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Discover how Oak Harbor gardens grow at club's Tour and Tea

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

The Oak Harbor Garden Club is pleased to bring back its annual Garden Tour and Tea for the first time in three years.

The event will be held Saturday, June 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will feature a self-guided tour of five North Whidbey gardens plus a tea that will serve up complimentary refreshments, as well as entertainment by Jamar Jenkins and an art show with displays by local artists Regina Kastler, Tim Haslet, Colleen OHair and more. Tickets are \$25 per person and may be purchased online at oakharborgardenclub.org or at locations in Oak Harbor and Mount Vernon.



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly

The 21st annual Oak Harbor Garden Club Tour and Tea will feature five North Whidbey gardens, including that of Heather and Shawn Dahl. The tour will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 24.

In addition to being the first Tea and Tour since the pandemic, this year marks a milestone for the garden club.

"We're celebrating 100 years in Oak Harbor," said Robin Boyle, the garden club's committee chair for this year's Tour and Tea. "The first meeting was held Oct. 3, 1923, and it started as a group of women who got together to help build a sidewalk for the high school. They held various fundraising projects to support building the sidewalk, but they've also been involved in creating Smith Park and all kinds of activities throughout the years."

What started as a civic improvement club has now blossomed into the Oak Harbor Garden Club. The organization is still very active and supports its various beautification projects – like planting 6,850 daffodil bulbs around Oak Harbor, for instance – by hosting several events each year, of which the Tour and Tea is a part

Whidbey Weekly had the opportunity to pay an early visit to one of the gardens on this year's Tour and Tea. Heather and Shawn Dahl are first-time garden tour hosts who were inspired by attending the last tour.

"It was super fun and of course we got a million more ideas," Heather said. "We came home with a list."

"I don't think we necessarily did anything for the garden tour specifically," Shawn said. "I think we just prioritized what our list already was to be ready for the tour."

The couple has created their own little oasis on their two-and-



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekl

Shawn and Heather Dahl of Oak Harbor are first-time garden tour hosts this year for the Oak Harbor Garden Club's 21st Tour and Tea, which will be held Saturday, June 24 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The tour features five North Whidbey gardens.

a-half acres. Not all of the property has been "tamed" – they say that is very much a work in progress. But the space they have cultivated is tranquil and lovely. Guests will be able to meander past beds of gorgeous Hostas that are accented with bursts of color and filled with picturesque outbuildings and features.

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Musical review celebrates love's "Stages"

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Over the course of a lifetime one goes through many different phases – stages, if you will. From friends to romantic partners, infatuation to love, for example.

Set those romantic phases to music and you have "Stages," an evening of musical entertainment starring Darren and Heather McCoy and featuring Eileen Soskin and Ken Merrell. Performances will take place Friday, June 23 and Saturday, June 24 at 7 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Whidbey Island, located at 20103 State Route 525 in Freeland. There are no tickets to purchase, but a \$25 donation at the door is suggested.

"'Stages' is a musical review featuring previously composed music from many Broadway shows spanning the years 1926 to 2019," explained Soskin, who worked with the McCoys and Merrell to develop the show and will accompany the McCoys on the piano. "We have organized the songs in a way that tells a story about the

stages of life and love: Stage One - Waiting, Wanting, Believing; Stage Two - Me, Me, Me, Me, You (a.k.a. Infatuation); Stage Three - Perfection??? HA!!!; and Stage Four - Feeling and Remembering.

"I was very eager to work with Heather and Darren McCoy and put together an evening of show music suited to their talents," she continued. "The idea of 'Stages' evolved gradually from a list of songs (solos and duets) that Heather and Darren were eager to perform plus a list of songs that I was eager to perform with them. The result merges most of the songs that appeared on our initial lists."

Darren and Heather McCoy are no strangers when it comes to performing – the couple met on stage at the Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor. The two are now married and the proud parents of a 2-and-a-half-year-old. With busy careers – Darren is the choral director at Oak Harbor High School and Heather is a physician's assistant – they both said it's hard to find time for projects like this.



Kathy Reed/File Photo

Darren and Heather McCoy are familiar figures on Whidbey Island stages. Above, they perform in the 2018 Whidbey Playhouse production of "Daddy Long Legs." It was that production at which Eileen Soskin knew she wanted to work with the couple. Now a Soskin has teamed up with the McCoys and Ken Merrell to produce the new musical review "Stages," starring Darren and Heather, who will sing a variety of compositions that take us through the stages of love. "Stages" will be performed June 23 and 24 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Whidbey Island.

"It's always such a pleasure to find projects that can be done along with busy lifestyles, work, and parenting, and there are so few opportunities for that, so I'm grateful that Darren and Eileen love to do this sort of thing as much as I do," Heather told Whidbey Weekly via email. "Also, I'm incredibly grateful to my mom, Sandi Good, for allowing us this opportunity by watching our kiddo during the rehearsal process."

As Soskin and the McCoys tossed around initial ideas of the songs they'd like to include in the project, their choices almost seemed to arrange themselves.

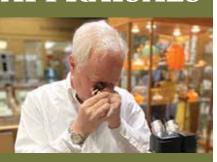
"The songs sorted themselves rather neatly into representations of different stages of life," Soskin described. "They were initially chosen by each of us just because we loved them and wanted to perform them. Once I had our list, it was easy to see that some were about the intense desire for life to truly begin that is common among young people; some were about the magic of new love, where everything is perfect; some were about how committed relationships require giving up some things and figuring out how to work around differences; and some were about looking back fondly at long-term affection and love."

Neither Darren nor Heather said they could identify a particular "Stage" as their favorite, in part due to their current stage that is day-to-day life.

"I feel like I most relate to stage two, three and four in a whirlwind of succession," said Darren, who responded to questions via email late last month. "It's never just one for very long. There is one song, however, that stands out. It's the song where the character can't remember anything. Maybe it's because I'm a teacher in May or maybe it's because I have a toddler and am therefore sleep deprived, but I can't remember lyrics like I once did!"

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TUESDAY, MAY 30 5:25 am, SR 20

Reporting party advising her Boston terrier jumped out of her vehicle and now she can't catch it. It was causing a traffic hazard earlier; needs help catching it.

