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## Island Transit Recognizes Employees for the 2021 Washington State Department of Transportation Wall of Fame "Spirit Award"

The Wall of Fame, administered by the Washington Department of Transportation (WSDOT) in collaboration with Washington State Transportation Association (WSTA), is an annual award recognizing exemplary employees in the field of public transportation for their dedication, innovation, customer service, and professionalism.

Island Transit presents this award, recognizing Tom Smith, Road Support Supervisor, and Jon Hennessey, Dispatcher, for their contributions beyond a narrow reading of their job descriptions and for their service to the community in which we live.

Our bus operators, dispatchers, road crews, and maintenance and facilities staff are truly on the front line every day, operating an important service for our community. They play a vital role by providing transportation to reach essential services, workplaces, and destinations for all community members.

Both Smith and Hennessey exemplify our core values as well as their dedication to their profession, innovation, customer service, and prodigious professionalism in the workplace and within the community. They continue to provide great customer service to our community; ensuring the safety of both riders and bus operators, providing road support, answering questions, keeping buses running on time, and building a positive workplace environment.

**Tom Smith**, Road Support Supervisor for Operations, began his career with Island Transit as an Operator in August of 2009. Since his promotion to his present role in July of 2018, Smith has continued to demonstrate a strong work ethic and high level of professionalism, making him an indispensable morning supervisor. Along with his road support duties, Smith takes on multiple roles throughout the day ensuring passenger and Operator safety. He is well liked, always approaches his work with a positive attitude, and treats everyone around him with kindness, even in tough situations. During the height of the pandemic, Smith added mask enforcement to his duties, quietly supporting staff, Operators, dispatchers, and keeping the buses running for our essential workers.

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**Tom Smith**  
**Road Support Supervisor**



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**Jon Hennessey**  
**Dispatcher**

**Jon Hennessey** has worked for Island Transit since May of 2019 both as an Operator and an Associate Dispatcher. Although a great asset as an Operator, Hennessey is being recognized for his work as an Associate Dispatcher, resulting in a promotion to Dispatcher in August of this year. He has been instrumental in maintaining smooth running operations during the early morning hours in dispatch; covering for absences and sick call outs when regular dispatchers were sent home following COVID-19 quarantine procedures. Hennessey demonstrated a willingness to learn the dispatch and scheduling duties, filling in during crucial hours of service. He continues to demonstrate a strong work ethic and flexibility with his time, even if it requires extended coverage hours. Hennessey always has a smile on his face and is well respected by his coworkers.



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## ON TRACK

With Jim Freeman



The older I get, the older I am. This was one of my discoveries while watching a muted football game over the weekend.

One of the many benefits of the mute button is obvious to those of us getting older.

No hearing aids are required when on mute. I remember Grandma Tama once at a party. She and I were seated in the corner. Uncle Johnny was telling a story. He was a great storyteller. His Mississippi drawl drew one in.

As Uncle Johnny began his monologue, Tama raised her right hand to turn off her right-eared hearing device.

"What are you doing?" I asked.

Grandma Tama answered, "I've heard this one before."

### I. C. Teriyaki

When a new chow hall opens, we in the hood get excited. Eating out has been tough. I still am hesitant to eat indoors. To go or not to go, that is my question for Hamlet's grandkids.

The shiny red trailer in Freeland near the corner of Scott and Newman is worth your investigation.

I am not a big endorser of places to eat. Some other merchant may get tweaked. While Groucho said he would not be a member of any organization that would have him, my reluctance is showing when it comes to endorsing anything.

After seeing *Forrest Gump* on the big screen, I called a half dozen friends after I stopped crying. I found out later not one of the six enjoyed the Tom Hanks movie I had recommended. Maybe they didn't like chocolate or shrimp.

Taking the kids, ages 7 and 9, and Grandma to the Paramount to see *The Unforgiven* was a mistake. So much for reviews. "One of the best westerns ever made."

The opening sex scene on a pool table was a real howdy doody for me. Cue the silence in row 12. The ride back to the ferry was not a time to visit with Grandma and the girls.

So, back to the food theme, having enjoyed my first two meals during their first week of operation, like Arnold says, "I'll be back" to I.C. Teriyaki.

Co-owners Carol and Eli have done a splendid job providing an easy-to-order-to-go menu. My spicy chicken Tuesday was no less superb than my spicy flank steak teriyaki Saturday. Don't forget the gyoza dumplings.

There is plenty of courteous parking by the teriyaki trailer and Southern Cross Too, where Heather and Kathy and the team serve up great espresso drinks with masked smiles.

So, he says, trying to remember where we left off, do try to grab an I.C. Teriyaki creation. Weekends are a great time to go. You surely will meet some fine folks.

For those of you who prefer Grub Hub and Door Dash, I am thinking of starting Chow Now. Our slogan would be, "We'll get there when we get there, or your money back."

### Railroad gauge

My buddy Chuck from Forks shared recent info received on his smart phone from his smart daughter.

You would think a guy who lives in a train would know this. The info came from a 2006 Trains magazine featuring a fascinating article by George W. Hilton, a professor of history at UCLA. He is the author of "American Narrow Gauge Railroads," published by Stanford

University Press in 1991, the definitive history about the subject.

Given the professorial detail of the info, let me offer these highlights:

The gauge of a railroad is the distance between the inside vertical surfaces of the head of the rail. Standard gauge is 4 feet, 8-1/2 inches. This is the gauge with which steam railroading began, and it became the common gauge of Britain, North America, and Western Europe except for Spain, Portugal, and Ireland.

But how did this seemingly odd width become standard?

The stories may be enough to peak your curiosity. The gauge width involves lore about Roman chariots, British engineers, Lincoln, and Hitler.

Bing "railroad gauge" in the search bar for a tour de train.

### Global guffaw

I Binged the question, "What is the funniest joke in the world?" No surprise Monty Python was in the answer.

"The Funniest Joke in the World" (also "Joke Warfare" and "Killer Joke") is a Monty Python comedy sketch revolving around a joke so funny, anyone who reads or hears it promptly dies from laughter. Ernest Scribbler (Michael Palin), a British "writer of jokes," writes the joke on a piece of paper only to die laughing.

### Observations

Today's brief power outage in Freeland hardly gave me time to go get coffee. By the time I returned home, the caboose lights were on.

Watching muted golf is always a joy on the weekends. Whether LPGA or PGA, I enjoy seeing people who appear to be warm.

Every once in a while, I look out the window to see if the sound I heard was an approaching vehicle. Notice the use of judicial sounding terms.

Turns out the sounds are not approaching vehicles, but departing tinnititians.

I often wonder what they wear traveling my ear-eeee canal.

There are not many comedians with three names. I first think of Stanley Myron Handelman. Then Charles Nelson Reilly. Do Abbott and Costello count? Martin and Lewis? Laurel and Hardy? The Marx Brothers? I have so many questions.

### Share the water

Among the many needs the Orca Network fills, one service is a colorful card that highlights the do's and don'ts of water courtesy.

First and foremost, do not get too close to these majestic mammals. Stay 300 to 400 yards from our endangered southern resident orcas, 200 yards from our Biggs' transient orcas, and at least 100 yards from Baleen whales and all other marine mammals.

Question? Check out [www.bewhalewise.org](http://www.bewhalewise.org) or contact the Orca Network in Langley at [info@orcanetwork.org](mailto:info@orcanetwork.org). Tell them Lolita sent you.

### 50 years go

Last month, the Aug. 22 issue of *Parade* magazine featured an article on what we, if born, watched on television in 1971. For me, that was a big year. Not just because of *All in the Family*, but because I was being discharged from the Marine Corps to start law school.

