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**"How to Eat Like a Child" p. 10**

## Unwrap a unique gift from WICA for the holidays

By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

Whidbey Island Center for the Arts has teamed up with Wellington Day School for an early gift to the community this holiday season.

"Twas the Night Before Christmas – 1776" opens Friday at WICA in Langley and runs through Dec. 18. Showtimes Friday and Saturday are at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday performances are at 2 p.m.



Robert Hall Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Center for the Arts  
"Twas the Night Before Christmas – 1776" is an original production by a local playwright premiering Friday at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts in Langley, in collaboration with Wellington Day School. Pictured from left are Nataly Spencer, John Macarro and Jakob Spencer.

The play was written by Elizabeth Itaya, owner of Wellington Day School, with music by Joseph Itaya. Robert Hall is directing this local, all-ages cast that showcases Wellington students. Musical director is Talia Marcus.

WICA has had a long-running collaboration with Wellington Day School, but this is one of their most extensive efforts.

"WICA has not collaborated to this level with the Wellington Day School before, though we have a long history with Elizabeth Itaya, the school's owner and playwright of this piece," said Deana Duncan, WICA's executive artistic director, who explained this show was originally slated to be performed in 2021, but COVID restrictions and policies forced its cancellation.

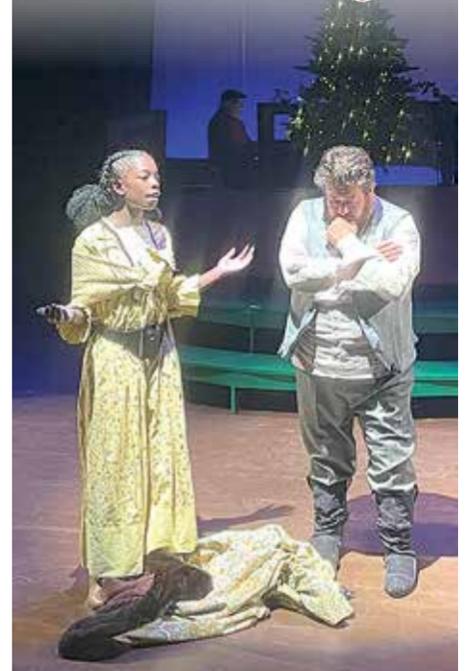
"I felt a great deal of responsibility to honor our promise this year and WICA is thrilled to support this local school's holiday production," said Duncan. "The Wellington Day School children are pouring their hearts and talent into the show and they are a joy to watch! Surrounding their work is a full cast of local adults – some WICA regulars but many newcomers to our stage. There are moments of joy and kindness and deep humanity."

This seasonal treat is a unique musical that explores the origins of America's Santa Claus through the classic holiday poem, "Twas the Night Before Christmas," but with a historical twist.

"The show is based on the poem, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas,' the time in which it was written and the origin of the Santa Claus myth," said director Robert Hall. "It includes a subplot about Washington and his soldiers crossing the Delaware and within that, two young lovers."

"This is a world premiere story and music, this isn't something audiences have seen before," said Duncan. "There are parts that feel familiar – we all know the poem, 'Twas the Night Before Christmas,' and we think we know this moment in history in 1776, but we haven't seen it presented with a deepening of the human story."

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Robert Hall Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Center for the Arts  
Rachel Sullivan and John Macarro are but two of the actors featured in the large, all-ages cast of "Twas the Night Before Christmas – 1776." This holiday production is a collaboration of the Wellington Day School and Whidbey Island Center for the Arts and its cast is a mixture of Wellington students and adult actors.

## Ballet Slipper Conservatory welcomes a magical season with "The Nutcracker"

By **Melanie Hammons** Whidbey Weekly

For one weekend only, The Ballet Slipper Conservatory, under the direction of Diane Geragotelis, promises a dazzling production of "The Nutcracker." Set against a background of gingerbread and candy cane cutouts, the performances Saturday and Sunday at Oak Harbor High School will combine music, innovative costuming and choreography to showcase the artistry of dance in spectacular fashion.

Geragotelis, affectionately known as "Miss Diane" to her students, teaches only classical ballet, calling it her passion. In all their productions, it's the choreography that comes first, then the costumes, but those elements, along with the music, form essential parts of a much-loved ballet such as "The Nutcracker."

"Choreography is all about creating pictures. It's not like you start out with a plan. When you create a ballet, there's nothing in front of you but the music . . . I can't really explain it, but, the music tells me what to do," Geragotelis said.

On the surface, that may sound like a straightforward task, but it turns out there's a great deal of multi-tasking that goes into that process.

"During each musical segment, I 'visualize' what each dancer is doing, separately. So in the same dance sequence, I may have to choreograph four different versions during the same number," she said.

And the multi-tasking, or perhaps just "many tasking," extends to the creation of those costumes, all of which belong to The Conservatory. Over the years, Geragotelis has sewn and created all of them by hand, explaining that she didn't want kids to have to pay for expensive costumes.

"But when we first started, I didn't even really know how to sew," she said, laughing. "My mom and I sort of collaborated together to create patterns. Sometimes, we turned out costumes created without a pattern. It was different because we'd never sewn 'stretch' fabrics before.

"Some are quite time-consuming," Geragotelis continued. "When we did 'The Lion King' that required 144 costumes!"

Great attention to detail goes into each of the Conservatory's productions. Even the stage props – the fetching gingerbread and Christmas candy cut-outs, are hand created, said Geragotelis. "My cousin hand-painted those candy decorations. They 'dangle' right above the stage, fastened by fishing line. All of them were cut out by my husband or my dad."

She said she can mention many favorite moments and memories from all their past productions.

"The Nutcracker," it's a holiday event, and so magical. It just goes along with the spirit of the holiday season we're in. And I really liked our 'Mary Poppins' production, too."

Geragotelis singled out the uniqueness of 'The Lion King' because "it was all animals. Honestly, I wasn't sure how successful that one would be, but what a happy surprise it was."

It was during the 30 years of teaching at The Ballet Slipper that the inspiration for The Conservatory was born.

"The Conservatory, separate from the ballet lessons themselves, is a nonprofit, performance-based entity. It came into being about 10 years ago. Since that time, we've seen much greater community involvement, which we can largely attribute to the extra advertising we now receive," she said.

"The most amazing result of that is a much

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Photo Courtesy of the Ballet Slipper Conservatory  
The dancers of the Ballet Slipper Conservatory will present "The Nutcracker" this weekend at Oak Harbor High School. Performances are scheduled for 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

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# Island 911

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**WEDNESDAY, NOV. 2**  
**1:35 am, Durham Way**

Reporting party hearing noises from the garage; believes could possibly be ex-boyfriend. Loud thunk sound heard.

**12:10 pm, Cheleek Dr.**

Reporting party wants to make a complaint about subject; states subject is claiming to be an attorney when "he did not pass the bar;" reporting party has "paperwork proof."

**THURSDAY, NOV. 3**

**11:03 am, Windmill Dr.**

Caller wants to talk about her son and how he's being mean to her; when questioned further, said, "Oh, never mind. I don't want to cry," and hung up. On redial said, "He'll get so mad at me, don't call back."

**6:42 pm, Lancaster Rd.**

Caller states there are ongoing issues of subject coming onto property; found urine in her garage, found a half-eaten apple, etc.; has previously reported a prowler.

**FRIDAY, NOV. 4**

**4:23 pm, Sunset View Pl.**

Open line with elderly couple in background discussing the phone and not understanding how it works.

**SATURDAY, NOV. 5**

**2:33 am, Sequoia Dr.**

Caller advising wife thinks her drink might have been spiked; went out earlier tonight, is vomiting and cold.

**11:07 am, Crestmont Pl.**

Reporting party advising neighbor's porta-potty fell on mailbox; ongoing issue; reporting party tried to talk to them when they would not talk to reporting party.

**4:29 pm, Deer Lake Rd.**

Advising saw subject walking down road with small girl, giving her a piggyback ride; caller went back and picked them up; dropped off at Dan Porter and gave him money, now feels strange about it.

