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Plein air paintout p. 10



Michael Stadler Photo Courtesy of Island Shakespeare Festival
A partnership between Island Shakespeare Festival and Hedgepig Ensemble Theatre means the lesser known Hannah Cowley play, "A Bold Stroke for a Husband," is one of the featured productions this season. Pictured are Jeff Natter as Don Caesar, Helen Roundhill as Don Garcia, and Kellan Oelkers as Don Vincentio.

Concert series is composed of community collaboration

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

It must be summer in Oak Harbor, because the sweet sound of music is once again making itself heard on Wednesday evenings at Windjammer Park, as the Sounds of Summer Concert Series gets underway.

The second annual concert series, a prelude to the Oak Harbor Music Festival on Labor Day Weekend, kicked off Aug. 2 with Heart by Heart and will be followed by the Olson Bros Band on Aug. 9, The Paperboys on Aug. 16 and Whidbey's Saratoga Orchestra, with special guest Deirdre Fairfax, on Aug. 23. All performances are free and begin at 6 p.m. The Sounds of Summer Concert Series is presented by the Oak Harbor Music Festival and Windermere Real Estate Whidbey Island.

Kristen Stavros, branch manager and co-owner

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Island Shakespeare Festival offers bold season of classical theater

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

There is nothing quite like live theater and the Island Shakespeare Festival knows how to turn the classics into a truly unique Whidbey Island experience.

The 2023 season is currently underway for Island Shakespeare Festival, with performances of William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" and Hannah Cowley's "A Bold Stroke for a Husband," playing in repeating repertory at 6 p.m. every Thursday through Sunday, through Sept. 10. Additional matinee performances at 1 p.m. Sunday will continue through Sept. 3 at ISF's outdoor theater venue, 5476 Maxwellton Road in Langley. Find the performance schedule and reserve tickets online at islandshakespearefest.org. Wednesdays in August, look for special ISF events at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts in Langley, as well. (wicaonline.org)

For more than a decade, ISF has sought to make classic theater accessible to modern audiences in a meaningful way. There are no set ticket prices; indeed, there are not even walls. Productions are experienced



Michael Stadler Photo Courtesy of Island Shakespeare Festival
Actors Donovan Mahannah and Lydia Medeiros play Don Julio and Donna Olivia in "A Bold Stroke for a Husband," one of two productions now in repeating repertory at Island Shakespeare Festival in Langley. Evening performances take place at 6 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, through Sept. 10.

much as audiences experienced them when they were originally written, in the open air, with minimal staging. Executive Artistic Director, Olena Hodges, believes that is part of the magic of what ISF offers.

"Classic plays are meant to be heard and experienced live and so often they become part of curriculum that takes the fun out of that experience," she shared with *Whidbey Weekly* via email. "I always encourage folks to give us a try; they don't have to pay anything if they don't want to, so there's no risk, other than a couple of hours of time. We've got something really special in store this season, and it's a great time to discover us. The whole team is dynamite, and we're ready to blow audiences away with this season!"

There are some firsts this season. While Hodges has appeared in several ISF productions, including "Romeo and Juliet," this year she is making her directorial debut.

"I fell in love with 'Romeo and Juliet' as a child, and I've known for a long time that when I was ready to take the step of directing, it would be with this play," she said, explaining she took the less-traveled path of becoming an artistic director before becoming a director. "Now that I've been in my role for several years, I have begun to understand that this piece is missing from my toolbox. I won't direct every year, as many artistic directors do, but taking this step will help me better support my collaborators in their processes in the future. It seemed like the right time to return to this play, and specifically to center our focus on the reconciliation that takes place at the conclusion. Reconciliation feels like something we need right now."

As an actor, Hodges said playing Juliet was one of her most exciting and challenging stage experiences and she is enjoying watching her beloved character come to life in this season's ISF production.

"For me, she is the center of this play, and that shows up in this production," she said. "The actor playing Juliet is marvelous and is bringing their own dynamic journey to the story. It's really exciting to help them excavate and mine the character."

Another first this season is a new partnership with Hedgepig Ensemble Theatre's "Expand the Canon" project, which seeks to include more diverse perspectives and voices in classical theater works. It is through

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Island 911

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MONDAY, JULY 17

9:17 am, SW Barlow St.

Advising there is a transient behind building yelling at himself and stacking belongings on the transformer.

9:55 am, SE Barrington Dr.

Reporting party states citizen in lobby says they left their phone and there is a sign indicating they are closed for a week.

10:41 am, NE 11th Ave.

Caller states male voices were heard in yard last night. Nothing has been found missing this morning. States she didn't think it was real last night. Subjects were hiding in the bushes.

10:49 am, NE 3rd Ave.

Caller advising she believes she has had a peeping Tom; found a footprint in the flowerbed by her window.

4:39 pm, NW Crosby Ave.

Advising just saw beat up RV pull behind church off Cherry Hill Loop; caller advising looked suspicious; doesn't belong there.

6:08 pm, SE Barrington Dr.

Reporting party states overheard someone checking door handles last night; did not report then. Requesting extra patrols.

10:43 pm, SW Fairhaven Dr.

Advising group of juveniles is doing "ding dong ditch" at reporting party's place.

TUESDAY, JULY 18

12:57 am, SE Midway Blvd.

Caller says not an emergency; can't take it anymore, people lying to her; wants to talk to someone she knows. Not the one to be "F***ed with."

6:31 am, SR 20

Reporting party advising phone was stolen last night; found it on "Find My Phone."

7:58 am, SE Ely St.

Advising transient sleeping under bench by front door; just want him to leave.

9:34 am, NE 3rd Ave.

Reporting party states cleaned up footprint as requested by law enforcement, but has now found window screen pulled off in the corner, which is a new occurrence.

1:05 pm, SW 7th Ave.

