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By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

It is fair time on Whidbey Island.

The annual Whidbey Island Fair kicks off today and will run through Sunday at the fairgrounds in Langley. Gates open daily at 9:30 a.m. Admission tickets are available on site or can be purchased in advance to streamline the experience. ([whidbeyislandfair.com](http://whidbeyislandfair.com))

Despite some concerns just a couple of months ago over leasing issues between the Island County Fair Association, which puts on the fair, and the Port of South Whidbey, which owns the fairgrounds, this year promises to be fair business as usual.

Featuring a carnival, open class entries ranging from homegrown vegetables to hand sewn quilts and everything in between, the fair is also where one can find proud members of Island County 4-H groups showing off their animals, livestock and other skills, plus there is entertainment for all ages.

While *Whidbey Weekly* was unable to make contact with fair management this year, organizers have said in the past it is the

old-fashioned nature of the Whidbey Island Fair which helps make it such a popular event.

"I think it's our hometown feel," Carol Coble, fair manager, said last year. "We just have a very old-fashioned fair feel, especially with our animals and the barns. People come for the community, the camaraderie and the enjoyment."

Friendly competition is in abundant supply throughout the fair. Whether it is barrel racing on horseback or winning a blue ribbon for being the best entry in one's chosen category, people of all ages throughout the community get involved. But one doesn't have to have an entry in the fair to enjoy a little competition. There are daily Lego® contests at the Fiddle Faddle Farm and the eighth annual duct tape contest will take place at noon Saturday, where people in three different age categories have three hours to create something fabulous out of duct tape. (Sign up is at 11 a.m. in the Burrier Building.)

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Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Fair  
*The Whidbey Island Fair is underway now through Sunday in Langley and features a carnival, entertainment, agricultural exhibits, livestock and animal displays and competitions and much more.*

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*The Marilyn Gabelein Poles and Barrels competition will take place at 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Whidbey Island Fair in Langley.*





**THURSDAY, JULY 6**  
**7:17 am, NE Easy St.**  
Advising unknown male is standing in driveway; white male, turquoise shirt, black shorts; has something in his hands.

**9:56 am, SW Kimball Dr.**  
Requesting call from officer in charge; wants to show law enforcement what part of Kimball road is private and what part is public.

**FRIDAY, JULY 7**  
**8:15 am, SW Fleet St.**  
Reporting party advising they found bear scat in parents' back yard. Advising father saw bear on his back patio last night.

**MONDAY, JULY 10**  
**9:36 pm, SR 20**  
Advising employee received phone call on work phone demanding \$200.

**TUESDAY, JULY 11**  
**7:57 am, SE City Beach St.**  
Advising subject is underneath the kitchen throwing things at the kitchen.

**3:35 pm, SE Cabot Dr.**  
Caller advising they think there is a wallet laying in the middle of SE Cabot between the AM-PM and Domino's; caller did not want to stop to pick it up.

**4:48 pm, SE Barrington Dr.**  
Reporting party has a "hypothetical question" about a "hypothetical situation" occurring in the city limits of Oak Harbor; didn't want to provide further information.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 12**  
**12:04 am, N Oak Harbor St.**  
Reporting party advising of juveniles in the parking lot; they have their high beams on and are playing loud music.

**3:42 am, Schay Rd.**  
Reporting party advising someone told him there is a vehicle in the pond near location; reporting party was flagged down by a pedestrian who says the vehicle went into the pond.

**3:39 pm, SE Jerome St.**  
Caller advising landlord came inside and took reporting party's car keys; gave them to the lawyer.

**6:13 pm, SR 20**  
Advising male in the area with a dagger.

**THURSDAY, JULY 13**  
**9:21 am, SE Pioneer Way**  
Caller states if you do half the job, he will pay for half the job; states they rummaged through his truck; making racial comments about nail salon's native tongue and not speaking English and this being the U.S.A.

**10:15 am, SR 20**  
Reporting party crying and having difficulty describing issues; states has had prior issues with neighbor; today received letter from Homeowner's Association advising her to be more neighborly; now talking about issues with a gate/common area.

**2 pm, SR 20**  
Requesting check on subject; believes he may be using cocaine, meth and pot; requesting a call with results of check.

**3:30 pm, N Oak Harbor St.**  
Reporting party advised he went to owner of a barking dog and said "Shut your God damn dog up;" "This bitch then said, 'I'm gunna [sic] take your picture.'"

**FRIDAY, JULY 14**  
**5:11 am, Swantown Rd.**  
Large, unmarked truck is partially blocking reporting party's driveway, making reporting party nervous.

**1:59 pm, SE Barrington Dr.**  
Reporting party advising driver was handed a bag of cash by Mary; Mary gave a "proclamation," handed the bag to the driver and walked away.

**5:41 pm, SR 20**  
Advising of green skull about the size of a soap dispenser on the sidewalk; seen 20 minutes ago, no one was around it.

**10:06 pm, SE 3rd Ave.**  
Reporting party states he has been stabbed in the shoulder from shattered glass, is bleeding a lot.

**SATURDAY, JULY 15**  
**7:03 am, SW Dillard Ln.**  
Reporting party advising male is laying in the mud flats and is laying in the water.

**5:11 pm, SW Barlow St.**  
Advising there are four males taking turns urinating in the trees.

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

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# Letters to the Editor

Editor,  
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I have participated in several events in support of this campaign season and in support of my selected candidates. I attended the first Candidate Forum July 13. With each engagement, I am learning more about the climate that is this election cycle. Largely, the candidates have been diplomatic, thought-provoking, informative and respectful. This has not always been the case though.

Aside from having a BA in Political Science, I am very fortunate for my collegiate career and the opportunities it afforded me. I was taught some of the most important political skills by the United Nations at the U.N. headquarters in New York City. Because I taught Model U.N. at my university as an undergraduate teaching assistant, I was selected to attend a conference hosted by the U.N. Human Resources Department. I learned the importance of respectful negotiations, diplomacy, decorum, and how to remain a compassionate human being while in extremely tense circumstances.