1971 brought us *Sonny and Cher*, *Columbo*, and *Soul Train*, with emcee and show creator Don Cornelius. What a great sounding dinner party it could be with the baritone voices of Cornelius, Barry White, and Lou Rawls.

My basset hound Norton was a barkitone.

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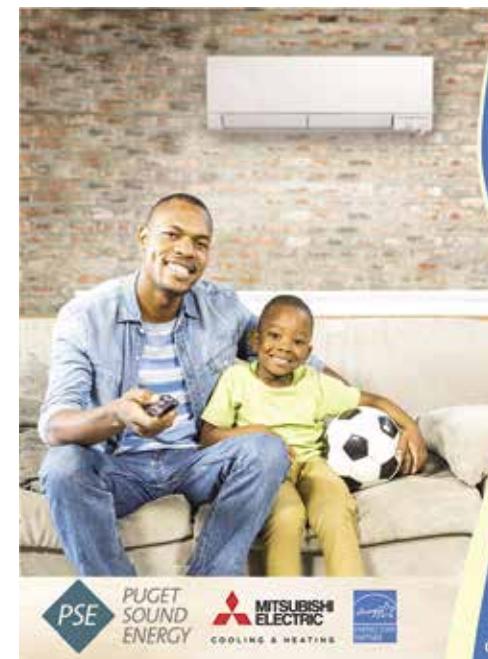
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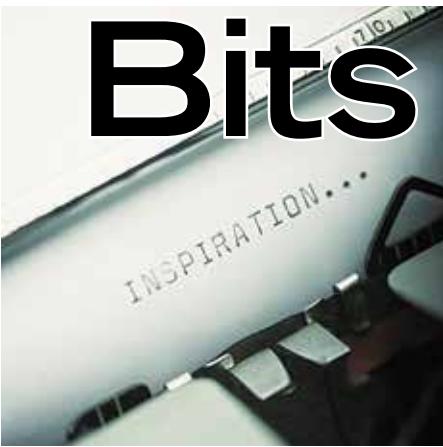
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# Bits & Pieces

on his latest book, *Nature's Best Hope: a New Approach to Conservation that Starts in Your Yard*.

Because of the three-hour time difference, the program is a prerecorded webinar on Zoom. The meeting begins at 7:00PM and the program is at 7:30PM.

When considering birds or pollinators in personal yards, most people have likely selected plants to provide berries or seeds for birds, or flowers to support insect pollinators. But what about the food the songbirds need to raise their young? The most important food source for most backyard birds is caterpillars. Nestlings of one pair of chickadees may consume between 6,000 and 9,000 caterpillars before they fledge, all foraged within a 150-foot radius of the nest. We may not have breeding birds if we don't have enough caterpillars. Tallamy shows how individual homeowners and landscapers can help reverse birds' decline, one yard at a time. He says, "It is not the presence of nonnative plants that destroys food webs. It is the absence of native plants."

The programs are free and open to all. Anyone who is not a Whidbey Audubon Society member and would like to attend, please register at [www.whidbeyaudubonsociety.org](http://www.whidbeyaudubonsociety.org). Select "Events" to register with your email address. Members and registered nonmembers should see a Zoom invitation email by mid-afternoon the day of the program, please check your spam folder. If you still do not find it, contact [publicity@whidbeyaudubonsociety.org](mailto:publicity@whidbeyaudubonsociety.org).

[Submitted by Susan Prescott, Whidbey Audubon Society]

## Outcast Productions Presents its First Play of Mini Season: "Walter Cronkite is Dead"

Yes, Walter Cronkite is dead, but his wisdom and compassion lives on in this insightful comedy about what might be possible if people from opposite sides of the political aisle would stop shouting and take even one night to listen.

Forced together by a fierce thunderstorm for a long night at the Reagan National Airport in a public place, two strangers, Margaret and Patty, have no choice but to share a bottle of wine and begin to talk...and to listen. Their conversation is funny, difficult, deeply revealing and astonishingly frank.

The play is written by Joe Calarco and directed by David Mayer. Dates are: Fridays, Sept. 10, 17 and 24 at 7:30PM; Saturdays, Sept. 11, 18 and 25 at 7:30PM; Sunday, Sept. 19 at 4:00PM and Thursday, Sept. 23 at 7:30PM.

Tickets are now available by emailing Outcast Productions at [ocp@whidbey.com](mailto:ocp@whidbey.com) for a reservation and to pay at the door by cash or check. (Note: Due to the chance of the current COVID Delta variant forcing Outcast to delay or close down again, Outcast is focusing on reserving and paying at the door to limit the need to deal with refunds. Payment is by cash or check only.) Tickets for Outcast Productions are \$16 for students and seniors (62+) and \$20 for adults. All tickets for the Thursday performance are \$14. Doors open 30 minutes in advance of performance.

For the comfort of everyone entering the theater, Outcast will:

- » Have hand sanitizer available at the entry
- » Clean the theater before every performance
- » Have disposable masks available
- » Employ ticketless entry
- » Temporarily forego concession sales

OutCast is following strict COVID vaccination guidelines. For specific information, please go to the website at [www.outcastproductions.net](http://www.outcastproductions.net)

[Submitted by Carolyn Tamler]

## Open Auditions For "All Together Now!" Musical Revue

Whidbey Playhouse will be joining thousands of theatrical organizations around the globe by producing a local production of Music Theater

International's *All Together Now! A Global Event Celebrating Local Theatre*. Theatrical licensor Music Theatre International created this revue for theaters across the globe to use as a local fundraising event performed over the same weekend. Along with celebrating the return to live theater, the Playhouse will use the event to celebrate the 100th birthday of its current location on Midway Boulevard.

Open auditions for the Oak Harbor performance will be Sept. 18 and 19, from 1:00 to 4:00PM both days, by appointment only, and will take place in the theater's STAR Studio at 730 SE Midway Blvd, Oak Harbor. If you would like to audition but are unavailable those two dates, please contact director Sue Riney at [riney@whidbey.net](mailto:riney@whidbey.net).

Roles are available for those age 16 and older; anyone auditioning must show proof of COVID vaccination at the time of auditions.

Those auditioning are asked to prepare 32 bars of two contrasting songs to sing. An accompanist will be provided but using recorded accompaniment is also encouraged. Bring sheet music in your key. There will be no dance audition.

To sign up for an audition time, use the following link on [signup.com](https://signup.com/): <https://signup.com/go/fiRojsG>.

Whidbey Playhouse's in-person performances of *All Together Now!* will take place Nov. 12 and 13 at 7:30PM and matinees will be presented Nov. 13 and 14 at 2:30PM. Each production will also be live-streamed.

*All Together Now!* features songs from MTI's beloved catalogue of musicals including Disney's *Beauty and the Beast*, *Fiddler on the Roof*, *Annie*, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*, *Once On This Island*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *Oliver!*, *Mamma Mia*, *Guys and Dolls*, and many more! There are opportunities for solos, duets, trios, and small group numbers.

**COVID Protocol:** In order to be as safe as possible, rehearsals will be kept to as few participants as needed and scheduling will be done to minimize contact. Masks will not be worn when performing, but will be required of all involved when offstage. All cast and production crew members must be fully vaccinated. Songs will be staged to minimize contact with other vocalists.

Whidbey Playhouse, Inc. is a nonprofit arts center located at 730 SE Midway Blvd, Oak Harbor, WA. For more information, visit [www.whidbeyplayhouse.com](http://www.whidbeyplayhouse.com) or call 360-679-2237.

