as well as to protect the main building deck supports, after the "chronic" beach erosion she attributed to the major storms of the past five years.

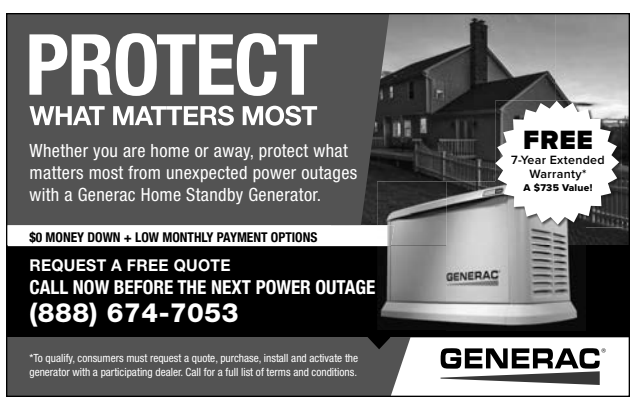
The planned repairs include excavating the upper beach sand and gravel at the undermined concrete step foundations, and pouring a new concrete footing, all below grade, to fill the voids and deepen the foundation, to avoid exposing that foundation to the elements again.

Oman used the term "beach nourishment" to describe the process of placing sand and gravel in the existing upper beach, with the additional placement of large boulders also planned, to help protect the beach and other structures from further damage.

"Velocity will remain open as usual during construction, as will the Northwest Maritime Center's library," McCarthy said.









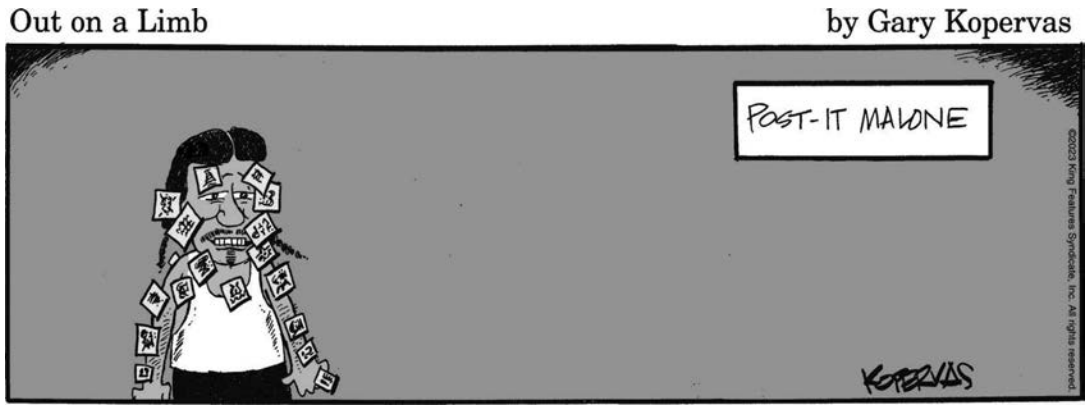
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



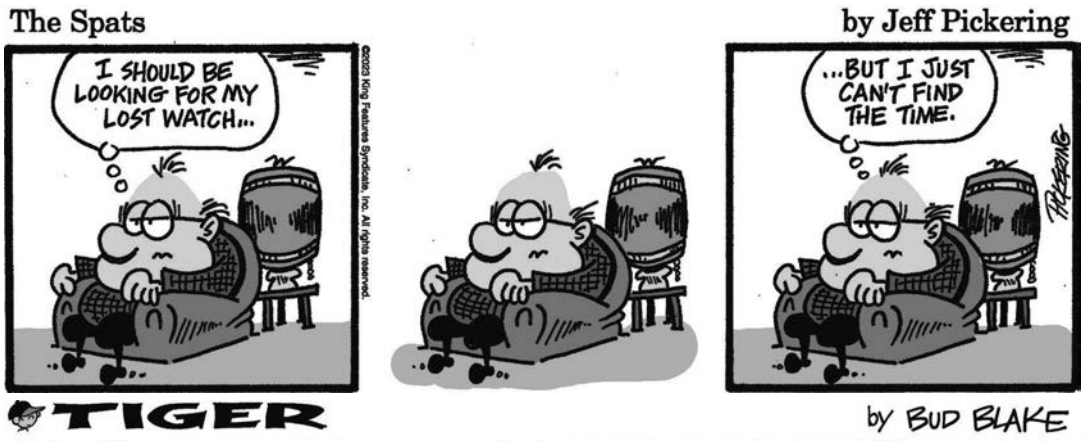
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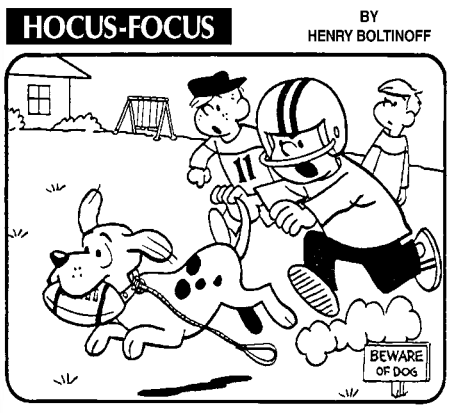


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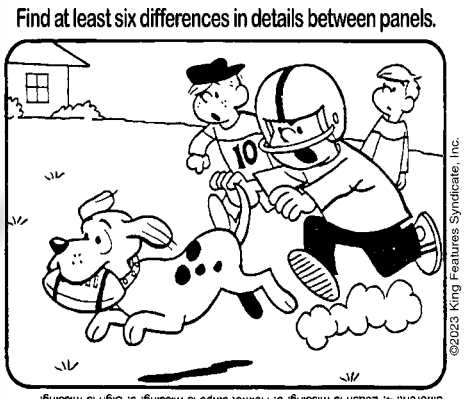


HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Swing set is missing. 2. Dog's ear is different. 3. Number is different. 4. Leash is missing. 5. Helmet stripe is missing. 6. Sign is missing.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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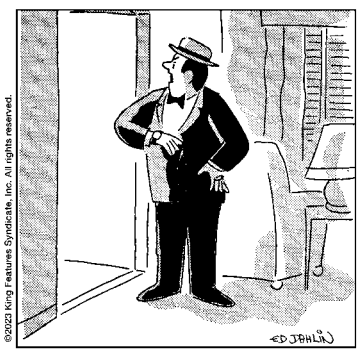
This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: **D** equals **S**

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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!

Senility **GOATED**

Wash **HABET**

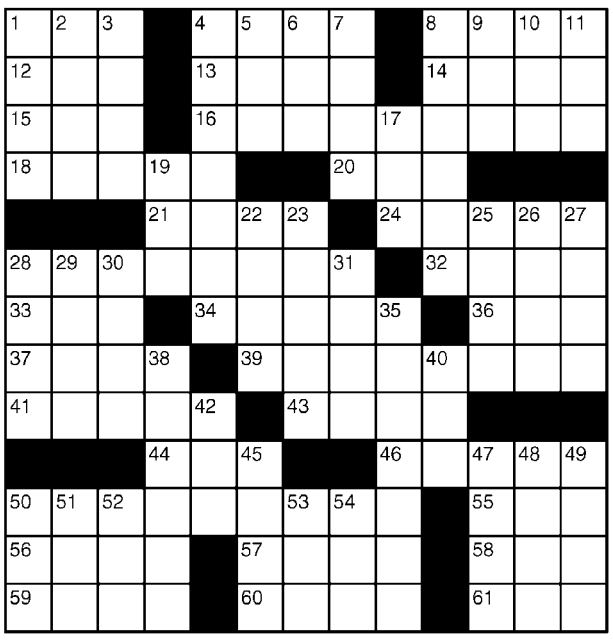
Provoke **NICETI**

Multitude **GOLINE**

TODAY'S WORD

"For a woman with _____ to wear, it certainly takes you long enough to put it on."

King Crossword



ACROSS

1 Squid squirt
4 Beloved
8 "Ditto"
12 "The Simpsons" barkeep
13 Killer whale
14 Director Kazan
15 Get older
16 Feel elated
18 Two-dot punctuation mark
20 Triage ctrs.
21 Calendar entry (Abbr.)
24 Smiles broadly
28 Flight costs
32 "Phooey!"
33 Hosp. area
34 Rich cake
36 Quarterback Manning
37 Arrears
39 NPR show hosted by Terry Gross
41 Thoreau piece
43 Gym site, for short
44 Promptly
46 Film trophy
50 Rock fan's imaginary instrument
55 Employ
56 Satan's purchase
57 Separate
58 Crib
59 Ginormous
60 Cookware
61 Newt

DOWN

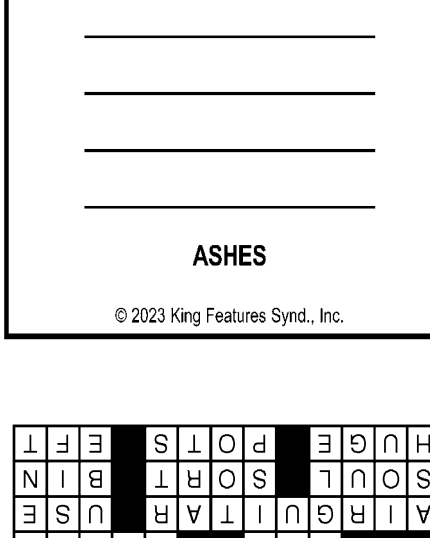
1 Apple computer
2 NASA scrub
3 Fall (over)
4 Memorized
5 Historic period
6 Oft-torn knee part, for short
7 Yard tool
8 Had a hunch
9 Carte lead-in
10 Roman 1002
11 Corn spike
17 Sphere
19 Klutz
22 Campus VIP
23 Towel material
25 Vicinity
26 Niger's neighbor
27 Swizzle
28 Staffer
29 Frozen desserts
30 Abrades
31 Goblet feature
35 Prom dates
38 Snarl
40 Owns
42 One of us
45 Trace
47 Rubik's baffler
48 "Dream on!"
49 Monopoly payment
50 Bonfire residue
51 Debtor's note
52 Bad hairpiece
53 Overly
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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.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from OWNED to ASHES in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

OWNED

_____

_____

_____

_____

ASHES

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. TELEVISION: Who starred in the drama "Knight Rider"?
2. U.S. STATES: What is the capital of Washington state?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How long does the average housefly live?
4. LITERATURE: Which mid-20th century novel about animals has the subtitle, "A Fairy Story"?
5. SCIENCE: What is the softest mineral in the world?
6. GEOGRAPHY: Which major river flows through London, England?
7. MEDICAL: What is a common name for the condition veisalgia?
8. MOVIES: In which movie did the actress Gal Gadot make her debut?
9. HISTORY: Where was the first Disney park built?
10. LANGUAGE: What is the British term for a flashlight?

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Answers

1. David Hasselhoff.
2. Olympia.
3. 15-30 days.
4. "Animal Farm."
5. Talc.
6. The River Thames.
7. Hangover.
8. "Fast & Furious" (2009).
9. Anaheim, California (1955).
10. Torch.

SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Dotage 2. Bathe; 3. Incite; 4. Legion

NOTHING

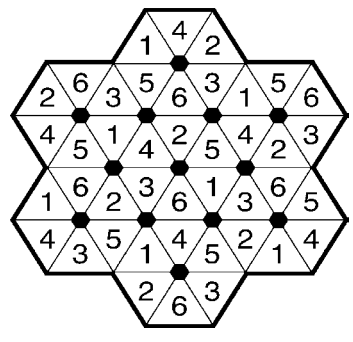
WORD LADDER

Answer

OWNED, AWNED, ACNED, ACHED, ASHED, ASHES

SNOWFLAKES

solution



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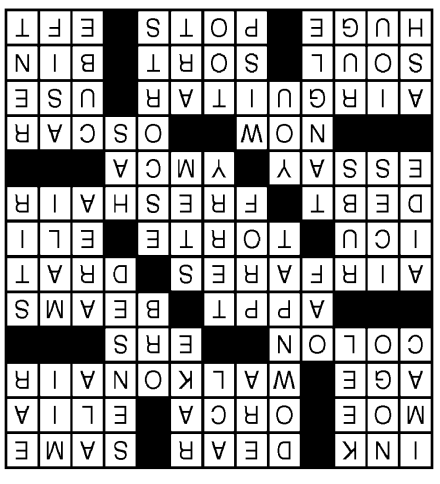
answer

If you surreptitiously pocket a pushpin out of a hardware store, what do you do? Sneak a tack.

King Crossword

Answers

Solution time: 24 mins.