This has been on my mind a lot recently as I have gotten more and more involved in the 2023 Election. As I sat and watched the Candidate Forum, I was stunned by some of the behaviors that I witnessed. The most concerning was that one candidate's support team was visibly laughing at another candidate as he spoke. There are so many factors that contribute to how a person performs under pressure, in front of the public. While one candidate smirked towards his opponent, another handed him water and supported him the best he could in the moment. I think sometimes the candidates get wrapped up in the horse race, and lose sight of what they are actually trying to accomplish.

To speak very directly and clearly, the way you treat your opponent is a reflection of you, and it does nothing to prove that your opponent is not a worthy opponent. I am appalled by the behaviors that I saw from elected member(s) of this community. What I have seen currently is that there is a candidate that has no regard for his visibility in the community or how his constituents would actually interpret their behavior. The people that you choose to have around you, as a candidate, are a reflection of you. As a voter, I am concerned when your biggest focus is on your opponent and not on the task at hand. The person who was attacked by their opponent, they are also your neighbor, and come election time one of you may be representing the other.

We as a community have to do better and we deserve better.

I would like to commend Andy Plumlee and Chris Wiegenstein for openly having the decorum and respect I am calling for from our candidates. They took the time to acknowledge one another and the campaigns they are running are being ran with integrity.

Brit Kraner  
Oak Harbor, Wash.

# & Pieces

## Island County Responding to Rabbit Disease

Though it is not transmittable to humans or other animals, Island County Public Health and the county's Solid Waste Department helped respond to the outbreak of Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus Type 2 (RHDV2) in South Whidbey this past month.

In July, Island Disposal Site Manager Andrew Riggs said Solid Waste was contacted by City of Langley officials asking if the bagged carcasses of dead rabbits could be placed in curbside garbage bins.

RHDV2 is highly contagious and can be spread to healthy rabbits through contact with infected rabbits, their meat or fur, or materials infected rabbits touch. Many times, the only signs of the disease are sudden death and blood-stained noses caused by internal bleeding.

In response to Langley's query, Solid Waste Division Manager Jeff Hegedus said the town was asked that the carcasses not be placed in curbside bins as the packing mechanisms inside the garbage disposal trucks would rupture the bags and contaminate the entire load.

"This would have resulted in the material being dumped on the transfer station floor where members of the public walk through on a daily basis," Riggs said. "We were concerned this could potentially spread the disease to rabbit populations in other locations on the island."

To determine the best way to handle the diseased carcasses, Riggs said, "we reached out to various state and federal agencies and developed a strategy to assist the City of Langley with that information."

The solution was to have Island Disposal deliver 96-gallon garbage containers to the City of Langley and stage them in two different locations. City residents are asked to double bag the carcasses before placing them in those designated bins.

"I have had that employee picking up these containers two to three times a week and bringing them to the transfer station," Riggs said. "We bypass the transfer station tip floor and keep the diseased rabbits contained until they are in an intermodal container destined for the landfill."

Disposing of the carcasses in this manner reduces the potential spread of the disease from the affected area to near zero, the State Veterinarian and the Department of Agriculture told county officials.

Island County Public Health staff worked with Island Disposal, the County Administrator office, the Transfer Station, and City of Langley officials to develop a collaborative approach.

"While rabbit hemorrhagic disease virus type 2 (RHDV-2) does not spread to humans or pets, disposal of animal carcasses can present health risks, such as spreading germs and contaminating water sources," said Island County Public Health Director Shawn Morris.

"Island Disposal stepped up to provide collection bins and transportation services to bring the carcasses up to the Island County Transfer Station, working with transfer station and City of Langley leadership," Morris said. "We are thankful for the solutions-oriented approach of our community partners and willingness to work outside the box to keep community members healthy and safe."

To learn more about RHDV-2 and steps to prevent its spread, see the US Department of Agricultural fact sheet at [www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/wildlifedamage/programs/nwdp/nwdp-rabbit-hdv](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/wildlifedamage/programs/nwdp/nwdp-rabbit-hdv).

For more information, contact Shawn Morris at 360-679-7345, Jeff Hegedus at 360-679-7338 or Andrew Riggs at 360-678-5701.

[Submitted by Keven Graves, Communications Manager, Island County]

## State Transportation Commission Issues Proposal for Ferry Fare Changes

The Washington State Transportation Commission has released its proposal to increase ferry fares over the next two years to meet revenue requirements set by the legislature. Ferry riders and members of the public are invited to weigh in and can submit their comments through July 30.

The proposed fare changes are informed by significant public input gathered through recent community meetings hosted by Washington State Ferries and an online survey hosted by the commission. The proposed fare increase must raise \$418.6 million in operating revenue between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2025, as required in the recently enacted two-year transportation budget for ferry operations.

The commission's proposal is based upon a recommendation from WSF leadership and supported by the Ferry Advisory Committee on Tariff.

The fare proposal would:

Raise passenger and vehicle fares by 4.25 percent Oct. 1, and again Oct. 1, 2024.

Increase the current discount for multi-use passes (available to passengers, vehicles and motorcycles) by one percent. This increase discount will sunset Sept. 30, 2025.

Comments about the commission's ferry fare proposal can be made through Sunday by email to [transc@wstc.wa.gov](mailto:transc@wstc.wa.gov) or by visiting the Washington State Transportation Commission's feedback page.

The commission will hold its final hearing on this issue at 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, at the Puget Sound Regional Council's Board Room, 1011 Western Ave., Suite 500, Seattle. The commission is expected to vote on the final fare proposal at this hearing. Public comment will be accepted at the hearing, and virtual attendance will be available. To learn more about the ferry fare-setting process, visit the commission's website at [wstc.wa.gov](http://wstc.wa.gov).

[Submitted by WSDOT]

## Pacific Northwest Conducting Institute Brings the Orchestra World to Whidbey Island

For six days, orchestra conductors from around the globe will be in residence at the sixth annual Pacific Northwest Conducting Institute held Aug. 7-12 in Langley. Internationally acclaimed conductor, lecturer and composer, Diane Wittry, will be leading the conducting sessions along with Dr. Anna Edwards, music director of Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra.

The culmination of the six day workshop will be the PNWCI Finale Concert held Saturday, Aug. 12, 2 p.m. at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts. PNWCI's 2023 Conducting Fellows will lead Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra in a program to include Beethoven's Symphony No. 2, Louise Farrenc's Symphony No. 2, Florence Maunder's Badder Gyration and others. A pre-concert chat with the participating conductors will begin at 1:15 p.m.

