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Commissioners pick site for new pool

Chimacum School District property next to library is preferred over Chimacum Park

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The Jefferson County Board of Commissioners has selected a Chimacum School District property in Port Hadlock as the preferred site for a new aquatic recreation facility.

The decision, made at the commissioners meeting on Jan. 27, was necessary to meet site requirements for a Local Community Project funding application due by Feb. 21.

The next steps include the county forming a public facilities district (PFD) to oversee the project and finalizing an interlocal agreement with the school district before the funding application deadline.

Once the PFD is formed, its board members will have the authority to reconsider the location or even cancel the project altogether.

County Commissioner Greg Brotherton cautioned against assuming it was a done deal as other steps remain in the process.

Two potential sites were considered: Chimacum Park and the school district property next to the Jefferson County Library.

While Chimacum Park offers more space and is county-owned, its proximity

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Grass-gobblers

These hard-working animals are part of Olympic Trail Goats owned by John Smith. The herd of roughly 90 animals was seen earlier this month off of Four Corners Road in Port Townsend. The self-described shepherd delivers the goats to nosh on overgrown brush, shrubs and invasive plants, an environmentally friendly, sustainable alternative to traditional clearing methods, including for clients like the Jefferson County Public Utility District. *Leader photo by Mallory Kruml*

Centrum steps up after Fort Worden Hospitality falters

Arts organization commits to feeding, housing its clients

BY JAMES ROBINSON

There is good news for people who need to plan ahead in order to enjoy Fiddle Tunes, Jazz Port Townsend, Acoustic Blues and other events put on by Centrum at Fort Worden.

Centrum executives announced on Jan. 25 the organization will move forward with its 2025 programming season following successful and ongoing negotiations with the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission (State Parks).

"Our commitment to fostering artistic community remains as strong as ever, and we look forward to an inspiring year ahead," said Robert Birman, Centrum's executive director. "The board and I are humbled by the volume of calls from the community wanting to help ensure that Centrum's programs remain viable this year. Undoubtedly, we need to come together to make it happen."

The news comes after the Jan. 16 shutdown of Fort Worden Hospitality (Hospitality) jeopardized Centrum's ability to feed and house its guests, and marks a bright spot for the beleaguered park and the recent events surrounding the Fort Worden Public Development Authority's descent into insolvency and a court ordered receivership.

"It is easy to imagine that the need for our style of community programming — one that nurtures creativity in an environment that is supportive, challenging and uplifting — will be as important than ever this year." Birman said.

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Commission votes to delay golf park rezone

BY MALLORY KRUML

During the well-attended public hearing on Jan. 23, the Port Townsend Planning Commission aligned itself with city staff's recommendation regarding proposed amendments to the comprehensive plan that would enable rezoning for development.

A second public hearing on the amendment docket, this one hosted by the city council, is scheduled for 6 p.m. Feb. 3, with final adoption expected either that night or during the council meeting on Feb. 17.

The commission recommended the council delay the proposed partial rezoning of the Camas Prairie Golf Park for housing until the next amendment cycle, scheduled for early 2026, citing insufficient information and staff time to move forward with the rezone this year.

Planning Commission Chair Rick Jahnke reminded in-person and online attendees that the city council will have the final say on the amendments, noting their recommendation was merely an advisory one.

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Council passes 2.8% cost-of-living adjustment for city staff

BY MALLORY KRUML

Port Townsend's city council has approved a 2.8% cost-of-living adjustment (COLA) for all non-represented city staff, based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) increase for the West Region from July 2023 through June 2024, as published by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

All non-represented city staff including the city manager received the COLA increase, regardless of how long they have held their positions.

The city manager, a non-represented contract employee, received the COLA in keeping with his employment contract, which stipulates that council-approved salary adjustments for department heads are also applied to him. The city manager's pay range, determined by the city council during annual evaluations, was not included in the salary schedule or the 2025 budget.

Leader staff filed a public records request for City Manager John Mauro's employment contract, as well as his current salary and benefits package. The Leader received the city manager's 2022 employment contract, which includes his 2022 base salary of $189,297, but nothing else before the open records request was closed. The Leader also reached out to Mauro directly to ask the amount of his current salary and package but he had not replied by press time.

The newly created position of community services director, which came online this month, pays between $136,685 and $169,490. That person is also eligible for a COLA increase, equal to about $3,000 in base pay.

The city policy is to release ranges of salaries, rather than actual salaries.

Staff may move up steps within the range, based on their annual performance reviews, wrote Jodi Adams, the city's finance director, in an email.

"Employees can change fairly frequently, which would make our salary schedule outdated or need to be taken to council frequently as changes happen, council would need to re-adopt each month," Adams wrote. "For all those reasons, it is more efficient to provide a higher level of perspective by giving the range for positions and an FTE count."

The 2025 salary schedule, approved by the council as part of its 2025 budget in December, did not include a COLA. At that time, the city anticipated determining wage adjustments based on the general government union contract for non-represented employees, which they thought would be finalized in January. With union wage negotiations ongoing, the city's finance department requested that council approve an updated salary schedule with a 2.8% COLA for non-represented staff.

Once union negotiations are concluded, the salary schedule will be revised to include wage agreements for the unionized employees and brought to the council for approval.

"We can't retroactively give COLA increases for non-represented staff, so we decided to move forward with non-represented staff before bargaining ended," wrote Adams. "Since negotiations are still underway, there is no way to know what pay for the represented staff will be increased by until bargaining has been completed."

Elected officials, including the mayor and council members, did not receive a COLA increase.

The new schedule also reflects a 3% COLA for police staff represented by the Local Union 589, which was negotiated separately from the general government union. The General Government union represents the police department's administrative staff who will receive the COLA raise once it is finalized.

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Expect traffic disruption for months amid Water Street sewer line repairs

BY JAMES ROBINSON

City staff said an innovative drilling method should minimize road and traffic disruptions as city crews began repairs on the Water Street sewer line Jan. 27.

The $3.2 million project is slated to run through mid-May and will extend the existing Monroe Lift Station force main — the technical term for the plumbing line where water and sewage is lifted out — approximately 1,850 feet. Crews will use horizontal directional drilling to extend the pipe.

Horizontal directional drilling is used to install pipe in areas not amenable to excavating or open trench construction, including environmentally sensitive areas, such as near shorelines and waterways and along main thoroughfares like Water Street. The tools and techniques used in horizontal directional drilling are an outgrowth of the oil and gas industry.

City crews will also replace approximately 1,830 feet of existing gravity sewer main by adding a slip lining. Slip lining is the process of inserting a smaller pipe into the failing larger pipe.

Two pipe collapses — one in 2022 and the other in 2024 — precipitated the project. The Water Street sewer main line, in the vicinity of Water and Grant streets, collapsed in December 2022 requiring an emergency repair. The line collapsed again near the ferry terminal intersection in September 2024.

According to city staff, the project will rectify an issue common to asbestos concrete pipe which deteriorates when exposed to sewage gases.

After the initial break in 2022, city staff began applying for grants and low interest loans to fund the sewer main replacement. They anticipate the project will require 80 working days, with completion slated for mid-May. The first part of the project includes cutting asphalt and concrete and drilling, which will generate construction noise during working hours, but city officials say that will lessen with time.

Work crews will be on site between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m., with equipment staged along Water Street behind the Lighthouse Center building and adjacent to work underway. The equipment staging and construction areas will be cordoned off.

It is expected that the road along SR20 will remain open for the project's duration. Flaggers will be guide traffic when necessary. There will be bike lane and single lane closures along the bluff side of Water Street, with open pits for sewer pipe connections. Pits will be closed with steel plating during non-construction hours.

One side of the road along Water Street will remain open for narrow two-way vehicle and bicycle traffic. Pedestrians should use caution walking along the sidewalk in this area.

Businesses and residential parking lots will remain open and accessible with the exception of the head-in parking located at the Triangle building on Water Street between Gaines Street and SR20. This parking area is planned for project equipment and material staging within the project construction boundary.

BRIEFS

New cemetery proposed

The Jefferson County Land Trust has filed a permit with the county to establish a green cemetery and to practice "conservation burial activities" on a 36-acre Marrowstone Island property.

The nonprofit land conservation organization said it has been exploring conservation burial since 2021, forming Olympic Wildlands Burial Grounds LLC in 2022. However, many island residents were unaware of the proposal until Jan. 15, when notices went out to nearby residents about the permit application. Interested parties have until 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday Jan. 29 to email comments to David Wayne Johnson, county planner, at djohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us



About 30 Port Townsend-area high school protestors assemble at Haller Fountain Jan. 27, to decry President Trump's immigration and environmental policies. The group then marched to the Jefferson County Courthouse to make their voices heard. *Leader photo by James Robinson*

Doc's now Salish Grill

After 12 years as Doc's Marina Grill in Port Townsend, the waterfront restaurant has been renamed Salish Grill by owners Tom and Tessa Aydelotte.

Tom Aydelotte said the Port Townsend restaurant needed to rebrand because it "essentially handcuffed by our big sister restaurant" on Bainbridge Island. "Our chef had a limited number of suppliers from which to order, which restricted our ability to fully embrace local and seasonal products."

The Aydelottes and their manager will continue to run the Port Townsend restaurant, but Salish Grill will source ingredients from local farms and smaller purveyors, enabling the kitchen to craft seasonal menus.

Dean's List

More than 16,000 University of Maryland Global Campus students were named to the Dean's List for the fall 2024 term, including Mary Demelo of Port Hadlock and Alison Marin of Sequim. To be eligible for the honor, a student must complete at least six credits during the term, earned a grade point average of at least 3.5 for the term, and maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 at UMGC.



Seeking love stories

Do you have an especially sweet, saucy or standout love affair fit for recounting in The Leader for Valentine's Day? The Leader is looking to showcase the community's true tales of love, but submissions must be received by Feb. 7. Email kboxleitner@ptleader.com.

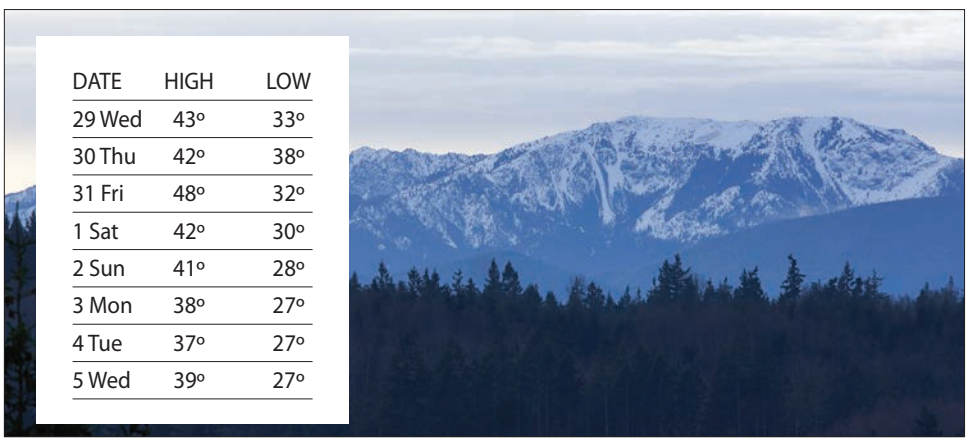
The Global Campus was founded more than 75 years ago specifically to serve the higher education needs of working adults and military servicemembers.

CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

On page A21 of the Jan. 22 issue of The Leader, a photo caption misidentified Fort Worden's Officers Row.

The column Mixing Metaphors & Doubling Entendres misstated the number of respondents to our readership survey. The correct number is 565.

WEEK OF JANUARY 29 - FEBRUARY 5



DATE	HIGH	LOW
29 Wed	43º	33º
30 Thu	42º	38º
31 Fri	48º	32º
1 Sat	42º	30º
2 Sun	41º	28º
3 Mon	38º	27º
4 Tue	37º	27º
5 Wed	39º	27º

PORT TOWNSEND TIDES

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29	Wed	5:40	9.2	2:43	8.3	9:58	7.1	10:00	-2.0	7:40	5:08	
30	Thu	6:02	9.3	3:42	8.1	10:39	6.3	10:39	-1.6	7:38	5:09	
31	Fri	6:26	9.3	4:45	7.7	11:25	5.4	11:19	-0.8	7:37	5:11	
1	Sat	6:51	9.4	5:51	7.2	12:16 PM	4.3	11:59	0.4	7:36	5:13	
2	Sun	7:16	9.5	7:04	6.7			1:09	3.1	7:34	5:14	
3	Mon	7:43	9.5	8:30	6.3	12:39	1.9	2:04	2.0	7:33	5:16	
4	Tue	8:12	9.4	10:24	6.2	1:21	3.6	3:02	0.9	7:32	5:17	
5	Wed	8:42	9.3			2:08	5.3	4:02	0.1	7:30	5:19	

DISCOVERY BAY TIDES

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30	Thu	5:15	8.7	2:55	7.6	10:22	6.0	10:22	-1.5	7:38	5:09	
31	Fri	5:39	8.8	3:58	7.3	11:08	5.1	11:02	-0.8	7:37	5:11	
1	Sat	6:04	8.8	5:04	6.8	11:59	4.1	11:42	0.4	7:36	5:13	
2	Sun	6:29	8.9	6:17	6.3			12:52	2.9	7:34	5:14	
3	Mon	6:56	8.9	7:43	5.9	12:22	1.8	1:47	1.8	7:33	5:16	
4	Tue	7:25	8.9	9:37	5.9	1:04	3.4	2:45	0.9	7:32	5:17	
5	Wed	7:55	8.7			1:51	4.9	3:45	0.1	7:30	5:19	

PORT LUDLOW TIDES

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30	Thu	6:04	10.8	4:29	9.4	11:33	6.4	11:23	-1.8	7:35	5:09	
31	Fri	6:30	11.0	5:23	9.3			12:14	5.3	7:34	5:11	
1	Sat	6:58	11.2	6:21	8.9	12:03	-1.0	12:58	4.2	7:33	5:12	
2	Sun	7:28	11.2	7:26	8.5	12:44	0.4	1:46	3.0	7:31	5:14	
3	Mon	8:00	11.2	8:39	8.1	1:27	2.1	2:36	1.9	7:30	5:15	
4	Tue	8:35	11.0	10:08	7.8	2:12	4.0	3:31	1.0	7:29	5:17	
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PT, Chimacum superintendents pitch tax levies for schools

BY MALLORY KRUML AND JAMES ROBINSON



Students walking to class at Port Townsend's Blue Heron Middle School in 2018. *Leader file photo*

Ballots for the Feb. 11 special election are arriving in the mailboxes of Jefferson County voters, giving them a chance to vote on one or two school levies, depending on their district.

These levies, designed to address funding gaps left by the state, replace expiring levies and are not expected to increase property taxes significantly, according to the school district.

In the Port Townsend School District, voters will decide two levies: one for education programs and operations and another for capital improvements.

"I would say that the levies are crucial for providing the experience that our city wants for our students," said Port Townsend Superintendent Linda Rosenbury. "If the city fails to pass the levy, it would mean major changes."

The Educational Programs and Operations (EP&O) levy would fund programs including art, theater, music, maritime and place-based learning, and multi-language learner support, according to the district's website.

The levy would collect $4.15 million in 2026, $4.30 million in 2027 and $4.45 million in 2028. The estimated levy rate is about $0.82 per $1,000 of assessed property value during those years.

The second levy, a capital levy, will help address safety, technology and facility needs, including improving disability access, replacing outdated technology, evaluating seismic safety and eventually removing the Lincoln Building from the Port Townsend High School Campus.

It would raise $2.30 million in 2026, $2.35 million in 2027, and $2.45 million in 2028. The estimated levy rate for these years is approximately $0.45 per $1,000 of assessed property value.

School district documents place the current EP&O and capital levy collections at $1.22 per $1,000 in assessed value for 2023, $1.25 per 1,000 in assessed value in 2024 and $1.13 per $1,000 in assessed value in 2025.

Combined, and if passed by voters, the two new levies would equal $1.27 per $1,000 in assessed value.

For a home valued at $600,000, that equates to $762 per year, or $63.50 per month. That compares to about $732 per year or $61 per month, according to school district officials.

"We want to express to your readers that the Port Townsend School District is grateful to our community for voting to support these local levies in the past," Rosenbury said. "We are optimistic for the future."

Meanwhile, the Chimacum School District voters will also vote on an EP&O levy.

The three-year levy would support things students and families rely on, such as music, athletics, special education, transportation and day-to-day operations like staffing and school maintenance.

"The levy touches all aspects of our district operations and subsidizes basic education costs that the state apportionment or federal dollars doesn't cover," wrote Chimacum Superintendent Scott Mauk in an email."It really supports kids across all aspects of the system, from staffing, to grounds, to transportation, to class offerings."

Chimacum's replacement levy would collect $2.35 million in 2026, $2.42 million in 2027, and $2.5 million in 2028. The estimated levy rate for each of these years is approximately $0.66 per $1,000 of assessed property value.

According to district documents, the estimated cost for the average homeowner would be about $396 per year, or $33 per month based on the average assessed local home value of $600,000.

Chimacum voters successfully passed a capital levy in 2024 which went for facilities improvements. The current EP&O levy funds programs, services and positions that the state does not fully fund.

"EP&O levies are intended to pay for things a community might want that are not basic education," Mauk wrote. "Without it, we would need to substantially trim our $17 million budget by raising class sizes, cutting programs, reducing transportation, and reducing staffing and course offerings."

Should voters approve the levy, some disabled and senior individuals may qualify for a tax exemption. Information on exemptions can be found on the Jefferson County website.

Ballots must be postmarked no later than Feb. 11 or placed in a ballot drop box by 8 p.m. the same day.

POLICE LOG

The Port Townsend Police Department responded to a total of 200 calls between Jan. 17-23, and conducted 73 traffic stops for various violations.

JAN. 17: During a traffic stop for expired tabs, an officer discovered a driver had an out-of-county warrant, but they would not extradite. The female driver was issued a citation for driving without a license, no insurance and an expired registration.

• Officers responded to a hit-and-run collision at the intersection of Hancock and 9th streets. The suspect hit a fire hydrant and utility box, then fled the scene while leaving his front bumper and license plate on scene. Officers contacted the suspect at his home, developed probable cause for a hit-and-run accident and forwarded charges to the prosecutor.

JAN. 18: Officers conducted 18 traffic stops throughout the day for various violations.

• Fire in a dumpster. It appeared to not have been intentionally set.

JAN. 19: Malicious Mischief. Damage to the bathrooms on Water Street. No suspect identified so far.

JAN. 20: A welfare check was conducted in the 1200 block of Sheridan and responded to a woman screaming. The responding officer found a five-gallon bucket on fire in the home. The case was turned over to the "Cares Team" and fire department. The house appeared to have suffered minimal damage from smoke.

• Officers conducted 17 traffic stops for various violations throughout the day.

JAN. 21: On Willow Street, there had been reported animal abuse on a dog left outside. Officers checked on the dog, and found it had had food, water and a coat. Per the owner, the dog is brought inside when the owner is not working, and the owner is feeling harassed by neighbors. The dog appeared healthy, and did not appear in distress.

• After an assault downtown, the suspect was located and arrested for assault and felony harassment.

• Following a reported auto theft at the marina, the owner called back and stated he found his car.

JAN. 22: A missing person with reported memory issues on 25th Street was located three hours later, safe after having received excellent care by a citizen.

JAN. 23: Fraud. Money was sent for a rental application through a cash app on an online listing. Officers went to the house, found it occupied and the owners knew nothing about it.

SHERIFF'S LOG

The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office responded to a total of 373 calls for service from Jan. 18-24. Deputies conducted 194 traffic stops, of which six resulted in criminal (misdemeanor/felony) charges.

JAN. 18: The Sheriff's Office received a report of a woman loitering and refusing to leave a local grocery store. A deputy arrived and resolved the issue, and warned the woman about further issues of trespassing. She appeared to have underlying mental health issues, and the deputy was able to get the sheriff's office mental health navigator involved, to help provide the woman with resources.

JAN. 19: A Deputy responded to the Jefferson County Airport for a report of a suspicious vehicle driving around airport property. When the deputy arrived, he was able to determine that the subject had just parked there briefly to watch YouTube and make dinner, as he frequents the area when he travels the country in the winter. The report was deemed unfounded.

JAN. 20: Deputies responded to the 3100 block of Paradise Bay Road, for a report of a single vehicle traffic collision. Upon arrival, deputies noted that the driver had left the scene. The vehicle was found lodged between a power pole and a guy wire, so deputies had to wait for a PUD response before the vehicle could be extracted. The driver was later located and cited for leaving the scene of an accident.

JAN. 21: The Animal Control Deputy, with the help of a fellow deputy, responded in a Quilcene neighborhood to a report of a potentially dangerous dog on the loose. Both deputies were able to locate the dog and return it to its owner. The owner was issued an infraction for "Animal at Large," and was provided a copy of the Potentially Dangerous Dog Declaration.

JAN. 22: A deputy responded to the area of Cedar Avenue to conduct a welfare check on an elderly man who hadn't been seen in several days. When the deputy arrived, he could hear a dog barking inside the residence, but there was no response from the occupant. This appeared to be an emergency issue, and just as the deputy was about to force entry, the elderly man's son arrived, and advised the deputy that his father had been hospitalized.

JAN. 23: Deputies responded to the Port Townsend Paper Mill for a report of someone camping on their property in a tent. When they arrived, the deputies were able to determine that the campsite was old and vacant. The mill representative will likely have the campsite cleaned.

JAN. 24: Deputies responded to the area of Mount Walker on Highway 101 to assist the Washington State Patrol for a single vehicle collision. The reporting person stated that the vehicle was upside down. The collision was found to be caused by an impaired driver who fled the scene. The impaired driver was later located by UAV, which guided deputies to the driver's location, hiding in the woods. The driver was taken into custody on suspicion of DUI.