Caller advising of dog incessantly barking at location all day today and yesterday.

2:38 pm, SR 20

States wife told reporting party "possible gang member" was flashing gang signs at her and "possibly pressuring her to leave me." She flipped out and left with reporting party in the vehicle.

3:08 pm, SE Barrington Dr.

Caller states has been seeing a woman who has been sending him strange messages, saying she has warrants and that she is being arrested in Oak Harbor. Reporting party concerned for his own welfare. Wanting to know if this is true.

4:41 pm, NE Regatta Dr.

Advising at the "smaller building" on Clover Street there is an injured bird in the parking lot; unknown what kind of bird.

9:16 pm, SR 20

"I'm married to this woman who is a Border Patrol agent."

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

3:37 am, NW 3rd Ave.

Brown 4-Runner is circling the neighborhood; the same vehicle that broke into neighbor's vehicle across the street.

4:12 am, SW Erie St.

Male subject on the front bench; believes he may be in need of assistance, but does want him removed from the property.

9:29 am, NE 7th Ave.

Reporting party advising vehicles have been gone through overnight and other suspicious things are occurring.

3:47 pm, SE Regatta Dr.

Advising female stole reporting party's sandals, was calling reporting party names.

9:44 pm, NW Falls Creek Loop

Reporting party was on a walk and heard a female yelling and call someone a "f***ing asshole;" didn't hear any other voices.

10:21 pm, NW Elwha St.

Reporting party advising just got home, saw a male walking westbound on Crosby, wearing a black hoodie and blue latex gloves.

10:38 pm, Sandstone Dr.

Advising there are two dogs that bark all day and night; are barking right now.

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

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In memory of the nearly 40 Southern Resident orcas captured in Washington State, and the 13 orcas killed during the captures; and in honor of Lolita/Tokitae, the sole survivor ~



Photo by Terry Newby

Orca Network's annual

Penn Cove Orca Capture Commemoration

Sunday, August 6th, 2023

1:30 – 3:30pm Coupeville Wharf

Educational displays and information about the orca captures, and special guest presentations including Howard Garrett, Board President of Orca Network and Sandra Pollard, author of Puget Sound Whales for Sale and A Puget Sound Orca in Captivity.

3:30 – 5:30pm Penn Cove

Cutty Sark and the Suva will provide ceremonial boat trips to the capture site. Tickets for the boat trips are available for a \$75 donation, and registration is available at www.orcanetwork.org/events/penn-cove-orca-capture-commemoration-cruise.

If you have your own boat or kayak, please join us!

For more information:
www.orcanetwork.org or email cindy@orcanetwork.org



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Bits & Pieces

- No new parking is required.
- The driveway has been sufficiently reinforced and ground-tested for stability and suitability for such a structure.
- The many access points by car and trails make it an easy place to reach and view up close and far away.
- The high usage of adjacent ballparks, playground sites, the splash park, Lagoon areas and trail use create a "built-in" exposure opportunity.
- And the treatment plant already "presents" a manmade structure for another to complement it.

I hope you would seriously consider this "re-planting" option to Windjammer Park's treatment plant.

Michael Thelen
Oak Harbor, Wash.

Penn Cove Orca Capture Commemoration Aug. 6

Fifty three years ago, over 100 Southern Resident orcas were herded into Penn Cove off Whidbey Island. Seven of the young whales were netted and delivered to marine parks around the world. All but one died by 1987. Originally named Tokitae, she was sold to Miami Seaquarium and her name was changed to Lolita. Her honorary name given by the Lummi Nation is Sk'aliChehl-tenaut. Following an historic announcement in March, efforts are now underway to return her to a sea pen in her home waters (www.friendsoftoki.org).

Howard Garrett reports: "Toki swims speed laps in the 80' x 50' x 20' deep, dilapidated pool. She is remarkably attentive and engaged with everyone around her. She continues calling out in the unique dialect she learned before capture. Her five veterinarians agree she is in good health and is ready now to be transported back to her native habitat, where she'll continue healing from the stresses of over five decades of confinement that began with the traumatic capture in Penn Cove."

In memory of the nearly 40 Southern Resident orcas captured in Washington State in the 1960s and 1970s, and the dozen that died during capture operations, and in honor and celebration of Tokitae, the sole survivor, please join Orca Network Sunday for the 53rd anniversary of the 1970 Penn Cove orca capture. From 1:30 to 3:30PM, join others at the Coupeville Wharf for educational displays and information about the orca captures, and special guest presentations including Howard Garrett, board president of Orca Network and Sandra Pollard, author of *Puget Sound Whales for Sale and A Puget Sound Orca in Captivity*. Following the program will be a waterside ceremony and remembrance for the orcas killed during the captures.

From 3:30 to 5:30PM, the Cutty Sark and the Suva will provide ceremonial boat trips into Penn Cove to the capture site. Tickets for the boat trips are available for a \$75 donation, and registration is available at www.orcanetwork.org/events/penn-cove-orca-capture-commemoration-cruise. Orca Network will provide flowers and cedar sprigs, or you may bring your own eco-friendly offering to toss in the water during the ceremony. If you have your own boat or kayak, please join Orca Network in Penn Cove for a procession to the capture site to honor Tokitae and her family members who were captured in 1970.

The events on the Wharf are free to the public, though contributions to support Orca Network's educational programs and efforts on orca captivity issues are appreciated. For questions, please contact Cindy Hansen at cindy@orcanetwork.org.

[Submitted by Cindy Hansen, Orca Network]

Battle of the Bands

Miss Oak Harbor, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, recently formed the Mr. OH Club, comprised of 2023 Miss Oak Harbor Scholarship Pageant contestants. The club members are planning the first ever Mr. Oak Harbor Scholarship Competition. Similar to the Miss pageant, the Mr. competition will provide a life-changing experience for local high school boys to compete for scholarships and prizes this fall.

