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## Haunting of Coupeville is practically magic

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Scarecrows and witches and pumpkins? Oh yes! Parades and magic and graveyards? You bet!

We could go on but suffice it to say the Haunting of Coupeville is now underway, bringing all kinds of spectacularly spooky fun to the historic central Whidbey community all month long. Fans of the Haunting will once more be able to don their costumes and march down the street in the Halloween Torchlight Parade or perhaps take in a screening of the classic movie "Practical Magic," which serves as the inspiration for this year's Haunting theme, "It's Practically Magic."

"The film 'Practical Magic' was released in 1998 and we have had a certain fascination and passion for it since then," said Vickie Chambers, former executive director of the Coupeville Historic Waterfront Association, who is assisting with Haunting events this year. "It changed our town, put us on the map, so to speak. We've talked about doing something like this for a while."

Those familiar with the film, which starred Sandra Bullock and Nicole Kidman as Sally and Gillian Owens – sisters, as well as witches – know the small town scenes were filmed in Coupeville. After 23 years, people are still drawn to the picturesque town because of the movie.

"You would be amazed at the number of people who come into the chamber asking about it," said Lynda Eccles, executive director of the Coupeville Chamber of Commerce. "We have a walking tour guide of what businesses were used, etc. In fact, I was just closing the doors [the other day] and three ladies came in and said, 'You have 'Practical Magic' things in here, right?' We actually have a lot of things from the movie, such as the bottles that were in the apothecary, etc."

There will be three chances to see the film which inspired this year's Haunting – two viewings for those 21 and older will be held Saturday, Oct. 23 and 30 and there will be a family-friendly viewing Friday, Oct. 29.

"The movie is PG-13, so we wanted a family-friendly evening, which will have everything we will have at the other showings, except alcohol," Chambers explained. "For the other two showings, we wanted to create some energy from the movie, which included margaritas, so we will have margaritas, beer, wine, soda and water. We're going to have trivia at all nights, and on the 30th we're doing a look-alike contest. We're hoping people will really take a look at the characters, because they're not really out-and-out witches. We'd love for folks to pull out their finest costumes – that'll be interesting."

The screenings are free, although donations would be greatly appreciated. Beverages will be available for purchase. Masks will be required and organizers hope to arrange chairs in groups for

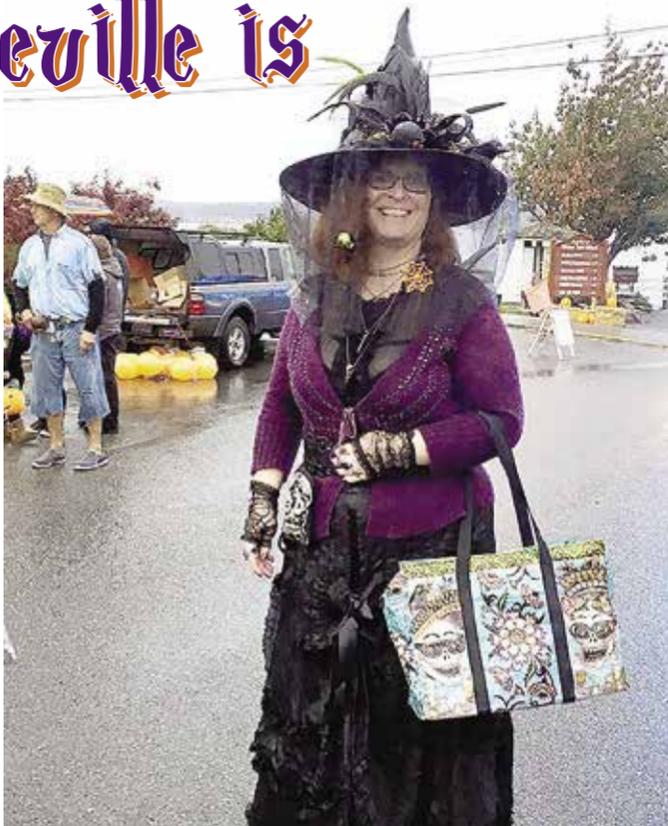


Photo Courtesy of Coupeville Historic Waterfront Association  
Witches of all shapes and sizes will be hitting the streets for the annual Haunting of Coupeville, which this year celebrates the movie "Practical Magic." Various activities are scheduled throughout the month, including the Halloween Torchlight Parade, pumpkin races and more.

families. Doors open at 6 p.m. for each screening, which will be held at the Coupeville Rec Hall, 901 NW Alexander Street.

There are some very familiar Haunting of Coupeville elements scheduled this year. For example, the Scarey Crow Trail features about 20 entrants and "Practical Magic" is the suggested theme. Maps are available at the Coupeville Chamber or at the Coupeville Sno-Isle Library. People are encouraged to vote for their favorite scarecrow.

The Weary Bones Rest Stop Graveyard has magically reappeared again, but visitors to the cemetery are advised to tread carefully among the tombstones so as not to disturb its residents. The graveyard is open daily.

A big feature that will be back to "normal" this year is the Halloween Torchlight Parade, which will be held at 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 30.

"Last year we did a car parade. This year we're planning a walking parade," said Chambers. "All of this is kind of a moving target [because of COVID], so as we get closer, things may change. But we're moving forward in positive energy and if needed, we'll change the format to make it responsible."

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## Halloween fun all month long

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

There are all kinds of fun activities taking place throughout the month for Halloween and more. Here is a list of what we know of as of our press deadline. Dates and times are subject to change. Happy haunting!



### PUMPKIN PATCH AND CORN MAZE

Find the perfect pumpkin at The Stand at K and R Farms in Oak Harbor, and while there, wander through eight acres of corn maze craziness. Cost of the maze is \$5 per person, little ones are free.

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### NIGHT CORN MAZE AND PUMPKIN PATCH

Enjoy a stroll through the Whidbey Farm and Market corn maze and pumpkin patch – day or night – all month long. Corn maze costs \$5 per person during normal weekday hours; \$10 after dark. Maze is open until 10 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

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### THE HAUNTED BARN ON BARRON DRIVE, THE MORRIS MANSION

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### FRIGHT AT FORT CASEY

Fort Casey State Park and the Keepers of Admiralty Head Lighthouse have put together

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# ON TRACK

With Jim Freeman



This has been an exciting week. Baseball, football, and October. Can shopping be far ahead? Despite the shopping fears littering the news, I will not shop for Christmas until December. Santa has it handled no

matter what.

## Game shows

After reading last week's column, Professor James A. Lentz reminded me that Bill Cullen also hosted *The Price is Right*, from 1956 until 1965.

"A four-disc DVD box set, titled *The Best of 'The Price Is Right,'* was released March 25, 2008. The set features four episodes of the 1956-1965 Bill Cullen series, 17 episodes of the Barker 1972-1975 daytime series and the final five daytime episodes hosted by Barker. In accordance with Barker's animal-rights wishes, which remain in effect beyond his retirement, any episodes with fur coats as prizes cannot be aired or released onto home media formats. This includes the first three daytime shows recorded in 1972, plus most of the 1970s syndicated run."