Pop-up screening to feature short films, food, conversation

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER



Of the short films screening at Finnriver Feb. 1, "The Path" weaves together nature, poetry, animation and relationships. *Courtesy photos*

The Port Townsend Film Festival (PTFF) is partnering with the Finnriver Farm and Cidery to present six short independent films along with food and conversation with filmmakers.

Finnriver will host the evening of films chosen by the film festival to serve as examples of local creativity and storytelling.

"This event perfectly embodies what the Port Townsend Film Festival is all about, which is bringing people together through the power of storytelling," said Danni McClelland, executive director. "We've carefully curated a diverse selection of outstanding short films, including work from talented local filmmakers, that showcase the rich creative spirit of our region."

McClelland said Finnriver provided the perfect backdrop for the event, calling it "a beautiful setting with a deep connection to our local land and traditions."

Keith Hitchcock, marketing and development director for the film festival, highlighted three local productions he deemed to be of particular interest:

• "Call of the Orcas," an 18-minute film released in 2023, was directed by Jessica Plumb, of the regionally based Plumb Productions, who will be in attendance for the Finnriver screening.

The movie explores the effort to recover endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales in the Pacific Northwest by researcher Ken Balcomb, 'whose work over the course of 50 years helped people see the Orcas as individuals, in family groups, and led to their subspecies listing under the U.S. Endangered Species Act.

The film's director of photography is Gabe Van Lelyveld, a Port Townsend Film Festival alumni, who's also the owner of Whaleheart Productions, a video production company in Port Townsend.

What to know

The free-admission screening runs from 6-8 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 1, at the Finnriver Farm and Cidery located at 124 Center Road in Chimacum.



"Clean Bill of Health" examines healthcare through surreal humor.

• "Clean Bill of Health," a four-minute film released in 2024, was directed by Leila Ebrahimzadeh Block, a teaching artist at the Northwind Art School in Port Townsend.

The surreally comic take on the health care system stars Port Townsend resident Tomoki Sage, and was previously screened as part of the short films that ran during last year's Port Townsend Film Festival, as was 2023's three-minute film "The Path."

• "The Path" was directed by animator Michelle Hagewood, who will also be in attendance at the Finnriver screening, and it follows a pod drifting through trees, while reflecting on love and memory "in a landscape interwoven with humanity."



"Call of the Orcas" examines the endangered Southern Resident Killer Whales of the Pacific Northwest.

The Finnriver screening's other scheduled films are "Dancing Warrior," "Climate Diaries: Heather's Story" and "Love Photosynthesis."

Locally sourced food and beverages will be served for a price during the screening by the Finnriver Kitchen, Dented Buoy Wood Fired Pizza and Friendly Nettle.

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All concerts are free. No tickets or reservations required. Donations gratefully accepted at the door.

CHAMBER MUSIC SERIES

Saturday, February 1

2 PM, Port Ludlow Community Church,
9534 Oak Bay Rd, Port Ludlow

Proceeds will go to Olive Crest: Strong Families, Strong Children

Details at PTSymphony.org/chamber-music-series

YOUNG ARTIST COMPETITION

Saturday, March 29

Grace Lutheran Church
1120 Walker St, Port Townsend

Open to Jefferson County musicians ages 4-22 years old who play strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion or piano. Application deadline: March 14. Application and guidelines at PTSymphony.org/young-artists

UPCOMING PORT TOWNSEND SYMPHONY CONCERTS

Concerts are at 2 PM
Chimacum School Auditorium

Sunday, February 23

- **Anabel Moore** (2024 PTSO Young Artist competition winner) playing the first movement of Mozart's Violin Concerto no. 3
- Premiere of **Daniel Gall's** Oatmeal Counterpoint
- **Aaron Copland's** El Salon Mexico
- **Max Bruch's** Swedish Dances

Sunday, April 27

- **Mark Hilliard Wilson** performing the Villa-Lobos Guitar Concerto
- A selection of **John Williams'** film scores

Concert programs subject to change.



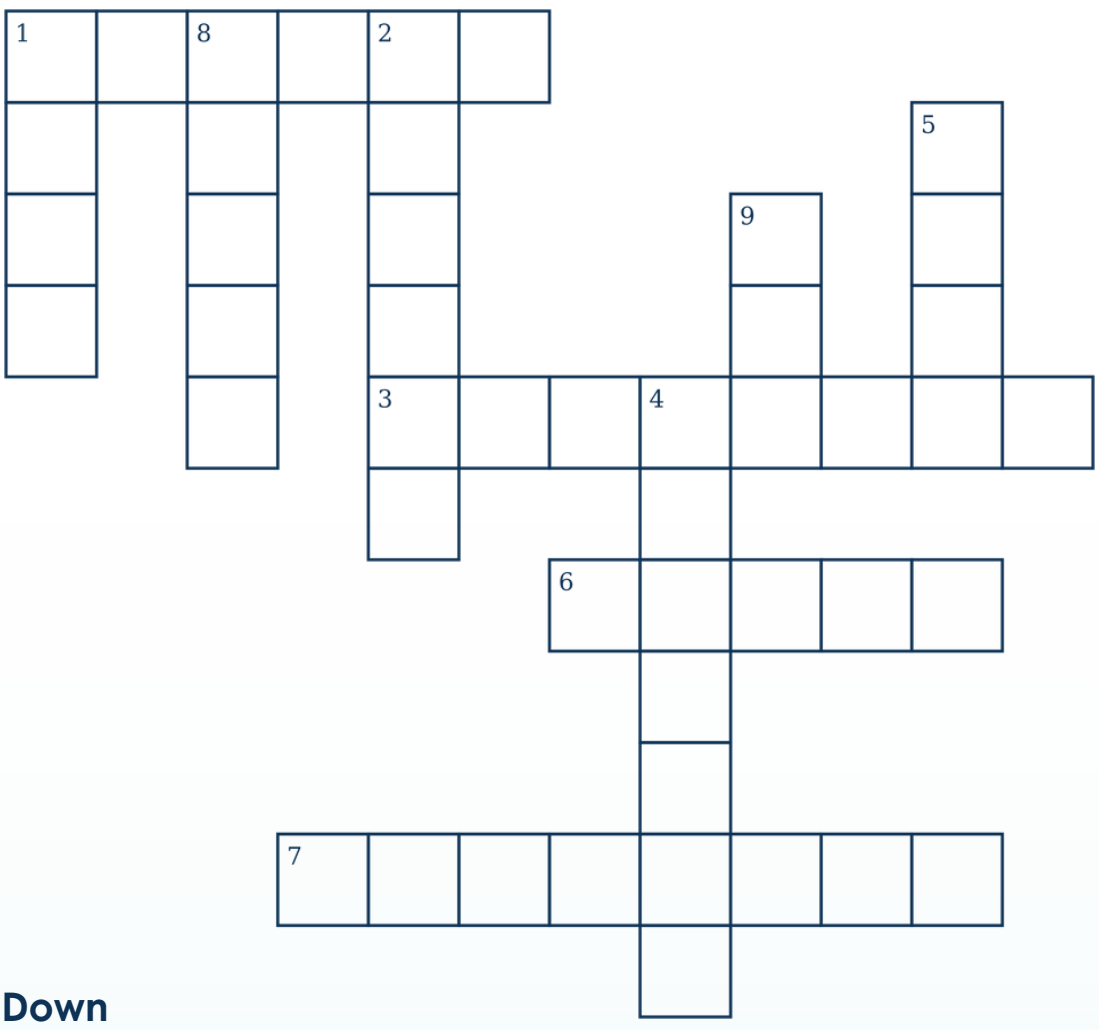
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1. It only takes a very small dose of fentanyl, 2 milligrams, to be _____. This is roughly the amount that could fit on the tip of a pencil.

3. _____ can reverse an opioid overdose.

6. The latest DEA laboratory testing indicates 5 out of 10 _____ tested in 2024 contain a potentially deadly dose of fentanyl.

7. A potentially lethal consequence of taking an excessive amount of opioids or other drugs

Down

1. _____ up all prescription medications and keep track of how much you take so you will know if any is missing.

2. _____ can use naloxone without medical training or authorization.

4. One of the most commonly misused classes of drug today are _____.

5. Legally manufactured fentanyl is sometimes prescribed by a doctor to treat severe _____.

8. Never_____ your own eyes to determine if a pill is legitimate.

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Fancy Feathers moves above ground to greater visibility

BY MALLORY KRUML



Kirsten Gifford, left, and Gail Boulter-Burgler stand at the entrance of the future home of Fancy Feathers at 807 Washington Street. *Leader photo by Mallory Kruml*

After nearly four decades in the basement of the Mount Baker Block Building, Fancy Feathers — a cherished local consignment shop — is moving to a new, more accessible location on Washington Street.

The new location, the former long term home of Forrest Gems, promises greater visibility and convenience for customers.

Kirsten Gifford, who will take over the business when her 81-year-old mother, Gail Boulter-Burgler, retires, shared her excitement and appreciation for those who have offered to help with the move.

"It's time to get up into the daylight. For the last few years, I've really been craving a change of space," Gifford said. "This is a breath of fresh air for us and for the customers."

Fancy Feathers began in 1984 when two friends, Debbie Avery and another woman, started exchanging clothes in an Uptown Port Townsend home. As more women joined in, the idea grew into a business. In 1986, a woman named Annie Talbot purchased the business and moved it to its current location downtown on Water Street.

That same year, Boulter-Burgler and her husband relocated to Port Townsend after "falling in love with the area." One of her first stops was Fancy Feathers, where she found pants for a trip to the beach.

"I went down to Fancy Feathers and found a pair of slacks," Boulter-Burgler said. "I was purchasing them, and I said to Annie, 'Oh my gosh, I love this little store.' And she said, 'Great, do you want to buy it?' Her husband took a job elsewhere, so she wanted to go with him."

Nine months later, Boulter-Burgler became the new owner of Fancy Feathers and set about revamping the shop.

"I cleaned out my clothes and got those down there, changed things around, got it brighter and people started coming in," she said. "Over the years we built the business."

In the years since, Boulter-Burgler and her family expanded their presence downtown, opening or purchasing five additional downtown stores, including The Clothes Horse, The Shoe Store, Northwest Man, What's Cooking and The Green Eyeshade.

Gifford, who grew up working in her family's stores, remembered when she first learned that Forest Gems was moving.

> **"It's time to get up into the daylight."**
>
> **KIRSTEN GIFFORD**
> FANCY FEATHERS

"I was walking by one day and saw that they were moving, and I ran back to the office and was like 'Mom, they're leaving,'" Gifford said. She asked Boulter-Burgler, "'Will you please call the owner and tell him we would like to be considered?' So many people were interested in that space, but he really liked what Fancy Feathers is about. We are one of the oldest businesses downtown."

The new location will better fit the needs of Fancy Feathers, said Gifford, who is looking forward to big windows, wheelchair access, dedicated parking for clothing drop-offs and increased visibility for shoppers.

Gifford envisions the corner of Washington and Adams streets becoming "a destination corner" with the Port Townsend Antique Mall and Bergstrom's Antique and Classic Auto nearby.

"People can come see the vintage cars, shop for consignment clothing and hit the antique store," she said. "I'd love to see Washington Street become a new hub for downtown."

The move is scheduled for sometime in March, with a three-day closure expected.

"The move feels so right that I haven't been nervous at all about it. Not one bit," Gifford said. "This feels like where we are going to be for the next 30 years. It feels great."

Washington lawmakers look for ways to build more housing in rural areas

BY LAUREL DEMKOVICH
WASHINGTON STATE STANDARD

Building more housing in rural parts of Washington is again top of mind for some state lawmakers.

Bills to allow backyard cottages in new areas, to expand where developers can receive tax breaks for building apartments and to let property owners split their plots are all making their way through the legislative process.

Similar proposals came up last year, but many failed, sparking criticism from Republicans who said the Democratic majority was not doing enough to expand rural housing.

This year, bipartisan support and early public hearings could signal an opening for getting the proposals across the finish line before the legislative session ends in April.

Expanding ADUs

One bill from Rep. Sam Low, R-Lake Stevens, would allow counties to approve detached accessory dwelling units, like backyard cottages or mother-in-law suites, in areas outside of cities. The proposal is cosponsored by House Housing Chair Strom Peterson, D-Edmonds.

Under the bill, owners could have one additional detached unit on their property. It must use the same driveway and sewage system as the primary home. Water usage must be metered and cannot exceed the limits under current law when combined with the usage of the main property. The detached units could not be bigger than 1,296 square feet, excluding garages, porches and unfinished basements.

The proposal would also require counties to penalize those who build these units without proper permitting and to keep track of all the units built outside of their urban areas.

A similar idea last year got pushback from Democrats and groups like Futurewise, who warned of suburban sprawl in areas that lack transit, public sewer systems, firefighting services and other resources.

Supporters of the bill reject that argument.

"This is not about destroying the environment. This is not about blowing up the GMA," Low said, referring to the state's Growth Management Act, which is designed to concentrate development in urban areas and to preserve open space, among other goals. "This is truly about having more affordable housing options for our young people, for our seniors."

Senate Housing Committee Chair Jessica Bateman, D-Olympia, said there will be a similar bill in the Senate and that supporters will continue to work on concerns around sprawl.

Low's proposal will receive a public hearing in the House Housing Committee on Monday.

Third time's a charm?

Another proposal that has support this year would allow property owners to split their lots into smaller parcels.

The lot-splitting bill has passed the House multiple times in recent years but has yet to clear the Senate.

Sponsor Andrew Barkis, R-Olympia, is hopeful this is the year. He told the House Housing Committee last week that there has been a lot of work done since the last session to address opponents' concerns, particularly when it comes to ensuring that the lots are developable after they are redesigned.

The bill would prevent cities from denying applications to split lots into two. Both lots must be at least 1,000 square feet and must follow local zoning laws. The split could not result in the demolition of any existing housing that has rent restrictions.

"We've worked on a lot of policy with regards to increasing supply and the ability to build within the confines of an urban growth area," Barkis said. "This is a bill that is integral and important to that process."

Bateman said the bill would be particularly helpful in increasing homeownership opportunities for duplexes, triplexes or fourplexes. Being able to split those lots could bring down the costs significantly for people who want to own a unit in those buildings, she said.

"This is the third year this bill is introduced, and this is going to be the year that we're going to pass it," she said.

The proposal received a committee hearing in the House during the first week of the session. It had support from builders, realtors and housing developers who said it was essential to increasing the number of homes in many areas. It is scheduled for a committee vote on Monday.

Incentives to build

There's also a bill to expand tax breaks developers get for building multi-family housing.

Washington's Multi-Family Housing Property Tax Exemption exempts developers from paying taxes on the construction, conversion or rehabilitation of residential property for eight years. The exemption can be extended to 12 years, if at least 20% of the units are affordable.

Currently, only five of the state's more heavily populated counties are allowed to offer the exemption.

A proposal from Low would expand the exemption to all counties that complete comprehensive plans under the Growth Management Act. That would include 28 counties.

In a public hearing last week, the idea drew support from counties and developers who said the exemption could help get more housing up quickly.

"This is a tool that works," said Anthony Hemstad, who represented Washington Housing Development, LLC. "If you pass this, it will open areas and more housing truly will be built."

Bryce Yadon at Futurewise said the organization supports the reasoning behind the bill but had concerns about development in parts of the state that lack infrastructure like roads and transit.

"We don't want to incentivize the development of more areas that don't have those amenities if we can," Yadon said.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Local history slideshow covers a century of life in Port Townsend

Local journalist and author Scott Wilson is giving his last scheduled slide show presentation on the history of the marine trades and the Port of Port Townsend on Thursday, Feb. 6.

The presentation at the Peninsula College building at Fort Worden State Park., set for 6 p.m., is free to the public as part of the college's Studium Generale program.

Wilson's visual presentation is a quick walk through 100 years of local history based on his 2024 book, "Working Port: 100 Years of the Port of Port Townsend." That history describes the conditions that led to the voters' creation of the Port of Port Townsend in 1924, which in turn led to the creation of the marine trades in the 1960s and 1970s.

The talk covers early ventures such as the ferry that served Marrowstone Island, how Ed Sims influenced the location of Port Townsend's first marina, the gigantic project of the early 1960s that filled in half of Kah Tai Lagoon and built the modern boatyard, acquisition of what is now the Point Hudson Marina and the airport, and the threats that almost throttled the marine trades in their infancy.

It also includes more recent history, such as the creation of the Wooden Boat Festival and the construction and "ridiculous" launch of the largest vessel ever built in Port Townsend, the 164-foot "Evviva" in 1993. The presentation broadens to include crucial political events that shaped not just the Port but also Port Townsend and Jefferson County as a whole.



Daryl Wakefield, who built the 164-foot "Evviva" yacht in Port Townsend, grills a house mover who had been contracted to help launch the huge yacht down the beach at the Port of Port Townsend in 1993. *Port Townsend Leader photo*

What to know

Peninsula College's Port Townsend building is at 202 Eisenhower Ave., alongside the Fort Worden parade grounds. The Studium Generale series occurs the first Thursday of each month.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29

BABYTIME AT THE LIBRARY

Songs, rhymes, simple stories and playful movements designed to stimulate brain development and joyful learning, designed for infants and early toddlers. From 10:30 to 11 a.m. at the Jefferson County Library. Free.

NEST 2 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Celebrate the Nest's two-year anniversary all day. Enjoy a free 8-ounce drip coffee, samples of Lotus drinks and treats while goodies last! Enter to win The Nest gift basket giveaway. 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. at The Nest, 1119 Lawrence St., Port Townsend.

THE RESILIENCE CLUB

Ages 14-18. Relaxed and supportive space to talk about goals and struggles. Join AJ & Sarah at the Nest for the bi-weekly Resilience Club - self driven, judgment-free zone where you can share, learn and grow together. 3-4 p.m. at The Nest.

COMMANDER NIGHT

Bring your favorite commander and play "Magic the Gathering!" Commander is all about awesome legendary creatures, big plays and battling your friends in epic multiplayer games. It's a great way to learn how to build your deck, try new things and have a bit of casual fun. From 5 to 7:30 p.m. at Strange Days Comics & Games.

BINGO

All proceeds go to benefit a different charitable community group. 7 to 10 p.m. at the HillTop Tavern.

DANCE CLUB

Fitness-style dance class that incorporates jazz/funk and hip-hop inspired choreography and dance club moved in a low pressure and supportive, fun environment. (All levels) First class free, after that $5. PT Athletic Club 5-6 p.m.

THURSDAY, JAN. 28

ART SHOWCASE 2025

A celebration of 15 regional artists at Northwind Art. 12-5 p.m. Artist from Port Townsend, Sequim, Port Ludlow, Seattle and Kitsap Peninsula. Thursday through Monday.

SURVEY DAY AT THE NEST

Mapping resources / dishing rewards, all ages. Share how you are accessing health and social resources in the community and help shine a light on the unsheltered population with the Point in Time (PIT) Count. 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. The Nest.

TRY 4-H OPEN HOUSE - SUPPLY SWAP

Have you wanted to join 4-H but need more information? Have a bunch of art and craft supplies that you want to find a new home? Join us from 6-8 p.m. to swap skills, supplies and stories about our local 4-H program.

FUSION DANCE

Come embrace the joy of dancing, visiting and connecting. $10. 7:30-10 p.m. at Brigid's Loft.

LIVE MUSIC

Cort & Kia Armstrong will be performing, bringing their soulful sounds and smooth guitar melodies to the Vintage. 4-6 p.m.

BOARD GAME NIGHT

Whether you bring one of your favorite games or you want to try out one from the board game library, you'll find a community here who is ready to play. From 5-7:30 p.m. at Strange Days Comics & Games.

KNITTING WORKSHOP

Join in on the second of a three-series class at 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Finnriver Farm and Cidery in Chimacum.

FRIDAY, JAN. 31

KALEIDOSCOPE PLAY AND LEARN

Dance, sing, read stories and take part in supportive conversations. Have fun with your children, interact with other families in playtime and enhance the bond with your community. Sessions are free and open to everyone. From 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Jefferson County Library.

ZUMBA DANCE FITNESS CLASS

Any fitness level is welcome. $5 donation. 9-10 a.m., Chimacum Grange.

LIVE MUSIC

Enjoy the rich and soulful harmonies of Bread and Gravy, performing at Vintage by Port Townsend Vineyards. 4:30-6:30 p.m. Jack Dwyer & The Rodea Dendrons invite you to the farm for Honky Tonk. Grab your boots and join us at Finnriver Cidery Garden. $5 cover charge; family friendly. 124 Center Road.

METAL/PUNK NIGHT

The Warps & Key Party performs at the Keg and I, 8-10 p.m. 21-plus. Free.

KARAOKE & OPEN MIC

5-7:30 p.m. at The Nest, 1119 Lawrence St., Port Townsend.

CIVIC CALENDAR

CITY MEETINGS

Council Culture and Society Committee: Committee members will meet at noon on Wednesday, Jan. 29, in the council chambers at city hall.

City Council: Council members will meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 3, in the council chambers at city hall.

Historic Preservation Committee: Committee members will meet at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the council chambers at city hall.

COUNTY MEETINGS

Board of Commissioners: Commissioners will meet at 9 a.m. on Monday, Feb. 3, in the commissioners' chambers at the Jefferson County Courthouse.

Risk Management Committee: Committee members will meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the commissioners' chambers at the Jefferson County Courthouse.

SCHOOLS CALENDAR

Jan. 29: Wrestling v. Life Christian at PTHS, Junior Varsity 5:30 p.m., Varsity 6:15 p.m.

Jan. 30: No home events.

Jan. 31: Boys and Girls Basketball v. Bellevue Christian at CHS, Boys Varsity 5:30 p.m., Girls Varsity 7 p.m., Boys Junior Varsity 7 p.m.

Feb. 1: No home events.

Feb. 3: No home events.

Feb. 4: No home events.

