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Street dances help kick start summer on Whidbey

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Whidbey residents will be happy to welcome back the Bayview Corner Summer Street Dances for another season, beginning Wednesday, June 15 from 6 to 8 p.m. The dances will continue every two weeks through Aug. 24.

By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

Ah, yes. Summer on Whidbey Island. One sure way to know it has arrived is when the Bayview Corner Summer Street Dances in Langley begin – and sure enough, summer starts Wednesday, June 15 when the Nathaniel Talbot Trio kicks off the annual series. From 6 to 8 p.m., rain or shine, the space outside the Bayview Cash Store will come alive with music, dancing, food, friends and fun.

The street dance series, which is free to attend and is sponsored by Goosefoot, welcomes back a full summer of local and regional performers, with performances every two weeks through Aug. 24. Organizers said it feels great to bring the community back together.

"The fun, connections, conversations, and bonds that happen at the street dances are really like nothing else and it's wonderful to share that with everyone," said Sami Postma, events and education coordinator at Goosefoot. "Last summer, we saw people crying and hugging because they often only see each other at our street dances each year, and it had been so long. It's moments like that which drive us to put these on each year."

For those who have never attended a Bayview Corner Street Dance, it's pretty easy. There is no cost to attend, although tips for the bands are appreciated. Parking is available in the Whidbey Telecom overflow lot or Bayview Hall.

"Come early if you want to snag a table, but there's lots of open space, chairs, and some picnic tables and grassy areas just out of sight but still within hearing distance to the bands," Postma said. "Folks are welcome to bring their own picnic dinners, or snag takeout from Whidbey Doughnuts or the Taproom. Come, listen to the music, dance with the crowds,



Photo Courtesy of Goosefoot

Grab a partner or come solo to the Bayview Corner Summer Street Dances. The dances are free starting next week and take place every other Wednesday through August.

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whatever you like! Drinks are available for sale at the Goosefoot tent in the parking lot. Anyone who buys drinks from the Taproom or Whidbey Doughnuts must stay within those businesses, and no outside drinks are allowed, but we strive hard for this to be open and welcoming to all, no matter your background."

The street dances started more than 12 years ago as a way to bring people to Bayview Corner and showcase all it has to offer. It was an easy way to spend time with friends and hang out, according to Postma.

"They've absolutely ballooned since the days of being able to fit the band and the dancers inside the Cash Store, but they're still the same at heart: a warm, welcoming, fun, funky place to spend time and get to know your community," she said. "Some of our bands, like Rubatano Marimba, have been with us since the early days as well. I think people are drawn to them because they're open to everyone, absolutely no pretension, just pure fun with your neighbors."

All are welcome, and the street dances draw people who are visiting Whidbey, of course, but at their core, the dances are a fun event for local residents.

"It's in the middle of the week. It's a draw for those who live here. And we are a community of artists," Postma said. "We have so much talent and skill and diversity here. It's vital to support local in all aspects to keep Whidbey what we love."

Postma said there is nothing quite like the energetic atmosphere at one of the street dances, which makes them a favorite part of her job.

"Everyone's having fun," she said. "Everyone's happy to be there and make new friends. You can just jump into the middle of the crowd and start dancing with folks without having to come with people you knew already. The weather was kind to us last year, but even in 2019 when PETE

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With Jim Freeman



Had you told me June would be busting out all over, I might call you a calendar jumper. Instead, I am reminded of my roomie Skeeter's one-liner back in college – "Life is a lot like a roll of toilet paper. The closer you get to the end, the faster it goes."

Hearts and hammers

Many years ago, Lynn Willeford and Blake started Hearts and Hammers. This nonprofit has enhanced more real estate than all the local developers combined.

Yesterday, Bob and Pat showed to measure my existing ramp, which was in violation of the ADA recommended slope. We be level now.

What a crew of general contractors!

Now I can roll with the best of the them.

Thank you, H. and H. and L. and B.

Classic licorice

A couple of columns ago, I shared that black licorice lowered blood pressure. Reader and writer Pippi had her husband Rocky deliver some Australian licorice, Darrell Lea, founded in 1957. Darrell Lea is the number one selling licorice in Australia.

I know why. The licorice is soft. You don't have to tug on it like Red Vines.

The other bag of licorice was Wiley Wallaby. It is not as soft but very chewable. I am not sure where the licorice is made but it tastes like Minnesota.

Thanks to Pippi and Rocky for adding low blood pressure to my day.

Mayo or Miracle Whip?

Mayonnaise first appeared in 1806, according to many sources. Miracle Whip was created in 1933. I know some mixed marriages that use both.

My ex threw a jar of mayo at me years ago. I ducked and the jar broke the kitchen window, landing three floors below. I forgot to say "Hold the mayo."

According to Lindsay Mattison's article last month in *Taste of Home*, there is definitely a difference between mayonnaise and Miracle Whip.

"Mayo might just be the most versatile condiment on the planet. It's not only responsible for some of our favorite salad dressings, but it's also an essential component of a good BLT. In fact, there are all kinds of surprising uses for mayonnaise, including making a crispier grilled cheese and baking a moist chocolate cake.

"Miracle Whip isn't just a specific brand name of mayonnaise; it's actually a completely different product. So what's the difference between mayonnaise and Miracle Whip, and can you use one as a substitute for the other?"

"Mayo is a delicious combination of fat and water held in suspension by an egg. The egg works like a magnet, bonding the fat from the oil and the liquid from the vinegar (or lemon juice). Unlike salad dressings that separate, the egg makes mayonnaise emulsified, giving it a thick, solid and spreadable consistency.

"There are some rules, though: According to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), anything labeled as 'mayonnaise' must contain 65 percent vegetable oil by weight.