Founded in 2017, Pacific Northwest Conducting Institute has become a highly regarded workshop for orchestral conductors. Alumni are working and teaching across a diverse spectrum of musical ensembles and institutions.

Tickets are \$30 and available at [www.wica-online.org](http://www.wica-online.org) or 360-221-8262. For workshop

information, please visit [www.sowhidbey.com](http://www.sowhidbey.com) or call 360-929-3045.

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

## Join the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation Board of Directors

Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation is seeking to expand its board of directors with residents from Snohomish and Island Counties. Community members interested in making a difference for Sno-Isle Libraries are encouraged to apply by Aug. 15.

As the fundraising arm of Sno-Isle Libraries, the Foundation secures funds to support diverse library programs and initiatives. The board of directors oversees the Foundation's fundraising campaigns, activities, finances, and policies to ensure its successful day-to-day operations.

The successful applicants will bring diverse skills to the board of directors, including but not limited to fundraising, capital campaigns, finance, and strategic planning. Previous experience serving on a nonprofit board is appreciated, but not required. Anyone with pertinent work or volunteer experience is encouraged to apply. The Foundation is committed to embedding equity and inclusion into our work and values the unique experiences board members from diverse backgrounds and communities bring to our organization.

"We're in an exciting time growing the Foundation's revenue and expanding our board, and we're looking for committed community members to help take the Foundation to the next level," said board president Luke Distelhorst.

Interested candidates must be a resident of Snohomish or Island Counties. Board members serve a three-year term with the option of serving a second term. To apply, please submit an online application at [Bit.ly/3D5JEif](http://Bit.ly/3D5JEif). The positions will be open until filled with a first review of applications starting August 15, 2023.

## About Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation

As the philanthropic arm of Sno-Isle Libraries, the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation partners with individuals, businesses, foundations, corporations, and community organizations to fund innovative and inspiring programs throughout the Sno-Isle Library District and expand the capacity of the library to serve more people.

[Submitted by Katie Leone, Marketing and Communications Manager]

## Join Tour de Whidbey for its 21-Year Anniversary

Saturday, Aug. 19

This year marks the 21-year anniversary of Tour de Whidbey. Since 2002, the Whidbey community has come together around a unified mission to host this bicycle ride fundraiser – known as one of the most beautiful rides in the Pacific Northwest. More than 6,000 cyclists and their families visited Whidbey from 23 states, Canada, and 87 towns in Washington to enjoy some of the most scenic vistas in the Pacific Northwest and to raise money for health care needs on the island. Throughout the 21 years, proceeds raised by Tour de Whidbey went directly to support the highest priority needs of surgical and diagnostic equipment for WhidbeyHealth.

Hosted by the WhidbeyHealth Foundation, this community fundraiser promotes tourism and economic vitality on our rural and remote island. Participants stay in our local hotels, eat in our local restaurants, shop at Whidbey's boutique shops, and enjoy a mini vacation. Additionally, it promotes health by encouraging the fun aspects of physical fitness.

"Tour de Whidbey breaks diversity barriers, promotes an inclusive culture, and brings the community from the north, central, and south Whidbey together around a unified mission. In 2022, our youngest participant was one year old, and our oldest rider was 81 years old," stated Samar Army, executive director of the WhidbeyHealth Foundation.





ation. “The diversity and inclusion of all ages and backgrounds in one event promoting health, outdoors, and fun times are remarkable attributes of this fundraiser.”

Hundreds of volunteers sign up annually from all over the island in the friend-raiser to coordinate logistics across the six bike routes or to help at the 10 fully stocked break stations.

There are several ways to participate and contribute. Start by registering your family or friends to ride. Sign up to volunteer or donate towards the cause and the sustainability of this initiative. For more information, contact Samar Arny (ArnySa@whidbeyhealth.org) or Heather Tenore (TenorH@whidbeyhealth.org).

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our local partners: Island Thrift, Heritage Bank, Physicians of WhidbeyHealth, Corebridge, Right Systems, Skagit Radiology, Puget Sound Energy, Anesthesia Associates NW, Life Flight Network, Whidbey and Camano Island Tourism, Whidbey Telecom, Regency Whidbey, the Town of Coupeville, and the City of Oak Harbor.

About The WhidbeyHealth Foundation

The WhidbeyHealth Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization founded in 1981 to improve patient outcomes and their experience at WhidbeyHealth (tax ID: 91-1147024). For 42 years, the foundation has served as an advocate to improving the health and well-being of the community and as a financial resource to WhidbeyHealth by leveraging philanthropy. Ninety-seven percent of each dollar donated is used to purchase equipment, improve facilities, and enhance training for the medical team and employees. The mission of the WhidbeyHealth Foundation is to make sure WhidbeyHealth has the resources needed to provide patient-centered quality healthcare for Whidbey residents and visitors.

About WhidbeyHealth

For more than 50 years, WhidbeyHealth has believed that everyone on Whidbey Island deserves local access to high-quality healthcare. WhidbeyHealth provides progressive, patient centric healthcare, a safety net when emergencies happen, and peace of mind knowing our team is standing by 24/7 to respond to the needs of Whidbey Island residents and visitors. WhidbeyHealth is comprised of the Medical Center in Coupeville, and ten (10) outpatient clinics across Whidbey Island.

[Submitted by Conor O’Brien, Marketing Manager & Public Records Officer, WhidbeyHealth]

Greenbank Farm Harvest Faire is Sept. 10

The historic 150-acre Greenbank Farm is the host of a Harvest Festival to celebrate Whidbey Island’s bounty. The Harvest Festival takes place Sunday, Sept. 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The community event features Whidbey’s foods and farms with seasonal activities for the whole family.

Farm Tours – Visit the Farm’s gardens, bird-watching area, pond and barns

Local Artisans Market – Experience the flavors of local produce and products

Dahlia Flower Farm– Take a hayride through the fields at the farm

Children’s Crafts in The Barn– Make scarecrows and paint pumpkins

Family Games on The Lawn – Play family lawn games

Live Music – Hear local musicians throughout the day

Good Food – Come for the fun, stay for the food!