**9:24 pm, SR 20**

Previously reported to state; white Subaru was speeding; had flames coming out of back pipes, now passing on the right.

**SUNDAY, NOV. 6**

**12:55 pm, SR 525**

Female advising "getting stalked by moth-

er-in-law;" advising she just drove by, came to house reporting party is staying at.

**1:36 pm, Kringler Rd.**

Advising grandmother/landlord came to door 10 minutes ago and threatened to break door down if caller didn't answer.

**2:56 pm, SR 20**

Advising at gas station just past Deception Pass park, not familiar with area, said she had \$100 in her car and now it's gone; suspects other passengers, both still there.

**6:26 pm, Spinnaker Dr.**

Caller says someone came into his home and left a dog; caller was downstairs, came upstairs and there is a kennel with a dog in it; no one is in the residence, caller has already checked.

**MONDAY, NOV. 7**

**12:35 pm, Hunt Rd.**

Large pig in reporting party's yard, knocking over garbage cans; reporting party is afraid to go outside; it appears aggressive and is very large.

**TUESDAY, NOV. 8**

**10:48 am, Scenic Ave.**

Advising two large pigs on property; unknown where they came from.

**THURSDAY, NOV. 10**

**5:17 am, Cornet Bay Rd.**

Requesting call; advising getting threats from someone he doesn't know on Google Chat; threatens to track him and come beat reporting party up.

**9:08 am, Susan St.**

Reporting party advising vehicle was borrowed by a friend who gave it to his friend; unknown where car is.

**2:59 pm, Moran Beach Ln.**

Caller states persons on her beach are trespassing and threatening her; told caller she could be arrested if she approached them, since she has COVID.

**3:02 pm, Moran Beach Ln.**

Two female subjects "harassing" reporting party; claiming reporting party is on subjects' front yard; subjects both white females, approximately in their 80s.

**5:24 pm, Maxwellton Rd.**

Goats on roadway, unknown where they live.

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



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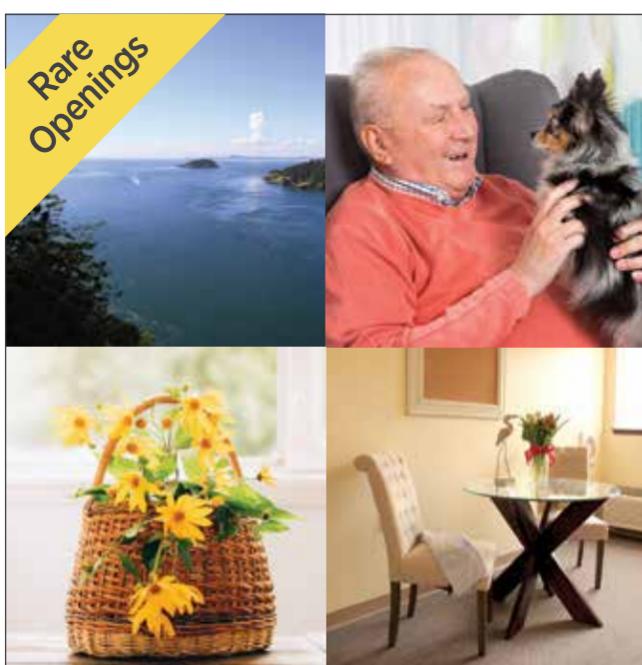
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## Letters to the Editor

Editor,

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And it has history weaved in, too.

We bought the books for our friends and family outside the area, too. People reading this can live in any state and enjoy the book. So why not buy your Christmas gifts this year, while giving to local charities at the same time?

A beautiful coffee table book like this will be enjoyed by all.

Our Christmas shopping is done!

Bill and Toni Smith  
Freeland, Wash.

### Celebrate a Very Merry Whidbey Christmas and Sing-Along Messiah With Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra

Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra, under music director Anna Edwards, invites you to warm up your vocal cords for a festive and fun concert of holiday tunes including a sing-along of G.F. Handel's "Messiah," Saturday Dec. 17, 2:00PM at Coupeville High School Commons.

Audience members will be invited to sit in specially designated sections arranged by voice range and participate in singing the chorus sections of the "Messiah." One need not sing to attend, as enthusiastic listeners are needed as well and general seating will be available. Please bring a vocal score if you own one, a limited number of scores will be available for rental on a first-come, first-served basis. Soloists include Liz Hendricks, Eva Nelson and Karl Olsen.

The Rain Shadow Brass, a local group of professional and student musicians from Whidbey, will begin the program with music of Giovanni Gabrieli. Special guests also include the ever lovable Shifty Sailors and the sensational vocalist, Christina "The Singer Tina" Atteberry, bringing us festive tunes of the holidays

General admission concert tickets are \$30 for adults, \$25 for seniors/military and free admission for students 17 and under. Pre-concert ticket sales with cash or check at Click Music in Oak Harbor, bayleaf in Coupeville and Blue Sound Music and Moonraker Books in Langley. Cash/checks/credit cards accepted at the event.

More information, including FAQs, at: [www.sowhidbey.com](http://www.sowhidbey.com) or 360-929-3045.

[Submitted by Larry Heidel, Executive Director, Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra]

### Introducing the 2022 Holiday Pewter Sculpture: Loon with Chicks

Whidbey Community Foundation is excited to announce its 6th annual partnership with renowned sculptor Georgia

Gerber and her husband, Randy Hudson, on the Holiday Sculpture Fund. This year's pewter sculpture is the Loon with Chicks. Also available for purchase are the 2021 Penguin Pair, 2020 Three French Hens, the 2019 Dashing Turtle, the 2018 Sheepish Rabbit, and the 2017 Settling Owl. Georgia and Randy will work with Whidbey Community Foundation on donating the proceeds from sculpture sales to Whidbey nonprofits.

In their words:

"We are excited to bring you our 24th annual holiday sculpture. This is the sixth year we have collaborated with Whidbey Community Foundation (WCF). Last season was our most successful to date, having raised over \$45,000 from sculpture sales. To date, we have been able to provide grants nearing \$100,000 from the Holiday Sculpture Fund held at WCF. We thank WCF for all they do. We also want to thank the Rob Schouten Gallery for helping us with distribution again this year."

Sculptures can be purchased online by visiting Whidbey Community Foundation's website, [www.whidbeyfoundation.org](http://www.whidbeyfoundation.org). Sculptures are available for pickup at Rob Schouten's Gallery on the corner of Anthes Ave and 1st Street in Langley.

[Submitted by Whidbey Community Foundation]

### The Washington State Main Street Program Announces 2022 Excellence on Main Award Winners

The Washington State Main Street Program is proud to announce the 2022 winners of its annual Excellence on Main awards.

Operated by the nonprofit Washington Trust for Historic Preservation in conjunction with the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, the Washington State Main Street Program helps communities across the state revitalize the economy, appearance and image of their downtown districts. Today the Washington State Main Street Program encompasses a network of nearly 70 towns and cities across Washington.

Every year, as a cornerstone event of the annual statewide RevitalizeWA conference, the Washington State Main Street Program hosts the Excellence on Main awards ceremony, honoring projects and individuals whose hard work and innovative efforts are making a difference in their communities and beyond. By celebrating these outstanding stories on a statewide platform, the Washington State Main Street Program aims to not only pay tribute to the exceptional work being done but to amplify the ripple effect, inspiring and driving change in Main Street communities across the state.