3:40 pm, SE Pioneer Way

Male states he is being discriminated against at location; ignoring call-taker and calmly talking to someone else about giving him water.

7:49 pm, SE Pioneer Way

Reporting party was a customer, believes was refused service at location for improper reason; café owner now calling in, advising male is a transient in the area; requesting trespass.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 12:53 am, NE 16th Ave.

Requesting call; wants to know if he has constitutional rights to food and beverage/establishments? Difficult to understand

3:56 am, SE Barrington Dr.

Reporting party recalling; says his right to food and beverage was not upheld; wants ICOM to call Adult Protective Services to report the Oak Harbor Police Department for allowing an establishment to refuse him service.

6:28 am, SE Barrington Dr.

Caller talking about his right to food and beverages; also wanted to get in touch with Adult Protective Services.

8:52 am, NE Regatta Dr.

Advising of male throwing knives at telephone pole; caller placed on hold, caller disconnected.

1:55 pm, SW Winchester St.

States trespasser at location; male from another neighborhood is driving private golf cart through the neighborhood at a high rate of speed; reporting party told male he couldn't drive through neighborhood and male became belligerent, started yelling.

FRIDAY, JUNE 2 1:35 pm, SR 20

Reporting party advising someone running for mayor is pulled over on Hwy. 20 and

Whidbey Ave. in the turn lane on the northbound side; advising is a woman in a limousine, waving a flag running for mayor.

1:56 pm, NW Elwha St.

Reporting party requesting to know if she can move into her old house that had a fire in it.

2:20 pm, NE Regatta Dr.

Reporting party advising multiple vehicles from the school across the street are turning left in a 'No Left Turn' exit from the school. Requesting call about vehicles doing illegal turns.

2:48 pm, SE Barrington Dr.

Advising male walking on Barrington, seen beating his dog; was confronted by another passerby, pulled out a knife and said, "Do you want to go?"

4:27 pm, NE Ernst St.

Reporting party advising two women in front yard tried to block reporting party in at roundabout; reporting party pulled into Flyers parking lot and they tried to block reporting party in to beat him up.

4:39 pm, E Whidbey Ave.

Reporting party states across from the bus barn on Midway Blvd. at a group of mailboxes, a male with a drill is trying to break in. No weapons seen.

5:37 pm, SE Dock St.

Reporting party advising subject is pulling flowers out of garden and throwing them at people, yelling at people. Currently on sidewalk on the corner.

SATURDAY, JUNE 3 11:33 am, SW Barlow St.

Advising subject accessed roof; changed the reader board, removing the movie advertisement; alcohol bottles left there.

1:12 pm, SE Pioneer Way

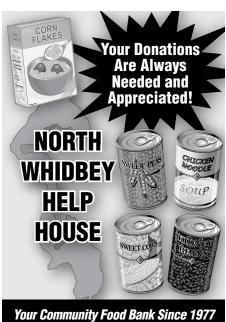
Caller advising "Queen" is sitting on bench in area yelling at people.

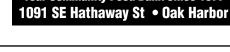
9:52 pm, SW Eston Ct.

Reporting party advising kids were playing in front yard and the neighborhood teens passed by and started yelling out cuss words to reporting party's kids.

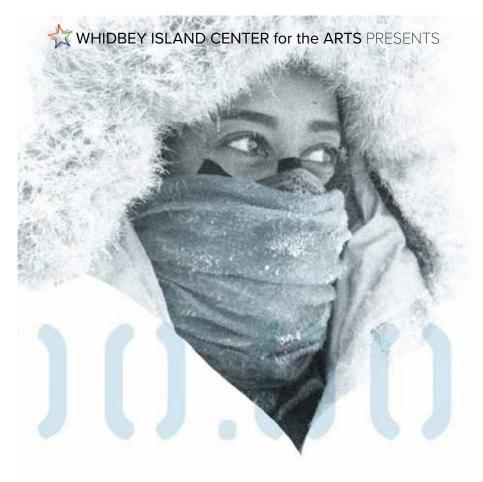
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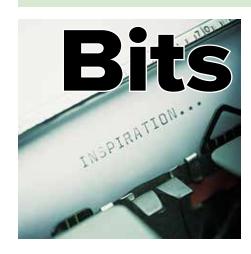
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Letters to the **Editor**

Shane Hoffmire for Mayor

We have known Shane Hoffmire since he was a teenager. We hired him to help us put 15 tons of hay in our barn for the winter. We were impressed with his work ethic then, just as we are today.

Trying to find teenagers who were willing to throw 50-pound hay bales all day has never been easy, but Shane showed up every day and willingly put his time in and worked hard. Besides bucking hay, he was really good at recruiting and motivating others to help. If we needed more help, Shane knew where to find additional workers. Shane was able to talk with anyone, definitely not shy, and always respectful. We enjoyed having him work for us for several years.

Later, we heard he was on the North Whidbey Parks and Recreation board. Always willing to take on the tough issues, with Shane you always know where he stands and where you stand. He has always been the one who is unafraid to ask the tough questions and who'll stand up for what he believes is right.

When Shane takes on a project, nothing will deter him from accomplishing whatever it is. He is dedicated to improving this community and will do whatever it takes to make this the best city in the state. He is very active in the community and listens to the people to find out what they want their community to look like. He is a leader with strong focus and determination. He is devoted to his family and his community.

Shane's style of leadership is what this city needs! He has spent many years gaining experience and knowledge that will make him an excellent Mayor of Oak Harbor.

T.J. and Pat Lamont Oak Harbor, Wash.

Skagit Valley College's Cardinal **Hoop Basketball Camps Are Back**

Skagit Valley College is hosting its annual Cardinal Hoop Basketball Camps for students in grades two through 12. The camps will be held at the Dave DuVall Pavilion, 2405 E College Way, Mount

The Youth Camp, which is open to students in grades two through nine, will take place June 19-22, and the Shooting Camp, available to students in grades seven through 12, will be held June 26-29.

"We encourage families to take advantage of this opportunity to help their children develop valuable skills on and off the court," said SVC Athletic Director, Mitch Freeman. "Our coaches and players are committed to creating a positive and fun learning environment for all participants."