[Submitted by Whidbey Playhouse]

## Shoe Drive Fundraiser Launched to Raise Money for the OHHS Band & Color Guard Programs

The Oak Harbor High School Band Boosters (<https://bit.ly/ohhsshoes>) is conducting a shoe drive fundraiser through November. They will earn funds based on the total weight of the shoes collected. Those dollars will benefit all students by providing new instruments/equipment, repairs, uniforms, travel costs and more. Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used and new shoes at drop boxes at the following locations:

Oak Harbor Locations - Salon Lux, Thrive Community Fitness, Click Music, and the Chamber of Commerce

Coupeville Locations - Coupeville United Methodist Church

All donated shoes will then be redistributed throughout the Funds2Orgs network of micro-enterprise (small business) partners. Funds2Orgs helps them create, maintain and grow small businesses in developing countries where economic opportunity and jobs are limited. Proceeds from the sales of the shoes collected in shoe drive fundraisers are used to feed, clothe and house their families.

"We are excited about our shoe drive," said Randy Zenger, OHHS Band Boosters president. "We know most people have extra shoes in

their closets they would like to donate to us. By doing so, we raise money for our programs here at Oak Harbor High School, and we have the chance to help families in developing nations who need economic opportunities. It's a win-win for everyone."

The OHHS Band Boosters is a nonprofit, 503(c) (3) organization that supports the band and color guard programs year-round. Funds raised and donated are used for new instruments/equipment, maintenance/repairs, music/licenses, transportation, food at concerts/competitions and scholarships to ensure any student can participate regardless of financial situation.

For more information, email [ohhsbb@gmail.com](mailto:ohhsbb@gmail.com) or visit <https://bit.ly/ohhsshoes>.

[Submitted by Randy Zenger, OHHS Band Boosters President]

## NAS Whidbey Island's SAR Rescues Injured Child from Wilderness Area

A Search and Rescue (SAR) team from Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island conducted a rescue of a 5-year-old boy in the Buckhorn Wilderness Area early Sunday morning of Aug. 30.

NAS Whidbey Island received the alert late Saturday night to rescue a child from the Bud Hut in the Buckhorn Wilderness Area who had been kicked in the head by a mule. The SAR team launched from the base shortly before midnight the following day and was overhead at the designated coordinates at 5,000 ft. above mean sea level about 25 minutes later.

Due to the dense forest the SAR crews were unable to land so they inserted rescue personnel while they hovered over the area. The team was able to extract the child and his mother about 40 minutes past midnight. The team arrived at Harborview Hospital in Seattle with the boy and his parent just after 1:00AM Sunday.

National Air Station Whidbey Island SAR has conducted 36 missions this calendar year, which includes six MEDEVACs, 26 rescues, and four searches.

The Navy SAR unit operates three MH-60 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.

[Submitted by Mike Welding, Public Affairs Officer, NAS Whidbey Island]

## Local Business News

### Penn Cove Gallery September Featured Artist: Janis Saunders

Janis has been weaving for over 40 years but knows she will never run out of techniques to explore. This summer she has been hand painting textile dye onto the threads, called the warp, that run the length of her scarves. The plain color weft threads hold the warp threads together to make the cloth as they run across the width. A shuttle carries this thread which is thrown anywhere from 1500 to 2000 times depending on the length or density of the scarf. This combination creates pattern over-laying the changing colors on the warp. It is always interesting to weave because watching the color and pattern interact changes with every throw of the shuttle.

Visit Penn Cove Gallery at 9 Front Street in Coupeville. Open every day starting from 10:00AM to 5:00PM.



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# Island 911

Seriously, we do not make this stuff up!

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 21**

**12:13 am, Maxwelton Rd.**

Reporting party states subject just ran up to door and rang reporting party's doorbell and ran off. States caught on camera, subject had hoodie pulled over face, appeared to be younger male.

**2:09 pm, Anthes Ave.**

Advising person who has been stealing items is at location; admitting to stealing items; no dispute going on.

**3:27 pm, Christie Rd.**

Reporting party advising doe with pink basket around head at location; advising can't get it off.

**9:18 pm, SR 20**

Reporting party states 10-year-old having a rage. No medical attention needed.

**THURSDAY, JULY 22**

**8:42 am, Laurel Ln.**

Security out with vehicle; began as suspicious vehicle and indecent exposure. Now possible drug/drinking situation, requesting Island County Sheriff's Office assist.

**9:50 am, Saratoga Rd.**

Caller states her Toyota truck was pushed out into roadway and log was placed across her driveway.

**5:12 pm, Deer Lake Rd.**

Reporting party advising Toyota pickup in back of line and next to it a male is face down on ground. Advising appears to be breathing but not moving.

**5:13 pm, Old Beach Rd.**

Two dogs began attacking reporting party's dog. Owner refused to get his dog and called reporting party "a little bitch" and got in his face. Now spraying reporting party with pressure washer.

**7:11 pm, Goss Lake Rd.**

Caller states she has called nine times; invisible people are blocking all calls on Goss Lake Rd; all her TV channels, etc. Wants officers to check their cameras, mics, and maybe get a helicopter.

**FRIDAY, JULY 23**

**4:53 pm, SR 525**

Advising two motorcycles down, caused by pipes falling from truck ahead of them. Motorcycle down, due to debris coming off truck.

**4:59 pm, Goss Lake Rd.**

Reporting party states 120 invisible people invading her house from jailhouse. Reporting party requesting her call be viewed at jailhouse; refused to give phone number. Advising her phone number is blocked.

**8:08 pm, Mobius Loop**

Reporting party advising his wife is out of her mind; advising she belongs in the kitchen cooking for her husband. Another call; reporting party going on about equal rights and women.

**SATURDAY, JULY 24**

**7:25 pm, Fish Rd.**

Reporting party requesting patrol checks of area every 30 minutes. States weird things have been happening at location. States something bad is supposed to be happening at location. States has been attacked and harassed.

**8:48 pm, Monroe Landing Rd.**

Reporting party advising was getting his kayak off his car with his friend and thinks the car next to them "maced" them. States heard a spritz and then reporting party's nose and eyes started burning.

**SUNDAY, JULY 25**

**11:36 am, Ault Field Rd.**

Reporting party advising female subject just threw corrosive acid on him; declining medical attention; unknown where female is; advising went to one of the houses. "She does this shit all the time."

**12:19 pm, Mutiny Bay Rd.**

Reporting party advising his mailbox was destroyed last night; thinks it was a firework or some other small explosive; larger than a cherry bomb. Has an idea who suspect may be.

**4:56 pm, Haines Rd.**

Caller states she is in the back of an ambulance; they are driving crazy.

**7:38 pm, Deception Cir.**

Reporting party states let friend borrow boat trailer about a year ago and subject is refusing to give it back.

**MONDAY, JULY 26**

**4:58 am, SR 20**

Reporting party advising just now open-

ing; "crazy lady" ran up to reporting party's car and was rummaging through her vehicle and is now at 7-11, naked.

**10:02 am, N Main St.**

Caller states parked in area of apartment complex; male came out and yelled at caller; still staring at caller. Male rolled up his sleeves to show his tats.

**10:23 am, Harbor Sands Ln.**

Requesting call; questions about what can be done about chickens at location.

**12:38 pm, Quail Walk Ln.**

Requesting call; reporting party states he is in Russia, but wants to speak to local Island County Sheriff's Office (legal address still in Island County); states has concerns about federal government and that the FBI pushed him into Russia.

**1:48 pm, Olympic Dr.**

Advising ongoing issue with male residing on Olympic Dr; throws footballs and wrenches at reporting party when passes by on motorcycle. No name.

