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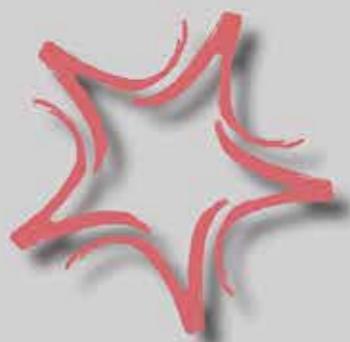
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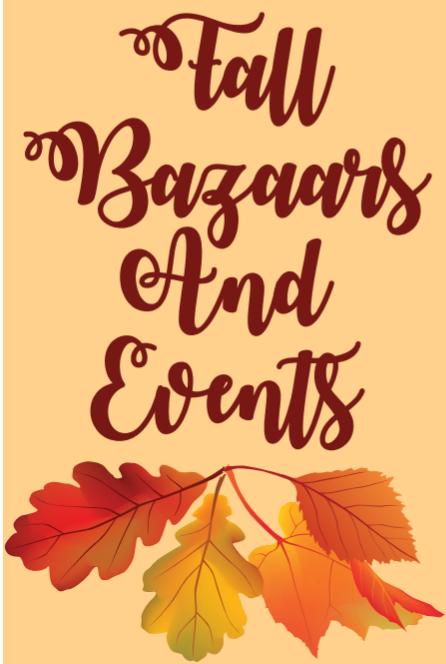
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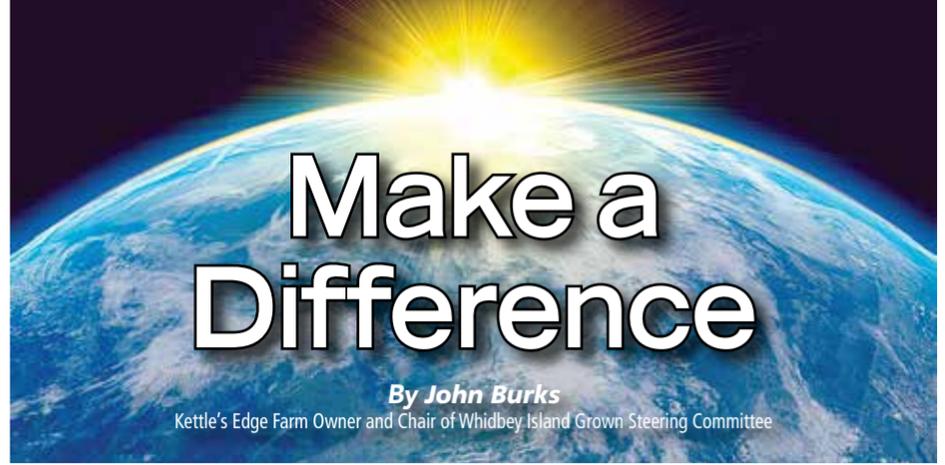
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WHIDBEY ISLAND GROWN: LOCAL BUSINESSES AND SUPPORTERS WORKING TOGETHER – MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Fall is rapidly approaching with its early morning marine fog, cooler daytime temperatures and hopefully, much needed rainfall. Summer on Whidbey always seems to pass so quickly with weekly activities up and down the island for us to enjoy. In a few weeks, you will begin to see banners promoting Whidbey Island Grown Week. This will be the third annual running for this event, in which Whidbey Island Grown members band together to promote their businesses and celebrate the coming of fall.

What exactly is Whidbey Island Grown? It is an island-wide collaborative of people and businesses that work together to bring consumers the finest locally grown and locally produced food, products, services and experiences. Our members are dedicated to providing these goods and services for island visitors and residents while preserving a sustainable rural lifestyle. We recognize Whidbey is a unique environment that residents and visitors alike cherish for its scenic beauty and rural character, and a critical piece of that rural character are the local farms that dot the landscape up and down the island.

The history of farming on Whidbey Island dates to its earliest settlers and a number of our current farms have passed down through four and five generations of family members. We are very fortunate to have this number of ongoing family farms in our midst and are also the beneficiary of a surge in younger farmers who have discovered Whidbey for its temperate growing climate and rural lifestyle character. Our island farmers are producing a diversity of agricultural products and making them available to us through our local farmers markets, on-site farm stands and several of our local grocery market outlets. You will also find many of our local farms listed as suppliers to area restaurants which feature locally sourced ingredients in their menus.

This connection between local farmers and chefs illustrates how members of Whidbey Island Grown are working together to grow a strong local economy. If you visit the Whidbey Island Grown website at www.WhidbeyIslandGrown.com, you will see our membership is divided into seven different categories. In addition to local farms, our membership includes local restaurants, wineries, distilleries and breweries under the category of "Dining and Libations" and

local artisans under the category of "Locally Made." You can find businesses that host events, event planners and caterers under the category of "Caterers and Venues;" lodging establishments where guests can experience our rural lifestyle are listed under "Lodging;" local markets that feature uniquely Whidbey products and places to find local farm products appear under the category "Markets and Farm Stands." Our "supporters" are individuals and businesses that believe in Whidbey Island Grown's mission to strengthen our local economy while preserving our rural environment and lifestyle. As an organization, we believe that "Together We Are Stronger."

You might ask yourself – "How does an event planner fit into the organization 'Whidbey Island Grown?'" It is not an obvious connection until you actually work with a local event planner who is a member of the organization and learn about their commitment to source as much of the material and services that go into the execution of the event from local producers and service providers. The event planner will use a local caterer who procures food and beverages from local farms, local wineries, distillery or brewery. The planner will secure a local venue to host the event and use a local rental agency to supply necessary equipment. Thus, local businesses benefit as a result of the event planner's conscious decision to use local products and services.

Our lodging establishment members not only provide guests with the opportunity to experience our rural environment, but they also encourage their guests to visit our member restaurants, wineries, distilleries, breweries, galleries, shops and markets. B&B's often use ingredients from our local farms and bakeries in the breakfast meal provided to their guests. Lodging establishments that have kitchen facilities provide listings of local farmers markets and farm stands to their guests so they can enjoy the experience of searching out local farm products to be used in preparation of in-house meals.

So, when you see the Whidbey Island Grown logo displayed on a shopfront window or at a farmer's booth in one of our local farmers markets, check out what they have to offer and support these local businesses. They are committed to bringing you the finest locally grown and locally produced food, products, services and experiences while preserving our wonderful island's rural landscape and rural lifestyle.

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ON TRACK

with Jim Freeman



If you are reading this issue on our publication date of 09/19/19, you are making history.

This is the only Thursday in our lives with this exact date.

If you are reading this issue on a

different date, you are still part of history, but not as old.

We here at Whidbey Weekly appreciate your being part of our history as we try to live in the present.

Postcard power

Being an appreciator of sending postcards, which to me seem like the original slow moving tweets, texts or Instagrams, I must confess.

I got this postcard bug from Mom.

Mom loved sending postcards. It meant we had gone somewhere other than the grocery store, the shoe store, or the drug store.

Whenever we traveled from Ohio to Mississippi to see Mom's kin, or from Pennsylvania to Missouri to see Dad's kin, postcards would be part of the miles. Mom wrote them and addressed them on her make-up kit, straddled on her lap.

Back in the fifties, every place we went seemed to sell postcards. Gas stations, restaurants, drug stores. I learned to twirl postcard racks at an early age. Given my youth, I was always proud of myself that I knew where I had started twirling. What goes around, does come around.

I have always learned visually. If I asked the store clerk where the postcards were, I might get lost with the memory lapse of audio instruction.

If the clerk drew me a map, I could find the postcards, often right by the door.

What a quick learner I was.

Local postcards were the best, with pictures of cactus and jackalopes in Arizona, or baseball stadiums in St. Louis and Chicago, or in Memphis, with postcards of distant shots of Graceland through the fence. I just knew Elvis was in there somewhere.

While postcards of gardens surrounding the replica of the Parthenon in Nashville were big sellers for adults, I always preferred the postcards with the southern belles beneath the magnolia trees. Talk about lipstick.

The other day I Binged "cheap postcards" in the search bar.

I try not to Google. It often makes me gag if I giggle on Google.

I Bing for safety reasons.

There were many choices listed, but my cataract free eyes caught the ad for *Women in Science, 100 Postcards, 20 bucks.*

Are you kidding me?

A postcard for a dime? Was it still 1955?

I clicked my mouse to discover these 100 postcards honor "fifty fearless pioneers who changed the world."

Other than the names of Marie Curie, Jane Goodall, and Rachel Carson, I had never heard or read of the other 47 scientists.

The first female scientist I ever met, Rachel Kizer, was teaching science at Langley Middle School when I moved to Whidbey in 1983.

I recall only one girl in any of my college science classes. She wore Estée Lauder perfume. Who needs a Bunsen burner?

The stories and quotes and caricatures shared by artist and creator Rachel Ignotofsky in this postcard collection are worth framing. Were our granddaughters older, a couple of boxes of artistic knowledge from this Kansas City, Missouri lady would be their stocking stuffers.

Instead, given their youth, I shall get both of them a protractor.

Contractors are too expensive.

Some of what I learned from my postcard box, ISBN # 978-1-60774-981-3, published in the United States by Clarkson/Potter Publishers, an imprint of the Crown Publishing Group, a division of Penguin Random House LLC, New York, follows:

Jane Goodall, primatologist, ethologist, and anthropologist: A U.N. Messenger of Peace, Goodall is considered the world's foremost expert on chimpanzees.

"Only when our clever brain and our human heart work together can we reach our full potential."

Katherine Johnson, physicist and mathematician: Imagine the work assignment to calculate the flight path for the first manned mission to the Moon. Not only did scientist Johnson do that, she won the NASA Lunar Orbiter Award and the NASA Special Achievement Award while working on Mercury missions, space shuttles, and the plans for the mission to Mars.

"[The other women] didn't ask questions or take the task any further. I asked questions. I wanted to know why. They got used to me asking questions and being the only woman there."

Mamie Phipps Clark, psychologist and civil rights activist: Clark's work won the Supreme Court case Brown vs. Board of Education; her doll test and coloring test proved segregation hurts children.

"I began to think that a crucial part of children's lives, no matter what happens, has to be a degree of security and acceptance."

Hypatia, astronomer, mathematician, and philosopher: Hypatia was one of the first recorded women to study and teach math; she has become a symbol for enlightenment and feminism; Hypatia was an expert in philosophy, astronomy, and mathematics. From The Suda Lexicon—"In speech articulate and logical, in her actions prudent and public-spirited...the city gave her suitable welcome and accorded her special respect."

Maria Goeppert-Mayer, theoretical physicist: This scientist won the Nobel Prize in physics, proved the nuclear shell model for atoms, and gave us a better understanding of isotopes.

"When you love science, all you really want is to keep working."

Marjory Stoneman Douglas, writer and conservationist: Founder of the Friends of the Everglades, Douglas was a suffragist and advocate for civil rights, and gave us new insights into the ecosystems of wetlands helping her establish Everglades National Park.