This year's 2022 Excellence on Main award winners were announced at Pybus Public Market during the RevitalizeWA conference held Oct. 19-21 in Wenatchee. The award winners include:

Outstanding Promotional Campaign - Recognizing creative and effective promotional campaigns that attract people to the downtown or neighborhood commercial district - "Stevenson Strong," Stevenson Downtown Association

Economic Vitality - Recognizing enhancement efforts that have improved the economic vitality of the district including job creation and retention, sales growth, and more - Pandemic Economic Recovery Effort, Olympia Downtown Alliance

Bricks and Mortar Rehabilitation - Recognizing building owners or projects that positively impact preservation efforts - The Geddis Building, Ellensburg

Community Partnership - Recognizing a Main Street program and partners who have demonstrated the highest and best degree of cooperation to benefit downtown revitalization efforts - Downtown Yakima Rotary Marketplace, Downtown Association of Yakima

Outstanding Special Project #1 - Recognizing great one-time projects or activities that affect a downtown or neighborhood commercial district's revitalization efforts - Main Street Through a Child's Eyes, Gig Harbor Downtown Waterfront Alliance

Outstanding Special Project #2 - Recognizing great one-time projects or activities that affect a downtown or neighborhood commercial district's revitalization efforts - Ridgeline Lighting Transformation, Downtown Camas Association

Organizational Excellence - Recognizing excellence in building a strong downtown revitalization organization while achieving consensus and cooperation among stakeholder groups - Block Parties, Centralia Downtown Association

Entrepreneur of the Year - Recognizing the innovation, dedication, and entrepreneurial spirit of our entrepreneurs and small businesses - Chesed Farms, Walla Walla

Leadership on Main - Recognizing an individual who has shown extraordinary dedication to his or her local Main Street over a significant period of time - Mary DesMarais, Gig Harbor Downtown Waterfront Alliance

*Legacy on Main - Recognizing a small business that has stood the test of time and impacted generations of community members - Moonraker Books, Langley*

The Excellence on Main - Recognizing outstanding projects and people that reflect an attitude of perseverance and dedication to community revitalization in Washington - Linda Haglund, Wenatchee Downtown Association

The Washington State Main Street Program applauds this year's Excellence on Main award winners and the impacts they have made in their communities. For more photos of the award winners and of the RevitalizeWA conference overall, visit [preservewa.org/revitalizewa2022-album](http://preservewa.org/revitalizewa2022-album).

[Submitted by Washington Trust for Historic Preservation]

## Local Business News

### Tragic Accident at the Chocolate Flower Farm in Langley

Farmer Rick Newton had a ladder skid out from under him when descending from their roof. He had a very bad fall onto concrete and was airlifted to Providence Hospital in Everett. He was in the intensive care unit with a traumatic brain injury, a neck fracture and multiple spine and rib fractures. The neurosurgeon says the brain injury recovery is going to be a marathon, not a sprint.

He is making progress and improving each day. He was in intensive care for four days then a private hospital room for pain management and has been transferred to a rehabilitation center for physical and occupational therapy.

For now, the biggest support for Rick and Marie Lincoln is spreading the word to your family and friends to think of them for your gift-giving, either online at [chocolateflowerfarm.com](http://chocolateflowerfarm.com) or at their farm store located at 5040 Saratoga Road in Langley. It is open daily from 10:00AM to 5:00PM. They also sell some of their products at [whidbeyislandgrown.localfoodmarketplace.com/products](http://whidbeyislandgrown.localfoodmarketplace.com/products).

They are hoping for good holiday sales to help cover what will soon be a tsunami of medical bills.

## Add layers of protection to financial strategy

To achieve your financial security, and that of your family, you will need to create a comprehensive strategy. But for this strategy to succeed, you'll need to guard it from various challenges – and that means you'll need to build in different layers of protection. What are these challenges – and what types of protection can be used to defend against them? Consider the following:

**Challenge #1: Protecting your ability to reach your goals** – To achieve your long-term goals, such as a comfortable retirement, you'll need to build adequate financial resources. And that means you'll need to create an investment portfolio that's suitable for your objectives, risk tolerance and time horizon. And you'll need to keep your long-term goals in mind when adjusting your portfolio during times of volatility.

**Challenge #2: Protecting your family's future if you're not around** – Hopefully, you will live a long life and always be around to support your family. But the future is not ours to see – and if something were to happen to you, how would your family cope? Their chances could be much better if you have adequate life insurance. Proper coverage could help pay off your mortgage, pay for your children's higher education and allow your family to continue its lifestyle.

**Challenge #3: Protecting your income should you become temporarily disabled** – If you were to become ill or temporarily disabled and could not work for a while, the disruption in your income could jeopardize your family's living situation, or, at the least, lead to an inability to pay bills in a timely fashion. To protect against this threat, you may want to consider adding disability insurance. Your employer may offer a short-term disability policy as an employee benefit, but it may be insufficient, either in duration or in amount of coverage, so you might want to look at a private policy.

**Challenge #4: Protecting your long-term investments from short-term needs** – Life is full of unexpected expenses – a major car repair, a new furnace, a large bill from the dentist, and so on. If you did not have the money available to deal with these costs, you might be forced to dip into your long-term investments, such as your IRA or 401(k). Taking money from these accounts earlier than you intended could incur taxes and penalties, and, even more importantly, could reduce the amount of money you have available for retirement. To help protect these investments from short-term needs for cash, try to build an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, with the money kept in cash or a liquid account.

**Challenge #5: Protecting your financial independence** – You would probably do all you could to avoid ever becoming a burden to your grown children – which is why it's so important to maintain your financial independence throughout your life. One potential threat to this independence is the need for some type of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay, which can be extremely expensive. A financial professional can suggest protection strategies to help you prepared for these types of costs.

It can be challenging to keep your financial strategy intact – so do whatever it takes to protect it.

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## WINTER PROJECTS

Slow and anxious is the only way I can describe this time of year for avid Island Anglers. No winter blackmouth salmon (Chinook) fishing allowed, no rockfish retention allowed (Marine Areas 5-13) and narrow open season windows to target winter steelhead in nearby rivers can put a damper on our fishing fun meter. However, winter crabbing and winter rainbow trout fishing does help keep the glass half full. Looking forward to the spring rainbow trout opener and early summer lingcod fishing is the light at the end of the tunnel for me during the winter months.

Winter is a great time to tackle a few fishing projects you may have been putting off, like servicing your manual or electric downrigger. Saltwater loves to hide in the coils of downrigger cable and start the corrosion process. To fight corrosion during the year I use a 50/50 mixture of water and Salt-Away (a salt neutralizing soap) in a basic spray bottle and give my cables a quick shower of the mixture after a freshwater rinse. Another good use for the Salt-Away solution is to fill a wide mouth plastic container with a good lid and drop your "hold still fish" tools (pliers, small knives, scissors, etc.) into the container. This will keep them from freezing solid with rust. Proper amounts of anti-corrosion oils and grease applied to electrical connections, bushings and bearings this winter will help ensure the downriggers will work their magic of retrieving the heavy lead downrigger balls from the depths to the surface in July.

Sitting at the table with a hot cup of coffee or hot cocoa is a perfect time to brush up on your GPS/fishfinder operator's manual, maximizing your fish detection electronic capabilities will pay big dividends when fishing is tough. Study bottom contour charts of areas you plan to fish this summer, focus on the 100-foot contour lines for Chinooks.

I use a lot of cork-handle fishing rods throughout the year and rod-holders can sometimes take small bites out of the factory cork handles; now is the time to repair the small voids. A small chunk of missing cork is like a pothole in the roadway – if not repaired, it is only going to get bigger. I have repaired a few of my handles by finding a sacrificial chunk of cork like a cork bobber, a cork handle from



The "off-season" is a great time to learn how to make repairs to your cork-handled fishing rods.



The winter months are a perfect time to experiment tying your own jigs and creating homemade fishing lures.

a badly broken rod, or a chunk of cork from a craft store. Use a fine cut hand file and file off enough cork dust you think will fill the void; clean any loose dirt or cork from the damaged area. Next, thoroughly mix the cork dust with good quality waterproof wood glue. Slightly overfill the damaged area with the cork mixture and let it cure. Once the glue has fully cured, carefully file and sand the repair to match the rest of the rod handle. Go slow and take your time. The original cork handle could be a little softer so don't remove any original handle material in the process. Practice a cork repair on an old handle first or view a few on-line videos to get the desired result.