**TUESDAY, JULY 27**

**8:14 am, Moran Beach Ln.**

Requesting call regarding hearing second-hand female who always trespasses in area has posted on Facebook that others should go park and walk around area too. Believes it's a threat and illegal.

**10:03 am, Ault Field Rd.**

Caller states the same thing as yesterday and "nothing has been done since I called." States a radiation wave is being used to sedate nerves, also talking about a female who is obsessed with him.

**6:12 pm, SR 525**

Advising of report of a male swimming from Mukilteo to Whidbey, about 1/4 mile away from shore on Mukilteo; is separated from his location device and wearing only jeans. Took off his other clothes.

*Report provided by OHPD & Island County Sheriff's Dept.*

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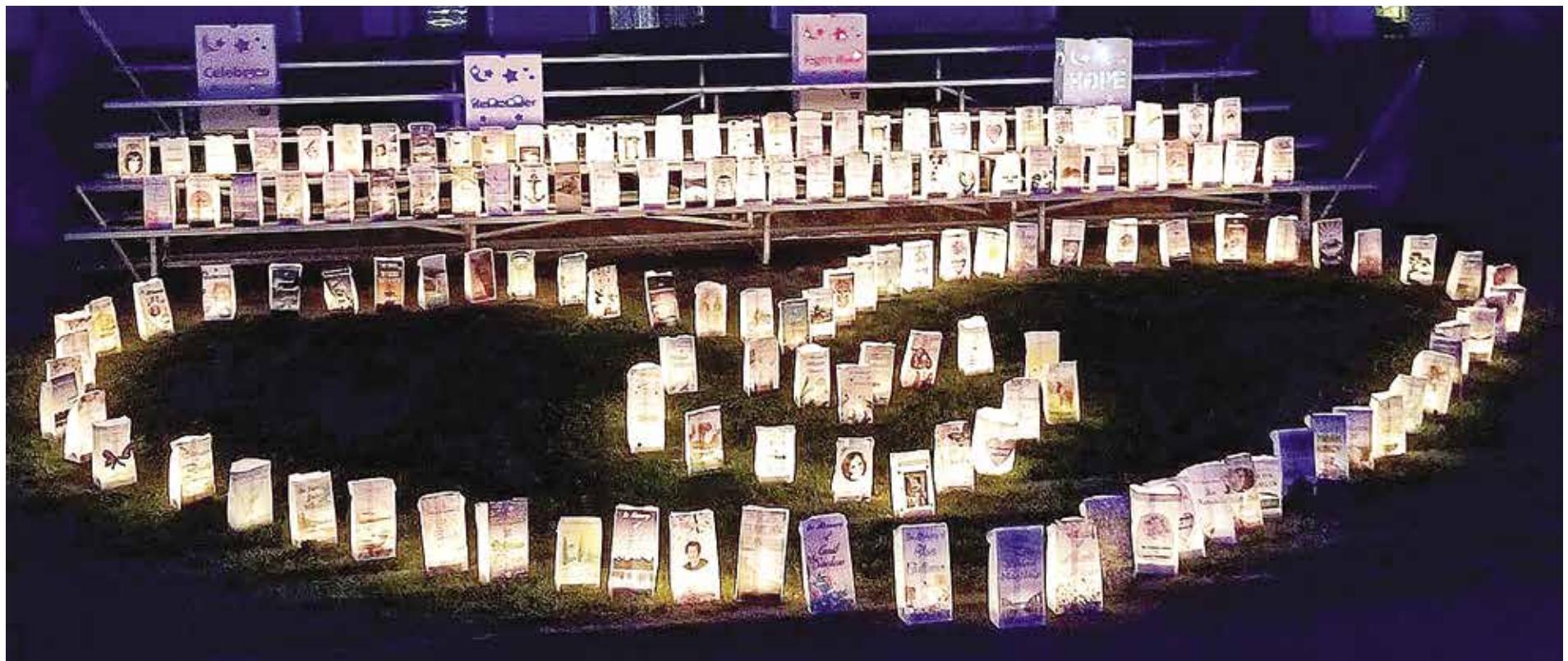


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The luminaria ceremony, which honors those who have fought the battle against cancer, is a popular part of Relay for Life. The ceremony will be held between the first and second feature during the Relay event at Blue Fox Drive-in.

## Whole new Relay, same old fight

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Relay for Life of North Puget Sound has a completely new look and feel this year, but its mission is the same as it has always been, to raise money to support cancer research. The Relay takes place Friday at the Blue Fox Drive-in in Oak Harbor. Gates open at 4 p.m. and anyone interested is welcome to attend. The evening includes a triple feature as well as numerous activities, fun and games. There is no charge to attend the event, although donations will be happily accepted.

The pandemic forced the cancellation of Relay for Life in 2020, so even though the event is happening a few months later than normal and on a shorter timeline, organizers were not going to be deterred this year.

"We were more determined than ever to do Relay," said Leandra Reuble, event chair. "Nothing sparks a fire more than having to cancel something. There was a big concern among us we had let some folks down when we had to cancel last year. It's not just about raising money, either. It's about getting together as a community and being there to support each other."

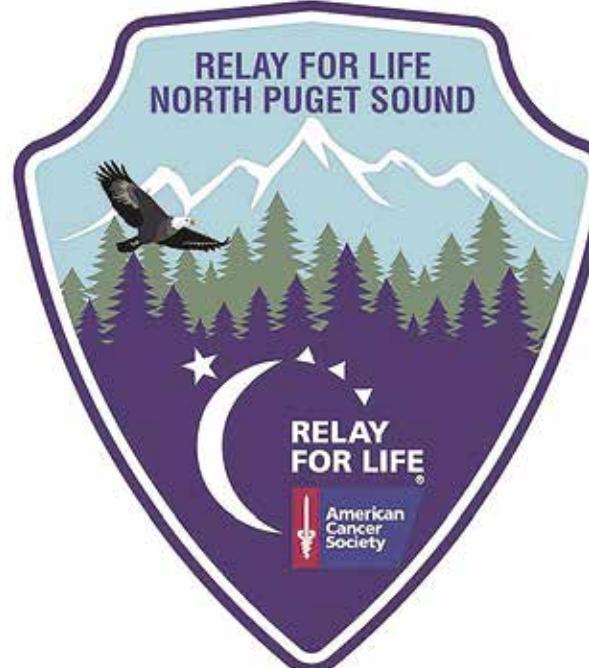
"I'm excited it's going to be different," said longtime Relay organizer Karla Sharkey, this year's sponsorship chair. "After 27 years of doing Relay, this is going to be different. That excites me. We've been doing the same thing for a long time, so I think different is good. You plan and you hope and you go from there."

Recognizing and honoring cancer survivors and those fighting the disease will also look a little different this year. There will not be any organized walking, so there is no "survivors' lap." Instead, organizers have come up with a different way to honor them.

"This year we're keeping things relatively simple because there are so many unknowns," said Reuble. "We didn't want to have to cancel at the last minute or put survivors in jeopardy so this year there is no walking. Instead, when people come in, they will be greeted, given an event schedule and asked if there is a survivor in the vehicle. If so, they will get a gold star on the windshield and later on, volunteers will make the rounds and pass out gift bags to the survivors."

The first film of the evening, "Captain Marvel," will be shown around dusk, at approximately 8:30 p.m. The movie sets up the theme of this year's Relay, according to Reuble.

"The theme this year is masked avengers," she described.



"The idea is to give people a way to dress up, to celebrate, to be fighters. We're all tired of things we can't control."

The evening's second feature, "Bucket List," will begin at about 11 p.m. and the third feature, "Creed," will start at about 1 a.m.

The Relay's traditional luminaria ceremony is going to happen and will be held on the go kart track after the first feature, at about 10:30 p.m.