The Greenbank Harvest Festival showcases vendors from Greenbank Farm’s Pea Patch plots including: Growing Vets, Salty Acres, Lesedi Farm, One Willow Farm.

All Greenbank Farm shops will be open

including Old Spots Bistro, Greenbank Farm Wine Shop, Greenbank Cheese Shop, Fire of the Heart Gallery.

Nonprofits participants include: Sound Stewards, WAIF, Whidbey Camano Land Trust, Whidbey Island Master Gardeners.

September is Whidbey Eat Local Month – The Harvest Festival is part of the month-long Whidbey Eat Local Month, a project of the Whidbey Island Grown Cooperative.

For the latest info and a growing list of vendors, please visit our Facebook event page: www.facebook.com/portofcoupeville. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram @portofcoupeville.

About the Port of Coupeville:

The Port of Coupeville was established in 1966. Located on Whidbey Island in the Puget Sound, the Port caretakes two of the island’s iconic and historic properties: the Coupeville Wharf and Greenbank Farm. The Port of Coupeville works to sustain and enhance the economic and environmental health of the Port District through activities consistent with its values.

[Submitted by Susan Laarman, Greenbank Farm]

Island County Master Gardeners Celebrate 50th Anniversary

July 13, WSU Extension Island County Master Gardeners celebrated the 50th anniversary of the Washington State University (WSU) Extension Master Gardener Program. The regional celebration was held at the Skagit Master Gardener Discovery Garden and WSU Northwestern Washington Research and Extension Center in Mount Vernon, and attended by nearly 300 current and former Master Gardener volunteers from neighboring counties along with WSU Extension faculty and staff.

Master Gardeners are Extension-trained volunteers who share information on horticulture and environmental stewardship

with their communities through clinics, demonstration gardens, and local partnerships. Now a worldwide volunteer movement, the Master Gardener phenomenon began right here in Washington state, 50 years ago this spring.

Island County was well represented at the event, hosting a booth highlighting the work of our volunteers. The program included our own Dave Thomas, Master Gardener class of 1982, who exemplifies a long history of commitment to the community and passion for horticultural education. Dave’s most recent project is teaching Oak Harbor youth the “wow” of gardening and the science behind it.

Island County has nearly one hundred Master Gardener volunteers, who provide over 5,000 hours of service annually. That service takes many forms, all designed to help our Island County residents thrive and adapt to challenging and changing environmental conditions – and to enjoy the beauty of our environment and the health benefits of engaging in gardening. Plant clinics at locations on Whidbey and Camano help to answer questions on gardening problems. Classes and workshops provide science-based gardening knowledge in an accessible and practical way. The Education Garden at Greenbank Farm displays a variety of design and plant types suitable for our area. School gardens teach the next generations, and community food gardens provide produce to those in need.

To learn more about the WSU Extension Island County Master Gardener Program or find out how to become a trained Master Gardener volunteer, visit extension.wsu.edu/island or contact Loren Imes, Island County Master Gardener Program Coordinator at 360-639-6059 or loren.imes@wsu.edu. Training to become a volunteer starts Sept. 16.

[Submitted by Loren Imes, Master Gardener Program Coordinator]



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By Amy Hannold



**Summer Fair Fun Beyond Whidbey:**  
Bask in your fair favorites at the Stanwood-Camano Fair, Aug. 4-6 (stanwood-camanofair.org) and the Skagit County Fair, Aug. 9-12 (skagitcounty.net). If you're up for a longer drive, the Northwest Washington Fair in Lynden is Aug. 10-19, (nwwafair.com). Later in Aug., the Evergreen State Fair, in Monroe, is Aug. 24 to Sept. 4, (evergreenfair.org). Fair season in Washington closes with the Washington State Fair, Sept. 1-24 (Thefair.com).

**Civility First Art and Photography Contest:** Civility First and the Pacific Northwest Art School invite participants of all ages to submit an original artwork or photograph with the theme of "Choose Civility – Be Respectful, Listen, and Be Kind." Cash prizes will be awarded: \$100 for first place and \$50 for the runner up in each of the three age divisions: children (12 and under), youth (13-18), adult (over 18). The deadline to enter is Sept. 30. The Civility First website will exhibit the entries as part of Civility month in October. civilityfirst.org

**America's Night Out Against Crime:**  
"National Night Out" is a free, crime-prevention, community-connecting event with emergency vehicles on display, demonstrations and more. This year's event will be held in Oak Harbor Tuesday, Aug. 1, 4 to 7 p.m., at Windjammer Park.

**EVENTS AT FORT CASEY STATE PARK:**  
*For the following events, admission is free; a Washington State Discover Pass or day pass is required for park access.*

**Celebrate Our Lighthouse:** Admiralty Head Lighthouse, located inside Fort Casey State Park, will host an afternoon of activities to celebrate National Lighthouse Day Saturday, Aug. 5, from 12 to 4 p.m. From the top of the 120-year-old lighthouse, views of Puget Sound, the Olympic Mountains, and the Port Townsend ferry crossing await. The All-Island Community Band will also be performing. Bring a picnic, your kite, and explore the fort as well.

**Outdoor Discovery Day:** Organizations from Whidbey and around the region dedicated to the outdoors, water safety, and related activities will be there to share their love of what they do, to inspire families to discover the great outdoors. Visit booths to learn about nature both on land and on the water at this event Saturday, Aug. 11, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**"Living History":** Come and learn what life was like for a soldier in World War II. The 9th Coast Artillery District will be hosting a reenactment of life as World War II coastal artillery soldiers Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 19-20, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Demonstrations will be presented at random intervals. A Washington State Parks Discover Pass is required for parking access. facebook.com/FriendsofWhidbeyStateParks.

**AUGUST EVENTS ON WHIDBEY AND BEYOND:**

**Fidalgo Bay Day:** This free event Saturday, Aug. 26, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Fidalgo Bay Resort, Anacortes, features interactive displays and activities for all ages, kid-friendly crafts, face painting and complimentary seafood samples. The Shannon Point Marine Center's mobile marine sea creature touch tank and the beach seine

demonstration are also popular, with hands-on activities for the entire family. Both kids and adults will get a chance to win prizes for participating and learning something new. skagitmrc.org.