Participants will receive personal instruction from experienced SVC coaches and players, along with opportunities for daily team play. The camp will be directed by Coach Carl Howell, who has more than 25 years of experience at the NCAA D1 and D3, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, and community college level. Coach Howell has won 419 games in

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18 seasons and has a 77 percent winning percentage as a college head coach.

"We are excited to offer this camp to our community's youth," said Coach Howell. "It's a great opportunity for them to learn the fundamentals of basketball while having fun in a supportive environment."

For more information, contact Coach Howell at 360-416-7644 or visit skagit.edu/

[Submitted by Sofie Poulton, Skagit Valley

Learn How to Crab Local Waters Free Seminar Offered to Whidbey and Fidalgo Communities

America's Boating Club of Deception Pass is offering a free Crabbing 101 seminar, to be held Tuesday from 7:00 to 9:00PM at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club.

Community members will learn how to catch Dungeness crab from the shore or boat, including making sure you've got the proper equipment, the best bait, license requirements and regulations, and the best locations to drop your crab pots.

"We'll cover everything you need to catch, clean and cook Dungeness," said John Hudson, Crabbing 101 instructor. "Even a tried-and-true recipe for crab cakes is

According to Hudson, Dungeness is arguably the tastiest shellfish in the Puget Sound, and plentiful in our area. "It is an exciting summer activity, and even better is it doesn't require expensive equipment or a large boat.

The seminar is free, and those interested in attending can contact Jerry Liggett at jliggett4@hotmail.com.

America's Boating Club of Deception Pass is a 44-year-old nonprofit organization with over 80 members from Whidbey and Fidalgo islands. It is part of the United States Power Squadrons, a non-profit boating organization dedicated to education and training of safe boating activities.

[Submitted by Jennifer Geller]

St. Hubert Annual Parking Lot and Bake Sale

Are you interested in renting a space at St. Hubert's annual parking lot sale? The cost to rent a space is \$25 and will include use of a table and chairs. If you rent a space, you will be responsible for removing your unsold items at the end of the afternoon. You'll be able to start set-up Saturday, June 24 at 7:30AM.

You can also donate your spring-clearance items to the Women of St. Hubert to sell. All goods must be clean and in working order. Any items that don't sell will be donated to another charity, if possible. Items that cannot be donated will go to the recycling center or worst case, disposed of in the garbage. This year, books, magazines, VCR tapes and large turniture cannot be accepted. Donations of clean, unripped clothing and blankets, kitchen utensils and children's toys are

The sale will be held Saturday, June 24 from 9:00AM to 3:00PM at 804 3rd St., Langley. Pick up some baked goods while shopping. There will be a hot dog cart for lunching. This event is hosted by the Women of St. Hubert with proceeds supporting South Whidbey nonprofits.

For more information, contact St. Hubert's office at 360-221-5383.

[Submitted by Kathy Zunino]

The Bard's Boutique Artist Spotlight **Presents: Costume Collage Workshop** with Dollmaker Val Johnson

Bring your scissors and your sense of play for a few hours of collage-making and

kibitzing! [(kib·itz also kib·bitz) 1. To chat; converse]

Join other like-minded creatives as costume designer and doll-maker, Val Johnson, guides the process of creating a doll-like collage at her Costume Collage Workshop. It's all about having some crafty fun, while "kibitzing" with neighbors. It'll be upstairs in the Front Room Gallery at the Bayview Cash Store from 1:00 to 4:00PM Saturday, June 24.

"This project is about creativity, combining my interest in costumes and dolls and simple crafting," says Johnson, "There's no right or wrong way to do it. It should be relaxing and fun.

Val has been costuming theater artists for a couple of decades now, so she happens to be a great seamstress with a gorgeous sense of design and color. So come on out and enjoy some craft-making in the sunny, window-lined Front Room in the historic Bayview Cash Store under her tutelage.

Paper and fabric scraps and some adhesive will be available, but please bring anything you would like to incorporate into your collage, such as mementos, nostalgic fabrics, ribbons, buttons, glitter, jewels, photographs. Any other supplies you have, including scissors, are great. Inspirational images will be available, but also look online yourself for what appeals to you. Google and Pinterest offer inspiration galore; search paper dolls, paper dress collage, and costume design.

Val's beautiful handmade dolls can be found at the Bard's Boutique, which is downstairs in the Cash Store and where attendees can browse her collection and other local artists' wares during or after the workshop.

Costume Collage Workshop is a pay-whatyou-will donation event to support Island Shakespeare Festival, (www.islandshakespearefest.org), which is also a pay-whatyou-will season of classical outdoor theater happening July 21-Sept. 10 on Maxwelton Road behind the primary school.

The Bard's Boutique in the Bayview Cash Store is located at 5603 Bayview Road in

[Submitted by Patricia Duff]

Midsummer Serenade

Spend an enchanted evening with nature and music in the gardens

Ever dream of being serenaded at twilight? Here's your chance. Join Meerkerk Gardens and Saratoga Orchestra Strings for a celebration of nature and music, Saturday, June 24 from 4:00 to 7:00pm.

Experience the gardens at sunset with pop-up activities, including a surprise appearance by members of Whidbey Playhouse. Then enjoy a live concert performance featuring standards and popular music from stage and screen, including works by Bach, Bizet and Gershwin from the beloved Great American Songbook

It's an evening to delight the senses, all while supporting two of the island's most treasured nonprofits. Tickets are selling fast at just \$50 per person, including a picnic dinner box. No-host wine and beer will be available. RSVP today or find more details at www.meerkerkgardens.org/ midsummerserenade.

[Submitted by Kellie Tormey, Meerkerk Gardens]

Intuitive Arts Fair

The Intuitive Arts Fair is a must-attend event for anyone interested in exploring their intuition and spiritual side. Taking place Saturday and Sunday, June 24 and 25, from 11:00aм to 7:00pм at Maple Hall, La Conner, this in-person event promises to be a day full of insightful and inspiring experiences.