FERN SPORES (DUO) LIVE MUSIC

Finnriver welcomes Fern Spores, the original folk-rock project of Olympia-based singer-songwriter Alyssa Nunke. 5-7 p.m. Free.

SALTFIRE THEATRE'S MACBETH

7 p.m., Fort Worden JFK Building. $25 advance tickets.

SATURDAY, FEB. 1

FILM POP-UP WITH PTFF

A free, fun evening of film, food, cider and community brought to you by Port Townsend Film Festival. Come see a hand-picked assortment of six short indie films from PTFF's archive. Get a sneak preview of 2025 film events, and learn about ways to get involved with PTFF and the local film scene. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. (Food & beverages available for purchase.)

HILL TOP HONKYTONK

Country band Sagebrush featuring Doug Warren, Dave Meis, Baila Dworsky, Kurt Munnich and Jim Nyby. 8-11 p.m., at the Hilltop Tavern.

PIANO BAR FRIDAY

Jonas Myers. 5-7 p.m. Bishop Block Bottle Shop. Free.

SUNDAY, FEB. 2

JEAN THERAPY X

Jazz fusion combo for Groundhog Day. From 3 to 5 p.m. at Finnriver Cidery. Cover charge up to $5, excluding children, to be collected. All funds go to the music program.

LIVE MUSIC

Tom Cox returns to the Keg and I, enjoying music styles ranging from classic pop, rock, jazz, standards, ballads, '60s to present. 4-6 p.m. 21-plus. Free.

SALTFIRE THEATRE'S MACBETH

7 p.m., Fort Worden JFK Building. $25 advance tickets.

MONDAY, FEB. 3

PRESCHOOL AND TODDLER STORYTIME

All ages are welcome. From 10:30 to 11 a.m. at the Jefferson County Library.

FOOLS BOWL PUB TRIVIA

At The Uptown Pub. 8-9 p.m. Testing all useless knowledge! Free to play.

TUESDAY, FEB. 4

PRESCHOOL AND TODDLER STORYTIME

Hear stories, sing songs, and enjoy physical movement to build children's love of reading and learning. All ages are welcome. From 10:30 to 11 a.m. at the Quilcene Community Center.

FINANCIAL LITERACY CLASSES

Free event at the Tri-Area Community Center in Chimacum. 10 W. Valley Road. 6-8 p.m. Classes stand alone. Please attend each, you are most interested in.

TUESDAY JAZZ

Jonathan Doyle & Friends at The Bishop Block Bottle Shop & Garden. 5-7 p.m.

DRUM & PERCUSSION FUN

Come and learn some African drumming techniques, or just bring your own percussion to join in a drum circle. 5:30-7:30 p.m. 21-plus. The Keg and I.

OPEN MIC

Come show off your skills and see what Port Townsend locals have to offer at Open Mic. From 9 to 11 p.m. at the Uptown Pub. Music, Comedy, Poetry.

CRIBBAGE NIGHT

BYOB - Bring your own board, and come and play cribbage. We're starting a monthly event to encourage cribbage players of all levels to come out and play. Free. 21-plus. 5:30-7:30 p.m. at The Keg and I.

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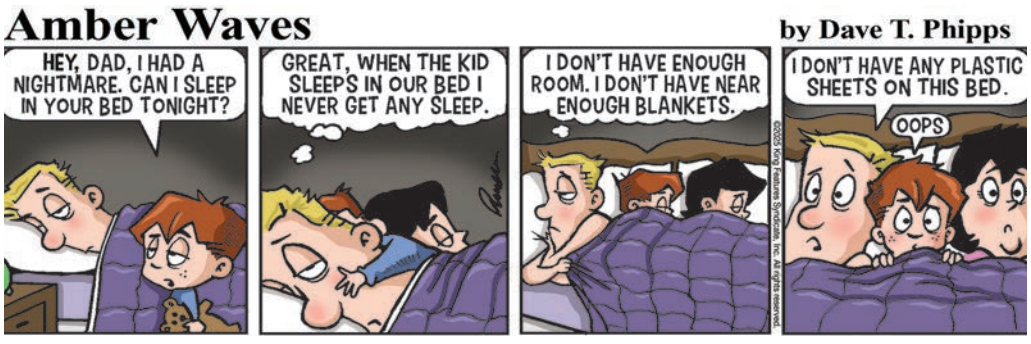
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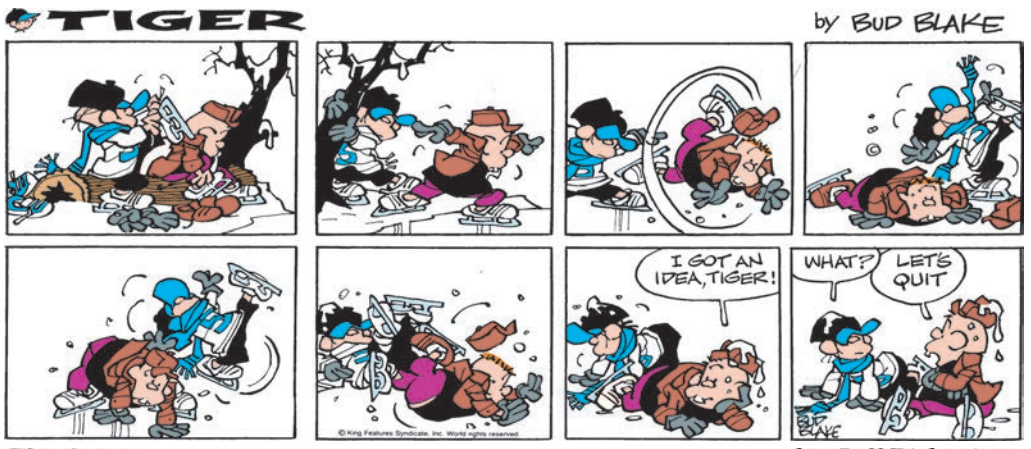
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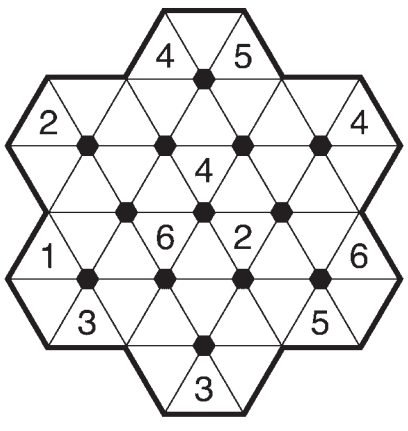
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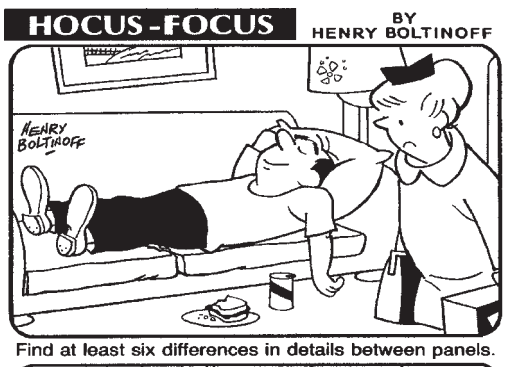
by Japheth Light

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.



HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



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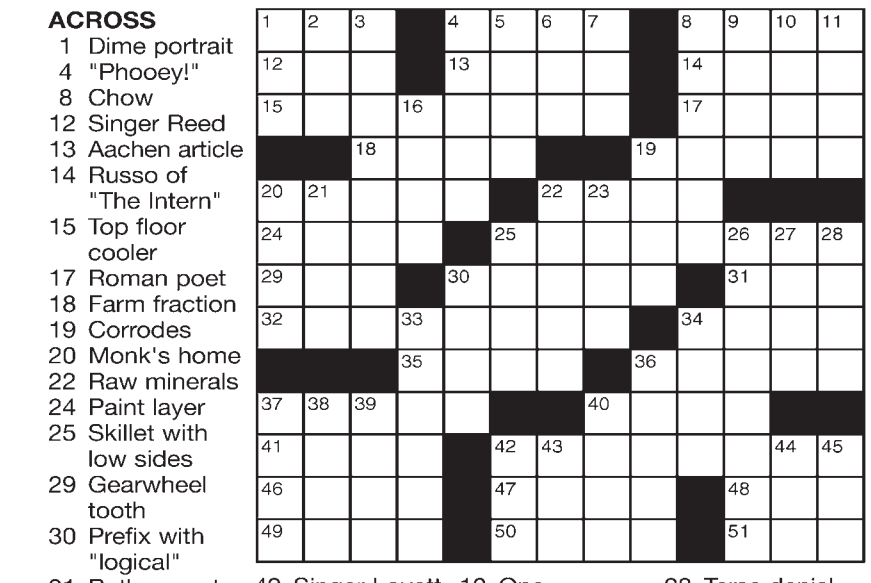
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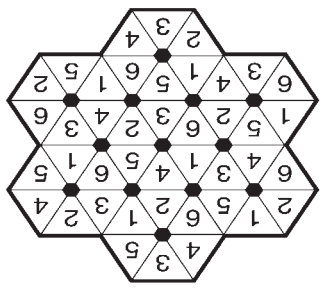
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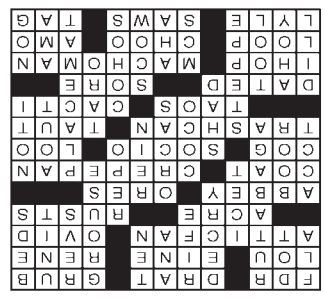


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Answers

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What year was the first Barbie doll released?
2. MOVIES: What is the name of the island in the "Jurassic Park" film?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What are baby rabbits called?
4. U.S. STATES: Which state is the home of Mount Rushmore?
5. INVENTIONS: When were emojis invented?
6. TELEVISION: In the TV series "The Walking Dead," what was the character Rick Grimes' profession previously?
7. CHEMISTRY: Which element is also known as quicksilver?
8. SCIENCE: What is the name for the pivot on which a lever turns?
9. GEOGRAPHY: Which country is home to the ancient city of Petra?
10. MUSIC: Which of Taylor Swift's songs was first to appear on the Billboard Hot 100?

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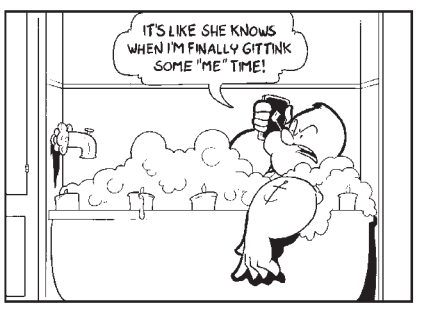
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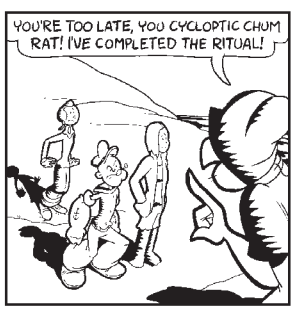
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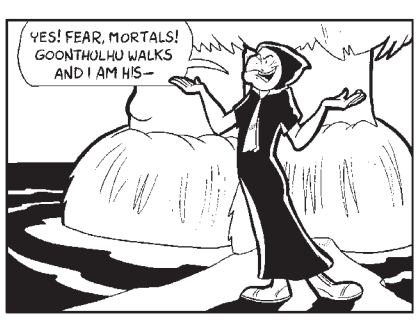


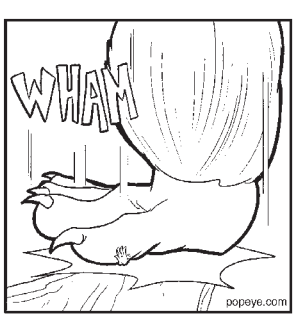




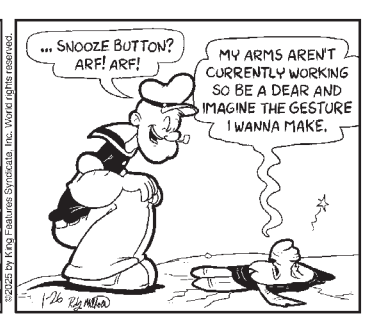








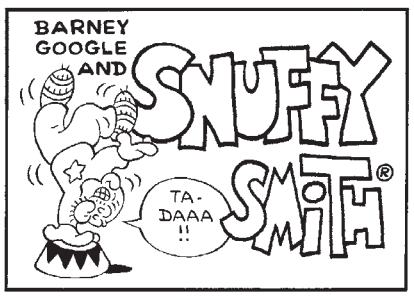




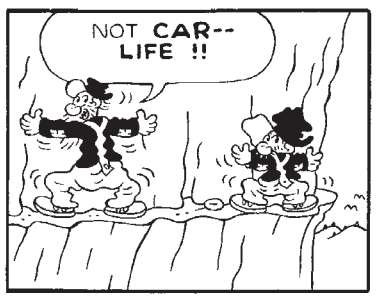
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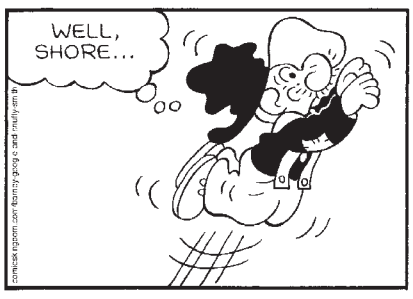


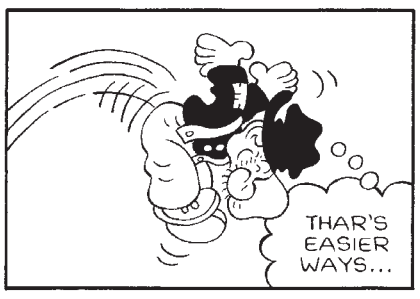
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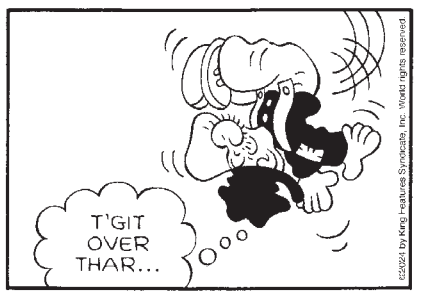


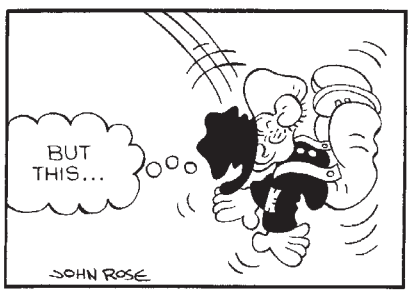


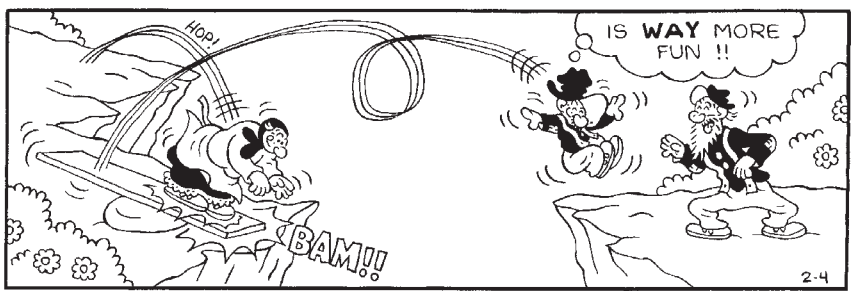












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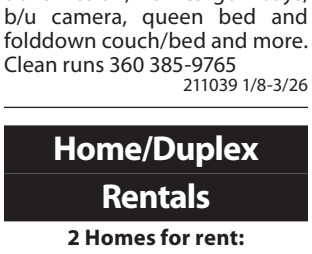
(2) $1,800/mo. - 2 Bedroom/ 1 Bath w/ wood stove. Available 3/1

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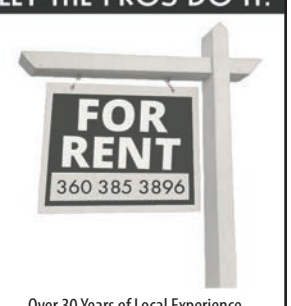
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Cascade Community Connections is Hiring 2 Positions! Looking for a way to make a difference? Cascade is looking for a Community Engagement Specialist and a Youth Community Engagement Specialist. These positions support clients with intellectual/developmental disabilities, guiding and developing client's skills and engaging them in volunteering, social, and recreational opportunities. The Youth position works with 15-30 year olds. Must have a vehicle and a valid drivers license. Positions are part-time to full-time with benefits and located in our Port Townsend community. Wage range $21-$23. Submit your cover letter and resume to Carolyn@Full-CircleHR.com. EEO employer.
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City of Port Townsend

City of Port Townsend is recruiting for a Civil Engineer. Starting salary $88,109-132,799 depending on hiring level (I, II, or III) & qualifications. Med/den/vis, FSA, LTD, sick/vac; 14 holidays. Full job descriptions & application: https://cityofpt.applicantpool.com/jobs/
211410 1/29-2/5

City of Port Townsend

City of Port Townsend seeks an Arts & Culture Coordinator to help develop, coordinate & implement arts and culture plans and programs. Req BA in Art or related field & 3 yrs' exp or equivalent combination. Med/den/vis, FSA, LTD, sick/vac; 14 holidays. $65,748-81,528. Full job description & application: https://cityofpt.applicantpool.com/jobs/
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~ASTROLOGY~

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Express yourself with great confidence this week, Aries. You feel like you are in control and well organized. This is a recipe for success regarding the things you need to accomplish.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, you have a clear mind this week to put plans in place. But you might need some inspiration to get started. Avoid procrastinating.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21

There are many tasks that lie ahead this week, Gemini,. It will be essential that you stay focused. One of the areas to consider is changing personal health for the better.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, you may find you're an asset and sought-after among friends and coworkers. Use social situations to your advantage to network even more.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23

Clear up some space at home so you can work more easily, Leo. Too much clutter in your home or work area can be a distraction. Disorganization can make tasks harder.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Practice being smooth and professional in your manner, Virgo. This will be the best way to get good results at work. Others may be impressed by how you handle yourself under pressure.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, you might be very popular with superiors at work this week. Use this to your advantage to seek out a raise. Ask to head an important project.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you can do anything you set your mind to. Share your ideas with others and determine which concepts have merit. If nothing comes up, go back to the drawing board.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Others admire your ability to be a good friend, Sagittarius. This week you will showcase your compassion and humility in myriad ways. It might garner you extra attention.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, happy news is coming your way this week. Share the good fortune with others in your life, either a spouse or a sibling. These people can use some sunshine as well.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, if at first you don't succeed, you may need to change your approach to things. Enlist the help of others to help turn your ideas into results.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Develop a better strategy for saving money, Pisces. You need some extra funds to pay for larger expenses, and clipping coupons alone might not be the answer.

FAMOUS BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY 26 Joseph Quinn, Actor (31)
JANUARY 27 Noah Schnacky, Singer (28)
JANUARY 28 Ariel Winter, Actress (27)
JANUARY 29 Madison Bailey, Actress (26)
JANUARY 30 Christian Bale, Actor (51)
JANUARY 31 Justin Timberlake, Singer (44)
FEBRUARY 2 Lauren Conrad, TV personality (39)

Housekeeper Wanted, twice monthly, approximately 4 hours each visit. Dog friendly preferred. If interested call: 360.379-5701 or email: mosquito275@yahoo.com.
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Northwest Maritime in Port Townsend, WA, is hiring a Seasonal Captain (April–September). Teach maritime skills to youth and adults aboard historic longboats, keelboats, and small craft. $30/hour, ~30-40 hours/week, $1,000 completion bonus, and housing available for $300/month. Applicants need a 25-ton USCG Captain's License, teaching experience, and a passion for fostering inclusive, hands-on learning. Join a collaborative team on the beautiful Puget Sound. Apply now and set sail on this exciting opportunity! Apply online: https://nwmaritime.org/about/our-organization/work-here/
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Now hiring! Two positions open. Waitress & Experienced Breakfast Cook wanted. Bring resume & apply in person at the Blue Moose Cafe.
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The Port Townsend Leader is looking for an energetic, customer service oriented go-getter to join our dynamic team as the Circulation Coordinator and play a pivotal role in connecting our community to its trusted news source. Our ideal candidate will be responsible for managing customer subscriptions, and oversee newspaper delivery.

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County Notices

NOTICE OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS 2025

The Jefferson County Behavioral Health Advisory Committee (BHAC) will hold its regular 2025 meetings every second Tuesday of the following months: February, April, June, August, October, and December from 2:30-4:30 PM in the Pacific Conference Room at Jefferson County Public Health office located at 615 Sheridan Ave, Port Townsend, WA. To view current agendas and a link to attend via Zoom, visit: www.co.jefferson.wa.us, and then go to the Calendar located on the home page.
PTL.: January 29,2025
Legal No.211420

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Proposed Jefferson County Assumption of the Jefferson County Transportation Benefit District (JCTBD)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing is scheduled by the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners for ***MONDAY, February 10, 2025 at 11:00 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.

Jefferson County approved Ordinance No. 10-1216-24 on December 16, 2024, establishing the Jefferson County Transportation Benefit District (JCTBD) for unincorporated Jefferson County pursuant to Chapter 36.73. Chapter 36.74 RCW allows the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners to assume the powers and responsibilities of the JCTBD. Assuming those powers would eliminate the need for a separate entity, and no longer require separate meetings, agendas, and an interlocal agreement for staff support services.