"They do a slide show to music with photos of people we've lost or who have fought cancer. This year it will be shown on the big screen between the first and second movies," said Sharkey, who is still mourning the recent loss of a good friend to cancer. "I think how cool that would be to see it on the big screen. I'll probably cry when I see my friend's picture."

Sharkey said one of the goals as they were planning for this event was to give people enough of the familiar elements, along with the new, to keep the spirit of Relay for Life alive.

"The bottom line is, for me, to raise money, honor the survivors who are there and have the luminaria ceremony."

she said. "The reason we do this is because we believe in the mission and we're all being touched by cancer. We need to keep it alive."

From the time the gates open at 4 p.m. organizers have plenty of activities planned. There will be a silent auction at the main stage from 4 to 8 p.m., luminaria sales will be going on near the go kart track until 9:30 p.m. The opening ceremony will begin at 6 p.m. There's a frozen T-shirt competition at 7:30 p.m. and the first ever Relay for Life Go Kart Challenge will take place at 8 p.m. There is a \$20 fee to enter the challenge and the winner will receive a trophy and a cash prize.

Because Relay is being held at Blue Fox, pets are allowed this year. So, organizers will have Bark for Life games at the main stage for all well-behaved pets (and their owners) from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. One new activity will also have folks wandering around in search of things like an out-of-state license plate or an expired license tab, for example.

"We are having a scavenger hunt," Reuble said. "It's all about finding people doing various things or finding things on cars, like someone eating curly fries or an expired license plate. That's worth 30 points!"

"Blue Fox is a much more enclosed environment, a much more relaxed environment," she continued. "It's more communal in the way it's set up. Hopefully people will get out of their cars and walk around, play games and visit. Teams have been invited to set up fundraisers, so I'm curious to see what they are going to do."

Organizers said those attending must follow all COVID health guidelines as outlined by Blue Fox, such as masking in indoor spaces.

"Generally at a relay event, you see people in masks anyway because so many are in fragile health," Reuble explained. "If someone is in chemo, it's one of the best ways to keep them safe, so we always wear masks around them anyway. And the drive-in creates social distance naturally because people are in their own cars and when they're not, they're in open air. It will be as safe an event as we can make it. It should be a fun night and a good way to contribute back."

As well as things have come together for the event this year, Sharkey said there have been some understandable frustrations as well. Donations are down across the board. The fundraising goal for this year is \$45,000, less than half the

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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.

## Walter Cronkite is Dead

Fridays, September 10, 17, 24, 7:30PM  
Saturdays, September 11, 18, 25, 7:30PM  
Sunday, September 19, 4:00PM  
Thursday, September 23, 7:30PM  
Black Box Theater, Langley

Yes, Walter Cronkite is dead, but his wisdom and compassion lives on in this insightful comedy about what might be possible if people from opposite sides of the political aisle would stop shouting and take even one night to listen.

Tickets for Outcast Productions are \$16 for students and seniors (62+), \$20 for adults, and are now available by emailing [ocp@whidbey.com](mailto:ocp@whidbey.com) for a reservation and to pay at the door by cash or check. All tickets for the Thursday performance are \$14. OutCast is following strict COVID vaccination guidelines. For specific information, please go to the website at [www.outcastproductions.net](http://www.outcastproductions.net).

## Sportsman's Show and Sale

Saturday, September 18, 9:00AM-3:00PM  
Holmes Harbor Rod and Gun Club, Langley

The show features guns, ammo, reloading equipment and supplies, hunting and fishing gear of all types and a wide variety of other sporting equipment. Tables are available for rent, please call Michael at 360-221-7574. A federally licensed dealer (FFL) will be on site for firearm transfers. The show will take place with tables inside and outside the Trap Shack. Masks will be required inside. Admission by donation. Holmes Harbor Rod and Gun Club is located at 3334 Brooks Hill Rd.

## Bloodworks Northwest Blood Drive

Thursday, September 30, 9:00AM-5:00PM  
Friday, October 1, 9:00AM-5:00PM  
Monday, October 4, 9:00AM-5:00PM  
Tuesday, October 5, 9:00AM-5:00PM  
First United Methodist Church, Oak Harbor  
Local blood supply is currently at emergency levels (less than a one-day supply). Sign up to donate at an upcoming pop-up donor center by visiting [bloodworksnw.org](http://bloodworksnw.org) or calling 800-398-7888. First United Methodist Church is located at 1050 SE Ireland St.

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# Street fair celebrates Friends of the Langley Library's centennial and more

By Melanie Hammons Whidbey Weekly

The last days of summer may be upon us but Saturday, Sept. 18, from 1 to 4 p.m., Langley will close out the season in style with a street fair. Hosted by Friends of the Langley Library, the Centennial Street Fair commemorates the 100th year of that organization's incorporation, while also highlighting the valuable resources offered by the Langley library, said centennial co-chair, Kathleen Petrich.

Petrich said VIP guests, a mayoral proclamation, historical tours, live music by Quinn Fitzpatrick and much more are intended to highlight the benefits offered by the library which she describes as "an incredibly sweet institution with incredible significance today."

"Although we're separate entities, Friends of the Langley Library has a common mission to our community, much as the library itself," said Petrich. "We're both supporting the bigger cause of awareness."

A downtown street blocked off during the event will encourage participants to take advantage of a pop-up book sale, raffle prize drawings, a kid's table with fun activities, and a "cake cutting" (consisting of individually wrapped cupcakes), all while safely social distancing.

At least 10 local sponsors have signed on to fund the Centennial Street Fair. Raffle prizes are the generous contributions of local businesses also. The top raffle prize, said Petrich, is "a hand-knotted rug from 'Music for the Eyes,' that's valued at several hundred dollars." Visitors can also take in historical tours of Langley during the street fair.

Even though the street fair is set for Sept. 18, the centennial celebration has featured

ongoing events scheduled throughout the summer and into the fall. As might be expected, book sales, in addition to the one on the 18th, form an important part of that, said Petrich.

"Our pop-up book sale on June 28 was really successful and well-attended, in spite of the scorching heat wave that enveloped the region that day," she said. "We plan to announce details for at least one more sale at a later date."

Moving into the fall, Friends of the Langley Library is pleased to announce a Whidbey Island Center for the Arts virtual visit by much-loved book reviewer, author and retired librarian, Nancy Pearl. Petrich said Nancy Pearl "gives a delightful presentation that promises to be a crowning feature of the Centennial Celebration."

The WICA-sponsored event with Pearl highlights the importance of libraries, good books and reading. It also fits very nicely with the Langley Library's overall mission, which as Petrich pointed out, is a mission that has not changed over the years.

"The library never really closed during the pandemic and this was a lifesaver for the Langley community. Events quickly adapted to online streaming and more of us found ourselves taking advantage of eBooks and audio books," Petrich said. "An open window gave safe access to patrons who needed to ask questions, check out materials, etc."

Children's activities also were quickly adapted to an online format. Craft activities that could be picked up and taken home have proven to be very popular with the younger set. And whatever the age of library patrons,

they accessed resources and research materials quickly and safely, thanks to technology advances.

One of the most valuable resources offered by the library continues to be technology familiarization, especially as it advocates for community members who lack Internet service, said Petrich.

"The library has done an amazing job of mitigating the 'technology divide,' and that's something that's been evident for a few years now," she said. "Many people who, because of their background, life experience, or age aren't 'tech savvy,' find IT support from the library. They feel comfortable asking questions of staff and making use of the printers here. During this pandemic, we've seen how the library has been the heart of the community in a safe forum, as it lessened the adverse effects of isolation."