**A Weekend of Witnessing Creativity:**  
Artists across Whidbey Island will have their studio doors open for you to see how they create during the free Whidbey Working Artists Summer Open Studio Tour, Aug. 19-20, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Each artist demonstrates a different medium including sculpture, watercolor, print, fine wood-working, hand-blown glass, hand-thrown pottery, acrylic, oil, fiber, jewelry, photography, encaustic and mixed media. View a tour map and brochure at whidbeyworking-artists.com.

**Arlington's Skyfest and Balloon Festival:** Anything that involves humans and machines in the air is the focus of this festival Aug. 19-20. Airplanes, hot air balloons, warbirds, drones, and more. See balloons glow, vintage aircraft, movies at the "Runway Theater," military vehicles and equipment, and a classic car show. Advance carload tickets at arlingtonflyin.org.

**END OF SUMMER FUN INSPIRATION:**

**What Do You Want to Read About?**  
**National Book Lovers Day is Aug. 9.** Visit a local bookstore or library to find some new reads. Create a list before you go of some new genres or subjects you'd like to explore. To meet other book lovers, take a look at Sno-Isle Library events in August; for all ages. Sno-Isle.org.

**Go Treasure Hunting:** Geocaching is celebrated Aug. 20. Enjoy the outdoors and the thrill of the hunt. With your smartphone or other GPS-enabled device, go to geocaching.com to register. By location, cache clues are posted, with coordinates and sometimes a cryption to decode for additional hints. Once you locate the cache, log your visit, exchange a trinket if included, and return the cache to the same spot for the next person to find. Experienced geocachers suggest bringing garden gloves to clear leaves or dirt, a pencil, notepad, small trinkets to leave in larger boxes, hydration, snacks and your sense of adventure!

**UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE:**

**Anacortes Arts Festival,** Aug. 5-7 - AnacortesArtsFestival.com

**Coupeville Arts and Crafts Festival,** Aug. 12-13 - CoupevilleFestival.com

**By the Harbor Vintage Market,** Aug. 19 - oakharbormainstreet.org

**Meerkerk Gardens Bluegrass Festival,** Aug. 19 - meerkerkgardens.org

And, for Labor Day Weekend, the **Oak Harbor Music Festival,** Sept. 1-3 - oakharborfestival.com

**Answer the question, "Mom, Dad – What Can I Do Today?"** At WhidbeyIsland.MacaroniKid.com, you'll find a daily calendar of activities, guides to local events and short-drive destination ideas for all ages.



# What's Going On

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

**2nd Annual Pagan Pride Celebration**  
Saturday, July 29, 9:30AM-4:30PM  
Coupeville Town Park, 6-12 Front St NW  
Free Admission, Open to all

Join us in supporting Coupeville's Gifts from the Heart food bank by participating in our food drive. Please bring non-perishable items, as you are able. A donation box will be conveniently placed in the kitchen area for your contributions. For more information and a schedule of events, visit [eternalspring.church/pride](http://eternalspring.church/pride).

**Stuff the Bus**  
Saturday, July 29, 10:00AM-2:00PM  
Walmart, Oak Harbor

Please bring your non-perishable items and help Stuff the Bus! Benefitting North Whidbey Help House, presented by the Oak Harbor Lions Club.

**American Roots Music Series**  
Saturday, July 29, 7:00-8:00PM  
Deception Pass State Park, North Beach Amphitheater

Jenner Fox tells the stories of people and places with unparalleled compassion and respect. The concert is free to attend, though a Discover Pass or Day Pass is required for parking. Bench seating is available, but feel free to bring your own folding chair. To read more about each group, visit the Deception Pass Park Foundation's website, [deceptionpassfoundation.org/park-programs/american-roots/](http://deceptionpassfoundation.org/park-programs/american-roots/).

**SeaNotes Big Band**  
Saturday, July 29, 7:00-9:30PM  
Oak Harbor Elks Lodge, 155 NE Ernst St.  
Entry: \$10

Dance to the Latin songs you love. For more information, email [snbigband@gmail.com](mailto:snbigband@gmail.com).

**Live Music: Philip Van Seters**  
Friday, August 4, 7:00-9:00PM  
Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville

Philip Van Seters is a guitarist/singer/songwriter and recent transplant to South Whidbey Island. His current performances consist of rhythmic renditions of popular songs from the 60s to present day interspersed with a smattering of original songs. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit [www.penncovebrewing.com](http://www.penncovebrewing.com).

**Pop-up Fundraiser**  
Saturday, August 5, 11:00AM-5:00PM  
Island County Historical Museum  
Coupeville

Join us for Lemonade, iced tea and treats. Donations benefit the Island County Historical Museum, Haller House and the Coupeville Visitor Information Center.

**National Lighthouse Day**  
Saturday, August 5, 12:00-4:00PM  
Admiralty Head Lighthouse, Coupeville

Please join us in the celebration of National Lighthouse Day at Admiralty Head Lighthouse. This celebration will include a performance from All Island Community Band as well as a presentation highlighting the seven keepers for Admiralty Head. Discover Pass required for parking.

**American Roots Music Series**  
Saturday, August 5, 7:00-8:00PM  
Deception Pass State Park  
North Beach Amphitheater  
Foleada is a Seattle-based Forró band with

a focus on Pé de Serra style. Forró is the heartbeat of Northeast Brazil and it draws on many musical styles, from Afro-Brazilian music like samba and baião to European polkas. On the other hand, Forró dance borrows from Cuban salsa and Samba de Gafieira, a Brazilian ballroom dance. In other words, it's a partner dance and it's a lot of fun! The concert is free to attend, though a Discover Pass or Day Pass is required for parking. Bench seating is available, but feel free to bring your own folding chair. To read more about each group, visit the Deception Pass Park Foundation's website, [deceptionpassfoundation.org/park-programs/american-roots/](http://deceptionpassfoundation.org/park-programs/american-roots/).

**Live Music: FOUR**  
Saturday, August 5, 7:00-9:00PM  
Penn Cove Taproom, Freeland

FOUR is a Whidbey Island combo that brings the music you like to listen and dance to. From low down blues and bossa novas to uptown boogie and swing dance tunes. Always a crowd pleaser. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit [www.penncovebrewing.com](http://www.penncovebrewing.com).