If you make some of your own lead sinkers like I do, winter is a good time to replenish our supply. I pour 2- and 3-ounce pyramid weights for lower Skagit River coho and mid river sockeye plunking and I pour my own 6-ounce lead darts for lingcod. Be sure to use protective gear and have plenty of ventilation when melting and handling lead. I've always considered myself a DIY kind of guy; as a young angler I got a beginners fly tying kit for Christmas one year. With this kit and some patience, I was able to build some dry flies that my cousin and I would use to catch brook trout from a small creek that rambled by his house in The Dalles, Ore. This early practice and pleasure of wrapping small hooks with fur, feathers, and shiny tinsel has grown to the point where my son and I now tie our own crappie jigs and salmon twitching jigs.

The projects I've mentioned only scratch the surface of things that can be accomplished during the "off season," so take a minute to think about some winter fishing projects that could help pass the time and help you be ready when summer returns. If you plan to fish during the winter season, be sure to check the emergency rule change section on the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) website. This state's inconsistency on rules is the only thing that is constant. Random closures and an occasional opening of fishing areas seem to be its standard. Dress warm, give yourself some extra time for bad weather and GOOD LUCK fishing!



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## Whidbey Community Chorus Christmas Concert

Friday, December 9, 7:00PM  
Sunday, December 11, 4:00PM  
First Reformed Church, Oak Harbor

Directed by Darren McCoy and Sebastian Serrano, accompanied by Sharon Burge, piano. Admission is free. Donations gratefully accepted. First Reformed Church is located at 250 SW 3rd Ave.

## Holiday Model Train Exhibition

Saturday, December 10, 10:00AM-4:00PM  
Sunday, December 11, 10:00AM-4:00PM  
Little Brown Church, Clinton

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## Greenbank Farm Holiday Market

Saturday, December 10, 11:00AM-4:00PM  
Sunday, December 11, 11:00AM-4:00PM  
Greenbank Farm, 765 Wonn Rd

All vendors are local to the area. Enter the raffle for prizes from Greenbank Farm shops. Santa will be available for photos from 11:00AM-3:00PM. For more information, visit [whidbeyislandmarkets.com](http://whidbeyislandmarkets.com).

## Light Up Your Holiday

Saturday, December 10, 4:00-7:00PM  
Admiralty Head Lighthouse, Coupeville

Children's activities, Christmas carolers, scavenger hunt, Christmas lights, pictures with Santa, roasted marshmallows. Discover Pass required for parking.

## Walk the Spiral

Thursday, December 15, 4:30-6:00PM  
Whidbey Island Waldorf School, Clinton

Come experience the spiral of light – a symbol of the turning of the year from the longest night and shortest day back out into the growing light – alone or with friends and family. Bring your lantern or your candle. Everyone welcome. For more information, email [info@wiws.org](mailto:info@wiws.org), call 360-341-5686, or visit [wiws.org](http://wiws.org). Whidbey Island Waldorf School is located at 6335 Old Pietila Rd.

## Children's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 17, 3:00PM  
Knights of Columbus Hall, Oak Harbor

Presented by the Fil-Am Association of Oak Harbor. Pizza, hot dogs, arroz caldo served at 4:00PM. Parents or grandparents bring a wrapped, labeled gift for your children, not to exceed \$20, for Santa to pass out. The Knights of Columbus Hall is located at 3259 Old Goldie Rd.

## Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below  
Cost: Free

## Stay and Play

Thursdays, December 8 & 15, 9:30-10:30AM  
Coupeville Library

This is an opportunity for children, birth to kindergarten, and their caregivers to come play with fun and educational toys provided by the library. During this hour,

caregivers and children will engage in in-person play, socialize with others and reconnect with the library. Drop in anytime during this event.

## Seattle Mandolin Orchestra

Sunday, December 11, 2:00PM  
Coupeville Library

The Seattle Mandolin Orchestra, under

the direction of Jeff Brumley, exists to preserve, promote and extend America's mandolin ensemble tradition. Featuring the entire mandolin family of instruments (mandolin, mandola, mandocello and bass), the orchestra's repertoire encompasses baroque, classical, Americana, jazz, folk and holiday traditions.

Registration Required: <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/>

## Snowflake Science

Thursday, December 22, 10:00-11:00AM  
Coupeville Library

Is it really true that no two snowflakes are alike? We'll read a snowflake story and create some of our own to find out. For children ages 5 and up and their caregivers.

## Meetings & Organizations

### Whidbey Island Genealogical Searchers (WIGS)

Thursday, December 15, 1:00PM  
Oak Harbor Lutheran Church

WIGS will enjoy its annual Holiday Get Together with "A Walk Down Memory Lane" to celebrate 30 years. There will be socializing, yummy food, music, and good fun. RSVP to [whidbeygensearchers@gmail.com](mailto:whidbeygensearchers@gmail.com) (for food count). All are welcome to join. The Oak Harbor Lutheran Church is located at 1253 NW 2nd Ave.

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"In rehearsals, I've laughed, cried, clapped my hands in joy and also been presented with moments that require deep reflection," she continued. "Our American history is complicated and there are elements of our founding colonies in 1776 that are difficult to admit. I think audiences will appreciate the deepening of themes around history even in the midst of a family holiday musical."

The cast of this show is large – approximately 40 people, with some actors as young as 6. Hall said everyone is having fun and is bound to share their enjoyment with audiences.

"It's a play that has a vintage feel," he said. "Old school Christmas. It is heartwarming and at times, funny mixed with love. I think they'll feel the spirit of Christmas and pass that on to everyone who sees it."

"I love the kids," Hall continued. "I am continually surprised by the little ones. The music is very good. And we have some very good actors. We have some families involved too, and I love to see families take the time to do something like this, where the whole family is involved."

Theater, at any age, can be a transformative experience and this production is no exception.

"There isn't anyone in the cast that I haven't seen bloom in one way or another," Hall said. "Everyone has! It's part of what I like about the process. It's a growth opportunity. We create community here. We come together in a common goal. We develop vulnerability in a safe environment. Trust. It's okay to be yourself here. I still say that there is nothing that isn't developmental about this process, if it's healthy. And by healthy, I mean – caring, good communication, people are listened to, it's fun, it's safe enough for real vulnerability – that sort of thing."



John Macarro Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Center for the Arts

"'Twas the Night Before Christmas – 1776" is the story of the roots of the famous Christmas poem that also includes some romance and American history. In this scene, Gen. Washington is about to cross the Delaware. Pictured from left are Elias Sullivan, Will Sperling, Bob Finke and Rick Hobbs.

"The arts ignite curiosity, creativity, critical thinking and connection to place and community," said Duncan. "The arts can be a platform for young people to amplify their voices on issues they feel impacted by. Something I'm witnessing with this cast and creative team through the Wellington Day School is that the parents are so involved and the kids are so well loved by their families and the school, it's just really held as a school project that brings them together. It's lovely to witness."

Wellington Day School is a privately run school in Langley, serving children in preschool through eighth grade. Learn more about it at wellington.school.

Tickets for "'Twas the Night Before Christmas – 1776" are available online at wicaonline.org, as well as information about some of WICA's other upcoming holiday programming.

"WICA is decorated to welcome the community for a holiday treat," said Duncan. "There is a

hot cocoa "bar" for the youth, the festive piano room is open preshow and at intermission and we have a 17-foot live Christmas Tree in Zech Hall – it's beautiful!"

"This is an original production," Hall encouraged. "It was written by a local teacher. It has never been seen before. This audience here in Langley will be the first audience to ever see it. And that's kind of exciting."

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# Playhouse serves up a tasty treat with "How to Eat Like a Child"

By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

Anyone looking for appetizing entertainment this holiday season might want to consider checking out what the Whidbey Playhouse is serving up.

"How to Eat Like a Child (And Other Lessons in Not Being a Grown Up)" opens Friday in Oak Harbor and runs through Dec. 18. Shows begin at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and matinee performances will be at 2:30 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday. Based on the Delia Ephron book, "How to Eat Like a Child" is directed for the Playhouse by Rusty Hendrix and is a series of 23 lessons about what parents need to know, from the children's perspective.

