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**"Charley's Aunt" opens Friday p. 10**

## Join Relay for Life at the Blue Fox Saturday

By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

It is Relay for Life time! The North Puget Sound/Whidbey Island event will be held at the Blue Fox Drive-In Theater in Oak Harbor Saturday from 1 p.m. to 2 a.m., however, the gates will open at 11 a.m. and the GoKart track will be open for those who want to walk laps until 4 p.m. The opening ceremony will begin at 1 p.m.

This is a fundraising event and it will include games, food, fun, films and a chance to come together as a community to raise money for the American Cancer Society. There will also be a silent auction, gift bags for survivors and a Relay Store. Commemorative stars purchased in advance will be on display at the event.

The film, "Top Gun Maverick" will begin at approximately 9 p.m. and will be followed by the traditional luminaria ceremony. The second feature is "The Lost City."

Food concessions, tavern, arcade and GoKarts will be open and a portion of the proceeds will be donated back to the event. Teams will have four reserved parking spaces to set up fundraisers or camp. Participants are asked not to bring in outside food or beverage and to be mindful not to block anyone's view of the screen.

Email [relaywhidbey@gmail.com](mailto:relaywhidbey@gmail.com) for information or find them on Facebook at [facebook.com/whidbeyrelay](https://www.facebook.com/whidbeyrelay).

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Photo Courtesy of American Cancer Society

Relay For Life North Puget Sound will take place Saturday at the Blue Fox Drive-In in Oak Harbor. Gates open at 11, opening ceremony starts at 6 p.m.

### How it started:

*Courtesy of the American Cancer Society*

One person can make a difference. In May 1985, Dr. Gordon "Gordy" Klatt walked and ran for 24 hours around a track in Tacoma, Washington, raising money to help the American Cancer Society with the nation's biggest health concern: cancer.

Gordy spent a grueling 24 hours circling the track at the University of Puget Sound. Friends, family, and patients watched and supported him as he walked and ran more than 83.6 miles and raised \$27,000 through pledges to help save lives from cancer. As he circled the track, he thought of how he could get others to take part. He envisioned having teams participate in a 24-hour fundraising event. The next year, 19 teams were part of the first Relay For Life event at the historical Stadium Bowl and raised \$33,000.

After previously battling stomach cancer, Gordy passed away from heart failure on Aug. 3, 2014 at the age of 71. But his legacy lives on. He shaped an idea that started as one man walking and running a track and helped turn it into a global fundraising phenomenon.

### The Luminaria

One of the most touching parts of any Relay For Life event is the Luminaria Ceremony. These homemade paper lanterns are decorated with names of loved ones – in honor of or in remembrance of a life touched by cancer. These tributes are lit up after dark and accompanied by a moment of silence in honor of those being honored.

## New mural celebrates Oak Harbor's best

By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

Those of us cruising along SE Pioneer Way heading into historic downtown Oak Harbor may have noticed a new mural gracing the side of Riverside Café.

This new work of art was created by local artist Timothy Haslet shortly before Memorial Day weekend. His work, mainly landscapes, can be seen at Penn Cove Gallery in Coupeville and at local events such as the Oak Harbor Music Festival and the Anacortes Arts Festival. It is only in the last year or so Haslet has added Navy planes to his repertoire.

"I'm not sure if it's me reaching into a boyhood fascination of all things fast and powerful, or if

it just simply falls in line with the motion and bold color of my landscapes (many of which I have blurred with my hands or a rag)," he said. "Maybe it's a bit of both."

Haslet said as he was processing this new direction in his art, conflict over jet noise within the Whidbey community occupied a great deal of his thoughts.

"A question came to me that I knew I needed to solve: What would a picture of 'the best of both worlds' look like?" he said. "And who are we, as a community, and where are we going? Can we create artwork that could be a bridge between the two? I have been inspired by fellow artist Makoto Fujimura and his writings on what he

calls 'culture care.' Artists, who often themselves feel like they don't belong anywhere, have a calling to create 'generative' (not destructive) works, and at their best, have a knack for bringing people together."

The mural project came about after a discussion with the founder of a local, artistic nonprofit.

"I shared my dream of this vision of 'the best of both worlds' with Therese Kingsbury, of Rogue One Guerilla Arts Network last October, I think it was, and things started falling into place quite rapidly," Haslet described. "What better way to display this concept than as a 'Welcome to Oak Harbor' mural? So, in effect, the vision fit the need."

"He showed me this idea and I got really excited," said Kingsbury. "I showed the [building] owner, who said yes. This was more or less an opportunity to put legitimate art on a wall, not just a mural. Timothy is a rising star in our community and on our island. He's also one of the nicest humans on the planet, so this opportunity for him to expose his art to everyone is perfect timing for his trajectory."

Haslet, who has lived on Whidbey Island for 21 years, grew up in the Seattle area and holds a bachelor's degree in art – drawing, painting and printmaking – from Whitworth University. He said he has always had an interest in art.

"I was raised taking art lessons and going to children's theater in Seattle, which grew in me a sense of wonder and also gave me an early confidence while creating," he shared. "Many of my family members are also artists and art teachers, so it's pretty clear that this is something that I was designed to do."



Photo Courtesy of Therese Kingsbury

Whidbey Island artist Timothy Haslet stands in front of his newly painted mural in downtown Oak Harbor. The new work of art is based on one of Haslet's paintings and replaces the former "Welcome to Oak Harbor" mural which is believed to have been there since the 1970s.

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With Jim Freeman



Once again, here is free humor from free unknown sources. Thank you, Ma and Pa Web.

### AGING QUOTES

"To get back to my youth I would do anything in the world, except exercise, get up early, or be respectable." ~ Oscar Wilde

"Inside every older person is a younger person wondering what happened." ~ Jennifer Yane

"Old age is like a plane flying through a storm. Once you are aboard there is nothing you can do about it." ~ Golda Meir

"The older I get, the more clearly I remember things that never happened." ~ Mark Twain

"Always be nice to your children because they are the ones who will choose your retirement home." ~ Phyllis Diller

"I'm at that age where my back goes out more than I do." ~ Phyllis Diller

"Middle age is when you're sitting at home on a Saturday night and the telephone rings and you hope it isn't for you." ~ Ogden Nash

"I have successfully completed the 30-year transition from wanting to stay up late to just wanting to go to bed." ~ Unknown

"Nobody expects to trust his body much after the age of 50." ~ Alexander Hamilton

"At age 20, we worry about what others think of us... at age 40, we don't care what they think of us... at age 60, we discover they haven't been thinking of us at all." ~ Ann Landers

"As you get older, three things happen. The first is your memory goes, and I can't remember the other two." ~ Sir Norman Wisdom

"The older I get, the better I used to be." ~ Lee Trevino

"I was thinking about how people seem to read the bible a lot more as they get older, and then it dawned on me - they're cramming for their final exam." ~ George Carlin

"I don't feel old. I don't feel anything until noon. Then it's time for my nap." ~ Bob Hope

"I don't do alcohol anymore - I get the same effect just standing up fast." ~ Anonymous

"By the time you're 80 years old you've learned everything. You only have to remember it." ~ George Burns

"I have reached an age when, if someone tells me to wear socks, I don't have to." ~ Albert Einstein

"You know you are getting old when everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work." ~ Hy Gardner

"When your friends begin to flatter you on how young you look, it's a sure sign you're getting old." ~ Mark Twain

"You know you are getting old when everything either dries up or leaks." ~ Joel Plaskett

"At my age 'getting lucky' means walking into a room and remembering what I came in for." ~ Unknown

"You know you're getting old when you stoop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else you could do while you're down there." ~ George Burns

"People ask me what I'd most appreciate getting for my eighty-seventh birthday. I tell them, a paternity suit." ~ George Burns

### Did you know?

I sure did not. Some of these factoids are hard to believe. Why check for accuracy and be disappointed?

A dime has 118 ridges around the edge.

A cat has 32 muscles in each ear.

A crocodile cannot stick out its tongue.

A dragonfly has a life span of 24 hours.

A goldfish has a memory span of three seconds.

A "jiffy" is an actual unit of time for 1/100th of a second.

A shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.

A snail can sleep for three years.

Al Capone's business card said he was a used furniture dealer.

All 50 states are listed across the top of the Lincoln Memorial on the back of the \$5 bill.

Almonds are a member of the peach family.

An ostrich's eye is bigger than its brain.

Babies are born without kneecaps. They don't appear until the child reaches 2 to 6 years of age.

Butterflies taste with their feet.

Cats have over 100 vocal sounds. Dogs only have about 10.

"Dreamt" is the only English word that ends in the letters "MT."

February 1865 is the only month in recorded history not to have a full moon.

In the last 4,000 years, no new animals have been domesticated.

If the population of China walked past you, in single file, the line would never end because of the rate of reproduction.

If you are an average American, in your whole life, you will spend an average of six months waiting at red lights.

It's impossible to sneeze with your eyes open.

Leonardo Da Vinci invented the scissors.

Maine is the only state whose name is just one syllable.

No word in the English language rhymes with month, orange, silver, or purple.

Our eyes are always the same size from birth, but our nose and ears never stop growing.

Peanuts are one of the ingredients of dynamite.

Rubber bands last longer when refrigerated.

"Stewardesses" is the longest word typed with only the left hand and "lollipop" with your right.

The average person's left hand does 56 percent of the typing.