One very recent positive development in 2021 for the library is the promise of additional funding from the state legislature for building upgrades. More details about that may be forthcoming by the day of the Centennial Street Fair (it's possible a groundbreaking for the new remodel will happen then as well). Petrich said she believes the main focus of these remodels will be on ADA compliance.

"The original library building is historic simply due to its age," she said. "Our organization would love to see the old basement be turned into a conference room. But however the monies are used, we are grateful and happy to see how this can benefit our library."

Both the Langley Library and the Friends of the Langley Library have overseen many facets of change over the years. The Friends incorporated in the year 1921, as the "Langley Civic Club," which stated its main purpose as furnishing "... maintenance and support of a public library; providing a suitable site for a building or buildings for the use of the library or other civic purposes . . ."

A commemorative plaque awarded by the State of Washington designates the Friends as "A Century Corporation," in recognition of its continued presence from the 1921 founding. And 100 years in, the Langley Civic Club, now known as the Friends of the Langley Library, still supports the library through funding programs for library users of all ages, building upgrades and education support and training for library staff. Funding for the Friends is through donations and memberships from the community.

The library building itself was completed in 1923 and dedicated to "The young men of Langley and vicinity who served in the World War." The building was donated to the city in 1943, and in 1961, Langley entered into a cooperative arrangement with Sno-Isle Librar-

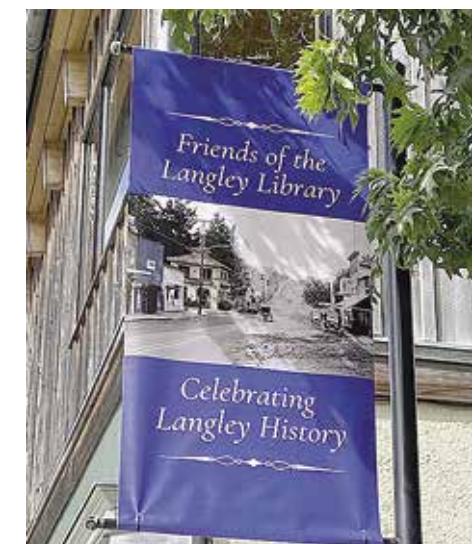
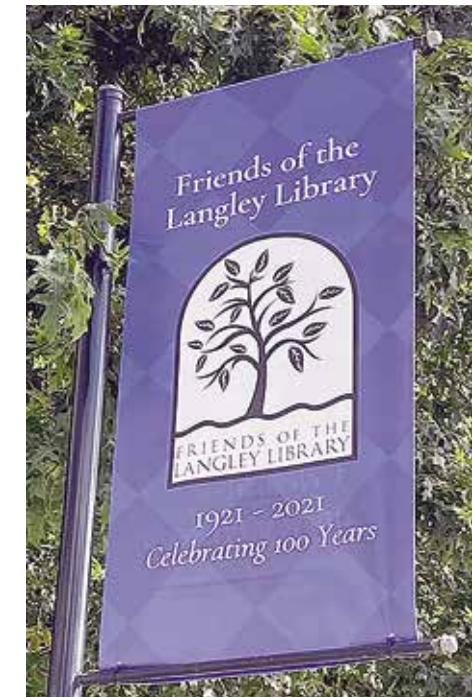


Photo Courtesy of Friends of the Langley Library  
*The Langley Main Street Association has honored the Friends of the Langley Library's 100 years of service to the library and the community by posting these banners throughout the City by the Sea, just in time to mark the Centennial Street Fair the group is holding on Sept. 18.*

ies to make up a network of 23 constituent libraries.

It may be noteworthy to consider the library, as well as the Friends, were born on the heels of the Spanish Flu Pandemic. Overseeing decades of technological changes that have enhanced its services, the Langley Library is still faithfully serving the local community. A century later, a different pandemic hasn't affected that overall mission, as all age groups, from children to seniors, find programs and resources tailored and adapted to meet their needs.

Additional information about the history of the Langley Library is available at [langleyhistory.org](http://langleyhistory.org)

For more information about the Centennial Street Fair, see the Friends of the Langley Library Facebook page or the website at [friendsofthelangleylibrary.org](http://friendsofthelangleylibrary.org)



Photo Courtesy of Friends of the Langley Library

*Friends of the Langley Library has been celebrating its centennial year of service by hosting pop up book sales and other events, culminating in a Centennial Street Fair to be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18 in downtown Langley.*

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usual goal. As of late last week, teams and organizers had raised just over \$26,000.

"We can raise money through the end of the year, so that's good," she said. "We are doing fundraisers – we've got a silent auction, we're trying different things. What happens is what happens and we'll just love it for what it is. We're hoping everybody likes the movies and that we're reaching out and maybe touching people who have no idea what Relay is all about."

"It's free admission," encouraged Reuble. "The concessions, arcade and go karts will all be open and Blue Fox will be donating a percentage of those sales back to Relay. So, the more people who come and spend money, the more the event makes."

Find more information about Relay for Life of North Puget Sound on Facebook at [facebook.com/whidbeyrelay/?ref=page\\_internal](https://facebook.com/whidbeyrelay/?ref=page_internal). Or visit the American Cancer Society's website at [cancer.org](https://cancer.org).

"Our goal is to fill the Blue Fox Drive-in on Friday, not just to raise money for cancer research, but to provide the commu-



Photo Courtesy of Relay for Life of North Puget Sound  
*Relay for Life will take place Friday starting at 4 p.m. at the Blue Fox Drive-in theater in Oak Harbor. The free event includes a triple feature and several games and activities.*

nity with an opportunity to get together for a safe way to have fun and honor those who have fought cancer," said Reuble.

"I'm tired of losing friends because of cancer," Sharkey said. "I would encourage people to come, or donate, because cancer sucks."

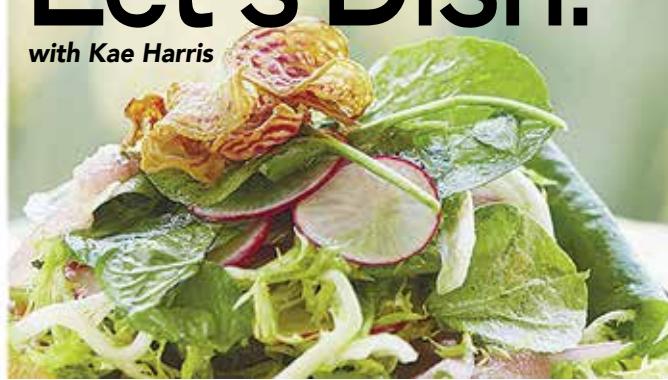


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# Let's Dish!

with Kae Harris



## FALL HARVEST FRUITS MAKE THE BEST DESSERTS!

Harvesting is ubiquitous across the globe. It doesn't matter where in the world a person lives, harvesting something in each area is "a thing." Now, what's being harvested varies from region to region and as a result, the cuisines and dishes of each area are as diverse as the crops harvested there, probably even more so. With fall nearly upon us, we gravitate towards warm, comforting dishes. It's bound to be the case in areas that get chilly, but I also feel it's a bit more than that. I think we gravitate to comfort foods as an homage to the "fruits of our labor." Maybe it's a feel-good thing, too.

In any event, I figure this happens in many places around the world and as luck would have it, I went down the YouTube food rabbit hole and found myself watching homesteading and rural living clips from around the world. One (which I'm sure many of you have seen already) was a wheat dessert made from one ingredient – wheat (obviously). It was also made with wheat flour and water (so, technically three ingredients. I digress). The end result looked marvelous. Warm, soothing, comforting, filling – and I wondered if this is what fall foods are like everywhere.

