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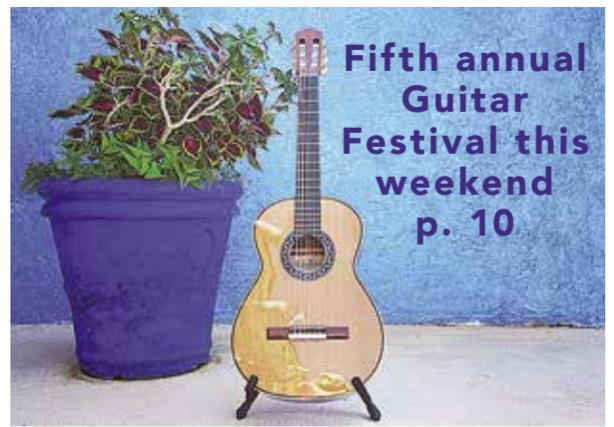
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Deception Pass State Park: *Community picnic celebrates 100 years of history*



Photo Courtesy of Deception Pass Park Foundation
A community picnic to mark the 100th anniversary of Deception Pass State Park is planned for Saturday from 1 to 9 p.m. There will be live music, food trucks, beer garden and more.

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

A big birthday deserves a big celebration. In honor of the 100th anniversary of Deception Pass State Park, the Deception Pass Park Foundation is hosting a community picnic in the park Saturday from 1 to 9 p.m. There will be live music, food trucks, a beer garden, classic cars and RVs, a community photo and more, and EVERYONE is invited to join the fun.

This may seem like a new idea, but this event – part of a host of special anniversary events – is rooted in history, according to organizers.

“The 1922 ‘inter-island picnic’ was held on July 20 and was the event where the official dedication of Deception Pass State Park lands for public use occurred,” explained Terica Ginther, president of the Deception Pass Park Foundation board of directors. “A representative from the war department gave over three military reserves to the chairman of the state parks committee of the state government.

“Based on historical newspaper archives, our best guess is the picnic started in 1919 and occurred annually until 1935,” Ginther continued. “They were held by the Farm Bureau of Island County to help the growing communities of Fidalgo and Whidbey Islands to get to know each other. There is not a record of picnics after this point, but we don’t know for sure why they stopped occurring. We know this picnic predates the park’s existence and was popular enough that they used it as the site for the park’s original dedication in 1922.”

A lot has changed over the course of the past 100 years, but much remains the same. The park drew some of the state’s largest crowds when it first opened, and today Deception Pass State Park remains one of the most-visited parks in Washington. Of course, the bridge did not exist when the park was dedicated in 1922 – that would come more than a decade later, on July 31, 1935. Today the steel structure is one of the park’s main attractions, along with superb views and thick forests.

The rich history of the area, which includes Native American culture, the Civilian Conservation Corps and even the military, keeps people coming back year after year, so it made sense to organizers of the 100th anniversary to pull out all the stops for this ongoing, historic celebration.

“To celebrate the 100th birthday of the park, the Deception Pass Park Foundation created a roster of 17 special events this year focused on cre-



Photo Courtesy of Deception Pass Park Foundation
Deception Pass State Park pre-dates one of the park’s main attractions – the Deception Pass Bridge, which was dedicated in 1935, 13 years after the park was founded. Today more than 20,000 vehicles cross the bridge on a daily basis.



Photo Courtesy of Deception Pass Park Foundation
A community picnic Saturday celebrating the 100th anniversary of Deception Pass State Park will take place at the east Cranberry Lake picnic area, near the front entrance to the park. A Discover Pass is required for vehicle admittance to the park, but there will be shuttles running between Cornet Bay, Cranberry Lake, North Beach and West Beach parking lots throughout the day.

ating a lasting legacy in the park,” Ginther said. “Volunteers and staff have collaborated to restore the Goose Rock Trail protective fencing, enhance the amphitheater, replace the docks at Cornet Bay, develop a commemorative magazine, expand retail offerings, host a 300-person scavenger hunt, secure 21 bands to perform in the park and develop new Interpretive programming. The community picnic is the capstone event to bring everyone together at once who loves and cherishes this magical place.”

There will be a lot going on Saturday. Everything will be staged at the east Cranberry Lake picnic area, which is located near the front entrance of the park. A Discover Pass is required for vehicle entrance to the park, however, shuttles will be running between Cornet Bay, Cranberry Lake, North Beach and West Beach parking lots throughout the day.

“Beginning at 1 p.m. and ending at 9 p.m., we will have five bands, a vintage RV rally and classic car show, food trucks, a beer garden featuring 10 local breweries, and a market featuring vendors from throughout Puget Sound, including a special kiosk dedicated to merchandise with our 100th Birthday icons,” Ginther shared.

The musical lineup includes the Cory Vincent trio, The Enthusiasts, Cascadia Groove, Miller Campbell and The Chris Eger Band. The beer garden will include brews from Two Beers Brewing Co., 192 Brewing, Anacortes Brewery, Chuckanut Brewery, District Brewing Co., Farmstrong Brewing Co., Flyers Restaurant and Brewery, LaConner Brewing Co., North Sound Brewing Co., Penn Cove Brewing Co., and Wicked Teuton Brewing Co. Only those 21 and older may enter the beer garden.

And, just as it happened 100 years ago, a community photo will be taken at 3:30 p.m., according to Ginther.

While food trucks will be available, those attending are encouraged to pack a picnic, blankets or chairs, and stay for the entire day, Ginther said. Organizers say it should be a day of great family fun.

“When the kids start dancing in the aisles, we will all probably reach nirvana,” said Ginther. “Music, beer, food, vintage RVs, great views, a little shopping, soft grass and great weather – what more could you ask for?”

To learn more about the community picnic and also about ongoing activities which continue through Sept. 2, visit deceptionpassfoundation.org.

County commissioners approve funds for Freeland motel purchase

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Following nearly two hours of public comment, much of it negative, Island County Commissioners last week approved a motion to provide matching funds enabling the Low Income Housing Institute to purchase the Harbor Inn motel in Freeland for use as supportive and transitional housing.

In a two -to-one vote, commissioners approved granting \$1.5 million from the county’s document recording fees toward LIHI’s purchase of the motel. Those fees are set aside as required by the state to be used in affordable housing applications. The matching grant from the county was also required by the state in order for LIHI to receive a \$3.2 million grant from the state’s Housing Trust Fund. LIHI’s grant application from the Housing Trust Fund was one of 10 approved, part of a statewide effort to hasten the acquisition of properties to provide affordable housing options.

But the sale of Freeland’s only motel has raised numerous questions from citizens. Concerns such as who would be allowed to stay on the

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ON TRACK

With Jim Freeman



Whidbey Island's Conductor of Fun and our dear friend, Jim Freeman, passed away Sunday, June 19, 2022. His presence will be missed terribly. In honor of Jim, we are publishing some of our favorite On Track columns while we figure out how to fill the big hole his passing has left.

This column originally published July 20, 2017.

Get ready! The Fair is here and we aren't there... yet. The fun begins tomorrow and ends Sunday. The Whidbey Island Fair, an annual tradition, no matter how many times the name is changed.

The Difference Between Officers & NCOs

A young Naval officer was severely wounded in the head by a flight deck accident but the only visible, permanent injury was both of his ears were amputated. Since his remaining hearing was sufficient, he remained in the Navy.

Many years later, he eventually rose to the rank of Rear Admiral. He was, however, very sensitive about his appearance.

One day the Admiral was interviewing three servicemen who were candidates for his headquarters staff.

The first was a Marine Major, a helicopter pilot, and it was a great interview. At the end of the interview the Admiral asked him, "Do you notice anything different about me?"

The young officer answered, "Why, yes Sir, I couldn't help but notice that you have no ears."

The Admiral was displeased with his lack of tact and threw him out.

The second was with a Navy Lieutenant, and he was even better. The Admiral then asked him the same question, "Do you notice anything different about me?"

He replied sheepishly, "Well, sir, you have no ears." The Admiral also threw him out.

The third interview was with an old Master Chief, an Airdale and staff-trained NCO. He was smart, articulate, fit, looked sharp, and seemed to know more than the two officers combined.

The Admiral liked this guy, and went ahead with the same question, "Do you notice anything different about me?"

The Master Chief said, "Yes, sir, you wear contact lenses."

The Admiral was very impressed as he thought silently, with quotation marks, "What an incredibly observant NCO, and he didn't mention my ears."

So, the Admiral then asked, "Master Chief, how do you know I wear contacts?"

"Well, sir," the salty old Master Chief replied, "it's pretty hard to wear glasses with no frecken ears!"

She's Ready!

A state trooper pulled an 87-year-old woman over for speeding. As he looked at her driver's license, the trooper was surprised to notice that attached to it was the lady's concealed weapon permit.

Curious, the trooper couldn't help but ask, "Do you have a gun in your possession?"

She replied in her crackly voice, "Indeed, I do. Why, I have a .45 automatic in the glove box."

The trooper then asked if she had any other weapons. She replied, "I have a 9 mm Glock handgun in the center console."

The shocked trooper asked, "Is that all the weapons you are transporting?"

The little lady held up her purse and replied, "Well, I do keep a .38 special in my purse."

Finally, the astonished trooper asked, "Ma'am, if I might ask, what are you so afraid of?"

The little old lady then smiled, and replied: "Not a frecken thing."

Retiring in style

After I retired, my wife insisted I accompany her on her trips to Walmart. Unfortunately, like most men, I found shopping boring and preferred to get in and get out. Equally unfortunate, my wife is like most women as she loves to browse and leaves

me with endless time to fulfill. Yesterday, my dear wife received the following letter from our local Walmart.

Dear Mrs. Harris,

Over the past six months, your husband has caused quite a commotion in our store. We cannot tolerate his behavior and have been forced to ban both of you from the store. Our complaints against your husband, Mr. Harris, are listed below and are documented by our video surveillance cameras.

June 15: He took 24 boxes of condoms and randomly put them in other people's carts when they weren't looking.

July 2: Set all the alarm clocks in housewares to go off at five minute intervals.

July 19: Walked up to an employee and told her in an official voice, "Code 3 in house wares. Get on it right away." This caused the employee to leave her assigned station and receive a reprimand from her supervisor which in turn resulted with a union grievance, causing management to lose time and costing the company money. We don't have a Code 3.

August 4: Went to the service desk and tried to put a bag of M&Ms on layaway.

August 14: Moved a Caution Wet Floor sign to a carpeted area.

August 15: Set up a tent in the camping department and told the children shoppers in the area he'd invite them in if they would bring pillows and blankets from the bedding department. Twenty children showed up.

August 23: When a clerk asked if they could help him, your husband began crying and screamed, "Why can't you people just leave me alone?" EMTs were called.

September 4: Looked right into the security camera and used it as a mirror while he picked his nose.

September 10: While handling guns in the hunting department, he asked the clerk where the antidepressants were.

October 3: Darted around the store suspiciously while loudly humming the theme from *Mission Impossible*.

