



Candlelight Concert

Thursday, March 25, 7:00 PM

By Dan Purnell

The *Port Townsend String Quartet* will perform on Thursday, March 25th – 7:00 PM, at Trinity United Methodist Church’s Candlelight Concert, 609 Taylor Street. No this isn’t “*Mostly Mozart*”, or even “*March Madness*”, it will simply be: “*Mainly Mozart Minuets!*”

The Quartets’ Candlelight Concert will concentrate on works by Mozart from the age of 16 through his early 30’s, just prior to his death in 1791. The program will begin with Mozart’s Minuet for String Quartet, in G, K.156 and conclude with String Quartet, in D, K.499 (“Hoffmeister”).

Pat Yearian (viola) grew up in Gig Harbor where she started playing violin because her mother did; she continued her musical pursuits through the local public school program as well as her years in college. She played in local community orchestras during the years of parenting her seven children. She teaches private violin and viola lessons and works with the Port Townsend School District’s Orchestra Director, as a string specialist. She continues to play with the *Port Townsend Community Orchestra* and the *Gig Harbor Civic Orchestra*.

Kristin Smith (violin) also started with violin in the public school orchestra in Missoula, MT. She earned a Music Performance degree at the University of Montana and then continued her career in music as a symphony musician in Edmonton, Alberta. Smith has been an active teacher and a fiddler since moving to Port Townsend in 1978. She is an active instructor with the Chimaquum Pi String Program, Swan School Violins, Olympic Peninsula Home Connection and the ICE program. Smith also performs in the *Port Town-*

send Orchestra, Port Angeles Symphony and with her husband, **Otto**, as *Homemade Musik*.

Catherine Campbell (violin) inherited her grandfather’s violin and began music through the public school program in the 4th grade. Campbell met members of the quartet while playing with the *Port Angeles Symphony* in 1982. She has also played with the *Port Townsend Orchestra* and several other chamber orchestras. She and her husband raised twins in Port Townsend and one of them has become a concert cellist. Campbell has an intense interest in the construction of musical instruments and ultimately developed a business building historical harps.

Ruth Rogers (Cello) is a self taught string musician. She did participate in a Junior High music program in Anchorage, AK. She didn’t start cello lessons until she was an adult, after completing a nursing education program at Emanuel Hospital in Portland, OR. Today Rogers is a Home Health Nurse with Jefferson Healthcare. When she moved back to Port Townsend in 1980 she picked up her cello again and began playing in earnest. She soon began teaching cello in her home, when she found out that there were no other cellists in Port Townsend at that time! She has continued to enjoy her love of music playing with the Quartet as well as continuing her music education at Centrum. She now enjoys playing both “fiddle” and mandolin instruments.

Doors open at 6:30 PM, admission is by \$5 donation (children admitted free) to benefit local Port Townsend agencies and Trinity’s music and restoration program. Refreshments will be served following the performance.