Cullen was best known for television game shows, where he hosted multiple series (including the original version of *The Price is Right*, *The \$25,000 Pyramid*, and *Blockbusters*), and served as a panelist for over 20 years combined on *I've Got a Secret* and *To Tell the Truth*.

Bill Cullen was a Pittsburgh native. But for his bout with polio, Cullen may have been a doctor. Mr. Cullen served in other ways by being "The Dean of Game Show Hosts." Are you young enough to remember these classics?

*Act It Out* (1949), *Meet Your Match* (1949); *WOR* series that ran just two episodes), *Winner Take All* (1952), *Quick as a Flash* (1952 pilot), *Give and Take* (1952, as co-host), *Professor Yes 'n' No* (1952), *Place the Face* (1954), *Bank on the Stars* (1954), *Name That Tune* (1954-1955), *Down You Go* (1956), *The Price is Right* (1956-1965), *Eye Guess* (1966-1969), *The Choice Is Yours* (1970, unsold pilot), *To Tell the Truth* (1970s, sub), *Three on a Match* (1971-1974), *Winning Streak* (1974-1975), *The \$25,000 Pyramid* (1974-1979), *Blankety Blanks* (1975), *I've Got a Secret* (1976; also hosted the 1975 pilots), *How Do You Like Your Eggs?* (1977, unsold pilots), *Pass the Buck* (1978; also hosted the 1977 pilots), *The Love Experts* (1978-1979), *Equal Partners* (1976, unsold pilot), *Fantasies Fulfilled* (1979, unsold pilot), *Decisions Decisions* (1979, unsold pilot), *Punch Lines* (1979, unsold pilot), *Chain Reaction* (1980; also hosted the 1979 pilot), *Password Plus* (1980, sub), *Blockbusters* (1980-1982), *Child's Play* (1982-1983), *(Celebrity) Hot Potato* (1984; also hosted the 1983 pilot), *The Joker's Wild* (1984-1986).

No wonder Bill Cullen was so great. Look at all the practice he had.

## Web chuckles

Thanks to Greenbank Wayne for forwarding some of his found humor.

Some call it multi-tasking, but I call it doing something else while I try to remember what I was doing in the first place.

It's weird being the same age as old people.

What do we learn from cows, buffaloes and elephants? It is impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking.

Getting older is just one body part after another saying "Ha ha. You think that's bad. Watch this."

## Home cookin'

The other day, unless it was night, I was

asking myself in a soliloquy kind of way, what one thing has kept me living here over half my life.

The people.

Not the scenery, not the off-leash parks, nor the Blue Fox Drive-In, one of only five outdoor theaters in the state of Washington.

Whatever happened to the four-plex?

The people prevail.

Have you ever met more welcoming folks than on Whidbey?

Acceptance is a wonderful concept. Applying acceptance as a lifestyle is as difficult as bowling barefoot. Putting acceptance into practice is the Whidbey way.

Where else but the Dog House in Langley could I leash my basset hound, Norton, to Pete's carved basset hound out front?

Where else but in Dr. Jangaard's office in Freeland could I learn Ballard Bitter had the best yeast for their beer?

Where else but Whidbey could I ask Margaret to wait until after the weekend to deposit my phone company check?

Dad used to suggest that who one knew was more significant than what one knew.

Why have I been on Whidbey over half my life?

Last July, after concluding a marvelous auction to benefit the Meerkerk Rhododendron renovation project, I had the pleasure of speaking with Dr. Susan Azar of the Metamorphe Health Clinic on East Harbor Road in Langley.

Dr. Susan and I met over 30 years ago. She is the same sweet lady. Susan is as genuine as can be. She offers two ears for listening and one mouth for talking. Her laser therapy is the only one offered on South Whidbey.

I love it when a doctor listens, particularly after an auction.

Be thankful for your network. These people were assigned to you for a reason.

## Time sensitive

The last time I checked my street mailbox, the largest envelope discovered was marked in bold - "You have been selected to represent Freeland, Washington residents in this survey."

What a shock. Me? This was bigger than being elected precinct committee officer.

I wonder who was on the selection committee for this honor? How many were there?

Rather than ask myself more questions to go unanswered, I ripped open the big brown envelope. Revealed was a map of the United States pinpointing the location of 838 hate groups from 2020.

The disliking of the New York Yankees or the New England Patriots was not listed among the top 838.

I checked to see if membership in the Anti-Velveeta League would be a problem.

No problem.

I was trying to remember if I ever hated. I am still upset over that Super Bowl interception, but I would not call it hate.

Hate requires an object.

As any English teacher will tell you, if you don't have a subject, you don't need an object.

## Mariners

I must say the last two weeks of Mariner baseball have been as thrilling as any fan can ask for. No wonder I wear a baseball hat.

As Mariner announcer Rick Rizz said after the game, "They made it fun."

Looking forward to next year's fun.

Until then, Go Hawks.

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# Bits & Pieces

## Letters to the Editor

### Editor,

We live outside the Oak Harbor city limits, so we can't vote for Shane Hoffmire, but if we could, we would.

Since the Hoffmire family moved into our cul-de-sac nearly 20 years ago we have seen Shane grow from an active, friendly, young people person into a young man filled with ideas and determination to help others.

As a teenager, he assisted his parents with their Jefferson award nominated nonprofit, founded to assist and improve the lives of special-needs kids like Shane's sister, Allison. Over time, this evolved into Shane's involvement with a wider group of youth and adults in his work and continuing support of the John Vanderzicht Memorial Pool in downtown Oak Harbor. That work continues to this day.

And as Shane grew into manhood, he never once considered using his growing talents and popularity to enrich his own pockets. He was at the beginning, and is still today, committed to serving the needs of others. Shane is a spokesperson for us all, not just for those who look to turn Oak Harbor into a suburb of the wealthy.

There is no question Shane Hoffmire represents a brighter and newer vision for the city of Oak Harbor. He represents a future envisioned by a new and vital generation, not the same stale, business-as-usual system that doesn't listen to the citizens or get very much accomplished. So, when you vote in the up coming weeks, please consider voting for Shane Hoffmire for Oak Harbor City Council. We would if we could.

Helen and Ken Bates  
Oak Harbor, Wash.

### Editor,

I applaud Mayor Severns' principled stand against the seemingly growing influence of outside developers on local politics. The Mayor notes that while most developers strive to work within the system, a few prefer to bend the system. County Commissioner Jill Johnson seems to include Las Vegas developer Scott Thompson among the latter. As most of us will remember, in 2017 the County Planning Commission and the County Commissioners blocked Mr. Thompson's proposed urban growth area expansion designed to build a massive, dense, housing development on local farmland. Mr. Thompson subsequently launched a veritable blizzard of ultimately unsuccessful appeals.