The information is available for viewing on the County website by visiting: www.co.jefferson.wa.us and follow this pathway – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) - Board of Commissioners – BOCC Agenda Packets – 2025 Weekly Agenda Items – 02 February 2025 – 021025 – HEARING re Assumption of TBD

You are welcome to participate in this hearing. You will need to join the meeting by 11:00 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**

In addition, written testimony is also invited beginning on January 27, 2025 and ending on February 10, 2025 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 documents and testimony received by visiting: www.co.jefferson.wa.us and following this pathway – Services – Laserfiche Web Portal (username and password is: public) – Board of Commissioners – BOCC Agenda Packets – 2025 Weekly Agenda Items – 02 February 2025 – 0021025 – HEARING re Assumption of TBD

You can also **Mail** your testimony to: Jefferson County Commissioners' Office; PO 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 27th day of January 2025.
JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Heidi Eisenhour, Chair
PTL.: Jan 29, Feb 5, 2025
Legal No.211428

School Notices

NOTICE OF BUDGET EXTENSION HEARING AND ADOPTION

The Board of Directors of the Quilcene School District No. 48 will meet in a work study meeting on Wednesday, February 5, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the board room (Room 9) located at 294715 US Hwy 101, Washington. There will be a public hearing to review and adopt the district's budget extension for the Capital Projects Fund for the 2024/2025 school year. Any member of the public is welcome to attend and may be heard for or against any part thereof. Starting January 22, 2025, a copy of the proposed budget extension will be available for review on the District's website www.qsd48.org and a copy will be available in the district office during regular business hours.
PTL.: January 22,29,2025
Legal No.211268

P.U.D. Notices

Vendor List Solicitation

Jefferson County PUD is soliciting names of Electric, Water and Broadband vendors for placement on the current vendor list for the solicitation of price quotations to purchase the District's materials, equipment, tools and supplies in accordance with Washington State RWC 39.04.190. If you would like to be included on the list, please submit a W-9, linecard and purchasing contact information to Alyson Dean, the Purchasing Agent:

Jefferson County PUD
310 Four Corners RD
Port Townsend, WA 98368
Telephone: 360-385-8349
Fax: 360-385-5945
E-Mail: adean@jeffpud.org
PTL.: January 29, 2025
Legal No.211427

O3A Notices

Olympic Area Agency on Aging (O3A) requests applicants to provide Mobile Services in Clallam, Jefferson, Grays Harbor and/or Pacific Counties through December 31, 2025, with one annual renewal possible dependent upon contract compliance and funding. Mobile services deliver food, supplies, and resource connection in high-need areas in partnership with O3A and other entities. Applicants may apply to provide services in one or more counties. The Request for Proposal (RFP) documents, including schedule and application requirements, are posted on the O3A website at https://www.o3a.org/contracting/special-opportunities/. The closing date for receipt of proposals is Monday, February 10, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. For questions or further information please contact Michelle Fogus, Planner/Program Development Manager, at michelle.fogus@dshs.wa.gov or (360) 538-8876.
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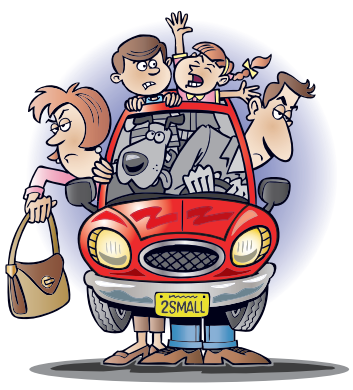
Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
Peninsula Housing Authority

The Peninsula Housing Authority (PHA) has drafted its FY2026 Annual Plan. In accordance with the US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development regulations, the public will have 45 days to review the plan prior to consideration by the agency Board of Commissioners. A Public Hearing on this matter will be held at 10:00am Monday, March 17, 2025, at the PHA Administrative offices located at 727 E. 8th St., Port Angeles, WA. The draft Annual Plan is available for public review on our website at www.peninsulapha.org or by calling 360-452-7631.
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Trustee's Sales

TS No WA09000069-24-1 TO No 240411406-WA-MSO NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE PURSUANT TO THE REVISED CODE OF WASHINGTON CHAPTER 61.24 ET. SEQ. Grantor: CAROL KENYON, A SINGLE WOMAN AS HER SEPARATE ESTATE Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust: M&T Bank Original Trustee of the Deed of Trust: PIONEER TITLE COMPANY OF WASHINGTON Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps Current Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: M&T Bank Reference Number of the Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 586154 Parcel Number: 001024061 | 10137 I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on February 7, 2025, 10:00 AM, at main entrance Superior Courthouse, 1820 Jefferson St, Port Townsend, WA, MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, the undersigned Trustee, will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable, in the form of cash, or cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of Jefferson, State of Washington, to-wit SEE EXHIBIT A -Legal Description That portion of Section 2, Township 30 North, Range 1 West, W.M., Jefferson County, Washington, described as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the Northerly line of "F" Street (formerly Port Discovery Road) in the City of Port Townsend, with the Easterly line of Oak Street, and running thence Easterly along the Northerly line of said "F" Street, 70 feet; (said point being the Southwesterly corner of tract sold to Cart E. Watts and Mary E. Watts, by deed dated May 15, 1956 and recorded in Volume 142 of Deeds on page 502, records of Jefferson County, Washington); Thence Northerly along the Westerly line of said Watts tract, being a line running parallel to Tax No. 30 of said Section 2, a distance of 100 feet; Thence Westerly on a line running parallel to said "F" Street, 70 feet, more or less, to the Easterly line of said Oak Street; Thence Southerly along the Easterly line of oak Street, 100 feet to the Place of Beginning. Situate in the County of Jefferson, State of Washington. APN: 001024061 | 10137 More commonly known as 116 F ST, PORT TOWNSEND, WA 98368 which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated September 6, 2014, executed by CAROL KENYON, A SINGLE WOMAN AS HER SEPARATE ESTATE as Trustor(s), to secure obligations in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as designated nominee for LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC., Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, recorded September 11, 2014 as Instrument No. 586154 and the beneficial interest was assigned to M&T BANK and recorded July 27, 2023 as Instrument Number 661580 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Jefferson County, Washington. II. No action commenced by M&T Bank, the current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrowers' or Grantors' default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: FAILURE TO PAY WHEN DUE THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS WHICH ARE NOW IN ARREARS: DELINQUENT PAYMENT INFORMATION From May 1, 2023 To September 30, 2024 Number of Payments 1 $25,972.25 Total $25,972.25 LATE CHARGE INFORMATION May 1, 2023 September 30, 2024 $234.08 $234.08 PROMISSORY NOTE INFORMATION Note Dated: September 6, 2014 Note Amount $185,000.00 Interest Paid To: April 1, 2023 Next Due Date: May 1, 2023 Current Beneficiary: M&T Bank Contact Phone No: 800-724-2224 Address: 1 Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203 IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of $125,908.53, together with interest as provided in the Note or other instrument secured, and such other costs and fees as are due under the Note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on February 7, 2025. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by January 27, 2025, (11 days before the sale date) to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before January 27, 2025 (11 days

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before the sale) the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustees' fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers' or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the January 27, 2025 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the entire principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the current Beneficiary, M&T Bank or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es): ADDRESS CAROL KENYON 116 F ST, PORT TOWNSEND, WA 98368 CAROL KENYON 1123 VAN NESS STREEET, PORT TOWNSEND, WA 98368 by both first class and certified mail on August 20, 2024, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place August 21, 2024 on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's Sale. X. Notice to Occupants or Tenants. The purchaser at the Trustee's sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. Notice to Borrower(s) who received a letter under RCW 61.24.031: THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. Mediation MUST be requested between the time you receive the Notice of Default and no later than 90 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the Notice of Trustee Sale. If an amended Notice of Trustee Sale is recorded providing a 45-day notice of the sale, mediation must be requested no later than 25 calendar days BEFORE the date of sale listed in the amended Notice of Trustee Sale. DO NOT DELAY. CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you might eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Telephone: (877) 894-4663 or (800) 606-4819 Website: www.wshfc.org The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Telephone: (800) 569-4287 Website: www.hud.gov The statewide civil legalaid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: (800) 606-4819 Website: www.homeownership.wa.gov Dated: September 30, 2024 MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps, as Duly Appointed Successor Trustee By: Alan Burton, Vice President MTC Financial Inc. dba Trustee Corps 606 W. Gowe Street Kent, WA 98032 Toll Free Number: (844) 367-8456 TDD: 711 949.252.8300 For Reinstatement/Pay Off Quotes, contact MTC Financial Inc. DBA Trustee Corps Order Number 106794, Pub Dates: 01/08/2025, 01/29/2025, PORT TOWNSEND LEADER

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Legal No.211006

Notice to Creditors

JEFFERSON COUNTY, WASHINGTON STATE SUPERIOR COURT

ESTATE OF
KATHLEEN G. MCDERMOTT,
Deceased
No. 24-4-00037-16
PROBATE NOTICE
TO CREDITORS
RCW 11.40.030.
The person named below has been appointed as personal representative of the above-named estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
Date of First Publication:
29 January 2025
Personal Representative
of Estate: Athan Zarnas
Attorney & Service Address:
David J. Faber,
Faber Feinson PLLC,
800 Polk St Ste B,
Port Townsend, WA 98368

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Jefferson County, Washington State Superior Court

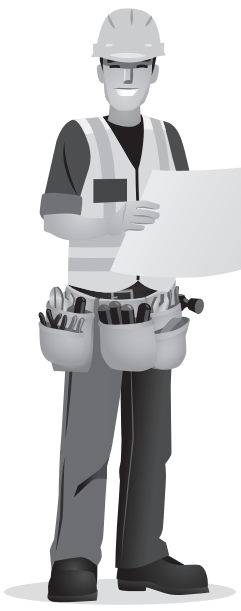
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No. 25-4-00005-16
Nonprobate Notice
to Creditors
RCW 11.42.030
The notice agent named below has elected to give notice to creditors of the above-named decedent. As of the date of this filing of a copy of this notice with the above-entitled court, the notice agent has no knowledge of any other person acting as notice agent or of the appointment of a personal representative of the decedent's estate in Washington State. According to the records of the Court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the decedent has not been issued to any other notice agent and a personal representative of the decedent's estate has not been appointed. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which this Nonprobate Notice to Creditors was filed. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after you have been served or mailed this notice under RCW 11.42.020(2)(c); or (2) four

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Navy Growler noise is harmful to residents, study says

LEADER STAFF

Navy Growler noise is affecting the health of Northwest communities, according to a recent study.

Terra Huey, program director of the Sound Defense Alliance, cited a University of Washington Public Health Study that indicates more than 72,000 people in Northwest Washington are impacted by Navy Growler EA-18G jet noise.

The study, "Community Impacts of Aviation Noise: A Pilot Survey," by Jamie Banks and Becky Petrou O'Rourke, was published Jan. 7 in the Journal of Exposure Science & Environmental Epidemiology.

"We are excited that others are calling for policy change at the national level," Huey said.

Banks and O'Rourke's study concludes that current regulations fail to account for the health impacts experienced by communities living under frequent aircraft flight paths.

The study's findings show that loud, repetitive, low-altitude aircraft noise causes significant mental and physical health concerns in impacted communities, with military aircraft cited as a particularly harmful source of exposure. As a result, aviation noise policy must be reformed, to reflect the health risks posed by aviation noise exposure, according to the study.

The survey was conducted through a 10-question online community pilot distributed to aviation-impacted residents in May 2022, which gathered 1,452 responses over a two-week period.

Respondents reported loud, repetitive, low-altitude aircraft noise throughout the day and night, causing them stress and negative effects on their mental and physical health.

Seven survey questions focused on the type and magnitude of health impacts, perceptions and concerns, and the results showed the likelihood of adverse impacts, with the most heightened perceptions and concerns among respondents exposed mainly to military aircraft noise.

Key findings of the survey include:

• High levels of exposure to frequent, low-altitude flights, both day and night, are linked to significant health concerns.

• "Annoyance" does not capture the full scope of the problem, as affected residents face serious, long-term health consequences beyond simple irritation.

• Military aircraft exposure is particularly damaging, amplifying both physical and mental health effects.

• The frequency of flights is a critical factor, with respondents experiencing greater negative effects in areas exposed to more than 1,000 flights per week.

Vaccine event to follow homeless count

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER

If you're in need of vaccinations or other non-emergency medical services and you're in the Port Hadlock area on Tuesday, Feb. 4, Bayside Housing and Services and the state Department of Health have you covered.

James Holthaus, director of housing and supportive services for Bayside, said he hopes the Feb. 4 vaccine event can serve two purposes, first by coinciding with the wake of the annual Point-In-Time Count of people experiencing sheltered and unsheltered homelessness, which is slated to take place on Thursday, Jan. 30, this year.

Holthaus hopes the vaccine event — from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Bayside's Jefferson County MASH Clinic, 175 Chiumacum Road — will draw broader attention to the Jefferson County MASH Free Clinic, which opened in November and is open Mondays through Thursdays from 3-5 p.m. for drop-in medical assessments and referrals. No appointments are needed.

"The Care-a-Van will benefit our community by providing vaccines to both those who are unhoused and low-income residents," Holthaus said. "The Jefferson County MASH Clinic also significantly benefits Jefferson County, by providing free medical services and mental health counseling."

Marie Cartwright serves as the mobile health and outreach coordinator for the Care-a-Van, as part of the Department of Health's Office of Healthcare Innovation and Strategy, and she emphasized that both COVID-19 and flu vaccines will be available at no cost to patients who are uninsured, with COVID vaccines also available at no cost to patients who are under-insured.

Cartwright elaborated that health Insurance information should be supplied by all insured patients, but noted that "we are unable to vaccinate patients with Kaiser or TRICARE insurance, because they are considered out of network, and we cannot bill them."

Cartwright further clarified that the vaccine event's blood pressure and blood glucose screenings will be "informational only," as "we cannot diagnose."

Bird's Eye Medical will be the medical provider for the vaccine event, and Cartwright advised that pre-registration is "strongly encouraged," as walk-ins will be accepted based on time and vaccine availability.

Cartwright explained that 2024-2025 COVID-19 vaccines, from Pfizer and/or Moderna, may be available at the event, and requested that patients bring not only proof of their insurance, if available, but also whatever vaccine cards or records they might have, with waverify.doh.wa.gov providing copies that can be sent to your phone.

New leadership at Indian Island base

LEADER STAFF

Cmdr. R.J. Jameson relieved Cmdr. Todd Galvin as commanding officer of Naval Magazine Indian Island during a change-of-command ceremony Jan. 24 in Port Townsend.

Galvin had commanded Naval Magazine Indian Island since 2023, and has logged more than 2,400 flight hours.Prior to that, Galvin served as the Lead for Rotational Global Force Management Processes in the Future Operations Directorate at U.S. Africa Command.

Galvin will now be joining USS George Washington (CVN 73), homeported in Yokosuka, Japan.

Jameson graduated from the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy in 2009, with a bachelor of science degree in marine engineering systems.

Jameson completed his first flying sea tour attached to Helicopter Maritime Strike Squadron 70 as the squadron search-and-rescue officer, and later as the assistant operations officer.

Other afloat tours included deployments throughout the Mediterranean, Black and Red seas aboard the USS Truxtun (DDG 103); throughout the Indian Ocean, Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf aboard the USS George H.W. Bush (CVN 77); and in the East and South China seas aboard USS Green Bay (LPD 20).

Jameson recently graduated from the U.S. Naval War College, with highest distinction, with a master of arts degree in defense and strategic studies, and while there, also completed the Maritime Advanced Warfighting School research program.

Naval Magazine Indian Island is the U.S. Navy's premier deep-water ammunition port on the West Coast.

Its 1,600-foot pier can handle the largest Navy and commercial vessels afloat, and the 2,700-acre island is also home to more than 100 magazines, that store conventional munitions ranging from small arms ammunition to aircraft ordnance to ship-launched missiles.

Approximately 200 military and civilian personnel work on the installation, which annually supports an average of 50 port visits from ships and submarines, responds to about 50 off-base fire and emergency service calls per year, and protects a variety of archeological sites and endangered species.

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Date of First Publication:
22 January 2025
Notice Agent:
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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR KITSAP COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
CAROL SUE PONGONIS,
Deceased.
No. 24-4-01348-18
PROBATE NOTICE
TO CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.020, 11.40.030)
The personal representative 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 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 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 creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1) (c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and non-probate assets.
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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR KING COUNTY

IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF
DOROTHY E. BREITENBACH,
Deceased.
Probate No. 24-4-08652-5 SEA
PROBATE NOTICE TO
CREDITORS
(RCW 11.40.030)
THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE 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 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 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 creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
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Summons

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

WAYNE HERR, Plaintiff,
vs.
LOYD C. BULLER and HELEN A. BULLER, believed deceased, and the marital community composed thereof, as well as any unknown heirs, devisees, beneficiaries, and assigns thereof; and MILDRED J. FREUND, deceased, and any unknown heirs, devisees, beneficiaries, and assigns thereof; Defendants.
No. 24-2-00243-16
SUMMONS (20 Days)

The State of Washington to the said defendants LOYD C. BULLER, HELEN A. BULLER, MILDRED FREUND, and their unknown heirs and assigns: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 22nd day of January, 2025, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff WAYNE HERR, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorney for plaintiff WAYNE HERR at his office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. This is an action to quiet title certain property recorded as Jefferson County Assessor's parcel number 982202003 to the Plaintiff named above.

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opinion

PERSPECTIVE & CREATIVITY

PTHS students make their cases on local issues

These letters and essays are the work of the AP English class at Port Townsend High School, written as part of their coursework.

Teacher Virginia Grace organized a unit on cities and housing and invited guest speakers to talk to the class as part of the curriculum. Guests included Adrian Smith, a planner with the city of Port Townsend, Justine Pratt, a board member with Olympic Housing Trust, Devon Buckham, the education coordinator at Jefferson Land Trust, and Reed Barry, research and collections coordinator at Jefferson County Historical Society.

For their final projects of the first semester, students created an argument about a local issue for a real purpose and audience. Some wrote letters while others wrote prepared public comments or even columns. Students then submitted their work to divisions of local government at the city and county levels, nonprofits, and to others as chosen by the students.

These are the pieces submitted to The Leader for the general community.

Film industry in Port Townsend?

BY ISABELLA NUNN



Illustration via Metro Creative Graphics

My name is Isabella Nunn, and I am a high school senior. I wasn't invested in this issue until I watched a show set in Port Townsend. Although the story was set here, the physical locations were not recognizable as my hometown. As someone who plans to pursue a career in the film industry, I wondered if they even tried to film here. This question morphed into could they have filmed here?

The city has set goals in the Economic Growth Plan to "increase the living wage jobs and encourage creative business start-ups and expansion and retain local retail income."

According to the Motion Picture Association, "As much as $1.3 million can be injected into local economies per day when a film shoots on location." This income is spread across many sectors: housing for film employees, food, extras, catering, etc. This wide range of employment would open opportunities for many creative businesses and the expansion of local retail income.

The Washington Legislature's standard for a family livable wage is 23 dollars an hour. The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) states that the median income for camera operators and film editors is $65,070 per year at $31.28 per hour. Based on the BLS data, most film industry incomes increase from there.

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The forgotten, essential service

BY MICHAEL GREGG

How often do you take the time to think about what happens after you flush the toilet?

Wastewater management is a city service that doesn't spend much time in the spotlight. When you do hear about sewage, it's often because there has been a spill or some other incident.

Recently the issues with our sewer have received community attention, notably the collapse on Water Street and the problems with the Gains Street lift station in 2022. However, these incidents paint a very misleading picture of our city's waste management.

I was originally interested in our wastewater system because I was intrigued by the possibility of promoting and implementing a urine recycling system in Port Townsend. Urine contains 80% of the nitrogen and 55% of phosphorus found in wastewater, making it a perfect substitute for synthetic fertilizer. By recycling urine, you are utilizing an abundant resource and returning the nutrients to the earth. Brattleboro, Vermont, has

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Time to protect Cappy's Trails, an invaluable part of our community

BY HILINA TAYLOR-LENZ

Cappy's Trails and the Quimper Wildlife Corridor (QWC) are invaluable recreational spaces for people of all ages in Port Townsend.

While it isn't in danger of one specific company trying to taking it over, this valuable resource is shrinking as people build luxury housing on lots that once belonged to Cappy's. Indeed, much of Cappy's has already been turned into housing, and the problem is worsening.

Students for Sustainability is trying to raise awareness for this problem by helping people realize how important Cappy's is to many people, and how it is threatened.

Cappy's is actively used as recreational spacesfor people of all ages in Port Townsend, a place to walk, run, and bike. For some, Cappy's provides a gathering space for social interaction while for others Cappy's provides a space of peace and quiet. Cappy's is the keystone of the bridge between Port Townsend's unique culture and beautiful environment.

As a junior at Port Townsend High School, I know the importance of Cappy's for the youth. There are not many safe and interesting areas in Port Townsend for adolescents Cappys provides a place to hang out with friends, exercise, and enjoy nature. I am also a member of the Cross Country and Track teams, and I know the importance of Cappy's and the QWC for runners. Nearly every day the Cross Country team uses Cappy's not only to run through, but a place to have fun, form friendships, and make memories.

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LETTERS

Give to Bayside to house homeless people

We are seniors at Port Townsend High School and for the past few months we have been studying homelessness. We have also seen firsthand how homelessness affects a small community like Port Townsend, which is why we want to raise awareness of what ordinary people can do to help unsheltered people living in city limits.

Many people who can't afford housing in PT find shelter in the forests, but living in makeshift shelters is not humane. If you take a walk in Cappy's Trails or on the Larry Scott Trail, you are eventually going to stumble upon someone's temporary shelter. The people surviving out there endure harsh, cold winter nights and poor sanitation. We want these people to find permanent housing so they don't need to spend one more night in the cold.

In 2005, Olycap and Jefferson Housing to Shelter Partnership created a ten-year plan to end homelessness in Jefferson County. In 2006 the number of homeless people living in Jefferson County was 141. According to the 2023 point-in-time count, the population of homeless was 132: a very minor decrease in a nearly twenty-year period.