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ASTROLOGY

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

It's important to pay attention to your physical health this week, Aries. It's key to give your body plenty of rest and healthy foods to strengthen your immune system.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Something out of the ordinary may happen to you this week, Taurus. You don't know what to expect, but be aware of your surroundings and the people you meet.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

This is a perfect time to review your goals or to-do list, Gemini. If you don't have things jotted down, brainstorm with friends on what you may want to accomplish, then make plans.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, do not turn anyone away if they come to you looking for assistance. Someone in need is likely to seek you out in the days to come and you should be ready.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

There is no shame in taking a day off or slowing down for a breather, Leo. Spend the day in bed or lounging on the couch if you desire. Give yourself a break if you've been running around.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

If emotions are high, Virgo, you might need to figure out a way to relieve some stress. Turn on the music loudly and dance around in your home while singing along.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, you could feel sluggish a few days this week. Once some friends urge you to get out and do something, you'll quickly feel reenergized and ready to have a good time.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, failure can be a tough pill to swallow, but if you don't succeed at something you have to get back up and simply try again. Don't let one setback eat at you for long.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Don't let your pride get in the way of rekindling a friendship Sagittarius. Rather than drum up old news, talk about the things you look forward to doing together.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, things may work out if you give them another chance. Don't throw in the towel on your ideas just yet. Figure out a new angle and then get started on a new course.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Take the blinders or rose-colored glasses off, Aquarius. You can't adequately handle a situation unless you know all of the facts and have a clear grasp of reality.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

If things are starting to feel boring, it might be time for a change of pace, Pisces. Simple things like changing around the furniture or taking a new route home can help.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER 19 Adam Driver, Actor (40)
NOVEMBER 20 Joseph Biden, U.S. President (81)
NOVEMBER 21 Carly Rae Jepsen, Singer (38)
NOVEMBER 22 Dacre Montgomery, Actor (29)
NOVEMBER 23 Miley Cyrus, Singer (31)
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NOVEMBER 25 Christina Applegate, Actress (52)

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The Jefferson County Commissioners are seeking individuals to fill 5 positions on the 15-member Climate Action Committee. The CAC serves as an advisory group to the City of Port Townsend and Jefferson County on climate action policies, programs and priorities with specific focus on greenhouse gas emissions, preparing for climate impacts, monitoring progress, and conducting community outreach. This includes recommendations on how to achieve the goal of an 80% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from 1990 levels by the year 2050 as specified in Jefferson County Resolution 44-07/ City of Port Townsend Resolution 07-22 via the Climate Action Plan. The successful applicant will be appointed to a Three (3) Year Term unless noted. Applicants must reside in Jefferson County, and may be asked to disclose membership in a political party to avoid a majority (per RCW 47.60.310). Applicants should submit an application found here:https://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/DocumentCenter/View/4827/Boards-Commission-Application and submit via email to jeffbocc@co.jefferson.wa.us or mail to: Jefferson County Commissioners, P.O. Box 1220 / 1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368. This is a non-paid position. Applications will be accepted through Wednesday, November 28, 2023.

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City Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
City of Port Townsend
Ordinance 3325 Adopting the 2024 City Budget

The preliminary budget for 2024 has been filed with the City Clerk. The City Council will meet in regular session to conduct a public hearing to consider Ordinance 3325 adopting the 2024 City Budget. The hearing is scheduled for Monday, December 4, 2023, at or about 6:00 p.m. in City Hall Council Chambers, 540 Water Street, Port Townsend, Washington. Persons wishing to testify may do so either by submitting verbal testimony during the public hearing by joining in person via computer or tablet at http://joinwebinar.com (enter the 9 digit Webinar ID 242-937-55) or by submitting written comments to the City Clerk, City of Port Townsend, 250 Madison Street, Suite 2, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Written comments must be received by 4:30 p.m. on December 4, 2023. Submit public comment emails to be included in the written record to: publiccomment@cityofpt.us . The proposed ordinance will be available for review by December 4, 2023 in the City Clerk's office on the second floor of City Hall, 250 Madison Street.

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County Notices

Equipment Operator needed to work full time (40hrs/week) at the Transfer Station just outside of Port Townsend. Duties include operating various equipment such as a loader, tractor trailer and knuckle boom crane, maintaining equipment, directing customers and working in the scale house. Job requires physical labor up to 10 hours/day, outdoors, in varying weather conditions. Education and/or Experience: High school diploma/GED with 2 years related experience in heavy equipment/ tractor trailer operation and/or facility maintenance. A valid WA State Commercial Driver License Class A is preferred but training may be provided depending on equipment operation experience and the candidate's ability to obtain one within one year of employment. Compensation: Teamsters Grade A4-D, A4-E, or A4-F position. Full wage range $21.47 to $31.02 per hour. Typical starting pay is $21.47 to $24.84 DOE. Full benefits. For application, to apply, and see benefits visit www.co.jefferson.wa.us/jobs.aspx Openuntil filled. EOE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2023-2024 PUBLIC FEE CHANGES FOR THE COUNTY AUDITOR, THE COUNTY SHERIFF, THE PUBLIC RECORDS ACT ADMINISTRATOR, THE COUNTY CLERK, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a joint public hearing is scheduled by the Jefferson County Board of Health and Board of County Commissioners for MONDAY, November 27, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368 (HYBRID). Notice of said hearing is to be published in the official newspaper of Jefferson County.

This public hearing is to allow the Board of County Commissioners to consider and hear public testimony regarding five ordinances and five resolutions that would update public fee schedules for five offices/ departments in county government: Auditor ' s Office, Sheriff's Office, Public Records Act (PRA) Administrator, Clerk' s Office, and the Department of Public Health / Environmental Health Division. There will be some code changes contained in these ordinances to implement a new system of fee adoption under Chapter 3.80 of the Jefferson County Code for each of these departments. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of County Commissioners may or may not take-action on the five ordinances and five resolutions.

The information is available for viewing on the County website by clicking on: www.co.jefferson.wa.us – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) Board of Commissioners – BOCC Agenda Packet – 2023 Weekly Agenda Items – 27 November 2023– 112723

You are welcome to participate in this hearing. You will need to join the meeting by 10:30 a.m. using the following methods: VIRTUALLY: Via the following Zoom, link: https://zoom.us/j/93777841705, PHONE: Dial 1-253-215-8782 and enter access code: 937-7784- 1705# and press *9 to "raise your hand" to be called upon. Access for the hearing impaired can be accommodated using Washington Relay Service at 1-800-833-6384, or IN-PERSON To view documents or watch this meeting live with no participation, go to www.co.jefferson.wa.us Follow the links under "Quick Links: Videos of Meetings: Today." If you experience difficulties joining the meeting or viewing documents please call 360-385-9100 to report any issues. In addition, written testimony is also invited beginning on November 15, 2023 through the end of the Public Hearing on November 27, 2023, unless extended by the Board of County Commissioners. Written public testimony may be submitted by Email to: jeffbocc@co.jefferson.wa.us You may view testimony received by going to: www.co.jefferson.wa.us – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) – Board of County Commissioners – BOCC Agenda Packets – 2023 Weekly Agenda Items – 27 November 2023 – 112723 You can also Mail your testimony to: Jefferson County Commissioners' Office; P.O. Box 1220, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Written testimony must be received by the Board of County Commissioners by the end of the hearing testimony period. Signed this 13th day of November, 2023. JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS /S/Greg Brotherton, Chair

206523 11/15-11/22

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2023-2024 PUBLIC FEE CHANGES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH)

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This public hearing is to allow the Board of Health and the Board of County Commissioners to consider and hear public testimony regarding an ordinance and resolution that would update public fee schedules for the Department of Public Health / Environmental Health Division. There will be some code changes contained in these ordinances to implement a new system of fee adoption under Chapter 3.80 of the Jefferson County Code for this department. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Board of Health and The Board of Commissioners may or may not take-action on the ordinance or resolution.

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You can also Mail your testimony to: Jefferson County Commissioners' Office; P.O. Box 1220, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Written testimony must be received by the Board of County Commissioners by the end of the hearing testimony period.

Signed this 13th day of November, 2023. JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH /S/
Dr. Kees Kolff, Chair

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2024-2025 JEFFERSON COUNTY BIENNIAL BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing is scheduled by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners for MONDAY, December 4, 2023 at 11:15 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson Street, Port \ Townsend, WA 98368 (HYBRID). Notice of said hearing is to be published in the official newspaper of Jefferson County. This hearing is to inform citizens of the 2024-2025 Biennial Budget including the General Fund, Public Works, Special Funds, and the Jefferson County Road Construction Program. The information is available for viewing on the County website by going to: 2024-2025 Proposed Biennial Budget is available by visiting: www.co.jefferson.wa.us and follow this pathway – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) – Jefferson – BOCC Agenda Packets – 2023 Weekly Agenda Items – 12 December 2023 – 120423 – Hearing re: Biennial Budget 2024-2025 You are welcome to participate in this hearing. You will need to join the meeting by 11:15 a.m. using the following methods: VIRTUALLY: Via the following Zoom, link: https://zoom.us/j/93777841705, PHONE: Dial 1-253-215-8782 and enter access code: 937- 7784-1705# and press *9 to "raise your hand" to be called upon. Access for the hearing impaired can be accommodated using Washington Relay Service at 1-800-833-6384, or IN-PERSON To view documents or watch this meeting live with no participation, go to www.co.jefferson.wa.us Follow the links under "Quick Links: Videos of Meetings: Today." If you experience difficulties joining the meeting or viewing documents please call 360-385-9100 to report any issues. In addition, written testimony is also invited beginning on November 22, 2023 and ending on November 29, 2023 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 You may view testimony received by visiting: www.co.jefferson.wa.us and follow this pathway – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) – Board of County Commissioners – BOCC Agenda Packets – 2023 Weekly Agenda Items – 12 December 2023 – 120423 You can also Mail your testimony to: Jefferson County Commissioners' Office; P.O. Box 1220, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Written testimony must be received by the Board of County Commissioners by the end of the hearing testimony period. Signed this 20th day of November, 2023.
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING JEFFERSON COUNTY 2024-2029 SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing is scheduled by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners for MONDAY, December 4, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, County Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368 (HYBRID). Notice of said hearing is to be published in the official newspaper of Jefferson County. This hearing is for the purpose of receiving written and verbal testimony about the adoption of the draft Jefferson County 2024-2029 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). "Each county shall perpetually have available advanced plans looking to the future for not less than six years as a guide in carrying out a coordinated transportation program, RCW 36.81.121(1)."Jefferson County ensures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, or national origin in the provision of benefits and services resulting from its federally assisted programs & activities. The meeting site is ADA accessible. Accommodations for people with disabilities can be arranged with advance notice by calling 360-385-9100. The information is available for viewing at the Commissioners' office (open 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.), the Jefferson County Public Works office, 623 Sheridan Street, Port Townsend (open 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.), and on the Jefferson County website by navigating to: www.co.jefferson.wa.us/444/6-Yr-TIP You are welcome to participate in this hearing. You will need to join the meeting by 1:30 p.m. using the following methods: VIRTUALLY: Via the following Zoom, link: https://zoom.us/j/93777841705, PHONE: Dial 1-253-215-8782 and enter access code: 937-7784-1705# and press *9 to "raise your hand" to be called upon. Access for the hearing impaired can be accommodated using Washington Relay Service at 1-800-833-6384, or IN-PERSON To view documents or watch this meeting live with no participation, go to www.co.jefferson.wa.us Follow the links under "Quick Links: Videos of Meetings: Today." If you experience difficulties joining the meeting or viewing documents, please call 360-385-9100 to report any issues. In addition, written testimony is invited beginning November 22, 2023 and ending on December 4, 2023, at the end of the Public Hearing, unless extended by the Board of County Commissioners. Written public testimony may be submitted via Email to: jeffbocc@co.jefferson.wa.us You may view testimony received by clicking here: www.co.jefferson.wa.us – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) – Board of County Commissioners – BOCC Agenda Packets – 2023 Weekly Agenda Items – 12 December 2023 – 120423 You may also Mail your testimony to: Jefferson County Commissioners' Office; P.O. Box 1220, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Written testimony must be received by the Board of County Commissioners by the end of the hearing testimony period.

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NOTICE TO CONSULTANTS REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ENGINEERING AND RELATED SERVICES PORT HADLOCK WASTEWATER PROJECT

The Jefferson County Department of Public Works (hereafter referred to as the Agency) is seeking services from consulting firms to provide engineering planning, design, environmental, economic, and construction phase services for the next phases of the Port Hadlock Wastewater System. The Agency is soliciting Statements of Qualifications (SOQs) from consulting firms with experience in all areas of wastewater system planning, design and construction including: treatment and reclamation processes; collection systems and pump stations including pressure sewer systems and grinder pump systems; topographic, boundary and construction surveying; geotechnical engineering, hydrology and hydraulic analysis; economic and rate analysis; and environmental permitting.

The full text of the Request for Qualifications is available on Jefferson County's website at https://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/428/Business-Opportunities To be considered, the Statement of Qualifications must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm, December 15, 2023.

Equal Opportunity: The Jefferson County Public Works in accordance with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (78 Stat. 252.42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4) and the Regulations, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises will be afforded full and fair opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, or national origin in consideration for an award.

Commerce Funding: This project is funded through the Washington State Department of Commerce with federal funds from the U.S. Treasury ARPA SLRF Project No. 22-96515-026. All work performed on this project will be subject to state prevailing wage rates. Jefferson County is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer. Contractors are encouraged to commit to local hires for this project. Small, Minority- and Women-Owned firms are encouraged to submit bids.

Ecology Funding: It is anticipated that this project will be funded in part by the Washington State Department of Ecology. Neither the State of Washington nor any of its departments or employees are, or shall be, a party to any contract or any subcontract resulting from this solicitation for bids.

EPA Funding: It is anticipated that this project will be funded in part by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60–1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60–1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964–1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

206516 11/15-11/22

NOTICE TO MATERIAL TESTING FIRMS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES FOR PORT HADLOCK WASTEWATER PROJECT JEFFERSON COUNTY, WA COUNTY PROJECT NO. 405-2114-0

The Jefferson County Department of Public Works (hereafter referred to as the Agency) is seeking material testing services from companies for multiple phases of the Port Hadlock Sewer Project, refer to the Request for Proposals, Section 2 for description of the Port Hadlock Sewer Project phases.