October 18: Hid in a clothing rack. When people browsed through, Mr. Harris yelled "pick me, pick me, pick me."

October 22: When an announcement came over the loud speaker, he assumed a fetal position and screamed, "Oh no, it's those voices again."

October 23: Went into a fitting room, shut the door, waited awhile and then yelled very loudly, "Hey! There's no toilet paper in here."

One of the clerks passed out, Mrs. Harris. In light of the above, we here at Walmart hope you will enjoy shopping at one of the few K-Marts remaining in America. Have a nice day.

The Management

Fish on Fridays

After thirty-five years of marriage, a husband and wife went to a local therapist for counseling. When asked what the problem was, the wife went into a tirade listing every problem they had ever had in the years they had been married.

On and on and on she went, detailing neglect, lack of intimacy, emptiness, loneliness, feeling unloved and unlovable, and an entire laundry list of unmet needs she had endured. Finally, after allowing this rant for a sufficient length of time, the therapist stood up, walked around his desk, and after asking the wife to stand, he embraced and kissed her long and passionately as her husband watched with a raised eyebrow. The woman shut up and quietly sat down in a daze.

The therapist turned to the husband and said, "This is what your wife needs at least three times a week. Can you do this?"

"Well, I can drop her off here on Mondays and Wednesdays, but I fish on Fridays."

Thanks to Greenbank Wayne and Wild Bill of Green Valley, Arizona for providing the above four-pack of jokes for us to enjoy. Hopefully, these humorous anecdotes are not their true stories.

Have a great week and super weekend.

The loss of our beloved "Conductor of Fun" is being felt across Whidbey Island. Many of his friends and faithful readers have reached out to share some of their best memories. We would love to share some of these in this space, and invite those of you with a favorite story or memory of Jim to send it to us for publication. Send to: publisher@whidbeyweekly.com.

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Bits & Pieces

Letters to the Editor

Editor,

I am writing today in support of Lane Campbell for Island County Sheriff. Three and-a-half years ago the current sheriff was voted in and we had great hopes for positive changes in Island County and perhaps a more community engaged public sheriff's office. Let's be honest; public safety has worsened, crime is up, drugs are an increasing issue and our parks, beaches, and woods are full of trash from a growing homeless population which is pushing out from Seattle into many rural areas like our own. It's not a new problem, it's a growing problem right here where we live.

Three and-a-half years later and we are still understaffed at the sheriff's office. I confirmed the commissioners had allocated and approved positions before he took office, so why are there many times when there is only one deputy on duty in each of the three precincts serving thousands of people? Why is public safety being ignored when that is the primary purpose of the sheriff's office?

I'm tired of excuses coming out of the county at all levels and it's time to make some significant changes. Maybe public safety isn't a big issue for others, but it should be, because our children's future depends on it. At this point, I'm putting my trust in a man who has served this county for 32 years, and because I know Lane Campbell will do all he can to bring the much-needed positive change once elected.

Justin Nichols
Freeland, Wash.

Editor,

The Island County Republican Party (ICRP) has gone rogue under the chairmanship of Timothy Hazelo (candidate for district 3 commissioner) and State Committeeman Richard MacQuarrie (candidate for treasurer). Under their leadership, a resolution to not recognize the November 2021 presidential election results was adopted. However, many of the ICRP precinct committee officers (PCOs) vehemently voted against the resolution.

The ICRP leadership believes in the Doctrine of Lesser Magistrates, where if a lower authority doesn't believe in legislation being adopted by a higher authority, they should ignore the higher authority, thus bypassing the Rule of Law. Their actions are in opposition to what the Republican party stands for. Our present Republican representatives, other candidates and many elected PCOs don't agree with this doctrine. They believe in the Rule of Law. Laws cannot be arbitrarily set aside.

Timothy Hazelo and Richard MacQuarrie have infiltrated the ICRP in order to advocate for themselves as candidates. They will not be receiving my vote because I don't trust their integrity or competency. I hope as people vote they will consider the integrity and competency of the candidate and not just the "R" or "D" by their names. By doing this I hope balance will be restored in our government so one party doesn't control the legislative, executive and judicial branches.

A one party system results in less to no consideration of alternative view points. Laws that precipitate from this process are not considerate of minority opinions. The best laws have been negotiated with all affected parties and just not dictated.

Maria Cabla
Langley, Wash.

Editor,

I'm supporting the following candidates:
Rick Hannold for county commissioner. Rick has experience, integrity and analytic abilities to make wise decisions. Rick knows how to follow the money and demand value for our tax dollars. He knows how to say NO when a proposal is unwise or unlawful. He knows how to dig into issues to find out how or why a particular department or commission has done or not done its job. He thinks and makes judicious, deliberative decisions. He is conscionable but unwilling to let spontaneous emotions sway him. We need Rick back on the board of commissioners to get our county on a better path to good government.

Carrie Kennedy for congress. Carrie is the ONLY candidate who knows the full range of problems that face our nation and is willing to stand up for "we the people" and the constitution—and has actually read the constitution and Federalist Papers.

Rick Felici for sheriff. Rick has experience and a reputation for integrity and unbiased law enforcement. He has done a good job within the means granted him by the voters and his budget.

Republicans should think for themselves. Endorsements made at the last ICRP meeting were decided by a small number of people with a deck that at times seemed stacked. For better government and better candidates, we need to address the REAL "elephant" in the room—open primaries with a top two selection despite party affiliation—and work to dismantle this egregious policy.

Peggy Shekem
Coupeville, Wash.

Editor,

I am writing to thank candidate Clyde Shavers for his future commitment to serve and represent the diverse citizens in our Legislative District #10 and Washington State residents, as a whole.

Mentioning service: Clyde is a graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy and subsequently served several tours in the Navy.

Clyde presently serves on the board of Skagit Friendship House, Whidbey Veterans Resource Center and Goosefoot.

Along with his engagement to be married, another fine accomplishment is his graduation from the Yale School of Law.

Clyde grew up in Washington and now resides in Oak Harbor. He has roots here.

I am referencing the conceptual words of: representation, service and accomplishment. These are among the reasons why I support Clyde Shaver's candidacy to be a member of the state legislature.

We will benefit from the support of a person with these demonstrated qualities. — actively listening and focusing on all of his constituents rather than on just an "agenda." Every voice will be better heard with Clyde in the legislature.

Respectfully,
Stephen Guss
Langley, Wash.

Editor,

I am writing with an explanation to the citizens of Island County regarding the omission of information about our candidate in the Local Voter's Pamphlet for the 2022

elections. There apparently was some sort of error in the submission of the statement for the pamphlet even though the elections office sent an email stating it was approved.

However, that is water under the bridge. I would like to let the public know there is ample biographical information on our campaign website at www.rickhannold.com. If you visit that site you can get in-depth knowledge about our candidacy. We will also be in the League of Women Voters online guide.

Thank you,

Rick Hannold
Candidate for Island County Commissioner, District 3, (R)

Oak Harbor Police Department Press Release

July 6, 2022, at approximately 5:20AM, WhidbeyHealth in Coupeville, Wash. reported to law enforcement that a female patient was brought to the emergency room with a non-life-threatening gunshot wound to her buttock and leg. The female had been transported via a private vehicle from a residence in Oak Harbor without calling law enforcement or fire/medical for assistance. An investigation for a shooting within the city limits was initiated and detectives went to the hospital to interview the victim.

Investigators noted this incident was markedly like a previous incident in May 2022, when a different subject arrived at the emergency room with a serious stab wound stemming from an assault at the same residence.

During the investigation, the victim's story about how she came to be shot was inconsistent with the injury she received. Previous information Oak Harbor Police Department detectives had gathered about the residence and its occupants in the earlier stabbing incident was presented to the victim, and the victim admitted she was asleep but her fiancé, who she knew to be a convicted felon and ineligible to possess firearms, was in bed and had a pistol in his waistband when it apparently discharged and she was struck.

The Oak Harbor Police Department has developed probable cause to arrest James Mathis for Assault 3rd Degree Domestic Violence, Unlawful Possession of Firearm and Reckless Endangerment. Detectives have attempted to contact him and have used several methods to get a message to him asking him to turn himself in to law enforcement. The investigation is ongoing and there is no danger to the public at this time.

[Submitted by Meg Massey, Oak Harbor Police Department]

26th Annual Whidbey Island Triathlon

Competitors of all types will once again be bringing their competitive spirits for the 26th annual Whidbey Island Triathlon sponsored by Whidbey Telecom. The Whidbey Island Triathlon, staged in the heart of the southern portion of breathtaking Whidbey Island, attracts all ages and abilities and is open to individual participants as well as relay team competition. It is popular in the Northwest as a first-time challenge for novice and rookie triathletes.

The swim-bike-run course starts with a half-mile swim in beautiful, clean and clear Goss Lake. Leaving the lake on bike, participants begin the 19-mile ride along tree-lined country roads. The bike course is hilly, with views of Saratoga Passage and the North Cascades. Athletes finish with a 3.75 mile run on the lovely groomed forest trails at Community Park and the Sports Complex.

The competition includes age group categories, as well as "King Salmon" (men

Strengthen your 'three-legged stool' for retirement

For many years, Americans provided for their retirement needs through three sources: employer-sponsored pension plans, Social Security income, and savings and investments accumulated through employer plans or individual accounts – the so-called "three-legged stool." But today, that stool is shakier than it used to be. What can you do to strengthen it? To begin with, all three legs of the stool are facing challenges. Let's consider them:

- **Employer pensions** – A generation ago, workers employed in many companies could count on a set monthly pension income to help them through their retirement years. Today, pensions – also known as defined benefit plans – are mostly found in public sector employment, as most private-sector employers have replaced their pensions with 401(k) and similar plans. These plans can be quite effective at helping build resources for retirement, but they do place most of the responsibility for saving on the employee.

- **Social Security** – Social Security has come under financial pressure because the workers-to-retirees ratio has declined significantly, according to the Social Security Administration's 2021 Board of Trustees Report. A number of proposals have been brought forward on how to improve the long-term financial security of the Social Security system.

- **Personal savings and investments** – In terms of building savings and investments for retirement, the picture is somewhat mixed. The national savings rate has increased in recent years, but more than half of American workers still say their retirement savings are not where they should be, according to a 2021 survey from Bankrate, a personal finance website. And the same survey found that just over half of investors with a 401(k) or IRA have taken early withdrawals – that is, they withdrew money before they retired. Furthermore, we may be waiting too long even to begin saving/investing for retirement. A survey from Age Wave and Edward Jones found that respondents began saving for retirement at an average age of 38, but the majority said they should have started saving a decade earlier.

You have options for improving some parts of your own three-legged stool. For example, no matter what happens to Social Security, you can still decide when to start taking payments. You can begin collecting benefits as early as 62, but your monthly checks will be larger if you wait until your "full" retirement age, which will likely be between 66 and 67. You can even delay taking benefits until they "max out" at age 70.