We believe that the best way to get these people back into housing is to donate to the Bayside Housing Project. Bayside has provided over thirty thousand hot meals and over seventy two thousand nights indoors to the unhoused. Bayside housing gives homeless people an opportunity to get back on their feet, with "53-55% of program participants moving to permanent housing". Please consider donating to the Bayside Housing Project and change people's lives.

Gunnar Quillen and Angelo Sarti
Grade 12, PTHS

Restaurant discounts for students

Deciding where to eat as a PTHS student is a struggle, especially with friends. There are not a lot of options, and affordability is a big obstacle.

Being a full time student, working on a senior project, and keeping time for family and friends leaves a small window for work. When you get a biweekly paycheck of around $400, it may seem like quite a bit for a 'kid' but it gets spread between a senior project, vehicle maintenance, gasoline, etc. Expenses rack up fast and that paycheck goes quickly.

If you take the time to look around Port Townsend, you'll be able to find the right store, restaurant, or business for your needs. For us students as well as teachers, there's a restaurant that understands these needs: Mo-Chilli BBQ. It's at most a 20-minute adventure from start to finish, and students and teachers are offered a 10% discount there. This discount is mutually beneficial, allowing students to eat delicious food at a lower cost, and assuring Mo-Chilli more business.

Mo-Chilli owners say, "It's a small way for us to give back to the student and teacher community who help support our local business and our family." If the discount wasn't enough to lure me in, knowing I'm welcome is the cherry on top.

A coalition of students from PTHS are advocating for student discounts around town, and I urge you to add your business to this list! Providing a discount for students is beneficial in more ways than one, allowing money we earn at local businesses to stay in the community, and helping me decide where to eat lunch! If you add a discount at your business, tell us. Contact Lisa Anderson at landerson@ptschools.org or (360)-680-5645 so it can be announced to students!

Omri Alley
Grade 12, PTHS

Animals from shelters

Each year, over 6.3 million animals enter more than 4,000 shelters across America, many of which are extremely overcrowded. Tragically, over 920,000 pets are euthanized due to lack of space and resources (ASPCA, 2023). Choosing to adopt a shelter pet not only saves lives but also helps alleviate the strain on these facilities.

Perhaps instead of ordering your next dog from a breeder across the country, consider checking your local shelter. If you have certain criteria for the pet you are looking for, you will most likely find them at the shelter! You can find puppies and kittens, fancy purebreds, lazy and easy-going animals, or even a running companion.

By supporting shelters and choosing to adopt, we can reduce animal suffering, save lives, and build a more humane society.

Please contemplate checking out our local Jefferson County Humane Society, which works diligently to provide care to all stray and unwanted dogs and cats until they are returned to their owner or adopted into a new loving home. The shelter also offers much-needed services to the community, including low-income family spay/neuter clinics, wellness clinics for vaccinations and microchips, adoptable animals, humane euthanasia, and cremation services.

With your contributions, the Jefferson County Humane Society can continue its vital work in our community. Together, we can reduce animal suffering, save lives, and build a compassionate future. Please consider adopting, donating, or volunteering at our Jefferson County Humane Society (or your local shelter) to make a lasting impact.

Wilhelmina Schmidt
Grade 12, PTHS

Babies for school levies



LLOYD MULLEN
MULLEN IT OVER

In late September of last year, my family was fortunate enough to add another to its ranks. As I sit here reclined on my sofa, he's nearing his fourth month. Babies are wild!

This little dude, not two days old, left Jefferson Healthcare with two completely untrained, unsupervised, parents. Don't get me wrong, we read the books and readied our home, but dang! Until you have one, you do not know what you're in for.

Two days after forceps helped take him from the warmth of his mother's womb, two sleep-deprived amateurs were left in charge of keeping him alive.

While in utero, we referred to him as "Creature." During his first month of life, we worked on getting to know him. Now, eight pounds and gaining, our baby boy was taking us to school.

The crib assembly I spent an afternoon sweating over proved useless for months. The baby (or was it his Mom?) favored a bassinet next to our bed. What little time we had left for idle musings was now entirely his — our lives were now his, solely.

Our dream of reusable diapers remained just that. Here's a fun fact: babies have no fewer than three evacuation portals, and they're not afraid to use them.

We are old — we must be — how else do you explain the medical industry's term "geriatric pregnancy" for an expectant 35-year-old?

We try to find some sort of consolation in Port Townsend's median age of 64.1, nearly double the national average.

Even that statistic is eclipsed by the age of our high school. By the time our son hits high school, the main building at the Port Townsend campus will be 104 years-old.

That's pretty amazing when you consider that it has yet to experience a major renovation other than its air-handling equipment and a roof replacement.

Architects and engineers of our era like to say that the designed lifespan of a school in America is 40 to 50 years. So as Port Townsend High School nears the century mark I would expect it is due for more than a hip or knee replacement.

Meanwhile, our taxpayer-funded Jefferson Healthcare is undergoing its second major renovation in the last 10 years. The "outdated" 1965 building is gone, making way for a state-of-the-art facility. That project is on track for completion this year.

Why is it we're capable of prioritizing modern infrastructure for our medical needs, yet we can't do the same for our children's education?

The building standards of 1934 wouldn't hold up today. Modern schools are built to withstand earthquakes, high winds, and the wear of time. Back then, fire codes were simpler, electrical systems were often unsafe, and accessibility wasn't even on the radar. In today's world, we also have to consider safety measures for violence in schools —something not in the design of these old buildings.

It's not just about outdated buildings: It's about making sure our schools can meet the

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A package of bologna and a can of beer



CAROLE MARSHALL
AGING IN GOOD SPIRITS

Simplicity. "Being clear about our purpose and our priorities."

Both my parents pinched pennies. Growing up I had all the necessities, but not in bulk. My meals were nourishing, but the cupboards weren't packed. I wore nice clothes, but my closet wasn't overstuffed. Toys were limited and the ones I had appreciated. All through high school I had part-time jobs and paid my own way through college.

The 1918 flu epidemic had taken the life of my grandfather, my dad's dad. My grandmother, left with three kids to feed, took in ironing and knitted suits for women of means. At 14 my father left school and went to work, turning his pay over to his mother for food. The Depression didn't help Dad's meager existence, instead solidifying the importance of simplicity for survival.

My mother, who'd come from a large often struggling family, had always managed the money in our household. As a result of her financial skills, she died leaving my father with enough to enjoy a nice life. And here's where Dad and I had a parting of ways. My modest upbringing spurred me on to want more and finally get to a place where money wasn't a worry. His austere childhood led to appreciation of less. We were at opposite ends of the spectrum.

With the help of husband Jim, I brought Dad reluctantly up to date. He scoffed at the microwave oven, said it was an unnecessary expense, but with a few lessons in quick meal preparation he saw the benefits for a single guy. Took him shopping for some much-needed new duds. "Don't need new clothes," he said. "Where am I going anyway?" And then there was the car issue.

Dad loved cars. Every few years when he was still working a new modest model was his big splurge. His friends kiddingly said that Dad bought a new car when the ashtrays in the old one were full. Well, they were full many times over in his current car and I insisted it was time for him to have some fun buying a new one.

"Do you know what that would cost?" he said. "I can't afford a new car. The old one will be fine."

Of course, I kept at it. I finally convinced him to take the plunge by assuring him that if he suddenly needed that spent money, I'd write him a check. When I think of my haughty statement now, I'm embarrassed, but he sure did enjoy that spiffy new set of wheels.

Over the years we tried to get my father to move out of his tiny, outdated New Jersey apartment. Jim and I offered to buy him a small condo, but no luck. When our eldest son bought his dental practice in New England, the possibility of Dad moving to Connecticut was brought up and quickly dismissed. When we moved to a bigger house, we suggested he join us there. He sweetly suggested his apartment was fine. Dad stayed where he was, putting up with me and my idea of good living in a big house full of furniture, enough food for an army, two cars, and spending freely.

A few years later, at Dad's memorial service, his friends made it a point to chat with me. They shared many wonderful stories about my father's community involvement, and the most repeated comment was, "Your dad was a great guy, warm and uncomplicated, led an admirable, simple life of kindness."

After my father's funeral, we converged on his apartment to get things in order. There was very little to do. A few rooms of furniture would be dispersed among the kids, and clothing would go to the church. I headed into the small kitchen to sort through the dry food and perishables. Finding half a loaf of bread and a few cans of soup wasn't too surprising, but opening the refrigerator brought me to the realization that I had a long way to go regarding purpose, priorities, simplicity. I found myself weeping. Along with a few condiments on the door, on the top shelf there were only two other items — a package of bologna and a can of beer.

Carole Marshall is a former newspaper columnist and feature writer for American Profile magazine. She can be reached at cmkstudio2@gmail.com.

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Food security

In the coming days, weeks, and months, the most vulnerable folks in our community will likely be impacted by promised federal cuts to food security support such as SNAP (food stamps) and child nutrition programs like WIC.

Regardless of where we stand on the political spectrum, hunger feels the same to everyone. It is not just an empty plate or bare cupboard — it is not that simple, and we know it! Food insecurity is a symptom of not enough income, not enough representation and reflects barriers to education, housing, and healthcare.

The Jefferson County Food Bank Association strongly reiterates our commitment to our community — especially those who are disproportionately impacted by hunger. Our board, staff and volunteers will continue our work to ensure our network of food banks has the resources needed to serve those who come to us.

We are committed to welcoming anyone who needs our help — we are an equal opportunity provider. We value diversity and inclusion. We are united with our communities regardless of race, gender identity, sexual orientation, national origin, political party, age, or disability. We are unwavering in our dedication to ensuring access to food for all and our belief that food is a human right.

Let's take care of each other each day and look to the future, to address the cost of food, housing, health care, and other factors that drive hunger. Together we are stronger and have a powerful voice. JCFBA is ready to take on the challenges ahead and we invite you to join us.

Patricia M. Hennessy
Executive Director



Worker housing idea

I'm writing to say hello to Port Townsend. I lived here two years ago, advocated for the homeless, got my heart broken, left, and just flew in from Bali after circumnavigating the globe. Here is a eureka solution for Port Townsend to boost tourism, create worker housing, and to get the working homeless back on their feet.

In one month the city can define new experimental zoning for a Land Boat district. It replaces the homeless park we don't need between Safeway and The Co-Op. With a non profit, we can receive fuel inefficient or last use boats in exchange for a tax write off. This assembles 100 boats with fully equipped living cabins at no cost. We take these boats across the street and put them in the Land Boat district, creating a one of a kind location reserved for workers with a priority for working homeless. We allow small shops to be run off of the boats, and hang energy efficient lights everywhere. This creates a tourist destination that fits in perfectly with the heritage and culture of Port Townsend. The boats are suspended or go in the ground with a method to prevent rot. We jerry rig electric like our pioneer ancestors, use a pump truck for sewage, and rely on jugs of water. We argue that due to the humanitarian and economic crisis, we have the right put our citizens before State and Federal regulation. We can demonstrate the concept and take the right for a grace period to bring any sub standard situations up to code equivalent. Eventually proper infrastructure is installed.

Port Townsend is on its knees from a lack of workers. The timeline and lack of progress for legal approvals is unacceptable. We can't be stuck in the past. 100 land boats in 100 days.

Galen Goodwick
Port Townsend

Love Jefferson Transit

I am one of those people who enjoy taking the bus into town or to buy groceries from my home. The bus drivers are professional, kind and know how to navigate the different routes to save time.

For me I love listening to stories that some of the passengers share and learn new recipes and book titles. More than these reasons it gives me a chance to look out the window, go over a poem in my mind, observe the clouds and sky, deer and chickens too!

My carbon footprint is less and the bus allows me to take my time, observe the beauty around me. I usually write up reports on the drivers who go out of their way to be extra special in how they treat passengers. Its good to know that we have a bus service for many of us who choose not to drive. Thank you Jefferson Transit.

Nan Toby Tyrrell
Port Townsend

Good work, Leader!

Many thanks for your excellent and thorough reporting of the ongoing debacle at the Fort Worden PDA. The articles, timeline, and roster of players were extremely helpful in providing clarity in a complicated, rapidly unfolding situation. Our community's leaders have a long history of pursuing lofty — often laudable — goals while not "minding the store," sometimes to disastrous effect. Your coverage shines a much needed light.

Russ Howell
Port Townsend

‘Shock and Awe,’ in military terms, is what’s happening in America



KAREN SULLIVAN
GUEST COLUMN

On Monday Jan. 20, the newly sworn-in president declared two national emergencies, signed 26 Executive Orders, and fired the first female commandant in charge of a branch of our armed services.

By Friday, Jan. 24, immigration agents had raided a private business in New Jersey without a warrant and detained U.S. citizens including a military veteran, plus some undocumented people. On the same day, a headline in the Wall Street Journal read, “Swaths of U.S. Government Grind to a Halt After Trump Shock Therapy.”

The definition of shock therapy is a procedure that passes an electrical current through the brain to induce a controlled seizure.

Several officials in the new administration and in the U.S. Congress are openly calling these tactics “shock and awe.” Words are important. “Shock and Awe” is a military term for a rapid dominance battle tactic “…based on the use of overwhelming power and spectacular displays of force to paralyze the enemy’s perception of the battlefield and destroy their will to fight.”

“Shock and Awe” is part of the curriculum adopted in 1996 by the U.S. military’s National Defense University, and was first rolled out in March 2003. Many of us remember watching live, the military’s bombing of Baghdad, a city of five million, in a campaign called Iraqi Freedom. It was the first time that phrase was ever used, and the initial impacts of that campaign were stunning.

Now we have an administration using that phrase, “Shock and Awe,” on the American people. We have a president who has called ordinary Americans who oppose him “the enemy within.” We have a church under fire for asking for mercy, and media in litigation for reporting the news. But we are also seeing too many media in thrall to the sensational. This practice adds to people’s anxiety. There are at least 80 more Executive Orders to come in the first 100 days. The new administration’s shock strategy is calculated and deliberate; how we react to it can be the same.

Whether or not you agree with everything that’s printed in our local newspaper, it is one of the bulwarks against the decline of our strong community values. The Leader has become a public forum in the tradition of the ancient agora, in which civil discourse is still possible, with respect for all voices, including those who disagree with one another.

Therefore, I believe it’s essential to keep in mind the importance of our local forum while seeing this “Shock and Awe” behavior for what it is. It’s vital to not lapse into shouting matches, or to give up on participating because you’re figuring this too shall pass. The goal of using battlefield language against Americans is to make us think that resistance is futile, that we should impotently succumb to outrage fatigue, and take the easier path of apathy and withdrawal. While tempting, that would be a dangerous abdication of citizenship. If you’re an adult or even a teenager, you probably know something about how to take care of yourself when you’re under a lot of stress. You also most likely have a good idea of your knowledge and skills that might be useful in contributing, supporting, nourishing, and defending our community’s values, which are part of why so many people want to live here.

This is our reservoir of strength. Reservoirs are by definition places where reserves are kept in store. Ours is deep and wide, and it’s time to tap it.

Karen Sullivan is a retired senior official with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. She and her husband live in Port Townsend.

From antisemitism to Trump’s devastation, our dark side is showing



JASON SERINUS
AS I SEE IT

One day after Trump’s inauguration, I boarded a plane for the United Kingdom but not before I emceed Port Townsend’s deeply inspiring, hope-instilling People’s March to Pope Marine Park. Although the march’s small group of volunteers were too overtaxed to send out press releases, the word got out via email and social media via alerts from multiple organizations. That motivated 600 freedom lovers to turn out in support of our rights. That’s a larger attendance than at Seattle’s People’s March!

The glorious afternoon began with a potent blessing and warning from Walter McQuillen, Chief of the Makah Tribe, and ended with inspiring messages from Tallulah Sebastian and Hilina Taylor-Lenz of Port Townsend High School’s Sustainability Club. The only downer that I know of happened quietly: a thoughtless antisemitic crack from one rally attendee to a Jewish woman in the crowd. Given that women’s long record of selfless service in the name of minorities and the oppressed, the remark was totally off base.

Worse, when I posted about the experience to a local activist list, one list member quoted Norman Finkelstein’s claim that the term “antisemitism” only applies to acts against Jews that negatively affect their opportunities because of their Jewish religious and/or cultural identity. Try telling that to someone whose synagogue has suffered an attack.

As if intent on adding insult to injury, she wrote, “Many ‘anti-racist and progressive’ Jews like your friend, Jason, are PEP (progressive except Israel) and become defensive and upset by criticism of Israel.” This was totally preposterous, given that she had no idea who my friend was, let alone any knowledge of her strong opposition to what Israel has done to Palestinians in Gaza and beyond.

To the poster and the two supposedly progressive activists who cheered her on, try convincing the readers of this column that calling a Black person the N word isn’t racist, or calling a gay man the F word isn’t homophobic. Why is disparaging a Jew whose identity and beliefs you do not even know any less prejudiced?

For the record, my DNA is virtually 100% Ashkenazi Jewish. Ancestral opposition to oppression is imprinted in every fiber of my being. So please don’t assume that because I (or anyone else) believes in the right of Jews to finally have a recognized homeland, I condone either the inhuman, genocidal actions of Netanyahu and his cabinet or the myriad imperialistic offenses committed during and since the creation of Israel. That’s like saying that because I’m an American who appreciates the hard-won freedoms that have finally enabled LGBTQ+ Americans like moi to marry (at least for now) and people of different classes, races, sexes and genders to work side by side and love each other as equals, I condone our nation’s centuries of genocide and forced relocation of Native peoples, let alone the theft of their land and resources.

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Holding down the Fort

With regard to your The Leader’s Jan. 22 feature as to who is open at Fort Worden, I see the glaring omission of the Puget Sound Coast Artillery Museum. We continue to operate Thursday through Sunday, 11 a.m - 4pm providing factual history about Fort Worden and it’s coastal defense mission. Our two full-time volunteer docents, Ron and myself, are available for tours and to provide guests with historic details. We charge no admission, relying solely on generous donations and purchases at our gift shop. If you want to find out why Fort Worden came to be, as well as it’s interesting history from 1897 to the present please stop in.

Les Jones
Port Townsend

Considering new sheriff

This month, the Board of County Commissioners will appoint an Interim Sheriff in the wake of Joe Nole’s retirement. We urge the commissioners to choose a candidate who commits, in no uncertain terms, to upholding state law and protecting immigrants in our community, instead of surrendering to Trump’s threat to prosecute officials that get in the way of his mass deportation plan. Washington State law prohibits such collaboration.



In 2019, the Washington State legislature passed the Keep Washington Working Act (KWW) and in 2020 the legislature passed the Courts Open to All Act (COTA). These laws prohibit local law enforcement agencies, such as the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Department, from collaborating with federal immigration authorities. COTA also prohibits federal civil arrests at or near courthouses in Washington State.

Richard Davies, Jack Range, Lillian Powers, and Scott Charlton
Jefferson Associated Counsel

Replacement levies good

I would bet that most children who attend Port Townsend Schools are not avid readers of letters to the editor of the Leader. And yet their eyes will be on the subject of this letter — whether the voting adults of the community will support them by supporting the schools.

There are two levies on the ballot coming in the mail to local homes, due by election day on Feb. 11. Neither is a new tax. Instead both are to continue a slim property tax repeatedly approved by the voters.

The operations levy (called Proposition 1 on the ballot) sustains a variety of classes and programs, including art, athletics, maritime education, music and robotics. It seeks about 82 cents per $1,000 of assessed valuation, to raise just over $4 million a year.

The capital levy (called Proposition 2) targets equipment and building improvements. It would upgrade students’ computers and other technology, improve disability access and provide funds to (finally) remove the shell of the Lincoln Building.

It seeks about 45 cents per $1,000, to raise about $2.4 million a year.

These are not new taxes; instead these are replacement levies to fund current programs. Please join me in once again supporting them, and thus supporting our kids.

Scott Wilson
Port Townsend

Not ‘replacement’ levies

The PT School Board is now asking us to approve a capital levy that (1) will raise taxes higher than the current levy (not just a “replacement”) and (2) will “retire” the Lincoln Building. That building was already retired, many years ago. It’s a boarded up, empty eyesore. This Board already collected $500,000 in a previous capital levy that promised to demolish the Lincoln Building. They “diverted” that voter-approved money and the eyesore remains. We can’t trust the PT School Board on this matter. They already have our money, and now it’s time for them to spend that money and tear down the dangerous Lincoln Building relic. Fool me once ... but not again. As a taxpayer in the PT School District, I say vote NO on Proposition 2.

Tom Thiersch
Port Townsend

Pound foolish

President Trump wants to find ways to reduce government spending. One program he is targeting is the Inflation Recovery Act (IRA). While he may gain some revenue, he will also be eliminating the many benefits of the IRA.

IRA brings cleaner air and lower health costs. IRA creates jobs in the renewables industry. IRA funds make our forests healthier and more resilient, reducing wildfire dangers. IRA’s Methane Fee program would actually generate revenue for the government! While parts of IRA may need to be improved, the goal of IRA for cleaner air should stay on track. The real cost of eliminating IRA is just too great.

Kristi Weir
Bellevue



Mullen: Vote yes

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demands of a modern education, from safe facilities to the programs that prepare our kids for the future.

In a town like ours, where the sea and its history shape so much of who we are, programs like maritime and place-based initiatives are a big part of what makes our schools special. These programs depend on levy funding to thrive. So do the levies going on the ballot for the Chimacum school district.

In the spirit of full disclosure, I've got a horse in this race, but even if you don't, you'll still benefit from a yes vote on these levies. Better schools produce a skilled workforce, lower crime rates, and increase civic engagement. They attract families and professionals to our communities. If we want a thriving community with a strong future, voting for these levies is the way forward.

Lloyd Mullen is the publisher of The Port Townsend Leader.