The event will feature a talented lineup of intuitive arts, including psychics, tarot readers, energy healing sessions and spiritual counseling, and an incredibly visual and energetic flash mob dance by Witches of Skagit. Attendees can expect to meet and interact with many intuitive practitioners who bring with them diverse skills and practices to help support your spiritual needs. This year's Intuitive Arts Fair will feature a variety of workshops and presentations both Saturday and Sunday on the second floor of Maple Hall, and will cover topics from empowerment, healing to personal growth. You'll have the opportunity to connect with these gifted individuals and gain a deeper understanding of your own intuition and inner wisdom. Attendees will also browse and shop from a range of specialty vendors offering crystals, jewelry, essential oils and other spiritual merchandise. Tickets can be purchased in advance online or at the door. Admission is \$5 and includes a day-long pass to all classes and workshops and a chance to win a free tarot reading in the Tarot Lottery. Amidst the intuitive arts services, enjoy delicious food and drinks from La Conner restaurants and shops from independent merchants who pour their heart and soul into their stores.

Learn more about the event by visiting www.IntuitiveArtsFair.com and follow on Facebook and Instagram @IntutiveArtsFair.

[Submitted by Stephanie Banaszak]

All Together Now — Summer Reading Unites Readers

Sno-Isle Libraries Summer Reading fosters the love of reading in kids and teens across Island and Snohomish counties. Keep kids and teens entertained all summer long with books and fun, free events at the

Kids and teens who read (or are read to) for 10 hours will get a prize book and a sticker. All reading is encouraged, any language, and any device - audiobooks count. Summer Reading kicked off June 1 and readers have until Sept. 10 to collect their prizes.

Reading over the summer helps students maintain and improve reading skills gained during the school year. It also encourages a lifelong love for reading.

"Summer Reading gives us a chance to inspire a new generation of readers," said Sno-Isle Libraries Director of Community Libraries Diane Lai. "Many of our customers recall summer reading programs as their first connection point with the

This year's Summer Reading theme is All Together Now, highlighting the power of libraries and reading to unite communities and people of all ages. Books give us a glimpse into other experiences and cultures, helping us to feel more connected and knowledgeable about the

In 2022, the Summer Reading program had 5,537 finishers, surpassing 2019 pre-pandemic participation. Together, participants logged close to 2.3 million minutes of reading. Across the library district, 3,457 kids and teens attended one of the 88 summer programs. Sno-Isle Libraries also has a longstanding partnership with the Boys and Girls Club, delivering a book for every enrolled child — in 2022, over 1,500 books were delivered.

To participate, visit a community library or go to sno-isle.org. Start reading today.

[Submitted by Katie Leone, Sno-Isle Librar-

Board of Fire Commissioners Passes Fire Levy Lid Lift Resolution; Proposal to Appear on Nov. 7 **General Election Ballot**

The Central Whidbey Island Fire and Rescue board of fire commissioners passed a resolution to place a fire levy lid lift on the Nov. 7 general election ballot.





The lid lift would fund additional personnel to respond to higher call volumes and meet state requirements for search and rescue operations.

"Our call volumes have increased 50 percent in the last 10 years, but our staffing levels have not kept up with our community's growing demand for emergency services," Fire Chief Jerry Helm said. "We require additional personnel to reduce response times."

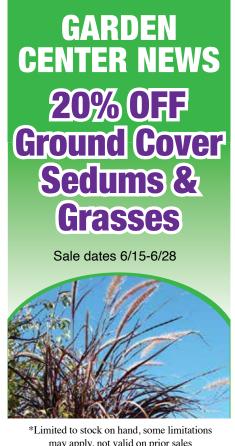
Central Whidbey relies on full-time, parttime, and volunteer personnel. Volunteers are not always available to respond, resulting in unpredictable staffing levels. This leads to longer response times, which can seriously affect survival rates.

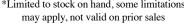
If approved by voters, the fire levy lid lift will fund four additional firefighters/EMTs to provide both a fire engine and Basic Life Support ambulance in service at the same time, which will reduce response times and improve service reliability across the district. The additional personnel are also needed to meet state requirements to allow for interior search and rescue operations to begin without having to wait for another fire engine to arrive on scene.

The fire district is asking voters to change the fire levy from \$0.86 per \$1,000 of assessed property value to \$1.18. The \$0.32 lid lift would cost an additional \$13.33 per month or \$160 per year for the owner of a \$500,000 home.

More information about Central Whidbey Island Fire and Rescue can be found at www.cwfire.org. Fire Chief Jerry Helm also welcomes your questions at jhelm@cwfire. org and 360-678-3602.

[Submitted by Central Whidbey Island Fire and Rescue]







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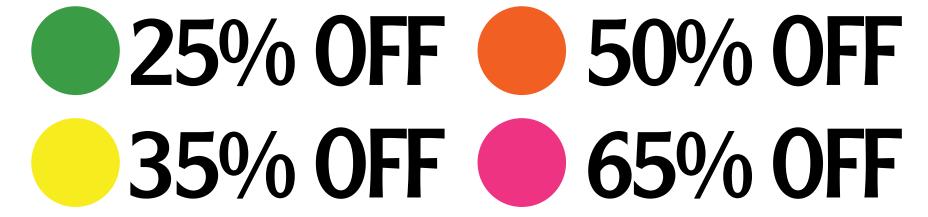
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"The reason we like Heather's and Shawn's so much is because it's very distinct," Boyle said. "It's very cute. There are a lot of outbuildings that make it very unique, so we were excited about that."

"I was a photographer, so I like little venue spots where I can take pictures and so that kind of started it," Heather said. "It just makes me happy to walk around my yard and it be pretty. We've been working on it for years. We started out with a little bit and keep adding, like the Hellebores. I'll put a few in and then I'll add some more every year. Same with the peonies. We just bought, like, three and ended up buying a whole bunch more every year. And the lavender, you'll see, it's a little bit of an older bed, struggling sometimes, but we just kind of keep plugging along."

According to Boyle, not just every garden is suitable for the tour. Garden club members look for spaces with interesting elements. Parking availability is a big factor, too, even more so than size.

"We have another garden on the tour that's very small that helps people picture what a space can look like in a suburban area," she said.

"It's just to give people ideas. You don't have to have a big garden and a lot of space to enjoy gardening. "Even if you have a small little plot, it's still something you can enjoy and work on. The whole tour is to inspire people to garden."

Those who enjoy vegetable gardening may take some inspiration from the Dahl's garden space. There are two enclosed spaces (built to keep the deer out) and there was a third nearly completed space at the time of our visit. Heather said she has an equal love for both kinds of gardening.