As for a pension, you can't control what's available to you through your employer, but you can create your own retirement income stream by contributing as much as you can afford to your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored plan and by increasing your contributions whenever your salary goes up. And you can also contribute to an IRA or other investment vehicle to further boost your retirement funds. Try to leave these accounts intact until you need them for retirement. This will be easier if you've built an emergency fund, with the money kept in a liquid, low-risk account, to pay for unexpected costs, such as those resulting from a major car or home repair.

The three-legged stool may not be as universal as it once was – but you can still construct a sturdy structure to support your retirement needs in the future.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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220+ lbs. and women 165+ lbs.) and relay team divisions. Participants must be 16 years of age or older on race day, or have requested special permission four weeks in advance from the race director to participate.

This year's triathlon includes competitors from as far as Florida, Texas and Hawaii. The ages of the triathletes range from 14 to 75, with the youngest being able to run a sub 5-minute mile. One of the teams will be racing in memory of a friend who regularly competed in this race for many years and passed away last summer. One local competitor, Michael Stadler, is "slipping this race in before photographing an 8-hour wedding starting at 12:30PM."

The event is Saturday starting at 9:00AM. Chip timing is provided by BuDu Racing. Race details at www.whidbeytriathlon.com.

The triathlon leans heavily on volunteer support to maintain a quality event. Over the course of two days, South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District will need to fill over 100 volunteer positions, from trail marshals to clean-up crew. Athletes look to volunteers for encouragement, assistance and support. Volunteers are the HEART of this event, and SWPRD couldn't do it without them. Join for a fun and rewarding experience. Sign-up to volunteer at <https://signup.com/go/zzyafXT>.

For questions, contact South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District at 360-221-6788 recreation@whidbey.com.

Road Restrictions for Whidbey Island Triathlon

The following road restrictions will be in effect Saturday to facilitate the safety of runners and bicyclists during South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District's 26th annual Whidbey Island Triathlon:

7:00AM – 8:45AM: Lakeside Dr. one way only (northwest-bound) between Traverse Rd. and Pintail Rd. (no street parking except select volunteers).

8:45AM – 10:15AM: Traverse Rd. and Lakeside Dr. closed
9:15AM – 11:30AM: Limited turns from Bayview Rd. onto Andreason Rd.
9:00AM – 11:30AM: DeBruyn Rd. closed between Saratoga Rd. and 3rd Street
9:00AM – 11:30AM: Second St. closed between Park and DeBruyn

In addition, drivers will encounter runners and bicyclists using the following routes from 8:30AM – 1:00PM:

Lone Lake Rd.
Goss Lake Rd. between Traverse Rd. and Lone Lake Rd.
Saratoga Rd. between Lone Lake Rd. and Park Rd.
DeBruyn Rd. between Saratoga Rd. and 3rd St.
3rd St./Brooks Hill Rd./Bayview Rd. between DeBruyn Rd. and Andreason Rd.
Park Rd. between Saratoga Rd. and 6th St.
6th St./Camano Avenue/Langley Rd. between Park Rd. and Maxwellton Rd.
Maxwellton Rd. between Langley Rd. and Community Park

Drivers are asked to exercise extreme caution along these routes. South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District apologizes in advance for any inconvenience the road restrictions and traffic congestion may cause and appreciates the public's patience during this annual event.

For more information about the scheduled event, please contact the district office at 360-221-5484.

[Submitted by Skye Dunn, Recreation Supervisor, South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District]

Bring Your Garden Produce to the Fair

Bring in your garden produce Tuesday, July 26 and win cash prizes — and bragging rights — for what you grew in your garden or on your farm. A team of Agriculture Department (#204) volunteers will greet

you in the Burrier Annex at the fairgrounds in Langley and load up the shelves with your luscious goods. The Fair opens Thursday, July 28, and continues through Sunday, July 31.

A few simple rules for entering your goods are in the 2022 Whidbey Island Entry Guidelines available in libraries and businesses or download a copy from the website, www.whidbeyislandfair.com. Check out pages 19 to 21 for open class agricultural entries including the special contests, such as animal and people critters. The divisions are categorized as Vegetables, Fruits, Herbs, Honey, Grains/Beans/Seeds, Compost and Special items. Each division must be identified as either adult or youth (Y).

Before bringing in your entries, register online as an exhibitor, same website as above. You'll get an email confirming your registration. If online is not possible, a volunteer in the Burrier Annex will take care of you when you come in Tuesday. Collect what you plan to enter using entry guidelines, list each type of tomato, apple, etc. Be sure to notice the number per item and the qualities for which it will be judged. You will receive a ribbon and a cash reward as soon as Saturday and Sunday afternoons and Monday morning. Entries may be picked up after 9:00PM Sunday or Monday from 10:00AM to noon and 5:00 to 7:00PM.

Volunteers and exhibitors in the Agriculture Department include Deer Lagoon Grange #846, South Whidbey Tilth, Whidbey Beekeepers Association (Whidbees), Growing Veterans, Conservation District of Island County and the Washington State University (WSU) Extension Service of Island County.

[Submitted by Susan Prescott]

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Small-Town Festival Returns Over \$1,000,000 to its Community Through Volunteers



Summer has arrived and a popular activity on weekends is enjoying local festivities in towns around the region. As visitors we enjoy the art, food and entertainment provided by each town or city, but most of us are not aware of the importance the festival is to community support. Unlike larger cities who hire contractors to manage their events, small-town festivals are organized and run by local volunteers. This allows proceeds from the event to go directly back to the community. The volunteer-managed Coupeville Arts and Crafts Festival has returned over \$1,000,000 to the community.

The Arts and Crafts Festival is the oldest festival in Island County. Since the 1960s, the festival has traditionally taken place during the second weekend in August in Coupeville, Wash. Coupeville currently has a population of about 2,000. This is the largest festival on Whidbey Island with an annual attendance of over 10,000 visitors. The festival this year, August 13-14, will showcase 134 vendors of original arts and crafts and eight local food vendors. There are also special activities for children.

The Coupeville Art and Crafts Festival is a perfect example of how people unite to benefit their community. Organization, management and operation of this festival is carried out solely by local volunteers. The festival board meets monthly for festival planning, which includes publicity, operations, volunteers, exhibitors and food. At least 75 additional volunteers fill the roles needed to run the festival. This represents over 1,200 hours of time donated by volunteers from Coupeville and neighboring Oak Harbor areas. Lion's club and local military assists with site preparation and management of first aid booths. Coupeville Boys and Girls Club masterfully directs parking and local scouts cover trash collection. Local youth and retired volunteers provide children's activities, act as greeters, distribute water and act as booth sitters. A festival communications network is provided by local radio enthusiasts to assure all is running smoothly. The festival is a collaboration of volunteers and could not exist without them.

Festival proceeds are generated from exhibitor fees and commissions. Because the Coupeville Arts and Crafts Festival is completely run by volunteers, all festival proceeds go back to the community. Since its inception, the festival has provided over \$1,000,000 in grants and scholarships to Coupeville area and island residents. Grant recipients include Coupeville for town projects, Pacific NW Art School, local schools, Island County Historical Society, Coupeville Art Gallery, Coupeville Library, Boys and Girls Club, Coupeville Waterfront Association and Pacific Rim Institute. Each year the festival funds scholarships to students who have worked as festival volunteers. This year the festival will offer four \$2,000 scholarships for students to pay for college or post-secondary programs.

Thanks to local volunteers, the Coupeville Arts and Crafts Festival is able to provide financial support to numerous community endeavors while festival visitors are able to enjoy this popular small-town event.

For more information or to volunteer, visit coupevillefestival.com.

[Submitted by Janine Shelley, Secretary, Coupeville Arts and Crafts Festival Board]

Call for Entries for the Whidbey Island Harvest Festival

The Whidbey Island Harvest Festival will showcase local culinary arts, agriculture, ranching, wine and spirits, fine arts, crafts and music. Hosted by the Langley Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Port of South Whidbey, the Vintners and Distillers Association and Whidbey Island Grown, this event will be held at the Whidbey Island Fairgrounds and Events Center Oct. 1 and 2.

Restaurateurs, caterers, food producers, coffee makers and wineries can reserve space in the Pole Barn for the "Taste of Whidbey" Experience, which features small bites, tastings and locally made food products.

Or vendors may select the "Get in the Spirit" Experience featuring tastings, full servings, and package sales of a variety of alcoholic beverages from wineries, meaderies, breweries and distilleries.

Food trucks and caterers can showcase their fare at the "Whidbey Eats" Experience.

Local fine artists, artisans and makers are invited to bring original, locally made products, fine art and crafts for sale in your own tented space in the "Art in the Air" Experience or show as part of a juried exhibit.

Spaces for this festival are limited. Please submit your application today and reserve your place with a \$100 deposit. Contact the Langley Chamber of Commerce at 360-221-6765 or www.visitlangley.com/harvestfestapplication.

Participation in Demonstration Alley and Show and Tell is invited at no cost. Demonstration Alley will feature artisans at work, from woodworking to flower arranging and beekeeping. Show and Tell provides classes about subjects related to farming, ranching, wine and spirits, art, crafts or music. Develop your subject and we'll advertise it for you. Set your own fees and the proceeds are yours.

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

American Pickers to Film in Washington



The *American Pickers* are excited to return to Washington. They plan to film episodes of The History Channel hit television series throughout the area in October 2022.

American Pickers is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on The History Channel. The hit show follows skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the interesting stories behind them.

As they hit the back roads from coast to coast, the pickers are on a mission to recycle and rescue forgotten relics. Along the way, they want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. They hope to give historically significant objects a new lease on life while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way. The pickers have seen a lot of rusty gold over the years and are always looking to discover something they've never seen before. They are ready to find extraordinary items and hear fascinating tales about them.

The crew at *American Pickers* continues to take the pandemic very seriously and will be following all guidelines and protocols for safe filming outlined by the state and CDC. Nevertheless, The History Chan-

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

Fundraiser Rummage Sale

Saturday, July 23, 9:00AM-3:00PM

American Legion Post #129, Oak Harbor

All proceeds will go to Scouts BSA Troop 4319 for camp fees, event fees and camping gear. A hot dog lunch will be available for purchase between 11:00AM and 2:00PM. Clothes for men, women and kids, toys, household items, accessories, books, kitchenware and lots of miscellaneous. Find your next treasure and help support our community youth. The American Legion Post #129 is located at 690 SE Barrington Dr. The sale is inside.

Summer Street Dances: Rubatano Marimba

Wednesday, July 27, 6:00-8:00PM

Bayview Cash Store, Langley

Rubatano Marimba plays heart-warming and dance inducing Zimbabwean style marimba. Tanya Boyd, Leslie Breedon, Diana Chamrad, Paul Hayes, Kerry Holland, Dana Moffett, Micah Petrich, Billy Piepenbrink, Warner Scheyer and Tillie Scruton, and special guests. Rain or shine! Free admission, beer, wine, and soft drinks are available for purchase, and food is available from nearby restaurants; picnic dinners are also welcome. Presented by Goosefoot. Bayview Cash Store is located at 5603 Bayview Rd.