Serinus: What can carry us through? State representatives, and support for each other

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Speaking of unjust assaults: Trump's first slew of Executive Orders, one of which sullied the release of the first three Hamas-held hostages. Once Trump could finally move beyond his seemingly insatiable need to milk his "base" for applause and adulation, he signed an initial 78 orders. These include decrees that pardon 1,500 people involved in the Jan. 6 Trump-encouraged assault on the U.S. Congress, attempt to revoke birthright citizenship for children of undocumented immigrants, withdraw from the Paris climate accords, impose a federal binary definition of "sex" that denies the diversity of gender identity and the personal autonomy of trans people, as well as rescind former President Biden's Executive Order 14075, which advanced protections for LGBTQ+ Americans. According to The Advocate, that order, which Biden signed in June 2022, expanded access to gender-affirming care, banned conversion therapy, and ensured safe environments for LGBTQ+ youth in schools, foster care, and homeless shelters. Throw in Trump's decree to rescind President Lyndon B. Johnson's Executive Order 11246, which prohibited discriminatory hiring and employment in government contracting and committed the government to affirmative action, and you see the destruction of many of the hard-won civil rights for which we marched, fought, and died over the last 75 years.

By the time I return to the U.S., several days after I submit this column, Trump's additional heinous orders and promised deportation of America's undocumented residents — his forced repatriation of descendants of some of the original inhabitants of the Americas — may have already initiated multiple Trails of Tears reminiscent of the forced removal of the Cherokee people from their homelands close to 200 years ago. It's tempting to write that the scope of Trump's devastation and inhumanity is beyond comprehension. But as someone who has visited the death camps of Dachau and Auschwitz and seen irrefutable evidence of Hitler's genocidal war against Jews, homosexuals, Romani people, and political / religious dissidents, I harbor few illusions about we humans' willingness to embrace our dark side.

Several things can carry us through. The first is our strong representatives in local and state government who are determined to draw the line, defend state law, and support the rights and freedoms of all in Washington state. Then there is our personal commitment to do the same.

Equally vital is our love and support for each other. In our hearts lies the answer. May they beat stronger than ever in the days, months, and years ahead.

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Taylor-Lenz: Because 'Cappy's is a gem for anyone to enjoy,' we must unite to save it

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Many of Port Townsend's young people have core childhood memories enclosed by the soft green embrace of Cappy's Trails. "In an ever-changing changing world, it's important to leave some things as they are," said Kepler Edmundson, 15, who has spent countless hours in Cappy's. "Teens in Port Townsend love Cappy's trails and would like to see it stay."

For the many Port Townsend residents who are retired, Cappy's also provides a place to meet friends, walk dogs, exercise, and encounter nature. According to a study by the University of Minnesota "Exposure to nature not only makes you feel better emotionally, it contributes to your physical wellbeing, reducing blood pressure, heart rate, muscle tension, and the production of stress hormones." In the years ahead, we will need these ecosystem services more than ever.

Port Townsend resident Ellan Chu put it beautifully: "You can walk, mountain bike, take shortcuts, or get lost in its network of trails. Decades-old native rhododendrons bloom spectacularly in spring. And tall Douglas-firs and western red cedars provide welcome cool in summer and damp mystery in fall and winter. Moreover, plenty of native animals make their homes in the woods. Cappy's is a gem for anyone to enjoy, literally in the town's own backyard."

As a community we must come together to do what we can to save this amazing antraul space. We should not only do our best to save Cappy's for one specific group, but for the community as a whole. I urge you to take a walk in this incredible green space, and as you do, be there in the present, and be grateful for this invaluable green space that is so accessible for the people of the community.

Hilina Taylor-Lenz is a junior at Port Townsend High School.

Gregg: City's wastewater treatment plant priased by state for 25 years of compliance

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been recycling an entire community's urine since 2013, saving more than 2 million gallons of water.

I wanted to understand the methods that our community implements to prevent pollution and a Dead Zone. Dead zones are caused by excess nitrogen entering a large body of water, like the strait, and causing a huge algae bloom. The algae grow at such a rate that they pull large amounts of oxygen out of the water. When the oxygen levels dip, sea organisms die en masse. A healthy ecosystem is now toxic. According to the Department of Ecology, oxygen levels in the Puget Sound are already lower than they should be.

I reached out to our local treatment plant to learn more and was graciously offered a tour by the operations manager, Bliss Morris.

I met Bliss at the treatment plant on Kuhn Street. First Bliss took me up the stairs of one of the large buildings on the premises and began to open panels on the ground to reveal the enormous flow of water under our feet; here, 800,000 gallons of wastewater flow per day. He showed me the bar screen where trash is separated from the sewage to get it ready for treatment. After the sewage is free from inorganic material it flows (via gravity) into a sludge trough. Bliss explained to me how he regulates the number of "bugs" in the sludge. The microorganisms actually carry out an extremely complex and important process. The nitrogen, when left to sit, turns into ammonia. One type of bug turns the ammonia into nitrates and nitrites by adding oxygen. Next, the aerobic bugs ingest some of the nitrogen and pull the oxygen molecules off the rest. Then the nitrogen gas is released harmlessly into the atmosphere.

Currently, the Washington Department of Ecology, which regulates wastewater treatment plants, is lowering its nitrogen requirements as part of The Clean Water Act. Not to worry, our local treatment plant is already considerably below the limit. As the city population grows and nitrogen requirements get stricter, the troughs will have to be moved so they can be expanded, giving the aerobic bugs more time to release the nitrogen.

The sludge then travels into clarifiers where the solids settle to the bottom and remarkably clear water flows off the top. Bliss showed me how water is chlorinated, dechlorinated, and sent off into the strait. To many, it may seem concerning to hear that ourwastewater ends up in the ocean, but when it leaves the treatment plant the water has been cleared of pathogens and is so clean it could be mistaken for drinking water.

The solids are then "wasted." They are pumped into a belt press and sent to the compost facility to be sold as fertilizer. The solids are not just fecal matter: they are actually large amounts of the older microorganisms, which have consumed nitrogen. Bliss and the crew monitor how many they "waste" every day. In this way they are utilizing the nutrients from all aspects of wastewater, not just the fecal matter.

Our wastewater workers are phenomenal at what they do. Walking into the office at the plant the award wall was prominent and impressive. Bliss excitedly told me about their plaque awarded by the Department of Ecology praising twenty-five years of 100% compliance, no spills, meeting every test requirement, and the whole shebang. They are currently the only plant in the state to be awarded this honor.

The issue the system is currently facing is caused by gaseous hydrogen sulfide. Hydrogen sulfide is a gas that naturally occurs in wastewater and "eats" concrete. This erosion collapsed the pipe under Washington St. earlier this year. Luckily, the city just redid its sewage plan this summer and will be adding lining to failing concrete structures. Then our sewage system can go back to what it does best: "Supporting Our Community by Protecting Our Environment."

Michael Gregg is a junior at Port Townsend High School.

Dunn: City should create film commission to help develop industry in Port Townsend

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Support for the film industry in Port Townsend is not a new concept. There are groups such as the Jefferson County Filmmaker Collective whose aim is to bring "people together with a desire to support, nurture, and build the local filmmaking community in any way possible." They also work with the Port Townsend Film Festival, an organization with its own goals for the development of the film scene here. Currently, local entrepreneur Ross Pruden is organizing local filmmakers and other interested parties to form a permanent film studio in Port Townsend. This would mean that Port Townsend could not only be a place for location filming but also a hub for every stage of the filmmaking process.

There is already interest in our community and the film industry supports the economic goals of Port Townsend, so how do we make it happen? I propose that the City of Port Townsend create a film commission that would function as an advisory board to the City Council. The purpose of a film commission would be to offer comprehensive support that would help develop the film industry in Port Townsend. They could participate in the development of a plan that would identify the needed infrastructure, and they could act as a liaison between local groups, film studios, and the city government.

Bringing the film industry here would be beneficial to all. It could bring people, jobs, and livable incomes to our community. Creating a film commission would be one step in fulfilling the economic development plans for Port Townsend while encouraging the arts scene that Port Townsend is known for.

Isabella Dunn is a senior at Port Townsend High School.



Toby Warren and Millicent Henry-Warren stand for a photo at their restaurant turned pop-up/catering business Admiralty Fine Foods in downtown Port Townsend on Monday, Jan. 27.

Serving it up fresh, with special events, pop-up meals

Admiralty Fine Foods' January pop-up features Szechuan menu

STORY BY KIRK BOXLEITNER
PHOTOS BY LLOYD MULLEN

Consider it an evolution in food service.

So say Millie Henry and Toby Warren, co-owners of Admiralty Fine Foods, which continued its pop-up cuisine series with two days of Szechuan on Jan. 24 and 25.

The restaurant opened at 929 Water St. in Port Townsend in December 2021, which Henry admitted presented problems "beyond the standard growing pains" of a new business, since the country was still recovering from COVID.

But as its business grew, its catering did well enough that Admiralty was able to lean into those services without having to focus as much on day-to-day food service. That shift is now permanent.

While Admiralty still has a fine dining space with a lovely view, it is now available through rentals and special events, including the once-a-month dining events begun the last weekend in December.

"We'll be switching our themes every three months," Henry said. "We did Szechuan last month and this month, and we'll be switching it up to something else after next month. It's about what Toby is inspired to create, and it tends to be things we might not see around here all the time."

Between them, Warren and Henry brought a wealth of cooking and bartending experience, from New York to Seattle, before they started Admiralty. It has offered a variety of American and European dishes over the years, particularly Italian and French menu items.





Warren and Henry-Warren set the table with sample dishes intended for catering. The spread included house-smoked spatchcock chicken, roasted potatoes with truffle chimichurri, and an arugula salad with cherry tomato, pecorino, sweet pickled onion and preserved lemon vinaigrette.



"Every couple of weeks, we try to have something different coming up," Henry said. "We've done everything from wedding receptions and bridal showers to private dinners and mixers for folks in the commerce sector."

They plan a six-course meal slated for Valentine's Day on Friday, Feb. 14, in place of their monthly pop-up.

In the meantime, Henry advised those interested in taking part in February's pop-up Szechuan meal that diners will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis, in a casual, informal setting.

"We had about 120 guests come through over the weekend, and we ended up selling out both days," Henry said. "We had about 80 last time. This is why we encourage folks to come early."



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	2) Burning Love Cider- a blend of apples, strawberries and ancho chili peppers.
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	1.) Poison - Spiced Rum Imperial Stout 9.8% (Rum soaked oak chips, coconut, vanilla & burnt sugar)
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	Propolis Brewing
	1.) Kirkus Obscurum - Perk Belgiam with herbs
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	1.) Golden Steer Sirloin Red Ale - 5.5 % ABV/Boillion, Rosemary, Peppercorn
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	1.) Pumpkin Winter Ale
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	1.) Bourbon Barrel Banana Beer 7.5% -Crafted with roasted bananas and aged for one year in Bourbon Barrels.
	2.) Lavender Hefauxweisen 6.4% - Brewed following a Bavarian recipe, substituting apples for wheat, this cider is finished with Hallertau & Lavender.
	Woodinville Ciderhouse
	1.) Bourbon Barrel Heirloom 6.9% - A standard dry cider aged in Bourbon Barrels and finished with Grade A Maple. A smooth sipper for a hot day.
	2.) Cooper's Cuvee 6.9% - Cuvee A variety of select apples aged in Bordeaux casks, and blended to create a dry cider with subtle notes of oak.
	St. Lo Cidery
	1.) 1066 Blend 6.9% - Crisp, complex and effervescent concoction of true Bainbridge Island terroir; foraged and gleaned apples from the community blended with our own traditional French cider varieties. Sante aux paysans!
	2.) Fille de Fermier 6.9% - A refined and balanced cider that emphasizes the natural flavors of apples without overwhelming sweetness. It is a product of craftsmanship and often reflects the regional influences of French cider-making traditions.
	Empyrical Cidery and Orchard
	1.) Inquiry 7.8% - This co-ferment celebrates the enigmatic quince. An overripe, tropical aroma teases sweetness, but this sparkling blend is bone dry and perfect for peak Summer refreshment.
	2.) Reciprocal 8.3% - Estate Blend: Balanced, crisp, and quenching for a late Summer. A blend highlighted with British sweets, Kingston Black and Empyrical's Calville Blanc d'Hiver. Reciprocal on draft delivers as a smooth and slightly sweet still apple wine.

‘Being with Kelp,’ a one woman show

‘Showcase 2025’ with 15 artists also opens at Northwind Art

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER







Shawna Marie Franklin’s “Counter-Current,” at right, “Holdfast,” above, and “Marriage Proposal,” below, oil-on-canvas paintings, as well as her monoprints, are part of her “Being with Kelp” one-woman show at Northwind Art’s Jeanette Best Gallery. *Images courtesy of Shawna Marie Franklin*

Large-scale views of ocean life are set to share space with an assortment of area artists, working in an eclectic array of media, at Northwind Art’s Jeanette Best Gallery in downtown Port Townsend.

The same day that “Showcase 2025” starts presenting creations by 15 artists from Port Townsend, Sequim, Seattle, Freeland and beyond at 701 Water St., that same space will kick off artist, swimmer and sea kayaker Shawna Marie Franklin’s “Being with Kelp” one-woman show.

Both exhibitions begin Jan. 30, while Franklin and a number of the displayed “Showcase 2025” makers plan to be available at the Jeanette Best Gallery to meet the public from 5-8 p.m. for the First Saturday Art Walk on Feb. 1. The gallery’s regular hours are noon to 5 p.m. Thursdays through Mondays.

As a professional ocean kayaker, Franklin has been submerged in enough kelp to feel and even taste it, which has inspired her to show others a side of the world they might not otherwise see.

As a painter and printmaker, Franklin has created dozens of works, with titles including “Blue Mind,” “Counter-Current,” “Holdfast,” “Buoyancy” and “Under My Kayak,” with those paintings being exhibited beside smaller framed “Kelp Series” monoprints, collagraphs and monotypes.

Northwind is also scheduling a date and time for the Orcas Island artist to return and deliver a free artist talk in February.

According to Franklin, traveling in a kayak brings you into close contact with the kelp zone, so “you’re able to peer over the side and look down, and you’re seeing things you would never see when you’re walking on land.”

Having personally observed such a place, “filled with color, light and inspiration ... a dreamlike world,” Franklin has gone on to product artworks that’s “abstracted from reality, for sure,” but which nonetheless explores details such as “how the sea catches and bends the light from the sun,” making for “a vortex of water and sunshine” In her monoprints.

> **“A lot of experimentation happens on the canvas.I have to be open to letting it go where it wants to go.”**
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> **SHAWNA MARIE FRANKLIN**
> ARTIST

Franklin, who turns 60 this year, said her experiences with nature and the water in particular have ranged from working as a field biologist in northern California and Puerto Rico to 18 years as a coach and co-owner of a paddlesports school in the San Juan Islands.

Franklin and her husband, Leon Somme, operated Body Boat Blade International, a company that specialized in sea kayak instruction and gear, until 2019. Early on they embarked on expeditions alongside kayaker Chris Duff, circumnavigating Iceland by sea kayak and paddling 1,600 nautical miles in 81 days in 2003, making Franklin, then 38, the first woman to complete that circuit.

Franklin and Somme went on to circumnavigate the islands of Haida Gwaii in 2007, and Vancouver Island in 2012, but after her husband developed medical issues that prevented him from kayaking, Franklin returned to her childhood love of art, her mother took her to art museums.

“I don’t know when it hit me, but I realized I could be an artist,” said Franklin, who attended Gage Academy in Seattle, studied with artists Terry L. Johnson and Klara Glosova, and earned a Botanical Art Society diploma.

Franklin has had solo shows on Orcas Island, and partaken in group shows in California, Oregon and Colorado.

Franklin’s “Being with Kelp” exhibition, which runs through March 31, includes pieces that give viewers the perspective of being in the ocean, looking up at the sky.

“A lot of experimentation happens on the canvas,” said Franklin, explaining that her paintings and prints start from rough sketches and build from light to dark, layering transparent and opaque colors.

“I have to be open to letting it go where it wants to go,” she said, adding that she moves “through a process of discovery” as “the shades underneath come through.”





Watership Clinic Welcomes Ann Dannhauer, MD

Dr. Ann Dannhauer is currently practicing internal medicine at the Watership Clinic in Port Townsend, and values the collaborative approach to primary care that the clinic offers. She says, “I enjoy listening to patients and working together to find a diagnosis and treatment plan.”

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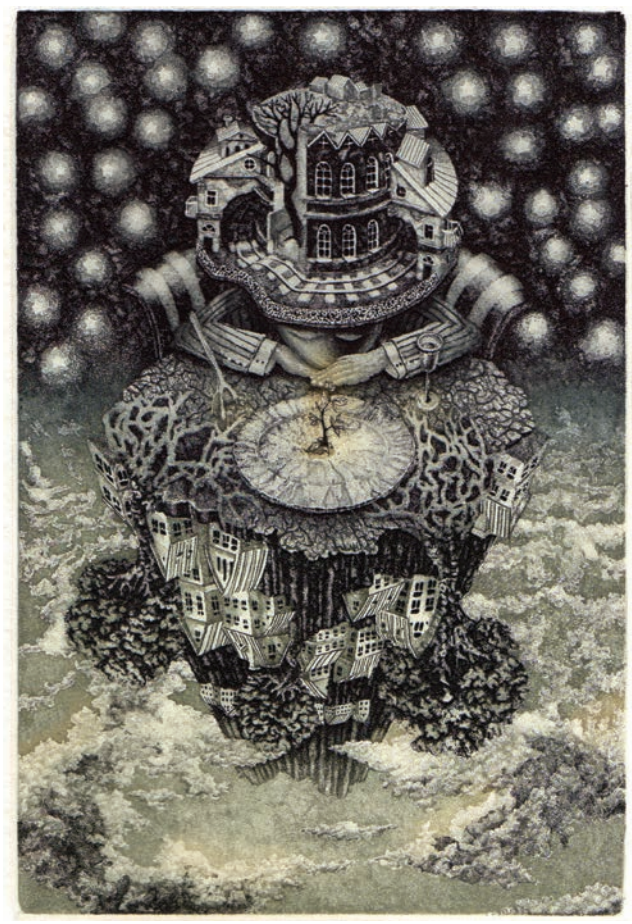
BY KIRK BOXLEITNER

Although Egor Shokoladov leans on a translator to express himself in English, his primary method of expression has always been through his art.

Shokoladov originally hails from a small town in Eastern Europe, and long before he lived in Port Angeles and Port Townsend, he was expressing his thoughts and impressions about the world through graphic art.

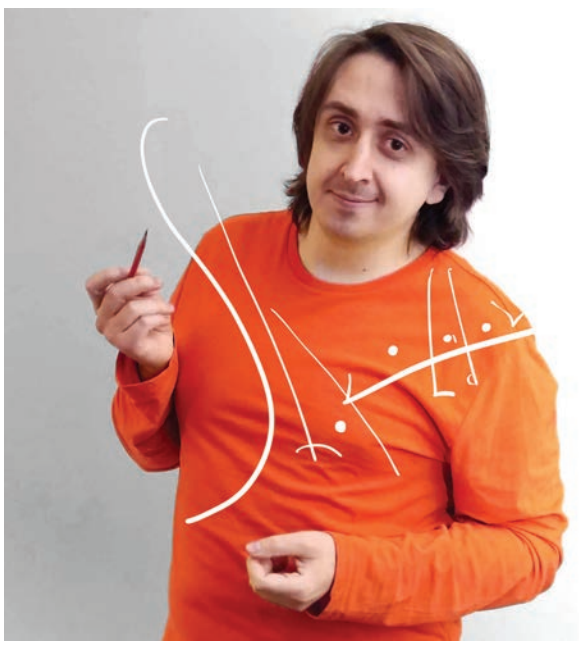
He said his most favored medium of art, making prints through engraved plates, is a bit unorthodox, but it's also gained him showcases around the world.

Shokoladov's work has been displayed in galleries, museums and private collections in the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Belgium, France, Germany, Switzerland, Russia, Poland, Belarus, Ukraine, China and the United States.



Shokoladov, who moved to the U.S. in 2020, has had his work featured closer to home, as well, in the Artist Showcase at the Northwind Arts Center in Port Townsend and the Contemporary Printmaking Art Inventory at the Davidson Galleries in Seattle.

From Jan. 31 through Feb. 1 from 5:30-8:30 p.m., the Low Fence, Horse Now, the exhibit, "A Piece of Shokolad" is at Sense Gallery on 57th Street, between Hill and Jackman in Port Townsend.



Artist Egor Shokoladov explained the complicated tableau of one of his prints, "Master," at left, by likening the observer of the seedling's growth to those who create things, "whose work remains hidden, yet whose fruits transform the world." *Photo courtesy of Egor Shokoladov*

Through his translator, Shokoladov told The Leader that he will be available at the gallery to explain as much of his printmaking process as he can, likening it to "show and tell" although he won't actually be making any prints on site.

Shokoladov works in a variety of styles, from cartoonish to realistic, with plenty of side detours into cubism and surrealism along that spectrum. He freely admitted that a degree of symbolism makes it into all of his work, whose topics likewise range from the cosmos of outer space to the subconscious.

When asked what drew him to the medium of engraved plates for his printmaking, Shokoladov attributed it to his graphic artist's heart, since even his seemingly abstract visuals are based on exact applications of lines, dots and spots.

"Those three components — the line, the dot and the spot — can be reproduced through a variety of formats and media, from the very large to the very small," Shokoladov said. "It allows for very fine details, and what's funny is, it allows me to hide my messages sometimes, because when people see all these fine details, it can take them a while to see the larger message. It's almost like a riddle, where you have to combine all those details, in your field of vision, to figure out the puzzle."

Shokoladov, still speaking through his translator, described his style and techniques as "meta-modernism, reflected in graphics implemented in vintage printmaking techniques and experiments, with mixed media and materials." In 2022, his art was presented in a solo exhibition at the PUB Gallery of Art of Peninsula College in Port Angeles.

Since then, Shokoladov has participated in more than 75 selected group exhibitions and juried shows all over the United States and internationally, and three of his works were selected for public art projects in the state of Washington.