Mr. Thompson's legal assault was accompanied by an equally frenetic political assault with the purpose, it seems, of removing those officials who stood in his way. He contributed to the campaigns of a number of city council candidates in 2020, one of whom, Jeff Mack, won. One of his more controversial forays into the political arena involved hosting a 4th of July event in 2020 on his property above Walmart, an event which apparently degenerated into something of a scuffle. In attendance were several local candidates, including Dan Evans, a current city council candidate, who at that point was running for county commissioner, with Mr. Thompson as one of his principal financial backers. Erik Rohde, identified as an official of the Washington Three Percent movement, served as emcee. To put this in context,

Mr. Rohde's group is led by Matt Marshall, one of the vocal supporters of Rep. Matt Shea, who has been linked to three armed stand-offs, and has advocated "biblical warfare." Shea's own party has painted him as a domestic terrorist. It occurred to me that Mr. Rohde was at best an odd choice to play a prominent role at the event.

In part because of the above event, but principally as a result of his approach to growth, it would be very difficult for me to vote for any candidate with close ties to Mr. Thompson. I believe his projects are rarely in the best interest of the community. I join with Mayor Severns in urging support for Ms. Mischo and Mr. Hoffmire. Let's elect independent voices to the City Council.

Dr. Bernd J. Fischer  
Oak Harbor, Wash.

### Outdoor Burn Ban in Island County Lifted

Due to the increase in fuel moisture levels and a return to more typical seasonal weather patterns, the Fire Marshal has lifted the ban on outdoor burning in Island County as of midnight Sept. 30.

It is important to remember residential yard debris and land-clearing burning are permanently banned in Coupeville, Freeland, Langley, and Oak Harbor (and their urban growth areas).

All yard debris and land-clearing burning will require a permit where open burning is allowed. All written burn permits will be issued through the Island County Health Department.

To obtain a verbal permit for residential fires less than four feet in diameter, call either 360-240-5526 and listen to the required conditions or call Northwest Clean Air Agency at 360-428-1617, ext. 4.

To obtain a written permit for fires over four feet in diameter, call 360-679-7350 (North and Central Whidbey), 360-321-5111, ext. 7350 (South Whidbey) and 360-387-3443, ext. 228 (Camano Island).

Visit [www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/EH/Burning/Pages/Home.aspx](http://www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/EH/Burning/Pages/Home.aspx) for additional permit information.

Recreational fires less than three feet in diameter and two feet high do not require a permit.

As always, burning garbage and the use of burn barrels is illegal STATEWIDE and subject to fines that can exceed \$1,000.

If your property falls under the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources, please call 360-856-3500 for burn permit information.

For air quality issues call the Northwest Clean Air Agency at 360-428-1617.

### Record of Decision for the Northwest Training and Testing Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement Available for Public Viewing

The Department of the Navy announced last week its decision to implement its Preferred Alternative, Alternative 1, to continue training and testing activities at sea and in associated airspace within the Study Area as described in the Northwest Training and Testing (NWTT) Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Overseas Environmental Impact Statement (EIS/OEIS). Alternative 1 will allow the Navy to fully meet current and future training and testing requirements.

The Navy made this decision after considering its operational needs; the potential impacts training and testing activities may have on human, natural, and cultural environments; and comments from elected officials, government agencies, tribes, nongovernmental organizations, and the public on the proposal and environmental analysis. The Navy also considered comments received following the publication of the Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS.

New and major substantive comments are addressed in the Record of Decision.

The Navy is committed to being a good steward of the environment and will continue to implement mitigation measures to avoid or reduce potential environmental impacts from training and testing.

### Availability of the Record of Decision:

The Navy is committed to providing the public an accessible version of the Record of Decision during COVID-19 conditions. The Record of Decision, Final Supplemental EIS/OEIS, and supporting documents are available online at [www.NWTTTEIS.com](http://www.NWTTTEIS.com).

If you need assistance accessing the document or have media inquiries, please contact Ms. Julianne Stanford, Navy Region Northwest Public Affairs Office, at [julianne.stanford@navy.mil](mailto:julianne.stanford@navy.mil) or 360-867-8525. For all other queries or if you require additional information about the project, please contact Ms. Jackie Queen, project manager, at [projectmanager@nwttteis.com](mailto:projectmanager@nwttteis.com).

[Submitted by Julianne Stanford, Environmental Public Affairs Specialist, Navy Region Northwest]

### 10 Gateway Birds of Whidbey Island and How to Find Them

Whidbey Audubon Society is hosting a beginning birding class Tuesday, Oct. 19 from 7:00 to 8:30PM via Zoom. Master birder Whitney Neufeld-Kaiser is the instructor. This class is a perfect introduction for parents and grandparents who want to learn about local birds and share the experience with children or friends. Registration for this Zoom class is open now until noon the day of the class, Tuesday, Oct. 19. The cost is \$20, at [www.whidbeyaudubonsociety.org/events-list/10-gateway-birds-of-whidbey-island-and-how-to-find-them](http://www.whidbeyaudubonsociety.org/events-list/10-gateway-birds-of-whidbey-island-and-how-to-find-them).

Birds are for everyone, and they are everywhere. They live and love in towns and on farms, in parks, and along shorelines. Neufeld-Kaiser will explain how to get started; where to go to see interesting birds; how to find the birds, once you get there; should you go alone or with a small group; and do you actually need to "go" very far. Using 10 (or so) charismatic birds found on Whidbey Island as inspiration, the class will explore resources you can use to learn about birds and plan your birding excursions. It will also touch on strategies about how to go from "Duck" to "Gadwall," though bird ID won't be the focus. There is an optional field trip, limited to 10 people, Sunday, Oct. 24 at 8:00AM. Ten individuals will be selected in the order of their registrations. Those who have registered, please check your spam email if you haven't received the link to Zoom; or contact [admin@whidbeyaudubonsociety.org](mailto:admin@whidbeyaudubonsociety.org).

[Submitted by Susan Prescott, Whidbey Audubon Publicity Chair]

### Response To Questions Regarding Boosters

To meet its focus for first and second COVID-19 vaccinations, Island County Public Health Department's COVID Response vaccination clinics are not offering booster shots for the Pfizer vaccine at this time.

The vaccination team continues to offer first and/or second doses of the Pfizer, Johnson & Johnson and Moderna vaccines as available, free of charge. No identification or insurance information is required to receive a vaccine.

The focus of the mobile vaccination team is to end this pandemic.

Booster doses are widely available at many medical providers and pharmacies in Island County and can be found by using the vaccine locator at <https://vaccinelocator.doh.wa.gov/>.

To find out dates and times for future mobile vaccination events, go to Island County Public Health's COVID resources page at [www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/Pages/COVID-19.aspx](http://www.islandcountywa.gov/Health/Pages/COVID-19.aspx).

Public Health's Mobile Vaccination Team is available to come to your organization or facility to give vaccines. Schedule a mobile clinic or pop-up clinic by contacting Paul Shimada by email at [p.shimada@islandcountywa.gov](mailto:p.shimada@islandcountywa.gov) or by phone at 360-499-4416.

[Submitted by Keven R. Graves, Public Information Officer for COVID Outreach]

### Whidbey Raises Over \$121,000 for Essential Needs Program

Together with the community, Goosefoot Community Fund and Whidbey Community Foundation (WCF) partnered to raise over \$121,000 for the Essential Needs Program, providing direct assistance to local households struggling from the impacts of the continued pandemic.