Elections Open House

Thursday, July 28, 10:00AM

Island County Elections Office, Coupeville

The Island County Elections Office will be holding an open house for the public with guided tours of the facility. This a fantastic opportunity to see the elections staff and processes in action during an election. Tours begin at 10:00AM and will run hourly during office hours. Members of the news media, candidates, and the public are invited to attend. Appointments are required for tours. Please call the Island County Elections Office at 360-678-8290 or email elections@islandcountywa.gov to reserve a time slot.

Book Signing

Thursday, July 28, 1:00-3:00PM

His Place Christian Book Store, Oak Harbor

Do you find yourself caught up in comparing yourself to others, performing for acceptance, or held captive to perfectionism? You are not alone. We all currently live in a world that seems to demand an acceptable identity, especially exaggerated by social media. It seems to drive us to compare how we look, what we have, and how we perform (or fail to perform). This leads us to question ourselves: What if I fail to measure up? What if I don't have what it takes? What if I'm not enough?

Our Masquerade invites you to confront your hiding places. You can discover how, why, and where you've learned to hide and once you've done so, you can say goodbye to tormenting thoughts and feelings that steal your confidence and your peace. You can leave the past behind and find the pathway to escape into a life transformed.

His Place Christian Book Store is located at 350 SE Pioneer Way #103. Books will be available for purchase.

Book Reading

Thursday, July 28, 5:00PM

Kingfisher Books, Coupeville

Author Christine Herbert, a returned Peace Corps volunteer, will be talking about her

adventures in Zambia (mud hut and all!) as a health worker and educator. Autographed copies of her memoir, *The Color of the Elephant*, will be available for purchase.

Ride with a Guide Bus Tour to the Anacortes Arts Festival

Friday, August 5

Ride with a Guide on Island and Skagit Transit to the Anacortes Arts Festival for a fun day of music, food and art. Play Transit Trivia on the way with a chance to win prizes. To RSVP and get details call 360-678-9536 or email: Travel@IslandTransit.org.

Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below

Cost: Free:

An Incredible Journey

Wednesday, July 27, 2:00-3:00PM

Coupeville Library

Drip, drip, drip goes the waterdrop. Where did it come from? Where is it going? Join Central Whidbey State Parks Rangers Jen and Morgan on this incredible journey of a waterdrop. Be ready to go with the flow! For children ages 5-11 with their caregivers.

Barnacle Bonanza

Wednesday, August 3, 2:00-3:00PM

Coupeville Library

Have you ever wondered about those little volcano-shaped shells stuck to the rocks at the beach? Come learn about those shells and the creatures that live inside. Transform into a barnacle to see what it is like to live as one. Join Central Whidbey State Parks Rangers Jen and Morgan to explore the under-appreciated barnacle. For children ages 5-11 with their caregivers.

Ranger Reads Family Storytime

Thursdays, August 4 & August 18,

10:00-10:45AM

Coupeville Library

Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and creative activities together as a family to prepare for the wonder of reading. Park Rangers from Central Whidbey Area State Parks will be our featured storytellers each week. A play time may follow. For children ages 18 months to five years. Caregiver required.

Chess on the Green

Saturday, August 6, 11:00AM-2:00PM

Coupeville Library

Join us at the Whidbey Island Farmers Market, located just outside the Coupeville Library, for chess on the green! Play a match with a friend, or find a new partner. This event is non-competitive; all ages, abilities, and levels welcome!

Religious Services

Filipino Christian Fellowship

Sundays, 2:00PM

Meets at Church on the Rock,

1780 SE 4th Ave., Oak Harbor.

www.ohcfellowship.com

Healing Rooms

Every Thursday, 6:30-8:30PM

5200 Honeymoon Bay Road, Freeland

The Healing Rooms are open to anyone desiring personal prayer for physical, emotional, or spiritual needs. There is a team of Christians from several local churches that are dedicated to praying for healing the sick in our community. All ministry is private, confidential, and free. Teams are available to pray for individuals who drop by on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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Myrt Amanda Boyeson



Myrt Amanda Boyeson, 96 years old, passed peacefully into the loving arms of Jesus July 9, 2022 at WhidbeyHealth Medical Center, Coupeville, Wash. Amanda was born Feb. 5, 1926, to Ludvick and Helga (Anderson) Palm in Eden, South Dakota. She grew up on a farm near Buffalo Lake, South Dakota. She had seven siblings.

Amanda left home at 14 years old to attend high school in Britton, S.D. She worked for her room and board. She graduated from high school in 1944. After her graduation, the state of South Dakota asked her to teach grades 1 through 8 in a one room country schoolhouse. She taught for one and-a-half years. In 1946, she met and married Army recruiter, Vincent Coyne. They started their family in 1947 and had five children. In 1957 they moved to Anacortes, Wash. Amanda raised her five children, while working full time as a retail clerk, hospital receptionist and secretary. Later retired from NAS Whidbey Island in 1977. She was an amazing, strong, and loving mother, wife, grandmother, sister, and aunt.

In 1975, Amanda met Matt Boyeson in a dancing class. They married in 1976 on the Hawaiian Island of Kauai. They were married for 40 years and had the time of their lives. They designed and built their dream home and developed the land around their home with a fruit orchard, berries and vegetable garden. Amanda loved her beautiful flower gardens. She enjoyed dancing, boating, traveling the world, playing cards (sometimes staying up till the wee hours of the morning), camping and entertaining.

Amanda loved painting ceramics with her daughter, Darcy. She was Amanda's caregiver. They enjoyed many laughs and good times together. She loved teaching her children and grandchildren how to make her famous pie crust and lefse. Amanda leaves a legacy of love of family.

Amanda is preceded in death by her parents and six siblings. Her surviving sister, Marlys, lives on Lopez Island, Wash. Amanda leaves her five children, Rod (Tammy) of Oak Harbor, Wendy Coyne Johnson of Pace, Fla., Darcy Coyne Sullivan of Oak Harbor, Jeff (Donna) Coyne of Bothell, Wash., and Randy (Jay Ruth) of Coupeville. Also surviving are seven grandchildren, Kindle Sullivan, Ray Sullivan, Lindsey Clark, Ryan Coyne, Jessica Lane, Rory Coyne, Ross Coyne; six great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Life Tributes can now be found online at www.whidbeyweekly.com

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8 4:06 pm, Oak St.

Maroon Toyota Corolla, license unknown, seen casing property; occupied by three people, two males and one female. Were "where they shouldn't be." Reporting party states she blocked their car in with her vehicle, felt she caught them in the act. Reporting party told occupants they weren't supposed to be there and they apologized, claimed to be lost and left.

6:14 pm, Harbor Sands Ln.

Advising subject, who reporting party met on Facebook, has decided to use reporting party's address to have his mail delivered to reporting party; requesting call.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9

11:23 am, Keystone Ave.

Requesting call referencing alleged trespassing she was reported as suspect in; would like to give her statement. States she wasn't in the area at the time.

1:34 pm, Bounty Loop

Caller says his neighbor has put up surveillance cameras directed at his property; says Island County Sheriff's Office deals with her all the time.

4:54 pm, Shore Meadow Rd.

Caller states last year juveniles stole from his beach and damaged bulkhead by removing those logs; states insurance company required a police report.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10

2:59 pm, Best Rd.

Advising small Cessna is buzzing house; extremely loud airplane, noise in background; scaring reporting party's livestock.

4:12 pm, Sandberg Ln.

Caller wants the legal bullshit disconnected from her life; recalling, started going off on call-taker, so disconnected.

5:10 pm, Ault Field Rd.

Advising had incident with male driving gray Toyota truck with Texas license; truck driver was upset about the "Let's Go" sign on Heller; flipped a U-turn to catch up to reporting party and flipped him off.

SATURDAY, JUNE 11

3:31 am, Meadowood Ln.

Caller states someone just fired a firearm that sounded like a .306 inside his pole

building; suspects two boys that come over and stay in pole building.

3 pm, SE Barrington Dr.

Advising ex-boyfriend stole vehicle in December; said he crashed it and was impounded on Whidbey Island; reporting party has no further on location, trying to locate vehicle.

4:53 pm, Blakely Ave.

Requesting call referencing roommate: reporting party thought they were in a relationship, but now she is saying she has a boyfriend; she is renting a room from reporting party and he is wondering if he can now make her move.

5:20 pm, Spyglass Dr.

Advising neighbor came onto reporting party's property and cut down five trees; occurred one hour ago.

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

2:06 am, West Beach Rd.

Reporting party advising there are a bunch of cows and sheeps [sic] in the road.

6:19 am, Bush Point Rd.

Coyote wandering in area; caller advising appears lost. Does not appear injured, has been wandering in the road.

2:55 pm, SR 20

Black PT Cruiser with red racing strip is behind reporting party; tailgating and throwing things out window at reporting party's car; reporting party in blue Volkswagen Passat.

MONDAY, JUNE 13

8:44 am, SR 525

Advising male in white Ford F250 appeared to be sleeping while driving.

TUESDAY, JUNE 14

9:29 am, SR 20

Poor cell connection; large white box truck spraying gasoline as it's driving; Southbound on SR 20, passing OLF.

3:31 pm, SR 20

Reporting party states business lockout at location; locksmith enroute with ETA of 60 minutes; states there are several exotic animals locked inside, caller is not comfortable with 60 minute wait for locksmith, is hoping responder can help get into building.

Report provided by OHPD & Island County Sheriff's



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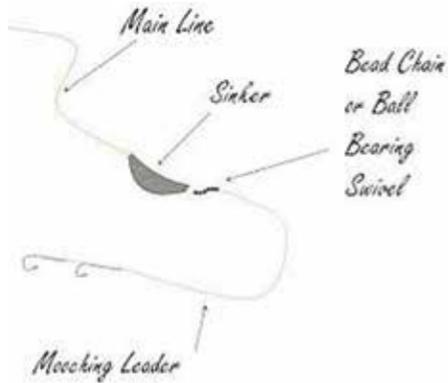
MARINE AREA NINE

It makes me almost sick to my stomach to see non-selective gill nets extended out from North Beach near Deception Pass Bridge netting the sweet run of sockeye salmon that is headed back to the Baker and Skagit Rivers. With sport fishermen restricted to three days (July 14-16) of fishing for clipped Chinook salmon in Marine Area 7, where do we fish for Chinook after that unbelievably short, basically nonexistent season in area-7? Marine Area-9 is our best bet; we will be restricted to six days of fishing from July 14 to 27, and then we will be able to fish seven days a week from July 28 through Sept. 25, or until the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife throws us an overnight closure curveball on the "emergency rules change" website.

Until that happens, let's fish like crazy for some saltwater kings! There is more than one technique to generate a strike from a prowling Chinook.