The Mr. OH Club members have been fundraising all summer and are hosting their final event Aug. 11 – a Battle of the Bands competition. The event, which will be held at 2861 Hunt Road in Oak Harbor, will feature seven local bands, soloists and musical acts, along with food, games and other activities. Tickets can be purchased at MissOakHarbor.com. Doors will open at 3:30PM and music will start at 4:30PM.

All funds raised through ticket, concession and merchandise sales will go toward the scholarships for the 2023 Mr. Oak Harbor Scholarship Competition.

Although there can be only one winner of the Battle of the Bands, there will also be an opportunity for fans to vote for their favorite act.

Bring a blanket or chair and join the family fun at the Mr. OH Club Battle of the Bands! For more and updated information, visit missoakharbor.com or on Instagram @mroakharbor.

[Submitted by Cali Pretti, 2023 Miss Oak Harbor First Princess]

Higher Call Volumes and Overlapping Calls Are Leading to Longer Response Times

Fire levy lid lift would fund four additional personnel to respond to calls

Central Whidbey Island Fire and Rescue reports call volumes have increased 50 percent since 2012, but current staffing levels have not kept up with the community's growing demand for emergency services. As a result, response times are increasing.

Additionally, Central Whidbey Fire cannot guarantee personnel will be available to respond when a second, third or fourth call happens at the same time – which is occurring more frequently. Overlapping calls account for 28 percent of all calls. The fire district relies on full-time, part-time and volunteer personnel, but volunteers are not always available to respond, which results in unpredictable staffing levels. This leads to longer response times, which can seriously affect survival rates.

"Sixty percent of all calls are for emergency medical service, commonly known as EMS, and longer response times can impact patient outcomes," Fire Chief Jerry Helm said. "We need additional personnel to respond to calls and reduce response times."

EMS calls require on average two to eight emergency responders, depending on the medical situation. For example, calls involving patients who aren't breathing, or multi-injury car accidents, require several responders on scene to perform various lifesaving tasks. These tasks include performing CPR, stabilizing a patient, administering treatment, managing traffic or crowds, as well as family members, and transporting patients to the hospital.

Central Whidbey Fire is asking voters for a fire levy lid lift to fund four additional firefighter/EMTs in the November 7, 2023, general election. The additional staff would allow the fire district to provide both a fire engine and a medical unit at the same time – instead of just one or the

Smart ways to invest in bonds

Most investors are aware of the different types of stocks: big-company, small-company, technology, international and so on. And it may be a good idea to own a mix of these stocks as part of your overall investment portfolio. But the importance of diversification applies to bonds, too — so, how should you go about achieving it?

To begin with, individual bonds fall into three main types: municipal, corporate and government. Within these categories, you'll find differences in the bonds being issued. For example, government bonds include conventional, fixed-rate Treasury bonds as well as inflation-protected ones, along with bonds issued by government agencies, such as the Federal National Mortgage Association (or Fannie Mae). Corporate bonds are differentiated from each other by several factors, but one important one is the interest rate they pay, which is largely determined by the credit quality of the issuer. (The higher the rating grade — AAA, AA and so on — the lower the interest rate; higher-rated bonds pose less risk to investors and therefore pay less interest.)

Municipal bonds, too, are far from uniform. These bonds are issued by state and local governments to build or improve infrastructure, such as airports, highways, hospitals and schools. Generally, municipal bonds are exempt from federal tax and often state and local taxes, too. However, because of this tax benefit, municipal bonds typically pay lower interest rates than many corporate bonds.

How can you use various types of bonds to build a diversified bond portfolio? One method is to invest in mutual funds that invest primarily in bonds. By owning a mix of corporate, government and municipal bond funds, you can gain exposure to much of the bond world. Be aware, though, that bond funds, like bonds themselves, vary widely in some respects. To illustrate: Some investors may choose a low-risk, low return approach by investing in a bond fund that only owns Treasury securities, while other investors might strive for higher returns — and accept greater risk — by investing in a higher-yield, but riskier bond fund.

But you can also diversify your bond holdings by owning a group of individual bonds with different maturities: short-, intermediate- and long-term. This type of diversification can help protect you against the effects of interest-rate movements, which are a driving force behind the value of your bonds — that is, the amount you could sell them for if you chose to sell them before they matured. When market interest rates rise, the price of your existing, lower-paying bonds will fall, and when rates drop, your bonds will be worth more.

But by building a "ladder" of bonds with varying maturities, you can take advantage of different interest-rate environments. When market rates are rising, you can reinvest your maturing, shorter-term bonds at the new, higher rates. And when market rates are low, you'll still have your longer-term bonds working for you. (Generally, though not always, longer-term bonds pay higher rates than shorter-term ones.)

A bond ladder should be consistent with your investment objectives, risk tolerance and financial circumstances. But if it's appropriate for your needs, it could be a valuable tool in diversifying your bond holdings. And while diversification — in either stocks or bonds — can't always guarantee success or avoid losses, it remains a core principle of successful investing.

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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Letters to the Editor

Editor,

RE: Notice of Application - Deadline for receipt of input: 5:00PM Aug. 11, 2023 Angel de la Creatividad proposed installation of this sculpture in Flintstone Park

From what I've seen written and the history of where this sculpture was objected to be placed, I am assuming that the decision has been made that Flintstone Park, at the sight of the ground testing by the contracted engineering firm is where "Angel" will "land."