"I love flowers and I love making arrangements. In college I took a fun little class to make flower arrangements," she described. "Then, we like to eat, so we make vegetables in the back yard. We have a couple of garden spaces and we just are building a new one because I wanted corn, I wanted pumpkins and I wanted sunflowers. And that's everything deer will eat and so Shawn graciously says, I'll build you another garden, with walls, so it keeps the deer out.""

Heather's enthusiasm is rather contagious, according to Shawn.

"I love to build, that's what I've done my whole life," he said. "But I'm really starting to love the



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly

Even the vegetable garden at the home of Heather and Shawn Dahl includes inviting features. The Dahl's garden is one of five included on this year's Tour and Tea, put on by the Oak Harbor Garden Club.

gardening now, too. But I've never really been into it until the last five, six years."

Tickets to the Oak Harbor Garden Club's Tour and Tea are \$25 per person and include the complimentary tea. Tickets may be purchased online at oakharborgardenclub.org. A list of locations will be provided when tickets are purchased. Tickets may also be purchased in person at the Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce, Greenhouse Florist and Nursery, Hero Ace Hardware, and Mailliard's Landing Nursery in Oak Harbor, or in Mount Vernon at Azusa Nursery and Christianson's Nursery. Proceeds from the tour and tea benefit the garden club's community beautification projects.

"I'm excited to hear people say 'Oh my gosh, that's so beautiful," said Heather. "Our back yard is our pride and joy. There was nothing here when we moved in and so we feel proud and just excited to share it."

"We would hold a garden tour every Friday. We really would," said Shawn. "We have people over every weekend. We just love sharing our property with others, we absolutely do. It's fun."

The Whidbey Island Fair is a go

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

It appears the Whidbey Island Fair will indeed be "A Great Place to Bee in 2023!"

While some final details are still to be hammered out, the Island County Fair Association, which puts on the Whidbey Island Fair, said it will move forward with this year's fair, slated to be held in Langley July 27-30.

"We have a good idea what space limitations we'll have and we've got a plan to work with," said Jason Kalk, president of the fair association. "We're going to push forward and put it on."

Concerns over the lease agreement initially presented to the fair association by the Port of South Whidbey, which owns the Whidbey Island Fairgrounds and Event Center, sparked fears the fair may not happen this year. The proposed lease eliminated the use of two of the buildings that house the majority of the community's fair entries.

While Kalk did not want to comment on the specifics of the agreement when he spoke to Whidbey Weekly last week, he said he does want to encourage as much community participation as possible.

"Hopefully everyone will submit as many entries as possible so we can show we need the space," he said. "We want to fill it to the brim with garden entries, produce and arts and crafts entries.

"The Whidbey Island Fair is one of the biggest parties on the island," Kalk continued. "We have good entertainment, we always have good food and we bring a variety of experiences for everyone"

Learn more about what's happening at the fair at whidbeyislandfair.com.

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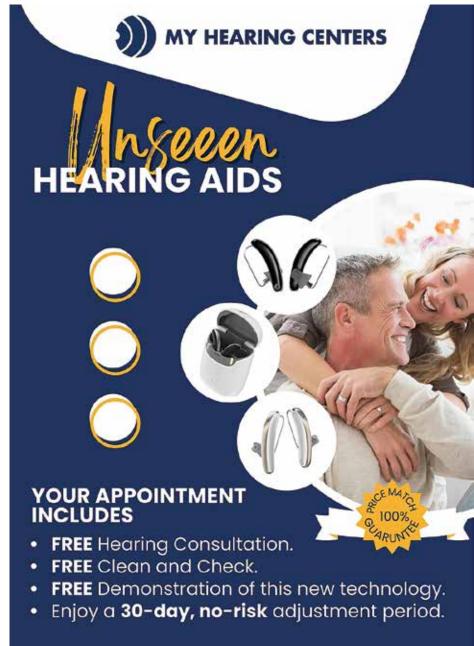


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People participating in Oak Harbor Garden Club's annual Tour and Tea are often inspired by some of the gardens they tour, such as the garden of Shawn and Heather Dahl, first time tour hosts.



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What's Going On

Dine Out for Kids

Thursday, June 15 Kapaw's and Honey Bear, Coupeville

Kapaw's (Noon-5:00рм) and Honey Bear (10:30AM-5:30PM) will donate a portion of the day's sales to the Coupeville Schools Foundation, which provides an extra measure of support to students through teacher grants, college scholarships and the Promise Fund. Learn more at www.4coupevilleschools.org

Windmill Fundraiser Kick Off Party

Friday, June 16, 5:00-7:00рм Flyers Restaurant, Oak Harbor

Enjoy a cold Windmill Project Summer Ale, free hot dogs and chips. \$1 from every pint will be donated to rebuilding Oak Harbor's iconic windmill. For more information, visit www.ohwindmill.com.

Holly Morris' "Exposure" [Film And Conversation]

Friday, June 16, 7:00рм Saturday, June 17, 2:00PM Whidbey Island Center for the Arts

WICA brings award-winning filmmaker Holly Morris to Whidbey Island for a two-day screening of Exposure and on-stage talk back with Holly after the film. Exposure is a gorgeous, adrenaline-laced documentary about strong women and the degrading climate. The film invites us to imagine a world of women, believing in themselves and taking the reins, working across boundaries of all kinds, and leading us into a future where we adapt, with compassion and equity, to the challenges ahead. For tickets and more information, visit www.wicaonline.org/events-calendarview/2023/6/16/holly-morris-exposurefilm-and-conversation.

Walk For A Vet 5K Walkathon

Saturday, June 17, 9:00AM-12:00PM South Whidbey Community Center track

The walkathon will be followed by Family Fun Day from 12:00 to 5:00PM with sack races, a cake walk, bingo and more. Registration is \$25 and includes a T-shirt and water. To register, visit https://whidbeyvrc. networkforgood.com/events/51538-wvrcwalkathon-june-17-2023. The South Whidbey Community Center track is located at 723 Camano Ave., Langley.

Art Talks: The Unicorn Tapestries

Wednesday, June 21, 11:00 AM Whidbey Island Center for the Arts

Tapestries were the ultimate luxury item in late medieval Europe, and two of the finest series to survive feature unicorns. Hunt of the Unicorn tapestries in the Cloisters in New York offers thrilling action, while the Lady and the Unicorn tapestries now in the Museum of the Middle Ages in Paris focus on the five senses. For tickets and more information, visit www.wicaonline.org/events-calendar-view/2023/6/21/ art-talks-the-unicorn-tapestries.