The cruise liner, QE2, moves only six inches for each gallon of diesel it burns.

The microwave was invented after a researcher walked by a radar tube and a chocolate bar melted in his pocket.

The sentence: "The quick brown fox jumps over the lazy dog" uses every letter of the alphabet.

The winter of 1932 was so cold that Niagara Falls froze completely solid.

The words 'racecar,' 'kayak' and 'level' are the same whether they are read left to right or right to left (palindromes).

There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.

There are more chickens than people in the world.

There are only four words in the English language which end in "dous": tremendous, horrendous, stupendous, and hazardous.

There are two words in the English language that have all five vowels in order: "abstemious" and "facetious."

There's no Betty Rubble in Flintstones Chewables Vitamins.

Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur.

TYPEWRITER is the longest word that can be made using the letters only on one row of the keyboard.

Winston Churchill was born in a ladies' room during a dance.

Women blink nearly twice as much as men.

### Forks prose

I was pouring myself a beer from a can that at a glance looks like it did 100 years ago. Except completely different. Steel cans. Cool kids carried a church key and really cool kids crushed cans one handed.

A huge part of growing up in America. Like drive in theaters. Pre TV Saturday Matinees on Main streets across America. It ain't plagiarism. It's a shared heritage.

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# Bits & Pieces

## Letters to the Editor

Editor,

On behalf of the board and volunteers of THINC (Tiny Houses in the Name of Christ) thanks to the musicians Doug Roraback, Karl, Vern and Deb Olsen, David Locke and everyone who turned out for the first Tiny (Open) House May 22. We proudly hosted tours of our first 'living wage' tiny house in the Tiny House community in Langley. We owe a debt of gratitude to Tiny House sponsors (Hansons Building Supplies, Segos Design Center, Bayview Appliance Store, Pacific Windows and Doors, Garrett Plumbing, Imburgia Electric, Madsen Excavating) and to new and old financial donors who are building the nine tiny houses and their community hub. With livable wage housing in very short supply on Whidbey, we're proud we've come this far. If you can help financially with a donation or volunteer your time to make more houses available, we invite you to visit us at [www.thincwhidbey.com](http://www.thincwhidbey.com) to find out more.

Coyla Shepard  
Founder of THINC

Editor,

### My experience with Island County Government

I have recently become interested in our local politics as a result of the Whidbey Homeless Coalition and the Island County Commissioners' efforts to establish an "emergency night to night shelter" for the homeless at SR 20 and Morris Road, three miles south of Coupeville.

As such, I have attended multiple Island County Commissioners meetings, with the goal of informing them of not only my concerns and questions regarding this project, but the concerns and questions of many of my neighbors and other taxpayers who have awoken to what is being orchestrated by the county commissioners.

The commissioners apparently believe they are duly anointed masters (or in this case, mistresses) of their own little universe ...and answer to no one. The citizens' only option is to vote them out at the next election cycle, in the wake of their, in my opinion, misguided decisions and actions.

As an example, the commissioners were, in the opinion of many, in breach of their fiduciary responsibilities to the taxpayers of Island County when they acted as a payment conduit for a \$415,000 grant from the Washington State Department of Commerce, whereby the funds were directly deposited by the county into the purchase escrow account for the acquisition of the property at 331 W Morris Road by the Whidbey Homeless Coalition. It seems this was a pre-planned action that was undertaken in connection with a written independent contractor agreement, dated 11/1/20, between the county and the Whidbey Homeless Coalition, with only the minimal condition that certain vague emergency overnight shelter services be provided on this property for a period of 10 years. No provision was made for title to the property to be held by the county, or for the property to revert back to the county if the Whidbey Homeless Coalition ceased operations, (which does happen with charitable entities), or if the Homeless Coalition breached the contract or otherwise failed to comply with the provisions of their contract with the county. Instead of using this grant money to acquire a suitable property that could ultimately have been used for a homeless shelter AND THEN LEASED back to the Homeless Coalition for a nominal sum on a long term basis, the county commissioners have created a real and substantial risk that the grant funds may be lost, as well as the property. As things now stand, the county has NO CONTROL OR RIGHTS WHATSOEVER with respect to either grant funds or the property that was purchased with the grant funds!

Also, regardless of where the homeless shelter is eventually located, the commissioners have failed to consider, much less enact, appropriate, comprehensive and common-sense "conditions of use," that take into account not only the welfare and well-being of the homeless, but also the rights of taxpaying neighbors and businesses. Such common-sense "conditions of use" have been considered and put into place by other jurisdictions, such as the City of Bellevue in its Municipal Code.

It is my hope, that through awareness and involvement, and by shining a light on the actions (or inactions) of the commissioners, we can prevail upon the commissioners to be more responsive and accountable to the citizens and taxpayers of Island County, whom they are supposed to serve.

Michael Thorpe  
Coupeville, Wash.

Editor,

A Tribute to: Nevaeh, Jacklyn, Makenna, Jose, Eliana, Uziyah, Amerie, Xavier, Jayce, Tess, Miranda, Alithia, Annabell, Maite,

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There is nothing we can say to you. "Thoughts and prayers" just doesn't cut it anymore. The statistics are out there for everyone to see. The blame game will continue back and forth to pit us against each other so NOTHING will be done until the REPEAT BUTTON is hit again. We are a sad, sad nation of apathetic people with a culture headed toward autocracy, anarchy, despicable values, extreme selfishness of "my individual rights," white nationalism, white supremacy, Christian nationalism, greed, power, and hate.

Rest in Peace, dear HEROES, knowing you will be welcoming more HEROES because of egregious obstructionism and willfully blind stupidity. Rest in Peace in the eternal arms of Love. You will be honored and remembered.

Charlene Davenport  
Clinton, Wash.

Editor,

Because many have theories, allow me to offer mine. It is the publicity that plays a critical role in school or any mass shootings.

Some individuals get fascinated with the thought of killing and it does not matter who and the consequences are not important or not considered. The gunman will be famous. That is what the shooter craves, whether he survives or is punished is of no concern.

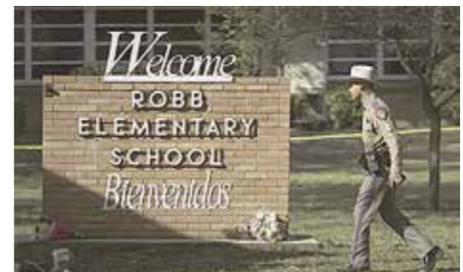
Chilling is the statement made by the Texas killer, "It is time to die," or words to that effect.

Such horrific tragedies, it would be challenging to not give the story publicity, but that may be the answer. With such events, it plants the seed in the minds of a few.

Of course, with every shooting, the anti-gun people chant "take the guns away." Remember, a gun does not pull its own trigger. That takes a person!

Joseph C. Coomer  
Oak Harbor, Wash.

### Cards of Love



Friday, June 3, please join in writing and sending cards of love, sympathy and care to the families of the shooting victims of Uvalde, Texas.

The names and pictures of each precious person killed will be displayed, along with cards for you to choose from, with tables and chairs set up.

All of the cards will be sent to Uvalde.

If you would like to use your own cards, please do so and they will also be mailed off. If you would like to drop off any blank sympathy, care or love cards, that would be appreciated.

Please, let's show these families we care and love every single one of the 19 children and the two teachers who tragically lost their lives. Only words of love and care!

Stop by Hair Happenings, 285 NE Midway Blvd. Suite 1 in Oak Harbor, from 12:00 to 6:00PM Friday, June 3.

[Submitted by Kim Welch, Hair Happenings]

### Shipwreck Shores Splash Park Opens for the Summer Season at Windjammer Park

The City of Oak Harbor Public Works Parks Division opened Shipwreck Shores Splash Park Friday, May 27 to kick off the summer season.

Shipwreck Shores will remain open throughout the summer, seven days a week, between 10:00AM and 6:00PM.

The splash park includes new features to conserve water by providing push pads to activate the water. The push pads are

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ten-inch circular, yellow, raised activation pads located throughout the water feature. However, the water flowing through the lazy river and three fountains about half-way up the river, will operate automatically for three minutes, every 15 minutes during the hours of operation.

In April, the Public Works Water Division installed a sub-meter to track water use. Public Works staff will read the meter monthly to establish an annual water usage record for budgeting purposes.

Find more details and Splash Park rules at [www.oakharbor.org/shipwreckshores](http://www.oakharbor.org/shipwreckshores).

[Submitted by Sabrina Combs, Communications/IT Manager, City of Oak Harbor]

### 24th Annual Chum Run

The 24th annual Chum Run will be held Sunday, June 26 at South Whidbey Community Park's forested trails off Maxwellton Road. Participants are welcome to walk or run as they please. There will also be a free kids "Fry Run." Children must be accompanied by an adult for the Fry Run.

The race is an all-inclusive family event that is fun for all, from the bouncing kiddo to the fervent runner. Prizes will be handed out to the first three finishers in the male, female, high school and middle school categories. All participants get a 24th annual Chum Run T-shirt at the end of the race.

Proceeds from the event will support the Healthy Island Youth Initiative (HIYI) Scholarship Program and South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District. The scholarship program provides Island County youth, whose families may find the cost of activities a barrier to participation, with funds to participate in active programs such as soccer, baseball, dance classes, swim lessons, etc.