Shokoladov's most recent successes include three People's Choice Awards at the juried exhibitions at Northwind Arts Center in Port Townsend, a Second Prize Award in the "Prize of the Jury" category at the Deutsche Exlibris-Gesellschaft eV International Competition 2022 in Moers, Germany, and the Third Place Winner at the juried show at d'Art Center in Norfolk, Virginia.

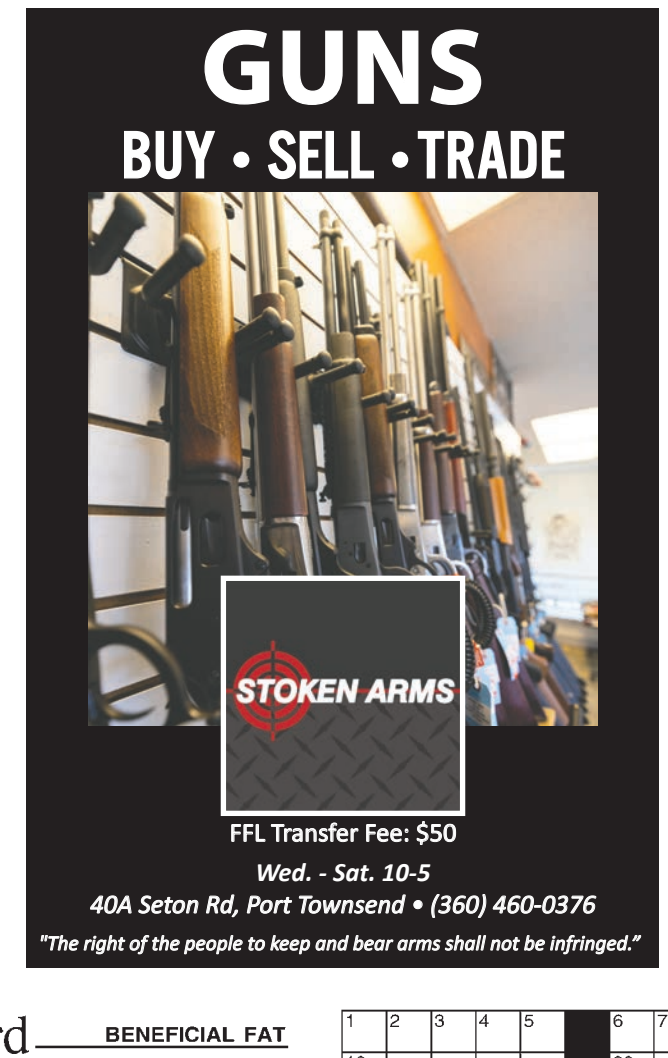
Shokoladov's exhibition at the Low Fence, Horse Sense Gallery also represents a personal milestone for him, since he turns 35 years old on Jan. 29, right before the Jan. 31-Feb. 1 showcase, so it's allowed him to reflect on how far he's come.

What to know

"A Piece of Shokolad" will be on display at the Low Fence, Horse Sense Gallery, a few blocks from North Beach County Park in Port Townsend, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. from Jan. 31 through Feb. 1, where Egor Shokoladov will be present with a translator.







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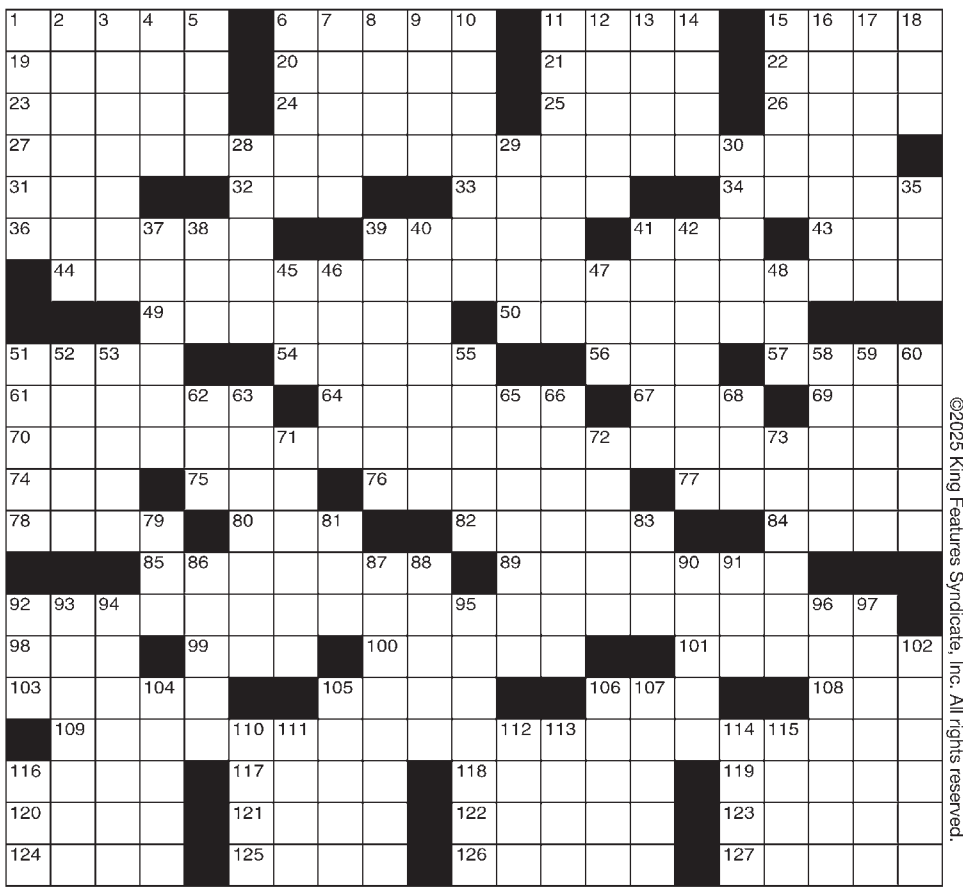
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ACROSS
1 Diving equipment
6 Theater actor's place
11 Ray of light
15 Agts. like Eliot Ness
19 Babies, in Barcelona
20 Like meat that's OK to eat per Muslim law
21 Hamburg's river
22 Humorist Bombeck
23 — citato (in the work already mentioned)
24 Colonel North, in brief
25 "So right!"
26 Notice
27 Start of a riddle
31 Suffix with cash
32 Dollar divs.
33 Mil. roadside hazards
34 Busy Chicago airport
36 Small seed
39 Web, for a fly
41 ROY G. —
43 Moral wrong
44 Riddle, part 2
49 Source of a scratch from a tabby
50 Russian empress
51 Ark builder in Genesis
54 Oklahoma city
56 Saturated
57 Splits
61 Appraise
64 Cash, slangily
67 Motorists' org.
69 Meadowland
70 Riddle, part 3
74 Just get (by)
75 Be a suitor of
76 Nissan model
77 Seville's land, to its natives
78 Hip-hop bro
80 Himalayas, e.g.: Abbr.
82 Garbo of the silver screen
84 Garden in Genesis
85 Raised, flat land
89 Ohio college that was the first in the U.S. to admit women
92 End of the riddle
98 Luau paste
99 That lady
100 Full of curves
101 Calf catcher
103 "It's just one of — things"
105 Saturate
106 — Aviv
108 First year of the 10th century
109 Riddle's answer
116 Hair removal brand
117 Falafel bread
118 Defrosts
119 Dazzling success
120 Pakistani's language
121 Ever and —
122 Loosen, as laces
123 Dishonor
124 Apple discard
125 Camera eye
126 Verse writers
127 "— With Love" (1967 #1 hit song)

DOWN
1 Trap by a winter storm
2 Constellation between Cassiopeia and Draco
3 Dredge up
4 Ernie's buddy
5 "Wait just —"
6 "Dang it!"
7 Converses
8 "For — know ..."
9 Increase
10 Like a song of lament
11 Lairs for grizzlies, e.g.
12 "St. — Fire"
13 Lying on a king or queen
14 Eatery list
15 Comb parts
16 Brand of food seasoning
17 Large markets
18 Vetoer's vote
28 Piece for eight
29 Reform Party founder Ross
30 Assembly of witches
35 Rhinoplasty doc
37 Red-shelled Chinese fruit
38 Green gp.
39 Skiing races
40 Football Hall of Famer Ozzie
41 Part of FBI
42 Mimic
45 Mo. in fall
46 Big feather
47 Logging tool
48 Pothole filler
51 Christened
52 Japanese metropolis
53 Crooked
55 Together (with)
58 Homeric epic
59 Pasta tubes
60 "Cosmos" host Carl
62 Akron-to-Atlanta dir.
63 Belly
65 Genre for Yes and Genesis
66 "Come, Fido"
68 DOJ heads
71 Babe or fox
72 Like Cheerios
73 Key or corkscrew
79 Family MDs
81 Deep blue
83 Fido's sound
86 One of the 87-Down
87 Competitors who didn't win
88 Pinkie-side arm bones
90 "But Not for Me" actress Palmer
91 Home to Boise: Abbr.
92 Fitting
93 A total lack of compassion
94 Carbon — (exhaled gas)
95 Have a gabfest
96 Actor Cage
97 — Trail (Everglades highway)
102 Jousting knight
104 Play a guitar
105 Determined to achieve
106 Specifically
107 "That's someone — problem"
110 White gem
111 Climbing plant
112 "Don't say it!"
113 Statistician Silver
114 Waistcoat
115 Reverberate
116 Letters before xis



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‘Presence,’ ‘Wolf Man’ succeed at delivering intelligent, empathetic horror

BY KIRK BOXLEITNER



It perhaps says something about what kind of year we’re in for when the first month of 2025’s movie releases have skipped straight to the sort of horror movie premises that are typically reserved for October.

In some ways, the two films are a study in contrasts. Steven Soderbergh has never before directed a haunted house film, not even an inverted haunting such as screenwriter David Koepp helps him deliver with “Presence.” Meanwhile, Leigh Whannell has become experienced at both writing and directing supernatural suspense thrillers for Blumhouse Productions, as he does again with “Wolf Man.”

“Presence” twists the stripped-down voyeuristic aspect of the “Paranormal Activity” films inside out, by assigning the movie’s point of view not to “found footage” from video cameras within its haunted house, but to the unseen spirit who’s doing the haunting, for reasons that are only gradually revealed.



Lucy Liu senses the “Presence” in Steven Soderbergh and David Koepp’s haunted house film. *Courtesy photos*

As for “Wolf Man,” it rigorously contextualizes its werewolves within a contemporary American setting, intentionally shedding the Eastern European-flavored folklore of 1941’s original film version of “The Wolf Man.” It nonetheless cleaves close to the tragic heart of Lon Chaney Jr. as a sensitive, soft-spoken man who’s reluctantly afflicted with the curse of becoming a beast.



Christopher Abbott fights against his newly acquired nature in Leigh Whannell’s “Wolf Man.” *Courtesy photo*

And yet, both films offer taut, briskly paced, sustained tension by using their respective horror movie subjects to focus on damaged modern family units, whose underlying affection is shown as struggling to overcome the ways in which they’ve wounded one another.

Unsurprisingly, Soderbergh’s approach feels far more disciplined, with “Presence” clocking in at an hour and 25 minutes, learner than Whannell’s “Wolf Man” at an hour and 43 minutes.

Soderbergh also employs his relatively compact runtime more effectively than Whannell, as “Presence” manages to include the deliberate red herring of a barely onscreen subplot involving its parents’ problems, all while subtly establishing a non-linear narrative that’s key to sussing out the central mystery.

But in Whannell’s defense, while “Wolf Man” telegraphs most of its major reveals much more transparently, their eventual execution remains compelling. Its male characters’ infection by the werewolf curse serves as a sledgehammer-subtle metaphor for how adult sons of overly stern fathers fight against passing on the toxic masculinity they’ve inherited to their children.

Although “Presence” boasts the star power of Lucy Liu, flawlessly playing a professional career mom whose deeply internalized achievement has allowed her to choose favorites among her children, its secret weapon is Callina Liang as Liu’s troubled teenage daughter, traumatized by the fresh loss of her friends.

Removing the paranormal elements of “Presence,” and the emotionally stranded inability of Liang’s character to adequately articulate her grief and disconnection remind me of nothing so much as reading Mary Pipher’s psychological study of adolescent girls in “Reviving Ophelia.”

Bonus points to Soderbergh for stepping outside of his filmmaking comfort zone by adopting a premise that relies on extended tracking shots, rather than his preferred shorter cuts, to make the audience feel the spiritual presence’s intangible frustration at being constrained in affecting the events unfolding before them.

Whannell shows an ambitious streak of his own by treating us to glimpses of the werewolf’s perspective in “Wolf Man,” complete with enhanced senses bordering on the hallucinatory. That said, his strongest work involves his authentic portrayal of the abiding bond between Christopher Abbott as the protective father and Matilda Firth as his faithful grade school-aged daughter.

In spite of her proven ability to deliver effective acting performances in psychological dramas, including 2023’s “The Royal Hotel,” Julia Garner left me strangely cold as the mom in “Wolf Man,” likely because her role mostly consisted of fleeing from physical danger.

Still, Whannell sneaks in a nicely gratuitous knife-twist by establishing both Garner and Abbott’s characters as writers by trade, which makes it especially poignant when Abbott’s lupine de-evolution renders them incapable of understanding each other’s attempts at verbal communication.

If you’re in the mood to be scared, both films are worth watching.

Centrum: 15 weeks of programs to support

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Following the announcement of Hospitality’s closure, Birman and his board entered into expedited discussions with State Parks on how Centrum might use park facilities to take care of its guests.

“Centrum’s discussions with parks is ongoing, it isn’t fully resolved,” Birman said. “But the Board and I have enough confidence based on our 52-year working relationship with parks staff that we are moving to open registration for our programs this Friday, January 31.” Centrum plans to hold its customer’s payments “in reserve until all of the details are formally ironed out.”

Birman said that Centrum will create housekeeping and food solutions for its guests without widening the service to include all visitors. He said they were “confident” they can do that with Centrum’s programs. However, hospitality “is not our core business, and we do not have the interest or ability to replace Fort Worden Hospitality.”

Birman said Centrum has 15 weeks of its own programs to support.

“It is our expectation that — perhaps in 2026 — Washington State Parks will identify a commercial hospitality provider to provide food and lodging services for the public, as well as for Centrum,” Birman said.

In the interim, Birman said Centrum plans to offer a limited, six-month contract for a “handful of personnel — most of whom we have already identified based on input from experts in our community—to oversee our independent food and housekeeping needs in 2025.”

Birman said he anticipates Centrum workshop attendees will be able to access cafeteria-style meals during program weeks, with the the possibility of food trucks and beverage carts available to the public for ticketed events at the McCurdy Pavilion, subject to approvals from State Parks.

According to Centrum staff, registration for programs such as, Fiddle Tunes, Jazz Port Townsend, Acoustic Blues, and the Port Townsend Writers Conference will open on Friday, January 31. Ticket sales for Centrum’s popular Spring Concert Series, featuring performances from Brazilian Choro, Red Hot Strings, and the Ukulele Festival, will open on February 7.

Centrum is a nonprofit arts organization based in Port Townsend. In 2024, Centrum served more than 10,400 audience members, 23,470 visitors, 1,600 workshop participants via 14 week-long residential workshops, 48 public events, and 118 artist residencies.









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THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

JAN. 28, 1903

Chinese Celebrate

The local Chinese colony ushered in their "new year" at midnight last night with great hilarity. Early in the evening large strings of fire crackers were exploded to drive off the evil spirits and the noise was continued until the Chinese were satisfied that they were able to start the coming year unmolested by the troubles of the past. All the prrincipal Chinese firms kept open house last evening and entertained their visitors with refreshments.

FEB. 4, 1903

A Sub-Port Restored Customs Business May Still Be Transacted at Roche Harbor

No little surprise was created in customs circles here yesterday by the receipt of a brief message from the secretary of the treasury ordering that the customs house at the sub port of Roche Harbor be reopened for business. The news came as a surprise for two reasons. First, as no protest had been made to the collector here, it was not known that the people of the San Juan island settlement resented the closing of the subport, and second that the office was closed hardly a month since on similar orders.

Received Just Desserts. Police Judge Oliver Sentences Drunks to Chain Gang

John McClain, and his wife, who were arrested Tuesday night for drunkeness and other disorderly conduct, were yesterday sentenced to ten days in the chain gang and each fined $5 and costs. Annie Newman, locally known as "Pretty Annie," who was out with the McLain's on their spree, received a similar sentence.

JAN. 28, 1905

Forty Lashes for Men Who Whip Wives

Olympia, Jan. 27. - Representative Maloney of Stevens is the author of a bill introduced in the house this morning, which provides for condign punishment for wife beaters. Mr. Maloney's bill calls for the infliction of forty lashes or imprisonment for a term not exceeding one year, or both, at the discretion of the court. An emergency is declared.

The act designates the sheriff, city marshall, or policeman of the community in which the crime is committed as the official who shall carry out the order of the court whenever whipping is administered within the walls of the city or county jail in which the prisoner is incarcerated.

JAN. 26, 1994

Shakespeare would feel at home

A Port Townsend neighborhood wants to get classical.

A dozen residents who live on or near the intersection of Rosencrans and 36th Street near the Quimper Grange building have petitioned the Port Townsend City Council for a street-name change that would please William Shakespeare. Or at least the bard's sense of humor. The request, spearheaded by Phil and Nancy Speser, along with Chuck Henry and Susan Allen: Change the name of 36th Street to Guildenstern. And change the spelling of Rosencrans to Rosencrantz.

That would enable those living near the intersection to say they resided



at Rosencrantz and Guildenstern, namesake of a famous Shakespearian partnership found in "Hamlet."

No clues on sniper

No further clues have been uncovered in the Washington State Patrol's (WSP) investigation of a sniper attack on a Brinks armored vehicle Jan. 18 on State Route 104 in Jefferson County.

An unknown number of people were involved in the incident last Tuesday morning that put five high-powered rifle bullets into the driver's side windshield of the Brinks vehicle. The driver was not hurt and the armored car did not stop.

No rifle shell casings or other evidence were found near the scene on S. R. 104 about a half mile from U.S. Highway 101, according to Lt. Helmut Steele of WSP in Bremerton. The shooting occurred at 7:55 a.m. Jan 18.

JAN. 30, 2008

Bigger ferry worth the wait? "Quick" option carries 50 cars; 'slow' option carries 76

It ain't over until the Legislature sings, so to speak. And a delegation of Port Townsend representatives is in Olympia today, hoping to convince legislators of the virtues of a ferry larger than the type planned by Gov. Chris Gregoire.

"Obviously, we want a ferry," said Tim Caldwell, general manager of the Port Townsend Chamber of Commerce. "The long-term solution is the proper size ferry. It's all about level of service."

The chamber believes that building three 50-car ferries based on Steilacoom II as proposed by the governor is not as good a solution as building 76-car ferries (60 drive-ons plus 16 more using decks with hydraulic lifts) based on Island Home, a Massachusetts ferry.

The Port Townsend City Council has not called for a specific ferry type. However, it endorsed a recommendation drafted by the local ferry partnership group, which suggested new ferries should hold from 65-100 cars. That's bigger than the retired Steel Electrics (59- and 64-car capacity) but not big enough to clog streets or require enlargement of either ferry terminal on the PT-Keystone route.

Paper, plastic or cloth? Consider your options

Kermit the Frog used to sing that it's not easy being "green." But that was the tune first sung in the 1970's, when albums were still recorded on vinyl. Now, being "green" is much easier - and not only that, it's stylish, too. One simple way to get in the "green" groove is to start using a reusable bag at the grocery store. Perhaps it's already been tried. Perhaps there are several bags at home that are suitable but are often forgotten when leavingfor a shopping trip. Changing a habit takes time. Forgetfulness is forgiven, but it is not a reason to give up. Keep trying. Sources say it takes 21 days of changing a behavior. before it becomes automatic.

Think of the reusable bag as a fashion accessory. Trader Joe's seems to.

Pool: *Preferred location is home to Chimacum Creek Primary School*

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to the septic system would add significant permitting costs through the Washington State Department of Health, Brotherton said. Major road improvements, including a roundabout estimated at $2 million, would be required.

On the other hand, the school district property is smaller and less visible but has received favorable feedback from the community, he added.

The selection of the property was approved unanimously, with the center slated to be built on the west side of the property, wrote Diane McDade, the president of the Jefferson County Aquatics Coalition.

"This parcel is currently home to the Chimacum [Creek Primary School], its school garden and outdoor playground," McDade wrote. "The Chimacum School District Board is very excited about working collaboratively with the county and then new PFD to re-imagine this parcel to ensure optimal aquatic facility location, parking, pedestrian and bike paths. They are interested in and improving their playground and garden to new locations."

The Jefferson County Aquatic Coalition will begin surveying the community for input on Feb. 1.

Rezone: *Despite delay, city staff to continue studying golf park property*

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"It is not on our current suggested table that we suggest the rezone," Jahnke said. "Personally, I am very happy to have a slowdown. I suspect that if we go on and the [Friends of the Golf Park] are successful and the community is successful and we have a few more years of share of this space, there will be a very strong sense to guide the council in their future actions."

Some public commenters called on the commissioners to urge the council to drop the idea of developing the park all together, given it has long been on the books as committed open space.

Jahnke rejected the suggestion, explaining, "No council can tie the hands of a future council; that is just the way city government works. That request is simply not something that can be provided by anyone, including the council members."



Edward Thompson Jr., a member of the newly formed Supporters of Camas Prairie Park, who oppose the rezoning, spoke during the public hearing on Jan. 23. *Leader photo by Mallory Kruml*

Emma Bolin, the city's planning director, reminded the commissioners and the audience that if the golf course rezoning is left off the final docket, the city will not pursue it further this year. She did note, however, that a Housing Site Plan for the golf park is included in this year's budget, allowing staff to gather more information about the property before reconsidering the rezoning next year.