That being the case, to complement this noteworthy and immense sculpture and noting this project lends itself to the long-overdue Flintstone Park repair and beach access whose expenses* could be incorporated in this site development, I would recommend the following -recognizing the anticipated high level of viewing by the public:

1. Make the Ingress and Egress into the park wider, suitably graded and paved.
2. Keep the Loop drive to minimize difficulty and congestion reaching and leaving the available parking spaces.
3. Provide additional, on-site parking spaces - recognizing the anticipated high level of viewing by the public.
4. Provide easy access to the public beaches on either side of the proposed sculpture site which is adjacent to the guest dock. Currently, these beaches became inaccessible due to the December 2022 King Tide log accumulation. The City has for several years made an eight-foot wide access path to the south-facing beach. It has not done so this year, so summer access has been extremely dangerous.
5. Please honor: "The mission of the Parks Division is to create and maintain attractive and safe parks and open spaces that conserve and enhance our relationship with nature and provide the citizens with recreational opportunities."

* The immense height of this sculpture suggests hefty grounding reinforcement requirements and expense since extreme high winds have free exposure to this structure - proved by the annual removal and safe storage of the guest dock in the fall, and not returning to the end of April.

To not incorporate these recommendations where the road is in deplorable shape and potentially dangerous to vehicles and foot traffic alike, would communicate to both residents and visitors that the sculpture was just something to put up somewhere. And, the sculpture "landing" in this park is confused further by the incongruous name of the park and its iconic "Freddy Flintstone car" with this "Angel" - which seems to make no sense.

One last consideration - presuming the park renovations/repair and mitigation above are not to be honored - would be to move the sculpture to Windjammer Park's waterside, circular plaza driveway's center position in front of the new sewage treatment plant which "presents" another manmade structure to complement it. It is positioned well for an anticipated high level of viewing by the public where:

other. It would also allow the fire district to meet state safety requirements to perform interior search and rescue operations without having to wait for another fire engine to arrive on the scene.

These improvements will help reduce response times and improve service reliability across the district.

The fire district is asking voters to change the fire levy from \$0.86 to \$1.18 per \$1,000 of assessed property value. The 32-cent lid lift would cost an additional \$160 per year or \$13.34 per month for the owner of a \$500,000 home.

Learn more 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 & Rescue]

NAS Whidbey Island SAR Assists with Rescue at Mount St. Helens

A Search and Rescue (SAR) team from Naval Air Station Whidbey Island assisted in the rescue of an injured hiker off Mount St. Helens July 27.

July 26, the SAR team received a request for assistance for a 63-year-old hiker who broke his ankle while trekking on the southern rim of Mount St. Helens at an altitude over 7,500 ft. Mount St. Helen's Volcano Rescue Team (VRT) made the request for aerial transport to a lower elevation recovery area due to the steep rocky terrain and high altitude.

The SAR team launched just after midnight July 27 and arrived on scene shortly after 1:00AM. Upon arrival, the SAR crew immediately spotted lights used by the VRT who had reached the patient's location.

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Through a collaborative partnership among the Island County Marine Resources Committee (MRC), the Northwest Straits Commission, and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR), beaches around Whidbey and Camano Islands will soon be visibly cleaner! These groups are working to get derelict boats off our beaches and out of our environment. So far in 2023, three broken-down vessels have been removed from our shorelines with a number more on the list to be cleaned up soon. We look forward to continuing this work as long as we have local support and funding available.

So, why do we care about some old boats? That is a good question to ask. For starters, we think most can agree rundown derelict vessels are an eyesore on our beautiful shores. Additionally, they can be a navigational hazard to other boaters if they are sunk nearshore or are free floating. However, the main reason the MRC is involved is because of the hazards posed to our marine habitats and species. Boats can carry a large amount of chemicals including gasoline, oil, hydraulic fluids, and other hazardous materials.

Boats which have ended up on the shore begin to break apart over time, which creates debris and leaches this contamination into the environment. Much of our shoreline provides important habitat for



our forage fish species, which are a vital source of food for our salmon populations, and which in turn feed humans, orcas, and many other marine species.

As the MRC works towards finding solutions there are many ways you in our community can help prevent this issue and assist us in locating problem vessels. The program so far has proven that prevention is the best measure for derelict boat removal. As such, the state DNR offers a Vessel Turn-In Program, which is intended to serve those with financial hardship who wish to responsibly dispose of an old vessel. You must be able to prove ownership of the vessel and it must have little to no value or be in a state of disrepair. You can find more information about this program and its criteria at www.dnr.wa.gov/derelict-vessels.

Want to help the Marine Resources Committee with this work? We need you to report abandoned boats found on the beaches around Island County. The more

information we have, the better we can help to understand this issue and know how to prioritize the boat removal. Our goal is to keep the number of derelict vessels along our shorelines to a minimum! We will continue to work closely with the state DNR and Northwest Straits Commission to help this project be a success. Please help us by reporting these vessels and educating your neighbors about this issue so we can preserve our beaches for all to use.

Report to: www.mycoast.org/wa or www.dnr.wa.gov/vessel-reporting.



Thank You for joining us at the 2023 Whidbey Island fair!

Great entertainment, fun rides, good food and great vendors! Thank you to all our volunteers and sponsors, we couldn't do it without you!

We hope you all had a good time. See you next year!

whidbeyislandfair.com



What's Going On

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.

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.

POP-UP Program

Saturday, August 5, 12:00PM
Sunnyside Cemetery, Coupeville

A little bit of history around Ebey's Reserve. "Sunnyside Cemetery: Where Coupeville Sleeps." Presented by local historian Patrick Hussey.

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
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tion, contact Sami Postma at sami@goosefoot.org or 360-321-4246.

Whidbey All-Island Community Band

Thursday, August 10, 7:00-8:00PM
Catalina Park Gazebo, Oak Harbor Marina

Enjoy a free concert in the park. Bring a chair or blanket! Changes to this schedule will be posted at <https://sites.google.com/site/whidbeyallislandcommunityband>.

Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below
Cost: Free

Art Explorers: Impressionism

Wednesday, August 9, 10:00-11:30AM
Coupeville Library

Colorful flowers, people dancing, and a mother hugging her baby. That's Impressionism: lively paintings that capture a moment, full of light and color. With a variety of projects and mediums, we'll explore Impressionism. Bring your creativity and come dressed for art. For kids ages 5-11 and their caregivers. Please register kids only at www.sno-isle.org.

Meet the Oak Harbor Firefighters and Their Truck

Wednesday, August 16, 9:30AM
Oak Harbor Library

The Oak Harbor Fire Department will visit the library to share information about fire safety and what firefighters do to keep us all safe, followed by a tour of their fire truck and a chance to practice using a fire-hose!

Classes, Seminars and Workshops

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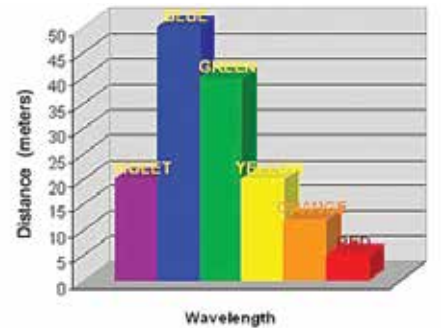
SALMON'S FAVORITE COLOR

I was told by a wise old salmon fisherman in 1995 that I could use any color I wanted to catch salmon as long as it was green. I took what the wise old fisherman told me and set out to fill my tackle box with green lures, flashers, Hoochies, and beads. Was the wise old fisherman right? Yes. I have landed many salmon with some variant of a green lure. However, if green is the salmon's color of choice, why are there so many different color lures and gear in every tackle and bait shop? Is it to catch the fisherman's eye or the fish's eye? Probably a little bit of both. It is now the year 2023 – is the wise old fisherman still correct about the color green? Absolutely! Green is still putting fish in my and other fishermen's coolers, but over the years I have used other colors that have out-fished green at times.

The color spectrum is created by sunlight as it enters our atmosphere, and our eyes, along with the salmon's eyes, were created to see each color of that spectrum. Light consists of wavelengths; the shorter the wavelength (higher resolution) the deeper the color. With that in mind, as light penetrates into seawater carrying all of the colors with it, the color spectrum changes with depth and colors as we know them are lost. Here is a quick, simple look at the color spectrum and the order in which each color is LOST as depth increases:

- Red: 30 feet
- Orange: 60 feet
- Yellow and Violet: 90 feet
- Green: 230 feet
- Blue: 330 feet

This color and depth example is not written in stone. There are variables that must be taken into consideration, like underwater temperature, salinity, ultraviolet emissions and turbidity. But it gives us an idea of what colors will be seen by the fish. You may be asking, "Where are white and black?" There are different thoughts on white and black; some believe white and black are made up of all of the colors, and there are those



Here is a color graph that will help visualize color versus depth.

who believe white and black are void of color. Here is what I believe: White catches fish, and so does black. Take the very popular "cookies and cream" or "cop car" salmon spoon, for example. These two lures are a 50/50 split of black and white. According to science, white contains all of the wavelengths of visible light, so for me that suggests white has a chance to be seen at all but extreme depths. All colors eventually become gray or black as depth increases, so that explains why black can attract fish, too.

A lure that has a glow back will out-fish the same lure with a chromed back. I use dark green, blue, black, and white patterns when fishing for chinooks in 90 to 150 feet of water. If I'm fishing for coho or pink salmon from the surface down to 60 feet, I prefer the colors pink, purple and light green (chartreuse). The bottom line is, we will fish with what we have confidence in, and we try our best to match the color and size of the bait fish in the area. If green has been a consistent producer of fish over time, I will at least start with that color and adjust throughout the day if needed. If I'm not fishing alone, I always fish with two different colors and see which one is taking all the strikes, then use that to help with color selection. With today's price of fishing tackle being so ridiculous, lure selection is more important than ever; buying one of each color would empty your wallet real fast. To summarize, I would say, from my experience, "there is no such thing," as the salmon's favorite color, but I am confident when I say there is a consistent pattern. Use any color of lure you want as long as it's a green pattern with a glow back.

Chinook quotas of 2,100 fish in Marine Area-7 and 4,100 fish in Marine Area-9 have been met or are about to be met for the season. Hopefully you got a chance to hook a nice king salmon during the short season. The coho and pink salmon fishing will only get better from now until the third week in September. Hit the beaches one hour before and after high and low tide for the best chance at hooking a fresh salmon. Be sure to take the young anglers to the beach with you and GOOD LUCK!



Here is a lure color (cookies and cream) pattern that works very well in deep and shallow water

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Artists to capture the plein air landscape of Whidbey

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

It's Whidbey, au natural. No studios, no lighting, just Mother Nature.

Dozens of plein air artists will gather Aug. 14-17 to capture the natural beauty of Whidbey Island's landscapes, part of the fourth annual Whidbey Plein Air Paintout. A program of the Pacific Northwest Art School in Coupeville and its partner, Whidbey and Camano Islands Tourism, this week-long competition will culminate in a public reception Friday, Aug. 18 and is followed by an exhibition and sale Aug. 19-20. Tickets to the Aug. 18 reception are \$25 per person and may be purchased online at pacificnorthwestartschool.org/product/plein-air-gala-patron-tickets/, at the school (15 NW Birch St., Coupeville) or at the door.

The Plein Air Paintout and gala is the major fundraiser of the year for the nonprofit art school.

"The Friday night ticketed event (\$25 for bites and beverages from bayleaf) is for those 21 and over only and offers the chance to purchase the artwork before the FREE weekend sale," said Lisa Bernhardt, executive director of Pacific Northwest Art School. "Attending the Friday

night event is a guaranteed way to get to interact with the artists, as they will all be there! Patrons can ask them questions and put a face to a painting."