Race registration is scheduled for 8:00 to 9:30AM, with the Chum Run slated to begin at 10:00AM, the Fry Run at 10:45AM, and the

awards ceremony at 11:00AM. Registration fees are \$30 by June 21 and day-of registration costs \$35.

Volunteers are still being sought for the event! Those interested in volunteering can visit [www.swparks.org/chum-run](http://www.swparks.org/chum-run) or contact Skye Dunn at [recreation@whidbey.com](mailto:recreation@whidbey.com) or 360-221-6788 for more information.

[Submitted by Elizabeth Dickman]

### Whidbey SAR Conducts Two Rescues Over Weekend



A NAS Whidbey Island SAR crewmember moves into position during a rappel to rescue a 20-year-old stranded on a rock in the Entiat River May 22. Official Navy photo

A Search and Rescue (SAR) team from Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island supported a ground team with an injured hiker on Mount Teneriffe in the Cascade Mountains Saturday, May 21, and rescued a 20-year-old man from the Entiat River Sunday, May 22.

The first patient, a 50-year-old male hiker, had fallen 250 feet down a slope then another 40 feet off a cliff Saturday, suffering a broken femur and head injuries. A ground rescue team was able to reach the hiker in the evening, but their prog-

ress down the mountain was slow in the difficult terrain, having taken two-and-a-half hours to go one mile. The Air Force Rescue Coordination Center requested NAS Whidbey Island SAR team support and the SAR helicopter launched a little after 11:00PM.

The SAR crew found the ground rescue team at approximately 2,600 feet along the Kamikaze Trail and two crew members executed a 200-foot rappel onto the 45- to 50-degree slope to prepare the patient for a hoist. Once the patient was hoisted on board, he was flown to Harborview Medical Center, where they landed at about half past midnight.

The next evening, around 6:00PM, the SAR crew received an alert for rescue assistance for a 20-year-old man clinging to a rock in the middle of the Entiat River at Lake Creek Campground. The Chelan County Sheriff's Office was on the scene following an alert from the campground for the young man and a 14-year-old girl who had reportedly been washed away. Close to 40 personnel representing several agencies responded to the scene. NAS Whidbey Island's SAR team successfully hoisted the young man from the rock he clung to and dropped him off at a waiting ambulance from Ballard. The teenage girl was pronounced dead at the scene after rescuers were able to reach her.

Naval Air Station Whidbey Island SAR has conducted 14 missions this calendar year, which includes eight MEDEVACs, four rescues, and two searches.

The Navy SAR unit operates three MH-60S helicopters from NAS Whidbey Island as search and rescue/medical evacuation (SAR/MEDEVAC) platforms for the EA-18G aircraft as well as other squadrons and personnel assigned to the installation. Pursuant to the National SAR Plan of the United States, the unit may also be used for civil SAR/MEDEVAC needs to the fullest extent practicable on a non-inter-

ference 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]

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The Whidbey Camano Land Trust has completed the most expensive acquisition in its history, protecting 226 acres of amazing coastal farm and forest on Admiralty Bay near Coupeville. The property, to be known as the Keystone Farm and Forest Preserve, includes two-thirds of a mile of shoreline, 175 acres of forest, and one of the oldest farms on Whidbey Island. It has long been a Land Trust conservation priority, but its protection became urgent last December when it was placed on the market to be sold for high-end homesite development.

"I am so proud of what the Land Trust was

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# What's Going On

### Rummage Sale

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Saturday, June 4, 9:00AM-3:00PM

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Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Island County is hosting a rummage sale. Your donation of gently used items will benefit life-changing programs which benefit youth in Island County. Donations will be accepted through June 2. For more information, visit [Bbbsislandcounty.org](http://Bbbsislandcounty.org).

### Live Music: Four

Friday, June 3, 6:00-9:00PM

Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville

Four is a newly formed Whidbey Island jazz combo that plays swing, blues, and bossa nova. Drawing from the Great American Jazz Songbook, Four covers familiar finger snapping, toe tapping, knee slapping tunes to get you in the mood to dance or chill to a laid back groove. The group features Frederick Bryan on keyboard, Don Wodjenski on sax, Baz Stevens on bass, and Bruce Towne on drums. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit [www.penncovebrewing.com](http://www.penncovebrewing.com).

### Charley's Aunt

Fridays, June 3, 10, & 17, 7:30PM

Saturdays, June 4, 11, & 18, 7:30PM

Sundays, June 5, 12, & 19, 2:30PM

Tickets: \$18

Jack loves Kitty and Charley loves Amy, but they have difficulty expressing their love. To see the ladies in person, they invite them to a luncheon in order to meet Charley's wealthy aunt from Brazil. However, when she cancels her visit at the last minute, the boys are sent into cataclysmic confusion. What do they do now? Come enjoy this hilarious farce that will have you in stitches! For tickets or more information, call 360-679-2237 or visit [www.whidbeyplayhouse.com](http://www.whidbeyplayhouse.com). Whidbey Playhouse is located at 730 SE Midway Blvd.

### Marine Swap Meet

Saturday, June 4, 10:00AM-2:00PM

Oak Harbor Yacht Club, 1301 SE Catalina Dr.

A marine swap meet co-sponsored by America's Boating Club of Deception Pass and Oak Harbor Yacht Club. The meet will feature nautical hardware, boat gear and other marine-related second-hand items. The public is invited to buy, sell or swap. Also for sale will be crab pots, clean and inspected with complete rigging, with prices starting at \$25.

There is no charge for anyone interested in selling their second-hand marine items, but no professional vendors are allowed.

Each seller will receive some space and will need to bring their own setup materials such as tarps, tents and tables. None will be provided. Setup starts at 9:30AM and the parking lot must be vacated by 2:30PM. The sponsors do not provide payment systems, and there is no Wi-Fi on site. Vendors must bring their own change and decide on their own credit card or check policies. For more information, contact Shawn Haugen at 360-632-6181 or Ralph Morales at 360-929-1991.

### Live Music: The Secrets

Saturday, June 4, 6:00PM

Penn Cove Taproom, Freeland

"The Secrets" is a band of Whidbey Island musicians playing original and select cover songs with David Licastro on vocals/lead guitar, David Malony on drums/percussion and Alicia Elliott on vocals/rhythm guitar. Its style is Indie acoustic, a bit of rock and a dash of country. (Think "Civil Wars" or "Robert Plant/Alison Krauss" vibe.) No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit [www.penncovebrewing.com](http://www.penncovebrewing.com).

### Community Garage Sale

Saturday, June 4, 8:00AM-2:00PM

The Center, 51 SE Jerome St, Oak Harbor

The Center in Oak Harbor hosts its annual indoor sale, featuring number of your neighbors, selling treasures for everyone. [Oakharbor.org/sr-svcs](http://Oakharbor.org/sr-svcs).

### Women Build 2022

Saturday, June 4, 8:30AM-3:00PM

Women Build is an opportunity for all genders to come together to build stronger, safer communities. Spend the day working alongside other volunteers and staff as you help perform critical repairs at Whispering Pines Cooperative. These homes need your help to ensure the homeowners' safety.

There will be a variety of projects to work on, including building ramps and steps, repairing walls, painting and more. No experience is necessary, Habitat for Humanity will teach you everything you need to know and provide all the tools and materials. Each participant is asked to make a minimum \$25 donation, which will entitle you to a commemorative T-shirt and lunch.

### Sports Physical Night

Wednesday, June 8, 5:00-7:00PM

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able to achieve in such a short time," said Sally King, Land Trust board member. "The large scale of the purchase, proximity to other protected lands, diversity of habitats, opportunities for ecological restoration and potential for education and public access make the acquisition extraordinary in many ways."

Future plans include restoration of the shoreline by removing a bulkhead, planting native buffers, reforestation, and re-establishing a creek to improve habitat for salmon, birds and other wildlife, King said.

The Keystone Preserve also will create abundant possibilities for partnerships and public enjoyment, including a fantastic new beach access opportunity that could be open in 2024. Forest and shoreline restoration work will increase climate resilience and enhance marine and terrestrial wildlife habitat on the property. It also will allow establishment of a forest trail system.

The Land Trust is partnering with Whidbey Island's Organic Farm School to manage the historic farm, using regenerative agricultural practices to build soil health, sequester carbon, and help ensure a vibrant and nutritious local food supply. Partnerships with local schools for outdoor education also will be sought.

"The excitement of this opportunity to engage a new generation of farmers in a regenerative manner on land that has been in agriculture for so long is eclipsed only by our excitement about working collaboratively with the Whidbey Camano Land Trust," said Judy Feldman, Organic Farm School executive director. "We know environmental stewardship goes hand-in-hand with regenerative agriculture. This new project will allow us to demonstrate it not only for Whidbey residents, but for all who visit."

The Land Trust acquired the property using \$6.5 million in funding from a generous private donor and Craft3, a regional nonprofit that provides bridge loans to help land trusts complete conservation projects prior to raising funds or securing grants. The Whidbey Island project is one of Craft3's largest-ever land conservation transactions, which have protected more than 33,000 acres in the Pacific Northwest. "I'm thrilled we were able to use this tool to protect this critical habitat and agriculture resource from development on Whidbey Island," said Erika Lindholm, Craft 3 senior business lender. "This project will create ecological and social value for generations to come and we are honored to be a part."