**Bayview Corner Summer Street Dance**  
Wednesday, August 9, 6:00-8:00PM  
Bayview Cash Store, Langley

PETE is the quintessential Whidbey Island garage band, performing rock and blues dance music and American groove music. The band is comprised of Goosefoot's own Fredde Butterworth on drums, Dave Draper and Tom Hoeflich on guitar, Marc Strader on bass, with special guests David Licastro on guitar and Danny Ward on sax. Rain or shine! Beer, wine, and soft drinks are available for purchase and picnic dinners are welcome. For more information, contact Sami Postma at [sami@goosefoot.org](mailto:sami@goosefoot.org) or 360-321-4246.

## Classes, Seminars and Workshops

**Worm Composting Basics**  
Saturday, August 5, 10-11:30AM  
Tilth campus, 2812 Thompson Road, Langley  
Fee: Members \$5, non-members \$15

Interested in starting worm composting but don't know where to begin? Or maybe you've tried worm composting in the past without much success? Join Master Gardener Tom Vincent as he explains the basics of this simple composting process. Covered topics include composting principles, tools, materials, what to feed your worms (and what not to feed them) and siting the worm bin. This class will be an outdoor, hands-on demo, so wear old clothes and prepare to get messy. For questions, contact [education@southwhidbeytilth.org](mailto:education@southwhidbeytilth.org).

**Lavender Wands Workshop**  
Sunday, August 27, 1-2:30PM  
At the Tilth Farmers Market, 2812 Thompson Road, Langley (meet at the maroon tent)

The making of lavender wands is an ancient craft dating back to Medieval times. Lavender was considered a precious herb and a source of healing. Join Jennifer Carlson and learn how to make a lavender wand from fresh Provence lavender and satin ribbon. There is no fee, but donations are appreciated. We need long stem lavender that was picked no sooner than the day before the workshop (otherwise the stems will not bend enough). If you have questions, email [education@southwhidbeytilth.org](mailto:education@southwhidbeytilth.org).

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# Wildlife Sanctuary offers unique Whidbey experience

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

In a small, warm room furnished with several comfortable, cushioned armchairs and a big-screen television, armadillos scoot along the floor as sloths move slowly and deliberately up the walls and across the ceiling. An alligator floats in its little pool, seemingly uninterested in the goings-on around him. Across the hall, a fat and happy badger busies himself with his toys, wreaking havoc on his glassed-in enclosure as the otter next door splashes excitedly in his pool.

That is just some of what visitors to the Northwest Wildlife Sanctuary will experience when they tour the facility, which is owned and operated by Dave Coleburn, who some may remember as the founder and former owner of the nonprofit Predators of the Heart. Located at 40678 State Route 20, near the entrance to Deception Pass State Park, Coleburn's new venture has melded his love of animals and education into a truly unique experience. And yes, as noted, there are sloths.

"There's actually five of them in here," Coleburn said as we chatted in the temperature-controlled room last week. "They sleep a lot of the daytime. But we also have reptiles, we have armadillos, we have a badger, an otter, a Siberian lynx, a pair of binturongs from southeast Asia – they're really cool. We have porcupines, racoons, skunks, wolves, owls, and a hawk – which is the same kind of hawk they use for the Seahawks mascot. We have a kinkajou, which is a neat little animal from South America."

Coleburn offers small group tours through the facility, which is unlike many of the other attractions featuring wildlife.

"Some of the animals [visitors] get to feed and some of them they actually get to touch and get close up to, which is something you can't do at a regular zoo, for instance," he said. "We give, in my opinion, a way better experience."

"We have a baby alligator snapping turtle that's a year old and is about the size of a fifty-cent piece, then we have one that weighs 120

pounds, so we show them that, and talk about the reptiles," Coleburn continued. "They get to feed the porcupines a banana. Then we bring the lynx out and they can actually pet her, she's really good. Then we look at the other animals, share stories, learn about them. Like the binturongs, their claim to fame is that their body produces the same chemicals as buttered popcorn, so they smell like buttered popcorn. Then we come in here and they get to find the sloths. They're usually climbing around on the ceiling. They see the kinkajou – he's nocturnal, but he comes out for food – and we let the armadillos out so they sit here while the armadillos run around their feet. And then we bring in an owl and the owl will fly and land on their arm."

Occasionally the alligator comes out to visit, but Coleburn said he doesn't go after the other animals.

"Oh, he would, but we keep him well fed," he said. "We make sure he's always never hungry."

After watching a short film about wolves, visitors are taken outside to see the racoons, skunks and wolves. But it is the sloths that seem to garner the most attention.

"It's kind of a really unique experience," Coleburn said. "A lot of places just do a sloth encounter and they'll have one, but we have five and one more on the way, so it's one of the biggest populations in the state."

While some animal attractions can have up to 300 visitors a day, and zoos can see even more, Coleburn said he'd like to keep the number of visitors to no more than a dozen a day.

"These types of animals, they can't handle that much traffic," he explained. "When you spend \$150,000 on animals, you don't want to get them stressed out. I don't want so many people coming in that we can't get to know each other by the end of the hour-and-a-half."

Coleburn, who moved to Whidbey Island from Anacortes when he bought the property about a year-and-a-half ago, got most of his animals when they were babies.



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly  
*This curious sloth is just one of five of the creatures visitors to the Northwest Wildlife Sanctuary get to hang out with on a tour of the facility.*

"There was a time there when we had the otter and the badger and the lynx and the wolves and they would all play together. Now they're getting older, so they don't play well together anymore," he said with a laugh.

The facility is licensed through the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Coleburn also works closely with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. His animals' health and safety are his first priority and he said he tries to exceed the enforcement agencies' expectations.

"I think the thing is with all animal owners, if you ever get to the point where you think you've just done everything right, maybe you should get out, because everybody that really cares about their animals just wants better all the time," Coleburn said. "Better spaces, bigger spaces, cleaner spaces, bigger ponds for the otter, more places to dig for the badger."

"I like taking care of animals," he continued, explaining that he lives on site. "One morning I woke up and there's a porcupine on top of me. She'd gotten out of her enclosure. So every day's like a potential disaster around here, but we try to make everything as safe as possible. We are inspected by the USDA and we try to exceed their guidelines on whatever we do."