For those unfamiliar with the term, plein air painting simply means painting a landscape in the outdoors. The work must be completed in a matter of hours, due to changing light and sometimes, changing weather.

Bernhardt said the competition regularly draws at least 75 artists to Whidbey, most coming from the surrounding five-state region and British Columbia. Each year about half of the artists are new, the others are returning. The paintout is also open to all levels of artists, whether beginners or seasoned veterans of the craft.

For people interested in the creative process, be on the lookout for artists working in various locations around Whidbey Island that week, because artists don't mind if people want to watch.

"Artists love having folks watch their art being created virtually in front of their eyes," said Bernhardt. "They also love the camaraderie this event brings like no other. Getting to peek over the shoulder of a veteran plein air artist, as a



Photo Courtesy of Pacific Northwest Art School

The practice of painting a landscape in plein air, or outdoors in natural light, is celebrated during the Whidbey Plein Air Paintout, which will take place Aug. 14-17 at various locations around Whidbey Island. Approximately 75 artists of all skill levels will participate in the fourth annual event, put on by the Pacific Northwest Art School in Coupeville.



Photo Courtesy of Pacific Northwest Art School

Artists from a five-state region and British Columbia will converge on Whidbey Island Aug. 14-17 for the fourth annual Whidbey Plein Air Paintout. Competition awards will be presented at a gala and reception Friday, Aug. 18 and will the paintout will conclude with a free public exhibition and sale Aug. 19-20.

new plein air artist, is priceless. Learning from each other and enjoying a shared experience are also top of the list."

The other thing artists enjoy, according to Bernhardt, is the ability to sell their work.

"We allow our artists to sell off the easel as well as at the Friday night reception and weekend long exhibition," she said. "The exhibition is free and open to the public and scheduled the same weekend as the Whidbey Working Artists Open Studio Tour."

All panels are stamped to authenticate they were painted during the competition. Speaking

of which, the juror for this year's submissions is Whidbey Island oil artist Mike Wise.

"The juror will speak to how he selected each piece and why. It is an informative time for the artists and a way to celebrate them," explained Bernhardt. "There are cash awards for Best of Show, first, second and third place and People's Choice. Historically, several honorable mentions will also be awarded. Come celebrate artists and the art school at the same time!"

Learn more about the Plein Air Paintout, reception and exhibition, the Pacific Northwest Art School and more by visiting pacificnorthwestartschool.org.

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this Hedgepig program ISF is presenting "A Bold Stroke for a Husband," under the direction of Emily Lyon, Hedgepig's artistic director.

"Turns out women and non-binary folks have been writing plays all over the world for centuries – millennia – and it's time to level the pedestals of reverence," said Hodges. "Expand the Canon," the flagship project of Hedgepig, has had a lot of theoretical interest, but it's hard to convince producers to take risks on not-yet-known titles, especially as we're all trying to entice reluctant audiences back to pre-pandemic numbers.

"I felt this was a risk worth taking, knowing that our ISF audience loves a good comedy, no matter who wrote it," she continued. "It's a risk I feel we can take in our community, and we can help prove these plays can draw a crowd, so other producers will get on board as well."

Even better, "A Bold Stroke for a Husband" is just plain funny in addition to having historical significance.

"This play was written in 1783, a time where we usually think women weren't fully in control of their fates," described director Lyon. "In this play, all five women characters have agency around what happens to them, who they marry, who they love, and setting their own boundaries. This isn't a new idea, and we don't have to go only to contemporary work to find it! I hope [audiences] love, understand, and laugh with these brilliant characters, knowing that women's history and legacy have always been much more dynamic than we've acknowledged."

Hodges said ISF has committed to including Expand the Canon works for three consecutive years. She added that with a database of 5,000 ETC plays, ISF will likely "continue to do our part to expand the canon for many years to come."

Of course, classical theater is nothing without the cast members who bring the stories to life on stage. ISF actors will typically have roles in both productions each season. While ISF has long drawn cast members from all over the country, this year, because of its involvement with New York City-based Hedgepig, call-backs were held in the Big Apple for the first time.

"We were able to cast some incredibly talented folks," said Hodges. "We had 540 submissions from actors all over, and ultimately cast only 13, plus two local youth. We have several familiar faces folks will remember from seasons past, as well. It's always exciting to see people play two different roles in a season, and this is no exception. In casting, we try to balance folks' roles so they get to explore different things in both shows, and showcase different sides of themselves."

ISF artists have the opportunity to stay on Whidbey Island for a fairly long time – there are a few weeks of rehearsals and two months of performances. Many artists stay with Whidbey residents over the course of their visit. The lure of performing classic theater in such a unique atmosphere helps draw artists' interest, according to Hodges.

"Our community and location [set us apart]," she said. "It's a beautiful place to spend a summer. Once our audiences start coming, our artists are always deeply impacted by the appreciation and gratitude our community shares with them. Also, our organization centers the experiences of our collaborators over the product of their work. While we all share a goal of making the best work we can, we know that work needs to be supported in order to thrive. We offer that support structurally and culturally. It's a little different than other theaters, but we're trying to be the change we want to see in our industry."



Michael Stadler Photo Courtesy of Island Shakespeare Festival

The Island Shakespeare Festival in Langley presents theater classics like this season's production of William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" much as they were presented when they were written. Pictured above are Jacq Babb as Mercutio and Kellan Oelkers as Romeo, with Donovan Mahannah (Benvolio) and Corin Boyd (Balthasar) in the background.

Tickets to ISF performances may be reserved, but there is always plenty of non-reserved seating available. All seats are pay-what-you-will, and this year the ISF website shares recommendations on donation amounts for those who are able to do so, in order to help the theater company remain sustainable into the future. Visit islandshakespearefest.org for a performance schedule, to reserve seats and to learn more.