"I'd like to hear less talk about men and women and more talk about citizens."

Rosalyn Yalow, medical physicist: This incredible scientist developed the RIA technique to measure hormones in the body, won the 1977 Nobel Prize in physiology or medicine, and gave us a better understanding of diabetes.

"We must believe in ourselves or no one else will believe in us. We must match our aspirations with the competence, courage, and determination to succeed."

The women of Whidbey remind me of these great women of science.

The women of Whidbey wow all year long.

Look at the leadership of our nonprofits.

Look at the leadership and work force in our county government. Look at the bulk of our volunteers in any area of endeavor.

Please rise. The Women of Whidbey are running the Rock, serving the Rock, and improving the Rock.

We thank you for continuing to help make our island home the comfortable paradise it has always been and always will be.

Rock on.

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Whidbey Island Harvest Festival

OCTOBER 3 - 6

Whidbey Island Fairgrounds and Events Center in Langley

Our 4-day festival will consist of **two days of classes and seminars** on the 3rd and 4th and culminates on the weekend with live music, food and wine/spirits/beer tastings, sales of locally made arts and crafts, and children's activities such as pumpkin decorating and scarecrow making.

Glean new skills from your friends and neighbors!
From fermentation to photography to painting to floral design...workshops and seminars to teach you new skills or ignite your creative imagination. Some workshops are free or on a donation basis, others have a fee.

Sign up for a class or seminar today:
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The Whidbey Island Harvest Festival is a collaboration between The Port of South Whidbey, The Vintners and Distillers Association, Whidbey Island Grown, The South Whidbey Community Center, Readiness to Learn and The Langley Chamber of Commerce.

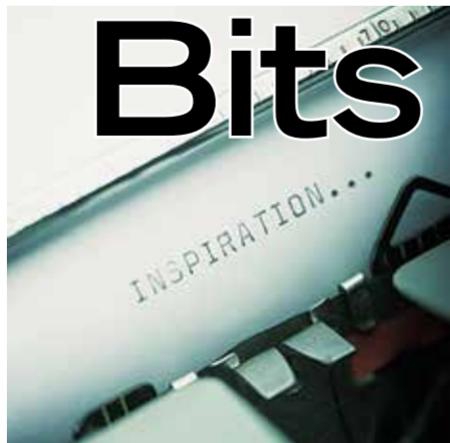
This 4-day festival falls at the end of
Whidbey Island Grown Week - Sept. 27 - Oct 6
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Bits & Pieces

Lady Washington Sails into Langley



Lady Washington, the official tall ship of Washington State, will visit Langley and offer vessel tours at the dock, Evening Sails, and Adventure Sails today through Sunday.

Launched March 7, 1989 as part of Washington's centennial celebration, the Lady Washington was built in Aberdeen, Wash. by Grays Harbor Historical Seaport, a nonprofit public development authority. The new Lady Washington is a full-scale replica of the original. The modern Lady Washington, constructed as a brig, was thoroughly researched by historians and traditionally constructed by skilled shipwrights.

In 1787, after the Revolutionary War, the original Lady Washington was given a major refit to prepare her for an unprecedented trading voyage around Cape Horn. In 1788, she became the first American vessel to make landfall on the west coast of North America.

A pioneer in Pan-Pacific trade, she was the first American ship to visit Honolulu and Japan, opening the black pearl and sandalwood trade between Hawaii and Asia when King Kamehameha became a partner in the ship.

Over the years, Lady Washington has appeared in several motion pictures and television shows, including *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl*, *Star Trek: Generations*, *Once Upon A Time*, and *Revolution*.

Sailing guests will embark on sailing experiences as it was done for hundreds of years. Join in a sea shanty, enjoy breathtaking views, and meet the modern day crew.

A ticket is required for all passengers, including babies. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments are not provided, but you are welcome to bring your own (no glass, please). Accessibility is addressed on a case-by-case basis. Book tickets at: www.historicalseaport.org/public-tours-sails/sailing-schedule/langley-washington/

[Submitted by Inge Morascini, Executive Director, Langley Chamber of Commerce]

George Winston Performs at WICA, an Evening of Solo Piano

Whidbey Island Center for the Arts (WICA) is proud to present George Winston Wednesday, Sept. 25, at 7:30PM. George Winston returns to Whidbey Island to play old favorites and new music recorded in early 2019. Winston, a self-described "rural folk piano" player, was among the earliest and most successful proponents of the contemporary instrumental genre and has inspired fans and musicians with his solo acoustic piano songs for over 40 years.

George Winston is undeniably a household name. He's inspired fans and musicians alike with his singular solo acoustic piano songs for more than 40 years while selling 15 million albums. A tireless road warrior playing nearly 100 concerts annually, live performances for Winston is akin to breathing. Winston's music

is evocative, offering us all a chance to take a step back from our perpetually busy lives and let our minds adventurously wander.

George Winston's classic albums, *Autumn* and *December*, are perennial favorites, along with *Winter into Spring*, *Summer*, *2017's Spring Carousel* – A Cancer Research Benefit, as well as two volumes of the compositions of Vince Guaraldi, two volumes of benefit albums for the Gulf Coast disasters, and six other solo piano albums. He released his 15th solo piano album, *Restless Wind*, via Dancing Cat Records/RCA Records May 3, 2019. The album track "Autumn Wind (Pixie #11)," is influenced by New Orleans pianist James Booker, who has long-served as a musical muse for Winston.

By virtue of his brilliance as one of the foremost instrumental composers of our time, *Restless Wind* presents a stunning journey documenting George Winston's sociological observations in American history. Winston repurposes for the modern listener stunningly relevant works by musical greats such as Sam Cooke, The Doors, Stephen Stills, George and Ira Gershwin, Country Joe McDonald, and others. *Restless Wind* captures Winston's inimitable melodic language where piano textures and tones set the stage for vivid renderings of classic compositions.

Winston says, "Ultimately, the main reason these 11 songs were chosen was how as instrumental pieces they worked well with each other in this sequence, the same way I have worked for all the albums I've recorded."

George has requested to support our local food bank, Good Cheer, by bringing a donation of canned food to the concert. WICA will have collection baskets in the WICA lobby.

Commencing March 21, George Winston embarked on a U.S. tour to celebrate the release of *Restless Wind* throughout the East Coast, West Coast, and Midwest. George's stop on Whidbey Island has become a favorite for locals and beyond.

Tickets at wicaonline.org or call the WICA Box Office at 360-221-8268.

[Submitted by Jeanne Juneau, WICA Marketing Director]

Remembering Those Forgotten in Our Community

When someone passes away in Island County without family to claim them, the Island County Coroner steps in to take care of those individuals. For years, the cremated remains of the deceased have been brought to Maple Leaf Cemetery, where they are placed in an unmarked grave.

Currently in this grave there are 108 individuals from all walks of life who range in age from stillborn to 90 years old. Their date of passing ranges from the early 1960s to today. They are placed in this grave with no services or remembrance of any kind. Everyone means something to someone and for these individuals to not even have their names on a grave marker is a loss to us all. They are a part of our community.

Seeing the need to remember, the four Rotary Clubs of Whidbey Island: Oak Harbor, North Whidbey Island Sunrise, South Whidbey, and Whidbey Westside, have come together to create a monument for those who have been forgotten. This monument will include the names of those who are buried there with space provided for those without family yet to come.

At 11:00AM Saturday, Oct. 5, at Maple Leaf Cemetery, there will be an unveiling of the monument as well as a service to remember those in the unmarked grave. The public is invited to attend and pay tribute to those our community has lost.

[Submitted by Bryan Stucky, The Rotary Club of North Whidbey Island Sunrise]

WAIF Seahawks Fundraiser

Love football? With huge thanks to Coldwell Banker Koetje in Oak Harbor, now is your

chance to place a winning bid for Seahawks tickets for their game against the Arizona Cardinals Saturday, Dec. 22. Tickets are seated in section 343, row K, seats 1 and 2. Minimum bid starts at \$225 and the tickets are valued at \$462.50.

From now until Oct. 11, stop by Koetje Rentals at 471 SE Pioneer Way (Monday through Friday) to place your sealed bid (minimum bid \$225) for your chance to win these awesome tickets. The bidder with the highest bid wins and will be notified by Oct. 16. Proceeds from the winning bid will go to help WAIF shelter animals.

Coldwell Banker Koetje is also hosting a pet supply drive for WAIF, which is in need of wet dog and cat food, dog and cat toys, blankets, and towels.

[Submitted by Cinnamon Hudgins, WAIF]

Volunteer Opportunities at Langley Whale Center

Are you concerned about the decline of the critically endangered Southern Resident Orcas? Would you like to learn more about local Orcas, Gray and Humpback whale populations and other marine mammals?

This is a great time to get involved, as the Southern Residents frequent our area each fall and Langley Whale Center has scheduled a volunteer training day for Saturday, Oct. 12. You will learn about our local whales, Orca Network and its various programs - Whale Sighting Network, Marine Mammal Stranding Network - education and events. These programs are great for those who want to volunteer occasionally.

Volunteer Docents at the Langley Whale Center greet and count visitors, explain educational displays and help with gift shop sales. Most volunteers serve six to twelve hours a month and enjoy connecting with people in the community, from around the country and the world, while making a huge impact through raising awareness about the whales and the importance of providing them healthy and safe habitats. The Langley Whale Center and all Orca Network programs are currently accepting volunteer applications. The more you learn, the more you will become connected to the amazing creatures who frequent the waters near Whidbey Island and in Puget Sound. All ages are welcome to join.

The Langley Whale Center is a project of Orca Network, a nonprofit organization that has been on Whidbey Island for 20 years. The Langley Whale Center is the organization's public connection and greeted over 10,000 visitors this summer. The Langley Whale Center is open Thursdays through Mondays, 11:00AM until 5:00PM. Volunteer docents work in teams of two and new volunteers will work with experienced volunteers. If you can't attend the volunteer training day, on the job training is available. Contact Whale Center Manager Wendy Sines at wendylsines@gmail.com, or stop by the Center at 105 Anthes Ave, Langley, Wash. and pick up a volunteer application.

[Submitted by Wendy Sines]

Application Open for Valerie Sivinski Fund Historic Preservation Grants

The Valerie Sivinski Fund is an annual program of the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation that provides grants of up to \$2,000 to organizations engaged in historic preservation around Washington State. The goal of the Fund is to support historic preservation where it really happens: at the community level. The Washington Trust is pleased to announce the application for the 2020 round of Sivinski Fund grants is now open. The deadline for submitting an application is Tuesday, Oct. 15.

Established in 1997, the Sivinski Fund has awarded grants to 146 projects totaling over \$155,000 worth in funding and services to local historic preservation organizations and advocates engaged in the important work of preserving Washington's cultural heritage.

Can "AI" Help You Become a Better Investor?

For the past several years, artificial intelligence – or AI – has increasingly found a place in many walks of life. Almost certainly, you use some form of AI, whether it's your time on social media, your use of mobile banking, the navigation system you rely on for directions, or any of the many other AI-driven applications relevant to your daily life. But AI has also become a significant part of the financial services industry. So, you might wonder if AI can help you become a better investor.