The full text of the Request for Proposal is available on Jefferson County's website at https://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/428/Business-Opportunities

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206520 11/15

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATION AND LOBBYING SERVICES

Jefferson County is seeking proposals from qualified individuals or firms (hereinafter referred to solely as "firm") to provide legislative representation, funding strategy assistance and lobbying services as described herein. Jefferson County has engaged a contract lobbyist firm to represent its interests in the past and its current contract expires on December 31, 2023. Through this Request for Proposals (RFP), the County is seeking competitive proposals to continue and potentially expand lobbying services. Preference will be given to firms with experience representing rural local governments, as well as proposals offering both state and federal legislative representation and lobbying services. Packets for the Legislative Representation and Lobbying Services RFP's are available online at: www.co.jefferson.wa.us – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (Username and Password is: public) – Board of Commissioners – RFP's – 2024 Lobbying Services Or request a copy by contacting 360-385-9100 or County Administrator, P.O. Box 1220, 1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA 98368. Proposal Deadline: On or before 4:30 p.m. November 24, 2023 (received in digital form to mmccauley@co.jefferson.wa.us, if you need assistance call 360-385-9100.

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School Notices

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Chimacum School District

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS:
Chimacum School District
Chimacum Elementary School & Junior-Senior High School Tenant Improvements Date of Bid Opening: December 19, 2023
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS:
Date of Bid: December 19, 2023 Sealed Bids will be received by Chimacum School District on December 19, 2023 at the Chimacum School District Office, 91 West Valley Road, Chimacum, WA 98325 for the Chimacum Elementary School & Junior-Senior High School Tenant Improvements project.

1. Part I of the Bid Form will be received up to 2:00 p.m. on December 19, 2023.

2. Part II of the Bid Form will be received up to 3:00 p.m. on December 19, 2023.

Bids will then be publicly opened and read aloud. Chimacum School District reserves the right to postpone the Bid opening, to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bid process, and to reject any or all Bids.

Project Scope
The work will include, but not be limited to, miscellaneous improvements at the Elementary/Junior-Senior High School campus at 91 West Valley Road, Chimacum, WA 98325.

Questions:
Questions about this project should be directed to:

A/E Name: Studio Meng Strazzara
Contact Person: Bryant Draper
Phone Number: (206) 587-3797
Email: bdraper@studioms.com

Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting
The Project site is available for inspection by prospective bidders at a mandatory pre-bid site meeting and walk-through. All prospective bidders must attend one of the following meetings:

1. 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 29, 2023 at the District Main Office at 91 West Valley Road, Chimacum, WA 98325.
2. 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at the District Main Office at 91 West Valley Road, Chimacum, WA 98325.

Bid Security
A surety company bid bond on a form acceptable to Owner, a cashier's check or a certified check payable to the order of Chimacum School District shall accompany each bid in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the Base Bid.

Project Documents
Bid documents are available beginning November 20, 2023 from:
On-Line Plan Center
Free-of-charge access to project bid documents (plans, specifications, addenda, and Bidders List) is provided to Prime Bidders, Subcontractors, and Vendors by going to www.bxwa.com and clicking on "Posted Projects", "Public Works", and "Chimacum School District 49". This online plan room provides Bidders with fully usable online documents with the ability to: download, view, print, order full/partial plan sets from numerous reprographic sources, and a free online digitizer/take-off tool. It is recommended that Bidders "Register" in order to receive automatic e-mail notification of future addenda and to place themselves on the "Self-Registered Bidders List". Bidders that do not register will not be automatically notified of addenda and will need to periodically check the on-line plan room for addenda issued on this project. Contact Builders Exchange of Washington at (425) 258-1303 should you require assistance with access or registration. The content available through bxwa.com is our property or the property of our licensors and is protected by copyright and other intellectual property laws. Access to project documents is intended for use by bidders (general contractors/prime bidders, subcontractors and suppliers), agency personnel and agency's consultants, as well as for personal, noncommercial, use by the public. You may display or print the content available for these uses only. "Harvesting" (downloading, copying, and transmitting) of any project information and/or project documents for purposes of reselling and/or redistributing information by any other party is not allowed by BXWA.
Notice to Proceed
A Notice to Proceed will be issued following Chimacum School Board approval on January 10, 2024 and no later than January 26, 2024.

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Port Notices

PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND

NOTICE OF SALE

RCW 53.08

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Portland, OR 97229
DESCRIPTION OF VESSEL
48' 1991 Seahawk
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BALANCE OWING
$19,535.38

VESSEL NO. OR NAME
WENDY(MONOCRACY)
LAST KNOWN OWNER
Chris McCartney
3105 S 10th St.
Tacoma, WA 98405
DESCRIPTION OF VESSEL
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DATED: November 9, 2023
PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND
BY: S. ABIGAIL BERG
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE
AND ADMINISTRATION
206490 11/22

P.U.D. Notices

CONTRACTOR PREQUALIFICATION

Jefferson County PUD No. 1, Port Townsend, Washington, is updating its Pre-Qualified Electrical Contractor Roster for contract work for electrical facility construction or improvement in accordance with State of Washington requirements. Contractors must be pre-qualified by the District's Board of Commissioners annually to work on the District's electrical and/or fiber systems. Typical contracts bid under this list include construction or improvement of electrical transmission and distribution lines, pole inspection and treatment, tree trimming and brushing, etc. Fiber work may consist of splicing, overhead and/or underground fiber construction projects. If you are not already on the District's Prequalified Electrical Contractor's Roster and would like to apply to be considered for inclusion on the 2024 roster, please visit our website at www.jeffpud.org and click on Records/Data and then Contractor Information, for application documents or contact Karen Abbott, Broadband Administrative Assistant at 360.379-5824. Completed applications must be received by 4:00 pm, Monday, November 30, 2023. All contractors must be registered with the State of Washington. By applying, you are also verifying that your firm is not in a suspended status or on any State or Federal Debarment list.
206533 11/22

Legal Notices

NOTICE: ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF APPLICATION

PERMIT NO: ST0005096
APPLICANT: Garth Mann
9300 East Raintree Drive, Suite 100
Scottsdale, AZ 98260
FACILITY: Hamlet of Pleasant Harbor 47.65692, -122.92365
(Formal Address Not Yet Defined)
Brinnon, WA 98320

Garth Mann has applied for a New Reclaimed Water Discharge Permit in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 90.48 Revised Code of Washington (RCW) and Chapter 173-219 Washington Administrative Code (WAC).

The Hamlet of Pleasant Harbor Facility proposes to discharge reclaimed water for irrigation or land application. A municipal wastewater treatment plant will be used to produce the reclaimed water, and must meet the requirements of Chapter 90.48 RCW and applicable regulations for a permit to be issued.

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) determined the application to be complete on February 2, 2023. Ecology is proposing to issue the permit and is hereby issuing public notice of its intent. Interested persons are invited to submit their name, address, and comments regarding this permit to:
Alisha Mckittrick
Department of Ecology
Southwest Regional Office
PO Box 47775
Olympia, WA 98504-7775
Email comments should be sent to alisha.mckittrick@ecy.wa.gov.

All respondents to this notice will receive a copy of the draft permit and fact sheet before the final permit is issued. A 30-day public comment period will be provided for the draft permit prior to final issuance.

To request an ADA accommodation, contact Ecology by phone at 360-407-6831 or email at ecyadacoordinator@ecy.wa.gov. For TTY or Washington Relay Service, call 711 or 877-833-6341. Visit Ecology's website at https://ecology.wa.gov/About-us/Accountability-transparency/Accessibility for more information
206528 11/15-11/22

Notice to Creditors

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR KING COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of
DAVID LEE STEELE,
Deceased.
No. 23-4-07088-4 SEA
AMENDED
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent that arose before the Decedent's death 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 or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (a) Thirty (30) days after the Personal Representatives served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (b) four (4) months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim will be 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 nonprobate assets.
Date of First Publication: November 1, 2023.
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE:
Cairn Pauline Steele
ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Erin Albanese
ADDRESS FOR MAILING OR SERVICE: Peterson Russell Kelly Livengood, PLLC Attn: Erin Albanese 10900 NE Fourth Street, Suite 1850 Bellevue, WA 98004-8341
COURT OF PROBATE PROCEEDINGS AND CAUSE NUMBER: King County Superior Court,
No. 23-4-07088-4 SEA.
Attorney for Personal Representative:
PETERSON RUSSELL KELLY LIVENGOOD, PLLC
By: Erin Albanese, WSBA #46235
Published: Port Townsend Leader
November 1, 8, 15, 2023
Legal No.206342

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

In re the Estate of:
LESLIE JOCELYN AICKIN,
Deceased.
NO. 23-4-00111-16
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
[RCW 11.40.010 & .015]
The personal representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Persons having claims against the decedent must, prior to the time such claims would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, serve their claim on the personal representative or the attorney of record at the address below stated and file an executed copy of the claim with the Clerk of this Court within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or within four months after the date of the filing of the copy of this Notice with the Clerk of the Court, whichever is later or, except under those provisions included in RCW 11.40.011 and RCW 11.40.013, the claim will be forever barred. This bar is effective as to the claim against both the probate assets and nonprobate assets of the estate.
DATE OF FILING COPY OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Thursday, November 9, 2023
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: Wednesday, November 22, 2023
Personal Representative:
Lindsay B. Aickin
12023 SW 232nd St.
Vashion, WA. 98070
c/o James A. Doros, Esq.
Attorney for Estate:
James A. Doros, WSBA 16267
11255 Rhody Drive
Port Hadlock, WA.98339
206491 11/22, 11/29, 12/6

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

In the Matter of the Estate of:
CRISTINE RUTLEDGE,
Deceased.
NO. 23-4-00107-16
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.020(2)
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as Administrator of this estate. Persons having claims against the decedent must prior to the time such claims would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, serve their claims on the Administrator's attorney of record at the address stated below AND file an executed copy of the claim with the Clerk of this Court within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or within four months after the date of the filing of the copy of the this Notice with the Clerk of the Court, whichever is later or, except under those provisions included in RCW 11.40.011 and 11.40.013, the claim will be forever barred. This bar is effective as to the claims against both the probate assets and nonprobate assets of the decedent.
Date of first publication:
November 15, 2023
Personal Representative:
Cheryl Collins
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Brittany S. Arnold, WSBA #42586
Address for Mailing or Service:
Cross Sound Law Group, PLLC
19307 8th Avenue NE, Suite C
Poulsbo, WA 98370
206518 11/15, 11/22, 11/29

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

NO. 23-4-00112-16
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
[RCW 11.40.010 & .015]
In re the Estate of:
RAYMOND DANIEL MCCANNA,
Deceased.
The personal representative named below has been appointed and has qualified as personal representative of this estate. Persons having claims against the decedent must, prior to the time such claims would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, serve their claim on the personal representative or the attorney of record at the address below stated and file an executed copy of the claim with the Clerk of this Court within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or within four months after the date of the filing of the copy of this Notice with the Clerk of the Court, whichever is later or, except under those provisions included in RCW 11.40.011 and RCW 11.40.013, the claim will be forever barred. This bar is effective as to the claim against both the probate assets and nonprobate assets of the estate.
DATE OF FILING COPY OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS: November 15, 2023
DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: November 22, 2023
Personal Representative Becky J. Taylor
Attorney for Estate JAMES A. DOROS WSBA #16267
Personal Representative:
Becky J. Taylor
265 Blue Jay Lane
Port Ludlow, WA. 98365
c/o James A. Doros, Esq.
Attorney for Estate:
James A. Doros, WSBA 16267
11255 Rhody Drive
Port Hadlock, WA.98339
206581 11/22, 11/29, 12/6

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE WASHINGTON
IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF JEFFERSON

In RE the Estate of
Melinda A. Bryden
Deceased
NO. 23-4-00108-16
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)
The person named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitation, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney 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 the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditors as provided under RCW 11.42.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of the 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 11.42.051 and 11.42.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Personal Representative of said Estate:
Ronald R. Hayes
Olympic Law Firm PLLC
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Robert G. Bowen WSB # 41382
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Kiwanis mystery dinner is a 'Murder in the Magical Kingdom'

The cast of the Port Townsend Kiwanis Mystery Dinner is gearing up for another great show.

Tickets are now on sale for the annual mystery dinner fundraising show sponsored by the PT Kiwanis Club. The 2023 performance, titled "Murder in the Magical Kingdom," is presented by the Port Townsend Mystery Players.

Ramon Dailey, who writes and directs the shows, stated, "I'm really excited and grateful for getting another chance to put on one of our shows. I get to be creative with some of my best friends, entertain the community that I love, and raise some money for a great cause. Come join us!"

The PT Mystery Players is a group of amateur actors who donate their time and talent to the cause. Several of them – David and Mary Crozier, Jan Boutilier, and Ramon Dailey – have been in every one of the past mystery dinner shows since its inception in 2006.

Attendees may choose from two performances on Friday and Saturday evenings, Dec. 1 or 2 at the Oscar Erickson Building at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds, 4907 Landes St. in Port Townsend.

Tickets are available for both shows which will be catered by Thysen & Debi Scott of GBF (God Bless Food). Vegetarian and gluten-free items are available.

Tickets typically sell out, so purchasing them now is really essential according to David and Mary Crozier, chairs of the Kiwanis committee. "There are tables for groups of six at both the Friday and Saturday shows, and this production is a great place for businesses to hold their holiday parties."

Doors open at 5 p.m., the show starts at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. The evening includes drinks, socializing, silent auction, and displays from Kiwanis and other organizations.

Tickets are advance-sale only and sales will be cut off on Monday, Nov. 27 in order to get a proper headcount for the caterer. The cost of the ticket, which includes the dinner and show, is $60, with all proceeds benefiting the Jefferson County Children's Programs supported by the PT Kiwanis Club.