"Miracle Whip was developed in 1933 as a cheaper alternative to mayonnaise. It has the same basic ingredients – eggs, oil and vinegar – but it also contains extra sugar and spices. And remember the 65 percent vegetable oil rule? Since Miracle Whip contains less oil, it's not technically mayonnaise at all. The FDA classifies it as a 'dressing' instead.

"When it comes to nutrition, Miracle Whip contains about half the fat and calories as compared to mayonnaise, so it's often the go-to choice for those counting calories. That

said, it's sweetened with high-fructose corn syrup, and it contains more sugar than most brands of mayonnaise.

"As far as flavor goes, Miracle Whip is usually described as sweeter and spicier than mayo, which some people prefer.

"When it comes down to it, they work the same in recipes. Feel free to substitute equal parts Miracle Whip for any recipe that calls for mayonnaise (and vice versa) depending on your taste preferences. Just make sure to check your ingredients label when swapping in reduced-fat or fat-free mayonnaise; not all of these products contain real eggs. That means your baked goods might not rise or the mayo could separate and become greasy when exposed to heat."

I am glad Mom raised us on mayo. I had something to hold.

Are you writing yet?

Wonders never cease. Yesterday I received an email from a famous artist who wanted to know if I had resumed writing columns.

"Yea, when I returned from my spinal cord vacation at the Mayo Clinic, we stopped running weekly trips down memory lane. Eric and TJ did a masterful job. Page 3, each Wednesday or Thursday at www.whidbeyweekly.com. It is free, too."

Today a famous photographer called to visit. During our chat, I was asked if I had been writing any columns since coming back from Arizona's fun in the sun with hospitals, rehab centers, and skilled nursing facilities.

All had good desserts.

So, if you cannot get to the post office or grocery to get a fresh copy, you always can front out at www.whidbeyweekly.com. Don't forget Island 911, my first scroll.

Royalties

Having just received my 28-cent royalty check from Disney Worldwide Services for my 11 words in *Prefontaine*, I called my director of finances.

"Do I invest or give a gift?"

He told me to calm down, then lie down.

Dad was right again. He told me a film career required royalty checks in excess of my weight.

I NEED MORE WORDS.

Satan goes to church

A few minutes before the church services started, the congregation was sitting in their pews and talking.

Suddenly, Satan appeared at the front of the church.

Everyone started screaming and running for the front entrance, trampling each other in a frantic effort to get away from evil incarnate.

Soon the church was empty except for one elderly cowboy who sat calmly in his pew without moving, seemingly oblivious to the fact that God's ultimate enemy was in his presence.

So Satan walked up to the man and said, "Do you know who I am?"

The old cowboy replied, "Yep, sure do."

"Aren't you afraid of me?" Satan asked.

"Nope, sure ain't." said the cowboy.

"Don't you realize I can kill you with one word?" asked Satan.

"Don't doubt it for a minute," returned the old man, in an even tone.

"Did you know that I can cause you profound, horrifying AGONY for all eternity?" persisted Satan.

"Yep," was the calm reply.

"And you are still not afraid?" asked Satan.

"Nope," said the old cowboy.

More than a little perturbed, Satan asked, "Why aren't you afraid of me?"

The old cowboy calmly replied,

"Been married to your sister for 48 years."

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HAPPY 75TH BIRTHDAY JOHN ANDERSON

Chosen to be "Kid Kern" at the 1958 Bakersfield County Fair, attending the Southern California Military Academy in Long Beach, CA, being a Presidential Honor Guard, to serving your country with honor (wounded in Vietnam), your time as an Orange County Sheriff officer, a California Highway Patrolman, the Director of International Sales for Princess Cruises, and other life experiences have all shaped you to be a wonderful man, and have made you the Myth.... the Legend that you are today. We may come to the island to fish, but we all know the best catch here is You.

Those of us who are lucky enough to know you, John, know that you are a man of boundless generosity, enormous kindness and immense integrity. Not to mention one heck of a master of the BBQ and of great tasting wines and scotches. Your wonderful sense of humor and life stories keep us laughing until we can't breathe. Your fire pit gatherings are known throughout the island as the one and only place to be.

It is a sister's job to annoy her brother, no matter how old you are. That's why I smile that you're my brother.... and laugh that there is nothing you can do about it. Every birthday gets a little more special – maybe because family and friends become more important as we get older. Today, it is especially important to me that you know how much I love you and, how thankful I am to have you as a brother.

You deserve nothing but the very best. We all wish you a very Happy Birthday filled with lots of joy, lots of love and many, many blessings on your special day and always.

With much love...Kathy, John and all who love and know you



Bits & Pieces

Whidbey Audubon Hosts the Geology Writer June 9 on Zoom

Whidbey Audubon Society welcomes all to Zoom in to a free presentation by David B. Williams, entitled "Homewaters," Thursday at 7:30PM. In his talk based on his book, *Homewaters: A Human and Natural History of Puget Sound*, Williams will focus on the long story of the Sound, tracing human history from the earliest records more than 12,500 years ago to present. Along the way, he'll discuss Native people, the arrival of explorers and settlers and how the various inhabitants adapted to place. He will also weave in stories of the natural world, covering often overlooked species such as Olympia oysters, rockfish, geoduck, kelp and herring, as well as salmon and orca. Williams is an author, naturalist, and tour guide whose new book is a deep exploration of the stories of this beautiful waterway. He is also the author of the award-winning book, *Too High and Too Steep: Reshaping Seattle's Topography*, as well as *Seattle Walks: Discovering History and Nature in the City* and *Stories in Stone: Travels Through Urban Geology*. Williams is a Curatorial Associate at the Burke Museum. Follow him on Twitter @geologywriter.