To begin with, what is AI? Essentially, it's the ability of a computer program or machine to think or learn. Using complex algorithms (a set of rules, or steps), computers and machines can mimic many of the thought processes of human beings.

But how can you use AI to invest? And should you?

In the financial services world, many companies use AI to select investments for specific funds. On an individual level, you can work with an AI-powered "robo-advisor" to build an investment portfolio. These robo-advisors are typically quite affordable, and they generally follow proven investment principles, such as diversification, in making recommendations.

Yet, you are more than just the sum of your answers to a robo-advisor's online questionnaire. Investing is a highly personal matter, which means that, in the following areas, you may well benefit from some human intelligence – and empathy:

- Understanding of your risk tolerance – A robo-advisor will ask you to identify your tolerance for risk – low, medium, high – and will plug in your answers when constructing a portfolio. But only a human financial advisor – someone who truly knows you, your personality, your family situation and your hopes for the future – can know how your sensitivity to risk might cause you to react to events such as sudden market declines. Armed with this knowledge, a financial advisor can talk through your options to help keep you on the road toward your goals.

- Answers to qualitative questions – A robo-advisor can provide you with many key data points – rates of return, projections of future accumulations, etc. But so can a personal financial advisor, who can also go beyond the numbers to help you answer qualitative, subjective questions: How can I save for college for my children and my own retirement at the same time? If I change jobs, should I leave my 401(k) in my former employer's plan, move it to my new employer's plan or roll it over to an IRA? What's the best way to guard my financial independence if I ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended stay in a nursing home?

- Guidance for the "big picture" – Your investments are important, but they're also connected to other areas of your life, including your taxes and your estate plans. And while a financial advisor might not provide you with tax or legal advice, he or she may be able to connect you to other, appropriate professionals, and work with them to help you put together your "big picture." That's not something a typical robo-advisor is equipped to do.

Artificial intelligence will support many of your activities throughout your life. But when it comes to investing, a personal touch may never become obsolete.

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Historic places not only represent our history but are part of our collective cultural identity. Preserving historic places allows communities to build a future on that meaningful identity and the valuable historic resources already at hand. Historic resources contribute to vibrant communities and architectural diversity.

"Successful historic preservation is rooted in partnerships," said Jennifer Mortensen, Outreach Director for the Washington Trust. "We are honored to be able to support local communities and help make historic preservation happen at the local level through the Valerie Sivinski Fund."

Funding priority for the Sivinski Fund grants goes to "bricks and mortar" projects that contribute to the preservation of a specific historic place. Projects that include costs directly related to physical materials and preservation are preferred, but grant funds may also be used to hire preservation professionals or organize preservation advocacy efforts for a specific historic resource. Applications must be submitted by an organized group such as an incorporated nonprofit, an unincorporated citizens or advocacy group, a public agency or civic organization, or a religious organization. Applicants for Sivinski Fund grants are required to become members of the Washington Trust (at the nonprofit level or above) if they are not already current members.

The online application form, along with all program details, can be accessed on the Washington Trust for Historic Preservation's website at: preservewa.org/sivinski. The application process is entirely online, and must be submitted by 5:00PM on the due date. Award recipients will be announced at the Washington Trust's annual Sivinski Holiday Benefit in December.

Please contact Jennifer Mortensen at 206-462-2999 or via email at jmortensen@preservewa.org for more information.

[Submitted by Jennifer Mortensen, Outreach Director, Washington Trust for Historic Preservation]

Local Business News

2019 Skagit Valley Giant Pumpkin Festival and Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off

Christianson's Nursery is an official weigh-off site for the Giant Pumpkin Commonwealth (GPC), an international organization, and is sanctioned to submit giant pumpkin world records. Sponsored by the Pacific Northwest Giant Pumpkin Growers with Coastal Farm & Ranch, Skagit Valley Food Co-op, and Mount Vernon Tractor Supply, and floral seed baskets provided by Floret Flower Farm. From 9:00AM to 1:00PM Saturday, the day's events begin with entrants registering for the official Weigh-Off. Last year's pumpkin weighed in at over 1,300 pounds! Compete in the Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off for a cash prize totaling \$1,500. Pay schedule for top 10 heaviest pumpkins may be found at www.ChristiansonNursery.com. Be sure to bring your exhibition veggies and sunflowers. This year the community votes for the ugliest pumpkin during a small intermission. Family fun throughout the day; 9:00AM to 4:00PM, enter the new A-mazing Hay Maze hosted by Mount Vernon's Camp Korey and play the fun family carnival games in the greenhouse. Enjoy an array of seasonal bites by Random Acts of Food, Yukon Jitter Coffee Truck, The Scone Lady, Northwest Kettle Corn Company, and Absolutely Nuts!; 10:00AM to 3:00PM, Beautiful Face Painting (\$5, cash only); 11:00AM to noon, a family favorite "Bat's Incredible" class in the Schoolhouse with Kathleen Bander; 11:00AM to 4:00PM, enjoy a refreshment at the Anacortes Brewery Beer Garden hosted by La Conner Library Foundation; noon to 3:00PM, pony rides with Lang's Traveling Ponies (\$5, cash only); 1:00 to 4:00PM, Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off!, and at 4:00PM, the Giant Pumpkin Winner will be announced. Giant Pumpkin entry forms for 2019 are available at the Christianson's Nursery Garden Store and on its website www.ChristiansonNursery.com. To inquire, visit the Nursery or call 360-466-3821 or 800-585-8200. Christianson's Nursery is located at 15806 Best Road, Mount Vernon.

THE OAK HARBOR BOYS & GIRLS CLUB PRESENTS

Frightville XIX

Frightville 2019 Schedule

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What's Going On

All entries are listed chronologically, unless there are multiple entries for the same venue or are connected to a specific organization (such as Sno-Isle Libraries) in which case all entries for that venue or organization are listed collectively in chronological order under one heading.

The Green Room Vendor Day

Thursday, September 19, 3:00-6:00PM

The Green Room, Oak Harbor

Representatives from MFused will be on site with product displays and information. Must be 21 or older. The Green Room is located at 1640 N Goldie Road. For more information, call 360-682-5755 or visit www.thegreenroomwa.com. Marijuana has intoxicating effects and may be habit forming. Keep out of the reach of children.

Island Herb Vendor Day

Thursday, September 19, 4:20-7:10PM

Island Herb, Freeland

Representatives from Smokey Point Production will be on site with product displays and information. Must be 21 or older. Island Herb is located at 5565 Vanbarr Pl, Unit F. For more information, call 360-331-0140 or visit whidbeyislandherb.com. Marijuana has intoxicating effects and may be habit forming. Keep out of the reach of children.

Live Music: Original Jim

Thursday, September 19, 7:00PM

Flyers Restaurant and Brewery, Oak Harbor

Forged from the vocal jazz and a cappella scenes, and honed on pop, rock, folk, country and blues, Jim sets up a solid foundation for his tunes with creative arrangements, tasty improvisation, a little keyboard, strong vocals, rhythmic guitars and a fresh approach to percussion. No cover. For more information, call 360-675-5858.

"Broadway Bound"

Thursday, September 19, 7:30PM

Friday, September 20, 7:30PM

Saturday, September 21, 7:30PM

Sunday, September 22, 2:30PM

Whidbey Playhouse, Oak Harbor

Broadway Bound is the touching and funny conclusion of Neil Simon's semi-autobiographical Eugene trilogy. Eugene and his brother, Stanley, are attempting to break into the world of professional comedy writing, while coping with their parents' messy and upsetting marital split. When their material is broadcast on the radio for the first time, the rest of the family is upset to hear a comedic rendition of their own trials and tribulations. Information and tickets available at www.whidbeyplayhouse.com.

The Green Room Vendor Day

Friday, September 20, 1:00PM-5:00PM

The Green Room, Oak Harbor

Representatives from Falcanna will be on site with product displays and information. Must be 21 or older. The Green Room is located at 1640 N Goldie Road. For more information, call 360-682-5755 or visit www.thegreenroomwa.com. Marijuana has intoxicating effects and may be habit forming. Keep out of the reach of children.

Hike the Hollow

Friday, September 20, 1:30-3:30PM

Fort Ebey State Park, 400 Hill Valley Dr, Coupeville

This 1.6 mile round-trip hike will take you through the quiet forest of Fort Ebey. Learn about the hidden joys within a serene forest. This hike is rated moderate as we traverse up and down through the kettles. Recommended for ages 12+. Please wear weather appropriate clothing, hiking shoes and bring water. Hiking poles not required but may be helpful. Please follow the signs to the parking area. Reservations are not required but a Discover

Pass is required. For more information, call 360-678-1186 or email Jackie.French@parks.wa.gov

Whidbey Supports Youth and Climate Justice

Friday, September 20, 3:00-5:00PM

Highway 20 and Main Street, Coupeville

Join Whidbey Environmental Action Network and the Social Environmental Justice Council of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Whidbey Island as they rally and demonstrate solidarity with the international, youth-led Global School Climate Strikes which are happening all over the world. They are inspired by 16 year old Nobel nominee Greta Thunberg, who asks, "Why should we go to school if we won't have a future?" Come to support the youths' struggle for climate justice. See the group's FB event page for details. Find out more at <https://globalclimatestrike.net>.

Watoto Children's Choir Returns

Friday, September 20, 7:00PM

Oak Harbor High School Auditorium/SUB

The choir is from Uganda and is made up of orphans from the Watoto Orphanages in Kampala and Gulu Uganda. There will be lively singing and dancing. Watoto is the Ugandan organization that has answered the call to care for the children by giving them food, shelter, education, health care, and a family. Come hear the joy in their hearts which has overcome the tragedy and hardship in their lives before they were with Watoto. Concert is free with free will offering. Choir CDs and craft items from Watoto workshops will be available for purchase as well as information and opportunities to sponsor children. The concert is sponsored by Oak Harbor Lutheran Church Watoto Mission Team which has been traveling to help in Watoto programs since 2008. The team has raised funds to build a house and medical clinic in the villages and holds medical clinics during their yearly visit. Their next visit is in Jan. 2020.

Live Music: Woody Virgil

Friday, September 20, 7:30-9:30PM

Penn Cove Taproom, Oak Harbor

This Whidbey Island musician plays original tunes mixed with pop, folk, rock, and country. He's like a one man trio, with a little harmonica thrown in. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-2247 or visit www.penncovebrewing.com.

2019 Skagit Valley Giant Pumpkin Festival

Saturday, September 21, 9:00AM-4:00PM

Christianson's Nursery, Mount Vernon

Compete in the Giant Pumpkin Weigh-Off, enjoy the new A-maze-ing Hay Maze hosted by Mount Vernon's Camp Korey and play the fun family carnival games in the greenhouse. There will be face painting, pony rides, a family favorite "Bat's Incredible" class in the schoolhouse, and refreshments at the Anacortes Brewery Beer Garden hosted by La Conner Library Foundation. Christianson's Nursery is located at 15806 Best Road. For more information, visit www.ChristiansonsNursery.com or call 360-466-3821 or 800-585-8200.