Donations to the Essential Needs Program will help fill gaps for Whidbey Island households that aren't met through existing funding streams. Examples include: child care, utilities, housing set-up expenses, aid to maintain employment, one-time extraordinary expenses and more. Goosefoot and WCF are working with The Opportunity Council Island County Service Center to administer funds.

Starting last April, the fundraiser was seeded with \$50,000 (\$25,000 each from Goosefoot and WCF) with a collective community goal of \$100,000. The Goose Community Grocer designated the Essential Needs Program as its Roundup for Charity recipient from April through June and alone raised over \$16,000. Because of these generous donations, the fundraiser exceeded its goal by over \$21,000 by July 15.

Goosefoot and WCF are extremely grateful for the community support. In the past few months, Opportunity Council has deployed these funds to neighbors in need of support with utility bills, storage facilities, medical, transportation and temporary housing costs, and to purchase necessary mobility, household and childcare items.

"We are honored to be the recipient of this funding in order to assist our community in ways we have never been able to. To date, we have been able to purchase fridges for disabled and elders, assist with homelessness prevention for veterans, purchase home items for those moving out of homelessness, support new moms with car seats, assist with medical bills, car repairs, urgent daycare needs and much more. This means so much to our staff, who often feel frustration at not having funds for the extra things for which people need assistance. The program has given us the freedom to help MORE, which is our passion! In this critical time, during the pandemic, we cannot express just how important these funds are."

Melissa Fransch-Brown  
Island County Service Center, Director

Learn more about the Essential Needs Program, who is eligible and how to access assistance through Opportunity Council at [goosefoot.org/essential-needs/](http://goosefoot.org/essential-needs/) or [whidbey-foundation.org/essential-needs-program/](http://whidbey-foundation.org/essential-needs-program/).

[Submitted by Whidbey Community Foundation]

### Coupeville Festival Association Opens Grant Cycle

The Coupeville Festival Association has opened its grant cycle for the 2021 season. Criteria for application is as follows:

Grant requests are evaluated on how well they meet the CFA goals (see website for goal criteria) while enhancing the offerings of the requesting organization's programs not for regular operational expenses (staff, rent, etc.)

Applications are taken online at [www.CoupevilleFestival.com](http://www.CoupevilleFestival.com) under the "For Community" tab. If you have any questions, please contact Deborah O'Brien at 360-320-2284 or [cfaboardpresident@gmail.com](mailto:cfaboardpresident@gmail.com). Applications close October 31, 2021.

[Submitted by Deborah O'Brien, President, Coupeville Festival Association]





# Island 911

Seriously, we do not make this stuff up!

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 14**  
**6:32 am, West Beach Rd.**

Reporting party advising of an early 2000 silver Honda Civic coupe in pond; last seen 10 minutes ago. Reporting party drove by and saw it.

**9:57 am, Island View Rd.**

Advising received letter in mail saying really negative stuff about reporting party's property.

**10:59 pm, NE Kettle St.**

Reporting party advising neighbors are doing karaoke at the top of their lungs; ongoing issue.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 15**

**12:02 pm, Cultus Bay Rd.**

Reporting party advising subject stole her vehicle and dog, occurred this morning.

**5:32 pm, SR 20**

Swinomish police officer was swerving and tailgating reporting party; advising noticed officer looking down as if he was on his phone.

**7:48 pm, Deer Lake Rd.**

Reporting party states male subject, red Mario hat, T-shirt, shorts and no

shoes wrapping fishing line around everything in area.

**MONDAY, AUGUST 16**  
**3:06 am, Steelhead Dr.**

Reporting party advising someone is thumping on outside of their house.

**11:59 am, Bells Ln.**

Caller advising some sort of alarm going off in area for last 45 minutes, unknown if it's coming from outside or somewhere in house. Recalling; advising it's coming from inside home, unable to locate where.

**8:07 pm, NE Regatta Dr.**

Reporting party states horses are running down middle of road. Another caller advising horses are now on NE 16th near apartments by SR 20.

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 17**

**11:31 pm, View Rd.**

Reporting party advising approximately four or five subjects in reporting party's yard. Has no idea who they are. States has firearm, told subjects would take them down and they just sat there staring at reporting party.

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



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## Let's Dish!

with Kae Harris



### FROM FALL TO SPRING, MAKE CANDY CORN YOUR THING!

We're here in candy season again. I call it candy season because it seems like this time of year is just jam packed with holidays that make candy the front and center of each respective occasion. Many of us will undoubtedly be left with a little extra candy and not know what to do with it. Again. This is where I come in and do my best to help you upcycle your left-over seasonal sweets!

I was chatting with a colleague the other day who carries candy corn with her wherever she goes. It truly is for work related purposes. I couldn't help but wonder how many people out there eat and actually enjoy candy corn? I go through phases with candy corn, personally. I used to abhor it, but I'd make the effort to eat one piece every time I encountered the little treat. Within a few years, I was enjoying them, however, they soon dropped off my radar when "better" candy took my fancy. They are now, once again, not my favorite sweetie. Anyway, the point is, this kernel of sweetness has been around for over a hundred years, it is seemingly everywhere, it's sold year-round and they seem to make their way into Halloween buckets each and every year. It is still a rather unremarkable candy. How is it possible to dominate the candy world year after year, throughout each season? It is entirely possible many more people than I realize do indeed enjoy candy corn.

So, what are the origins of this year-round yummy? Legend has it a man by the name of George Renninger, an employee of the Wunderlee Candy Company, came up with and was the first to sell the sugar and corn syrup concoction in the 1880s. Today, about 85 percent of the candy corn produced is made by Brach's Confections, with the other 15 percent being accounted for by the Jelly Belly Candy Company (which started life as the Goelitz Candy Company) which have been producing candy corn since 1900. The recipe for candy corn has remained unchanged for over 100 years, but the advent of mechanized production of candy means it can be produced year-round, and not just during the fall season, as it was originally.

Each layer of candy corn is made of "mellow cream" and is essentially a mixture of sugar and corn syrup that has a marshmallow-like flavor. The mellow cream is poured into molds lined with corn starch, which used to be a pretty complex process and involved workers called "stringers" walking backwards while pouring the concoction - which had been cooked in large kettles - into the molds and is part of the reason as to why candy corn was a seasonal treat. Who knew such a small, unassuming candy would be so tedious to produce? The popularity of candy corn as a Halloween treat happened after World War II, when trick or treating became popular, and it's no surprise October 30 is National Candy Corn Day! The yellow, orange and white iteration of candy corn remains the classic version, but the ability to mass-produce this sweet treat year-round means it is not uncommon to see it in brown, orange and white during Thanksgiving (also called Harvest Corn) and green, white and red during Christmas, amongst other festive versions.

I still am not sure what the charm of candy corn is and how it always manages to find its way into my home (I know I'm not the one buying it!), but I have found I now have a certain amount of affection for this fat-free, sweet treat after writing this column! What I do know is it has been an iconic candy this time of year for over a hundred years and the tricolor design can be an inspiration for a variety of other sweet treats, including this Candy Cane Poke Cake I stumbled upon on a website called Simple Joy ([www.simplejoy.com/candy-corn-poke-cake/](http://www.simplejoy.com/candy-corn-poke-cake/)). I've tweaked the recipe a little to suit the palettes of my biggest critics (my kids) and I'm sure you will have your own tips and tricks about how to make this cake recipe uniquely yours! Let me know about them, along with any comments you may have, by writing to me at [letsdish.whidbey-weekly@gmail.com](mailto:letsdish.whidbey-weekly@gmail.com), as we continue to Dish! or Treat during this spooky time of year!