"I hope audiences appreciate the accessibility and relevance of both productions [this season]," said Hodges. "I know folks will be surprised how contemporary 'Bold Stroke' feels – it could be a newly released rom-com. (I imagine the 'Barbie' movie will have some similar themes and commentary!) 'Romeo and Juliet' is the story we know and love, but I hope our approach feels cathartic and meaningful, and helps folks experience this well-known story anew."





Recipe of the Week

TRANSFORM BANANAS INTO A MOIST DESSERT

Bananas are a versatile fruit that can be eaten right off the bunch or utilized in a bevy of recipes. Despite being characterized as the first “superfood” endorsed by the American Medical Association in the early 20th century, bananas are avoided by some people. Some claim that bananas make people gain weight or develop constipation, but many medical organizations point to the nutritional benefits of bananas, which contain potassium, magnesium, vitamin B6, fiber, and manganese.

A banana’s flavor starts out as mildly sweet and gains more sweetness as it ripens. Very ripe bananas, or those that have brown speckled skins, don’t need to be discarded. They make perfect additions to baked goods, notably banana bread. Before tossing out brown bananas, consider this recipe for “Chocolate Chip Banana Bread” courtesy of Jenna Barnard and the Butternut Bakery Blog.

CHOCOLATE CHIP BANANA BREAD (One loaf)

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| 1 1/2 cups ripe and mashed banana (3 to 4 medium bananas), measured | 1/2 cup 2 percent Greek yogurt (sour cream also works) |
| 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar | 1 1/3 cups all-purpose flour |
| 1/2 cup granulated sugar | 1 teaspoon baking soda |
| 1/2 cup unsalted butter, melted | 1/2 teaspoon salt |
| 2 large eggs | 3/4 cup mini chocolate chips, plus a handful more for sprinkling on top |
| 1 teaspoon vanilla extract | |

Preheat your oven to 325°F and grease and line a 9x5 loaf pan with parchment paper.

In a bowl, whisk together the flour, baking soda and salt. Set aside.

In a separate bowl, mix together the melted butter and sugars until you reach a paste-like consistency. This may take some vigorous whisking for a minute or two. You can either use a whisk or an electric mixer with the paddle attachment.

Add in your mashed bananas followed by the eggs, yogurt and vanilla.

Once all of your wet ingredients are mixed together, fold in the dry ingredients. Then, fold in the chocolate chips.

Pour the batter into your prepared loaf pan and spread it evenly. Sprinkle extra chocolate chips on top if you like.

Bake for 1 hour to 1 hour 15 minutes, or until a toothpick comes out with a few moist crumbs. Let it cool completely before removing from the pan. Store at room temperature in an airtight container.

WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20

Things that have seemingly been holding you back should be reevaluated this week, Aries. You are looking elsewhere for solutions, when all you need to do is make a few tweaks.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, spend time reflecting on things this week, as you may have some difficult decisions to make in the near future. A close confidante can serve as a sounding board.

GEMINI – May 22/June 21

Gemini, now is the time to identify your priorities as they pertain to the job. Do you want a career and a company that you stick with? Or, are you satisfied with being a contract worker?

CANCER – June 22/July 22

Prepare for some stressful times ahead, Cancer. It is nothing you cannot survive, but it could throw a wrench in your plans for the time being. Reward yourself with some extra pampering.

LEO – July 23/Aug 23

Leo, you may have planned on staying to yourself, in order to knock things off of your to-do list. That simply will not pan out right now. Expect to be surrounded by people.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, others do not seem receptive to your way of doing things this week. You cannot please everyone, so figure out who you can work with and appeal to those people to get things done.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, you may have to take off the rose-colored glasses for a little while. Although it’s good to have a cheery outlook, a no-nonsense approach will serve you well in the days ahead.

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, you could be having doubts about your role in your workplace. Maybe the work isn’t stimulating or the responsibilities too great. If change is happening, do it soon.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21

Sagittarius, something from your past will come back to the surface in the days to come. Maybe it is an error you made or it could be an opportunity that you thought was lost.

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20

Think about adding more hobbies or recreational activities to your slate, Capricorn. All work and no play is not healthy for you right now. It’s time to find a greater balance in life.

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, the latest developments on the job have not been encouraging. You are tempted to cut back on your efforts, but you are worried about the implications of that.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20

People who followed you in the past may now confront you with a difference of opinion, Pisces. No need to worry as a healthy dialogue could help the relationship grow.

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of Windermere Whidbey Island, said organizers were able to build on the momentum from last year's inaugural event to help put this year's concert series together.

"I think attendance last year was awesome for a new event," she said. "It's always hard to get started, but I know lots of people have been chomping at the bit to see if we're doing it again, telling us what a great experience it was. We're already seeing the momentum building for this year – there are lots of likes and shares on Facebook – and we're just seeing way more excitement and attention surrounding it this year."

Stavros said she is also excited about the musical lineup for this year's series.

"Larry Mason (Oak Harbor Music Festival) was able to get just some kickass bands this year," she said. "Last year people seemed more excited about the bands that got them up out of their seats with music to dance to or tap a foot to, so getting that feedback helped create this year's lineup."

The Sounds of Summer Concert Series is, as noted, a collaborative effort between Windermere Whidbey Island and the Oak Harbor Music Festival. But Stavros said the community partnership goes even further. She said concert goers will likely have the opportunity to partake in dining opportunities this year, because the City of Oak Harbor has been able to open up applications to its new Food Trucks in the Park program.

"I give props to the city for this," she said. "We tried to push for food trucks last year, but the city hadn't worked out its system yet. The idea was there last year, but it was the city that got the wheels in motion and the necessary protocols in place."

In fact, according to a press release just issued by the City of Oak Harbor, the pilot food truck program has kicked off just in time for the concert series.