To participate, please register before noon, June 9 on the website, www.whidbeyaudubonsociety.org. There is a general membership meeting at 7:00PM. The program is free and open to the public. Whidbey Audubon members and those registered will receive a Zoom link by the afternoon of June 9. There will be no meetings during July and August. Watch for a new series of free programs in September.

[Submitted by Susan Prescott, Whidbey Audubon Publicity Chair]

Washington State Ferries Hosting Virtual Meetings June 14 and 15, Ahead of Peak Summer Service

Ferry riders, commuters and terminal neighbors are invited to attend one of two upcoming Washington State Ferries virtual public meetings to hear updates and ask questions about the ferry system.

"Like many transportation agencies, we are still not back to pre-COVID service levels," said Patty Rubstello, head of Washington State Ferries. "These meetings are intended to provide our customers with insight about the coming months and respond to questions and concerns."

The meetings will take place at 1:00PM, Tuesday, June 14 and 6:00PM, Wednesday, June 15.

WSF staff will give a brief presentation about upcoming summer service, hiring challenges and the agency's process to restore service to pre-pandemic levels. Participants will be able to ask questions and provide comments during the meeting. Both meetings will cover the same material and are designed to give participants the option to join the meeting that best fits their schedule.

Members of the public can participate in the meeting from a laptop, desktop or mobile device, but advanced registration is required to participate.

Registration online for the virtual meetings:

• Register for the 1:00PM, Tuesday, June

14 meeting at https://us02web.zoom.us/join/https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_FihDjfdRT-byEP2iEKV35qA.

• Register for the 6:00PM, Wednesday, June 15 meeting at https://us02web.zoom.us/join/https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VkH2f2lzRBCe-TFP-Wlvgyg.

• Participants must provide a name and valid email address and have access to a computer or mobile device with an internet connection.

• Once registered, participants will receive an email with detailed instructions about how to join the meeting.

• The day after the meeting, a recording will be available online on the WSF webpage for anyone unable to participate.

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[Submitted by Bryn Hunter, WSDOT]

Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra Presents STRUM! with Brig Urias, Classical Guitar

Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra, under music director Anna Edwards, presents STRUM! featuring Brig Urias June 18, 3:00PM at First Reformed Church of Oak Harbor and June 19, 3:00PM at Island Church of Whidbey in Langley.

The final concert of Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra 2021-2022 season welcomes classical guitarist Brig Urias. A native of the Pacific Northwest, Brig began his early studies with Robert Vierschilling at Rosewood Guitar in Seattle and performing as a student at Nordstrom Recital Hall and for the Seattle Classical Guitar Society. A student of Christopher Parkening at Pepperdine University, Brig was invited to participate in numerous master classes with a number of prominent performers, performed concerts across the United States and Europe and recorded videos for Guitar Salon International in Santa Monica, Calif. Brig recently finished his master's degree from the San Francisco Conservatory of Music as a student of Judicaël Perroy.

Mr. Urias will perform Peter Warlock's *Capriol Suite* arranged for strings and guitar, Luigi Boccherini's *Fandango* from the *Guitar Quintet No. 4 in D*, and a set of works for solo guitar. The program will be complemented by chamber strings works from composers Maria Newman, Jessie Montgomery, Heitor Villa-Lobos, Gabriel Fauré, Gustav Holst and others.

General admission concert tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors/military and free admission for students 17 and under. Pre-concert tickets available at Click Music in Oak Harbor, Bayleaf in Coupeville and Blue Sound Music in Langley. More information at www.sowhidbey.com or 360-929-3045.

[Submitted by Larry Heidel, Executive Director, Saratoga Orchestra of Whidbey Island]

City Council Unanimously Approves Staff Placing the Fire Service Levy on the November 8, 2022 Ballot

The Oak Harbor City Council voted unanimously to approve city staff moving forward with placing the Fire Service Levy on the Nov. 8, 2022 General Election ballot during a special meeting Wednesday, June 1.

During the special meeting to discuss the Fire Service Levy, Chief Ray Merrill and Finance Director David Goldman presented an update about the outreach efforts relating to the Fire Service Levy. In addition, Chief Merrill explained the need

for the levy and provided an update on the Fire Service Levy feedback process.

The feedback from the community during the three-week process included 147 responses, with 81.63 percent supporting the levy. The outreach to gather input included articles in the newspaper, messaging on social media, and the city's electronic sign in downtown Oak Harbor. Fire staff shared information with the community through two open house events at Station 81 and a booth at the Holland Happening festival. In addition, printed feedback forms were available at City Hall, The Center in Oak Harbor, Oak Harbor Fire Station, and the Greater Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce.

Chief Merrill reviewed comments and responded to some of the community comments from feedback forms and social media posts. Finance Director Goldman explained the levy tax and bond rate options and financial impacts on the average property owner. City council asked staff questions and discussed the potential additional fire station, staffing levels, financing options, and ballot language.

After the discussion, Councilmember Hoffmire made the motion to authorize city staff to proceed with creating a ballot measure to increase the level of service the City of Oak Harbor Fire Department provides to its residents. This Fire Service Levy will include building a second fire station in the southwest area of the city increasing minimum staffing per day, replacing two 24-year-old pumper engines with a new quint a ladder truck, and purchasing necessary protective gear and tools for staffing. Councilmember Hizon seconded the motion, and city council voted its unanimous approval.

The meeting is available to watch on YouTube at www.youtube.com/cityofoakharbor. More details about the Fire Service Levy are available on the city website at www.oakharbor.org/firelevy.

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

New County Administrator Announced for Island County

May 24, the Board of Island County Commissioners directed the human resources director to work with the chair and Greg Prothman on negotiating a contract for the purposes of hiring a county administrator. The human resources director was notified May 31 that Michael Jones accepted the position of county administrator. The board will take final action in an upcoming Tuesday, regular session meeting.