### Candy Corn Poke Cake

#### Ingredients:

- One box of white cake mix (plus ingredients needed to make it)
- Yellow and orange food coloring
- 14 oz. can sweetened condensed milk
- Whipped topping
- Candy corn

#### Instructions:

Make the cake batter as directed and divide into three equal parts. Add yellow food coloring to one part, orange to another and leave one part without any food coloring. Ensure you have added enough food coloring to make the batter very bright.

Spray the bottom of a 9 x 13 pan with a non-stick spray. Spread the yellow layer evenly across the bottom, tap it flat and let it set in the freezer for 20 minutes.

Add the orange layer over the yellow layer before freezing for an additional 20 minutes.

Preheat oven to the temperature specified on the cake mix.

Add the white layer of cake batter on top of the other two layers and let it stand at room temperature for at least 30 minutes.

Bake according to package directions. As soon as the cake comes out of the oven, poke holes throughout the cake with the end of a wooden spoon. Pour the sweetened condensed milk evenly over the cake, making sure to fill each hole.

Refrigerate overnight; top with whipped topping and candy corn before serving.

To read past columns of *Let's Dish* in the *Whidbey Weekly*, see our Digital Library at [www.whidbeyweekly.com](http://www.whidbeyweekly.com).

# 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.

**Job Fair**  
Thursday, October 7, 10:00AM-4:00PM  
Regency on Whidbey, Oak Harbor

Bring your resume! Regency on Whidbey is located at 1040 SW Kimball Dr.

**League of Women Voters Candidate Forums**  
Thursday, October 7, 6:30-8:00PM  
South Whidbey Candidates

Tuesday, October 12, 6:30-8:00PM  
North Whidbey Candidates

Thursday, October 14, 6:30-8:00PM  
Central Whidbey Candidates

The League of Women Voters of Whidbey Island will be hosting three candidate forums to provide voters an opportunity to learn more about the people seeking election to local offices in November. The non-partisan forums will include candidates for city/town councils, school boards, port districts and fire districts in the North Whidbey/Oak Harbor, Central Whidbey/Coupeville and South Whidbey/Langley areas. All forums will be held online, via Zoom. Zoom links will be posted on the League's website one day ahead of each event, www.lwwhidbey.org.

**Shred Day**  
Saturday, October 9, 10:00AM-1:00PM  
Whidbey Island Bank, Oak Harbor

Need to dispose of sensitive documents or unnecessary paperwork? Defend yourself against fraud and identity theft at Shred Day. Shredding is by donation only and all funds will go towards local and global programs that help women and girls live their dreams. Whidbey Island Bank is located at 450 Bayshore Dr.

**Read and Create Space**  
Wednesday, October 13, 4:00-7:00PM  
210 SE Pioneer Way, Oak Harbor

Free books, games, and puzzles will be available. While visiting, guests are encouraged to take some time and utilize art supplies and creative activities featured at this event. All ages are welcome. Find more info on Facebook.com/ReadandCreateSpaceOakHarbor.

### Meetings & Organizations

**Whidbey Island Genealogical Searchers (WIGS)**  
Tuesday, October 19, 1:00PM  
Oak Harbor Lutheran Church

Dr. Richard Hanks presents "The Parentage and Personality of Abraham Lincoln". Dr. Hanks is a cousin through Nancy Hanks, Lincoln's mother. He will cover his family's involvement with Lincoln and traits that formed Lincoln's personality. All are invited to join. Masks required. Questions: whidbeygensearchers@gmail.com. Oak Harbor Lutheran Church is located at 1253 NW 2nd Ave.



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Sunday - Tuesday: 3:45pm & 7:15pm

**THE ADDAMS FAMILY 2 (PG)**  
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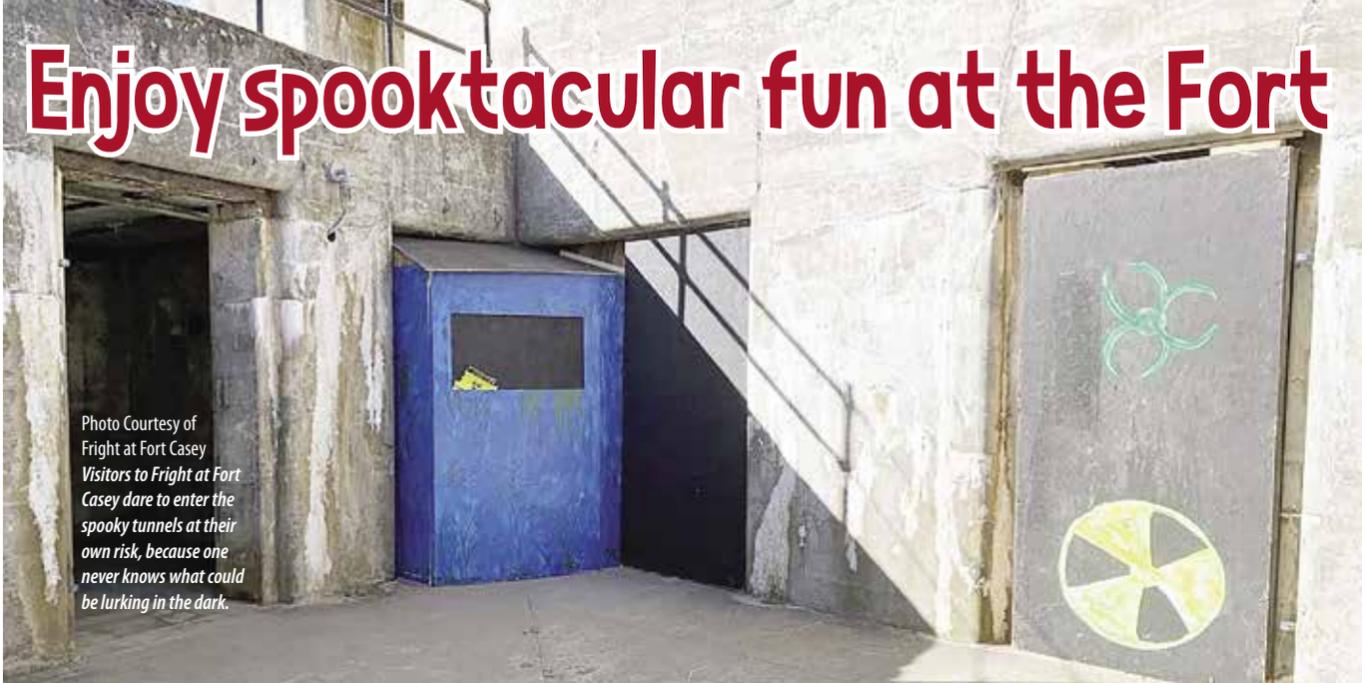


Photo Courtesy of Fright at Fort Casey  
Visitors to Fright at Fort Casey dare to enter the spooky tunnels at their own risk, because one never knows what could be lurking in the dark.