Row 1: l-r: Ramon Dailey, Jim Guthrie, Jan Boutilier, Jason Noltemeier
Row 2: Jennifer Mead, Alanna Dailey, Emily Holmes, Ben Shafer

This year, funds will go towards Foster Support Groups of Jefferson County to help foster kids and their fostering families.

Tickets are available at brownpapertickets.com or by contacting Mary Crozier at 360-531-0200.

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The Port Townsend High School Key Interact Club shows off some of the 300-plus cookies they baked for the Nov. 25 "Community Bowls and Soup Share." *Courtesy photo*

Port Townsend High School Key Club supports community

BY LOIS SHERWOOD
SPECIAL TO THE LEADER

The week ending Nov. 17 saw the Port Townsend High School Key Interact Club make more than 300 cookies for the annual "Community Bowls and Soup Share," which is to take place this year at the Finnriver Farm and Cidery in Chimacum, on Saturday, Nov. 25, from noon to 5:30 p.m.

The PTHS Key Interact Club is jointly sponsored by the Port Townsend Sunrise Rotary, the Rotary Club of Port Townsend and the Port Townsend Kiwanis Club.

The purpose of the Key Interact Club is to provide a framework for building leadership and service in high school students.

The student-led group is also planning to support the Kiwanis' "Fill the Bus" holiday event, as well as to create connections with residents of area care facilities, clean area cemeteries and beaches, plant trees, collect socks for those in need, provide support for homeless teens, and seek to meet other local and international needs as they arise.

This marks the second year the Key Interact Club has baked cookies for the "Community Bowls and Soup Share," and the club also plans to help members of the Port Townsend Sunrise Rotary serve bread sticks, donated by the Crusty Crumb Bakery, and soup, prepared by Chef Aron Stark of Jefferson Healthcare.

Vegetables for the soup will be provided by the Midori, Spring Rain and Serendipity farms, and the soup itself will be free for all.

This year, Darby Huffman, of "Laughin'Gnome Pottery" in Port Townsend, has been joined by Center Valley Pottery, Millbrook Clayworks, and "Earth and Aether" in crafting more than 250 unique bowls, which will be for sale by donation.

Proceeds from the sales of cookies and bowls will benefit Olympic Neighbors and the Longhouse Project.

Olympic Neighbors' mission is to create a home and community for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, where they can be supported, nurtured and inspired to lead meaningful lives, at home and in the community.

The Longhouse Project is an indigenous revitalization project, focusing on land stewardship and education, to create a gathering space in the community, for both indigenous and non-indigenous people to congregate and celebrate.

For more information about the Key Interact Club, the Port Townsend Sunrise Rotary or the "Community Bowls and Soup Share," contact PtTownsendSunriseRotary@gmail.com.



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Sci-fi shows speculate on societal changes

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER



"Monarch: Legacy of Monsters" depicts a world that's been culturally and politically transformed by "Titans" such as Godzilla, on Apple TV+. *Courtesy photo*

The Apple TV+ streaming service delivered a couple of solid sci-fi series these past few weeks.

Friday, Nov. 17 saw the premiere of the first two episodes of "Monarch: Legacy of Monsters," which is slated to last at least 10 episodes running weekly through Jan. 12, 2024.

"Monarch" is set in Legendary and Warner Bros. Pictures' "MonsterVerse" and I'd recommend having seen at least 2014's "Godzilla" and 2017's "Kong: Skull Island" before starting this one, which I suspect might also soon encompass the events of 2019's "Godzilla: King of the Monsters" and 2021's "Godzilla vs. Kong" as well.

"Monarch" is named for the covert scientific organization dedicated to tracking the giant monsters known as "Titans," and John Goodman puts in a welcome return cameo in the series opener as Bill Randa, the Monarch researcher who featured so prominently in "Skull Island."

Randa and his relatives are central players in the events that follow, in parallel storylines taking place not only during the 1950s, but also in 2015, one year after "G-Day," when Godzilla attacked San Francisco in the 2014 film.

"Monarch" depicts a world that's clearly been culturally and politically transformed by the Titans, as we encounter a Tokyo equipped with overpass-mounted missile launchers, as well as posted escape routes and emergency drills, in case of Godzilla attacks, at the same time that ordinary citizens circulate conspiracy theories online, claiming the giant monsters are hoaxes.

Because if Godzilla actually existed, of course there would be "Godzilla truthers."

The character who links our decades-separated parallel storylines is an Army veteran named Leland Lafayette "Lee" Shaw III, and the ingenious conceit behind this series' casting is that the older and younger versions of Lee Shaw are played by real-life father-and-son actors Kurt and Wyatt Russell, the latter of whom distinguished himself as temporary Captain America John Walker in the Marvel Cinematic Universe's "The Falcon and the Winter Soldier" on Disney+.

By the end of the second episode, both Shaw in the 1950s and in 2015 have acquired partners on their respective quests for the truth, and while each team is imbued with its own appealing dynamic, thanks to compelling performers such as Kiersey Clemons (whom I adored in 2018's "Hearts Beat Loud"), it's the Russell men who act as the glue that holds this narrative together.

Wyatt's younger Lee provides a man of action whose horizons are broadened by his Indiana Jones-style searches for strange new lifeforms in far-away wildlands, while Kurt's older Lee hints at his hard-earned wisdom with his level, flinty-eyed gaze and unfazed reactions to his younger companions' Jason Bourne-style games of pursuit and evasion against Monarch.

I can only begin to guess where this might be headed, but I'm along for the ride regardless.

This also sums up my feelings about "For All Mankind," whose fourth season premiered on Friday, Nov. 10, on Apple TV+, but which I didn't discover until I saw a promo during "Monarch."

How could you people have neglected to inform me of such a thoroughly thought-out, deftly executed alternative history series about the development of the space exploration program?

Fired, fired … all of you are fired.

The premise of "For All Mankind" is deceptively simple. In real life, Sergei Korolev, the father of the Soviet space program, died in 1966, and Russia's race for the moon never really recovered. But in this series' alternate history, Korolev lived, and Soviet cosmonaut Alexei Leonov became the first man on the moon in 1969.

"For All Mankind" explores the "Butterfly Effect" implications of this change, across all levels of society, as an existentially threatened America that's fallen even further behind in the "Space Race" than it was after Russia launched Sputnik, becomes willing to resort to far more radical progress than the triumphant America that made it to the moon first in real life.



"For All Mankind," on Apple TV+, speculates on what might have happened if the Soviet Union had made it to the moon first. *Courtesy photo*

I've long admired America's astronauts as figures who approached the level of philosopher kings and Renaissance men of old, because they had to possess the mental capacity of engineers and the sheer strength of will of warriors, but even thrilling films like "Apollo 13" suffer from the fact that all it takes is glancing at Wikipedia to spoil the endings of their historic sagas.

The alternate history of "For All Mankind" throws a welcome uncertainty into the mix, as we're invited to speculate on whether the Americans' bid to reach the moon will finally succeed, whether American women will become astronauts years ahead of their real-life counterparts, what this might mean for women's rights as a whole, and even who will (or won't) get elected president, as side-effects of the American space program's progress.

The casting of "For All Mankind" makes the wise decision to lean on impeccably competent veteran supporting players whom most viewers have probably seen onscreen countless times, but none of whom would qualify as name-brand actors, with Joel Kinnaman (who made his American TV breakthrough in AMC's "The Killing" in 2011) and Colm Feore (playing Wernher von Braun here) as the first season's most well-known faces.

My parents and I marathoned our way through the first season in a single weekend, something my folks are rarely wont to do, because we just had to see what would happen next, and never before would I have believed that a sequence of comedic dialogue from "The Bob Newhart Show" could be so chilling in another context.

Port Townsend Symphony Orchestra to feature flutist

The Port Townsend Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Maestro Tigran Arakelyan, will present its December concert on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 3 at 2 p.m. at Chimacum High School Auditorium. In addition to the concert, there will be an open dress rehearsal Friday evening, Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

This is a free concert: donations are welcome.

This concert features Victoria Symphony principal flutist Arin Sarkissian. Winner of Montreal's La Vireé Classique competition, he was named by the CBC as one of the "30 hot Canadian classical musicians under 30." Frequently called upon as a soloist, he has played with Orchestre Symphonique de Montreal, Ottawa Chamberfest, and the National Arts Center of Canada. He will be playing the Flute Concerto by Carl Reinecke.

Reinecke was a German pianist, composer and conductor who was very popular and renowned in his time. He was also well known as a teacher with students such as Edvard Grieg, Leos Janacek, Isaac Albeniz, and Max Bruch. Today, his most popular works are a flute sonata and his flute concerto.

Other pieces in this season-ally-inspired concert include The Winterlust Polka by Joseph Strauss, the Christmas Waltz by Tchaikovsky, Winter Night (Sleigh Ride) by Frederick Delius and the Northwest Premier of Courage by Adrienne Albert. The PTSO percussion section will be performing an encore performance of Holiday Hoopla.

Rounding out the concert is one of Leonard Bernstein's most popular concert pieces, the Overture to Candide.

More information is available on the orchestra website ptsymphony.org.



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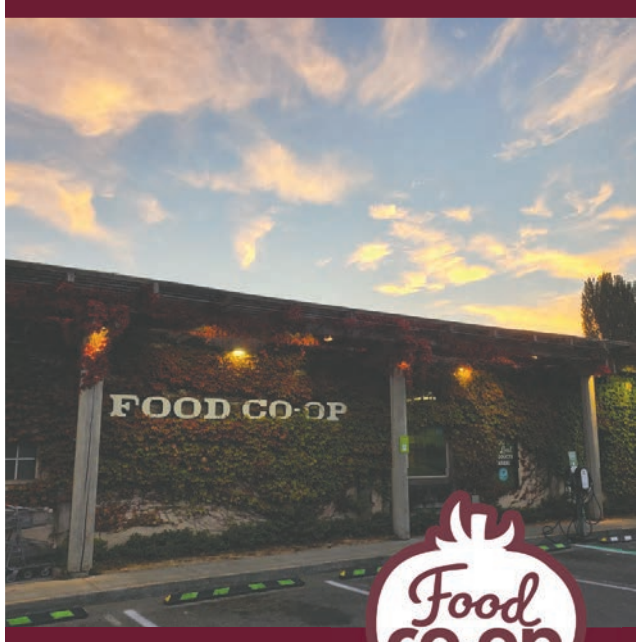
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Kale takes its place at the Thanksgiving table

SIDONIE MAROON, CULINARY EDUCATOR FOR THE FOOD CO-OP

In Scotland, "Come to kail" was an invitation to dinner, because people ate kale so often. In our climate it is king of our winter greens, but needs P.R. Kale could be a mainstay, if only we liked it.

Planted in late summer for the fall garden, it sweetens as temperatures dip. It's easy to grow and continues to give into spring with leaves and kale rabe (the unopened florets, like broccoli, before its yellow flowers bloom). Kale is versatile, adding nutrition, texture and flavor to soups, casseroles and sides. We can braise, saute, bake or blanch and it tastes delicious. Yet, I'm frequently asked how to prepare kale so the unenthused will give it a chance.

I didn't grow up eating kale, so it took experimentation and perseverance to make it a family favorite.

Now, kale is near the top of my vegetable list. I grow several varieties and frequently add it to meals. My kale game changed when I learned to chiffonade. I'm not a raw kale lover, nor do I like sizable pieces of unwieldy leaves on my plate. Kale, unless broken down, reminds me of seaweed fronds, so reducing the size of the leaves was a key strategy in my "Let's all eat more kale!" campaign.

KALE TECHNIQUES

Chiffonade (shee-fohn-aid)

In French cuisine, describe leaf vegetables, laid flat, rolled lengthwise into a log, and sliced into thin ribbons. (I create smaller pieces by chopping the ribbons crosswise.)

SAUTE AND STEAM

Chiffonade the greens. Then saute them in a skillet, over a medium-high heat, until they soften 3-4 minutes. Add about ½ cup of liquid and turn the heat down to a low simmer. Cover with a lid and allow them to steam until they're as tender as you prefer.

INSTANT POT

For very tender greens, chop the kale and add to a steamer basket with 1 cup of water in the bottom of the inner pot. Cook at high pressure for 3 minutes with an instant release. Chop fine after cooking. Add butter and salt, or add to a salad with olive oil and lemon.

PARCHMENT WRAPPED

Chiffonade the kale and toss with olive oil, and seasoning salt. Wrap in parchment paper and bake in the oven for about 30 minutes at 400 F.

WHAT TO DO WITH STEMS?

Hard kale stems are fibrous and unpalatable. I cut the stems off, below the leaves, while holding the bunch. For flat leaved collards, I slice the stems from the individual leaves. If you are harvesting young leaves from the garden, the stems are tender.

BEST KALE TYPES

Tuscan, also known as lacinato or dinosaur kale, has long primeval green leaves and full flavor. It has an affinity for rich foods such as olive oil, bacon, and cheeses. It works well with starches like polenta, buckwheat pasta, barley and simmered beans. Try it seasoned with ingredients like smoked chilies, anchovies, garlic, citrus rind, fennel or cumin seeds.

Russian Red is also called Siberian kale. Its silvery green or blue-gray leaves have bold reddish stalks and veins. The Russian kales are in good company with grilled sausages, poached eggs, braised turkey or combined with dried fruits and nuts.

Curly kale has frilly leaves and has a rounded sweetness when properly cooked. It works well with potatoes or added to savory pies. Try it mixed in casseroles with cottage cheese or ricotta.