Jones brings to the county years of public sector experience as a city manager and community development director. He plans to work with the Board of County Commissioners to streamline internal, administrative processes, thus freeing the board to focus on strategic and policy issues that are important to the citizens of Island County.

Jones has worked in management, planning and community development at both the city and county level in California and Washington. He is currently the city manager of Blaine, Wash. Jones holds a bachelor of arts degree in Geography: Planning and Land Use from Western Washington University and earned his executive masters of public administration from the University of Washington.

He is looking forward to coming on board as the first county administrator for Island County. He brings enthusiasm and a positive outlook for building a strong organization.

[Submitted by Melanie Bacon, Chair, Board of Island County Commissioners]

What's your investment risk tolerance?

Risk is a normal part of investing. If you didn't take on any risk, you wouldn't have the potential to achieve higher returns. But how much risk should you accept?

You don't want to incur unnecessary risk. So, you'll need to assess the amount of risk you're comfortable taking and then determine if this risk level supports your ability to achieve your long-term goals.

Here are some of the key factors in determining your own capacity for investment risk:

• **Personality** – We all have different personalities. And your individual personality can certainly affect your comfort level with risk. If you enjoy taking chances or pushing yourself outside your comfort zone in other aspects of your life, you could be more likely to accept greater investment risk, too, because you know that greater risk means greater potential reward. Conversely, higher-risk investments also carry greater potential for volatility, including steep short-term declines.

• **Time** – Risk tolerance can change over time. When you are first starting out in your career, with decades to go until you retire, you may feel comfortable with a certain degree of investment risk, knowing you have time to potentially overcome the inevitable downturns in the financial markets. But as you near retirement, you might consider lowering your risk level and investing more conservatively, because once you do retire, you'll likely have to start withdrawing money from your retirement accounts, which means you may need to liquidate some investments – and, ideally, you won't want to have large fluctuations in value at that time. However, even during retirement, you may want your portfolio to include some growth-oriented investments to help keep you ahead of inflation.

• **Type of goal** – You might have different risk tolerances for different goals. For example, if you know you need a specific amount for a particular goal in two years – such as buying a new car or taking an overseas vacation – you may want to put away money in a low-risk, liquid vehicle. This type of investment might not have much growth potential, but for this goal, you are less interested in achieving a high rate of return than you are in being reasonably sure the money will be there when you need it. So, in this instance, you may have quite a low tolerance for risk. But for a long-term goal, such as a comfortable retirement, you may be prepared to take more risk in the hopes of greater returns, given the longer time horizon.

By understanding your risk tolerance and knowing how it can change over time and under different circumstances, you can be better prepared to face investment volatility. And there are certainly things you can do to mitigate risk. By owning a variety of investments – domestic and international stocks, bonds, mutual funds, government securities and so on – you can reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio. (Keep in mind, though, that diversification can't prevent all losses or guarantee profits.) In any case, the biggest risk of all is simply not investing. If you are going to achieve your financial goals, you need to invest for them. By understanding your own risk tolerance, and by making wise choices along the way, you can stick with an investment strategy that can work for you in the long run.

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SUNDAY, MAY 15

12:11 am, Double Bluff Rd.

Reporting party advising about 20 minutes ago saw a bunch of kids, about four or five around teenage age, running into the road screaming, unknown why. Advising subjects were screaming and rolling around on the ground; unintelligible words.

12:58 am, Double Bluff Rd.

Reporting party advising four or five teenagers running around screaming; when asked if he already reported this, he stated "No;" call-taker advising "We have a call for this address from another payphone," but caller was adamant.

9:13 am, Curtis Way

Requesting call referencing construction crew behind reporting party's residence using nail guns; requesting to know if allowed on Sundays.

9:10 pm, SR 525

Caller is contractor at location, says female neighbor is yelling and cursing at him.

MONDAY, MAY 16

9:01 am, Fish Rd.

Reporting party advising subjects are getting hurt in area; not forthcoming; states "Just get some cars here now. Some sh*t is happening."

9:38 am, NE Lindsay St.

Requesting call referencing ongoing issue with college kids hosting parties and playing loud music late at night.

1:58 pm, April Dr.

Caller advising subject just called her and said someone is sending packages in her name to Texas; was told she has a warrant out for her arrest due to situation and to contact her local law enforcement.

4:40 pm, Indian Hill Rd.

Caller advising ongoing issue with subject at location letting dogs loose to harass walkers and others in area; not out now.

TUESDAY, MAY 16

2:40 am, N Main St.

Reporting party advising called a taxi for a patient; someone showed up and said they were with a cab service and they gave the patient over to the driver; the real driver then showed up.

2:43 pm, Cranberry Dr.

Reporting party advising a black Jeep SUV is driving in the area; male has Halloween mask on; is stopping at mailboxes.

3:01 pm, Harding Ave.

Caller advising renter is weed whacking; rocks hitting the window; refuses to stop.

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

City Beach Windmill Fundraiser Kickoff



Friday and Saturday at the Blue Fox Drive-In

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Saturday, June 11, 10:00AM-2:00PM
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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. Email Therese at islandhoppers@comcast.net to register or for more information.

Live Music: Andre Feriante

Saturday, June 11, 6:00-9:00PM
Penn Cove Taproom, Freeland

Andre moved to Whidbey Island from Seattle four-and-a-half years ago. Since then, he's enjoyed playing regularly at some fun venues - WICA, Dancing Fish Winery, Ott & Hunter Wine, and has organized and hosted the Whidbey Island Guitar Festival. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit www.penncovebrewing.com.