By Shannon Bly Whidbey Weekly

Ghostly specters will be haunting one of the region's most popular attractions again this year. Fright at Fort Casey will continue its tradition of hair-raising, blood-curdling, creepy Halloween fun every weekend in October and will be open Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 3 p.m.



Photo Courtesy of Fright at Fort Casey  
All kinds of creatures of all shapes and sizes will be lurking at Fright at Fort Casey, going on Saturdays and Sundays in October, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Explore the dark tunnels of Kingsbury Battery but beware of what lurks in the shadows and might jump out to surprise you. For families with younger kids, pop-up tents in front of the fort will provide Halloween-themed activities and games.

"The Fright at Fort Casey provides an opportunity for family and friends to get out and have fun together," said event coordinator Sharon Young-Hale.

This year's event is a scaled down version of past haunted forts, which typically ran for one weekend in October and drew crowds of over 2,000 people, requiring 160 volunteers and a large variety of props and costumes.

To keep everyone safe, the haunted fort has been pared down to approximately 20 volunteers and won't include after-dark sessions. The indoor fright event, recommended for folks 12 years and over, will capitalize on the element of surprise and "use of the unknown, sounds, and senses" to scare its visitors, said Young-Hale.

"The wonderful actors who have helped us in the past will be there to 'impress' the older brave souls. I hope to hear the laughter and screams, that brought smiles to all that participate," said Wayne Clark, president of the Keepers of Admiralty Head Lighthouse, which sponsors the event along with Fort Casey State Park.

"In years past," said Young-Hale, "We've been able to raise funds for restoration projects for the Admiralty Head lighthouse."

When Young-Hale first suggested the idea of a haunted fort back in 2015, the Keepers decided to give it a try.

"Little did we know how successful this idea would evolve," said Clark. "Our first night we had 500 guests, and the second night we came close to shutting down the event because we ran out of parking space."

Clark has been in charge of parking in past haunted fort events.

"I love the joy and many 'Thank you's as the event attendees leave after having the fun this event gives all ages," he said. "It's hard to decide who is having more fun, the actors who scare, or the attendees who are scared! Both voices in the dark sound like it is a memorable event!"

"It is important to keep the event going because especially in these trying times, it provides a safe, fun event that families can enjoy," said Young-Hale.

This year's event costs \$1, to cover basic expenses. The entrance fee applies to the event portion of the fort only – other areas remain free. Masks and social distancing are required to participate in both the children's area and the haunted battery. Discover Passes are required for parking. For information, call 360-678-7475.

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"I love the parade," said Eccles. "The children's faces, their delight in showing off their costumes, and even parents showing off their costumes. I love to see families enjoying themselves, and people just enjoying Coupeville."

Also back is the traditional pumpkin race, which is set to get rolling Saturday, Oct. 30, from 2 to 4 p.m.

"That's a fun one," Chambers said. "People can go online and register or just show up with a pumpkin on two axles. That's a hoot. It's as much a sport for spectators as it is for someone with a pumpkin in the race."

There are plenty of new activities to look forward to as well, such as a Scavenger Hunt, to be held consecutive Saturdays, Oct. 23 and Oct. 30, from 1 to 4 p.m. This is a children's activity, but everyone can participate. Tickets can be purchased for \$10, which gets participants either a plain black witch's hat or a plain black cape. By the time participants finish the hunt, their hat or cape will be fully decorated with things like feathers, glitter, spiders and more.

Another new event this year is the Spells and Brew Ride, hosted by the Whidbey Island Bike Club. The ride is scheduled to start from the Coupeville Elementary School parking lot, 6 S Main Street, at 10 a.m. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. It is a seven-mile minimum ride, with an additional 20-mile loop for added miles. Cost is \$10 to participate and riders get a free beverage at the brew garden at the end of the ride.

"The ride ends up coming up Front Street, depicting the bike ride through town like in the movie," described Chambers.

After the past year-and-a-half, organizers say it's time for people to come out and enjoy a bit of scary fun.

"I look forward to just seeing the enjoyment," Eccles said. "People have something to enjoy this year and that's really what we want. We've gone through so much – we still are – so if we can just give them a day here or a weekend where they can smile and have fun, that for me is worth everything."



Photo Courtesy of Coupeville Historic Waterfront Association  
Haunting of Coupeville enthusiasts have been known to go all out on costumes and organizers hope this year will be no different.

"The Coupeville Historic Waterfront Association works hard to maintain and create energy in the district," Chambers said. "With this past year, we wanted both businesses and residents to know we're still thinking of them. This creates the opportunity to walk downtown, see what's going on and remember how cool Coupeville is. It was cool enough they did a whole movie on it; we have to celebrate that."

A complete list of Haunting of Coupeville activities is available at [hauntingofcoupeville.com](http://hauntingofcoupeville.com) and more information on the pumpkin race and parade can be found online at [coupevillehistoricwaterfront.com](http://coupevillehistoricwaterfront.com). A limited number of commemorative T-shirts is also being sold. Those interested may order them online or call the Coupeville Chamber from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 360-678-5434.

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a modified Haunted Fort Casey event following all COVID-19 safety protocols. The fright portion is appropriate for those over 12 and there will be a children's game area for those under 12. The children's game area is free, but admission to Fright at Fort Casey is \$1 per person. A Discover Pass is required for parking. Masks are required.

Saturdays and Sundays  
Oct. 9-10, 16-17, 23-24, 30-31  
Info: 360-678-7475



### "GOULISH GOOD TIME" AT OAK HARBOR CHAMBER

The Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce hosts a drive-through trick-or-treat event. The event is free and will be located in the wooded area next to the Chamber, 32630 SR 20. Enter through Izett Street. Friday, Oct. 29, 3-5 p.m. [oakharborchamber.com](http://oakharborchamber.com)



### HALLOWEEN DRIVE-THRU TRICK OR TREAT

The Clinton Community Hall will hold its second annual Halloween Drive-Thru Trick or Treat event the day before Halloween. Costumed characters will greet all the little ghosts and goblins and pass out sweet treats as they drive through the Clinton Community Hall parking lot.

Saturday, Oct. 30, 4-6 p.m.  
Email: [info@clintoncommunityhall.org](mailto:info@clintoncommunityhall.org)



### NO TRICKS, SAFE TREATS

Children ages 14 and younger are invited to don their costumes and head to downtown Oak Harbor for the annual No Tricks, Safe Treats event sponsored by the Oak Harbor Main Street Association. Orange balloons will mark participating merchants for trick or treating locations. Social distancing and face masks required. This is a free event.

Saturday, Oct. 30, 3-5 p.m.



### DECORATE A PUMPKIN DAY

The Langley Chamber of Commerce is getting into the spirit of Halloween by offering a free pumpkin day in Langley Park, at 2nd and Anthes. Stay and decorate a pumpkin in the park or grab a to-go decorating kit and take it home.