Whidbey Island Kite Festival

Saturday, September 21, 9:00AM-5:00PM

Sunday, September 22, 9:00AM-5:00PM

Camp Casey Conference Center, Coupeville

Join this colorful event with activities like kids' kite making, beginning sportkite lessons, and sportkite demonstrations. Teddy bear drop each day at 1:00PM for children under 10. There will be a booth at the field with hot dogs and soda. Email Lisa Root for more details, lroot0208@aol.com.

2019 Quilt Show

Saturday, September 21, 10:00AM-4:00PM

Sunday, September 22, 10:00AM-2:00PM

Oak Harbor Senior Center 51 SE Jerome St.

Senior Bees of the Oak Harbor Senior Center presents the 2019 Quilt Show. Craft and quilted items for sale. \$1 raffle tickets for Senior Bees handmade quilt. Free admission!

Free Admission Day at the Museum

Saturday, September 21, 11:00AM-5:00PM

PBY Naval Air Museum, Oak Harbor

Fly a simulator or explore the night vision goggle room as part of the viewing experience. For more information, please call 360-240-9500. The PBY Naval Air Museum is located at 270 SE Pioneer Way.

Live Music: T Bird

Saturday, September 21, 7:30-9:30PM

Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville

This local artist's original songs are perfectly paired with a cold craft beer. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit www.penncovebrewing.com.

Puppies in the Park

Sunday, September 22, 11:00AM-3:00PM

NE 21st Court, Oak Harbor

The Rotary Club of North Whidbey Island Sunrise will be having its first Puppies in the Park event at the dog park on 21st Court off Goldie Road. Bring your family and puppy for vendors, games, and fun! If you would like to host a booth please send an email to Bryan@wallinfuneralhome.com to reserve your spot. Money raised will go to promote dog-related events and properties around town.

CADA & WAIF Event

Wednesday, September 25, 6:00-7:30PM

Blooms Winery, 5511 S Freeland Ave, Freeland

CADA and WAIF work together to advocate for people and animals in domestic violence situations. When a domestic violence survivor comes to CADA for advocacy and has a pet in need of shelter as well, WAIF steps up and fosters the pet for a period of time until the survivor can get shelter for both of them. Beverages and appetizers will be provided, along with a small silent auction to help raise funds to support CADA and WAIF programs. Tickets are \$40 each and can be purchased online at bit.ly/CADAWAIF or call CADA at 360-675-7057 or WAIF at 360-678-8906 to arrange ticket purchase.

Pumpkin Pitch & Harvest Festival

Saturday, September 28, 10:00AM-4:00PM

Skagit River Park, Burlington

View the amazing Pumpkin Pitching machines up close from 10:00-11:15AM. The Opening Ceremony and Pitch are at 11:30AM, followed by the accuracy and distance competition at noon. The festival includes a free KidsZone with zucchini car races, pumpkin painting, activity booths, pony rides, bouncy houses, and a climbing wall. Food vendors on site. Free wagon rides to and from the free parking lot. No admission, parking or activity fees. For more information, call 360-755-9649 or visit burlingtonwa.gov/pumpkinpitch.

Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below

Cost: Free

End-of-Life Discussion Series

Thursdays, September 19, 26, 1:00-3:00PM

Freeland Library

Hospice of the Northwest and Island Senior Resources are offering a series of free workshops about the many crucial decisions surrounding aging and death. The workshops will provide guidance and planning information for spiritual, medical, legal and housing questions related to end-of-life issues. Join us

for some or all conversations. These classes are free and anyone is welcome to attend one or all of the sessions. Presented by Kaaren Flint from Hospice of the Northwest.

Friends of Clinton Library Book Sale

Saturday, September 21, 10:00AM-3:00PM

Clinton Community Hall, 6411 S. Central Ave.

Thousands of books for sale at bargain prices. Additional fiction and nonfiction every month. Proceeds support the Clinton Library.

Edible and Medicinal Mushrooms of the Pacific Northwest and Beyond

Tuesday, September 24, 6:30-8:30PM

Clinton Community Hall, 6411 S. Central Ave.

The Pacific Northwest is the perfect place for mushroom hunting. Learn about the best varieties to look for both here and beyond as Daniel Winkler shares his expertise about wild mushrooms.

Religious Services

South Whidbey Community Church

Sundays, 9:00-9:45AM Adult Bible Study

10:00-11:00AM Worship

Deer Lagoon Grange, 5142 Bayview Rd, Langley

Sunday, September 22 - Six Attitudes for Christian Unity: Basic attitudes that promote unity. Services are followed by a light lunch. You are invited to join us for lunch and loving fellowship.

Prayer Group

Every Tuesday, 4:00-5:30PM

St. Hubert Catholic Church, Langley

Charismatic Prayer and Praise group. Everyone welcome. For more information, call Bill at 360-222-4080 or email Sobico@comcast.net.

Galleries & Art Shows

Featured Artist: Timothy Haslet

Meet the Artist: Tuesday, September 24,

10:00AM-5:00PM

Penn Cove Gallery, Coupeville

Artist Timothy Haslet will be at Penn Cove Gallery with some of his oil painting tools and techniques. Timothy is a native of the Pacific NW and an Art graduate of Whitworth University in Spokane, Wash. He comes from a family of artists and was instructed in art and visual expression from as far back as he can remember.

Meetings & Organizations

PBY Naval Air Museum

Wednesday, September 25, 11:30AM

CPO Club, 1080 Ault Field Rd, Oak Harbor

The featured speaker at the monthly no-host luncheon will be Wil Shellenberger, Museum President, who will relay his personal experiences visiting the Omaha Beach during the 75th anniversary of the D-Day landing. The public is invited to this event. Call 360-240-9500 for directions and more information.

For a list of continuous Meetings and Organizations, visit www.whidbeyweekly.com

Classes, Seminars and Workshops

It Takes a Village: Mental Health Forum and Resource Fair

Thursday, September 19, 6:00-8:30PM

Trinity Lutheran Church, 18341 SR 525, Freeland

Learn about mental health education in our community. As part of the Island County Community Health Improvement Plan, members of the Interfaith Mental Health Committee and the Island County Suicide and Depression Group present a mental health forum and resource fair. Listen to a panel of speakers, participate in a Q&A session and visit the resource tables. Refreshments provided. For more information, call 360-678-0559.

NRA Personal Protection Outside the Home Class

Saturday, September 21, 9:00AM-5:00PM

Sunday, September 22, 9:00AM-5:00PM

NWSA Range, 886 Gun Club Rd., Oak Harbor

Cost: \$50, includes a book

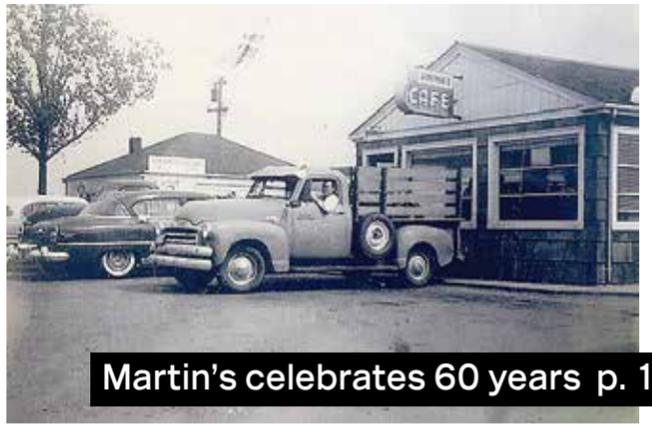
This class builds on skills already gained in other shooting classes and shooting styles, which the student must be able to show docu-

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Martin's celebrates 60 years p. 14



Photo by Elin Stebbins Waldal
OutCast Production's "Shirley Valentine," is on stage now at Island County Fairgrounds in Langley. The title character, Shirley, is portrayed by Suzanne Kelman.

“Shirley Valentine” sure to bring smiles

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

Take a journey alongside an ordinary wife and mother as she deliberates and decides to take an extraordinary trip to Greece, transforming the life she once knew in “Shirley Valentine.” Join Shirley as she reflects on her husband, her children, and her past in this production, which was a hit when Pauline Collins brought the character of Shirley to life in both London and New York.

“Shirley Valentine,” written by Billy Russell, is presented by OutCast Productions at the Island County Fairgrounds in Langley. The play stars Suzanne Kelman, and tickets are \$18 for adults and \$14 for students. Tickets can be reserved by visiting brownpapertickets.com or emailing ocp@whidbey.com and paying at the door with cash or check. The play will be presented Sept. 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28 at 7:30 p.m., with a 4 p.m. show Sept. 22. Thursday showings will offer a discounted ticket price of \$12.

Gail Liston, director of the play, says the performance offers an experience the audience will be able to connect with.

“Shirley Valentine is a lovable, relatable, and inspirational character,” she said. “Audiences will enjoy her sense of humor and relate to her yearnings for a more complete life. I really think they will love her and cheer her on.”

Liston, who has acted since she was in high school and has directed several productions, said she found the play to be dynamic and entertaining throughout the process.

“The best part of directing ‘Shirley Valentine’ was a mix of a wonderful script and a fabulous actress,” she said. “I never tired of it.”

The play features only one character, played by Kelman, shared Liston.

“I think the biggest challenge was creating dramatic conflict with only one character on the stage,” she said. “But Suzanne (Kelman) created other characters so well that I think

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DjangoFest Northwest: Five days of world class djams!

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Did someone say gypsy djazz? The City by the Sea has djjust what you're looking for this weekend.

The 19th annual DjangoFest Northwest is currently in full swing and continues through Sunday in Langley. This musical festival, produced by Whidbey Island Center for the Arts, is unlike any other musical event on Whidbey Island and offers musicians and music lovers alike completely unique opportunities to enjoy this popular musical genre, named after musician Django Reinhardt.

What started 19 years ago has grown into North America's premier showcase of Gypsy Jazz. Some of the biggest names in the genre have played to nearly 40,000 patrons over the festival's history, and its popularity continues to grow.

“DjangoFest Northwest has grown to international acclaim,” said Deana Duncan, WICA's artistic director and DFNW festival coordinator. “This festival is well revered and that growth and reputation continues. We are on course to have the largest ticket sales in festival history.

“DjangoFest brings the top gypsy jazz musicians in the world to one place for one week only,” Duncan continued. “The vibe is hot and fun and soulful. There's more than music, there's a merchandise room, food, drink and a chance to feel the heart of gypsy jazz right here on Whidbey Island.”

DFNW features five days of concerts, workshops and the ever-popular, unscheduled “djam” sessions that spring up all over town during the festival. This year, the Island County Fairgrounds is helping to spread even more of the Django vibe.

“We are super excited to announce an even stronger collaboration with the Island County Fairgrounds,” Duncan said. “They are creating a fantastic camping area with a bonfire and they received city permission to have late night djams well past the time everything else in town will close. It's going to be a great party up there this year.”

