

What's Out There – October 2, 2020: Animal fundraiser, PT Film Fest winds up.

Hello. This is Diane Urbani de la Paz with What's Out There, ways to stay connected to the arts and local culture while staying close to home, for the weekend of October 2nd, 2020.

Center Valley Animal Rescue has its annual celebration this Saturday. It's called "For the Love of Animals," and I can't think of a better name. This event will unfold online starting at 5:30 Saturday evening, with stories from Center Valley's year of rescues, and highlights of animals who have found their forever homes. You have options when it comes to participating; these include raising your virtual paddle to bid on auction packages, ordering elegant Center Valley Animal Rescue T-shirts and even having a vegetarian dinner by Crescent Moon Catering. Center Valley has arranged for pickup of these dinners, early Saturday afternoon, at the Pourhouse in Port Townsend, at the Chimacum Corner farmstand and at Center Valley Animal Rescue itself, in Quilcene. The proceeds from Saturday's party go to the care of farm animals, wildlife and pets at the no-kill shelter. Details on ordering tickets and dinner await you at [centervalleyanimalrescue.org](http://centervalleyanimalrescue.org).

We've reached the final few days of the Port Townsend Virtual Film Festival. It is nowhere near too late to watch a passel of movies and conversations with the filmmakers. You have dramas, documentaries, and sets of shorts to choose from, and you can purchase a ticket that enables your entire household to watch. Among the films that have won jury awards are the documentary "Beyond the Bolex," which received the Jim Ewing Young Director prize, the narrative feature "The Killing of Kenneth Chamberlain," and the romantic comedy "The Outside Story." "Siempre Luis," about Hamilton creator Lin-Manuel Miranda's father, Luis Miranda, is the winner of the Spirit of the Port Townsend Film Festival award. Audience voting for favorite films in each category continues through Sunday, the last day of the fest. You can browse the program, check out special events and watch lots of movie trailers at [PTFilmFest.com](http://PTFilmFest.com).

I made another foray onto the takeaway dining scene this week. This time the food — and the view — satisfied the senses. The Cablehouse Beach Canteen, facing the water, near the Marine Science Center and right across from the pier at Fort Worden State Park, is open for just a few more weeks. The cuisine here includes burgers, corn dogs, hot dogs and fish and chips, all from the Cablehouse window overlooking the picnic tables. So we dined while gazing at the sparkling blue Admiralty Inlet and Point Wilson lighthouse. So the food didn't have to be all that hot. But it is. The french fries have seasoning to give them a real tang. The burger was perfectly cooked to order, the pasta salad featured tortellini and mushrooms. The dill pickle was powerful. And the breaded cod was tender and light. After all this, I should let you know: The Cablehouse is only open Friday through Tuesday, from 11 until 6 o'clock, and the crew stops taking orders around 5:30.

And there you have it, What's Out There for this week. I'm Diane Urbani de la Paz, here for you on KPTZ. Thanks for listening.