Saturday, Oct. 30, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
[visitlangley.com](http://visitlangley.com)



### BLUE FOX DRIVE-IN TRUNK OR TREAT

Blue Fox Drive-In in Oak Harbor will hold a trunk or treat event to celebrate Halloween. The search is still on for those interested in sharing their trunk. Prizes will be awarded for the best-decorated. Sign up by emailing [kelsey@bluefoxdrivein.com](mailto:kelsey@bluefoxdrivein.com)

Sunday, Oct. 31, 12-3 p.m.



### FREELAND TRUNK OR TREAT

Christian Life Center at 1832 Scott Road in Freeland is holding a Trunk or Treat event sure to be fun for the whole family. There will be treats, games, pumpkin decorating and more. This is a free event.

Sunday, Oct. 31, 3-5 p.m.





# OUR Community

## An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

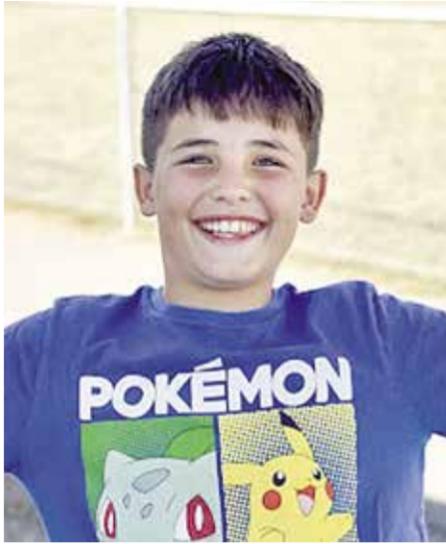
If you could change one thing about your life into a positive, what would it be?

**Annabelle S.,** Oak Harbor



"I would want to get rid of people getting made fun of for things they can't control."

**William H.,** Oak Harbor



"That someone in my neighborhood stops bossing everyone around."

**Charli E.,** Oak Harbor



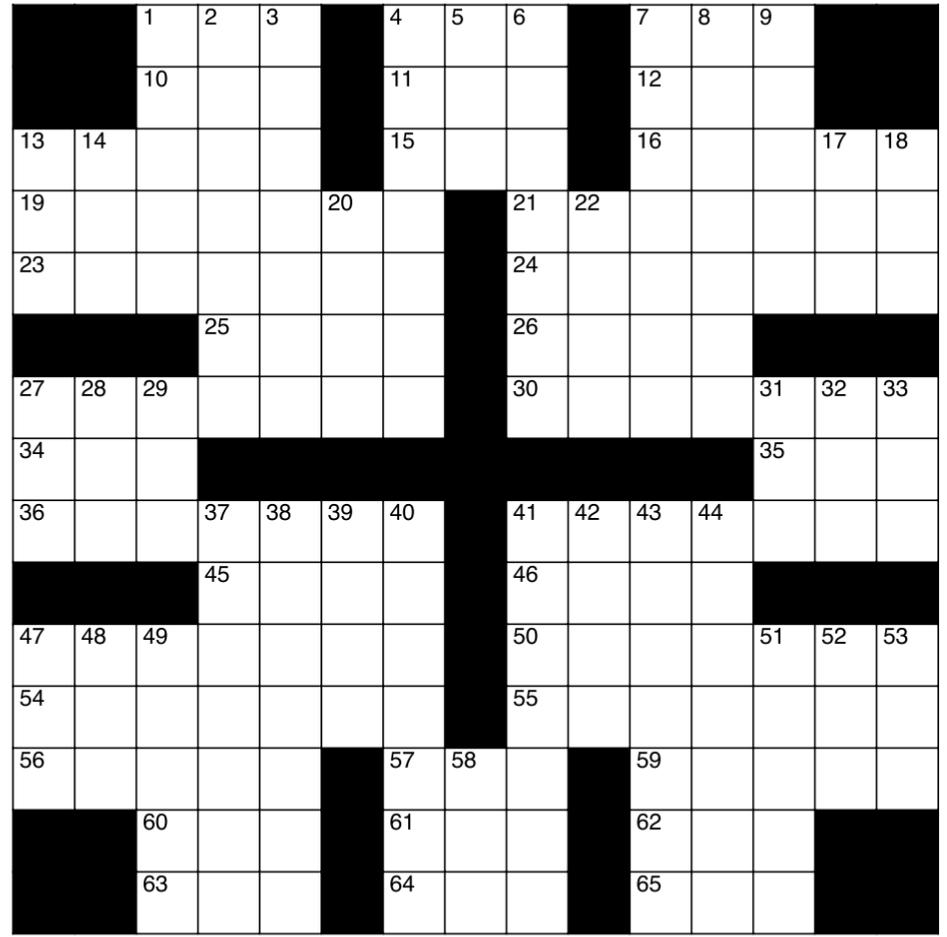
"I would make no bullies in school."

**Joshua N.,** Oak Harbor



"That my gaming turns me into a YouTube star."

# Crossword Puzzle



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Pouch
- 4. Cooling device
- 7. Corporate exec (abbr.)
- 10. Antidiuretic hormone
- 11. South American plant
- 12. Adult female bird
- 13. Type of snake
- 15. Soak in water
- 16. Emerge
- 19. Church tower
- 21. Having solidified from lava
- 23. Eye parts
- 24. Natural
- 25. Swiss river
- 26. Require to live
- 27. Obstruct
- 30. Immobile
- 34. Expression of satisfaction
- 35. Moved quickly
- 36. Popular cocktail
- 41. Dish detergent brand
- 45. Waxed finish
- 46. Kyrgyzstan mountain range
- 47. A place to get clean

- 50. Able to be rescued
- 54. Large, open grassland
- 55. Expressions for humorous effect
- 56. Hindu goddess
- 57. Beverage container
- 59. Long narrow hilltop
- 60. Sir (abbr.)
- 61. Data executive
- 62. Doctor of Education
- 63. Car mechanics group
- 64. Autonomic nervous system
- 65. "The Partridge Family" actress

- 18. Keyboard key
- 20. Fat from a pig
- 22. AC manufacturer
- 27. Organization of N. and S. American countries
- 28. 22nd star of a constellation
- 29. Scoundrel
- 31. A way to save money
- 32. Boy or young man
- 33. Midway between northeast and east
- 37. Egg-laying mammal
- 38. Salt of citric acid
- 39. Barbary sheep
- 40. Actress \_\_\_ de Mornay
- 41. Gambling hotspots
- 42. Wing-shaped
- 43. Basked in
- 44. Poison
- 47. Beats per minute
- 48. Macaws
- 49. Military vehicles
- 51. Elderly woman
- 52. Body part
- 53. Midway between east and southeast
- 58. Forearm nerve (abbr.)

### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Cavalry-sword
- 2. Gland above the kidneys
- 3. Hat
- 4. Predict
- 5. A team's best pitcher
- 6. Countries
- 7. Substitutions
- 8. Peruses again
- 9. Popular food
- 13. Reciprocal of a sine
- 14. Of or relating to the ears
- 17. \_\_\_ juris: Independent

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## CAN DO SUDOKU!