The Land Trust is thankful to its many members for their support that makes projects like this happen. "We're thrilled to have kept Keystone Preserve from being developed so all can enjoy the property in the future," said Ryan Elting, Land Trust conservation director. "But the property won't truly be permanently protected until we've repaid our bridge loans." The Land Trust will pursue grants, Navy funds, and community fundraising for that purpose.

Land Trust members should watch in coming months for chances to visit Keystone Preserve and help with restoration efforts. There's lots to be done before the preserve will be ready for a grand opening.

By partnering with willing landowners and the broader community, the Whidbey Camano Land Trust works to preserve, protect and expand healthy, diverse and connected natural areas, public parks and family farms. Its work benefits climate resiliency, clean air and water, safe local food, refuges for fish and wildlife and provides places for people to connect with nature. Smart conservation also helps our local economy by attracting new people and businesses to these treasured islands. For more information, visit [www.wclt.org](http://www.wclt.org) or call 360-222-3310.

[Submitted by Haley Viers, Communications Specialist, Whidbey Camano Land Trust]

**Local Business News**

**Stephanie Streitler Appointed District Branch Manager at Peoples Bank**

Peoples Bank announced the appointment of Stephanie Streitler to Vice President, District Branch Manager. In this role, Stephanie will oversee Peoples Bank's retail strategy across its branch locations in Island County and Anacortes. Stephanie joins Peoples Bank with 18 years in the financial services industry and has lived in Island County for the last 38 years.

"I'm thrilled to bring Stephanie's leadership and expertise to Peoples Bank," said outgoing District Branch Manager Mark Mouw, who is retiring after 18 years of

service with Peoples Bank. "Her industry knowledge and established local relationships will greatly benefit our customers, employees, and surrounding community."

Stephanie has served on multiple boards and is involved with numerous organizations in Island County. She was a member of Hearts and Hammers of Island County for six years. She currently sits on the Board of the Coupeville Booster Club and the Board of the Coupeville Senior Class of 2022.

"I truly care about my customers and am passionate about the community in which I live and work," said Stephanie. "I have the best interest of my clients in mind with everything I do."

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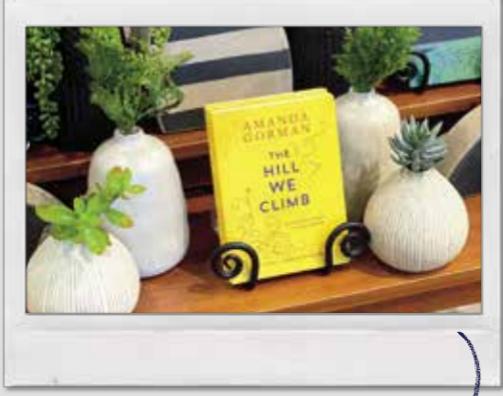
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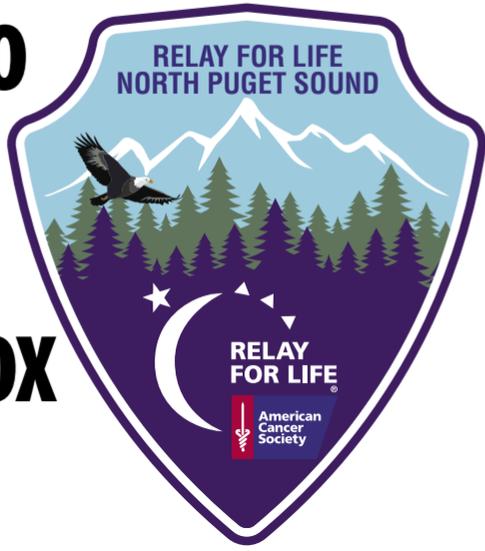


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  - 1 p.m. Opening Ceremony at GoKart track; Cancer Survivor Lap
  - 1-6 p.m. Luminaria sales
  - 1-8 p.m. Silent Auction open (Sponsored by CHH Warriors)
  - 1-8 p.m. Scavenger Hunt (look on back for list of items)
  - 3 p.m. regular paid admission begins
  - 4 p.m. GoKarts available for use on track
  - 7:00 p.m. Second Annual RFL GoKart Challenge at track (go to the Information Booth to Enter)
    - \$20 entry fee
    - trophy and \$50 cash prize to the winner
  - Dusk (approximately 9:30 p.m.) “Top Gun Maverick”
  - About 10:30 p.m. Intermission and Luminaria Ceremony
  - As the slide show honoring those who have had cancer plays on the big screen, we invite you to join us in walking a lap on the GoKart track in honor of those you have known with cancer
  - About 11 p.m. “Lost City”

Relay For Life Information Booth and Silent Auction in front of the main concession stand

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- Scavenger Hunt** 1– 8 p.m.  
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| Relay For Life Bumper Sticker: 15 pts each         | Person Eating Curly Fries: 15 pts each      |
| Relay 2022 Star: 15 pts each                       | Blue Fox Bumper Sticker: 15 pts each        |
| Smiling Baby under one year of age: 20 pts         | Top Gun Hat: 20 pts (one only)              |
| Person Eating Steak Sandwich: 20 pts each          | Blue Fox 100 oz Really Big Mug: 20 pts each |
| Vanity License Plate: 20 pts each                  | Relay For Life Team Captain: 20 pts each    |
| Cassette Player in Dash: 30 pts each!              | Person in their jammies: 30 pts each        |
| Expired License Tab: 40 pts each!!                 | Blue Fox Mascot: 40 pts (one only)          |

**Rules:** Take a photo of each item and bring your finds to the Information Table at the main concession stand for a prize. Items may be repeated once and prizes are limited to one per person.

**Event Rules**  
All posted drive-in rules will please be respected and followed, including **no outside food or drink**  
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Relay For Life participants who arrive before 3 p.m. have free admission  
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Overnight guests are welcome, but expected to leave by 8:00 a.m. Saturday morning unless other arrangements are made with Blue Fox staff  
Please help keep the grounds clean!!

**Remember! Celebrate! Fight back!!**

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## Did You Know?

- According to the American Cancer Society, Relay For Life is one of the largest volunteer fundraising events in the world, with communities around the world raising money for more than 35 years.
- There are 1.7 million Relay For Life Participants around the world
- Volunteers with Relay For Life and Making Strides Against Breast Cancer have raised more than \$8 billion since 1985.
- The American Cancer Society has invested \$5 billion in research since 1946.
- One in three people will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime.
- There are 16.9 million cancer survivors alive today.

*\*Editor's Note: The following comments are excerpts from the "Faces of Relay" columns which ran in Whidbey Weekly in 2018 and 2019.*

## Why should YOU Relay?

"I don't know if I would use the word should. I don't want anyone to think they should be obligated, but if they did, just once, participate in a relay, they would see just how much it means to those who have fought and are fighting this disease every day. If they did that, I think they would feel the way most of us do...how could you not want to help?" – Ryan Neal/March, 2018

"I think everyone should participate. The more people that participate the sooner we as a people will find a cure. Also, why wouldn't you want to do something that is fun, helpful and a community event?" -Danny Monahan/April, 2018

"I believe that others should be a part of Relay because it's not just your family that this disease could affect. It could be your friends, colleagues, friend's family members, people in your community. This disease doesn't discriminate. This disease has somehow affected someone in your life, or someone in the life of someone you know." - Sarah Seelow/April, 2019

"It feels good to help your community, and frankly the world, fight this horrible disease. – Teresa Besaw/May, 2019

## For more information:

Learn more about the American Cancer Society's programs or make a donation at [cancer.org](http://cancer.org).

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This is not Haslet's first mural. He's done several, in fact. His first was one he did with his brother while they were in college for the exterior plywood walls of an eyeglass retailer at the Bellevue Square Mall. His next mural project was for Mailliard's Landing Nursery in Oak Harbor.

"I got to paint a wetland scene (complete with mallard ducks, dump truck and my first Prowler jet, a last day add-on)," he described. "This job was special because I know the owners and staff through my landscaping work, which also began around the time I moved to the island, and it was painted during the winter season when work can be harder to come by."

A black and white Allgire Project mural at the intersection of Dock Street and Pioneer Way came next, followed by a giant painting of Deception Pass for The House on Penn Cove, an AirBnB off Scenic Heights Road. Last November, Haslet painted three leaping orcas on the corner of a building at the Island County Transfer Station in Coupeville.

"Each project is a real thrill, complete with big vision, surprises and great stories to share," he said.

Next, Haslet will spend the week between Flag Day and Father's Day working on a mural of a PBY aircraft at the Navy Exchange on Naval Air Station Whidbey Island.

While Haslet said he loves working on a large scale, projects such as this latest mural are not without their challenges.

"Not only did I have to paint high up, but I was basically painting on top of a roof with a railing in between me and the surface, which makes it a couple of stories high on one side," Haslet said. "Our solution was using bungees on ladders and homemade brush extensions, which increased my reach another two or three feet. Some of it was rolled, but most of the paint was brushed on, which drew out the textured concrete surface among the layers."

Haslet said his style has been influenced by a number of artists. There's a hint of impressionism, which focuses on the play of light on objects, but also post-impressionism – he said



Photos Courtesy of Therese Kingsbury  
This series of photos shows the progression of work by Whidbey Island artist Timothy Haslet as he created a new mural on the side of Riverside Café in downtown Oak Harbor recently.

See MURAL continued on page 10



# Island 911

Seriously, we do not make this stuff up!

## THURSDAY, MAY 5

### 12:55 pm, Bells Beach Rd.

Reporting call; states prior propane company is refusing to pick up their tank so reporting party can have new company's tank installed.