- Mooching, primarily from a boat, is one of the early ways of catching salmon. A typical mooching rig uses a six- to eight-ounce banana-style weight, 30- to 60-inches of 20-40-pound monofilament leader and two, 2/0- to 3/0-size sharp hooks tied four inches apart on one end. The most common bait for mooching is whole herring, herring strips (fillets) or sand shrimp. The mooching rig is slowly free-spoiled to the bottom; then the rig is mooched (jigged) up and down while slowly reeling the rig through the water column back to the surface, at which point the process is repeated until a bite happens. Area 9 has many proven spots to catch kings using the mooching technique. Two of the more popular spots are the north and south ends of Mid-channel Bank near Port Townsend and the "horseshoe" on Possession Point. The horseshoe is an extension of Possession Point all under water, slowly drifting along the 90- to 120-foot couture lines while mooching is a safe bet.

- Darting is a close cousin to mooching. Darts are typically one-ounce to eight-ounce fancy sticks of lead painted to mimic herring, candlefish, and shad. If you get good at finding and catching kings on a dart, you will never fish with anything else. Hooking a hard-fight-



This is a basic but effective mooching set-up.

ing Chinook salmon on just a dart is an incredible feeling – no flasher drag to contend with, no swinging banana weight to pull the hooks out of the fish's mouth, just you, your rod and the fish. Catching fish on a dart will give you fishing sickness that is simply incurable! Successful darting depends on the current. Drifting with the current, passing over the feeding salmon, is what you need to master.

- Trolling with downriggers. The modern downrigger allows salmon fishermen to lower natural baits and artificial lures down to 100 feet and beyond, getting close to the bottom where king salmon are searching the loose sand for candle fish, shrimp, and other small crustaceans. Trolling at an average speed of 2.0 mph (with the current) lets anglers cover large areas of water in search of the salmon. Most trolling fishermen will use a rotating flasher in front of their bait or lure to help attract fish from a distance. After a fish is on the line, the use of a flasher is good and bad in my opinion. It's bad because it creates drag while trying to reel the fish in and takes away some of the fantastic feeling of the salmon's head-shake and fight. However, the resistance of the flasher also helps keep pressure on the hook in the fish's mouth as the salmon pulls on, and swims with, the flasher. I know fishermen who do not use flashers on their main line, but I personally use flashers all the time. Downriggers can take some getting used to and require attention while in use, but once you become accustomed to the type of downrigger you use, they are well worth the time. Something to consider if you use electric downriggers is to have a manual rigger of the same brand on board the boat, just in case there is a major failure with your electric one. No matter which technique you use, getting out on the water and finding a hard-fighting king salmon in all of that water is the goal.

With the limited days we have been given to chase kings between Marine Areas 7 and 9, crowded boat ramps and stressed patience could be an issue, so like I tell my family, "never panic and remain calm at all times" and it will pay off in the end. Here is my email: tlfishmonger@gmail.com. Feel free to ask questions or pass along a fishing story.



This is a common flasher and salmon spoon rig, the colors and sizes are endless.



Here is a good mix of salmon dart colors.

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Whidbey Island Guitar Festival opens up a world of music

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Add one more item to the already-long list of cool things about Whidbey Island.

The fifth annual Whidbey Island Guitar Festival takes place this weekend at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts in Langley, bringing a world of music and artists with it. Performances begin Friday at 7:30 p.m. and will continue Saturday and Sunday afternoons starting at 2 p.m. Three-day passes, as well as single-day or single-performance tickets, are available for purchase online at wicaonline.org, which also has a complete lineup of performances.



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Guitar Festival
Anil Persad will join guitarist Andre Feriante on the east Indian tabla during a Saturday afternoon performance at the Whidbey Island Guitar Festival in Langley.



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Guitar Festival
Elizabeth Brown specializes in classical guitar and early music instruments such as the lute and baroque guitar. She will perform Friday evening during the opening night of the Whidbey Island Guitar Festival in Langley.

The festival is the creation of Whidbey Island guitarist, Andre Feriante, who said it is definitely something unique for the island.

"It might be the only guitar festival anywhere that is about all the voices of the guitar and its relatives from the past," he told *Whidbey Weekly* via email. "There are classical guitar festivals, Django guitar festivals, blues guitar, and so on, but I don't know of one that is open to any kind of fingerstyle guitar playing."

Although several of the artists do have a background in rock, the Whidbey Island Guitar Festival features more stripped down, intimate performances, with music ranging from baroque to bluegrass, jazz to Middle Eastern – all of it designed to celebrate the guitar in all its forms, past and present.

"One of the main philosophies of the festival is to represent many genres of music," Feriante explained. "The idea is to bring people together under one room that might not normally attend the same show."



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Guitar Festival
Langley guitarist Andre Feriante is the founder and inspiration of the Whidbey Island Guitar Festival, which opens Friday evening at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts. Performances will continue Saturday and Sunday afternoon.

"It's not a loud experience for the most part," he continued. "It's about acoustic and fingerstyle instrumental playing, mostly solo and duo shows. It can be sometimes introspective, but people will definitely see and hear some instruments that are uncommon in America and possibly new to them."

Feriante, who has made his living with the guitar for more than 40 years, began playing guitars from all over the world about

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property, whether the septic drain field would be sufficient to handle the use and whether current zoning would allow such a facility to operate were brought up. Citizens also raised questions of transparency, claiming there had been no notice of the proposed purchase or how the property would be used by LIHI.

"This whole process has been anything but transparent," Char Henderson of Freeland, told commissioners during the public comment period. "If we are changing the use of our property, we are required by law to notify the surrounding neighbors and businesses with a big yellow sign indicating what the changes will be and everyone has three months to address those concerns to the county. Why wasn't there a notification sign put up at Harbor Inn notifying the neighbors what changes were going to happen?"

From the economic impact of losing Freeland's only motel, to feasibility studies, to concerns over property values, members of the public shared their concern that the county had not looked into this deal closely enough.

"Those in the business community, if they are going to make an investment, do their due diligence and find out everything they can prior to making a purchase," said Chet Ross, president of the Greater Freeland Chamber of Commerce. "When we asked if the due diligence had been done by the county on certain matters that had been brought up, we were informed that they can't do that until permits are applied for. That is counter to good business as far as our business community is concerned. Why can't we take a little bit of time and do the due diligence to find out whether we can or can't do what the county is proposing for the use of the Harbor Inn?"

Commissioners and county staff, after listening to the public comment, tried to answer some of those questions, admitting the process seems a little backwards. In order for LIHI to get the state funding for this project, the county had to provide a letter of support to the state, saying they would consider providing the matching grant funding of \$1.5 million. That happened last October. But because LIHI is not yet the property owner, it cannot apply for permits and

the county is not involved in the purchase. That is between the motel owner and LIHI.

"In reality, there's a purchase and then ownership, then the owner goes through the process of changing use," said Commissioner Jill Johnson. "That happens when somebody actually owns something."

"What we're saying is that we are not allowing an unpermitted use to happen with this project," said Commissioner Janet St. Clair. "I'm going to have to agree that our process is a little backwards. Some of that comes from how the state mandates how we perform this process, but we cannot ensure or deny a permit that has not been applied for, so those reassurances, I think, is what we hope the public will hear."

Under current zoning in Freeland, the motel would be allowed to operate with transitional or bridge housing, in much the same way the motel currently operates. As the property owner, LIHI could apply for a mixed-use permit in the future, which would allow up to 49 percent of the facility to be used as supportive housing, with no limits on the length of their stay. Such a move would require a hearing, but no zoning changes. Any future changes in use could trigger the need for more permit applications surrounding septic and drain field systems or bringing the facility up to current fire codes, for example.

Under the terms of the approved contract, Island County Human Services' Housing Support Center will screen all applicants for the facility. LIHI will provide an on-site manager as well as a case manager or social worker to assist residents with various needs. Residents will be required to sign a code of conduct and abide by those rules as long as they live there.

Commissioners said they added several stipulations to the contract based on feedback from the community.

"The reason we added those things is because the board of county commissioners has been listening to the opposition of this project," Commissioner Melanie Bacon said. "We added these things to the contract, which are not standard items in a contract of this type, because we were listening to your concerns."



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly
Island County Commissioners have approved a \$1.5 million grant to aid the Low Income Housing Institute in its purchase of the Harbor Inn motel in Freeland. The facility would be used for transitional and supportive housing.

Concerns were also raised that LIHI had not provided all the documentation called for in the agreement. LIHI's Housing Development Director, John Torrence, promised all documents would be sent to commissioners as well as members of the public who requested them. *Whidbey Weekly* made such a request, but has not received a reply, and asked Bacon about the status of the documents.

"I am satisfied that the County has received everything we need to enter into our contract with LIHI," she said in an email. "I will contact Mr. Torrance myself to ask him to respond to any requests by you or our citizens, as he indicated he would do."

In the end, Commissioner Johnson voted against the measure, saying while she generally supports and recognizes the need for supportive and affordable housing, she had concerns about this project, especially because Freeland is located in a Non-Municipal Urban Growth Area with rural infrastructure.

"We're making a move as if it's an urban area," she said. "Our subsequent assumption is that we'll be able to recreate a motel in the private market. But the infrastructure restrictions exist going forward. It's a trade of one set of problems for another set of problems."

Some of those who spoke out at the July 12 meeting said they didn't understand the commissioners' decision.

"Stunned is the best word I can think of," said Leanne Finlay, of Piper Finlay Real Estate in Langley. "This feels like the decision has been rushed and I cannot figure out why. It just doesn't make sense. Grant money is precious and should be carefully evaluated before giving it out."

Bacon, who has met with community members on a few different occasions to discuss this situation, said at the meeting she was comfortable with her decision.

"I have listened, and I have listened, and I have listened, and in my heart, every question I had was answered," she said. "Ultimately, every time I vote on anything, I have to vote with what my soul is saying is the right thing for me to do... so that's where I voted and if you disagree with me, then two-and-a-half years from now you can make that real clear. Part of being a county commissioner is that it's our responsibility to make these tough choices."

To watch the July 12 Island County Commissioners meeting in full, visit islandcountywa.gov.





Few things are as delicious and refreshing as watermelon on a warm day. Watermelon grows quite readily in summer and is often ready to pick after three months of growing time. Harvesters look for a pale buttery yellow spot on the bottom of watermelon (the ground spot), indicating ripeness. However, shoppers can do their part and pick perfect watermelon at the store. The fruit should be firm, symmetrical and free from bruises, cuts or dents. The melon also should be heavy, as it is comprised of 92 percent water.

Most people immediately think of watermelon as a sweet snack or as a palate cleanser after an evening meal, but watermelon is equally at home in savory dishes as it is in sweet offerings. You may enjoy this recipe for "Zesty Watermelon Chicken Salad Tortilla Cups" courtesy of The National Watermelon Promotion Board and recipe author Shannon Kohn. This is a great warm weather meal that looks impressive and is both cool and filling for summer entertaining.