Celebration Spiced Kale with Dried Cranberries and Pecans

Serves 4 as a side dish

45 minutes preparation and cooking time

Nothing ho hum here! Tender kale with holiday spices, onions, ginger and garlic sweet and sour hits of apple and cranberry — this side dish makes the perfect counterpoint for turkey, potatoes, winter squash, or sweet potatoes.

INGREDIENTS

¼ cup olive oil

1 large yellow onion, cut into a medium dice

4 cloves garlic, finely minced

1 tablespoon fresh ginger, finely minced

1/3 cup dried cranberries

1 medium baking apple, unpeeled, cut into a medium dice

1 bunch Russian red, curly or collards, remove stems, chiffonade and then chop across the thin ribbons into smaller pieces

1 tablespoon apple cider vinegar

½ cup water

1 tablespoon maple syrup

1 cup toasted pecans, chopped

SPICES

¼ teaspoon decorticated cardamom

¼ teaspoon whole allspice berries

1/2 teaspoon coriander seeds

1 teaspoon fennel seed

¼ teaspoon peppercorns

½ teaspoon ground cinnamon

1 teaspoon fine grain sea salt

DIRECTIONS

1. Ensemble and prep all ingredients. Using a spice or coffee grinder, grind whole spices and salt together into a coarse powder. Toast and chop pecans and set aside.

2. Preheat a large saute pan with oil on a medium heat. Adjust heat if needed. Add the chopped onions and saute for 10 minutes. Add the garlic and ginger and continue to saute for another 3 minutes. Add the dried cranberries, ground spices, salt and apple and continue to saute for another 7 to 8 minutes.

3. Add the chopped kale and fold in. Saute for several minutes. Add the apple cider vinegar to the water and pour into the saute pan. Cover with a lid, turn to a simmer for 5 minutes or until the kale has softened. Take the lid off, return the heat to medium high and cook off the remaining liquid.

4. Stir in the maple syrup. Taste. It will take several minutes for the flavors to settle.

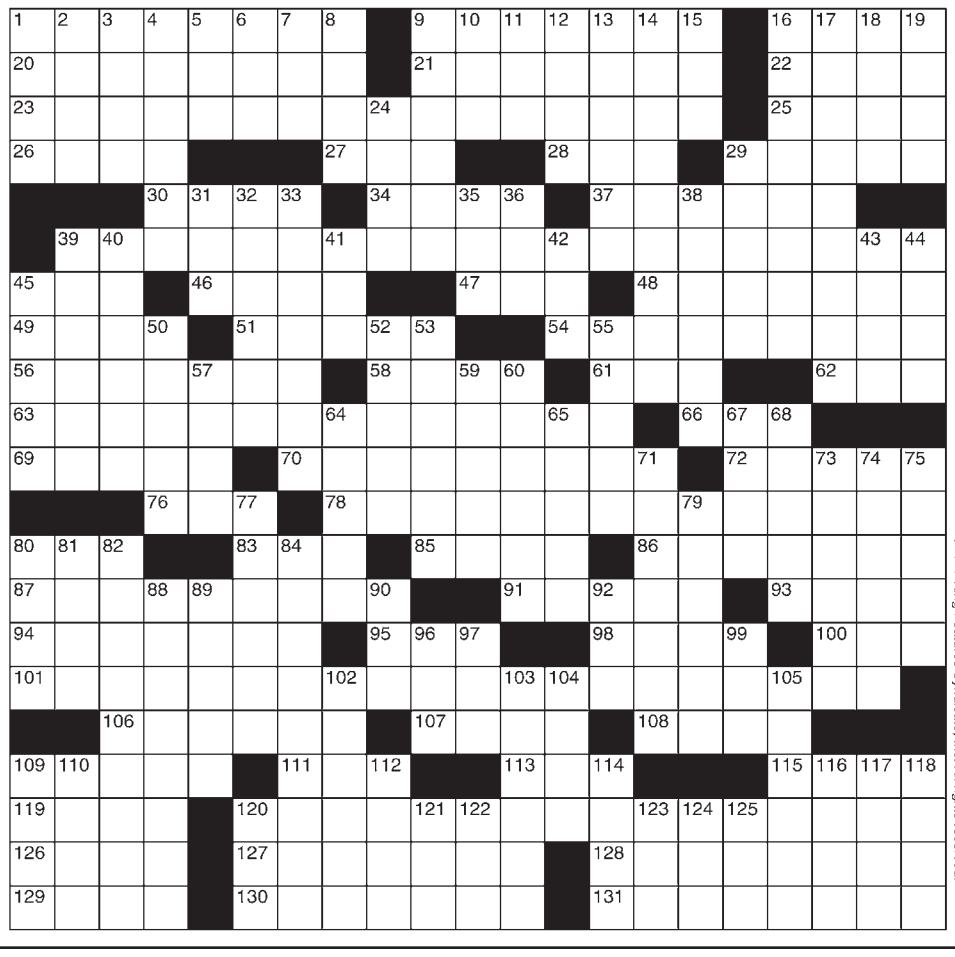
5. Place in a serving bowl and garnish with pecans. Serve warm. You can cook this dish ahead and reheat.

Find more recipes at www.foodcoop.coop/recipes

Super Crossword — SHADES OF HISTORY

ACROSS
1 Holds inside
9 Scrams
16 Many millennia
20 Chart of the Pacific, e.g.
21 Eeyore's creator
22 "Blue Jasmine" Oscar winner Blanchett
23 Start of a riddle
25 Cawing bird
26 Collate, e.g.
27 Couch potatoes stare at them
28 Maple stuff
29 Thin coins
30 Prayerful plea starter
34 Designer Saarinen
37 Sparks' state
39 Riddle, part 2
45 Subject for Dr. Ruth
46 "Zip- — -Doo-Dah"
47 "... Mac — PC?"
48 Hostess snack cake
49 Onetime senator Trent
51 Hiccup or charley horse
54 Convents and abbeys
56 Colored rings of irises
58 About 4.2 millimeters, in typography
61 Footed vase
62 Agnus — (Mass prayer)
63 Riddle, part 3
66 "This is SO frustrating!"
69 Beelzebub
70 Tools used in fixing flats
72 Huge fad
76 To date
78 Riddle, part 4
80 Ship's swerve
83 Brow's curve
85 Bygone Russ. states
86 Most speedy
87 She won eight Oscars for Best Costume Design
91 "Oops, I messed up"
93 Comic-strip light bulb
94 Sliding-open car option
95 Like below-zero nos.
98 "... — it just me?"
100 Highway goo
101 End of the riddle
106 "Perhaps ... ask me about it later"
107 Band with the hit "Whip It"
108 — date (plan for marriage)
109 Exuding testosterone
111 Catch sight of
113 Hobbit hunter
115 Tide type
119 Exhort
120 Riddle's answer
126 Aspersion
127 Carry in the uterus
128 They could use a welcome sight
129 Quick flights
130 Most bohemian
131 Tilting

DOWN
1 Milked beasts
2 Dos cubed
3 Close by
4 Body image?
5 Moreover
6 Texting shorthand for "I think"
7 Anti's call
8 Catch sight of
9 "Goldfinger" singer Shirley
10 French thirst quencher
11 Electric guitar connection
12 Pointers
13 Actor Everett
14 Customs worker
15 Golf bag item
16 Fender bender, e.g.
17 Tagged for a particular use
18 Plains tribe
19 Bulletin fodder
24 Iris' layer
29 Miles of jazz
31 Student transcript no.
32 Long-used adage
33 Least shallow
35 P-shaped Greek letter
36 Sculler's tool
38 Promising solemnly
39 Illinois city
40 Size
41 "— culpa"
42 Oreck product, for short
43 St. Pat's land
44 Lucy's Arnaz
45 BBQ sides
50 In present times
52 Church topper
53 Bishops' toppers
55 Greg Evans' long-running comic strip
57 Isolated
59 Poker IOUs
60 Fliers' military branch
64 Neopagan practice
65 Full of racket
67 Autos such as Ramblers and Pacers
68 Half of Hispaniola
71 Tanzanian tourist treks
73 Must
74 Pant-length measure
75 Perfume from petals
77 Chevy SUVs
79 Chuck Berry title woman
80 Rural assent to a woman
81 Together, in music scores
82 Bringing to a conclusion
84 Bracing drink
88 Singers executing quavers
89 With vehemence
90 Genetic ID
92 — choy
96 Conclusion
97 "Goodness!"
99 Mil. officer
102 Share, as a blog entry
103 Web-footed wading bird
104 "Me neither"
105 Pioneer Boone
109 Maudlin sentimentality
110 Guthrie of folk singing
112 Legendary snow beast
114 Hacienda house
116 "Orinoco Flow" singer
117 Yemeni port
118 "Hey, over here ..."
120 Org. for club swingers
121 No, in Paisley
122 Part of TGIF
123 "Just joking!"
124 Lingerie item
125 The, in Arles



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY
NOV. 22

TAP ROOM TRIVIA at The Keg and I! Come test general knowledge on a variety of subjects. Two rounds of questions are carefully curated for the month with a different first round topic each time.

Don't worry if you aren't a big trivia person...it's fun anyway!

This happens 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month. In addition to our amazing selection of craft beverages, we have snacks from land and sea: smoked salmon, nuts, and cheeses, OR, handmade chips and salsa from La Cocina. Of course, you may choose to bring your own bites to go with our libations. We look forward to seeing you!

DEADWOOD REVIVAL AT PORT TOWNSEND BREWING

5:00PM - 8:00PM

330 10th Street, Port Townsend

Head on into the beer garden with your brew to listen to the powerful and impeccable harmonies of Deadwood Revival. Their stunning harmonies coupled with Jason's unique claw-hammer banjo style and Kim's driving rhythm guitar creates a sound that is much fuller than you would expect from a duo. No matter the instrumentation, their music is described as "rootsy with an edge"... a tasty soup of new old-time and folk rock spiced with a bit of classic country.

21+ :: No cover for Brewery customers

JEFFERSON COUNTY HOUSING FUND BOARD (JEFFERSON COUNTY AND CITY)

Repeats every month on the fourth Wednesday.

2:30pm

Jefferson County Board of Commissioners Chambers

Available Virtually and County Commissioners Chambers (1820 Jefferson Street)

THURSDAY
NOV. 23

MUSIC TRIVIA at the Uptown Pub from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Free to Play!

Name that tune and artist in a fun environment.

You can make a team of up to 5 people!

FRIDAY
NOV. 24

HONKY TONK is happening on the last Friday of the month! Grab your boots and join us for some two-steppin' tunes by Jack Dwyer & The Rodeó Dendrons. Featuring Joe Fulton on fiddle, Jack Tierney on bass, and Tomoki Sage on drums. The Rodeo Dendrons play classic honky tonk country and western swing and are based in Port Townsend.

Finn River Cider Garden 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

jackdwyer.com

30 minutes before music starts, a $5/person cover charge (excluding children under 12) will be collected. All funds go to the artists.

-The Tess Teel Trio brings a fusion of jazz and blues to the stage. Prepare to be captivated by Tess's enchanting vocals and the trio's masterful instrumentation. At the Vintage from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

PTMSC ANNUAL HOLIDAY SALE

11:00am - 5:00pm

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SATURDAY
NOV. 25

SWEET SOUNDS OF STRINGS! Eagle Mountain String Band is back at The Keg and I. These very talented guys also bring great harmonies, and are tons of fun! They play classic tunes you know and originals you will love. Come enjoy the music and craft beverages along with locally-made snacks - smoked salmon/cheeses, and nuts - plus 23 taps of beers, wine, and cider! From 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

-Join us every Saturday 5-7 p.m. for live Bossa Nova Jazz in the Bottle Shop (moving to the Garden Courtyard 4-7 p.m. in the spring). Get here early as this event fills up quickly. We look forward to hosting you!

SUNDAY
NOV. 26

Join instructor Alanna Johnson for an all-ages, all-skill level introduction to **LINE DANCING**! A line dance is a choreographed dance in which a group of people dance along to a repeating sequence of steps while arranged in one or more lines or rows. This is a fun way to get moving and share joy and camaraderie with your community. This class is offered by donation and will meet in the Finnriver pavilion.

Meets monthly on 2nd Sundays and 4th Sundays through 2nd weekend in December. Open to the public and drop-ins.

Contact: al.johnson2618@gmail.com

MONDAY
NOV. 27

THE TRANSPORTATION LAB is a Local 20/20 Action Group working to promote a transportation system that minimizes the need for personal motor vehicles. Such a transportation system must be safe, convenient and healthy, and it must be based on:

•Walking, the most healthful mode;

•Bicycling, the most efficient mode;

•Mass transit, the most efficient for moving large numbers of people; and

•A vastly reduced personal and service VMT (vehicle miles traveled)

In person, monthly on the fourth Monday.

Time: 4:30-6 p.m. Location: In person. Contact them for the address.

JEFFERSON COUNTY PRE-CANVASS BOARD AGENDA

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

1820 Jefferson Street

Auditor's Office Election Board Room

Port Townsend, WA 98368

NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL

This is a Hybrid Meeting. You can join via Zoom or by coming to the WSU Ext Classroom in Port Hadlock.

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For questions on how to participate in the meetings please contact the Weed Board Coordinator at SDeGroot@co.jefferson.wa.us

TUESDAY
NOV. 28

Join us every Tuesday for **LIVE JAZZ BY JONATHAN DOYLE & FRIENDS** 5-7 p.m., The Bishop Hotel. Organic wine, cocktails, local beer & cider by the glass + small plates available. See you there!