## FRIDAY, MAY 6

### 6:49 pm, Cerullo Dr.

Caller states "Everybody is trying to unload their stuff on my property."

### 7:26 pm, SR 20

Reporting party advising subject in a Toyota Rav 4 is "going crazy;" stopped in middle of the road, got out and was waving his hands and pointing at reporting party. Reporting party advising subject tried to cut reporting party off.

## SATURDAY, MAY 7

### 9:51 am, North Bluff Rd.

Reporting party states heard 92.9 radio "Whidbey Island 911" and heard a case reporting party is associated to and realized she has a warrant. States doesn't want a call; states will turn herself in.

### 4:34 pm, Blakely Ave.

Reporting party states receiving weird texts from unknown number. Texts saying things like "You look good right now."

## SUNDAY, MAY 8

### 9:31 pm, Hamilton Dr.

Advising someone almost broke front window; now husband is chasing subject. Husband has a bat.

## MONDAY, MAY 9

### 7:15 pm, N Main St.

Advising subject who has restraining order against reporting party is at location taking reporting party's belongings.

## TUESDAY, MAY 10

### 2:25 am, SR 20

Advising friend is vomiting what looks like coffee grounds. 21-year-old, female, conscious, breathing.

### 8:12 am, Carl Ave.

Neighbor just threatened reporting party with a hoe. Just occurred.

### 10:31 am, SR 20

Male subject just approached reporting party; began to talk about Jesus and would not leave reporting party alone even when asked.

## THURSDAY, MAY 12

### 3:44 am, Pines Moon Way

States someone is on her front porch; line silent now, not responding to call-taker, buzzing sound heard. Caller now back on the line, now thinks she is mistaken.

### 1:48 pm, Stellar Ln.

Reporting party requesting check on animals at location. States Skagit law enforcement came to her mom's residence in Anacortes. Reporting party concerned bully may have made a false report against her and there may be a problem with her animals at location.

### 2:00 pm, Sandy Hook Dr.

Reporting party states group is trying to change bylaws for development in area of location. Wanting to create an off-leash area on the beach. Reporting party concerned for situations as beaches are privately owned. Requesting call.

### 2:12 pm, Goss Lake Rd.

Reporting party states automatic helicopters with remote controls have snipers on them. States law enforcement needs to go to the Huckleberry address. Wondering why law enforcement isn't responding

## FRIDAY, MAY 13

### 8:15 am, Keystone Ave.

Caller states her phone is not working and wanted to tell 9-1-1 that she was fine in case people worry about her. States her TV says her phone would be fixed in a few minutes but it's been 14.

### 9:21 am, White Deer Ln.

Reporting party states neighbor's hot tub is viewable from daughter's window and is requesting a call from a deputy to see if there is anything that can be done about it.

### 11:16 am, Stellar Ln.

Requesting wellness check on self to prove fit to keep animals; snakes and bearded dragon. Has not gone to work for two days to try to clear this.

### 12:36 pm, SR 525

Caller advising street lamp is leaning, light bulb missing.

### 1:19 pm, S Main St.

Advising of black SUV jeep into side of the building; driver still in vehicle. ICOM working on callout for building official for Coupeville.

### 2:05 pm, Humphrey Rd.

Reporting party states has an otter under his porch. Has pups. Now contained to garage. Caller transferred to WILDCOMM

### 2:17 pm, Cornet Bay Rd.

Subject in front of the RV park is yelling obscenities at passing motorists. At entrance off Cornet Bay Rd.

### 3:54 pm, Point View Walk

Party states derelict boat has been on the beach for two years. Hoping to get in contact with owner as to why. Oils may be leaking from the vessel from the engine, but nothing is leaking now.

### 4:27 pm, W Morris Rd.

Advising of vehicle parked at end of road; blue Subaru Crosstrek; subject masturbating in vehicle; showed reporting party naked woman on the phone. Was told to leave the area.

## SATURDAY, MAY 14

### 12:05 pm, SR 20

Advising male is trying to throw bike into traffic; all vehicles stopped; subject was standing and staring at vehicles.

### 12:09 pm, Stephen St.

Fed Ex driver advising is being followed by vehicle trying to start an altercation. No weapons seen.

### 7:38 pm, SR 20

Reporting party advising Jeep is running people off the road; older Jeep. Phone connection very poor.

### 11:19 pm, Spinnaker Dr.

Reporting party advising husband is having a break from reality; keeps going in and out of a "weird wonderland;" advising this has never happened before. Subject keeps going from crying to laughing, then describing where he is at.

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# “Charley’s Aunt” offers up comedic delight at Whidbey Playhouse

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Jack loves Kitty. Charley loves Amy. They long to propose to the women they love, but alas, there is no one who can properly chaperone the young ladies, as Charley’s aunt – a wealthy widow from Brazil – is unavailable. Enter Lord Fancourt Babberly, or “Babbs,” a friend to Jack and Charley. Jack and Charley somehow convince their college chum to impersonate Charley’s aunt, Donna Lucia D’Alvadorez. Meanwhile, Babbs is in love with Ela, the adopted niece of Donna Lucia. And Ela loves Babbs, despite the fact they have not seen each other in years.

This is only part of the tangled web of love interests on display in the Whidbey Playhouse production of the comedy “Charley’s Aunt,” opening Friday at 7:30 p.m. and running through Sunday, June 19.

The play, written by Brandon Thomas, takes place in England in the 1890s, when rules of etiquette and propriety were strictly observed to protect the reputation and honor of young women. The over-the-top lengths to which these characters are willing to go to declare their love were funny then and are still funny today.

“It’s a funny play. It’s all farce,” said director David Frazer. “Once you get past all the humor and all that, it’s all about love and how many indignities and how far would you go to find happiness in your life? It really spoke to me from the very beginning, because it’s such a simple play and yet it’s so funny. I love it.”

While the play was written 130 years ago, Frazer said he believes audiences will still find plenty with which to identify.

“Wanting love and proposing to your girls and working through your problems with them to try to come to an understanding still speaks today,” he said. “Love is love, doesn’t matter if it’s the 1890s or 2022.”

Frazer said the biggest challenge for this cast of 10 was having to shut rehearsals down for a week due to COVID. The next biggest challenge was to keep the cast from cracking themselves up.

“This cast has been wonderful to work with,” he said. “Part of the problem I had was getting them to stop laughing at the jokes, because the audience is supposed to laugh at the jokes, [they’re] not supposed to laugh. It just been a joy working with them.”

“The cast is really fun,” agreed Shelby Montoya, who plays Ela Delahay. “It’s probably the most fun cast I’ve ever been a part of. All of us are laughing all the time with each other. We had to eventually get to a point where we’re like, ‘We’re not allowed to joke anymore,’ because we were laughing in between every scene and we would laugh at the jokes onstage.”

“The show is very funny, at least from what we think,” said Cris Matochi, who plays Jack Chesney. “It was written beautifully. There are a lot of moments when characters talk to themselves on stage and so the audience has that chance of actually living a story with the characters and I think that’s very interesting.”

Matochi, who is originally from Brazil, said for him, the most difficult part of the production was the British accent.

“All the theater I’ve done before I’ve never actually had to have a British accent, so that to me, was probably the biggest challenge,” he said. “And also, I have so many lines, I’m on stage practically the whole time, so I have so many chunks of lines and trying to memorize them. But the British accent I think is probably the hardest for me. It’s probably going to sound hideous, but I’m trying my best.”



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Jack Chesney (Cris Matochi) spies on his father, Sir Frances Chesney (David Gibson), who tries to win the hand of Charley’s aunt (AJ Gibson), ignorant of the fact Jack’s friend Babbs (AJ Gibson) is impersonating the wealthy widow. The Whidbey Playhouse production of “Charley’s Aunt” opens Friday.



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Charley’s aunt, being impersonated by Lord Fancourt Babberly, shows his displeasure with the situation as his college friends Jack and Charley laugh at his discomfort, since his presence as Charley’s aunt provides the chaperone needed for them to see Amy and Kitty, the women they would like to marry. The play “Charley’s Aunt” is a complicated comedy of errors which opens Friday at the Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor. Pictured from left are Cris Matochi, AJ Gibson, Jared Bryant, Tina Magnoli and Shealyn Christie.

Accents aside, there are plenty of other interesting tidbits that add to the charm of “Charley’s Aunt,” including casting.

“You have both a father and a daughter and a father and a son in the cast,” Frazer said, referring to Shelby Montoya and her father, Matt, and David Gibson and his son, AJ. “It’s been a lot of fun watching them as they interact, not only with other cast members but with each other.”

David Gibson plays Sir Frances Chesney, father to Jack, who has convinced his friend Babbs to impersonate Charley’s aunt.

“I come to tell Jack our family fortunes were maybe not what we thought they were, that we may be struggling a little bit,” said Gibson. “[Jack] comes up with this idea that maybe I could marry this wealthy widow, Lucia D’Alvadorez, who is his friend Charley’s aunt. Things get confused because he enlists one of his other friends to impersonate Charley’s aunt and forgets he had talked to me about trying to marry her, so I end up proposing to his friend, disguised as Charley’s aunt... who in real life is my son.”

That brings us to Charley’s fake aunt, also known as Lord Fancourt Babberly, adeptly played by AJ Gibson. While he doesn’t exactly steal the scenes, it’s clear Babberly seems to relish his role as Charley’s aunt.