ZESTY WATERMELON CHICKEN SALAD TORTILLA CUPS (Makes 12 servings)

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| 4 | 8-inch flour tortillas | 1 cup | cooked, chopped chicken |
| 1/4 cup | softened cream cheese | 1 1/2 cups | chopped watermelon |
| 2 Tbsp. | mayonnaise | 1/4 cup | roasted, salted pumpkin seeds (pepitas) |
| 1 Tbsp. | cayenne pepper sauce | 1/4 cup | sliced green onions |
| 2 Tbsp. | chopped green chiles | | |

1. Preheat oven to 375°F.
2. Using a 4-inch cookie cutter or cup, cut rounds out of each tortilla. Press one tortilla round down into each cup of a 12-cup muffin pan.
3. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes or until tortilla cups are light brown and crispy. Remove from oven; allow to cool.
4. In the bottom of a large bowl, combine cream cheese, mayonnaise and pepper sauce until smooth.
5. Stir in chicken and green chiles. Fold in watermelon.
6. Divide and fill each tortilla cup with an extra amount of the watermelon-chicken mixture.
7. Divide and garnish with an equal amount of pumpkin seeds and green onion, respectively.



WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Financial inspiration could arrive this week, Aries. Instead of repeating old cycles in your life, think of minor tweaks you can make that will have an impact on your bottom line.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, if you are in a rebellious mood, find an outlet that will not get you into too much trouble. Engage in challenging pursuits, like puzzles or sports games.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21
Gemini, your relationship status is about to reach another level. Welcome these changes as they come and enjoy the ride. Don't hesitate to share good news with others.

CANCER – June 22/July 22
You may have outgrown a career or a community in recent weeks, Cancer. Take your time exploring new opportunities so your next move can be effective.

LEO – July 23/Aug 23
Leo, a change in your responsibilities could lead to a pay raise or even a promotion in the days to come. Focus on where you want to be in your career.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
A unique experience shared with someone else can make a big difference in your relationships, Virgo. Learn from every lesson that comes your way.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, if you have been practicing or trying to perfect something, now is the time when you will see some long-awaited progress. Keep the learning process moving along.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Someone may want to surprise you this week, Scorpio. You may prefer to know what is coming, but this is a good-natured gesture, so go with the flow this time.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
One minor change in your daily life can make things easier for your family, Sagittarius. Even if this change requires a sacrifice on your part, it could be worth it.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, there are many enjoyable things you can become involved in if you are willing to put in the effort. Once you do the work, the rewards will come.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, your family life is going to change in a big way in the not-so-distant future. How it plays out remains to be seen, but the effects will be profound and positive.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Some surprising information comes to light this week, Pisces. It may change your self-image and how others perceive you.

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Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Guitar Festival
Whidbey Island Guitar Festival founder Andre Feriante says he's pleased island favorite, Nick Mardon, will be participating in the festival this year. Mardon, who plays rock, blues and Americana, will perform Saturday at 4 p.m.

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10 years ago. He calls those performances "Stringstories."

"I love learning from watching all the performers and mainly I love offering something to the community that is different than the norm, positive, educational, and hopefully inspiring," he said. "I hear it all the time when playing solo or after the festival, 'Well, you inspired me to pick up my guitar again.'"

As noted, this is the fifth annual Whidbey Island Guitar Festival. Feriante said the first year it was called "Guitar Euphoria," a title he had used in years past. The first year the festival was held outdoors in tents. The next two years it moved to a couple of the local wineries and then last year, the festival moved to WICA. This year it is one of WICA's featured Summer Nights Series of events.

"It's been nice to benefit from all the logistical elements they already have in flow – ticket sales, alcohol sales and a great mailing list," Feriante said. "This year at WICA we'll have both indoor and outdoor shows."

In keeping with WICA's DjangoFest Northwest tradition, Friday's opening will feature mainly local players, according to Feriante.

"[We'll have] Keith Bowers on jazz guitar, Troy Chapman on jazz guitar and lute, Andre Feriante on Flamenco guitar and beyond – I'll perform on several stringed instruments from around the world. Finally, Elizabeth Brown will play classical guitar and other early music instruments, such as the lute and baroque guitar."

Saturday and Sunday will feature an even wider array of performers.

"Stella Kosim starts us off [Saturday]. She is a classical guitarist from Indonesia who lives in the Northwest," said Feriante. "Tim Bertsch is an acoustic and electric player who comes from the rock world, who now plays an amazing set on the harp guitar."

Nick Mardon, who plays rock, blues and Americana, will round out the artists Saturday, along with Feriante, who will be joined by Anil Persad on the east Indian tabla.

"Anil and I have played theaters like Benaroya Hall and the Triple Door over the years," Feriante said. "We specialize in improvisation, letting the music grow and expand into a fresh



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Guitar Festival
Northwest classical guitarist Stella Kosim, originally from Indonesia, will kick off the Whidbey Island Guitar Festival Saturday afternoon at 2 p.m. at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts in Langley.

and magical place that's a reflection of the moment."

Local favorite Quinn Fitzpatrick will be featured Sunday afternoon as will Charlie Solbrig, who plays classical and flamenco guitar. The duo of Eric Fridrich and Leif Totusek will also play Sunday.

"Eric is a Chicago blues guy, Leif is a jazz player with a background in African music," said Feriante. "It will be a very fun show. Finally, Trio Guadalevin [will play] – Mexico meets the Mediterranean with Middle Eastern influences. A true world music group with world guitars and percussion with vocals. The festival is mainly about instrumental music, but we are wrapping up with some vocals."

Feriante said the festival has already become popular with musicians – there is more than enough interest to keep the lineup different each year. Feriante said he wants audiences to be able to soak in the music while helping support musicians.

"I always ask the players to tell the audience their story with the guitar," he said. "How did they get started? Where did they live at the time? How old were they? This is always interesting to people. We have 16 artists coming who have made music their life and career. There is something beautiful about that."

More information on the festival schedule and tickets can be found online at wicaonline.org.



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Guitar Festival
Trio Guadalevin's music can be described as "Mexico meets the Mediterranean, with Middle Eastern influences," according to Whidbey Island Guitar Festival founder Andre Feriante. The group will perform at 5 p.m. Sunday.

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nel is excited to continue reaching the many collectors in the area to discuss their years of picking and are eager to hear their memorable stories!

The *American Pickers* TV show is looking for leads and would love to explore your hidden treasure. If you or someone you know has a large, private collection or accumulation of antiques the pickers can spend the better part of the day looking through, send your name, phone number, location, and description of the collection with photos to: americanpickers@cinetflix.com or call 646-493-2184.

[Submitted by Meredith Ball, Associate Producer, *American Pickers*]

Tim Hazelo - Candidate for Island County Commissioner, District 3

"Are you frustrated with our government? Trust in government is a top concern of people today. Island County is no exception. This is one reason I'm running for commissioner. My family and I have lived here for 25+ years. With taxes skyrocketing, quality of life worsening, increased homelessness, a troubled hospital, lack of affordable housing, and a government without answers.

"I will work on real solutions. I have a track record of meeting challenges head-on. I have taken homeless into my own home and understand the importance of equipping rather than enabling. This council says they're compassionate but their strategies are big government ideas with no expectation of improvement, often put into place without public input.

"When elected, voters will know I'm working for them. We will keep what works, and fix or eliminate what doesn't, because I am concerned our government puts too many resources into efforts that do not improve our community or make it safer. There must be better stewardship of our tax dollars!

"There are many issues needing our attention. I'm committed to earning your trust, implementing effective solutions, and striving to preserve the natural beauty of our precious islands.

"I ask for your vote.

"To see my experience and for more information, visit TimHazelo4Commissioner.com."

[Submitted by Tim Hazelo, Candidate for Island County Commissioner, District 3]

Local Business News

Ruth Hartman Announces the Release of 'Our Masquerade' New book guides readers to examine the ways in which life has induced them to hide and offers the inspiration to take off their masks, escape their hiding places, and learn to live with confidence

In her years as a Christian counselor, Ruth Hartman, MACC observed repeated patterns in many women who were bound in masks and hiding places, often based in a distorted inner identity from their past. She wants to guide and inspire readers in the knowledge of a true identity anchored in Christ and his life; that God's liberating grace will set them free from the hiding places and burdens of performing for acceptance, comparing themselves to others, being held captive in perfectionism, stuck in idealism and dealing with issues of control.

Our Masquerade: Time to Take Off the Masks, Get Out of Our Hiding Places, and Learn to Live with Confidence (published by WestBow Press) invites readers to confront their hiding places. In this book, they will discover how, why, and where they learned to hide and once they have done so, they can say goodbye to tormenting thoughts and feelings that steal their confidence and peace. They can leave the past behind and find the pathway to escape into a life transformed.

"We all desire a life of meaning and significance, filled with hope, joy, peace, rest and

a secure enduring love and acceptance, yet we choose behaviors that betray these desires. This book will guide readers in identifying their specific masks and hiding places, and provide inspiration to be free from the soul burdens of the patterns of perfectionism, idealism, comparison, control, and performing for acceptance," Hartman says. She adds, "It has interactive surveys to help individuals identify their own specific patterns and it then explains how life and relationships are impacted as a result."

When asked what she wants readers to take away from the book, Hartman answers, "I want them to discover how and why we have learned to hide and where we could be hiding as we cope with life. I want women to identify the trappings of perfectionism, idealism, comparison, control and performing for acceptance. Then to understand how those patterns betray the true longings of the heart. My passion is to see women transformed by grace to live confidently in an identity anchored in Christ's redeeming life and to grasp the knowledge of the unchanging character of God, who is the only true and unassailable hiding place who will never fail to love them. I want them to embrace the sacred story God is writing with their life."

Our Masquerade: Time to Take Off the Masks, Get Out of Our Hiding Places, and Learn to Live with Confidence by Ruth Hartman, MACC is available at Amazon and Barnes & Noble.

Join the author for a book signing Thursday, July 28 from 1:00 to 3:00PM at His Place Christian Book Store, 350 SE Pioneer Way #103, Oak Harbor. Books will be available for purchase.

Peoples Bank Launches 'Pigs in Pictures' Treasure Hunt The annual promotion encourages people to support their local businesses while having fun

Peoples Bank launched "Pigs in Pictures" this week as an updated take on its annual piggy bank treasure hunt. Nearly 500 pigs, each containing \$20, will be hidden throughout the Bank's footprint in Chelan, Island, King, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom counties from July 18 to Aug. 1. People who find the pigs are encouraged to spend the money at their favorite local business. Uploading a picture with the pig at www.peoplesbank-wa.com/pigs also earns finders a chance to win a \$1,000 grand prize.

"Our 'Pigs in Pictures' promotion is a fun and engaging way to spread financial awareness while encouraging people to explore their local communities and support their amazing local businesses," said Kamyar Monsef, Chief Retail Banking Officer at Peoples Bank. "We hope people who find a pig will use the cash to support their favorite local business or discover a new one."