On a scale from 1 to 10...4.9

Every row of 9 numbers must include all digits 1 through 9 in any order  
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### YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

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| <b>Thurs, Oct. 7</b><br>North Isle<br>H-58°/L-46°<br>Mostly Cloudy | <b>Fri, Oct. 8</b><br>North Isle<br>H-59°/L-45°<br>Cloudy | <b>Sat, Oct. 9</b><br>North Isle<br>H-55°/L-45°<br>Chance of Rain | <b>Sun, Oct. 10</b><br>North Isle<br>H-57°/L-45°<br>Mostly Cloudy | <b>Mon, Oct. 11</b><br>North Isle<br>H-59°/L-45°<br>Cloudy | <b>Tues, Oct. 12</b><br>North Isle<br>H-59°/L-45°<br>Mostly Cloudy | <b>Wed, Oct. 13</b><br>North Isle<br>H-58°/L-45°<br>Cloudy and Windy |
| South Isle<br>H-58°/L-46°<br>Mostly Cloudy                         | South Isle<br>H-57°/L-44°<br>Cloudy                       | South Isle<br>H-56°/L-44°<br>Chance of Rain                       | South Isle<br>H-57°/L-45°<br>Mixed Clouds and Sun                 | South Isle<br>H-58°/L-45°<br>Cloudy                        | South Isle<br>H-60°/L-47°<br>Mostly Cloudy                         | South Isle<br>H-57°/L-46°<br>Cloudy                                  |



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On September 13, Tracy Wood, applicant for a new FM broadcast station on the frequency of 101.1, Coupeville, Washington, filed an application with the Federal Communications Commission for a permit to construct a new station. Members of the public wishing to view this application or obtain information about how to file comments and petitions on the matter can visit: <https://enterpriseefiling.fcc.gov/dataentry/views/public/fmDraftCopy?displayType=html&appKey=25076ff37b9e5696017ba1a294e101e0&id=25076ff37b9e5696017ba1a294e101e0&goBack=N>; or reference file number 0000159169 using the FCC LMS Search Page: <https://enterpriseefiling.fcc.gov/dataentry/public/tv/publicAppSearch.html>

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

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 Islands. 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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range of audiences, including K-12 students and adults; Coordinates, facilitates and promotes agriculturally-focused farmer events; Develops and designs web and social media campaigns; Develops, shoots and edits educational, engaging videos; Develops and maintains strong relationships with community partners and organizations to support outreach opportunities, ensure program relevance and forge new partnerships; Generates reports and social media content as requested; Assists staff with information requests as needed; Must be available to work occasional evenings and weekends; Performs other reasonable duties as assigned by District Manager. ESSENTIAL QUALIFICATIONS: Bachelor's degree in education and/or conservation-related sciences; Minimum of two years of informal or formal educator experience. Experience teaching science is preferred; Demonstrated understanding, experience or education in agriculture, natural resource science or environmental science; Professional knowledge of the principles and techniques used in educational programming and community outreach; Experience in shooting video footage and editing videos; Excellent public speaking and interpersonal skills with a demonstrated ability to interact and communicate with diverse individuals, co-workers, and groups; Superb written communication skills with attention to accuracy, detail, and succinctness specifically with reports, social media, and email correspondence; Strong creative, organizational, and time-management skills; Proficiency in Microsoft Office suite of programs (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, etc.). Working knowledge of Smartsheet is a plus; Working knowledge of website development and

maintenance, and social media; Working knowledge of email marketing software such as Constant Contact; Basic understanding of Adobe suite of programs (Acrobat, InDesign, etc.); Possess a valid driver's license and a personal vehicle available for work travel (with mileage reimbursement). DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS: Acquainted with Whidbey Island's natural resources and/or local agriculture; Working understanding of Whidbey Island natural resource issues and key stakeholders; Experience of working on farms similar to those on Whidbey Island; Knowledge of WA State Conservation Commission and USDA NRCS programs and conservation planning processes; Familiar with conservation-related best management practices; Fluency in Spanish a plus. WORK ENVIRONMENT: Standard office environment with occasional work offsite and outdoors; Significant telephone and computer work (repetitive movement – typing); Frequent sitting, standing, walking on uneven ground, working outside in inclement weather, bending, and occasional lifting of moderate loads (up to 50 lbs). The incumbent must be able to perform each requirement of the position as outlined in the job description. Essential Qualifications are representative and are essential for satisfactory job performance. The Work Environment characteristics are representative of those that may be encountered while on the job. COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS: Range: \$22-\$25/hour. For this position, WICD provides prorated medical, dental, and vision insurance; a Simple Retirement plan (WICD is not part of the WA State Public Employees Retirement System – PERS); and 11 paid holidays per year. WORK SCHEDULE:

24 hours per week with occasional evening and/or weekend work. APPLICATION PROCEDURE: Please submit cover letter, fillable application (available at the WICD website [www.whidbeycd.org](http://www.whidbeycd.org)), and resume to [tomichelle@whidbeycd.org](mailto:tomichelle@whidbeycd.org); subject line: Natural Resource Educator. Three professional references will be required and contacted if applicant is selected for an interview. Position will remain open until filled. ABOUT US: The Whidbey Island Conservation District (WICD) was established in 1967 to assist landowners on Whidbey Island with conservation of natural resources. The District is a legal subdivision of the Washington State government organized under "Conservation District Law," RCW Chapter 89.08. Conservation districts are non-regulatory, thus landowner engagement is voluntary and incentive-based. WICD employees are recognized for their ability to assist the Whidbey Island community with a high level of professionalism and expertise. WICD is an Equal Opportunity Employer (0) Island Transit is Hiring! If you are looking for a solid career with great pay and benefits including two retirement plans, we are hiring. Visit [www.islandtransit.org/employment](http://www.islandtransit.org/employment) to apply. Island Transit is a drug and alcohol free workplace and an equal employment opportunity employer.

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By Kae Harris

With fall ushering in the wet, windy weather, it's important to make sure your home or place of business looks its best and keeps the elements at bay in its own way. What better way to do this than ensure your gutters are clear of clogs and the water flow around your abode is good to go? Let Crystal Clean Windows and More LLC do the draining on your gutters.

Crystal Clean owner Jason Leman offers only top tier services to his valued customers. Removing backups and clogs from gutters means home and business owners avoid the potential pitfalls gunked up gutters can cause. From backups and overflows to flooding and foundation damage, if left to its own devices, a gutter that can't drain properly can cause extensive damage and costly repairs down the road. By calling Crystal Clean Windows and More to clean out those clogs and get your gutters grooving again, you're steering clear of myriad problems. Let Jason's team "sweep your gutters clear, just a few times a year" and you'll be thankful you did! If the cleaning isn't valuable in and of itself, Crystal Clean offers gutter whitening to give it a little something special, adding to the aesthetic appeal of your home or place of business – nothing but the best services for Crystal Clean's customers!

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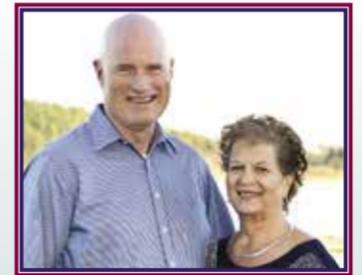
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