So, I trekked across the Caucasus (not literally, because it's logically not possible right now) and took a gander at the plethora of foods that are made and consumed at this time of year. I found myself in Georgia (not the state, just to be clear), and discovered this amazing little pudding-like sweet treat made from grape juice and flour. It's called pelamushi and is apparently served at rtveli, a rural harvest holiday in the country. Rtveli is the coming together of family and it's where rural traditions are observed and everyone gets together in the vineyards to harvest the fruits of their family's labor. After all the work is done, it's time to eat, drink, and be merry. Sounds a bit like our fall gatherings, in terms of the spirit of togetherness and eating, drinking and being merry. You see, harvesting anything is ubiquitous and invites ubiquity in unity and oneness.

So, this pelamushi is actually the basis for another sweet treat called churchkhela (a thick, sticky grape reduction into or onto which nuts are stuck and then the whole thing is dried. I suppose it's like a traditional vegan energy bar). Pelamushi starts its life as badagi, or unfiltered grape juice. It's cooked over a flame and reduced. Flour is added to the reduction to form a rather viscous concoction that is spooned onto plates, eaten and enjoyed. The consistency of pelamushi might vary; the result of personal preference and the type of flour that's used. Some people use plain white flour, others a mixture of corn and white flour. The fact remains that fall harvest fruits are used and it's an autumn time treat – traditionally.

Which brings me to America. What dessert is synonymous with the fall season here? Plenty! Apple pie, pumpkin pie, sweet potato pie, pumpkin roll, pumpkin bread, carrot cake, apple crumble – honestly, the list goes on and on. Even fast-food venues make full use of the public's love of seasonal fare and each year, launch or re-launch fall classics everyone knows and loves. You see, we make use of what we harvest during the season and here in the U.S. that would be pumpkin, apples, carrots – all that cool-weather, wonderful produce. A personal favorite of mine is, without a doubt, apple crumble. My sister makes one that's pretty hard to top. It's delicious. Originating in Britain during World War II and born out of necessity (what with

rations seriously limiting the amount of anything anyone could get), apple crumble became the new apple pie, something that had apparently been around since the 1300s.

Apples are in season at the moment and it would be a shame to pass up the opportunity to make or learn how to make an apple-based dessert, especially one as antiquated as the good old fashioned apple pie. Everyone puts their own spin on the dishes they make. It's natural, a way of saying, "Hey, I made this!" It lets our uniqueness shine through and allows people to get to know us better, even if it is through our tastebuds.

While fall favorites in America are pies of all sorts, Brazilians enjoy beijinho abóbora com coco or pumpkin coconut balls; the French consume maron glace or candied chestnuts; Greeks eat kolokithopita, a savory pumpkin pie with feta cheese; Peruvians make and enjoy sweet potato and pumpkin fritters with spiced syrup (yum!); and in Spain, it's all about huesos de santos, or saints' bones. The common theme amongst all these dishes is that they result from the fall harvest in each respective region. Humans have celebrated harvest time for centuries and this is a tradition that permeates each and every country and culture and is one likely to continue on for many more centuries – we hope!

Dear readers, with fall on our doorstep, I do hope you put your culinary skills to good use and create magnificent fall family favorites that can be continued on and on. I'm including a recipe for caramel apple crumble that we love in our house. Please do feel free to make it uniquely yours, and as always, I'd love to hear about your own family traditions and favorite recipes, so if you'd like to share them, please send them in to [letsdish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com](mailto:letsdish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com), and we can continue to Dish this season!

### Caramel Apple Crumble

1/4 cup packed brown sugar  
2 tablespoons cornstarch  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/8 teaspoon ground cloves  
5-6 cups apples, peeled, cored, sliced  
1/3 cup store bought caramel sauce

### Topping

1 cup all purpose flour  
1/2 cup packed brown sugar  
1/4 teaspoon cinnamon  
1 teaspoon baking powder  
1/2 cup salted butter

Preheat oven to 375°F and grease an 8 x 8 or 9 x 9-inch square baking dish. Stir the brown sugar, cornstarch, lemon juice, cloves and cinnamon together in a large bowl. Add apples and mix well until evenly coated. Spread into greased baking dish and pour the caramel sauce over apple mixture. For the topping, stir together the flour, sugar and baking powder in a medium bowl. Add the butter and use your fingers to mix until it forms large clumps or crumbles. Sprinkle the topping over the apples in the baking dish and set atop a cookie sheet in case any juice bubbles over during baking. Bake for 30 minutes until edges bubble and the crumble is a light golden brown. Cool for 30 minutes and serve with ice cream, whipped cream, with extra caramel sauce or by itself!

[www.washingtonpost.com/recipes/georgian-sweet-grape-puddings-pelamushi/14548](http://www.washingtonpost.com/recipes/georgian-sweet-grape-puddings-pelamushi/14548)

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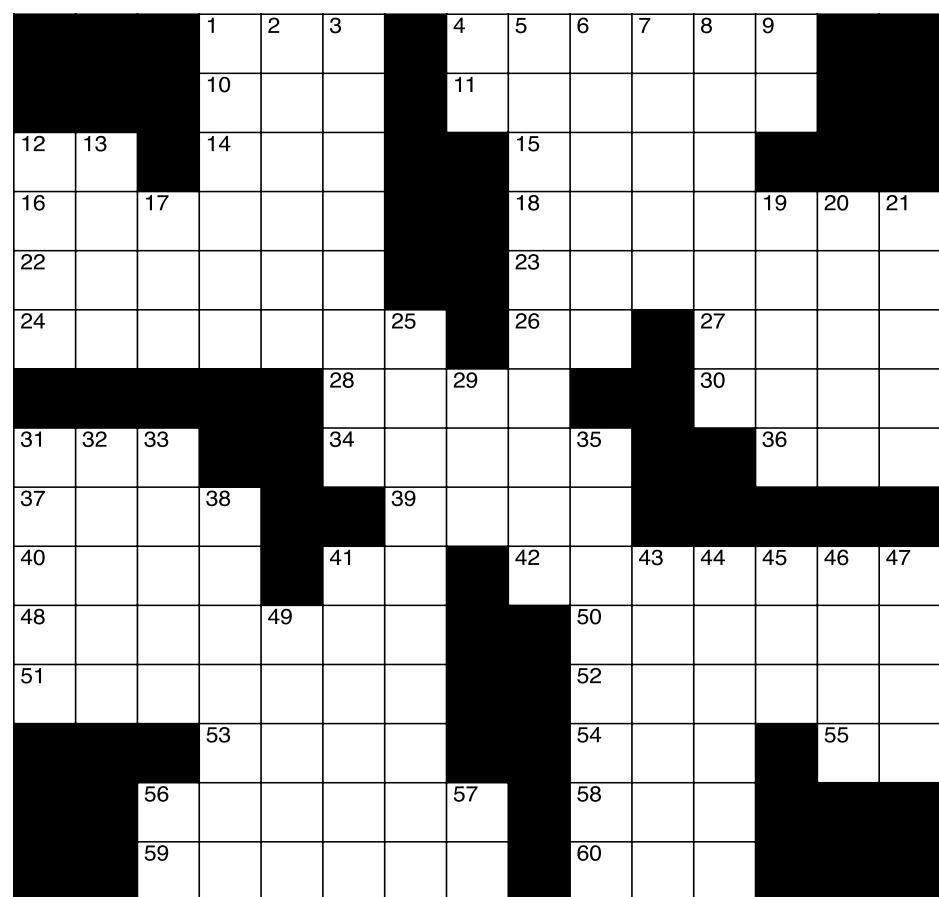
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# Crossword Puzzle