With nearly 500 chances to win, the promotion aims to bring local communities together, especially as people and businesses continue to recover from the pandemic.

According to the Small Business Credit Survey (SBCS), small businesses still face a difficult recovery, with nearly 80 percent of small businesses reporting continued negative effects and 63 percent reporting a reduction in revenue compared to 2019.

About Peoples Bank

Peoples Bank is a locally owned and operated, independent full-service community bank with \$2.8 billion in assets. Headquartered in Bellingham, Wash., Peoples Bank has been serving the community for 100 years and operates 25 locations throughout Washington. Reflecting its strong financial management practices, dedicated employees, and long-standing customer relationships, Peoples Bank was awarded a superior five-star rating from BauerFinancial, a leading independent bank rating firm. Learn more about Peoples Bank at www.peoplesbank-wa.com. Member FDIC.

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For more information, contact Ann at 425-263-2704, email healingwhidbey.com, or visit the International Association of Healing Rooms at healingrooms.com.

Concordia Lutheran Church

Sunday service, 9:30AM
Bible Study & Sunday School, 10:45AM
590 N. Oak Harbor Street

For more information, visit www.concordiaokharbor.org or call 360-675-2548.

Teaching Through God's Word

Sundays, 9:00 & 11:00AM
Calvary Chapel, 3821 French Road, Clinton
For more information, visit ccwhidbey.com.

Unitarian Universalist Sunday Service

Sundays, 10:00AM
Unitarian Universalist Congregation,
Freeland

All are welcome. Values-based children's religious exploration classes and childcare will be provided. Visit www.uucwi.org for more information. The Unitarian Universalist Congregation building is located at 20103 Highway 525, two miles north of Freeland.

Unity of Whidbey

Sundays, 10:00AM
5671 Crawford Road, Langley

If you're one of the "spiritual but not religious" people who question their childhood faith or are looking for something more, Unity of Whidbey may feel like a homecoming. unityofwhidbey.org even offers a Zoom link for attending online.

Whidbey Quakers

Sundays, 4:00-5:00PM
Unitarian Universalist Congregation,
Freeland

Whidbey Islands Friends Meeting (also known as Quakers) meet in silent worship and community, with occasional spoken messages, every Sunday at the Unitarian Universalist building. For more information, contact Tom Ewell at tewell@whidbey.com or go to www.whidbeyquakers.org.

First Church of Christ, Scientist

Worship, 10:00AM
Sunday School to age 20, 10:00AM
Wednesday Testimony Meeting, 2:30PM
Christian Science Reading Room
Tuesday & Wednesday, 11:00AM-2:00PM

The church and Reading Room are located at 721 SW 20th Court at Scenic Heights Street, Oak Harbor. Call 360-675-0621 or visit cs-oh-wa.com for more information. Services and Sunday School are also held at 10:30AM on South Whidbey at 15910 Highway 525, just north of Bayview and across from Useless Bay Road; testimony meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.

Galleries & Art Shows

Whidbey Allied Artists Summer Art Show and Sale

Friday, July 22, 10:00AM-6:00PM
Saturday, July 23, 10:00AM-6:00PM
Sunday, July 24, 10:00AM-5:00PM
Coupeville Recreation Hall,
901 NW Alexander St.
Free Admission

Local artist will show and sell a wide variety of art including wood artistry, watercolor, pastels, acrylic, oil, mosaics, ceramics, mixed media and photography. Participating artists are Joseph Albert, July Ann Bishop, Ivy Breen, Peter Falkenberg, Charlotte Gray, Libby Hammer, Karen Leeds, Kelly Liedtke, Margaret Livermore, Carl Rhodes, Evon Steinsech, Sharon Tryon and Bruce Williams-Burden. WAA is a collaborative group of artists from Whidbey Island who maintain a floating gallery of art, hosting several shows annually. For more information, contact Charlotte Gray at victoriacharlotte21@yahoo.com.

Meetings & Organizations

Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting

Every Monday, 7:00-8:00PM
Carole's Barbershop, Freeland

A meeting dedicated to dealing with the

problem and solution for recovering from the effects of growing up in an alcoholic or otherwise dysfunctional family. For more information, contact Clayton at 360-989-4248 or visit www.adultchildren.org.

Al-Anon

Every Wednesday, 9:30-10:30AM
432 2nd St., Langley

If a friend or relative has a problem with alcohol, you can find solutions for yourself at Alanon.

Al-Anon Group

Every Tuesday, 5:30-6:30PM
Oak Harbor Lutheran Church,
1253 NW 2nd Ave.

Are you troubled by someone's drinking? Al-Anon group can help. Call Randy at 360-914-8084 for meeting information.

Blind Support Group

Fourth Tuesday, 2:00PM
Oak Harbor Senior Center

A support group for people with impaired vision. Learn and share techniques to be more mobile. For more information, call Paul Bovey at 360-544-2561 or 360-679-8293.

Gamblers Anonymous

Every Tuesday, 6:30PM
The Senior Center, Mount Vernon

All are welcome. The Senior Center is located at 1401 Cleveland Ave. For further information, please call Washington State Gamblers Anonymous at 1-800-222-5542.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Whidbey Island

Fourth Thursday, 7:00PM-8:30PM
Trinity Lutheran Church, Freeland

NAMI is the largest grassroots organization dedicated to making life better for people with a mental illness and their friends and loved ones. The group is nonreligious but meets at Trinity Lutheran Church, 18341 State Route 525. It isn't necessary to preregister. Please contact Kathy Chiles, 206-218-6449 or k.chiles22@live.com for more information.

NAR-ANON

Every Tuesday, 7:00PM-8:00PM
St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Clinton

NAR-ANON family groups are worldwide for those affected by someone else's addiction. St. Peter's Lutheran Church is located at 6309 Wilson Place.

Parent Support for Miscarriage and Stillbirth

Last Wednesday, 7:00PM
Freeland Library, Meeting Room, Freeland
For details, call Jolene at 360-331-2113.

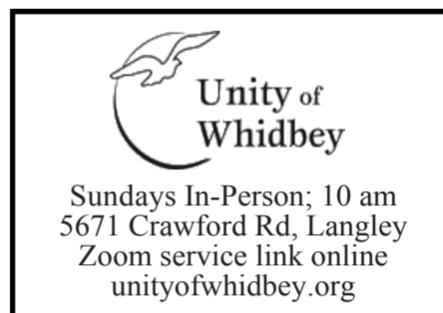
Classes, Seminars and Workshops

Worm Composting Class at Tilth

Saturday, July 23, 10:00AM
Tilth campus, 2812 Thompson Rd, Langley
Class fee: \$15 or \$5 for Tilth members
Master Gardener and Tilth member Tom Vincent presents the basics of how to successfully make rich compost from kitchen waste with worms. Worm composting is one of the easiest methods around. Capable of handling a broad variety of material, worms can process waste in a surprisingly short period of time, often with little or no input from the gardener. But despite worm composting's simplicity, it is still possible to mess up. Anyone thinking of getting into worm composting or who may have tried before without much luck, this is the class to attend. Vincent will give a hands on demonstration with enough information for each person to get started, as well as a trouble shooting session to answer questions addressing why a worm bin may not be performing the way it should. For questions or to register, contact Jennifer at education@southwhidbeytilth.org or call 206-283-9102.



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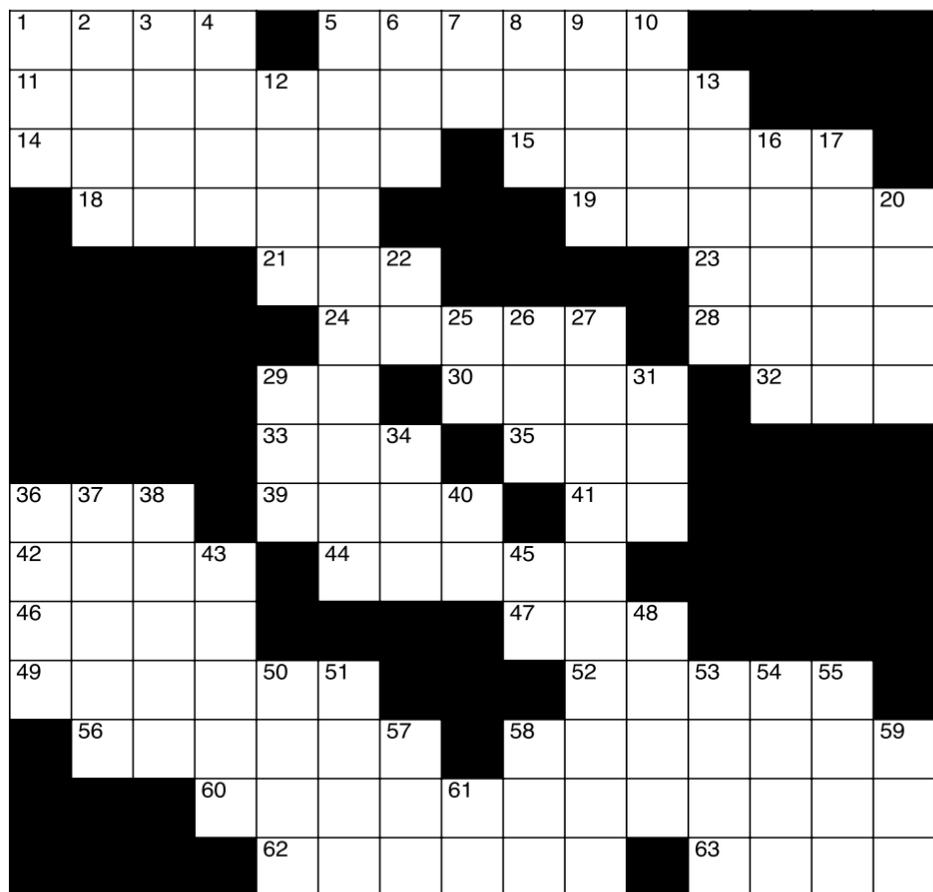
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Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Absence of difficulty
- 5. Preserve a dead body
- 11. Gratitude
- 14. The act of coming together again
- 15. More cushy
- 18. Visionaries
- 19. Large, fish-eating bird
- 21. Indicates near
- 23. NY Mets legend Tommie
- 24. Icelandic books
- 28. Pop
- 29. Hammer is one
- 30. Sense of self-importance
- 32. Thyrotrophic hormone
- 33. Can't be found
- 35. Electronic data processing
- 36. Passports and licenses are two
- 39. Snake-like fishes
- 41. Air Force
- 42. Popular computers
- 44. Intermediate ecological stage
- 46. Wings
- 47. Used in combination

49. Laid back

- 52. Jewelled headdress
- 56. Slow
- 58. Famous Falls
- 60. Reassertions
- 62. Periods of time
- 63. Hyphen

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Body part
- 2. Mimics
- 3. Expel large quantities
- 4. Sea eagle
- 5. Genetically distinct varieties
- 6. Dialect of Chinese
- 7. Famous Mr. T character
- 8. Consumed
- 9. Chinese dynasty
- 10. Menace to yards
- 12. Ireland
- 13. Palm trees
- 16. Fungal disease
- 17. Willis and Robert are two
- 20. Affirmative! (slang)
- 22. It shows who you are

25. The First State (abbr.)

- 26. Get older
- 27. Associations
- 29. Woman (French)
- 31. Sunscreen rating
- 34. Brew
- 36. Leader
- 37. Plants in the legume family
- 38. Burn with a hot liquid
- 40. Junior's father
- 43. Scads
- 45. Morning
- 48. Length of a line (abbr.)
- 50. Double curve
- 51. Small, thin person
- 53. Worn by exposure to the weather
- 54. Mars crater
- 55. Humanities
- 57. Word element meaning ear
- 58. To the __ degree
- 59. Residue of something burned
- 61. It cools your home

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On a scale from 1 to 10...5.2

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OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

As a volunteer for the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum, what brings you joy?