This fast-paced, energetic show is filled with upbeat music, light-hearted humor and an enthusiastic cast.

"Our cast has 22 students that range in age from 7 to 16," Hendrix described. "They have all become like a family and get along well with each other. The older children help out the younger ones; they work as a team. They are so excited to finally have an audience."

From teaching adults the proper way to eat various foods, to lessons like "How to Beg for a



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly

The cast of "How to Eat Like a Child" is ready to share some of their insight in this rollicking Whidbey Playhouse production, opening Friday in Oak Harbor.

Dog," "How to Look Forward to Your Birthday," or "How to Torture Your Sister," it is clear the cast is having a good time on stage.

Whether the enthusiasm comes from the show's content or from the fact this is the first children's production in two years, it really doesn't matter. It's good fun and lively entertainment that will keep audiences grinning.

"The Whidbey Playhouse tries to have at least

one show in the season that has children included," Hendrix explained. "COVID put a stop to theater for almost two years. The classes had to stop also. 'How to Eat Like a Child' is the first show for kids after COVID. I was lucky enough to cast every child that auditioned. I think the cast is very excited to be on stage again."

While it is true there are some cast members who have been on stage before, for several this is a new experience, which has given Hendrix the opportunity to share some lessons of her own with them.

"I think what is most fun for me about doing this show is to be able to teach stage etiquette as well as acting skills," she said. "Kids are like sponges. They remember everything you teach them. It's amazing."

The same applies to learning the music for this show.

"The songs are light and fun," said Hendrix. "Almost every song has fun choreography that goes with it. Children love singing and dancing. They learn so quickly. They are fun to watch."

Andilynne Eller, age 7, is one of those making their stage debut in the show. She doesn't seem daunted by singing in front of people.

"It's a little scary, but I do like it," she said with a giggle. "I really like that I have a solo and not very many people have a solo."

Andilynne said her favorite part of the play is that she gets to be on stage with her older sister, Charlianne.

"My sister and I have a song together and well, I'm just excited that she's in this with me because all the other plays I've done she's been in the audience," Charlianne agreed. "Now we actually get to act together, which is pretty cool."

Danica Hong, 16, said she has enjoyed acting like a 10-year-old for the show.

"It was definitely a very fun challenge, but I was up for it," she said. "I always take on a challenge; it makes it interesting. I loved working with people younger than me. It lets me tap into that inner child."

When Hendrix describes the cast as becoming a family, there is a ring of truth to it, particularly when it comes to the sibling relationship.

"It's been fantastic," said Cora Fix, who is in the chorus. "There's been a few people that have

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Cellian Burke, right, interviews Owen Brannon in one of his ongoing lessons about "How to Eat Like a Child" in the Whidbey Playhouse production opening Friday.

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# Recipe of the Week

## A WARM STEW TO CHASE THE CHILL AWAY

As the mercury dips and snow and ice make conditions outside less inviting, a warm and welcoming meal inside can be just what the doctor ordered.

This recipe for "Jalapeño Pork Stew With Pickled Onions" from "Real Simple Dinner Tonight: Done!" (Time Home Entertainment) by the editors of Real Simple is tailor-made for a cold day. This hearty dish will warm anyone up, both from the heat of the stew itself and the spicy kick of the jalapeños.

### JALAPEÑO PORK STEW WITH PICKLED ONIONS (Serves 8)

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| 4 tablespoons olive oil   | 1 14.5-ounce can diced tomatoes, drained   |
| 5 pounds boneless pork shoulder or butt, trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces | 12 cloves garlic                           |
| 2 tablespoons ground cumin  | 1 to 2 jalapeño peppers, seeded and sliced |
| Kosher salt and black pepper  | 1 large red onion, thinly sliced           |
| 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour   | 1/4 cup red wine vinegar                   |
| 1 cup fresh orange juice  | 1 1-pound package frozen cut okra          |
|   | 1 1/2 cups grits                           |

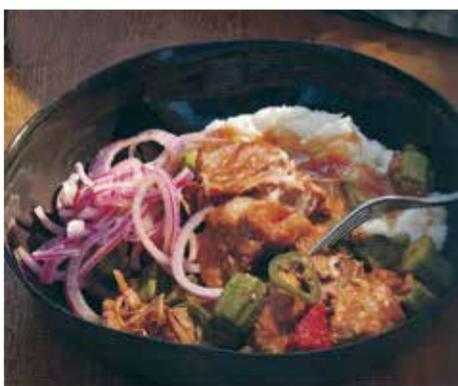
Heat oven to 325°F. Heat 2 tablespoons of the oil in a large oven-proof pot or Dutch oven over medium-high heat. Season the pork with the cumin, 1 1/2 teaspoons salt and 1/2 teaspoon black pepper. In batches, cook the pork until browned, turning occasionally, 6 to 8 minutes; transfer to a plate.

Add the flour and the remaining 2 tablespoons of oil to the pot and cook, stirring for 1 minute. Add the orange juice, tomatoes, garlic, jalapeños, and 4 cups water and bring to a boil. Return the pork to the pot, cover, transfer to oven, and cook until the pork is tender, 2 1/2 to 3 hours.

Meanwhile, in a small bowl, toss the onion with the vinegar, 1/2 cup water, and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Let sit, tossing occasionally, for at least 30 minutes (and up to 4 hours).

Skim off and discard any fat from the stew. Add the okra. Cover the pot, return it to the oven, and cook until the okra is tender, about 15 minutes. If the stew is too thin, place the pot on the stove and simmer, uncovered, until thickened, 5 to 10 minutes more.

Meanwhile, cook the grits according to the package directions. Serve with the stew and marinated onions.



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Someone thinks you are up to a challenge this week, Aries. Dive right in and prove them correct. There's much you'll get done, but leave some time for leisure.

**TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**  
There's not much you can't accomplish these next several days, Taurus. The key will be knowing just where to pull back so that you can do each job well.

**GEMINI – May 22/June 21**  
Think before committing to a project that is expected to take a long time, Gemini. While you may have a lot of free time right now, that may not be the case in a few weeks.

**CANCER – June 22/July 22**  
Cancer, health concerns may come to the forefront this week, whether it pertains you or someone close to you. Empty your schedule so you can devote the utmost attention.

**LEO – July 23/Aug 23**  
Leo, despite many looming deadlines, you are surprisingly relaxed about all the things you need to accomplish. Maybe that is because you have a lot of help.

**VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Some unexpected time off has dropped into your lap, Virgo. Figure out if a small vacation or weekend getaway might be just what you need right now. Then make it happen.

**LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**  
A career change could be on the horizon, Libra. Do your research before you take the full plunge into new waters. Maybe test things out before making a firm commitment.

**SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Home improvements could be coming soon, Scorpio. They'll interfere with your daily schedule for a bit, but the results will be well worth any disruption.

**SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21**  
Your hospitable nature is a perfect match for the entertaining you will be doing this week, Sagittarius. Expect a houseful of people on one or more days.

**CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Spending certainly is up during the holiday season, but you may need to keep a closer eye on what is going on with your finances, Capricorn. Don't lose sight of your budget.

**AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**  
A few interesting possibilities may come across your desk, Aquarius. Look at them with a critical eye and get a second opinion before moving forward.

**PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20**  
Too many things seem like a priority right now, Pisces. You need to weed through all of your responsibilities and tackle the most urgent.

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Photo Courtesy of the Ballet Slipper Conservatory  
Whimsical, handmade props and colorful, hand-sewn costumes are part of the magic of the Ballet Slipper Conservatory's annual performance of "The Nutcracker," set to take place this weekend at Oak Harbor High School.

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greater cross-section of the community now form the audience," she continued. "It's no longer just parents and relatives."

Least it seem The Conservatory's productions are limited to stage venues only, Geragotelis said some of the most rewarding performances are in the benefits they occasionally do.

"For example, this morning we gave a short performance for the residents at Summerhill. They are not able to attend regular performances for the most part. So we brought the performance to them," she described. "Of course, we couldn't do the entire ballet; it was just a small segment of dances from 'The Nutcracker,' but how pleasant it was to see their faces light up. That's something we couldn't do for the past couple of years because of the pandemic; it's nice to be able to return to that."