“[Babbs] actually does have a very kind and generous heart and you don’t really see that because a lot of times he’s just enjoying messing with everyone,” said AJ. “He’s not going to say it because he wants to act all reluctant about doing this entire thing, but he enjoys it. He’s having a bit of fun seducing all of these guys and being so favored by the girls and he enjoys watching his friends get all angry at him. He’s a fun character.”

It is the tongue-in-cheek-nature of Babbs’ portrayal of Charley’s aunt that adds to the humor of the show.

“Another thing about Lord Fancourt Babberly is, he’s never acted in his life before, so he’s supposed to be just terrible at acting like an old lady,” AJ said. “He’s mostly just acting like himself most of the time and I’ve adjusted that a little bit so I do seem a bit like an old lady, but for the most part, it just seems like a man in a dress in a wig. Which is precisely what makes the show so funny.”

Babbs’ character’s feminine wiles – or her imaginary millions – apparently do the trick, as two older gentlemen compete to win her affections.

“The thing that pricks up his interest is who she is, the world-famous millionairess from Brazil,” said Kevin Wm Meyer, who plays Stephen Spettigue, Amy’s uncle and Kitty’s guardian. “Everybody kind of likes to figure out a way to get more money and that’s his interest at the moment. So he throws a little grit in the oil of the gears that are turning, causing problems. Then there’s a little competition between he and Sir Frances Chesney, because they’re both trying to go after her millions. It’s just a fun character to play.”



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The real “Charley’s Aunt,” Donna Lucia D’Alvadorez (Sarah Gallella), left, is onto the scheme put in place by Jack and Charley to have their friend impersonate her, but she and her adopted niece, Ela Delahay (Shelby Montoya), decide to let the plan play out. The comedy opens Friday at Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor.

Jared Bryant, who plays Charley, said while audiences will certainly be able to relate to the show despite the time period in which it’s set, there are some ways in which art definitely does not imitate life.

“In my dating life, I do my best to tell my family literally nothing,” he laughed. “I want them to know as little as possible. It’s like the exact opposite of how it was back then.”

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday through June 19. Tickets are \$18. Information and tickets are available online at whidbeyplayhouse.com. Whidbey Playhouse is located at 730 SE Midway Blvd. in Oak Harbor.

Cast and crew encourage people to come out and enjoy the show.

“If you want a good laugh, a tonic for the state of affairs of today, if you want to give yourself a couple of hours of being able to escape and just have fun and laugh, this is the show,” said Frazer.

“It’s just so funny,” said Tina Magnoli, who plays Amy Spettigue. “There’s a lot of humor and jokes in the way things are said and brought up throughout the show, but there’s also a lot of physical comedy, too.”

“I really hope people will come and unplug themselves from technology and reality for a little bit and come in here and immerse themselves in this world that is the 1890s,” said Matochi. “I think it’s going to be something the community can relate to – the tenacity of the characters in trying to accomplish their goals.”

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to think Van Gogh, Cezanne and Gauguin – where there is more of an emphasis on edges and colors to better capture the mood of a painting. But his biggest influence, he said, is the cutting edge ‘Landscape Pop Art’ work by British artist David Hockney.

“Pop Art is accessible, and not elitist,” said Haslet. “We can instantly recognize familiar elements and scenes, and yet also take away with us more layers of meaning. I love how

people from many different walks of life can instantly connect with it. We live in a wonderfully diverse community, especially for our size, and we need art and public projects to reflect and honor this.”

Kingsbury said there is only one way to think of Haslet’s latest mural.

“This is a huge gift to Oak Harbor,” she said. “The last mural was there since the 70s, I’m told, so his painting could be there for decades to

come. Getting that quality of art on a wall in our town is almost as much of a miracle as the gift of being offered a sculpture from a world-renowned artist.”

Haslet said he hopes his work offers a sense of both joy and hope.

“When I first shared my dream to paint Navy planes with Whidbey landscapes on social media, I received from a couple of people associated with the Navy the message, ‘Thank

you for seeing us,’ and I was honored and honestly shocked,” he said. “I found that I had stumbled upon a segment of our community that hadn’t felt seen, recognized or heard. This mural is me saying to them, ‘I see you.’ I want everyone walking by this artwork to see the joy and hope in this piece and to walk a little taller and prouder as a result.”

Learn more about Timothy Haslet and his art at timothyhaslet.com.



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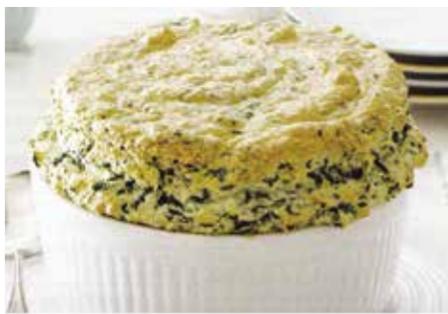
# Recipe of the Week

## A FUSION OF FLAVORS FOR BIG GAME SNACKING

On those days when home cooks are searching the cupboards and refrigerator for some culinary inspiration, they need look no further than the egg carton. Often relegated to breakfast time, eggs can be the main ingredient or stars of meals any time of the day. In fact, they're a common component of quiches, fritatas and souffles.

People may have mixed feelings about eggs because the nutritional debate surrounding eggs seems ever-changing. It was once thought that eggs had to be avoided due to concerns about cholesterol. But many experts now say that eggs can be a part of balanced diets.

This recipe for "Spinach Pantry Souffle" from "Taste of Home Healthy Cooking Cookbook" (RDA Enthusiast Brands, LLC) by the editors of Taste of Home features egg whites and only two egg yolks in the recipe. Additional low-fat ingredient help make the final product something anyone can enjoy.



### SPINACH PANTRY SOUFFLE (Serves 6)

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| 6 egg whites   | 1 teaspoon ground mustard   |
| 2 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese   | 1 package (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry |
| 1 can (10.34 ounces) reduced-fat, reduced-sodium condensed cream of mushroom soup, undiluted | 2 egg yolks, beaten   |
| 1 cup (4 ounces) shredded reduced-fat Mexican cheese blend                                   |   |

1. Let egg whites stand at room temperature for 30 minutes. Coat a 2-quart souffle dish with cooking spray and lightly sprinkle with Parmesan cheese; set aside.
2. In a small saucepan, combine the soup, cheese blend and mustard; cook and stir over medium heat for 5 minutes or until cheese is melted. Transfer to a large bowl; stir in spinach. Stir a small amount of soup mixture into egg yolks; return all to the bowl, stirring constantly.
3. In a small bowl with clean beaters, beat egg whites until stiff peaks form. With a spatula, stir one-fourth of the egg whites into spinach mixture until no white streaks remain. Fold in remaining egg whites until combined. Transfer to prepared dish.
4. Bake at 375 F for 30 to 35 minutes or until the top is puffed and center appears set. Serve immediately.

## WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

### ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Owning real estate has been a wise investment lately, Aries. Your home may have increased in value. Now could be an opportunity to sell and reap the profits.

### TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

You want to advance your relationship, Taurus. The best way to do that is to have some serious conversations with your romantic partner. Discuss everything.

### GEMINI – May 22/June 21

Rework your budget, Gemini. You likely have some home renovations that you want to tackle over the next few weeks, and now is as good a time as any to get started.

### CANCER – June 22/July 22

Your mystique has others interested in emulating your style, Cancer. They can try, but they won't be able to completely replicate your special nature.

### LEO – July 23/Aug 23

Leo, you may be thinking about starting a new long-term project. Put your vision on paper first so you can map out your plans and see if it is feasible with your current budget.

### VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, you will be surrounded by plenty of people interested in social engagement in the days ahead. That is fine news for you, as you enjoy being out on the town.

### LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Efforts at work have not gone unnoticed, Libra. What you have worked toward has impressed those who are in a position to move you further along in the company.

### SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, they may not be on the top of your mind, but legal matters must be worked out soon. This is a good week to revisit your long-term plans if it's been awhile.

### SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Projects worked on this week will have a significant impact on your future, Sagittarius. You have a magic touch of sorts, so put it to good use in the days to come.

### CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, relationships in your life are strengthened over the course of this week. It is because you communicate effectively and with honesty and affection.

### AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

You are interested in health and nutrition, including certain nutrients, exercise programs or other forms of alternative therapy. Study up on the subject.

### PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, artistic pursuits are piquing your interest, so focus your efforts on practical creative pursuits, like cooking or interior design.

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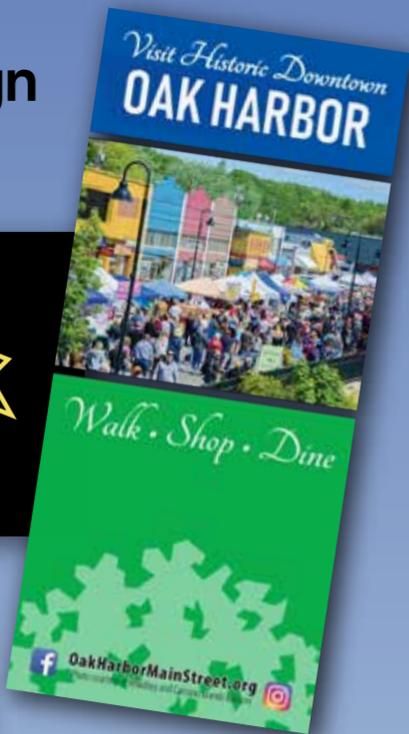
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#### Shred-It Fundraiser

Saturday, June 11, 10:00AM-2:00PM  
SaviBank, 1737 Main Street, Freeland

Suggested donation is \$5 per bankers box or bag; \$10 for oversized box or bag. All proceeds benefit Soroptimist International of South Whidbey Island programs and scholarships.