Shop Out for Kids

Friday, June 17, see times below
Kawpaw's and Honey Bear, Coupeville

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eating at Kapaw's from 11:30AM to 5:30PM. Kapaw's and Honey Bear will donate a portion of the day's sales to the Coupeville Schools Foundation. The Coupeville Schools Foundation provides an extra measure of support to students through teacher grants, college scholarships and the Promise Fund.

Ride with a Guide to the Farmers Market

Saturday, June 18

Ride with a Guide to the Coupeville and Bayview Farmers Markets and learn about Whidbey's Organic Farm School on the way. Take fare-free Island Transit and play Transit Trivia with a chance to win prizes. To get details and reserve your seat email: Travel@IslandTransit.org or call 360-682-8014.

Meetings & Organizations

Candidate Hannold Hosts Open House

Saturday, June 11, 1:00-4:00PM
Knights Club in Oak Harbor

Island County Commissioner District 3 candidate Rick Hannold is hosting an open house with former state Attorney General Rob McKenna as the special guest. The Knights Club is located at 3259 Old Goldie Rd.

Classes, Seminars and Workshops

NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting Course

Friday, June 17, 6:00-9:00PM
Saturday, June 18, 9:00AM-5:00PM
Cost: \$50

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SUPPORTING THE SCIENCE

If a person received a phone call and the caller on the other end of the phone said, "Your girlfriend or boyfriend cheated on you and I thought you should know," it would not only quickly get their attention, they would also be in a pretty sour mood or just plain mad while searching for the truth.

How does that situation relate to fishing, you might ask? It leads me to the infuriating feelings I have when I see rivers closed to recreational fishing in order to protect the endangered Chinook returns as imposed by federal agencies like the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), but feel cheated on when at the same time, I witness whole river systems clogged with non-selective gillnets.

I have been told to trust the studies done by NOAA and other federal study groups that I can't fish because their science says "give way to the salmon." Yet, in these same rivers upon which fishing is forbidden to me, I see hundreds of yards of active gillnet stretched across all but 48-inches of the river mouth. Small feeder creeks that flow into the main river are also blocked. These gillnets block passage from the surface to the river bottom; the fish cannot swim under the nets and it would be sheer luck if a few find their way through the small, 48-inch shallow-water opening to continue their spawning journey.

Let's take a look at what science tells us. Over the past two-and-a-half years dealing with the COVID-19 crisis, we have all been told to trust the science, get vaccinated and boosted and you can't get the virus. Well, time has proven that the science was not correct. Did it help? Yes, it may have helped some people from being hospitalized but it did not stop someone from getting the virus. The takeaway is that science can always be re-examined to make changes for the better even if it goes against the original study findings.

With COVID-19, the science supported the health and safety of us human beings. The science behind the Endangered Species Act (ESA) was intended to support wild salmon. Low numbers of returning fish are what prompted the Chinook salmon to be added to the list. Why would the federally researched science and the federally mandated restrictions put on Chinook fishing for recreational fishermen in the Puget Sound, and in our surrounding rivers, tolerate the non-selective gillnetting of the ESA Chinook salmon? Gillnets in rivers DO NOT support the science behind recovery!

The Puget Sound Chinook salmon was placed under the ESA list in 1999. Since this listing, significant progress toward recovery has not been made. The science of the past 23 years has not worked! It is way past time for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to take a good look at the



This is what the average gillnet looks like in the rivers.



This is an example of a fish wheel. It is a selective fish alternative to gillnetting.

recovery methods and make changes. It's time for a different strategy. It's time for judges, commissioners and legislators who support gillnetting in rivers to no longer be allowed to participate in salmon issues. There is no reason to allow miles of gillnets in our rivers. There is no reason to tolerate this resource-stripping practice. Billions of dollars have been invested in restoring salmon habitat here in Washington but achieving the full potential of these projects TOTALLY depends on getting more fish safely back to our rivers. The removal and restriction of gillnets in rivers and increased hatchery production is the only way I see to get Chinook on a real pathway to abundance.

I would love to see the inland rivers and the Puget Sound full of nothing but wild salmon and steelhead, but if the less-than-poor results of the last 23 years of scientific efforts are an indicator of what I can expect, I'm even more convinced that change must take place. I do not understand why there is so much resistance within the scientific community towards hatcheries? Truly, if it were not for the few hatcheries still active, we would not have any salmon at all! Why do you think catch-everything-gillnets are placed in the mouth and prime stretches of rivers that have a successful, active hatchery on it? I'll tell you why: These are the only rivers that are getting any decent numbers of fish back.

It's time for NOAA and other real science discoveries to support serious, common sense recovery. It costs less and produces better results. The new recovery mindset must expose the wasteful practices involving gillnets, and refuse to budge on sovereign groups standing in the way of new, hard-core recovery efforts. We get more done by working together than working separately. Decisions and policies must be based on realistic recovery efforts and support the resource with no one-sided exceptions.

This upcoming weekend is the final weekend of Lingcod season. Most of the Skagit and Nooksack Rivers are open for salmon, and with the warmer temperatures, bass, crappie and perch fishing will pick up in the lakes. There are some Puget Sound shrimping opportunities as well. The new printed regulations should be on the street by June 30; be sure to check the WDFW website for potential monthly rule changes if you have a trip planned. Summer is here and I'm hoping for a good salmon run and a longer Chinook season in Marine Area-7; last year we only got six days. Be sure to take the young anglers out with you and don't forget the sunscreen. Be safe and GOOD LUCK out there!

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Art in the Park promises “cornucopia of culture”

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Art is all around us – one just has to look for it in all its many forms.