Duncan said the fairgrounds has also added other events, including its Secret Kitchen Series, a community dinner Wednesday evening and a Sunday morning Django brunch.

Community involvement and support are at the heart of DFNW. WICA leaders say without the help of volunteers from the community, DjangoFest simply wouldn't happen.

“I'm so impressed with my dedicated, small and nimble staff, with the amount of time and energy they put into this event,” said Verna Everitt, WICA's executive director. “It's truly amazing what they accomplish. And of course, we could not pull off this world class event without our equally dedicated volunteers.”

“We are a relatively small staff,” agreed Duncan. “We couldn't do this without the many volunteers who help in every area of the festival.

“It takes an entire year to organize this festival,” she continued. “We begin literally as this festival ends. Artists reach out to us monthly to be involved. One of the biggest challenges is working with a lawyer to write and submit the Visa for our international artists. Then we work on housing (this community helps us house all these artists for the week), travel, merchandise, tech needs and all the other logistics that go into a festival this large.”

Shirley McClure has been volunteering for WICA since she moved to Whidbey in 2005.

Photo Courtesy of
DjangoFest Northwest
Award-winning accordionist
Dallas Vietty will make his
first appearance at DjangoFest
Northwest this weekend,
performing at 3 p.m. Saturday
in Langley.



Photo Courtesy of
DjangoFest Northwest
The Gismo Graf Trio headlines
DjangoFest Northwest this
year, performing at 8 p.m.
Saturday on the DFNW
Mainstage in Langley.
Simon Planting and Ludovic
Beier also appear. DjangoFest
Northwest is going on now
through Sunday at Whidbey
Island Center for the Arts.



“As time progressed, I was asked if I would like to volunteer for DFNW,” she said. “I signed up for one show on the weekend, not really knowing what Django style music really was.

“I was working on 1st Street that September,” she continued. “When I left [work], all I heard was the most amazing music. There were musicians playing anywhere they could find a place to sit (or sometimes stand). There were guitars, violins, reed instruments, accordions and others all playing the same style of music, with lots of talk about technique, type of instruments, how to further their knowledge of the genre. It's a truly magical time.”

There is no shortage of talent coming to the stage for DFNW this year. Some old faces, some new faces – all ready, willing and excited to share their love of this music.

“This year we have a marvelous mix of talent,” said DFNW Artistic Director Simon Planting. “Some old friends returning we have not seen for a while - guitarist extraordinaire Angelo Debarre; Ludovic Beier, the amazing accordion player; string masters Rory Hoffman and Richard Smith; and Paul Mehling's Hot Club of San Francisco celebrating their 25-year anniversary!

“[There are] a lot of returning faces: local favorites Pearl Django, Hot Club of Troy, Eric Vanderbilt-Mathews and Greg Ruby. And then we have musicians who have never been here: Gismo Graf and his father Josho and sister Cheyenne; Aurore Voilqué and Claudius DuPont; accordionist Dallas Vietty; and Samuel Farthing, a 17-year-old phenomenon and this year's winner of the Saga Award.”

The festival will also include a tribute to its founder, for which organizers trimmed the concert schedule slightly to accommodate it.

“We are cutting one of the concerts, going to just seven versus the eight we have always done,” explained Duncan. “On Sunday we wanted to create even more time and space for the Nick Lehr Memorial Djam and have time for after-concert djamming and partying at WICA.”

In addition to the incomparable DjangoFest concerts, are the workshops – an opportunity for musicians to learn from some of the best this genre has to offer, and a chance for people who just love music to observe, learn and enrich their souls, according to Duncan.

“This is one of our strongest arts education outreaches of the year and we are very proud to offer these workshops for both musicians and observers,” she said. “Workshops range in level from beginning to advanced and are clearly described [on the website]. There are two VIP workshops that allow observers, for those of us who don't play these instruments but love to see how the music is made. At only \$20, these observer tickets are well worth the experience.”

Information on concerts, performers and workshops is available online at djangofest.com. Some concerts are already sold out and tickets are going quickly, so those interested are encouraged to act quickly. Festival passes are also available for those who would like to attend multiple concerts.

“I love DFNW, and look forward to it because of the energy it creates for south Whidbey and the pleasure I get for being involved,” said McClure.

Duncan encourages all music lovers to give DjangoFest a try.

“These musicians play with their heart and soul - you can feel it, see it, hear it.”



MILITARY MUSTER



NAS Whidbey Island, Washington

September 19-25, 2019



U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 1st Class Paul L. Archer/Released

Retired Aviation Machinist's Mate 1st Class Bernard B. Bartusiak, 95, listens to his family members speak after being awarded two Distinguished Flying Cross medals and the Air Medal (Strike/Flight), 2nd-8th awards, by Secretary of the Navy (SECNAV) Richard V. Spencer for meritorious service during World War II involving aerial flight from April 20, 1943 to August 26, 1944.

WWII Navy Vet Awarded Medals 75 Years After Service

From the Office of the Navy Chief of Information

Secretary of the Navy Richard V. Spencer awarded a WWII Sailor two high-level combat decorations in recognition of his meritorious service as an aircrewman in the European theater, in a Sept. 10 Pentagon ceremony.

Bernard Bartusiak of Chicago, now 95, joined the Navy in May of 1941, at age 17. He eventually served as an aviation machinist's mate 1st class on the aircrew of a PB4Y Liberator in the European theater. After the war, Bartusiak became a corporate accountant and married Dolores, his wife of 65 years.

Spencer presented Bartusiak the Distinguished Flying Cross with gold star (in lieu of second award) and the Air Medal, second through eight strike flight awards, in recognition of 20 combat missions Bartusiak completed from April 1943 to August 1944.

The Distinguished Flying Cross was awarded for Bartusiak's "extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flight." The Air Medal recognizes "single acts of heroism or meritorious achievement" in flight.

"This honor may be overdue, but I am humbled by the opportunity to present it," Spencer said to the audience, which included Bartusiak's two daughters, as well as U.S. Rep. Dan Lipinski, who represents Bartusiak's district in Illinois.

Reflecting on the contributions of Navy aviators to the Allied victory, Spencer quoted late Prime Minister Winston Churchill: "Never was so much owed by so many, to so few."

NAS Whidbey SAR Rescues Injured Climber in Cascade Mountains

A Search and Rescue (SAR) team from Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island rescued a 39-year-old man near Washington Pass in the early evening of Friday, Sept. 6.

The climber had suffered a possible pelvis fracture and loss of consciousness after a fall at an elevation of approximately 6,500 feet. Washington Pass is north of Lake Chelan and west of Winthrop, Wash., in the Cascade Mountains.

The SAR crew located the climber against a 500-foot vertical rock face, which gave way to a steep field of loose rock. The SAR crew inserted two crewmembers via rappel about 300 feet below the injured climber. While the SAR helicopter returned to NAS Whidbey Island to refuel, the two crewmembers climbed to the patient, prepped him for transport, and moved him back down to their original insert point.

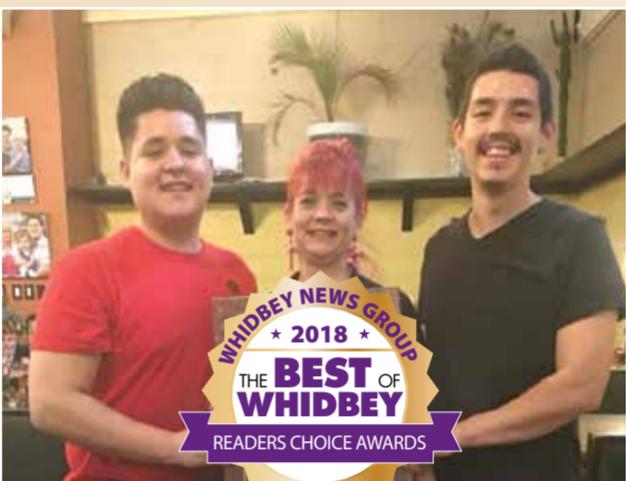
After returning from refuel the SAR crew hoisted the injured climber and two crewmembers aboard the helicopter for transport to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle.

Naval Air Station Whidbey Island SAR has conducted 31 total missions throughout Washington State this year, including nine searches, twelve rescues and ten medical evacuations.

The Navy SAR unit operates three MH-60S helicopters from NAS Whidbey Island as search and rescue/medical evacuation (SAR/MEDEVAC) platforms for the EA-18G aircraft as well as other squadrons and personnel assigned to the installation. Pursuant to the National SAR Plan of the United States, the unit may also be used for civil SAR/MEDEVAC needs to the fullest extent practicable on a non-interference basis with primary military duties according to applicable national directives, plans, guidelines and agreements; specifically, the unit may launch in response to tasking by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (based on a Washington State Memorandum of Understanding) for inland missions, and/or tasking by the United States Coast Guard for all other aeronautical and maritime regions, when other assets are unavailable.



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BIRDS: THE FISHERMAN'S EYES IN THE SKY

There are many seabirds common to the West Coast and some of them can be the greatest indicator that fish are in the vicinity; they want to find and catch fish even more than we do.

The western gull is probably the most common seabird seen by us Puget Sound fisherman. Gulls are amazing when it comes to spotting and gathering in large numbers to feed on bait fish when they're driven to the surface by an underwater predator like salmon. It seems there are always a few seagulls sitting around just waiting for an opportunity to join in a free-for-all feeding frenzy. If you look carefully though, there will be gulls in low level flight as well as a few birds so high they are almost impossible to see with the naked eye. This spread of birds makes for a very effective information network. When a gull in flight is just looking, it flies with a soft easy motion, almost idling along. But if you have the patience to keep watching, when the gull spots something its wings stop moving, the beak tips downward and the bird angles toward what it sees. If the spotted object is alive and the gull goes for it, there is a flash from the underside of its wings as the bird dives; this is a signal to the other birds aloft and on the water. If you catch a glimpse of the wing-flash and other birds start to congregate with determination, it's time to investigate what they see. What we hope to find is bait and feeding game fish and not a pesky feeding seal or dogfish on the surface.

Over time and with some careful observation, you can learn to read the birds by their different movements. For example, if the birds are all headed up-wind and are swooping down to pick, it's most likely some type of garbage or debris. But if the birds are wheeling and circling and more than one bird is diving into the water, it's probably bait and where there's bait, there's bigger fish. I was taught a very good lesson about approaching groups of birds (or what I like to call a "bird pile") while fishing for mahi-mahi and yellow-fin tuna in Hawaii. My fishing buddy said "Don't motor through the middle of the pile;" stay on the edges and ease around them. By doing this the bait ball and the feeding fish among them are less likely to scatter, and it gives you more time in the bite-zone.

Another Puget Sound bird I trust is the Marbled Murrelet. This little seabird is a low-level flyer for the most part and is a very effective swimmer and diver. They often accompany seagulls in a feeding frenzy or bird ball. I've seen them come up from a dive with their beaks filled with bait fish. Remember the term "match the hatch;" they are giving us a real-time live look at what the predator fish are feeding on. Match the color and size of the bait fish, if you can. Murrelet can dive surprisingly deep; I have picked them up on my fish-finder at 40 to 50 feet down.