Other rewards of teaching classical ballet, she said, are found in the lives of the young dancers themselves.

"Some of my dancers start at age 4 with me. They may continue lessons until the time they head off for college. And then, they come back," she said. "We spend so much meaningful time together. And in those moments, I'm honored to teach them my passion, ballet. I hope, through the lessons, the preparation, and the performances, that I help them experience

that spark of, 'this is something I want to do, have to do.'"

She described how that drive manifested itself in the life of one of her former students quite recently.

"She was one of those who started lessons at age 4 with me. And she has turned out to be a beautiful choreographer in her own right," said Geragotelis.

She shared that the former student was asked to audition for Ellensburg Dance Ensemble's production of "Alice in Wonderland," and was chosen for the role of Alice.

And in a nice touch, or even a tribute to the magical allure of "The Nutcracker," Geragotelis said her former student has also been selected as the Sugar Plum Fairy in Ellensburg's "Nutcracker" production.

The Ballet Slipper Conservatory's rendition of The Nutcracker will take place this Saturday and Sunday at OHHS auditorium, 1 Wildcat Way, Oak Harbor. Saturday performances are 2 and 7 p.m.; Sunday is 2 p.m. only. Ticket prices start at \$11. All reserved seating is currently sold out, but general seating may still be available. Please no flash photography during the performance, but photos with no flash are allowed. For more information about The Conservatory or the performance, contact tbscoh.org.

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More information, including caroling and music times, and the current calendar of vendors, can be found at [whidbeyislandmarkets.com](http://whidbeyislandmarkets.com). Find us on Facebook at the Whidbey Island Markets page. See you there!

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been on my nerves, but everyone here is really nice and I have a friend from school here. It's just fun."

"It's been fun interacting with all the other actors and making friends," said Lorena Kidd of working with a cast of different ages. "Sometimes it's annoying, but it's also fun."

For Leo Hendrix, who is part of the chorus, this is his first time being in a play.

"It's really exciting and fun," he said. "It gets you out of your comfort zone and makes you explore new things."

"This play is really funny and I like acting on stage," said Cillian Burke, who said his favorite part of the show is the "dog song." "It's upbeat and I like how swifty it is."

Selah Rivera's favorite part of the show is the car scene from "How to Torture Your Sister," because her character gets to be really mean to their sister.

"I'm not a mean person usually, so it's kind of fun to play somebody that's like the complete opposite," she said.

"I like getting to be someone else and getting to step out of my skin to do things that I wouldn't do, but as that character, I can do with ease," said Elizabeth Lo, who described her character as a little bit pouty, whiney and a slight bit entitled. "She has an entire song complaining about walking places instead of being driven, but she's a lot younger than I am."

Clara Ashcroft is in the chorus and is also the understudy to two people.

"It can get a little challenging memorizing lines, but that's something I've always been good at," she said. "I do enjoy it, especially since I'm an understudy to one of my closest friends. We practice together in the mornings at school. I've helped her with her lines and I've been able to memorize them for myself to be her understudy."



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly  
A lesson in *How to Stay Home From School* includes the song "I Feel Sick," performed by Charlianne Eller (left), Andilynne Eller (center) and Isabelle Tucey. The play "How to Eat Like a Child" opens Friday at the Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor.

"At first it was hard," said Isabelle Tucey, who is making her Whidbey Playhouse debut. "I have a solo and there's a lot of lines. But I like the kids. I like watching the kids get their energy out."

First time actor Delayna Hong, 7, is in the chorus. She said she likes to go out and sing and enjoys playing quietly backstage with her friends when she's not on. She is looking forward to her favorite part of the show.

"Seeing my mom and dad in the audience," she said.

Tickets for "How to Eat Like a Child" are \$15 and may be purchased online at [whidbeyplayhouse.com](http://whidbeyplayhouse.com). Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, through Dec. 18.

"It's a really interesting play and it's super funny," said Hana Traurig. "It has a lot of great songs and I think people are doing really well with their characters. It's going really great."

"Please come see the youth of your community perform a show they have worked very hard to bring to the Playhouse," Hendrix encouraged. "It's lighthearted and fun."

# Life Tributes



## Jeffrey Vincent "Vicious" Hay



Jeff Hay, age 61, passed away Nov. 7, 2022, at his sister's residence in Coupeville, Wash.

Jeff was the ninth of 12 children born to William and Margaret Hay in Seattle. He is survived by brothers Greg, Mark, Chris, and Pat; sisters Judy, Kathy, Toni, Barbara, and Mary; as well as numerous nieces and nephews. His brother, Mike, and sister, Angie, have gone, as well.

Jeff loved beer, fishing, the Mariners, the Seahawks, the Sea Gals, action movies, rock music, pou pous [sic], and being an electrician. He left four children behind — Bernard, Christie,

Nathaniel, and Jessie.

Jeff will continue to be remembered through his many unique outlooks and expressions he has instilled in us. L'chaim, Jeffrey, the nicest guy you could have ever met.

## Joe Beckley



Our dad, Joe Beckley, was reunited in heaven with our mom, Earlene, Nov. 11, 2022. What a reunion it must have been, as he's waited 16 years to see her again!

Dad was born Jan. 18, 1934, to Clyde and Rosalie Beckley in Grand Junction, Colo. Rosalie was diagnosed with breast cancer while pregnant with Dad, but she refused treatment as she didn't want to risk harming him. She passed when he was five months old, so his sister, Margaret, helped care for him until Clyde married Verna, who was a wonderful stepmom and grandma.

Dad was born with clubbed feet and spent the first four years of his life in and out of Denver Children's Hospital wearing casts and braces. He wasn't supposed to ever walk, but you all know Dad and how that worked out! He attended St Joseph Catholic school and then Grand Junction High School, where he excelled in football and wrestling. He graduated from Grand Junction High School in 1952 and from Colorado A&M, now Colorado State University, in 1957.

In 1956, Dad and Mom snuck away to Deming, N.M. and eloped, as mom was expecting their first daughter, Robin. They later moved to Salt Lake City, Utah, where daughters Danette and Jana were born. The final move was to Coupeville in 1968, where Dad was the director of the Island County Health Department until 1979.

Dad loved driving semi-trucks and began long haul trucking for CH Dredge for a few years before becoming a building inspector for Island County until he retired in 1999. He loved trucking so much, he continued to drive for local companies Lee and Estes, Cimarron and Skagit Trucking on weekends.

After retirement, Dad bought his Harley Davidson motorcycle, which he and Mom enjoyed for many years! He paid cash for collecting the scrap copper wire from the many building contractors he worked with. They met so many great friends and had fun taking trips to Arizona, Sturgis and the Oyster Run.

Dad loved his girls and made sure we could all back a trailer, shift without a clutch, change the oil and cut and stack wood. All skills we appreciate now but cussed back then! He coached the Libby's Little Ladies which was our first fast pitch softball team in Coupeville and hauled us to many horse shows in the horse trailer he got for Father's Day.

Growing up with Dad was fun! We camped at Baker Lake and spent family vacations camping and fishing with the Black family and driving to Utah and Colorado to visit family. We always drove at night and bathroom stops were generally on the side of the road. We made our own popcorn and wore our pajamas to the Blue Fox Drive-In and got phone calls to remind us of the shortest and longest day of the year...every year!

Dad was a dad to so many of our friends. He used to say that he never knew who might be on the couch when he got up in the morning. He was full of hugs, called you "honey" and never judged. He only got mad if anyone sprayed gravel spinning their tires when leaving the driveway.

Dad loved to socialize and loved when friends brought their RVs and camped in his yard. He always had his firepit and firewood ready. He could be found BS-ing and having a beer at Toby's or the American Legion or coffee at the Tye. He didn't always remember names but called everyone his friend.