Mike Legere, Oak Harbor

What brings me joy is education of the younger generation on our PBY Catalina, named Radar Rachel, and having them learn from the older generation who got to see these amazing planes still fly. I've recently taken over the ODA (outside display area) and look forward to my volunteer day opening the plane to the public, letting them get inside the plane on the weekend, and share my enjoyment of her.

Catori Legere, Oak Harbor

Something that gets me really excited and gives me joy is going to the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum. I love going there to VOLUNTEER. The staff is amazing and kind. My favorite part is going across the street to talk about Radar Rachel, I absolutely love it. It gets me excited to go and explain some of her history. It's just one of my favorite places to go.



Jenny Gravage, Oak Harbor

The satisfaction of doing something positive with my life. I love helping others achieve their goals because people help me achieve my goals all the time.

Kat Smith, Oak Harbor

As a volunteer at the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum what brings me joy is seeing how excited our guests get when we tell them they can go see the PBY across the street and hearing the stories that have been passed down through the years.



Paxton Grogan, Oak Harbor

What gives me joy, when I see someone that has no idea on how a plane works or how a plane flies, to knowing how to fly a plane, how they work and when I see them take off and land the plane safely.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum, please contact Sky Graham at 360-240-9500 or 360-672-7092.

YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, July 21	Fri, July 22	Sat, July 23	Sun, July 24	Mon, July 25	Tues, July 26	Wed, July 27
North Isle H-68°/L-57° Mostly Cloudy	North Isle H-67°/L-56° Partly Sunny	North Isle H-69°/L-57° Mostly Sunny	North Isle H-70°/L-56° Sunny	North Isle H-71°/L-60° Sunny	North Isle H-69°/L-60° Sunny	North Isle H-71°/L-59° Mostly Sunny
South Isle H-70°/L-59° Cloudy	South Isle H-72°/L-58° Sunny	South Isle H-74°/L-59° Sunny	South Isle H-73°/L-58° Sunny	South Isle H-76°/L-61° Sunny	South Isle H-75°/L-61° Sunny	South Isle H-76°/L-60° Mostly Sunny

Community Bulletin Board

To place an ad, email classifieds@whidbeyweekly.com

HOUSING WANTED

Employed, single waitress, no pets or children, seeks room in home. Low key, no traffic. Services negotiable in addition to monthly rent. 360-544-2490 (3)

GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

Huge indoor/outdoor sale: Friday, July 22 and Saturday, July 23, 7am-3pm, 1781 NE 9th Ave, Oak Harbor. Furniture, appliances, art, books, CDs, clothes, miscellaneous and more. **NO EARLY BIRDS.**

Garage Sale: Friday, July 22, 8am-3 pm and Saturday, July 23, 8am-Noon, Rolling Hills, Oak Harbor, On Carl Ave., follow the signs! A variety of items! Lots of clothes, furniture, home decor, tons of odds and ends of everything.

FUNDRAISER RUMMAGE SALE: Saturday, July 23, 9am-3pm, American Legion Post #129, 690 SE Barrington Dr., Oak Harbor (Sale is inside). All proceeds will go to Scouts BSA Troop 4319 for camp fees, event fees and camping gear. A hot dog lunch will be available for purchase between 11am and 2pm. Clothes for men, women and kids, toys, household items, accessories, books, kitchenware and lots of miscellaneous. Find your next treasure and help support our community youth.

Garage Sale: Saturday, July 30, 9am-5pm, 469 Hazelwood Drive, Oak Harbor. Two wicker chairs with ottomans, glass patio table, new GPS in box, older MIG welder, Fluxcor MIG welder, books, household goods, two-room tent, telescope (used once) Haul Master Cargo Carrier, multi-task large ladder, puzzles, household goods plus much more! **NO EARLY BIRDS PLEASE.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Soroptimist International of South Whidbey Island is looking for women artists who would be interested in participating in its Whidbey Women & Art event Sept. 3-4. The event will be held at the Dancing Fish Vineyard in Freeland. If you are interested please contact Nancy Thompson at Nancy@DancingFishVineyards.com or Marlane Harrington at marlaneharrington@yahoo.com (2)

Eagles Upscale Sale Tables/Spaces For Rent Saturday, July 30 at the Eagles Aerie #3418, 16691 WA-525: We would love items that are repurposed, vintage, garden, art and collectables as well as quality home goods that can

fit on the tables. \$20 each table 8'x3' includes a chair in limited undercover spots. First come first served. There are 10'x10' spots on the lawn also, \$20 each including table/chair if you like. Set up 8:30-9:45am with public shopping 10am-3pm. This is the same weekend as the Whidbey Island Fair. Food for sale includes burgers, hot-dogs, chips, pop and water. Bar will be open if you are 21 and a member or signed in by a member. You manage your own cash or charge machine, no ATM. Unsold items and any debris must be removed by vendor by 4pm. Applications available at the club or printable at info@realgoodstuff.net. Questions? Call sale organizer Gavin, 206-715-2468 (1)

CALLING ALL VENDORS: Baby Island Saratoga Club (BISC) is hosting its annual "Price is Right" community sale Saturday, Aug. 6, 9am-2pm. Reserve your space NOW (limit 20)! Spaces are 10' X 14' and include a 4' X 8' table. Some indoor spaces available. Plenty of parking. \$25 for members; \$30 for non-members. BISC publicizes the event for you! Plus, there will be music and BISC will be selling refreshments. 3616 Saratoga Rd., Langley. Call 360-232-4124.

Pregnant? Need baby clothes? We have them and the price is right - FREE. Pregnancy Care Clinic, open Tuesday 10am-4pm, Wednesday 12pm-7pm, and Thursday 10am-4pm. Stop by at 670 SE Midway Blvd. in Oak Harbor. Be the difference in a child's life and become a foster parent today! Service Alternatives is looking for caring, loving, and supportive families to support foster children. 425-923-0451 or mostermick@servalt-cfs.com

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Mother Mentors needs volunteers! Oak Harbor families with young children need your help! Volunteer just a couple of hours a week to make a difference in someone's life! To volunteer or get more info, email wamothermentors@gmail.com or call 360-321-1484.

JOB MARKET

Part-time Playscape Play and Learn Facilitator-Oak Harbor: Facilitate a stimulating play space where adults and children learn together. Support parents and caregivers of young children birth to five and connect families to community and to each other. Part-time Facilitator position

for Play and Learn groups in Oak Harbor: Approximately 10-12 hours per week mid-September through mid-June. This position begins in late August. The schedule for the Play and Learn groups in Oak Harbor is 9:30-11 a.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. One to two Saturdays per month. Job Requirements: Bachelor's Degree preferred in Early Childhood Education, Social Work, Psychology, Human Development, Family Support, or other closely related field. Extensive experience and education may be considered in lieu of academic credentials. Salary range: \$20-25 per hour DOE. For a complete job description and to apply, send resume and letter of interest to: esther@whidbeymentors.org (3)

Gene's Art is hiring! Part-Time, must be at least 18 years old and be available to work every other Saturday. Pay starts at minimum wage. Desired applicant will have knowledge of art supplies, customer service experience, attention to detail, self-starter, flexible schedule and ability to work alone. Must be able to stand for long periods of time and lift up to 50 pounds occasionally. Apply in person, store application plus resume, no phone calls please. (2)

Seeking Certified Home Care Aide, part time/flexible hours, Clinton/Langley area. Call Tom at 360-341-1049 (2) Scatchet Head Community Club has an immediate opening for Office Manager. Duties include day-to-day organizational, administrative and bookkeeping tasks required to effectively manage the financial and business affairs of the Association. This position requires regular interaction with members.

Hours vary with season, fewer in winter and more during the summer. Complete job description is available at www.scatchetheadclub.com. Please send resume with cover letter to shcc@whidbey.com (1)

Program Director: Are you a creative, educationally minded leader with a strong commitment to the environment? Do you value community partnerships and fostering connections with youth and adults? Do you aspire to lead a small, dynamic organization that has deep roots in a caring, active community? This may be the job for you! Whidbey Watershed Stewards is seeking a dynamic leader with experience in and passion for community-based environmental education and a love for enriching experiences for all age levels. The program director works closely with a talented and youthful staff, an experienced board of directors, dedicated volunteers and community partners. This is an opportune time to join our small team. Building on WWS's legacy for innovative programming and partnerships, the program director will help shape the future of WWS as we further develop our programs. We are seeking an individual with educational skills in group instruction for grades K-12 (certification desirable) and experience in curriculum and program development, and administration. The ideal candidate will also have skills in fundraising including grant seeking, writing and management; staff and volunteer management, daily program management, communication, budgeting and record keeping. The program director is hired and evaluated by the WWS board of directors

and works with the board to develop the organization and its programs. The program director supervises and evaluates program staff and works with them to ensure successful volunteer involvement. The program director position is seasonally flexible with a work schedule up to 40 hours per week. We anticipate the position will involve 1,400-1,900 hours annually. For a job description and job requirements, see the WWS website at: <https://whidbeywatersheds.org/>. Seasonally flexible work schedule up to 40 hours per week; \$24-\$26 per hour depending on experience; desired start date Summer 2022. The position will remain open until filled. Qualified candidates are invited to submit the following materials by July 30, 2022: 1. Cover letter (including email and phone number), 2. Current resume, 3. Three references. Send PDF files as attachments, subject line "Program Director" to board. whidbeywatersheds@gmail.com. or mail all documents to Whidbey Watershed Stewards, PO Box 617, Langley, WA 98260. You will receive an email response confirming your application has been received. Questions regarding the position, may be directed to board.whidbeywatersheds@gmail.com. (1)

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Was your Dad or Gramps in Japan or Germany? I collect old 35 mm cameras and lenses. Oak Harbor, call 970-823-0002

Always buying antiques, collectibles, sporting goods, tools, garden equipment, furniture, vehicles, tractors and boats. Cash paid at loading out. 45 years experience. 360-678-5888 or text 360-969-1948.

How'd you do?

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