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Live Music: Steven Crabtree

Friday, June 23, 7:00-9:00_{PM} Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville

Steve Crabtree's unique blend of folk, rock, country, blues and cabaret has stunned and entertained audiences of all ages

and creeds. He has performed all over the Puget Sound area and east of the Cascades as a songwriter, solo performer and as a singer and lead guitarist in several well-known covers, original and tribute

Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below Cost: Free

Fire and Ice with Mad Science

Wednesday, June 21, 2:00-3:00рм Coupeville Rec Hall

This spectacular show surprises audiences with the impressive power of molecules. Starting with a simple piece of paper and escalating to monstrous clouds of water vapor, children are astonished when our gallant volunteer Eggbert gets trapped in a flask and escapes with the aid of frozen carbon dioxide gas. They gawk at a shivering coin and shriek with delight at our famous Mad Science burps! This show is so cool it's hot! For children ages 5 and up and their caregivers.

Meetings & Organizations

Memory Cafe

Tuesday, June 20, 12:30PM First United Methodist Church, Oak Harbor

This is a monthly gathering for people with memory loss and their family to enjoy a time of conversation, music, fun, in a dementia friendly group. Visit Whidbey-Momentia@gmail.com for more informa-

Whidbey Island Genealogical Searchers (WIGS)

Tuesday, June 20, 1:00pm Zoom Meeting

Celia McNay will present "FamilySearch.org Research WIKI: A Genealogist's Secret Weapon." All are invited to attend. Non-members wishing to receive a Zoom invitation should send an email request to whidbeygensearchers@gmail.com by

Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum

Tuesday, June 27, 11:30AM Oak Harbor Elks Club

Legendary helicopter pilot Capt. Bill Collier USMC, (Ret.) has done it all! He flew helicopters in Vietnam for the United States Marine Corps, rescuing about 600 wounded Marines from the field over a 13-month period. He then flew for the air arm of the Central Intelligence Agency, AIR AMERICA, participating in the largest paramilitary operations ever undertaken by the CIA in the small Southeast Asian Kingdom of Laos. Come hear this compelling story of resilience and rescue presented by the pilot and author who flew them! Free admission. Buffet lunch provided by Elks

Classes, Seminars and Workshops

Invasive Weed Workshop: Tansy Ragwort Friday, June 23, 10:00AM

Greenbank Farm

This ongoing education series "Know Your Weeds" focuses in June on the invasive Tansy Ragwort, which is toxic to animals and livestock. There will be a work party at 11:00AM to remove Tansy Ragwort from the grounds at Greenbank Farm.

You can learn more, and register at https:// soundwaterstewards.org/event/greenbank-farm-weed-control-workshop-andwork-party-2023-06-23/

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"Mary Poppins" promises a spoonful of sweetness

Bv Kathv Reed Whidbev Weeklv

The Ballet Slipper Conservatory of Oak Harbor has a supercalifragilisticexpialidocious treat in store for audiences with its upcoming production of "Mary Poppins."

Three performances will be held this weekend at the Oak Harbor High School auditorium, at 2 and 7 p.m. Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$11 for senior citizens 60 and over and \$11 for children 18 and under. Tickets may be purchased online at tbscoh.org and there will be tickets available at the door if performances are not already sold out. Doors open one hour prior to each performance and will be locked once performances begin.

The story of "Mary Poppins" centers on, of course, Jane and

Michael Banks and their new nanny, whose unusual ways bring fun and adventure to her young wards.

With a cast of 24 dancers ranging from 7 to 25 years in age and skill levels from beginners to advanced, president of The Ballet Slipper Conservatory, Diane Geragotelis, is sure the community will enjoy this production.

"I am so excited for the community to enjoy these fantastically talented dancers," she told Whidbey Weekly via email. "I want people to leave with a smile on their faces and the songs in their hearts as they think of all of the wonderful dancing they just saw."

The Ballet Slipper Conservatory is a nonprofit organization which seeks to provide public classical ballet performances, and typically does two performances each year, in winter and spring. Geragotelis is at the heart of each, from creating the choreography to fashioning all the costumes.

"If you've ever seen the movie 'Mary Poppins,' you will be excited to see that I made all of these to match (as closely as I could) the costumes from the movie, even on down to the penguins," she said. "We have done 'Mary Poppins' once before so I didn't have to make quite as many costumes as I normally do. I only had to make about 20 this time, but then I needed to adjust the original costumes to fit the dancers who are dancing the roles this time."

While the costumes for "Mary Poppins" are beautifully sewn and fairly intricate, the sets tend to be less complicated. (Dancers need space to move, after all.) Anyone who has seen TBSC's winter performance of "The Nutcracker," for example, has experienced the simplicity of the figurines suspended above the stage which create an ambiance that compliments the production. "Mary Poppins" is no exception.

"The sets are simple, yet sufficient," Geragotelis said. "There is no doubt where each scene is taking place."

Geragotelis said despite some minor challenges due to injuries, rehearsals for "Mary Poppins" have been going very well. The dancers have told her they love how fun and upbeat the ballet is. All are positive the community will love it, too.

"I think audience members will enjoy the dancing, of course, but aside from that they will enjoy the energy that the dancers bring to the stage," she said. "They are in for a big treat. The ballet is

The Ballet Slipper Conservatory is the only nonprofit dance company in Oak Harbor and does several ballet demonstrations throughout the community. It is supported by patrons and audience members. Learn more about it or purchase tickets to "Mary Poppins" online at tbscoh.org.



Photo Courtesy of Diane Geragotelis. The Ballet Slipper Conservatory

With costumes as true to the original move version of "Mary Poppins" as possible, the story of the lovable nanny comes to life in a ballet, to be performed by members of The Ballet Slipper Conservatory in Oak Harbor. Three performances are scheduled June 17-18.

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"I don't really have a specific stage that I relate with, I think that's the magic of this show, that it shows the different stages from hope and bliss to conflict and yearning," Heather said. "I also find I can relate more to one stage, or to a specific song, depending on what's going on that day emotionally. I think each person watching the show will relate to a specific song or 'stage' in a different way, based on a different life experience, and that's the beauty of musical theater – you present something to a crowd and everyone experiences it a little differently."