PARKS, RECREATION, TREES, AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD

Repeats every month on the fourth Tuesday.

4:30pm

City meetings are held virtually and in-person. Information on how to participate will be listed in the header of each published agenda.

JEFFERSON COUNTY CERTIFICATION CANVASS BOARD AGENDA

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

1820 Jefferson Street

Auditor's Office Election Board Room

Port Townsend, WA 98368

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING

2:00 PM
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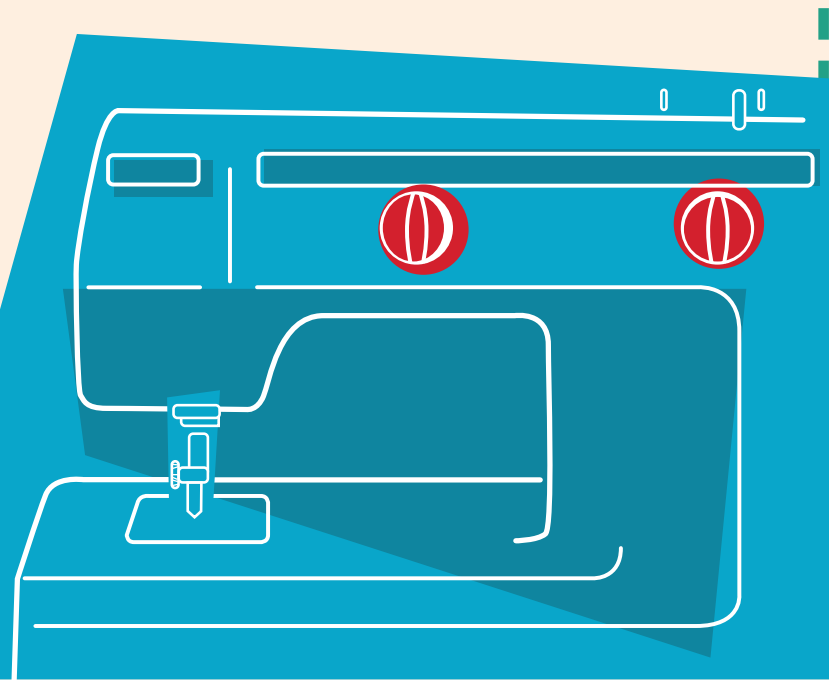


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Planting hedgerows: a network for wildlife

BY BARBARA FAUROT

Consider the hedgerow: a beautiful, sustainable, and low-maintenance alternative to monoculture hedges.

Planted as living fences since the Neolithic Age, hedgerows are dense rows of diverse, woody vegetation. Farmers have used them for thousands of years to mark boundaries, create windbreaks, protect livestock, and control soil erosion.

For home gardeners, hedgerows create privacy buffers and screen unwanted views. They can help stabilize a slope, offer shade, and reduce noise. They can also help create a safe travel corridor to connect wildlife and pollinator habitat across Jefferson County.

"The initial motivation is to put in a hedgerow for screening and privacy," says Christina Pfeiffer, horticultural consultant, educator, and co-author with Mary Robson of Pacific Northwest Month-by-Month Gardening. "But hedgerows are also rich in habitat quality."

Diverse plant layers and species offer pollen, nectar, seeds, and fruits to birds, beneficial insects, and other wildlife. Dense foliage provides cover for nesting birds and winter shelter.

Christina suggests starting by defining the space you have to work with. Hedgerows are typically longer than they are wide, but "you don't need to plant a straight row. Think about it as looser and more natural. A mixed border planted in a staggered pattern can be effective, and less work over the long run."

Decide whether you want an informal, semi-formal, or more defined hedgerow. Consider a variety of plant sizes and habits: fast and slow growers, evergreen and deciduous, plants that flower and fruit at different times of year. Include some that hold fruits into winter.

The natural hedgerow will have different microclimates – typically a shadier side and a sunny side – so it's best to group plants with similar needs.

The hedgerow should need minimal maintenance and pruning. "You can choose plants that won't need constant attention," says Christina. For a larger space, a combination of native mountain hemlock (Tsuga mertensiana) and vine maple (Acer circinatum) creates a stable habitat with little need for pruning. In a lowland setting, both can be expected to reach a height of 20-30 feet.



Native silk tassel (Garryana elliptica), shown at the Native Plant Garden at H.J. Carroll Park in Chimacum, is evergreen, drought-tolerant, and a wildlife favorite. Songbirds use the tassels to build their nests. *Photo courtesy of Barbara Faurot*

If a smaller size is called for, the warty barberry (Berberis verruculosa) has an arching growth habit and may reach 3-6 feet. Interplant with mid-sized native shrubs, perennials, or ferns.

Other favorite hedgerow plants include the evergreen, drought-tolerant silk tassel (Garrya elliptica), native to coast ranges of southern Oregon and California. In her garden, Christina observes bushtits collecting the tassels for their nests. On a larger scale, it can be intermingled with taller trees. For a smaller site, prune as a semi-formal hedge. It tolerates dormant season renovation pruning – a good quality in the event it outgrows the space.

Christina suggests the native Pacific wax myrtle (Morella californica) as an alternative to a monoculture hedge like cherry or English laurel (Prunus laurocerasus). A favorite of the cedar waxwing, it has finer foliage, tolerates sun or shade and damp or dry soil. It can be sheared like laurel, but has a looser, more upright growth habit.

For narrow spaces, consider columnar plants like Japanese plum-yew (Cephalotaxus harringtonia), "Fine Line" buckthorn (Rhamnus frangula) with its fern-like foliage, or boxwood Buxus sempervirens 'Graham Blandy.' Columnar barberry and holly cultivars are other options.

A food hedge, sometimes called a "fedge," might include elderberry, currant, raspberry, high bush cranberry, and columnar fruit trees. For the understory, plant herbs such as comfrey and yarrow, and ground covers like clover or wintergreen.

In a more rustic space, a mixed hedgerow of native plants like snowberry (Symphoricarpos albus) and Nootka rose (Rosa nutkana) will form a lush thicket with beautiful flowers, berries, and rosehips. "They're wonderful plants with so much habitat value," adds Christina. In a smaller space, it could be challenging to manage their expected spread.

It's always beneficial to leave space for each plant to grow to its mature size. With mixed species, Christina advises, "space them so that when they mature, their branches are going to mingle, but not overcrowd each other."

Depending on your site, you can start fresh or adapt an existing hedge in stages. Remove some of the old plants and inter-plant with native evergreen and deciduous shrubs. To replace a mono-culture like laurel that can spread quickly and invade native woodlands, consider removing it completely before replanting, or replace it in sections.

Christina advises that late fall is still a good time to plant during periods of moderate weather, when temperatures are above freezing and soil is not soggy. The warm, moist soil will help roots get established before the start of the next growing season.

For additional nesting and shelter in any hedgerow, add native ferns, perennials, ground covers, rock features, or snags. The informal, wild form is part of their charm, and key to their wildlife value. Even a small hedgerow can make a difference.

OSU Extension offers a free Guide to Hedgerows: https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/em8721

Barbara Faurot is a Jefferson County Master Gardener and Master Pruner, working with other volunteers who serve as community educators in gardening and environmental stewardship.

Security training at Indian Island

PORT HADLOCK, Wash., - Naval Magazine Indian Island has a security training exercise scheduled on Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2023.

Training activities will occur in Port Townsend Bay between the installation's small boat pier and the ammunition loading pier's security barrier. The exercise scenario will include harbor security boats on the water engaging in high-speed maneuvers with the use of blank ammunition, loud sirens, and bright blue flashing lights. Announcements will be broadcast from the base's loudspeaker notification system.

Residents living in the communities surrounding Indian Island and installation personnel could notice increased noise levels and activities associated with training activities.

The Navy conducts these types of security exercises at installations across the world to ensure readiness and verify response procedures. NMII thanks the community for their continued support and understanding.

Work wraps up at two fish barrier projects

QUILCENE – It was a busy summer in Jefferson County opening habitats for local fish. Two big projects, one on US 101 and the other on State Route 104 and SR 19, have wrapped up.

Contractors working for the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) last February began replacing a culvert beneath US 101 at Leland Creek near Quilcene with a new bridge. The roadway at the Leland Creek site reopened to two-way traffic on Thursday, Nov. 9. Crews are currently finishing up work off the roadway. Some of that work is weather-sensitive. It should be completed by mid-December except for some railing that will be installed in January.

Crews also replaced culverts at two unnamed tributaries to Leland Creek further north on US 101 with new box culverts. As part of that work, the roadway was closed between Leland Valley Road and Leland Cut Off Road for 19 days. The roadway reopened on Aug. 19.

In total, 14 miles of new habitat is now open for Chinook, coho salmon, steelhead and bull trout.

Near Port Ludlow, WSDOT contractors began the replacement of two more culverts – one at Shine Creek on SR 104 and one at Swansonville Creek on SR 19. At both locations,18-foot-wide, three-sided culverts replaced much smaller culverts.

The project featured a 10-day closure of SR 19 just south of Swansonville Road. The roadway reopened Friday, Sept. 15.

Removing the two barriers resulted in five miles of new habitat gain at the two sites. Workers completed that project on Friday, Nov. 10.

Last week The Leader incorrectly stated the year in the Port Townsend Petanque World Games headline. They will be held in 2023, not 2022. The Leader regrets the error.





Land Trust builds new pavillion

BY THAIS OLIVEIRA



Timber-frame pavilion stands at Valley View Forest

In a clearing enclosed by alder, cedar, and sword ferns, at the end of an wheelchair-accessible trail, a new, beautiful, and sustainable timber-frame pavilion greets visitors to the Valley View Forest.

The structure was built with 15 Douglas fir logs set aside during the Jefferson Land Trust selective harvest at the forest in 2021.

Located less than two miles south of Chimacum Corner, this 65-acre working forest is part of the organization's first project. Their goal is to not only retain regional forest lands in perpetuity, but to manage them for a balance of sustainable timber production, wildlife habitat, recreation, and educational uses.

According to Preserve Manager Carrie Clendaniel, the healthiest, most robust trees are allowed to continue growing in the forest. The largest, or those with strategic snags or branches hospitable to wildlife, are tagged as permanent wildlife habitat trees.

Trees under a certain size are assessed and marked for harvesting. A healthy mix of species and spacing between trees is also sought to facilitate strong growth of an understory, including the next generation of tree seedlings.

When the timber harvest occurred, Jefferson Land Trust offered a tree free of charge to 16 local nonprofits. The Peninsula Trails Coalition, for example, plans to use whole logs to construct a public-use pavilion at Snow Creek Estuary Preserve, a property that sits alongside the future route of the Olympic Discovery Trail.

The Port Gamble S'Klallam tribe harvested cedar bark, traditionally used to make tools, baskets, hats, and regalia.

The timber-frame pavilion that visitors see upon entry to the forest is another public benefit.

"I chose timber-frame custom design for the pavilion because I wanted the building to demonstrate, through the joinery, the strength of the wood — and the power of that wood coming from this forest," says local designer-builder Cody Wayland from Wayland Constructive. Wayland led the project with help from a group of skilled volunteer woodworkers.

With plenty of open space between the beams and a large skylight letting in lots of natural light, the structure welcomes school and community groups, families, and visitors to rest, reflect, and observe the beauty of the Peninsula.

Jefferson Healthcare honors standout employee

Dunia Faulx, Chief Planning and Advocacy Officer at Jefferson Healthcare, has been named Washington's 2023 "Community Star" by the National Organization of State Offices of Rural Health (NOSORH).

Every third Thursday of November, NOSORH leads National Rural Health Day (NRHD), an annual celebration spotlighting those who serve the vital health needs of the nearly 61 million people living in rural America. Faulx will be prominently featured on the NRHD website, PowerOfRural.org, on Nov. 16 alongside 38 other Community Stars from across the nation.

This platform will showcase each Star's remarkable dedication and contributions to rural healthcare.

Faulx and Jefferson Healthcare are being recognized by NOSORH for being one of the first rural health systems in Washington to work jointly with public health and other community organizations to tackle high-priority health issues.

As part of this effort, in 2016 Jefferson Healthcare completed a Community Health Needs Assessment that identified Medicaid enrollees in Jefferson County as having minimal access to dental care. The assessment also showed that dental issues were driving emergency department visits in East Jefferson County.



In response to the assessment, Faulx, along with Jennifer Wharton (former Chief Ambulatory and Medical Group Officer at Jefferson Healthcare), and Jake Davidson (Jefferson Healthcare COO), spearheaded a successful effort to add a dental service line to their Rural Health Clinic — the first rural health clinic in Washington to offer dental services.

The six-chair dental clinic opened in June 2019 and provides urgent and emergency services as well as preventative oral care with approximately 5,000 visits each year.

"Dunia Faulx epitomizes the spirit of dedication and innovation that we believe in so strongly here at Jefferson Healthcare," said the organization's CEO, Mike Glenn. "Her leadership, alongside our dedicated team, has been instrumental in addressing critical healthcare gaps in East Jefferson County."



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The Rivals High School Wrestling Program has 44 athletes currently on the roster. "During the first week of practice we had 37 wrestlers practice on Monday and Friday," said Coach Jim Wilcox. "It was great to see so many kids working hard in our room." In this photo the five wrestling captains for this season are teaching the warm-ups to the team. Team captains include senior Mi Amada Lanphear Ramirez, sophomores Jameson Henery, Grady White, Rylen Kruse, and Manaseh Lanphear Ramirez. Both Mi Amada Lanphear Ramirez and Jameson Henery competed at the State Tournament last season. "We are still looking to add to our team, specifically any high school athletes that weigh less than 120 pounds," said Head Coach Steve Grimm. "Our roster is loaded from the middle-weights up through heavyweight, but it would be great if some more smaller kids came and checked out a practice." Practice normally runs from 3:30 through 5:30 at the PTHS wrestling room.