A graceful searching Shearwater.

I had the opportunity to fish out of Westport, Wash., for albacore tuna a couple of years ago. The charter captain didn't have much confidence in seagulls spotting tuna. However, when we had traveled 50 miles offshore, he told us to be on the lookout for Shearwaters. Shearwaters are wanderers of the open sea, winging across the swells, skimming the surface of the water with their wingtips. Shearwaters are strong, graceful and amazing flyers and are constantly on the move in search of food. Shearwaters can "fly under water" and when they find bait fish driven to the surface by predators, they will congregate, hit the water and disappear; this is a sure sign of fish offshore. Our captain was right. With the first sightings of shearwaters we saw our first surface-busting tuna. We pitched a couple of small nets of chum off the stern and the tuna started boiling around the boat. From that point on we filled the cargo hold with beautiful 35-pound tuna fish. The shearwaters were right on the money.

Shearwaters will also sit in tight groups looking down into the water; this is another great indicator of fish. If you're offshore and you see such a gathering, it is possible to raise a school of albacore by stopping alongside the flock and chumming. Fish with sinkers or darts and don't be afraid to fish deep. Sometimes the fish are well over 100 feet deep; keep chumming and bring them as close to the surface as possible. Whether you're fishing in the Puget Sound, on the rivers, and especially 50 miles offshore in addition to your electronics, pay close attention to seabird activity within eyesight. Their lives depend on finding fish - hard to beat a need like that.

The heavy rains we have had the last few weeks will no doubt push some salmon into the rivers to spawn. It should also push late-arriving fish closer to Whidbey Island and give us another round of fish from the beaches. A couple of weeks ago, I wrote about getting the facts about the ever-changing regulations and how to make our voices heard on sport fishing rules which affect our salmon and bottom-fish fishing opportunities. The Puget Sound Anglers (PSA) have chapters all along the West Coast of Washington; this club and its goals toward protecting our rights as sport fishermen make it my first choice to get involved. Secondly, the Coastal Conservation Association (CCA), which has secured political wins for recreational fishermen across the nation, is another organization to consider. Gary Loomis (founder of Gloomis fishing rods) was instrumental in getting the CCA out to the west coast; he is a passionate fisherman and has seen successful salmon recovery work stripped away by politicians and one-sided decisions. The Puget Sound Anglers and Coastal Conservation Association want us to get a fair say in our desire to fish and what our license fees and taxes pay for in this state. Until the hundreds of thousands of Washington recreational anglers band together and physically swarm down on Olympia to show our frustration with the commissioners and legislative decisions and demand a plan and model that puts "fish first" and secures recreational fishermen's rights to fish for salmon in the state for generations to come, joining these well organized groups and others like them are our best hope.

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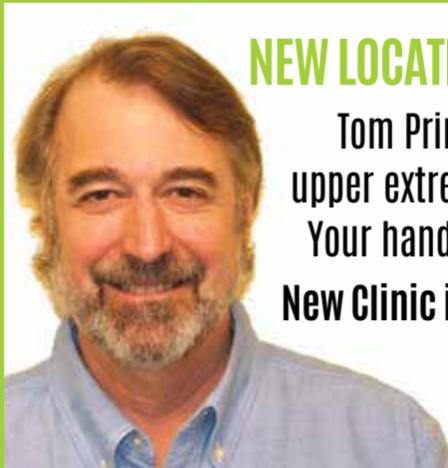
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MONDAY, AUG. 12
3:09 pm, Ault Field Rd.
Reporting party advising female subject ran out of woods and threw a bag; advising she left bag on he side of road. Doesn't know what is inside the bag.

6:21 pm, Bayview Rd.
Reporting party wants to know if he can buy golf clubs; also advising coffin he used for wife's funeral is cheaper online. Requesting call to see what he can do.

TUESDAY, AUG. 13
2:29 pm, Hastie Lake Rd.
Caller stating overnight someone left package on property wrapped with fabric; stated had someone's sex offender documents inside. Roommate has package with him and it is in roommate's car.

6:38 pm, Bayview Rd.
Reporting party advising someone is screaming "F California," and multiple shots being fired; advising someone is out of it and angry and shooting a gun.

8:09 pm, Bercot Rd.
Reporting party believes animals may have eaten poison in area; states some rabbits and other animals are acting strange, looks like they're having muscle spasms.

8:25 pm, Rosemont Dr.
Reporting party advising subject smelled like alcohol, grabbed reporting party's son by the shirt and proceeded to chase his son; advising subject started chasing son because son grabbed pear off tree.

9:07 pm, Johnson Ln.
Caller advising friend is accusing her of giving up information to law enforcement which led to him getting into trouble; caller advising she didn't tell law enforcement anything and wants to clarify that.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14
9:54 am, SR 525
Advising two cows were wandering in reporting party's back yard; left 10 minutes ago, unknown direction. Concerned may be headed for highway.

3:51 pm, Oak Harbor Rd.
Caller stating female standing on side of N Oak Harbor St., flinching at vehicles like was wanting to jump in front of vehicles; laughing to herself.

THURSDAY, AUG. 15
3:07 pm, SW Barrington Dr.
Caller advising male and female are drinking booze in transit stop.

3:39 pm, SW Barrington Dr.
Reporting party advising same female is behind location peeing and pulling pants down and falling over.

6:26 pm, SE Bayshore Dr.
Reporting party advising male subject is in gutter on his knees, yelling at the curb.

10:47 pm, SR 20
Reporting party advising someone poured hot chocolate on his vehicle while it was parked at location.

FRIDAY, AUG. 30
11:13 am, SE O'Leary St.
Reporting party advising they are moving out of location and roommate is taking appliances that are not theirs.

11:27 am, SE Pioneer Way
Party wants officer to go with him and show him where signage was for his vehicle being towed.

2 pm, SE Barrington Dr.
Caller advising she found police officer's coat at location.

2:32 pm, SR 20
Reporting party advising subject opened up a bag of whiskey in the park.

SATURDAY, AUG. 31
12:21 am, SE Ilwaco Alley
Reporting party advising she invited people to her house and they're refusing to leave.

9:03 pm, SE Barrington Dr.
Caller advising he is being robbed by homeless.

MONDAY, SEPT. 2
1:22 pm, SR 20
Party reporting subject face down in bushes.

1:30 pm, SE Midway Blvd.
Reporting party advising cat is trapped in box spring of bed and cannot get it out.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 3
3:29 pm, SE Barrington Dr.
Reporting party advising she is being hurt; female states someone defecated in her ear and said "where is your Christmas now."

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4
12:44 pm, SE 11th Ave.
Caller advising male climbed up tree and is shouting.

1:42 pm, SW Regency Dr.
Reporting party advising neighbors are hitting each other with their vehicles.

4:11 pm, E Crescent Harbor Rd.
Reporting party advising stray dog roaming halls of the school.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5
9:02 pm, SW 8th Ave.
Reporting party advising female subject looks questionable, was dancing under street light and wobbly.

11:07 pm, SW 8th Ave.
Another reporting party stating someone outside lying down like they're going to sleep, then getting up and dancing around, then talking to herself.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6
7:24 am, SW Erie St.
Advising female in store put on shirt and tried to claim it was hers. Was asked to leave and now outside sleeping on a bench; took shirt off and left.

12:21 pm, SE Barrington Dr.
Reporting party advising needs to talk to law enforcement about how public is harassing reporting party.

12:35 pm, SE Midway Blvd.
Caller advising male has been sitting in parking lot and "casing the bank and Banner Bank."

1:50 pm, NE Midway Blvd.
False claim made against reporting party. Person claimed reporting party was casing bank. Reporting party states while he was at the bank, it was reported to him that law enforcement responded to area and pulled gun on his friend. Requesting to discuss false report.

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Film Shorts

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By Carey Ross

Angel Has Fallen: Just when I forgot all about the existence of Gerard Butler, here he is. I gave some thought to learning what this movie is about, but it seems like a waste of effort, so I'll just go ahead and guess it's about as good as every other Gerard Butler movie. ★★ (R • 1 hr. 54 min.)

Brittany Runs a Marathon: Jillian Bell plays a fat woman who runs off the pounds in this film that is, to its credit, a lot more complex than other, similar stories in which being skinny is somehow an inspirational ideal rather than an arbitrary standard imposed by society and its ever-changing and largely meaningless principles. ★★★★★ (R • 1 hr. 44 min.)

Dora and the Lost City of Gold: The tagline for this first installment of what is sure to be a Dora the Explorer franchise is "Explorer is her middle name." Which is dumb because everyone knows her middle name is "the." Don't hold it against Dora or her movie, though. It's not their fault. ★★★★★ (PG • 1 hr. 42 min.)

Fast and Furious Presents: Hobbs and Shaw: It stars Dwayne Johnson, Jason Statham, Idris Elba, and an actual dame, Helen Mirren, so I could care less about its nonexistent plot, thinly drawn characters and reality-defying stunts. Give it all of the Oscars. Every last one. ★★ (PG-13 • 2 hrs. 15 min.)

The Goldfinch: Evidently, this movie is as hard to watch as the book was to read. (Sorry, Donna Tartt. "The Secret History" is one of my favorite books, so I swear it's not personal.) ★ (R • 2 hrs. 29 min.)

Good Boys: If you think watching a bunch of overly precocious kids swear a lot is funny, have I got a movie for you. ★★★★★ (R • 1 hr. 35 min.)

Hustlers: Lest you think Jennifer Lopez is nothing more than hit songs and husbands, she's here to remind you she's got acting chops for miles in her mesmerizing portrayal of a stripper with big ideas and a cast of co-conspirators including Constance Wu, Keke Palmer, Cardi B, and probably not nearly enough Lizzo. Anything you can do, J.Lo can do better. ★★★★★ (R • 1 hr. 47 min.)

It Chapter Two: This movie is predicated on the premise that if murderous Pennywise the clown shows up and starts offing people, the now-adult kids from the Losers Club will return to Derry and vanquish him once again. If I were one of those now-adult kids, that would be the hardest nope I ever noped. ★★★ (R • 2 hrs. 49 min.)

The Lion King: I didn't like this movie the first time around, so do your worst, Disney. Everything the light touches is your kingdom, after all. ★★ (R • 1 hr. 48 min.)



The Overcomer: Set against a backdrop of dire economic circumstances, a man, armed only with his Bible and a talented high-school athlete, overcomes something, thus being forever known as the Overcomer. It's possible I got some plot points wrong, but I'm pretty sure the thing about the Bible is spot on. ★★ (PG • 1 hr. 55 min.)

Ready Or Not: Everyone is commenting about the delightfully demonic turn by newcomer Samara Weaving as a bride who marries into a family with a seriously twisted take on hide and seek, but I'm here to remind you this horror-thriller also stars Adam Brody, aka Seth Cohen from "The O.C.," aka Dave Rygalski from "Gilmore Girls." ★★★★★ (R • 1 hr. 35 min.)

Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark: For anyone who grew up reading this series of short horror stories, all we want is for this film not to suck. And thanks to Guillermo del Toro, who is responsible for the story and the editing, it most assuredly does not suck. ★★★★★ (PG-13 • 1 h)

Spider-Man: Far From Home: First, you kill his mentor Tony Stark ("Avengers: Endgame" spoiler alert) and then you force him out of the MCU? Hollywood, we are in a fight now. Leave Spidey alone. ★★★★★ (PG-13 • 2 hrs. 9 min.)

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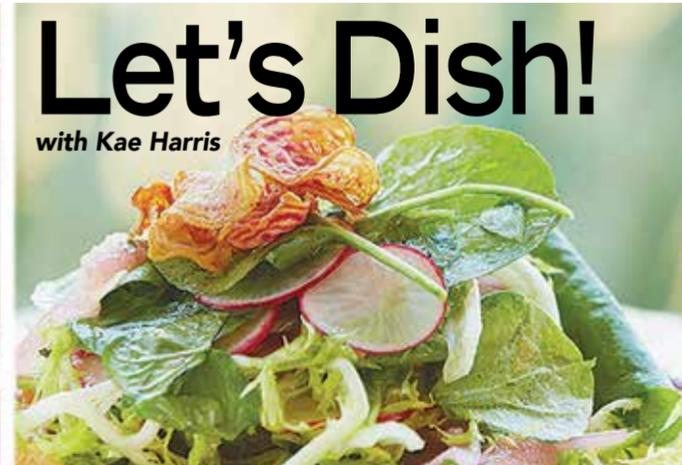
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Let's Dish!

with Kae Harris



A PROTOTYPICAL COCKTAIL – PUNCH

You know what I really love about this time of year? Besides the weather cooling down, the leaves on the trees changing color, the smell of cinnamon and pumpkin spice blanketing the air? Okay, that's a fair few things to love, but I also happen to really have a shine for the parties that crop up. I find summer and fall seem to see a whole host of parties being held throughout the months, consigned to each season. Summer is all about staying cool and eating popsicles and water activities, while fall is about rejuvenating our holiday oomph. It's baking themed cookies with the kids for these gatherings and putting together platters for attendees in such a way they know fall is upon us.

It's also at these festive fall get-togethers I find a certain beverage most prevalent. There tends to be this resurgence, year after year, of punch. Summer sees this drink safely through the season but it's really during autumn that it ramps up in popularity. And what makes a punch so appealing? Probably the countless ways it can be made, the myriad concoctions to be, well, concocted and the vast array of vessels from which it can be served – which is absolutely an important part of making and serving punch!

So, what is punch? This drink is the precursor to the cocktail. It's the prototype, in a way, and

the name 'punch' is derived from the container it found itself served in, supposedly – a puncheon. This is a barrel that's able to hold 500 L of liquid. It is short and stout in shape and size and mostly used in the rum industry. In the 1600s, sailors who worked for the East India Trade company, it's said, ran out of beer and wine (the beer went flat and rancid and I don't know about the wine - probably just imbibed). And because at the time the prospect of traveling the seas without wine or beer was unfathomable (pun sort of intended), a replacement drink was needed. Traveling between South and East Asia, these sailors found it in their best interest to be resourceful – as humans naturally are – and make use of local ingredients. Spirits (namely rum), fruits (citrus) and spices.

These fruity mix-ins were thought to be beneficial in helping sailors survive the long sailing voyages because of the citrus in the punches they'd made, which helped ward off scurvy. Upon their arrival back in Europe, it was a very 'done thing' to go down to the ports and enjoy a cup of punch with the sailors and, given they brought back some of the ingredients found on their journey that made the punches, they were able to recreate the drink in their home country. Wealthy investors who had financed these journeys would often board the ships upon their return and enjoy

a drink or two with the crew and it quickly became an aristocratic drink, finding its way into coffee houses very soon after making its way to English ports. While it was seen as more of a 'manly' drink, women absolutely enjoyed punch as well, though during the Victorian era, the queen herself frowned upon a strong beverage. So it was adapted, giving rise to egg white versions and those versions sans alcohol. This carried on all the way up until about the 1950s, when the cocktail finally stepped in and took punch's place in the limelight and when it became socially acceptable for women to drink in public.

Now we have multitudinous ways in which to create a punch to our own liking. We can really refine it and make it our own. Even better, we can get super creative and fun with it during Halloween and Thanksgiving parties and make monstrous liquid masterpieces or simple, spiced bowls of delight. Either way, these are always a big hit at a party, particularly when they have fruit in it. I wondered why frothy egg whites were used in punch recipes and apparently, it's because of the texture it gives and the fact it doesn't leave any flavor behind. It's basically a texture enhancer. Today, this tends to fall by the wayside I find, in lieu of sherbets and ice creams, even if they imbue the punch with a flavor. It's delicious, nonetheless.

One of the most delicious punches I've ever had was a fall harvest one. It was spicy and sweet and was the very essence of the season swirled together in a single bowl. Apple cider, ginger beer, cinnamon, prosecco and vodka all mulled together with slices of orange and apples soaking up the flavors to continue to be enjoyed after the liquid in your cup had been drunk down and thoroughly enjoyed.

There are of course, always the non-alcoholic versions for our little ones and their buddies at parties and gatherings. Simple cranberry apple spritzer punch made from sparkling apple cider, sparkling water and cranberry juice always works wonders for thirsty kids and with the added benefit of frozen cranberries and apple slices tossed into it, they get a serving of fruit along with a tasty treat. Honestly, the ways in which to make punch pleasing for kids

is endless. Add some sherbet, mix up the fruit you want to add, taste test a few concoctions on a small scale yourself, ask the little party host or hostess themselves to add their own unique flare to it and you'll not only find yourself with a one-of-a-kind drink, you'll all have much fun making it, too!

Dear Readers, since Sept. 17 was National Punch Day, I think we should definitely make a little something-something in the punch bowl – an edible ode to the creators of the drink. I'm including a recipe for a sherbet-based punch that would be great to serve at a Halloween party, given its ghoulish green hue, and you can get as 'gross' as you like with it. Not in the flavor department though, please! If you try it or have any punch recipes of your own you'd like to share, please send those in! Send in any and all comments, questions and definitely, recipes you'd like to share to letsdish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com and we can do just that and Dish!

Ghoulish Green Goo Punch

- 1 bottle sparkling apple juice/cider
- 1-liter ginger ale
- 1 can (46 oz) pineapple juice
- 2 quarts lime flavored sherbet
- lime slices
- orange slices
- maraschino cherries
- gummy worms (optional)
- Green food coloring (optional)

In a large cauldron (punch bowl of your choosing - a spooky one if it's for Halloween), add the sherbet. Pour in the ginger ale, sparkling apple juice/cider and pineapple juice. Toss in some orange and lime slices, add in the maraschino cherry 'eyeballs', and if it's not green enough, add a little food coloring. Have a side bowl of gummy worms for each person to add some to their cup of green goo and they're good to go! Enjoy!

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CHICKEN LITTLE & THE ASTROLOGER

By Wesley Hallock

ARIES (March 21-April 19)



Pride of ownership is a major theme of the week. Taking pride in what is yours is not a passive thing. Active pride means you work to have and keep the object of that pride. A case in point is your health. Good health is intangible, but nevertheless quite important and real. The more you work at it, the better your health is likely to be. The direction pride takes you on the 20th will necessarily expose you to revolutionary new information.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)



You may be hungering for something you can't quite define. You can't define it, but you're quite sure you'll know it when you see it. If this is you, a window shopping kind of week is the likely result. A, "not this, not that," approach to what you seek may not seem efficient, but it will expose you to possibilities and ideas you never dreamed existed. Discovery, as it may happen on the 20th, is unlikely to be a solitary experience.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)



The principle of the thing probably matters to you as much, if not more, than the thing itself this week. Be sure this is true if you and a key person find yourselves working stubbornly at cross-purposes. Right and wrong become meaningless when the best justification either of you can offer is, "Because I've always done it this way!" A better way of doing that thing is not the least that the 20th can bring.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)



Genuine work definitely has a place in your life this week, but some of your greatest gains may stem as much from happy circumstance. People well-known to you, neighbors or siblings, perhaps, play a role in the latter. You might find yourself being uplifted and entertained at the same time. Remember to thank those who come to your rescue in a moment of need. A lighted-hearted favor makes the day on the 20th.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)



You can't go wrong doing just about anything you choose to tackle this week. Taking care of business presents little problem. Where the situation requires something extra of you, there's plenty you can give. Whether you're called to play the strategist, the warrior or the peacemaker matters not. If you can't fill the bill, the perfect person for the job will somehow appear. Your trust in yourself may be your secret weapon on the 20th.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)



There's enough goodness in your week to spread it around, with a little extra left over for yourself. If there's anything to hold you back, it's more likely to be scarcity thinking than any real shortage. Get your mind right, ditch your

old fear of lack, and you should be fine. Giving may become a reciprocal thing. Set a proper example for others to follow and see what comes. Try not to limit yourself on the 20th.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)



Your role this week is like that of a small fish in a big pond. There, the rules of play favor the system over the individual. Human examples include large corporations and institutions of health and learning. If you find yourself in any of those, play by the rules and realize that may be why you are there--to learn from something much bigger than you. On the 20th, the added element of luxury is possible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)



There's much to be said in favor of friends and relationships this week. You stand to gain enormously from those. The all-important factor, however, is your own effort and initiative. Even as a team player, the big producer is the sweat of your brow. Leadership is important on the 20th, and yours may be the example that inspires all the others into action--but be careful not to overdo it. A few words to the wise will suffice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)



Just when you think your ingenuity has been tested in every possible circumstance, life has a way of contesting you once more. If you expect this week will be no different, you're probably right. New ventures and radical pursuits are favored. Although you're apt to win in the end, none of it will go as easily as you would like. Money plays a key role in your success on the 20th.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)



A want or desire that you now believe to be as good as in the bag has its fickle element this week. Exercise vigilance until you know beyond a certainty that you have the matter firmly in hand. If the unforeseen strikes, quick action and strategic thinking are your best means of damage control. To the degree that you react swiftly and surely, luck is on your side. Good fortune on the 20th is largely self-made.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb 18)



Important to remember this week is that pursuing your dreams need not involve stepping on other people's toes. Not that you would hurt anyone intentionally. Accidental missteps can happen to anyone, however, and be as damaging. Be mindful of others and don't lapse into tunnel vision, and you should be fine. Open and honest communication on the 20th carries the day like nothing else.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)