That, in essence, is what Art in the Park at Fort Casey State Park is all about. The free event, which takes place Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., is a conglomeration of many different styles of art forms, ranging from music to dancing, from painting and basket weaving to chainsaw carving, from classic cars to pirates and from meditation to magic. Pretty much anything one can imagine will be on display for the whole family to experience. Again, the event is free, as is admission to Fort Casey, since it takes place on a Washington State Parks free admission day – no Discover Pass required.

Event coordinator, Therese Kingsbury, said one word sums up what makes this event so unique.

“Diversity. The diversity of who’s coming,” she said. “It’s not a craft fair – there’s not a lot to be sold – but there will be face painting, bubbles, free books. . . None of it adds up, but I think it all fits together somehow. I call it a cornucopia of culture.”

While a similar event was in the works in the months preceding the COVID shutdowns, Kingsbury said planning for this event was basically a matter of reaching out to people she knows.

“Every single participant is someone I have a personal relationship with – and they all said yes,” she shared enthusiastically. “Really, I’m just marching through life and everybody I encountered who I thought would be fun, I asked. And nobody said no!”

That response has provided an eclectic mix of all different kinds of art forms. JR Russell will be there to cast a spell with his magic; artists Lowell Sipes, Melissa Hand and Tim Haslet will provide demonstrations, as will basket weaver Regina Kastler; InMotion Company will have salsa and belly dancing demonstrations; there will be a chainsaw carving demonstration; and there will even be a meditation demonstration by Sound Journey, to name just a few of the participants.

The Whidbey Island Pirates will make an appearance along with their “ship,” and there will even be a mini car show featuring the Majestic Glass Corvette Club.

“For me, I’m thinking of this as a dry run for what we could do for our own community, what we could do in Windjammer Park [in Oak Harbor] in the future,” Kingsbury said. “Also, since this is the first time, it will be interesting to see how people respond to the diversity of the experiences. Dads might dig the corvettes and parents in general will appreciate the hands-on activities for kids.”



Members of the Saratoga Orchestra will be there as well, to demonstrate instruments and perform in small groups and as soloists.

“It will be a pretty informal affair and a wide array of musical styles,” shared Larry Heidel, Saratoga Orchestra’s executive director. “We’ll even have a miniature version of our popular instrument petting zoo for all to try out a few instruments.”

Heidel said the musicians of Saratoga Orchestra love opportunities to share their passion for music.

“We’re hoping that we can spark a bit of curiosity to lead young people to explore more,” he said. “The arts should be accessible to all and we need to thank the organizers of events like this. It will be fun to see families out enjoying Fort Casey and having an interactive experience with the local arts community.”



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Working Artists
Local basket weave artist Regina Kastler is one of several Whidbey artists who will be demonstrating their skills at Art in the Park Saturday at Fort Casey State Park.

Kingsbury said she thinks the community is ready to get out and try something new.

“It’s been long couple of years for all of us,” she said, adding “Art in the Park” is a relatively safe event because it’s all happening outdoors. “I think it’s also going to be unifying. People are going to be able to enjoy the park, all they way from the lighthouse to the bunker.”

For his part, Heidel said events like this can serve as a great showcase for all the talented artists on Whidbey Island.

“There should be no limits on creativity and we are lucky to have the chance to share our talents,” he said. “Our island has so many opportunities to explore and participate in the arts - in all its forms. Connecting with local arts makers only enriches and strengthens our community.”

“I’m looking forward to just connecting people with art,” Kingsbury concluded. “Art doesn’t have to be in a museum. Art is an experience. I’m hoping to give people the opportunity to sample all of this in one place at one time.”



Photo Courtesy of Saratoga Orchestra
Members of Whidbey’s Saratoga Orchestra will be participating in Art in the Park Saturday at Fort Casey State Park, and will have a smaller version of its popular Instrument Petting Zoo, which enables kids to check out musical instruments up close.



Habitat surprise!



Photo Courtesy of Habitat for Humanity of Island County
Six families have received the surprise of a lifetime from Habitat for Humanity of Island County. All were called to the Habitat store in Oak Harbor Monday, where they were surprised with the news they had all been selected to be Habitat Homebuyers. Organizers of the surprise said the families were stunned when it was announced they had been selected. Just getting all the families there at the same time was a challenge. “Logistics were quite a challenge,” said Erik Mann, chief operating officer of HFHIC. “First, finding a day and time that all six families could attend, and then trying to get their friends and family there without the families finding out. In the end, I think we pulled it off and all the families were surprised and happy.” Families selected as new home buyers include an Oak Harbor city employee, a home caregiver, and employees of WhidbeyHealth, Freeland Ace Hardware, Life Church and All Ways Caring. HFHIC will work with these families and other community volunteers over the next year to construct their new homes, provide financial education, maintenance skills, fire prevention and safety and homebuyer counseling classes. Also attending Monday’s surprise were Oak Harbor City Administrator Blaine Oborn, Mayor Pro Tem Beth Munns, city council members Shane Hoffmire and Jim Woessner and Liz Lange, director of The Center in Oak Harbor. Longtime Habitat supporters Bill and Kathy Massey and Duncan and Kathryn Chalfant were also there to welcome the group to the Habitat family

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got rained out, we decided instead to tent up the parking lot and folks loved it. They took off their shoes, shook out their hair, and got to dancing even when it drizzled. The passion and energy carries the event forward no matter what, and after the years of isolation, people are excited to connect once more.”

Postma said that without trying to sound cliché, there really is something for everyone at a Bayview Corner Summer Street Dance.

“If you look at a crowd of street dance attendees, it’s about the most diverse you can get on Whidbey,” she said. “From babies to folks who may need a walker to get around but can still use it to shake it, all races, all economic backgrounds, a huge diversity of music, everything. It’s one of the few places you can come that doesn’t ask you anything more than to be yourself, to be kind to those around you, and to have fun. And the bands truly are so skilled and specially chosen for their ability to get the crowds moving.”