Soskin began playing the piano and composing music when she was 5. She began working on musicals at summer camp when she was 13, and grew up attending shows on Broadway. This is not the first time she and Merrell have produced shows on Whidbey Island.

"We have worked together on several reviews using previously composed songs, including 'Fred & Ginger - No Dancing,' for which Ken wrote the script using only songs composed for films starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers," Soskin explained. "We also collaborated on an original musical in 2015 called 'Pasture-ized.'"

For "Stages," Merrell will serve as a narrator of sorts. The show will feature songs by composers George Gershwin, Leonard Bernstein, Stephen Sondheim, Cole Porter and others.

In addition to great the music, Soskin said she believes the talents of Darren and Heather McCoy will entice people to see the show.

"Both Darren and Heather are the complete package: wonderful musicians, wonderful singers and wonderful actors," she said. "Audiences will feel immediately connected to the two stars and, we all think audiences will fall under the spell of both familiar and new songs which combine meaningful lyrics and music in beautiful ways."

"I hope audiences will think about the many shapes and moments that occur in relationships," Darren said. "I hope they'll see something that sparks the thought, 'That's so true' or, 'I've had that same conversation!' At the same time, I hope they see something unfamiliar, both musically and emotionally."



Photo Courtesy of Fileen Soskin

Darren and Heather McCoy will star in the musical review "Stages," about the stages of love. Performances will take place at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 23 and 24, in Freeland.







Once a novelty in select stores, rotisserie chicken is now ubiquitous in supermarkets and other food centers. People are drawn to rotisserie chickens by flavor and convenience. Hot and ready to serve, rotisserie chicken makes for a quick and easy meal when time is of the essence and people don't want to spend money on dining out at a nearby restaurant.

Rotisserie chicken can be served right out of the container just like a traditional roasted chicken. It also can be a component in many different meals. Consider these 10 ideas for putting rotisserie chicken to use.

- 1. After most of the meat from the chicken is eaten, boil the carcass with sliced onion, parsnips, carrots, turnips, and your preferred herbs to make a soup stock. Add bits of leftover chicken and noodles to have a delicious chicken soup.
- 2. Purchase premade pie crust and use it to line small ramekins. Mix chopped rotisserie chicken with a can of cream of chicken soup and thawed frozen mixed vegetables. Spoon the mixture on top of the bottom crust, then top with another crust round, poking venting holes in the pastry. Heat up until the crust browns and the filling is piping hot. The result is a delicious chicken pot pie.
- 3. Rotisserie chicken can be used as the filling for enchiladas, fajitas, and tacos. Simply season with a packet of taco seasoning or make your own blend from a combination of paprika, chili powder and cumin.
- 4. Pulse rotisserie chicken meat in a food processor with celery, dill and a few dollops of mayonnaise or even Greek yogurt or ranch salad dressing. Add some crumbled

bacon and serve the chicken salad between slices of toasted whole wheat bread.

- 5. Shred the rotisserie chicken and blend together with melted butter and hot sauce to make it Buffalo-style. Use it as a topping for pizza served with a blue-cheese sauce on the crust.
- 6. Add pieces of rotisserie chicken to omelettes and top with melted cheese for a savory breakfast or brunch option.
- 7. Rotisserie chicken chunks can be added to any of your favorite casserole recipes in lieu of fresh chicken.
- 8. Make mac-and-cheese a more substantial meal by mixing in shredded rotisserie
- 9. Recreate "chicken bog," a traditional South Carolina dish made from chicken cooked in broth and rice to make a thick
- 10. Create a chicken stir-fry with the rotisserie chicken, Asian vegetables and seasonings. Serve over glass rice noodles.

These are just a few of the many different ways to utilize rotisserie chicken in everyday



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WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, sometimes you do not have to take action to fix problems. Certain issues will work themselves out on their own. Don't feel the need to rush in and find a quick solution.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

Right now the spotlight is on you and your talents, Taurus. You have a large group of admirers who are looking to see what you can produce next.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

You will recover quickly from disagreements with others, Gemini. These situations may give you a new perspective and compel you to change a few things for the better.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Confide in a friend about something that is troubling you, Cancer. Talking about the issue could start you down a path toward a solution. Thank others for lending an ear.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, on the outside everything may seem to be going along fine with a friend. But things may be different on the inside. Treat others tenderly to avoid piling on.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

Vacation vibes are high this week, Virgo. You are daydreaming about potential destinations. Narrow down your prospects and zero in on your favorite features.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

You may want to know what another person is thinking but don't want to come off too pushy, Libra. If you phrase the question the right way, it won't seem like an interroga-

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Your physical and emotional health may be a focal point this week, Scorpio. Book some time for reflection, rest and relaxation. Solitude can help you clear your mind.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, you are staying on top of your responsibilities and have good energy moving through this week. However, by the time the weekend arrives you may be running on empty.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

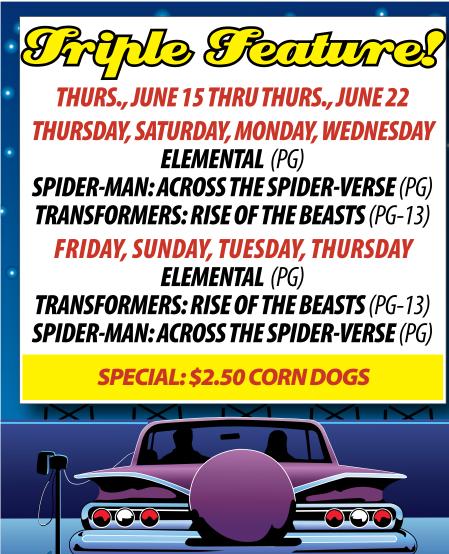
Try having some fun outside of your comfort zone, Capricorn. It is good to try new things from time to time and push the boundaries you have set up for yourself.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, this week you may find yourself meeting new people and fitting into groups you had not imagined. Network as much as possible while having fun along the way.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Pisces, finances may have been on your mind and you are eager to pay off some debt. It could take a while, but you will be