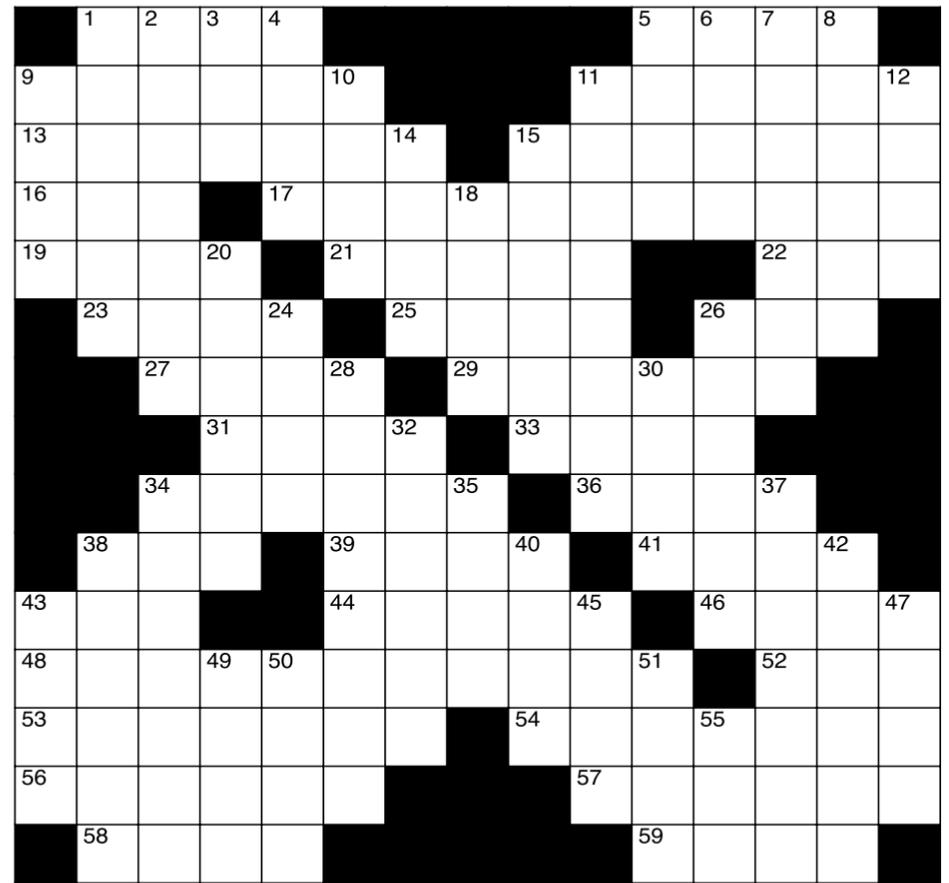
Life's simple pleasures are elevated this week. Good food, pleasant company and a genial outlook set the table. Informal social activity, the kind that encourages you to be yourself, completes the picture. Under these conditions, the direction that your happiness takes is anyone's guess. Your fancy may flit like a butterfly from moment to moment, and that is fine. Mercurial interests are part of the game on the 20th.

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Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Babies' eating accessories
- 5. Charge on a coat of arms
- 9. Set of five
- 11. California town
- 13. One who cites
- 15. Elected official
- 16. Japanese delicacy
- 17. Couldn't be happier
- 19. Enormous
- 21. Hunter's tool
- 22. Georgia rockers
- 23. Cold wind
- 25. Beginner
- 26. Where you sleep
- 27. Without
- 29. We all have them
- 31. Spoiled
- 33. Platform
- 34. Drama and horror are two
- 36. In abundance
- 38. Turf
- 39. Inventor Musk
- 41. Negative answers
- 43. French river

- 44. Saps of energy
- 46. Type of sandwich
- 48. Sets apart again
- 52. Engage in a contest
- 53. Sufferings
- 54. Freestanding sculpture
- 56. Digs into
- 57. Fish have them
- 58. Speaks
- 59. Storage unit

- 14. Proof of payment (abbr.)
- 15. Flew high
- 18. Wreaths
- 20. Got rid of
- 24. Shortly
- 26. Confer
- 28. Monies given as support
- 30. German electric car
- 32. Objects of an earlier time
- 34. Flat-bottomed boats
- 35. Small waterbird
- 37. Willingness to please others
- 38. Military actions
- 40. Brooklyn hoopsters
- 42. Took to the seas
- 43. Romanian city
- 45. What the sun eventually does
- 47. Titans' DC Dean
- 49. Resentful longing
- 50. Ceases to live
- 51. Pouches
- 55. Humbug

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Spread over
- 2. Dyes
- 3. British thermal unit
- 4. Small city in Maine
- 5. Having an affection for
- 6. Welsh for John
- 7. Plays that ridicule
- 8. Not of your right mind
- 9. A way to get there
- 10. Hideaways
- 11. Relating to neurons
- 12. "Family City USA"

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, Sept. 19	Fri, Sept. 20	Sat, Sept. 21	Sun, Sept. 22	Mon, Sept. 23	Tues, Sept. 24	Wed, Sept. 25
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60 years of service

Martin's Auto Electric celebrates anniversary

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

It all started in 1959, when Martin Abrahamse purchased what would become Martin's Auto Electric. Martin ran the shop until 1996, when his son, Steve Abrahamse, bought the business. Now, Steve Abrahamse and wife, Leah, are celebrating the family-owned shop's 60 years of providing full-service repair and vehicle maintenance for Whidbey Island.

Steve Abrahamse, current owner of Martin's Auto Electric and lifelong Whidbey Island resident, said a key component of the business is backing from the surrounding community.

"Well, the local community has (supported us), and also a lot of the military people," he said. "We have a lot of military customers and retired military customers. It is all just a big circle and that makes everything go around."

Steve said working with and getting to know customers is his favorite part of the job, and he looks forward to helping others each day.

"Customers (are my favorite part), and besides, it is a challenge," he said. "I get to see a lot of people and developing relationships with customers is just a fantastic thing."

For Steve, the mission of Martin's Auto Electric is simple: helping customers find solutions to their car trouble. The shop offers a wide range of services, from repairs to regular maintenance.

"We want to fix people's problems with their cars and keep them happy," he said.

Steve chose the business of working on cars because it was what he loved to do, and staying with the family business allowed him to pursue his passion each day.

"I went and tried other things and I decided where else could I work at my hobby for the rest of my life?" he said.

In 1996, Martin Abrahamse retired, and Steve said he decided it was time to take over and continue the legacy of Martin's Auto Electric.

"After experimenting with other things for a few years, I decided to move home and start working for the business and when dad was ready to retire, we decided to buy it," he said.

Steve has lived on the island his whole life and feels lucky to own a business on the island.

"It is home, and one of the most beautiful places in the world to live," he said. "I have been other places and you come back here and go, 'Wow.'"

Business ownership is not without challenges in the modern world, Steve shared.

"It is getting harder and harder to compete with the dealer-



Photo Courtesy of Steve and Leah Abrahamse

A walk into Martin's Auto Electric offers a glimpse of the past of both Oak Harbor and the business itself, with photos on the wall showing a span of 60 years of history and service to the community, including this shot from 1967.

ships," he said. "There are a lot fewer blue-collar workers in this world and it is hard to find people that want to work on cars. Just like everything else, things just keep changing and we have to try to keep up."

Leah Abrahamse, who owns the company alongside Steve, said the ability to adapt has been a key aspect of keeping the business going. The shop continues to follow its motto of being "where old fashioned service meets new technology."

"It has gotten more complicated as we go, we just have to keep up with the technology and the equipment and we have to pay attention to customer's needs more," she said.

Over the years, Leah said one of the key components of maintaining loyal customers had to do with their decision to stay an independent entity.

"I think it is mainly because it (the business) has been in the family, in the same family for so long and we have remained independent of bigger corporations and also buying into the other corporations that they have supported, so to speak," she said. "We have just tried to remain independent."

Leah said one of the goals of Martin's Auto Electric is to provide stellar service at a fair price.

"We just try to treat everyone with respect and make sure that their car is fixed to their satisfaction and to repair it, we make it as affordable as possible," she said.

Leah, who has been with the company for 37 years, said she believes the shop's secret to success has to do with their commitment to exceptional and affordable service.

"I think it has a lot to do with honesty and integrity and customer service," she said.

Leah said they are thankful to own and operate in the Whidbey Island area, and the family-owned business continues to receive support from the locals.

"It is a community that takes care of its own," she said.

For more information on Martin's Auto Electric, visit martin-sautoelectric.com. Find them at 152 NE Midway Boulevard in Oak Harbor.



Celebrate assisted living

Photos Courtesy of Regency on Whidbey

Regency on Whidbey knows how to celebrate. The assisted living facility in Oak Harbor observed National Assisted Living Week from Sept. 9-15 with a series of different themes and activities each day for residents and staff to enjoy. There was classic car day, tie dye day and crazy hat day, to name a few. Friday Oak Harbor Mayor Bob Severns joined in the fun (below, center), participating in the Rock-a-Thon event, which helped raise money for the Alzheimer's Association. Find more information at regency-pacific.com.



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the audience will not even realize they aren't there in the flesh!"

Ned Farley, co-director of OutCast Productions, said the play was chosen based on its thought-provoking aspects.

"Besides wanting to work more with Suzanne Kelman, 'Shirley Valentine' is a timeless play with themes, that while initially (and seemingly) focused on women and relationships (with self and others) it really does speak to universal issues of life, aging, and meaning-making," he said. "The question really boils down to 'How do we live an authentic and meaningful life?'"

Farley said the production, which opened Sep. 13, has already seen success on Whidbey Island.

"I'm just thrilled to watch Suzanne (Kelman) completely inhabit 'Shirley,'" he said. "She is doing an amazing job and we have now had two sold out houses for our opening weekend."

Farley said OutCast Productions began as an idea to bring a theater to the area that would address social issues and encourage critical thinking.

"This is OutCast's ninth season," he said.

"We actually started the conversation about creating a black box space in 2010 to produce primarily contemporary, socially conscious theater - with a goal of also being gender-balanced in terms of playwrights and directors. Sandy O'Brien and I had worked together in a show at WICA in 2007, made a

good connection with our similar histories in theater and similar ideas and visions of what we believed the Whidbey Island community would support."

One of the hopes of OutCast Productions was to present works which generated thoughtful conversation on modern concerns, Farley said.

"We believe that the potential audience was one that was educated and interested enough to want to see theater that inspired, challenged and opened up a dialogue about contemporary issues and struggles," he said.

Farley encourages those interested in the local theater to contact the team at OutCast Productions or visit the website for more information.

The theater goes beyond presenting plays and other productions and is a space for other performing artists to share their work as well, Farley said.

"As for aspiring artists, please know that here at OutCast, we see ourselves as a true community-based theater and a space that we would like other performance artists to utilize when we are between shows," he said.

"We have had some wonderful music, out-of-season theatrical productions and other events and encourage folks to contact us at ocp@whidbey.com or go to our website at www.outcastproductions.net to find out about what we are doing and for information about space rental," Farley said.



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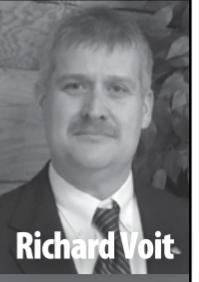
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