Memory Café welcomes those with memory loss, caregivers

On Dec. 4 a special presentation of the Memory Café will provide a safe, welcoming place for those with early-stage memory loss or memory concerns and those who care for them to come together and share their memories of the holidays. The cafe will take place at an actual cafe--the Recovery Café at 939 Kearney St. from 2 to 3:30.

The mission of the Memory Café, says Laura Cepoi, executive director of the Olympic Area Agency on Aging (O3A), is to "provide a safe, comfortable, engaging environment where people with memory loss and their care partners can laugh, learn, and remain socially engaged with others traveling on the same journey." She adds that it's a space where people can come together without fear to share their concerns and questions while enjoying social time with others who understand.

"As we face a rapidly aging population," says Cepoi, "we know that the incidence of Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia will increase, and we need to be proactive in creating spaces that are welcoming and supportive for those facing memory loss and those who love and care for them."

Cepoi added that O3A is in the process of creating a new position that will specialize in dementia awareness, including early diagnosis, as well as providing training for community partners. "It's crucial that we get rid of the stigma around memory loss and dementia," she said, "because it interferes with people getting the help they need as early as possible. There's no shame in memory loss. We can all be better educated about how to notice the signs and what to do once a person is diagnosed and begins that journey."

Those interested in attending should RSVP to Cepoi at 360-344-3013. Coffee and tea will be provided. Guests are welcome to bring a light snack. Cepoi notes that the Memory Café is not appropriate for those with more advanced care needs, such as wandering, incontinence, a high degree of anxiety, significant mobility issues, or aggressive behavior.



Eleanor Lee sings along with the group gathered at Ferino's Pizza on June 27, 2019 for the one-year anniversary of the Memory Cafe. *Leader file photo*



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Local Baker Celebrates St. Lucia Day with bread

BY JOIE HYDE



December 13 has special significance for Scandinavians, as it celebrates Saint Lucia, the patron saint of light and sight, at the approach of the year's shortest days.

An early Christian martyr, St. Lucia brought food to believers hiding from Roman persecution in dark catacombs. According to Sicilian tradition, she is also the patron saint of wheat. Among the miracles attributed to St. Lucia was the unexpected arrival in Sicily on Dec. 13, 1646, of ships carrying grain, ending a famine.

The observance of St. Lucia Day is a ritual reminder that light will follow darkness, and hunger will be assuaged. In 18th century Sweden, a tradition began to mark St. Lucia Day with a procession led by a girl dressed in white. The chosen girl wears a crown of candles and carries sweet buns made yellow with saffron, while singing a song that begins, "Night walks with a heavy step. . ."

Today, in Swedish families, the holiday is celebrated at home. Children greet their parents at sunrise with coffee, hot chocolate and just-baked saffron buns.

Although her children are grown, Dana Balfe Durasoff still bakes traditional St. Lucia saffron buns in her Port Ludlow home. Raised just north of Stockholm, in Näsbypark, Sweden, Durasoff studied weaving and came to New York in 1967 to pursue a degree in design at the Fashion Institute of Technology.

"It's fair to say I have made these buns all my life," Durasoff says, "except when I was newly arrived as a student, living in Greenwich Village."

After designing costumes worn by music legends Jimi Hendrix and Miles Davis, Durasoff left fashion to raise a family with her husband, Douglas, a scholar of international relations. She later worked in the tech industry and as a translator.

A designer's eye and a craftsperson's precision have contributed to Durasoff's reputation as a skilled yeast baker. She bakes a number of rye loaves at once and freezes some for future use. Durasoff is a fan of Chimacum Valley Grainery's organic, stone-milled rye flour for the flavor it gives her elaborately braided breads.

"I find the Grainery's flour handles well," she explained. "It develops a texture that helps to create the braids." Durasoff also makes butter and serves her rye bread with gravlax she makes from Copper River or King salmon. Her friends vie for jars of "Black Gold," her tongue-in-cheek name for the black currant jelly she makes from home-grown fruit every summer.

But baking saffron buns is the holiday tradition that has given Durasoff a way of maintaining a connection to her Swedish birthplace.

Visitors to Durasoff's kitchen note that her years of baking are revealed by the condition of her cookbook, a well-loved 1967 copy of Hemmets Kokbok, first published in 1903, the Swedish equivalent of Joy of Cooking. The book's fragile binding falls open immediately to the recipe for Saffransbröd, or saffron bread. The accompanying engraving features intricate drawings of traditional designs for the buns and loaves.

According to Durasoff, "All these shapes signify light in the darkness. They are Old Viking heathen symbols and they all have swirls." The most popular shape is for Lussekatter, or "Lucia Cats," studded with currants. Durasoff also makes braided loaves stuffed with marzipan and one-bite snail buns.

Asked to share her secrets for a successful St. Lucia dough, Durasoff explains that she follows the Hemmets Kokbok recipe, using whole milk, salted butter, all-purpose flour, and regular (not quick-rise) yeast. What seems to set Durasoff's St. Lucia buns apart is a generous hand with saffron.

"I use one and a half times the suggested amount," she says, "and I add a bit of cardamom."

Though ounce-for-ounce saffron is more expensive than gold due to the labor-intensive nature of the harvest, a little saffron goes a long way. (Locavores will note that Pike Place Market offers Cyrus saffron, grown in eastern Washington state, where the harvest of crocus sativa has just ended.)

Durasoff clarifies that baking with saffron is not a year-round practice. She watches for seasonal sales and bakes with saffron only for St. Lucia Day and the Christmas season. Durasoff considers the expensive threads of the crocus flower to be much more than a holiday indulgence, however.

"No matter where I am," Durasoff says, "baking the saffron buns gives me a feeling of home at at time when I miss it." It's hard to deny that for many of us, that feeling is more valuable than gold.

Two more stores close in downtown Port Townsend

BY THAIS OLIVEIRA

After 24 years in business, Perfect Season home and decor store will close its doors next month. Like her neighbor, the Mad Hatter, owner Regina Siefried has been struggling with continuously rising rent rates.

"It's just too expensive. Rent keeps going up while business is going down," says Siefried.

The owner did not want to disclose the rent amount but according to The Leader's research, the common rate for commercial spaces downtown is $22 per square foot per year.

This is Perfect Season's sixth location downtown through the years.

Ready to retire at 70, the store owner has built a local shopper base but notes that sales have not come back to pre-pandemic levels. Online shopping also puts a dent in revenue.

That is the same reason why 1851 St., one block down from Perfect Seasons on Water Street, is closing. Not enough revenue. Lots of traffic but no buying.

Having gone through the recession in 2008, Siefried says that she cannot afford to deplete her retirement fund one more time.

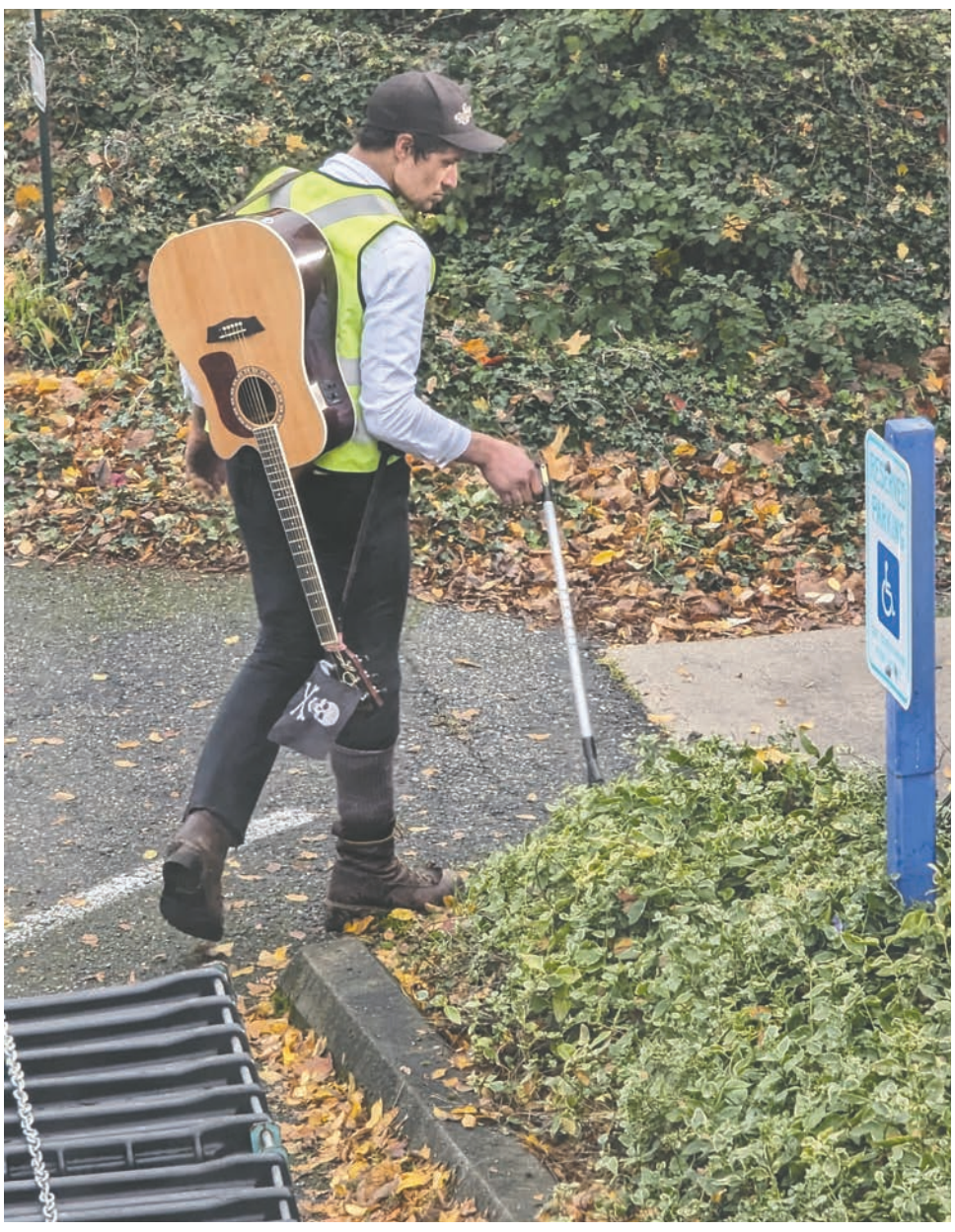
When she could not negotiate a new lease that was comfortable, closing was the only option.

While staffing is an issue for some businesses, Siefried explains that she is a one-woman show. She sources, hand-curates, buys, displays and works solo in the store since 2014.

"I cannot afford an employee. It is a labor of love and I have had a great run of it despite the hurdles." She says she is looking forward to gardening, traveling and enjoying her kids in town.



Regina Siefried from Perfect Season closes her store after 24 years in business.



Torren keeps his guitar close

Just raking leaves

Torren was raking leaves in the parking lot with a guitar strapped to his back.

"It reminds me to laugh at myself," he said. He has a small wood power boat, somewhere, otherwise he's "houseless, without a home, whatever."

He doesn't think of himself as a guitarist.

"I'm not a good guitar player. Ukulele is my instrument."

Torren grew up in Port Townsend. Only 31, he does have regrets. He regrets dropping out of school at 16. He regrets buying an expensive ukulele that was later stolen. He believes video games and drugs have damaged his generation.

He is thankful for the help he received at the Boiler Room, but regrets that the place may have "made me lazy."

Raking leaves and protecting the small lot next to where he's allowed to store his stuff is his way of "being outside, keeping it real."

In the summer, Torren works on a fish tender, or washes dishes at a local restaurant.

He's grateful for Port Townsend.

"I don't know what would happen to me if I wasn't here."



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Oatmeal with William



CAROLE MARSHALL
AGING IN GOOD SPIRITS

Another birthday! It was a big one! Not about to publicize my age but will say my grandkids are getting mighty old.

On this momentous occasion I received congrats and love from my kids, had a great dinner out, and ate ice cream and cake with no worry about calories.

Earlier in the day was busy as well – got a flu shot and a wart removed, had my cataracts checked, bought "look years younger in weeks" face cream, and upgraded to new hearing aids that have an app for my cellphone.

This app adjusts volume and locates the hearing aids if misplaced. And where is that phone anyway?

I admit to being a bit ornery about this aging thing. As a former personal trainer, young thinker, kid at heart, getting "old" has never been on the agenda. I lied about my age for a while, but when I inadvertently mentioned to a group of folks that my eldest son was beginning to make plans for his retirement, I lost credibility.

In truth, aging is a bloody challenge. I'm up for it, but sometimes find it a pain in the rump, literally today because my left sciatic nerve is aching.

Here's where my annoyance kicks in. "You're in great shape, most folks your age don't do half the exercise you do, keep up the good work," my young doctor advises. And I'm out there walking rain or shine, blustery or calm almost every day, but if I push my bod a tad too much it comes back to haunt me in the form of pain.

Now I wouldn't mind sore joints and muscles if I saw a light at the end of the tunnel, like my exercise routine bringing my weight and cholesterol numbers down.