Find more information at goosefoot.org, or just head to Bayview Corner Wednesday, June 15 to check it out in person.

“This isn’t a fundraiser, it’s not a sales opportunity, it’s genuinely just a fun place for community,” Postma said. “And the community always has room for more.”



Photo Courtesy of Goosefoot
Nothing says summer quite like a Bayview Corner Summer Street Dance. The popular series begins next week and will continue from 6 to 8 p.m. every other Wednesday through August.



Recipe of the Week

CHEESE IS THE FOCUS OF CLASSIC COMFORT DISH

Much like bacon, cheese makes many meals more flavorful. When cheese is the centerpiece of a dish, cheese lovers know it will be tasty and potentially even a little addictive.

Such is the case with macaroni and cheese. Many people have a go-to mac and cheese recipe in their culinary repertoire that they pull out anytime they desire some cheesy goodness. For those looking for a new mac and cheese recipe, "Crusty Mac and Cheese" from "Virgil's Barbecue Road Trip Cookbook" (St. Martin's Press) by Neal Corman is comfort food at its finest. This version has a little spiciness for an added flavor kick.

CRUSTY MAC AND CHEESE

(Serves 4-6)

- 1 pound elbow macaroni
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground white pepper
- 1/2 cup chicken stock
- 3/4 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 tablespoon hot sauce
- 1/2 tablespoon Creole mustard
- 1 1/4 cup Cheese Wiz®
- 8 ounces sharp cheddar cheese, shredded



1. Preheat the oven to 350°F. Grease a 2-quart baking dish.
2. Boil the macaroni in a 2-quart saucepan filled the water, until it is al dente, or still has some snap when you bite it. Strain the pasta and rinse thoroughly with cold water. Set aside.
3. Combine the remaining ingredients, except for the shredded cheese, in a medium saucepan over medium heat. The mixture should be barely simmering. Whisk periodically. Cook for 7 to 10 minutes.
4. In a large mixing bowl, combine the cheese sauce with the pasta and about one-third of the shredded cheese. Transfer to the baking dish, covering with the remaining shredded cheese, and bake covered for 10 minutes.
5. Uncover and bake for 15 minutes more, or until the top is golden brown.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Warm and fuzzy feelings are the name of the game this week, Aries. Real world and online friends are sending love and support your way, and this helps you in any endeavor.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, try reaching out to colleagues you admire in the days to come. They can be an important network of people who help you make smart decisions regarding your career.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21

Don't be afraid to speak your dreams to the universe, Gemini. This week you just may find out that the cosmic climate is ready to provide for you and make things happen.

CANCER – June 22/July 22

Cancer, concerns within your circle of friends that you thought were over and done with may resurface. Don't let them adversely affect your happiness.

LEO – July 23/Aug 23

Energy will be intense this week, Leo. Use it to your advantage to sail effortlessly through your list of chores or professional responsibilities. You'll have extra fuel for fun as well.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, try to stay the course as best as possible even when others are throwing distractions your way left and right. Simply keep your head down and plow through.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, you are not one to rock the boat, but don't be afraid to get a little loud and rowdy in the name of a good time this week. Self-expression can be a good thing.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, lay some ground rules at home, especially for when you are working out of your home office. Others have to know there are limits to interruptions.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Don't worry if you feel disorganized or pre-occupied right now, Sagittarius. By the end of the week, you'll be back into the groove and things will move along smoothly.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

You don't need permission to treat yourself to a little luxury and indulgence, Capricorn. This week you can book a spa visit or maybe a spending spree to spruce up your wardrobe.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, try not to grow impatient this week and expect immediate results on something you started. It could take some time before all of the pieces fall into place.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

It's time to make peace with any issues with which you have been struggling, Pisces. Friends can help if you let them.

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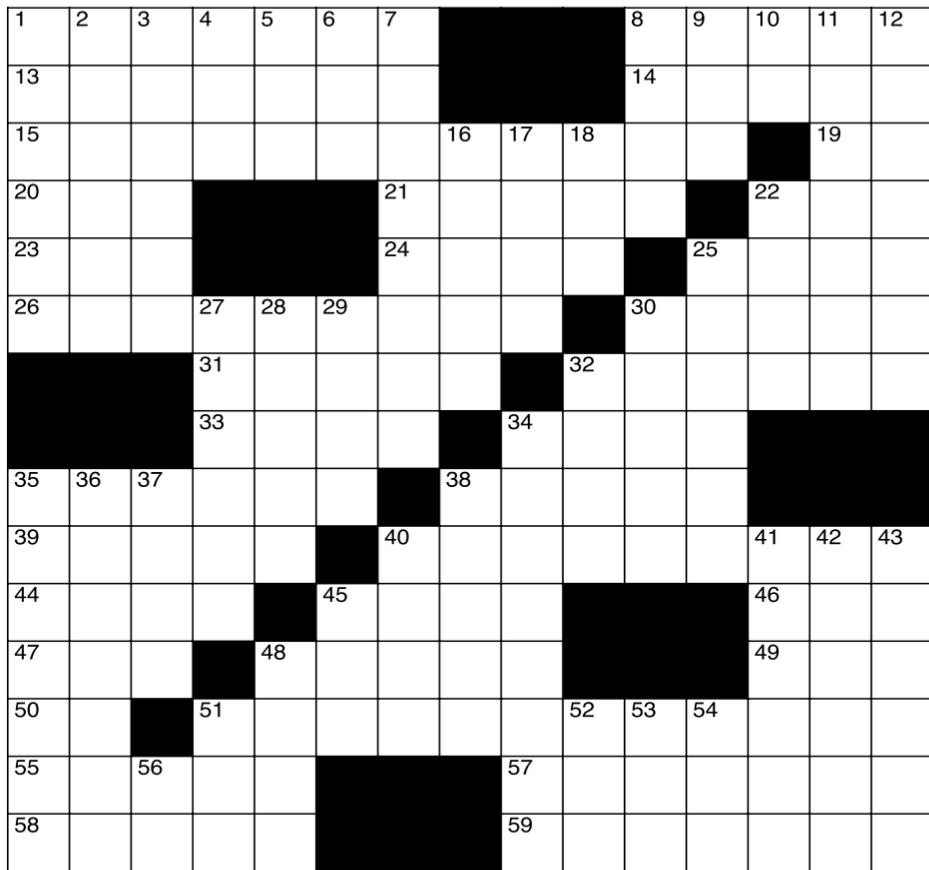
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- 8. Unnatural
- 13. Deep regret
- 14. Rogue
- 15. Took without permission
- 19. An alternative
- 20. After B
- 21. Partner to "flowed"
- 22. The best day of the week (abbr.)
- 23. Helps you hear
- 24. Egyptian river
- 25. Lake __, one of the Great
- 26. Make free from bacteria
- 30. Indigenous peoples of central Canada
- 31. Sanctuaries in Greek temples
- 32. Most unclothed
- 33. NJ senator Booker
- 34. Tibetan lake
- 35. Desecrate something sacred
- 38. John __, English educator 1467-1519
- 39. Obtains in return for labor
- 40. Views
- 44. Rugged cliff