The sanctuary is a 24/7 undertaking. Volunteers help with care, feeding and cleaning. Fresh fruits and vegetables are prepared each morning. With so many different kinds of animals, the food bills can add up.

"We go through 20 pounds of meat a day," said Coleburn. "The binturongs (on loan from the Newport Zoo in Oregon) eat 20 pounds of bananas a day on top of other stuff. So, that's a lot of cleaning up. They can eat 20 pounds and poop 30! I don't know how they do it. But it's two or three times a day vacuuming their whole enclosure, getting it all clean."

It's hard work, but for Coleburn, it is a true labor of love.

"I'm just enjoying the animals while I can," he said. "I'm 67. Right now, this is where I'm at and what I enjoy doing. I love sharing the animals with people. I've seen animals change people's lives. Sometimes, if I'm doing an appearance at a fair or something, people will come up to me



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly  
*Northwest Wildlife Sanctuary owner, Dave Coleburn, holds a Siberian lynx, which visitors are able to pet during tours of the facility.*

and say, 'I saw you when I was a little kid and you changed my life.' I like that part of what I do."

If there is one thing Coleburn would want people to know, it's how wonderful nature is.

"We are inter-connected with nature," he said. "The one thing that bothers me the most is nowadays kids are so into video games and telephones that they don't see the beauty in everything around them. We've got one of the most beautiful places in the world where we live. Nature is incredible. I think we're kind of missing all that. I think the kids are missing out."

Tours of the Northwest Wildlife Sanctuary are \$39 for children under 13 and \$100 for adults. They are offered Monday through Saturday and can be booked online at northwestwildlifesanctuary.com.

"The good thing about this business is I don't have to do a lot of business to do well," Coleburn said. "I'm content. I'm getting to know more and more of the community and there's some really nice people in this community."



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly  
*An owl rests in its crate last week at the Northwest Wildlife Sanctuary in Oak Harbor. Birds of prey are among the many different species visitors to the sanctuary will find when they tour the facility.*

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For those more interested in observing competition, there is the fan favorite Buyan Busters Log Show Sunday at 1 p.m. in the Log Arena. There's also the Clucky Show at 11 a.m., 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. daily in the poultry barn for the fowl-hearted. For those who'd like to learn a few new tricks, perhaps watching Karen Quest Cowgirl Tricks every day at 2 and 4 p.m. in the Pole Building is of interest.

One mustn't forget the annual Whidbey Island Fair Parade, which takes place Saturday at 10 a.m. This year's grand marshal is longtime fair participant and volunteer, Sally Berry.

And then there's the entertainment. There are four full days of fun planned. In addition to roving entertainers, there is nearly nonstop entertainment scheduled for the

Eva Mae Gabelein Stage located on the Midway. A full schedule is available at the front gate and at the fair's information booth on the Midway. Look for performances from local and regional artists such as Western Heroes, Pete the Band, the Marlin James Band, Queen Mother and more. Fan favorite Hair Nation will take the stage Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

The Whidbey Island Fair opens at 9:30 a.m. daily and will close at 10 p.m. Thursday, 10:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 9 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$6 for military (with ID), senior citizens and children ages 6 to 17. Season passes are available. Visit whidbeyislandfair.com for a complete schedule and to purchase admission tickets in advance.



Photo Courtesy of Whidbey Island Fair  
*Animals raised by members of Island County 4-H will be on display throughout the Whidbey Island Fair in Langley.*





Picnics are a fun way to bring people together to enjoy food and conversation. While there are no limitations to what a picnic may entail, when it comes to food, it may be best to pack items that are portable and do not require many accoutrements for eating. That is why finger foods make such great picnic fare.

Fried chicken long has been a popular picnic menu item, but other chicken dishes can fill in for this staple quite easily. For example, this recipe for "Sesame Chicken Fingers with Honey Dip" can be enjoyed by kids and adults on a picnic or even at casual events at home. This recipe, from "125 Best Chicken Recipes" (Robert Rose) by Rose Murray, features a sweet honey dip, but other dips can complement the meal as well.

**SESAME CHICKEN FINGERS WITH HONEY DIP** (Serves 4)

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| 1/3 cup light mayonnaise        | 1/3 cup dry bread crumbs                         |
| 3 tablespoons liquid honey      | 3 tablespoons sesame seeds                       |
| 1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice  | 1 teaspoon dried Italian herb seasoning          |
| 1/4 cup light mayonnaise        | 1 pound skinless boneless chicken breasts        |
| 2 tablespoons Dijon mustard     | cut into fingers, 2 inches long by 1/2-inch wide |
| 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice |  |

1. Honey Dip: In a small bowl, stir together the 1/3 cup mayonnaise, honey and 1 tablespoon lemon juice until well combined. Refrigerate if making ahead.
2. In a small bowl, combine the 1/4 cup mayonnaise, Dijon mustard and 2 tablespoons lemon juice.
3. On waxed paper or in a shallow bowl, combine the bread crumbs, sesame seeds and Italian seasoning.
4. Coat chicken with mayonnaise mixture, then with bread crumb mixture. Place on prepared cookie sheet. Bake in preheated oven for 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown and the chicken is no longer pink inside, turning once. Serve hot with the honey dip and potato wedges, if desired.



## WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

**ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20**  
Aries, someone in your life says they're making changes, but when you look closely it seems like much of the same. A little encouragement on your part can help this person along.

**TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**  
Tread lightly if you broach a difficult conversation with someone close to you, Taurus. These are tricky waters you are navigating and you want to maintain the relationship.

**GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21**  
Problems may seem to you to be bigger than they really are, Gemini. Step back, take a few breaths and then look at things from another perspective. Ask for a second opinion as well.

**CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22**  
Look for the double meanings in conversations you're having with coworkers this week, Cancer. They could be trying to tell you something, so read between the lines.

**LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23**  
Leo, you are typically good at reading others' moods, so use that skill this week when placed in a sensitive situation. It will help guide you on what to say and what to keep quiet for now.

**VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**  
There is a lot of socializing going on in your life right now, Virgo. Enjoy the excitement while it lasts and maximize all of the events you can attend. Things may start to slow in a few weeks.

**LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**  
It's probably best to keep your head down for the next few days and just go about your normal routine, Libra. Don't get pulled into anyone's drama or offer your take on things.

**SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Scorpio, it is time to be more proactive about getting what you want. Make a list of the things that most interest you right now, and then devise a plan to make things happen.

**SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21**  
Figure out which stance you want to take right now, Sagittarius. Are you seeing the glass half full or half empty? Perception can affect your daily life in many ways.

**CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**  
Good news is on the way, Capricorn. This will leave you floating on air for some time afterwards. Surround yourself with the people you love this week so that they can share the good fortune.

**AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**  
There is a lot that you have been juggling for some time, Aquarius. Unless you take a break or ask for help, one of those balls is going to fall and that could have a domino effect.

**PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20**  
Pisces, you have every right to express your opinions. Others will just have to accept what you say even if they don't agree with it.

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22. Performing artist
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28. Commercials
29. Anno Domini (in the year of Our Lord)
30. Qatar's capital
31. Indigenous peoples of Alberta
33. Popular footwear
37. Indicates position
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3. Representative
4. Entering
5. Nobel Prize-winning physicist
6. Midway between northeast and east
7. Consumed
8. Tablelands
9. Kids' craft accessory
10. Not known
11. Sound directed through two or more speakers
12. A major division of geological time
13. Wild ox
19. Shock treatment
21. Turner and Lasso are two

24. Genus of flowering plants
25. Relating to ductless glands
26. Stock certificate
27. Satisfies
31. Places to enjoy a rest
32. Edward \_\_\_, author and writer
34. "\_\_\_ but goodie"
35. One hundredth of a liter
36. Shabbiness
40. TV personality Roker

41. Triangular upper part of a building
45. Speed at which you move
47. Offend
48. A reference point to shoot at
52. Forays
53. Biblical city
54. Blatted
56. Northern sea duck
57. Shabby (slang)
59. Allege
60. Tax collector
61. Whereabouts unknown
62. Chinese philosophical principle
63. Indicates equal

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, July 27 North Isle H-67°/L-55° Mostly Sunny	Fri, July 28 North Isle H-68°/L-55° Mixed Clouds and Sun	Sat, July 29 North Isle H-67°/L-54° Mostly Sunny	Sun, July 30 North Isle H-66°/L-54° Mostly Sunny	Mon, July 31 North Isle H-69°/L-55° Mostly Sunny	Tues, August 1 North Isle H-70°/L-56° Sunny	Wed, August 2 North Isle H-72°/L-55° Sunny and Warm
South Isle H-70°/L-54° Mostly Sunny	South Isle H-71°/L-54° Mixed Clouds and Sun	South Isle H-70°/L-55° Mostly Sunny	South Isle H-68°/L-54° Partly Sunny	South Isle H-73°/L-57° Partly Sunny and Pleasant	South Isle H-76°/L-54° Sunny	South Isle H-77°/L-56° Plenty of Sunshine



OUR Community  
An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What is one trait you value most in a friend, and why?



Bob Wallin, Oak Harbor

A true caring attitude. We've been through some major life-changing incidents in our lives over the years, and it's when you are at one of the deepest points in your life that a true friend steps forward to do whatever you need to help. A life lesson that I have learned is that these friends are hurting for you and if you allow them to step in to do whatever they can, no matter how insignificant the task might be, that you allow them to heal along with you.

Diane Trepanier, Oak Harbor

The trait I value most in a friend would be that they are someone who I feel comfortable sharing different aspects of my life with and who also feels comfortable sharing with me. Having an ability to share thoughts, worries, troubles and joys and connect at that emotional level with another human enhances my life!



Nelissa Schumacher, Oak Harbor

Honesty. I've found through my interactions with people over the years that the ability to be honest with someone is more often than not an act of both bravery and vulnerability. I say this because being comfortable enough to honestly call out someone else's inappropriate behavior or speaking up when it may feel difficult to do so is a treasure of a trait that I cherish in a friend.

Sharon Lewis, Oak Harbor

Honesty. There is peace given and received between friends when there is confidence in truthfulness.



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**GARAGE/ESTATE SALES**

Mariner's Cove Annual Yard Sale: Saturday, July 29, 8am-1pm.

Polnell Shores Annual Yard Sale: Saturday, July 29, 8am-1pm.

Garage Sale: Saturday, July 29, 8am-2pm, 2098 Cross-woods Circle, Oak Harbor. Boxed sports cards, house-hold items, kitchen, artwork, collectibles, craft and cook-books and more.

The WI Monthly Flea Market is this Saturday from 9am-1pm at Greenbank Farm! Locals bringing everything from garage sale deals to original arts and crafts, vintage items, and who knows! Get coffee and a slice of Whidbey Pies to start your day off right. More info at [whidbeyisland-markets.com](http://whidbeyisland-markets.com)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pop-up Fundraiser. Join us for lemonade, iced tea and treats Saturday, Aug. 5, 11am-5pm on the grounds of the Island County Historical Museum in Coupeville. Donations benefit the Island County Historical Museum, Haller House and the Coupeville Visitor Information Center. We look forward to seeing you. (1)

Tuesdays at the Student & Family Support Center, Coupeville Schools! Learning Fun: Come join us every Tuesday as we explore the world around us! From 11 am to 1 pm every week, staff is present and excited to teach students about different topics through touch, taste, art, physical activity and more! Open to all ages. Teen Yoga: Every Tuesday, Island County Human Services provides an hour of FREE yoga for teens ages 11 to 21 years. No experience or equipment required. Located at Coupeville Middle/High School Campus, 501 S Main St, Annex 301. Questions? Contact Arianna Bumgarner at 262-528-3774 or [studentsupport@coupeville.k12.wa.us](mailto:studentsupport@coupeville.k12.wa.us).

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 doing it.

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**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

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North Whidbey Help House is looking for a motivated, independent driver, over the age of 25 with a clean driving record and must be able to lift up to 60 lbs. regularly. If this is you, Help House has the perfect immediate job opening. Driver does daily pick-ups from local stores, oversees the produce stand, and other assigned duties. Must be outgoing and able to deal with a wide variety of people and situations. Please bring in or mail your resume to: 1091 SE Hathaway St. The position is full-time, pay is \$18 an hour and comes with other benefits. (2)

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