Dad was predeceased by our mom, Earlene, our sister, Robin, and his siblings, Margaret Hutchinson and Jim Beckley. He is survived by his sister, Patricia Weaver; daughters, Jana Bouzek (Matt) and Danette Beckley; grandchildren, Tara Beckley, Taylor Smith, Jase and Jett Bouzek and Danica and Dakota Strong.

We will have a celebration of Dad's well lived and loved life Jan. 14, 2023, at 1 p.m. at his house. He will be so excited to have friends gather in his beloved shop to eat, drink and share stories of the character that he was! We'll share a reminder as it gets closer via social media and word of mouth. Infinite thanks to the many friends who watched out for and helped Dad over the last few years. He wouldn't have been able to stay in his house without the kindness and community that you get living in a small town. A special thanks to the doctors and nurses who went above and beyond in their care for Dad and Danette and I at United General Hospital.

## Richard Arild Johnson



Born of a Swedish immigrant father and a Canadian immigrant mother of Norwegian/Swedish descent, Richard Arild Johnson (Dick) was born in Seattle March 24, 1939 and died on Whidbey Island Nov. 7, 2022.

Dick grew up in Ballard, Wash., immersed in the Scandinavian heritage and traditions. Upon graduation from Ballard High School in 1956, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps at age 17. Following his time in the Corps, he returned to Seattle to work for the Washington State Highway Department as a soils engineer. This led to his lifetime career working in the field of civil engineering, constructing large public projects in Washington,

Idaho, and Alaska.

Dick led a life proud of his Swedish and Norwegian heritage. Following this interest, in 1959 he joined a friend broadcasting the Scandinavian Hour, where he met his future wife of Norwegian descent, Ingri Stang. They married in March of 1961 and celebrated 61 beautiful years of marriage!

In 1977, after spending 30 years of summers on Whidbey Island, Dick and Ingri decided it was time to move from Seattle to Whidbey Island to raise their two children, Erik and Kari, amongst a menagerie of ever-changing farm animals. Upon his retirement, Dick became involved in the environmental causes of Whidbey Island through the Sound Water Stewards (formerly known as Beach Watchers). He spent many hours building worm compost bins and educational displays.

He found great community with a group of island Scandinavians and was a charter member of the Whidbey Island chapter of Sons of Norway/Whidbey Island Nordic Lodge. Together they planned and oversaw the building of the Nordic Hall in Coupeville as part of the Nordic Lodge. This hall has become a popular gathering place for local events. In addition to the Nordic Hall, he spent countless hours researching topics relevant to the Nordic countries to share with lodge members and became quite an expert on the Svalbard Global Seed Vault in Svalbard, Norway.

Ever dedicated to his grandchildren, Dick was an amazing grandfather. Summers on Whidbey were looked upon with anticipation for the weeks long visit with his grandchildren and the amazing new adventures he would share with them. From beachcombing to building to fishing to exploring...every summer provided the family with a new memory.

Dick often described himself as a builder. Whether using mechanical surveying devices on new highways, carefully drawing and measuring a proposed construction project on graph paper or getting inspiration from a woodworking magazine to build his grandchildren bookcases and chests, he loved bringing an idea into existence and creating something of lasting value.

Dick would often pore over the obituaries in the newspaper. He considered it one of the best parts of the paper because he enjoyed the personal histories of everyday people. Hopefully, you find his story meets the same goal. As Dick would say, "Vi ses snart igjen!"

Dick is survived by his wife of 61 years, Ingri; his daughter, Kari Lukas (Ed); his son, Erik; and his grandchildren Josie, Ashley, Brian and Allison.

Dick was a lifetime member of the Swedish Club and a member of the Whidbey Island Nordic Lodge.

Donations in Dick's memory can be sent to Whidbey Camano Land Trust (765 Wonn Rd., #C201, Greenbank, WA 98235) or Sound Water Stewards of Island County (P.O. Box 1620, Freeland, WA 98249)

## Lt. Matthew Driskell



Lt. Matthew Driskell, 32, born in Saline, Mich., April 6, 1990, to Donald Blair Driskell and Gretchen Demarest Driskell, passed away Nov. 18, 2022.

Matt graduated Saline High School in 2008, attended one year at Columbia College Chicago, and enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 2010. He served in the nuclear submarine program until he was accepted into the Naval Academy in 2012. After graduating from the Naval Academy in 2016, he was selected to attend United States Navy Flight School, ultimately becoming an EA-18G Growler pilot based at Naval Air Station Whidbey Island.

While based at NAS Whidbey Island, he did a deployment on the USS Theodore Roosevelt, and most recently did operations on the USS Gerald R. Ford.

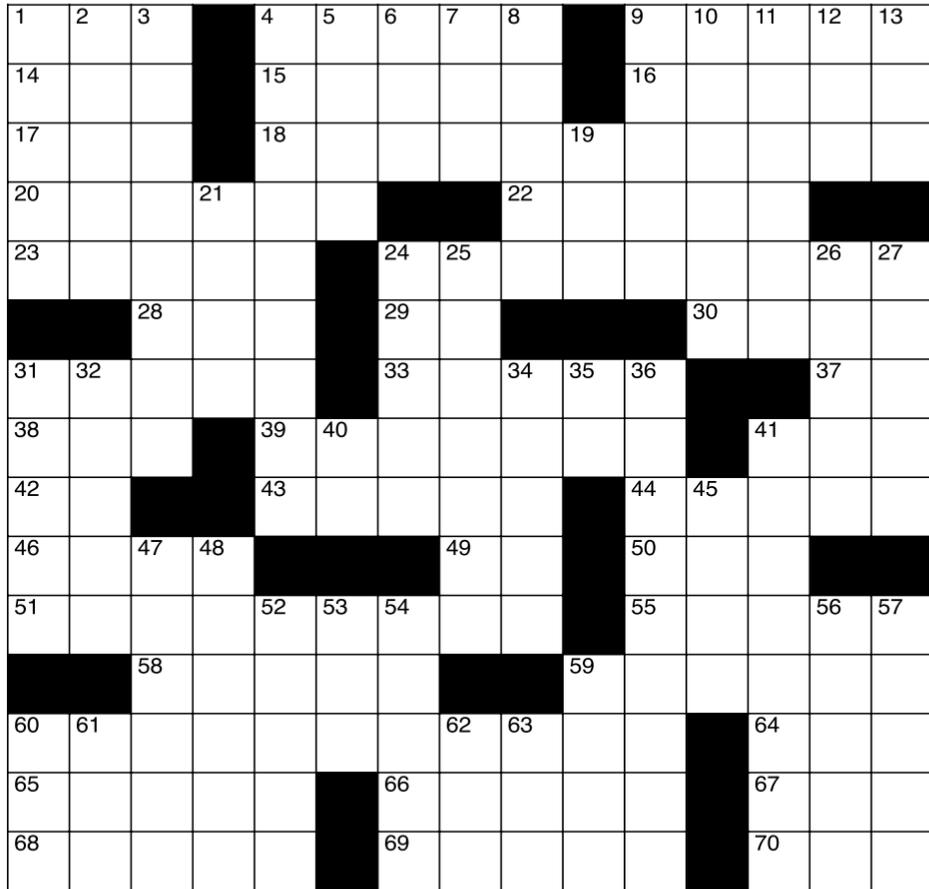
Matt had many passions, including flying, hiking the Pacific Northwest with his dog, Bo, riding his motorcycle, sailing, music and woodworking. He was admired by many and fiercely loyal to those lucky enough to be his friends. He will be greatly missed by all.

Matt is survived by his siblings, Ryan and Marielle; his grandmother, Marilyn Roper Driskell; uncles, Glenn Driskell and Scott Demarest; aunts Leslie (Bill) Ashford, Jill (Bruce) Black, and Rachel Spivey; cousins, Hannah (Russ) Butts, Caroline (Hunter) Harrison, Alford Driskell, Daniel Ashford, Mary Liz Black, Madeline (Will) Leifeste, Harrison Porter, Carlisle Porter, Lydia Spivey, Barnabas Spivey, Jennifer Demarest, and Conrad Demarest; his best friend, Catherine Noble; and his dog, Bo. He was preceded in death by Don Driskell, Doug Demarest, and Ruth Demarest.