#### Art in the Park

Saturday, June 11, 11:00AM-4:00PM  
Fort Casey State Park, Coupeville

Explore and experience all sorts of art: a magician, chainsaw carvers, Corvettes, pirate swag and float, basket weaving, face painters, musicians, dancers, and other artists will be there to entertain and inspire you. Admission to the event, as well as the park is free, as June 11-12 are "Free State Parks" days. Food, art and other items will be for sale. Vendor deadline is June 1. Email Therese at islandhoppers@comcast.net to register or for more information.

#### Live Music: Tripp'n Gypsy's

Friday, June 17, 6:00-9:00PM  
Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville

Just as the vagabonds of old moved from region to region, Tripp'n Gypsy's wander to the borders of many genres. Their original songs are based in Rock, Blues, and Southern Rock, and peppered with flavors of Latin, Punk and Poetry. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit [www.penncovebrewing.com](http://www.penncovebrewing.com).

#### Galleries & Art Shows

##### Rare Birds and Other Friends: Mixed media paintings by Francy Blumhagen

Opening Reception: Saturday, June 4, 5:00-7:00PM

Show continues through June 27  
Rob Schouten Gallery, Langley

Francy Blumhagen has been making mixed media paintings, handmade prints, and collages for about 40 years and has shown her work throughout the Pacific Northwest. Working with handmade papers and acrylic paints, Blumhagen creates layered, textured images of birds and wildlife in the Salish Sea region. Each piece is a thoughtful meditation on the animals that surround us, expressed in bold, colorful imagery that gives us a deeper appreciation of our environment.

##### Music in the Courtyard

Saturday, June 4, 5:00-7:00PM  
Artworks Gallery, Langley

Quinn Fitzpatrick performs romantic classical and contemporary acoustic guitar and meet Artwork's June featured artists, Beth B Johns and Shari Thompson.

June's guest artist at Artworks Gallery is Liesel Lund. Liesel is a modern impressionist. Her calligraphic marks comprise energetic brush and expressive strokes built with a palette knife. Liesel makes art that inspires her, hoping that it will inspire, uplift, and add joy to those who view it.

##### Whidbey Art Gallery 30th Anniversary Celebration

Saturday, June 4, 5:00-7:00PM  
Whidbey Art Gallery, Langley

Whidbey Art Gallery invites the public to come celebrate its 30th anniversary in Langley during the first Saturday Art Walk. Many current and past artists will be there, and they will have refreshments, giveaways, and live music! The first 30 people to arrive will receive a Whidbey Art Gallery tote bag.

Artist Codie Carman and her band 'Into the West' will perform. Into the West delivers a strong country, rock, and blues beat featuring familiar covers and original tunes. The band consists of Debbie Cantwell on keyboard, viola, mandolin, and vocals, Richard Knight on drums, Ed Wertz on bass, Stephen Reitz on lead guitar and vocals, and Codie Carman on rhythm guitar and lead vocalist.

The featured artist for June is Doug Hansen. Doug's years of art studies combined with his artisan skills have given rise to an inventive style he calls "Natstracts" (abstracts of nature). He integrates oils and organic elements into unexpected three-dimensional studies.

You may see artists' work with a small card next to it with a Ukrainian flag symbol. The card indicates the artist will donate profits from the sale of the piece to a Ukraine humanitarian support organization such as World Central Kitchen or UNICEF/Ukraine. There are also solidarity doves available in exchange for a donation to a charity of your choice.

#### Meetings & Organizations

##### League of Women Voters of Whidbey Island

Saturday, June 4, 11:00AM-2:00PM  
Greenbank Progressive Club, 3090 Firehouse Rd

The League of Women Voters is hosting a gathering for current, new, and prospective members, in person. The Whidbey League is an active group, with many opportunities to get involved. Its main activities are helping eligible citizens register to vote, and informing voters about the candidates and issues on the ballot. The League of Women Voters is nonpartisan and does not support or endorse candidates. Despite its name, people of all genders are welcome to join. Food and beverages will be provided. Make your reservation by sending an email to [lwv.whidbey@gmail.com](mailto:lwv.whidbey@gmail.com).

##### Classes, Seminars and Workshops

##### Composting with Tom Vincent

Saturday, June 4, 10:00-11:30AM  
Tilth Community Gardens, Langley  
\$5 for Tilth members, \$15 for non-members

As your gardens are getting weeded this spring, and you're harvesting the last of your over-wintered crops, come learn how to turn your garden waste into food for the soil. For questions and to RSVP, contact [education@southwhidbeytilth.org](mailto:education@southwhidbeytilth.org). The Tilth Community Gardens are located at 2812 Thompson Rd.

##### NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting Course

Friday, June 17, 6:00-9:00PM  
Saturday, June 18, 9:00AM-5:00PM  
Cost: \$50  
NWSA Range, 886 Gun Club Rd., Oak Harbor

This course introduces students to the knowledge, skills and attitude necessary for owning and using a pistol safely. The pistol handling and shooting portion is completed at the NWSA range where students will learn about safe gun handling, pistol shooting fundamentals, and pistol shooting activities. The Basics of Pistol Course will also help prepare the student for participation in other NRA courses. This class includes shooting on the NWSA Pistol Range. Students can register online at [nrainstructors.org](http://nrainstructors.org). For questions or to register, call NRA instructor John Hellmann at 360-675-8397 or email [NWSA.Training@gmail.com](mailto:NWSA.Training@gmail.com). Additional information can be found at [www.northwhidbeysportsmen.org](http://www.northwhidbeysportsmen.org).



# Life Tributes

## Tony Leon Triplett



Tony Leon Triplett has gone home to be with the Lord and his heavenly family after living with cancer. He entered God's kingdom May 25, 2022, at his home in Oak Harbor, Wash., surrounded by loved ones, full of peace that surpasses all understanding. Memorial services will be held June 3, from 1-3 p.m.

Tony was born Dec. 26, 1963, in Hobbs, N.M., to Billy J. Triplett and Bessie M.

Triplett. He attended and graduated from the Hobbs School District. Tony acquired his bachelor's degree from the University of New Mexico and went on to own his own business in nuclear pharmacy. He continued his education by obtaining a doctorate degree of pharmacy at the University of Florida and finished off his successful career working as the Director of Pharmacy at WhidbeyHealth Medical Center in the state of Washington.

He was united in marriage to Monica Parrish and was blessed with two children, Kaitlin Triplett and Aubriana Triplett. He was later united in marriage to Lynette Napier, and embraced years of blissful companionship. He was a man of God who lived by the principles of the Bible, valued his relationship with God and was an advocate for healthy living.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Billy J. and Bessie M. Triplett; grandparents, Tom and Olester Triplett; Tommie Lee Rice and Laura Cotton.

He leaves to cherish his loving memory his daughters, Kaitlin Triplett and Aubriana Triplett; granddaughter Faith Triplett; three brothers, Jerry Triplett, Billy Triplett and Larry Triplett; four sisters, Linda Ellison, Brenda Watkins, Tueredia McBride and Stephanie Bonhom; close friend Lawrence Brown and a host of other family and friends.

*Dad, I am often told I am just like you.*

*I am honored beyond measure if that is true.*

*You were the best example of what a man should be.*

*I am overwhelmed that someone would say that of me.*

*I never told you enough, how proud I am to be called your daughter,*

*Now that you are gone, I want to tell everyone.*

*You gave me much more than a name,*

*Someday, I hope my kids says the same.*

*Until we meet again,*

*Katy*

### When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

*When tomorrow starts without me  
Please try to understand  
That an angel came and called my name  
And took me by the hand*

*The angel said my place was ready  
In heaven far above  
And That I would have to leave behind  
All those I Dearly Love*

*But When I walked through Heaven's  
Gates  
I felt so much at home  
When GOD looked down and smiled at  
me  
From His golden throne*

*He said This Is Eternity  
And All I promised you  
Today for life on earth is done  
But Here it starts anew*

*I promise no tomorrow  
For today will always last  
And Since each day's the exact same way  
There is no longing for the past*

*So When Tomorrow starts without me  
Do not think we're apart  
For every time you think of me  
Remember I'm right here in your heart*

## Wayne Wilson



Wayne Wilson went to his Heavenly home Feb. 24, 2022. He was dearly loved and is greatly missed. He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Paula; two daughters, Wendy Richter and Tracy Wilson; as well as four grandchildren and three great grandchildren; sister, Jayne Watson; and brother, Richard Wilson.

A Memorial Service will be held June 12, at 2 p.m. at Island Church in Langley.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Good Cheer, P O Box 744, Langley, WA 98260;

The Alzheimer's Association, 225 Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60601 or at act.alz.org

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## Pam's Prayer Corner

In honor of my late mother-in-law,  
Pamela Kaye Young, this column is a place where  
believers can share their prayer requests for others to help lift them up in faith. The  
prayers can be for you, a family member, or anything weighing on your soul. Email  
[info@whidbeyweekly.com](mailto:info@whidbeyweekly.com) or call 360-682-2341 to share your prayer requests.