## CLUES ACROSS

- Numbers cruncher
- Creator
- A type of center
- About spring
- Equal to 64 U.S. pints (abbr.)
- Precursor to the EU
- Something that can be cast
- Gold-colored alloy
- A salt or ester of acetic acid
- A hard coating on a porous surface
- A type of detachment
- Filmmakers need them
- Promotional material
- Blyton, children's author
- Short, sharp sound
- Feeling of intense anger
- Popular TV network
- Island entry point
- Disfigure
- College army
- One who's revered

40. Long, winding ridge

41. Football stat

42. Stealing

48. Hawaiian island

50. More raw

51. In one's normal state of mind

52. Daniel LaRusso's sport

53. Tropical American monkey

54. Measures heart currents

55. Midway between south and east

56. Knotted again

58. Born of

59. Value

60. Soviet Socialist Republic

## CLUES DOWN

- Mother tongue
- Removes potato skins
- True
- Early multimedia
- The making of amends
- Discovered by investigation
- Small arm of the sea

8. More seasoned

9. Atomic #81

12. Type of pear

13. Chemical compound

17. One's mother

19. Vietnam's former name

20. Snow forest

21. Church officer

25. Hardens

29. Ancient

31. Advertising gimmick

32. Subatomic particle

33. Not fresh

35. Loosens

38. Religious symbols

41. Film

43. Orthodontic devices

44. Grilled beef sandwich

45. Journalist Tarbell

46. Brooklyn hoopers

47. Japanese social networking service

49. Romantic poet

56. Dorm worker

57. Poor grades

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## YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, Sept. 9

North Isle  
H-66°/L-53°  
AM Showers  
PM Sunbreaks

South Isle  
H-69°/L-55°  
Mostly Cloudy

Fri, Sept. 10

North Isle  
H-66°/L-51°  
Partly Sunny

South Isle  
H-64°/L-53°  
Partly Sunny

Sat, Sept. 11

North Isle  
H-64°/L-53°  
Partly Sunny

South Isle  
H-69°/L-52°  
Partly Sunny

Sun, Sept. 12

North Isle  
H-63°/L-49°  
Mostly Sunny

South Isle  
H-66°/L-51°  
Mostly Sunny

Mon, Sept. 13

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Answers on page 11



# OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What inspired you to volunteer at Deception Pass Park?

**Bob and Susan Shamblin**, Deception Pass Park

The most obvious inspiration is the opportunity to spend time in the most beautiful state park in Washington but there is much more to it than that.



Camp hosting provides so many opportunities to be of service both to the park and to campers. Everything we do as hosts is focused on enhancing our guests' experience and in this mindfulness of other people's needs, we find tremendous satisfaction. In addition to working with the wonderful park staff to provide a safe, clean and welcoming environment, we love our daily interaction with the guests. We have found even simple things, like a friendly smile and a warm greeting, really set the tone for a great day all around. It is a joy to see our campers experiencing our park for the first time or the one hundredth time. And let's face it, where better than Deception Pass to experience the best of the outdoors.

This inspires us to keep coming back.

**Kit McCartney**, Oak Harbor

My late husband and I RVed the lower 48 states throughout the entirety of our 53 years of marriage. I knew when we retired I wanted to try hosting at national parks. However, unforeseen family responsibilities became a priority and tied me to the Oak Harbor area, and my husband didn't want to retire and host with me. The compromise was for me to host at one of our local state parks. I had camped and hiked at Deception Pass for years with our children, so it became the logical choice. After my first summer of hosting, I discovered DPSP wasn't a compromise, it was exactly the hosting experience I wanted and needed. I am a very high energy, physically active person and hosting at DPSP can be physically challenging. I enjoyed it so much I continued as a non-host volunteer during the off season months. The park literally became my gym and for 11 years has been my mental and emotional haven during the illnesses and passing of my brother, mother, sister and husband. I hope to continue as a volunteer at DPSP until I am physically unable to do so.



**Alis Paris**, Deception Pass Park

I consider Deception Pass my home park. When my husband Lou and I could not continue at our current volunteering place, we tried to figure out what we wanted to do. Right away we thought of camp hosting (it was recommended to us by a camp host at a forestry camp) as a good volunteer opportunity. In filling out our application, we were asked where our number one choice was. Right away we thought of Deception Pass State Park. It has all the things we love about camping. It has the mountain feel and the ocean experience all in one place. The people we meet here are like family because we see many of them each year. Lou had medical problems and we needed to be close to his doctors. He was a retired Coast Guardsman, so the Navy base was handy for us. We worked both at Cornet Bay and at Forest Loop before he passed away. I am working my 16th year. Camp hosts are always needed and I highly recommend Deception Pass State Park for anyone who is a people person and loves the outdoors.



**Claudia Foster**,

Deception Pass Park

I love temporarily living at a new place and getting to know it from the inside-out – meeting people, exploring, and learning its history, etc. As a lifelong camper myself, I've seen how a camp host can set the tone for the whole campground so people have fun and feel welcomed. I believe if kids grow up with such nostalgic memories of camping, they'll develop such a love of nature they'll want to protect it. When necessary, it helps to just explain rules nicely and in such a way as to make sense to them.



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Big Brothers Big Sisters of Island County (BBBSIC) is actively seeking new member(s) for its Board of Directors. Join the board's exciting array of professionals! BBBSIC is seeking individuals who are committed to defending the potential of youth in our community through their time, skill sets, and influence in the community. To complement the existing board, candidates with expertise in accounting, law, nonprofit management, networking, or fundraising are of particular interest. Committed to diversifying its board to better represent our community, BBBSIC encourages BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ community members to inquire. Please contact [admin@bbbsislandcounty.org](mailto:admin@bbbsislandcounty.org) for more information.

The Island County Medical Reserve Corps (ICMRC) is a local network of volunteers organized to improve the health and safety of communities on Whidbey and Camano Island. Volunteers include medical and public health professionals as well as other community members with no prior healthcare background. ICMRC utilizes volunteers to strengthen community health, enhance emergency response capabilities, and boost community resiliency. They prepare for and respond to natural and manmade disasters such as winter storms, flooding, earthquakes, as well as public health emergencies such as disease outbreaks. If you are interested in volunteering please go to the Island County MRC website for more information or contact [s.ziemer@islandcountywa.gov](mailto:s.ziemer@islandcountywa.gov)

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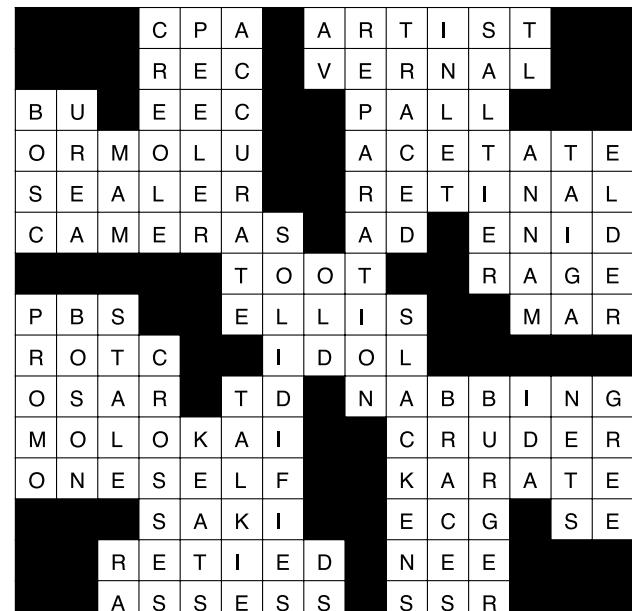
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