Matt's memorial service was held at First United Methodist Church in Saline. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Humane Society of Huron Valley, the American Cancer Society, or the Whidbey Animals Improvement Foundation (waif-animals.org).

Life Tributes can now be found online at [www.whidbeyweekly.com](http://www.whidbeyweekly.com)

# Crossword Puzzle



### CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Product or \_\_\_ (abbr.)
- 4. Zodiac sign
- 9. S. China seaport
- 14. Former OSS
- 15. Early English printer
- 16. Aphid genus
- 17. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 18. Aussies
- 20. Dissuades
- 22. Make law
- 23. Drench
- 24. Soak in a liquid
- 28. Male child
- 29. It cools your home
- 30. Small constellation
- 31. To call (archaic)
- 33. Explores beneath the Earth
- 37. Commercial
- 38. W. hemisphere organization
- 39. You can find it in a can
- 41. "Land of the free"
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- 21. Employee stock ownership plan
- 24. Large-scale
- 25. School environment
- 26. Remove
- 27. Male parents
- 31. Large rodent
- 32. Weighed down
- 34. Held tightly
- 35. \_\_\_ route: going there
- 36. Explains again
- 40. Exclamation of surprise
- 41. Courteously
- 45. Lying down
- 47. Judge
- 48. Forcefully took
- 52. Loosely compacted sediment
- 53. High mountain
- 54. Portable conical tents
- 56. Cereal grass
- 57. Dining utensil
- 59. Thoughtful
- 60. Helps you walk
- 61. Indicates near
- 62. Midway between northeast and east
- 63. Local area network

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### YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

<p>Thurs, Dec. 8</p> <p>North Isle H-38°/L-30° Rain or Rain/Snow Mix</p> <p>South Isle H-36°/L-28° Rain or Rain/Snow Mix</p>	<p>Fri, Dec. 9</p> <p>North Isle H-42°/L-35° Cloudy with Showers</p> <p>South Isle H-40°/L-33° Showers</p>	<p>Sat, Dec. 10</p> <p>North Isle H-41°/L-35° Rain</p> <p>South Isle H-39°/L-33° Rain</p>	<p>Sun, Dec. 11</p> <p>North Isle H-44°/L-34° Rain and Snow Mixed</p> <p>South Isle H-43°/L-31° Rain and Snow Mixed</p>	<p>Mon, Dec. 12</p> <p>North Isle H-44°/L-35° Rain</p> <p>South Isle H-43°/L-32° Rain</p>	<p>Tues, Dec. 13</p> <p>North Isle H-43°/L-37° Cloudy</p> <p>South Isle H-42°/L-35° Cloudy</p>	<p>Wed, Dec. 14</p> <p>North Isle H-46°/L-38° Rain</p> <p>South Isle H-44°/L-35° Rain</p>
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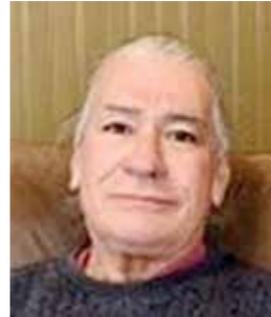


# OUR Community

## An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What is the most memorable gift you have been given?



**James Almeida**, Oak Harbor

The most memorable gift I ever received was holding my newborn daughter just days before Christmas. It was an amazing, happy feeling, looking into her eyes; full of hope and dreams of a happy future.

**Margaret Tollefson**, Langley

This is an interesting question and I think I would have to say it is the gift of time. Time spent with precious family, eating Thanksgiving leftovers. Time spent laughing with a friend as we read hilarious greeting cards or try on silly hats. Time watching the sun move south when winter's coming or better yet, when it heads north again. Time listening to seagulls fight over a French fry. This is better and more memorable than anything that comes in a box, in my opinion.



**Sheriff Rick Felici**, Coupeville

Without a doubt the best gift I have ever received is my wife and family!

**Kimberly Durnford**, Oak Harbor

In 1972, my father gave me a traditional Dirndl dress from Germany. It was pink with a flowered white apron and was the most beautiful dress I had ever seen at age 11. My father was at the Olympic Games in Munich as the coach of the USA Men's Gymnastics Team. I was so happy that my father took the time to find such a pretty dress to bring home to me. I wore that dress to every special event for the next two years until I finally outgrew it.



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# Community Bulletin Board

To place an ad, email [classifieds@whidbeyweekly.com](mailto:classifieds@whidbeyweekly.com)

**GARAGE/ESTATE SALES**

Big Garage Sale! Friday, Dec. 9 and Saturday, Dec. 10, 9am-4pm. Stay on the island and shop safely. Everything from soup to nuts! Bush Point Road to Adams Road (Freeland), sale is at end of the road. Cash only!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Lions clubs are volunteers serving our community through various projects. Come and visit us at one of our meetings – both meet the 2nd and 4 Wednesdays. North Whidbey Lions meet at noon at the VFW Post, 3037 Goldie Rd. in Oak Harbor. Oak Harbor Lions meet at 7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 155 NE Ernst St. in Oak Harbor. LIONS motto is "WE SERVE." This is an opportunity to help your neighbors and have fun doing it.

Think you may be pregnant? Stop by Whidbey Island Women's Clinic for free pregnancy testing. We are also here to support our community with diapers, formula, baby clothes, and more. All our services are free. Open Tue and Thu, 10am-4pm, and Wed, noon-7pm. Located at 670 SE Midway Blvd in Oak Harbor.

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

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

If you or someone you know has been a victim of homicide, burglary, robbery, assault, identity theft, fraud, human trafficking, home invasion and other crimes not listed, Victim Support Services has advocates ready to help. Please call the 24-hr Crisis Line 888-388-9221. Free service. Visit our web site at <http://victimsupport-services.org>

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Greenbank Farm Holiday Market needs elves! Help Santa with pictures or being in them in costume; Making art for decorations (we pay for supplies); Carolers who wish to work for tips and CD sales; And we'd love another vendor who makes hand-made toys! Contact Tammy at [whidbeyartswap@yahoo.com](mailto:whidbeyartswap@yahoo.com).

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

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Island County (BBBSIC) is actively seeking new member(s) for its board of directors. Join the board's exciting array of professionals! BBBSIC is seeking individuals who are committed to defending the potential of youth in our community through their time, skill sets, and influence in the community. To complement the existing board, candidates with expertise in accounting, law, nonprofit management, networking, or

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fundraising are of particular interest. Committed to diversifying its board to better represent our community, BBBSIC encourages BIPOC and LGBTQIA community members to inquire. Please contact [admin@bbbsislandcounty.org](mailto:admin@bbbsislandcounty.org) for more information.

The Island County Medical Reserve Corps (ICMRC) is a local network of volunteers organized to improve the health and safety of communities on Whidbey and Camano Islands. Volunteers primarily include medical and public health professionals but other volunteers who have no healthcare backgrounds are also utilized. MRC responds to local emergencies such as natural disasters and public health emergencies. If you are interested in volunteering please contact us at Island County MRC website for application and information.

If you are looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity, look no further! When you volunteer at one of the Habitat for Humanity of Island County stores, you are helping local families attain decent, affordable housing. Income from the stores is vital to giving families a path to homeownership. We need people who can commit to help out in our Oak Harbor or Freeland store at least two-hours per week.

Schedules are flexible. Our friendly volunteers provide customer service, help with receiving donated household items and furniture, and maintain the store. We also need drivers and driver helpers who will professionally represent Habitat as they pick up donated items using our trucks. Please call either store for more information. Oak Harbor: 360-675-8733, Freeland: 360-331-6272.

College student? Student of history? History buff? Opportunities are available to spend constructive volunteer hours at the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum.

Go to [www.pnwnam.org](http://www.pnwnam.org) and click on "Volunteer" or just stop by and introduce yourself.

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](mailto:wamothermentors@gmail.com) or call 360-321-1484.

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