CLUES DOWN

- 13. Deep regret
- 16. Spanish island
- 17. The skill to do something
- 21. Partner to "flowed"
- 24. Egyptian river
- 27. The sport of engaging in contests of speed
- 28. Ones to look up to
- 29. Stringed instrument
- 30. Gives whippings
- 32. Type of tie
- 34. Make more concentrated
- 35. Die
- 36. Part of a winter hat
- 37. Young men's club
- 38. Bathrooms need it
- 40. U.S. president
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- 18. Where golf games begin
- 22. Untethered
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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, June 9	Fri, June 10	Sat, June 11	Sun, June 12	Mon, June 13	Tues, June 14	Wed, June 15
North Isle H-64°/L-54° Cloudy with PM Showers	North Isle H-63°/L-55° Rain	North Isle H-61°/L-53° Rain	North Isle H-59°/L-50° AM Showers PM Clouds	North Isle H-59°/L-50° Partly Sunny	North Isle H-60°/L-52° Cloudy	North Isle H-61°/L-54° Showers
South Isle H-64°/L-55° Cloudy with PM Showers	South Isle H-66°/L-55° Rain	South Isle H-62°/L-51° Rain	South Isle H-54°/L-50° AM Showers PM Sunbreaks	South Isle H-62°/L-52° Mostly Cloudy	South Isle H-63°/L-52° Cloudy	South Isle H-62°/L-53° Showers



OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What is coolest thing about your father?



Ryleigh E., Oak Harbor

The coolest thing about my dad is that he makes great food, flies in the Growler and plays games with us. The reason these are the coolest things is because, 1. The food tastes really, really good; 2. Flying in jets sounds cool and he gets places fast; 3. Playing games is fun and we play all different kinds of games from video games, board games, or hide and seek in the dark when he turns the power off!

Jordan C., Oak Harbor

The coolest thing about my dad is that he plays the tuba. He loves music and now he's helping me learn to play the clarinet. He also cooks great food and he's really funny!



Cameron C., Oak Harbor

The coolest thing about my dad is that he works hard in the Navy and he teaches me how to play golf. He's really good in both of those things."

Lily W., Oak Harbor

The coolest thing about my dad is that even though he is deployed, he still finds a way to bring me happiness. He writes me letters, plays oculus VR with me, and will FaceTime me when he can.



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The Whidbey Island community is encouraged to try out the paddling sport of dragon boating with the Stayin' Alive team. Our team's mission is to promote the physical, social, and emotional benefits of dragon boating. It has been shown to be especially beneficial to cancer survivors. Practice with us for up to 3 times for free. Life-jackets and paddles provided. Saturdays at the Oak Harbor Marina, 8:45am. Contact njlish@gmail.com. More info at our Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/NorthPugetSoundDragonBoatClub?ref=hl

Medical Marijuana patients unite; If you need assistance, advice, etc. please contact at 420patientnetworking@gmail.com. Local Whidbey Island help.

If you or someone you know has been a victim of homicide, burglary, robbery, assault, identity theft, fraud, human trafficking, home invasion and other crimes

not listed, Victim Support Services has advocates ready to help. Please call the 24-hr Crisis Line 888-388-9221. Free service. Visit our web site at <http://victimsupport-services.org>

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Take the Leap! Volunteer for Young Dancers! Do you love helping young people find their passion? Are you interested 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 to find out more about this opportunity. (0)

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

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

If you are looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity, look no further! When you volunteer at one of the Habitat for Humanity of Island County stores, you are helping local families attain decent, affordable housing. Income from the stores is vital to giving families a path to homeownership. We need people who can commit to help out in our Oak Harbor or Freeland store at least two-hours per week. Schedules are flexible. Our friendly volunteers provide customer service, help with receiving donated household items and furniture, and maintain the store. We also need drivers and driver helpers who will professionally represent Habitat as they pick up donated items using our trucks. Please call either store for more information. Oak Harbor: 360-675-8733, Freeland: 360-331-6272.

College student? Student of history? History buff? Opportunities are available to spend constructive volunteer hours at the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum. Go to www.pnwnam.org and click on "Volunteer" or just stop by and introduce yourself.

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