"Eat more fiber," the doc says, and this carbo junkie buys a pricey blender that grinds fruit, veggies, and nuts to a pulp. Breakfasts of healthy, fibrous shakes look good on paper, but it isn't long before the morning meal is followed by strong complaints from my sensitive tummy.

With the deafening grinding machine relegated to the garage sale pile, I got into oatmeal for breakfast. Let me tell you, oatmeal, no matter how many blueberries and banana slices, no matter how much honey and yogurt go into it, isn't a New York bagel slathered with cream cheese.

Did I mention I'm from the Bronx?

Moving on from grumbling, one morning instead of standing over the sink to eat my yummy bowl of mush, I sat at the dining room table. This let me plop my screaming sciatic nerve on the heating pad while I ate.

About halfway through my meal our old cat, William, jumped onto the table. He moved to the bowl and licked the oatmeal-caked sides clean. Purring loudly, Will slurped a sticky tongue on my nose, washed himself, and curled into peaceful sleep; our loveable boy so appreciative of the smallest tidbit.

As a kitten, William had been thrown from a moving car (rooting for Karma for that cretinous driver). He survived and landed bruised and battered in our local animal shelter.

Once stable enough for adoption, my granddaughter brought him home and he became a favorite pet.

Despite a rough beginning, Will lived life well. He'd be in my face meowing at mealtime, batting my dropped earring under the stove, sharing my food, cuddling, and teaching me with unconditional love how to age with gratitude and joy, acceptance and kindness.

So, since I always grow some through my association with animals, in remembering sharing oatmeal with William I'll continue to let the porridge thing grow on me.

Maybe my weight will come down and cholesterol numbers will improve. Maybe I'll learn to look at aging as the gift I know it truly is and perhaps, in memory of a beautiful four-legged soul, I'll be good at it one day.

Raising a Thanksgiving spoonful of almost tasty nutrition to you, sweet William.

Good spirits from this old girl!

Carole Marshall is a former columnist, feature writer for a national magazine, author of three books. Her writing focus today is on the often fun, often daunting concept of AGING IN GOOD SPIRITS. She is Mom, Grandma, Great-Grandma to some spectacular kiddos.

The favorite (?)dish at Thanksgiving



NED LUCE
LIFE IN LUDLOW

According to the Agricultural Marketing Resource Center at Iowa State University, we Americans eat 2.3 pounds of cranberries every year, 20 percent or 80 million pounds of them this week! There are jams, jellies, drinks, and even dried cranberries called Craisins.

Cranberries are one of only four fruits native to North America, unless you include fruitcake. The good news for your consumption of cranberries this week is that they are on the top of the list of healthy foods. They have plenty of vitamin C, manganese and fiber plus a nice hit of antioxidants. Antioxidants were not on the list of chemicals Biden asked the Chinese to quit shipping to the US last week. Approximately 697 million pounds of cranberries were harvested in 2021 with Wisconsin being the leading producer at 59 percent of the U.S. crop. Massachusetts, New Jersey and Oregon produce most of the remainder with some coming from Chile. Only about 5 percent of the U.S. cranberries are sold fresh while the remainder are processed, mostly for juice and juice blends. An article by Ben Cohen in last Saturday's Wall Street Journal notes that we blend frozen cranberries into smoothies, the Pilgrims used cranberries to cure scurvy, and the juice is used to prevent urinary-tract infections. There are zero-sugar juices, chocolate-dipped cranberry bites, and ready-to-drink cans of vodka cranberry. Something for everyone.

Here is a quote from the Rutgers University Libraries. "Opinions differ as to the origin of the name cranberry. The more commonly accepted explanation is that in the early stages of the plant's development, the cranberry flower resembles the head of a crane, thus the name." Could it be like "craneberry?"

The WSJ article highlights a few of the unique aspects of the business. You would be naïve to not have the inkling that the company named Ocean Spray plays a major role in the industry. In fact, they account for 65 to 80 percent of the business. (Depends on your source.) However, the company is actually a cooperative founded nearly a century ago and owned by roughly 700 families. The owners grow the cranberries and hire professionals to run the business. Ocean Spray provides ready processing, innovations, marketing and distribution for the products. In addition, the company's current CEO and president, Tom Hayes, notes that the company "would not have the $2 billion in annual sales if it hadn't adapted and produced new ideas at several critical junctures in the past century."

Without a doubt you will have several options to satisfy your cranberry "jones" tomorrow and maybe the rest of the weekend. You probably also sense that the cranberry industry considers tomorrow their "Super Bowl" and breathes a sigh of relief when the end of every November comes around each year. This information will be far more fun to talk about than the politics your uninformed relatives put on you around the Thanksgiving table. Remember that when life gives you cranberries, make cranberry sauce.

Love a curmudgeon and have a Happy Thanksgiving

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Immigrant artist accepted to Art Basel Miami

BY DIANE URBANI

Egor Shokoladov, one of Northwind Art's local Artist Showcase program participants, has been accepted to Art Basel Miami, the gigantic art fair set for Dec. 6-10.

The south Florida event, considered the leading art festival in the Americas, will show work from 277 galleries around the world. Last year, organizers reported attendance of 76,000 people.

"We are very excited about this opportunity," Shokoladov said through his interpreter, who is also his wife Alina. Shokoladov applied to Art Basel Miami on the advice of an art curator friend, Yuliya Sysalova, whom he got to know via Instagram. After seeing his work, Sysalova urged him to enter the huge fair. The Shokoladovs are now preparing to go together to Miami to present his artwork in the Synergy exhibition, one of the many shows at Art Basel Miami.

Shokoladov grew up in the small town of Grodno in Belarus, and received his master of fine arts degree at Yanka Kupala State University there. His native language is Russian; he's in the process of learning English.

The Shokoladovs moved to Port Angeles in 2020 when Alina, who is a pharmacist, took a position at the Rite Aid there. Alina had come to the U.S. when she accepted a postdoctoral fellowship at Washington State University.

Soon after arrival on the North Olympic Peninsula, the pair met Ken Hulick, manager at Northwind Art's Jeanette Best Gallery. After seeing Shokoladov's artwork — including his hand-colored etchings — Hulick invited him to apply to the juried Artist Showcase program.



"Graces" is among the etchings by Egor Shokoladov at Northwind Art's Jeanette Best Gallery in Port Townsend. *photo courtesy of Northwind Art*

Shokoladov has had his work at Jeanette Best Gallery, 701 Water St., ever since.

"People stop in their tracks when they see his creations," said Northwind Art communications manager Diane Urbani.

"Sometimes they laugh out loud, or they just say, 'Wow,' and call their friends over to see it," she added.

The Artist Showcase program displays the work of 24 local artists. This is the first time one has been accepted into an art festival on the scale of Art Basel Miami, Hulick said.

"Egor's work has an Old World sensibility. Yet the whimsical nature and superb execution stand out and speak to today's collectors," he noted. Shokoladov has eight of his hand-colored etchings in the Showcase gallery. In the adjacent room, in Northwind Art's juried show titled "Small Expressions," he has "Hoo," his etching of an owl beneath a starry sky.

"I am particularly inspired by humor," Shokoladov, 33, said, adding he seeks to "bring positive vibes into the world." His style "has noticeable European shade, as I am a recent immigrant."

Shokoladov pieces on view at Northwind's gallery include "Newton," his comical image of a worm connected to the apple that helped Isaac Newton discover gravity. Then there's "Lepidopterist," a scene of a butterfly collector with a collector of humans standing behind him. Nearby, "Sleepwalker" pictures a figure walking high above a town, the golden crescent moon at his back.

Hulick, for his part, said he's delighted to be able to continue sharing Shokoladov's work at the gallery in Port Townsend.

"It's sometimes hard to quantify 'talent,'" he added, "but Egor is one of the most talented artists I've seen in my decades of gallery work – his vision, technique, and artistic sensibilities are rare today."

It's time to end the madness that begets madness



JASON VICTOR SERINUS
AS I SEE IT

The situation in Gaza grows more horrible each hour. On the day I write this, the heads of United Nations agencies involved with humanitarian relief told the U.N. General Assembly that an "intolerable" human crisis continues to unfold.

Blaming both Israel and Hamas for violating international laws, the U.N. humanitarian affairs chief called for a "breather" for the people of Gaza from the "terrible, terrible" things they have been forced to either endure or die from. He also called, "without condition," for the release of all still living Israeli hostages held by terrorist organization Hamas.

Yet the Israeli military continues its seizure of Gaza's largest hospital, and people not affiliated with Hamas continue to die in droves. In response to a lack of fuel that has sabotaged life-saving efforts, Israel will only allow two tankers of fuel per day to enter Gaza. A second hostage's body has been found, and a water plant has been burned down amidst a catastrophic water crisis.

And while Port Townsenders and their fellow Americans demonstrate, post on social media, and debate amongst ourselves, Israel has announced its intention to expand its military operations.

Fifty-eight and a half years ago, at the Atlanta orientation for volunteers in the Southern Christian Leadership Conference's SCOPE (Summer Community Organization and Political Education) voter registration project, Bayard Rustin convinced me that pacifism and nonviolent action were the only effective means for social change.

Now, I'm not so sure. If someone were to attack me or anyone I love, would I turn the other cheek and either cover my head with my hands and run, or would I fight back? At 78, I'm not sure my fighting would do much good. But would I rather go down fighting or just stand by and watch others go down?

Yet here I am, like so many of us, watching as horrors unfold. I certainly know that Hamas's slaughter and hostage-taking was inhumane and deserving of punishment. But as much as this gay Jew affirms the vital importance of the physical state of Israel and knows that Israel is virtually the only country in the Middle East where I can live openly as a gay man, I do not confuse the state of Israel with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

Netanyahu has been out for blood for decades, certainly since the 1976 death of his Harvard-educated brother, Yonatan, during an anti-terrorist action at Entebbe. I don't know why Israeli intelligence failed to take Hamas's far from hidden war preparations seriously, and why it failed to act before Hamas's slaughter unfolded.

I just know that since the killings and hostage-taking, Netanyahu, whom many Israelis thought / hoped / prayed was finally out of government, has struck back with a vengeance. Netanyahu seems bent on trying to cover up every error of judgment he and those under his command have made with more and more killings.

He seems to insist that the Israeli military must be free to kill, kill, kill until those who killed "us" can kill no more. And then, if by then the war has not widened into a multi-continental conflict, what comes next?

It's time to end the madness that begets madness that begets madness. The killing must stop. Now. Relief efforts must resume in full force while diplomatic efforts must begin to achieve release of all hostages and achieve a two-state solution to an otherwise endless cycle of violence, suffering, and death.

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Upcoming Feast Days —
Month of Qudrat (Power) begins sunset November 3
Month of Qawl (Speech) begins sunset November 22

Upcoming Holy Days -
Day of the Covenant at sunset October 26
Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá observed at 1:00 am November 28

Weekly meetings, open to the public, all are videoconferences. Call the local contact number above and a link will be provided.
- Wednesday morning prayers at 9:00 am
- Sunday morning prayers at 10:00 am.

In this day, to thank God for His bounties consists in possessing a radiant heart, and a soul open to the promptings of the spirit. This is the essence of thanksgiving.
— 'Abdu'l-Bahá

First Baptist Church of Port Townsend
Loving God and Loving Port Townsend • Pastor: Skip Cadorette
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Phone: 360-385-2752 • E-mail: firstbaptistpt@gmail.com
On the web: www.firstbaptistpt.org
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Sunday Worship: 9:30am A relaxed, come-as-you-are, blend of contemporary and traditional styles of music, traditional and emerging styles of worship, prayer and honest Biblical teaching. Nursery care is provided.

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108 Airport Road, Port Townsend; 379-2475;
lighthousebaptistchurchpt@gmail.com
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• LBC is an old-fashioned, independent Baptist church. We are King James Bible believers, and we enjoy singing traditional hymns. Filled with friendly people who love the Lord, our church is waiting to give you a warm welcome.

First Sunday of each month: Sunday School, 10am; Morning worship, 11am. Potluck following morning service Afernoon service immediately after the meal No evening service (first Sundays only)

All other Sundays of the month: Sunday School, 10am; Morning Service, 11am; Light snack following morning service; Evening Service, 6pm

Wednesday Night Bible Study, 7pm

Men's Prayer Breakfast: Second Saturday of each month, 9:30am at the church

Ladies' Lunch: Third Saturday of each month, 10:30am at the church

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Contact us for information about joining these activities:
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San Juan Baptist Church
1704 Discovery Rd. Port Townsend • www.sanjuanbaptist.com
Office Email: office@sanjuanbaptist.com
Office Phone: 360-385-2545
Pastor Noel Muscutt • Email: ndmuscutt@sanjuanbaptist.com

Join us at 10:00am on Sundays for our worship service IN-PERSON!

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Sun, Nov 1 Lisa Firestone, Guest Speaker & Musician
Sun, Nov 26 Nature, Peace & Presence
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Sun, Dec 3 Embodying Faith: The Shining Star & Mystic Heart
Sun, Dec 10 Practicing Peace: Shepherds, Magi & the Natural World
Sun, Dec 17 Expressing Love: Mary, Joseph & the Christ Child
Sun, Dec 24 Living Joy: Angels Ethereal & Embodied
5pm Candle Lighting Service ONLY (No 11am Sunday Service)
Mon, Dec 25 Special Christmas Day Service/Gathering with Bill Cohill & Friends
Sun, Dec 31 Christ Light: Watch Tower of Peace 11am Service (No evening event)
SPECIALS: Fri, Dec 1 – Sun, Dec 3 Festival of Lights Bazaar & Cookies
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