The commissioners formally recommended the city council focus on updates required by Growth Management Act, and work on adopting an Active Transportation Plan and updating the city's Critical Areas Ordinance and the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan. Commissioners also recommended a few optional amendments, such as clarifying goals and policies to better support the implementation of the comprehensive plan, housing, density, climate resilience, arts, parks and open spaces.

The final docket will accompany the updated plan which is due to the state in September.

Pay: *City staff*

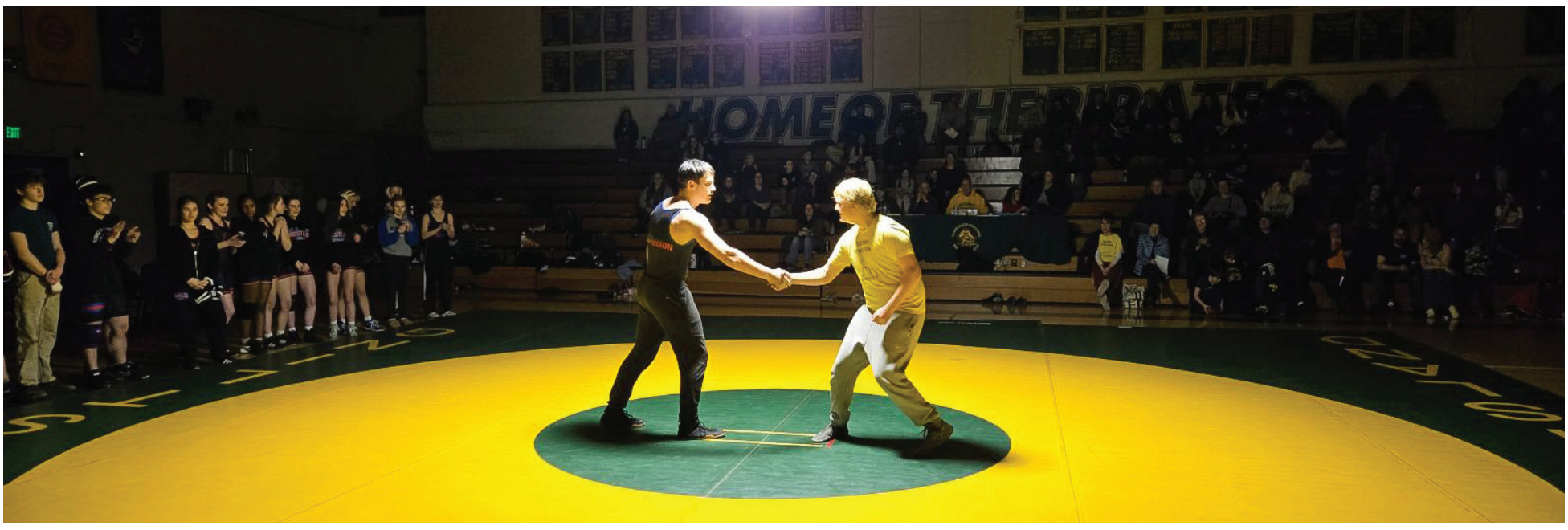
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Other changes to staff and salaries include a newly hired arts and culture coordinator, who will oversee the Creative District, plan and implement programs and events to support the creative sector and serve as a liaison between various city boards. The range for the position is between $65,748 and $81,528. The schedule also reflects an assistant to the city manager, at a cost of $76,111 to $94,379. The position has been listed in the budget for several years with different salary figures. Mauro confirmed in a separate exchange there was no one in that position.

The city expects to add a new civil engineer to the salary schedule soon. The Public Works Department requested the new hire to assist with several grant-funded projects. The engineer's salary range will be determined based on their experience.







PT Senior Heavyweight Aidan Powell briefly shakes hands with Vashon's Tobiah Scales at the beginning of the match "face-off." Powell is in his first year of wrestling, claiming he wanted to try a sport in high school before he graduated. He also had a leading role in the fall high school musical "Little Shop of Horrors," where he played an eccentric dentist. He won this match by pin. *Courtesy photos*

EJ Rivals continue season with 28 wrestlers, wins in Vashon

BY RYAN WHITE



Savvanah Grimm is shown here controlling Vashon's Peter Medeiros in a varsity 106-pound match-up. Grimm was leading 15-7 when she pinned Medeios in the third round. Both athletes had their opponents in pinning combinations during this battle. Grimm was able to win through sheer determination.

The East Jefferson Rivals Wrestling Squad traveled to Vashon on Jan. 22 to compete in a dual meet with an opponent in the Nisqually League. The Rivals won the Varsity dual with a final team score of 69-12, at what might have been the largest dual meet victory in years.

After dropping the first two matches of the night, our Rivals rattled off twelve consecutive victories to secure a near-perfect team win and poised us to continue finishing this season strong. A few highlights of the evening included two girls stepping into the line-up to defeat boys at 106 and 120 pounds (Savvanah Grimm and Gracee Liskee), and two boys winning by pin at 215, heavyweight (Mason Iverson of Quilcene and Aidan Powell from Port Townsend).

"It was a great night for Rivals Wrestling at Vashon Island," said Coach Cordell Johnson. "We brought 28 wrestlers to the event and all 28 got a chance to compete. Hats off to the Vashon Island program for working with us to get all our kids' matches."

The Rivals will have their final scheduled match on Wednesday, Jan. 29. The team hosts Life Christian Academy for the last dual meet of the season along with Senior Night at the PTHS gym. JV wrestling is scheduled to start at 5:30 with the Varsity commencing at 6:15.

The District Tournament for boys and girls is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 8, at Life Christian High School. That is the qualifying event for the Mat Classic State Wrestling Tournament.

Ryan White is a wrestling coach at Port Townsend High School.

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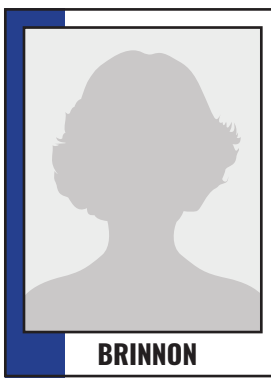
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Faehr Tracy is an inspiring student who is combining art and empathy through their senior project—a community grief initiative. They are interviewing local youth, ages 13–21, who have lost a loved one and creating heartfelt paintings to represent their stories. At the end of the project, these works of art will be gifted to the participants. A hardworking and compassionate person, they shine in the Maritime Academy and weight training, where they consistently set a strong example for their peers with dedication and effort. In their free time, they enjoy reading and painting and plan to pursue a career as an EMT or firefighter after graduation.



CHIMACUM

Myla Stewart was chosen as student of the week by the CJSHS ASB. Myla is a 7th grader who has a GPA of 4.0. Myla excels in all her classes, helps those around her, and is a positive student. She plays softball for our local league and is looking forward to playing for the Rivals when she gets to high school. Myla's favorite class is art because she really enjoys how fun it is.



BRINNON

We are excited to announce **Diana** as Student of the Week. She is a hardworking first grader that shows a genuine love for learning. Diana approaches every assignment with a positive attitude and works diligently to improve her skills. She is a wonderful listener and always does her best, even when things get tricky. What truly sets Diana apart is her kindness and generosity to everyone around her. Diana is a model student that makes Brinnon School a better place. *–Mrs. Brown*



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Davis Clea, a senior, is kind, funny, and a dedicated student. He takes his academics seriously and has been very diligent to prepare for his future. Davis is loved by all of his peers due to his humor, positivity, and genuineness. There is hardly a time you won't see Davis smiling, and his love for life is contagious. Davis, who came to Quilcene later in his academic career, has been a blessing to our school.

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Jayne Elisa Marek

Jayne Marek, a much loved and accomplished poet, passed away January 9, 2025, at her home in Port Townsend, Washington. She dedicated her life to poetry, scholarship, and the arts, and lived in service to her community of students and colleagues. She is survived and deeply missed by her loving husband of nearly forty years, Joe, her sister Gayle (David) Roehm, her brother Mark (Jeannie) Menich, her extended family, and all the friends who studied, wrote, marched, sang, danced, and ran with her. Sylvester, her beloved cat, misses her dearly.

Jayne was extraordinarily honest, courageous, and tender-hearted in her writing and in her life. She was known and respected for her fierce intolerance of cruelty, especially towards animals. Jayne possessed a remarkable ability to imagine the inner lives of others, including animals and plants, and to evoke their experiences and emotions. She also possessed an insightful sense of humor that drew others to her. Jayne had music in her voice.

A gathering to celebrate Jayne's life will be held in the spring–details to be announced soon. In lieu of flowers, please consider making charitable contributions in remembrance of Jayne to your nearest no-kill animal shelter, or to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society / Team in Training (with whom Jayne ran marathons to raise money for blood cancer research in memory of her father.)

Jayne Elisa Marek (nee Menich) was born October 16, 1954, in Elgin, Illinois to David and Lorraine Menich. She grew up in Cary, Illinois and graduated from Cary-Grove High School in 1972. She earned her B.A. in English with a concentration in Women in Contemporary American and British Literature (St. Olaf College, 1976). The St. Olaf Paracollege program helped her develop her gifts for self-directed study and independent thinking. While there she encountered the groundbreaking No More Masks! An Anthology of Poems by Women which influenced her research and writing for the rest of her life.

Jayne earned her M.A. in English (Washington State University, 1980), her Ph.D. in Nineteenth and Twentieth Century American and British Literature (University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1991), and her M.F.A. in Creative Writing (The University of Notre Dame, 2005). While working on her doctorate, she also made time to compile the reference work Poetry Index 1912-1997, which was a labor of love and many years. Her book Women Editing Modernism: "Little Magazines" and Literary History gave long overdue credit to women editors for their essential and previously invisible roles in the rise of Modernist literature.

At Pacific Lutheran University (Tacoma, Washington), as a Fulbright Scholar at Lajos Kossuth University (Debrecen, Hungary), and at Franklin College (Franklin, Indiana) she created and taught innovative courses in a wide variety of fields. Course titles included "Critical Theory for the Humanities: Plato and Charlie Chaplin in Hyperdrive," "Film Theory and East Central European Cinema," and "The CSI Effect: Forensic Investigation and Crime Stories."

In 2015 she retired from teaching and moved, with Joe, to Port Townsend to devote herself full-time to her poetry. Over the past decade she published poems in dozens of journals and in her own books. Her most recent books are Dusk-Voiced (2024) and Torrential (currently at press). She was deeply grateful to the local writing community who took her in and supported her work. The birding and natural history communities were also a great source of inspiration to her. She was delighted to be able to spend more time outdoors in the mountains and on the water. Her close observations of animals and plants informed and enriched her poetry.

Her energy for artistic expression was irrepressible. Jayne made art prints with the local printers' guild and published abstract nature photographs in a variety of literary journals. She took enormous delight in seeing several of her bee photographs published in the New York Times Spelling Bee feature. In recent years she also earned her ham radio license and was certified as a community emergency response volunteer. On occasion, Jayne proudly donned her orca costume to dance and sing with friends at demonstrations in support of salmon and orcas. Jayne deeply loved Port Townsend, the Olympic Mountains, the Salish Sea, the many friends she made here, and all the dear friends who supported and encouraged her throughout her life.

Friends and family may share memories of Jayne and sign the online guestbook at www.bradley-kosec.com



Archie Jabine Smith

Jan. 30, 1928 - Nov. 22, 2024

Archie Jabine Smith passed November 22, 2024. Archie was born January 30th, 1928 to Edwin John Smith and Amy Jane Neely Sims in Port Townsend, WA. Archie and his twin sister, Ardell were the six and seventh of seven children. Archie is preceded in death by his wife Colleen Delaney Smith, his brothers Delbert Martin, James Martin and Robert Martin, and his sisters Ethel Martin, Rosalie Martin Reno and Ardell Smith Guthrie.

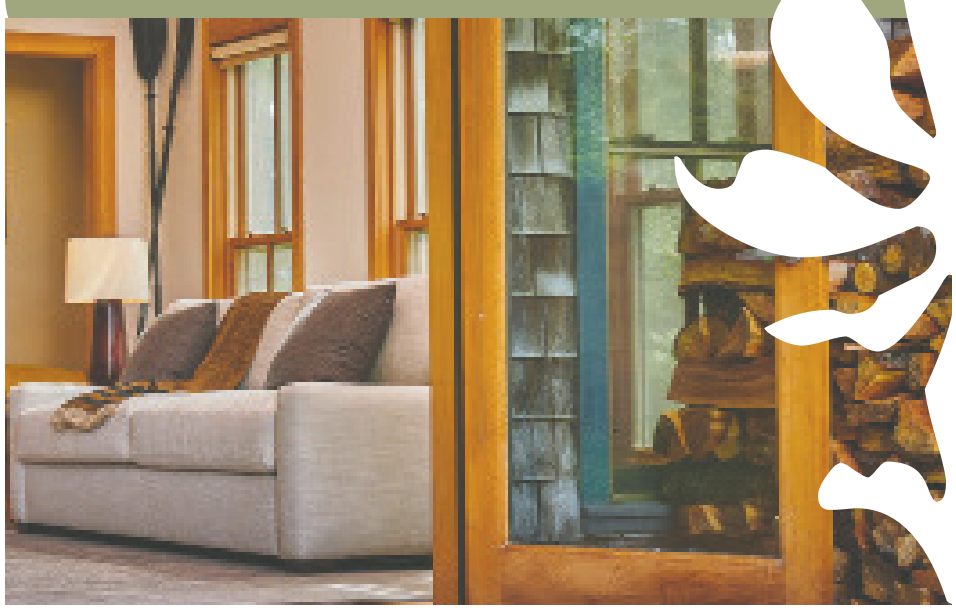
Archie is survived by his sons Edwin Smith (Heather Smith), David Smith, and Michael Smith, daughter Dianne Stewart, niece Kim Hughes, and step-children Heather Thompson (Barry Brown) and Michael Thompson (Stephani). Archie is also survived by 12 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Archie grew up in Port Townsend and graduated from Port Townsend High School in 1946. Archie was drafted into the military shortly out of high school and was immediately deployed to Korea. When Archie came home from Korea, he went to work. He had a dump truck and even a log truck for a time. He was mainly self-employed until he took up work as a Longshoreman where he built a career that he was very proud of. Ultimately, Archie became the Treasurer of the union local in which he was a member and worked as a crane operator at every port in western Washington, including some that no longer exist. Archie had a long career in Longshoring and was proud of his three boys and his granddaughter for their accomplishments as Longshoreman as well.

Archie was also an exceptional equipment operator and carpenter. Together, he and his wife Colleen cleared property, built barns and garages, fenced their property, poured concrete, created beautiful landscapes, grew plentiful gardens, bred and raised dogs, horses, and cows, and lived an exceptional life. Archie loved cars and was always proud of what he was driving. He had so many cars throughout his lifetime but he always went back to a Lincoln. He was also an accomplished a bowler and was part of several bowling leagues and even competed for a brief time

A celebration of life will be held on February 22, 2025 from 11pm to 2pm at the American Legion in Port Townsend, WA.

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OBITUARIES



Alex Foster Lemay

Nov. 23, 1985 – Jan. 10, 2025

It is with great sadness that we announce the sudden passing of Alex Lemay on January 10, 2025. Alex was instantly killed in a fatal collision, but the family can find some solace in knowing that no one else was badly injured. Alex had been following an interesting path in life, and it is unfortunate that we will never know which road he would have taken next. He leaves behind friends and family throughout the world and has touched so many different people in his short life. Alex had recently turned 39 years old.

Alex was born at home in Chimacum, Washington on November 23, 1985, between snow storms. His parents had recently purchased 5 acres and were building a home. The family did not have electricity or running water for the first few years of his life. One of the only shows he watched when he was young was Mr. Rogers, and he became so much like that gentle, caring, loving man.

Alex attended the Port Townsend Cooperative Playschool when he was only one year old. He continued at the Tri-Area Cooperative Preschool followed by the Chimacum School District. While in high school, he took advanced placement classes and did Running Start. He played baseball and created many clubs with friends. He played board games and other social games. He believed in good, clean fun and welcomed anyone into his circle who wanted to avoid a darker path. He graduated from Chimacum High School in 2004.

Alex then went to Whitman College, switched his science and math focus to philosophy, and got his undergraduate degree in 2008. He spent one summer hitchhiking across the United States by himself, later hitchhiked around Europe with his sister, and took another extensive trip with friends. He went to France to teach children English and pursued a second degree in Classics while in Perpignan. He transferred to the Sorbonne in Paris to get a PhD in philosophy. His studies were interrupted by a return to Seattle to work in finance, but that lifestyle was not for him, and he returned to Paris.

At the start of the pandemic in 2020, he suddenly left France, thinking that he would return in a few weeks. He spent that summer with his lifelong friend, Grant Jones of Hungry Hollow Farm. Grant inspired him to practice regenerative agriculture. Alex chose to focus on pigs since they are such intelligent animals, and Foggy Hog Farm was born. Another lifelong friend, Kyle Beckhorn, started out as his main farmer before going on to grow Farmer's Market mushrooms. Family members helped Alex with this major transition in his life.

Alex had just found the ideal spot to raise his animals and was in the process of leasing it. According to his mother, he died with the hope that he could carry on his dream of such innovative farming. The family has decided on terramation, or human composting, for Alex. In the words of Randi Flick, who worked for him at Foggy Hog Farm, "I think that Alex would be grateful to be able to give back to the earth one last time. Compost is a very him thing to want to do."

Alex leaves behind his mother, Sue Lemay (partner, John Edwards); his father, Bob Foster (wife, Joyce); his sister, Amy Lemay; his niece, Matilda, and nephews, Wilder and Dashiell; his best friend, Olivia Rall; and many extended family members who are too numerous to name. A memorial service will be held at the Quimper Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (QUUF) in Port Townsend on March 15 at 1 pm. Family and friends can read more about Alex and share memories of him at www.bradley-kosek.com.



Ann Louise Huffman

March 9, 1942 - Jan. 7, 2025

Ann Louise Huffman passed away peacefully in her sleep on January 7, 2025 at her home in Port Hadlock, Washington.

She was born in Huntington, West Virginia on March 9th, 1942, to Thomas E. "Jack" Bobbitt and Daisy E. Turley Bobbitt. She married Arthur E. Huffman on July 20, 1967 in California. They traveled together to Maryland, Hawaii, Guam, Washington State, and Adak, Alaska; but she never lost her southern roots. Ann Louise supported her husband's military service, held down the fort, and raised two children all while building friendships and community in each of their new homes.

When they moved to Port Hadlock, Washington, Ann Louise became a member of the larger faith community and volunteered with many groups. At her home church she served God in several roles and was always available to give loving support and prayer to whoever needed it. Her most recent mission was guiding memorial services for families in mourning.

She is survived by her husband of 57 years Arthur; children, Kimberly Walberg and her husband, Bob, Jeff Huffman and his wife, Shelley; and four grandchildren, Andrew Van Ness and his wife, Heather, Taylor Van Ness, Parker Huffman and his fiance, Anna, and Lauren Huffman.

To know Ann Louise was to love her and to be loved by her. She sparkled in every way; and if you look around, you can still find her glitter everywhere.

A service for Ann Louise will be held at the Lutheran Church of the Redeemer in Chimacum, Washington at noon on Saturday February 8th.

John 3:16



Charlene Ann Dick

Dec. 6, 1958 - Jan. 19, 2025

Charlene Ann Dick (Dick and Chubby Family) was born Dec. 6, 1958, to Donald Dick Sr. (Jamestown) and Jeanette (Mitchell) Dick (Tulalip). She was an enrolled Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Citizen but also had ancestry from the Tulalip, Swinomish, and Upper Skagit Tribes. Her S'Klallam grandparents were Nelson Dick and Lydia Fulton, her Tulalip grandparent was Dewey Mitchell, and her Swinomish grandparent was Winifred Fryberg.

Charlene attended Sequim High School and took some University of Washington courses before she started working for the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe in 1982, as the receptionist in the Tribe's first offices at Boardwalk Square in Sequim. Within about a year, her supervisor, Barb Dehmalo, began training her in accounting procedures.

For the next 42 years she worked for the Tribe in accounting until her retirement in 2024. As a close-knit staff they managed the Tribe's books and enjoyed working as a team to put on activities such as Halloween skits and the annual White Elephant Brunch for staff.

"It's fun; we're a team whether it's accounting work or not," Charlene said in a Tribal newsletter story.

In 1991, Charlene's daughter Jorene was born. Jorene went through all of the Tribe's programs for children and youth, and she continues to work for the Tribe.

Charlene loved her tribal culture and being part of all her tribal families: Jamestown, Swinomish, Tulalip, and Upper Skagit.

She took part in Klallam language classes, was a voice for the "Klallam Word of the Week" with local radio station KSQM, added her voice to our tribal songs, participated in tribal dances, Canoe Journeys, and enjoyed cedar gathering and weaving.

She also enjoyed photography, taking pictures of animals and nature, but also loved getting candid photos of family and friends.

Charlene is survived by her daughter Jorene Don Dick and son-in-law Gerald Lane, nephew Jesse Ferdig and niece-in-law Laura Samperi-Ferdig, and many cousins from the Tulalip, Swinomish, and Upper Skagit Tribes.

She is preceded in death by parents Donald Dick Sr. and Jeanette Dick, brother Donald Dick Jr., and sister Denise Lacross.

Her smile, laughter, wit, and warm hugs are remembered by all who called her a dear friend.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Tuesday, January 28th, 2025, at 10:00am, at the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's Red Cedar Hall: 1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim, WA 98382.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe's Children and Youth Program. Please mail donations to the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, 1033 Old Blyn Highway, Sequim, WA 98382, Attn: Accounting. In the note or memo, please write "Youth Winter Wonderland". The family appreciates the care and thoughtfulness of the community.

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