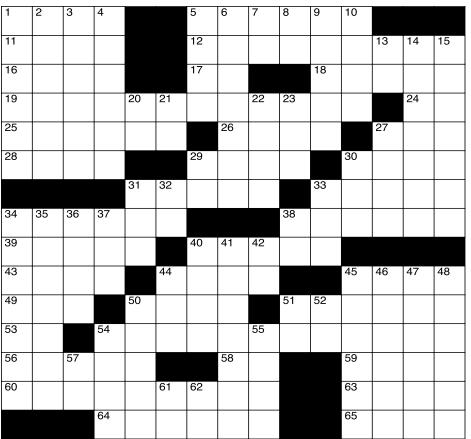
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- 1. Database management system
- 5. Medical procedures
- 11. __ Clapton, musician
- 12. Defender
- 16. Exert oneself
- 17. Indicates position
- 18. Prevents river overflow
- 19. Atrocities
- 24. Mister
- 25. Ends
- 26. Slope or tilt
- 27. Taxi
- 28. The very ends
- 29. Actor Sean
- 30. Japanese persimmon
- 31. Sours
- 33. Beneficiary
- 34. Baseball official
- 38. Muddy, boggy ground
- 39. Not worldly
- 40. Actress Lathan
- 43. Soil
- 44. __-Cola
- 45. Asleep
- 49. __ Angeles
- 50. Give birth to a child
- 51. Beach shelter
- 53. Commercial

- 54. Taste property
- 56. Local jurisdictions
- 58. It cools your home
- 59. Dismounted from a horse
- 60. Charge with a crime
- 63. Close in
- 64. Spoke
- 65. Famed garden

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Draw a scene
- 2. Its sultan is famous
- 3. Unlucky accident
- 4. A way to ski
- 5. Abba ___, Israeli politician
- 6. Saw
- 7. "Westworld" actor Harris
- 8. Belonging to me
- 9. Shoelace tube
- 10. Takes to court
- 13. Early multimedia
- 14. In a way, produces
- 15. Bowlers
- 20. Of I
- 21. Equally
- 22. Gets some sun
- 23. A place to stay
- 27. Town in Galilee
- 29. Aronofsky film
- 30. Klingon character, "Star Trek"

- 31. Equal to 100 square meters
- 32. Atomic #58
- 33. Arrived extinct
- 34. Loosen grip
- 35. A distinctive odor that is unpleasant
- 36. Membranes
- 37. Some is poisonous
- 38. Partner to Pa
- 40. Small brown gray rail
- 41. A salt or ester of acetic acid
- 42. Sodium
- 44. Military official (abbr.)
- 45. Lighted
- 46. Took off
- 47. All
- 48. Ohio city
- 50. More abject
- 51. A radio band
- 52. Controversial tech product (abbr.)
- 54. Monetary unit
- 55. Passed with flying colors
- 57. A way to win a boxing match
- 61. The Golden State
- 62. Home of the Longhorns

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OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

Bv Helen Mosbrooker

What is or was the coolest thing about your father, and why?



Peggy Shashy, Oak Harbor

My father was a very kind and gentle man. He was a pediatrician in Jacksonville, Fla., and was loved by his clients. When I became a veterinarian, a lot of his clients and their children brought their pets to me. I was always asked if I was related to him and what a wonderful doctor he was. That always made me smile.

Bryan Tidwell, Clinton

I really enjoy that my dad is fascinated with the many different people around him. He was fortunate to have opportunities to travel around the world and see many different cultures, and he instilled in me an understanding of the value of diversity at a young age. I'm very grateful for his influence as I continue to work toward elevating unheard voices in these communities and others.



Jacquelyn Stoneham, Oak Harbor

The coolest thing about my father was his ingenuity and work ethic. His ability as a mechanic to take an engine apart, find what was wrong, and then put it back together was awe inspiring. I was able to observe firsthand how important discipline and patience is to get the job done. While I didn't follow in his footsteps to become a mechanic, his example passed down the necessary traits for me to run Orlando's Barbecue restaurant in Oak Harbor today.

John Hughes, Coupeville

The coolest thing about my dad was his sense of adventure. In the 1960s we traveled together across the U.S., sleeping under the stars. We went river rafting, panned for gold in northern California, searched for diamonds in Arkansas and traveled by small personal boat to mid-Pacific-coast Baja, Mexico. How cool is that?



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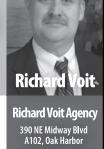


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Lions clubs are volunteers serving our community through various projects. Come and visit us at one of our meetings – both meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. North Whidbey Lions meet at noon at the VFW Post, 3037 Goldie Rd. in Oak Harbor. Oak Harbor 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

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. More info at our Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/ NorthPugetSoundDragon-BoatClub?ref=hl

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

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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 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.

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portunities are available to spend constructive volunteer hours at the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum. Go to www.pnwnam.org and click on "Volunteer" or just stop by and introduce yourself.

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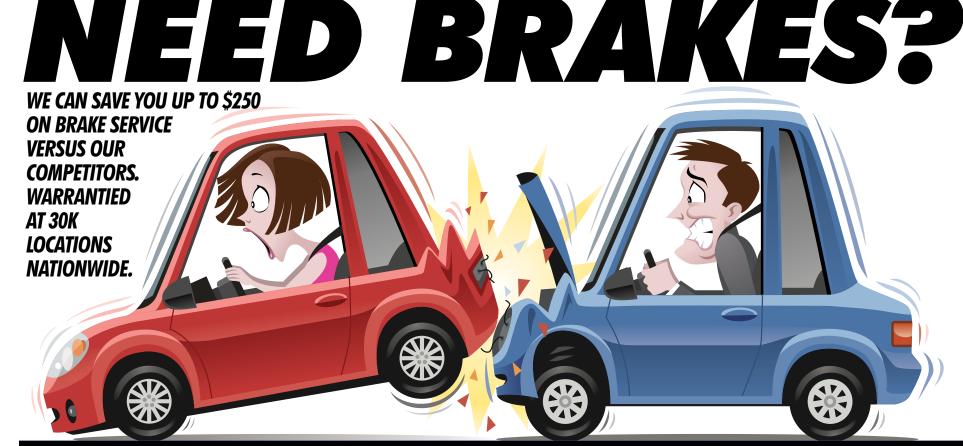
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