We are saddened by the tragic events at Robb Elementary School in Uvalde, Texas. Let us pray:

Loving God,

Gather to your heart the victims of violence and hate. In the wake of unexplainable suffering, walk with us. Comfort those who lost loved ones unexpectedly and needlessly. Renew their hearts with your grace.

Raise up among us those who will work tirelessly for unity and reconciliation. We ask you to help us find solutions to help prevent future events such as this.

May we all become agents of your peace.

We ask for these things in your name, Amen.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30

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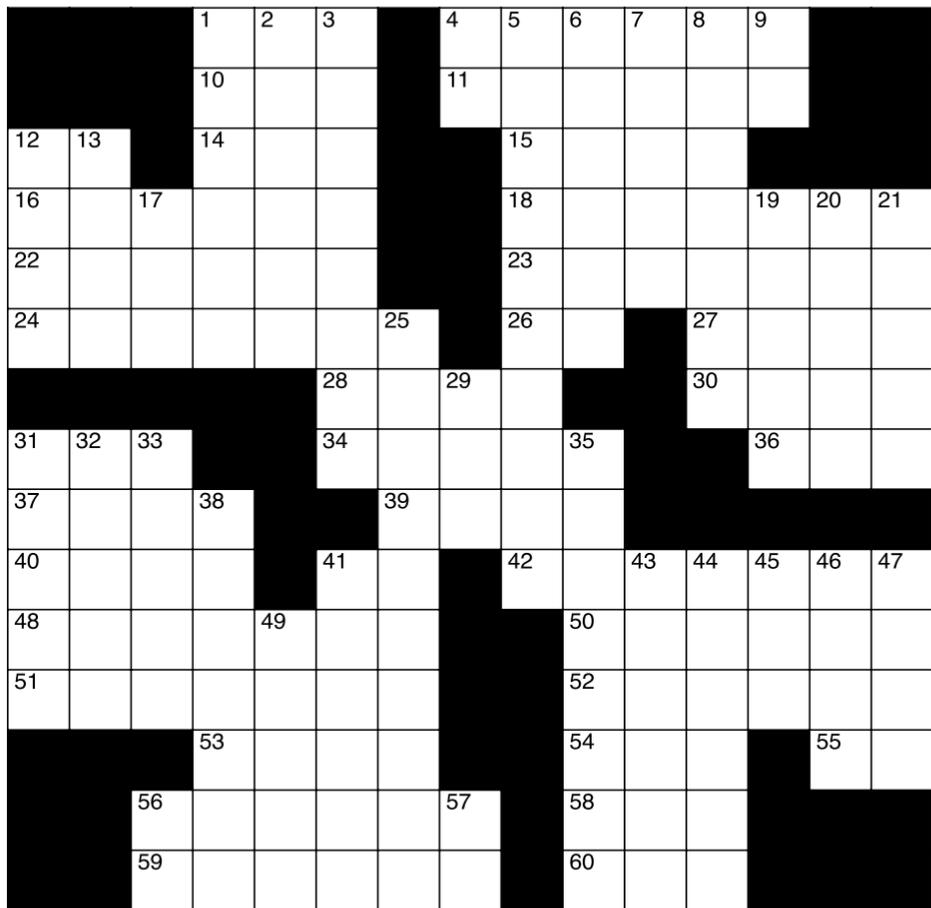
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# Crossword Puzzle



## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Basics
- 4. In a new way
- 10. \_\_\_ Paulo, city
- 11. Jailhouse
- 12. Expresses surprise
- 14. Trigraph
- 15. A small stream
- 16. Dissimilar
- 18. Promote
- 22. Gives a boost
- 23. Lawmaker
- 24. Orthodox Jews
- 26. Actor Harris
- 27. Wild cherry
- 28. Participate in democracy
- 30. Opposite of begins
- 31. A Brit's mother
- 34. Set of moral principles
- 36. Very fast airplane
- 37. Czech river
- 39. Private school in New York
- 40. Israeli dance
- 41. Electron volt
- 42. Adjusting
- 48. Duct by the bladder

der

- 50. Small burger
- 51. Begin again
- 52. Unstuck
- 53. Jai \_\_, sport
- 54. Get free of
- 55. For instance
- 56. Hotel chain
- 58. A team's best pitcher
- 59. Extracts from various sources
- 60. Indefinite period of time

## CLUES DOWN

- 1. St. Francis of \_\_\_
- 2. Supported
- 3. United in working
- 4. It cools your home
- 5. Predicting
- 6. Irritated
- 7. Popular talk show host
- 8. Fabric edge
- 9. A resource for employees
- 12. Broadway's Jackman
- 13. Small water buffalo
- 17. City of Angels: \_\_\_

Angeles

- 19. Asteroids
- 20. Tailless amphibians
- 21. German expressionist painter
- 25. What drives you
- 29. N. Vietnamese ethnic group
- 31. Gold coin used in British India
- 32. Have deep affection for
- 33. Ponds
- 35. Breaks between words
- 38. Hairstyle
- 41. Print errors
- 43. Family of iron alloys
- 44. Sidelined in bed
- 45. Many couples say it
- 46. Brazilian hoopster
- 47. Allman Brothers late frontman
- 49. German city
- 56. One hundred grams (abbr.)
- 57. One billionth of a second (abbr.)

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## YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

<p>Thurs, June 2</p> <p>North Isle H-64°/L-53° Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-69°/L-55° Showers</p>	<p>Fri, June 3</p> <p>North Isle H-63°/L-53° Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-65°/L-53° Showers</p>	<p>Sat, June 4</p> <p>North Isle H-60°/L-54° Showers and Sunbreaks</p> <p>South Isle H-64°/L-54° Showers and Sunbreaks</p>	<p>Sun, June 5</p> <p>North Isle H-60°/L-51° Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-63°/L-51° Showers</p>	<p>Mon, June 6</p> <p>North Isle H-60°/L-51° Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-62°/L-51° Showers and Sunbreaks</p>	<p>Tues, June 7</p> <p>North Isle H-61°/L-50° Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-62°/L-52° Showers</p>	<p>Wed, June 8</p> <p>North Isle H-60°/L-51° Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-64°/L-51° Shower and PM Sunbreaks</p>
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# OUR Community

## An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

Where is your happy place?



### MarcheLe Hatchner, Clinton

I long ago learned you get what you look for. There is so much beauty and wonder in the natural world around us. The bucolic setting where we live, with its sights and sounds inspires such joy. I choose to see and always find the good. My happy place is inside of me!

### Jason Leman, Coupeville

My happy place is work! I've always enjoyed escaping everyday life by owning and working my business. Whether that's my current window cleaning business or my custom home builder business or even my career in the Navy as an equipment operator in the Seabees. I've always enjoyed the work and the people who allow me to be of service to them.



### Richard Rezabek, Oak Harbor

When I joined the Navy and was on my first deployment, I used to wander back to the Carrier's fantail after air operations were done to sit and watch the churning of the screws in the silence of the night. Time to think, relax and remember. Moving to the island with the ability to walk the beaches in the quiet of the night is reminiscent of those times. I guess that makes Whidbey my HAPPY place.

### Mallory Jo Snider, Oak Harbor

I know this sounds unoriginal, but my happy place is binge-watching Netflix all cuddled up with my husband and our three lazy dogs. No plans, nothing to do, comfy and cozy, alone together. That's been my happy place for 10 years and will continue to be for as long as I can see. Boring to some, wonderful to me.



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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Take the Leap! Volunteer for Young Dancers! Do you love helping young people find their passion? Are you inter-

ested in supporting young dancers who are honing their skills on and off-stage on their way to adulthood? If this sounds like you, please consider Whidbey Island Dance Theatre's (WIDT) board of directors. We need your skills! We need your enthusiasm! We need your love of watching young people go onto thrive in the wider world! The Whidbey Island Dance Theatre board is a dynamic group who together lift up the young aspiring dancers in our south-end community. The board is on the lookout for new members. It meets every second Thursday of the month (lately on Zoom). Busy seasons are the longtime island holiday favorite "The Nutcracker" in December and the spring choreographer's showcase "A Celebration of Dance" + Silent Auction. (Coming up at WICA April 29, 30). If you are looking for a way to add your support to young artists on their way to adulthood through this 28-year-old beloved organization, please reach out. We'd love to meet you: young, older, any color and no matter what pronoun you use, we welcome all those who want to help support our young artists. Please email board president Tonya Henny at [tonya@whidbey.com](mailto:tonya@whidbey.com) to find out more about this opportunity. (1)

Island Shakespeare Festival is seeking new members to join our board of directors. We're looking for people who are passionate about high-quality live classical theater and can devote time and energy to support the work of Island Shakespeare Festival's important cultural, social, and fiscal position on Whidbey Island. Our current needs include individuals with backgrounds in the following areas: human resources, donor relations, finance, as well as other skills related to overseeing a performing arts organization. Board members are asked to provide input and feedback to the Board and staff of ISF, attend one full board meeting per month, serve actively on board committees, and attend activities and events sponsored by ISF. Women and persons of color strongly encouraged to apply. For

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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 Islands. Volunteers primarily include medical and public health professionals but other volunteers who have no healthcare backgrounds are also utilized. MRC responds to local emergencies such as natural disasters and public health emergencies. If you are inter-

ested in volunteering please contact us at Island County MRC website for application and information.

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