Photo Courtesy of Sounds of Summer Concert Series
The Sounds of Summer Concert Series, underway Aug. 2 at Windjammer Park in Oak Harbor with the group Heart by Heart, features free, live music Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

"Parks and Recreation staff reached out to food vendors to gauge interest in participating in a recurring food truck program," the press release states. "Several vendors indicated their preference would be a weekday event because weekends were booked for existing regional events."

"Additionally, staff scheduled the event on the same night as the Sounds of Summer Concert Series due to higher activity/attendance in the park during an existing event," the release continued. "The larger number of individuals in the park increases the number of patrons for food trucks."

The release states the Food Trucks in the Park program could potentially fall on a different day in the future, as city staff and food vendors work on establishing the right day and time to ensure the program's success.

Concert organizers said they have also worked to secure more parking for the mid-week event and are pleased they've added another community partner to help with that.

"We went and asked Pioneer Automotive Services whether we could use their lot for parking and they are opening it up. This is what we had hoped for," Stavros said. "A true, organic, community partnership. Nobody's trying to own this event because we all have important parts to play. Everybody is adding and contributing, and I hope that continues to grow."

"I love that this feels like a really layered reflection of what Windermere is all about," she continued. "We have the honor of working in such a special place. People are moving here in search of a different life. When they buy a home, they're buying the community as well, the area. We have the ability to offer something free to the community that is outdoors in this beautiful new space with top notch talent on display, bringing joy."

Stavros notes that with food trucks potentially on site, the Summer Concert Series offers people the opportunity to have an easy mid-week break from the usual grind.

"This is one of those things that doesn't have to take any effort," she encouraged. "The effort is further reduced with food trucks on site. You get done with a long day, maybe you haven't spent much time in this beautiful setting, this is a great opportunity. Even if music is not your thing, at least the ambiance is really lovely. Bring a friend who loves music. Take an elderly friend or a neighbor. If you know someone who really enjoys going to hear live music without any cost, maybe offer to drop them off and pick them up."

People are encouraged to bring their own chairs or blankets along or bring a picnic dinner. There will be popcorn and beverages for sale



Adventure Photography Photo Courtesy of Sounds of Summer Concert Series
The Olson Bros Band will appear Wednesday, Aug. 9 as part of the Sounds of Summer Concert Series, presented by Windermere Real Estate Whidbey Island and the Oak Harbor Music Festival. Concerts are free and begin at 6 p.m.

as well, from which proceeds benefit the Windermere Foundation and the Oak Harbor Music Festival. Concerts take place at Windjammer Park each Wednesday night at 6 p.m. through Aug. 23. Learn more at windmerewhidbeyisland.com.

"There are not too many things that can bring such variety of community together and connect them without even words," said Stavros. "There's so much stress in our lives these days, in the world. There can be a lot of energy spent on our differences and our inability to connect. Music tends to be that one really special thing that, without effort, connects us with our humanity and each other in a really simple way."



Photo Courtesy Sounds of Summer Concert Series
The Paperboys will perform at 6 p.m. Aug. 16 in Windjammer Park in Oak Harbor, part of the second annual Sounds of Summer Concert Series.

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After making a visual inspection of the area to determine the best course of action, the crew conducted a one-wheel landing on a mountain-side shoulder to insert two SAR team members with a litter.

While the SAR rescue team worked to secure the injured hiker, the SAR aviators conducted another in-flight visual inspection to scope out the landing area where an ambulance was waiting to transport the patient. Once the rescue team was ready for pickup, the aviators conducted a second approach to a hover over the injured hiker and hoisted both him and the team from the side of the mountain. The SAR crew then dropped the patient off with the ambulance crew shortly before 2:00AM and returned to base by 4:00AM.

Naval Air Station Whidbey Island SAR has conducted 23 missions this calendar year, which includes one MEDEVAC, four searches and 18 rescues.

The Navy SAR unit operates three MH-60S helicopters from NAS Whidbey Island as search and rescue/medical evacuation (SAR/MEDEVAC) platforms for the EA-18G aircraft as well as other squadrons and personnel assigned to the installation. Pursuant to the National SAR Plan of the United States, the unit may also be used for civil SAR/MEDEVAC needs to the fullest extent practicable on a non-interference basis with primary military duties according to applicable national directives, plans, guidelines and agreements; specifically, the unit may launch in response to tasking by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (based on a Washington State Memorandum of Understanding) for inland missions, and/or tasking by the United States Coast Guard for all other aeronautical and maritime regions, when other assets are unavailable.

[Submitted by Michael Welding, NAS Whidbey Island]

Bible Study Fellowship Classes Starting in September

Bible Study Fellowship (BSF) is a worldwide ministry that offers free, in-depth studies of God's Word for people of all ages. The mission of BSF is to help people discover their true purpose and identity by knowing God through His Word. Beginning the second week of September, BSF will resume with a study of John's Gospel The Truth. In-person daytime classes for women are offered in Oak Harbor and Freeland. In-person evening classes for men are offered in Oak Harbor and Anacortes. Online classes are available with a choice of a local group or with groups of people from many nations meeting together in an exclusively online environment in a language of your choice. For more information, or to register for a group, go to bsfinternational.org and click on the Find a Group button.

[Submitted by Donna Lewis]

Local Business News

New Elective (non-diagnostic) 3D/4D/5D Ultrasound Business on Whidbey Island Allows Expectant Mothers to Bond with their Babies
Island County Ultrasound provides a comfortable environment for mothers and their families

A new business quietly opened in downtown Coupeville in May that offers elective 3D/4D/5D baby ultrasounds to expectant mothers. Island County Ultrasound is the only organization on Whidbey Island to offer high definition color pictures and videos of babies in their mother's womb using the GE Voluson E10 - Expert Edition. With new image enhancement capabilities, Island County Ultrasound is also able to offer 8K Digitally Enhanced Ultrasound Pictures of an unborn baby by adding

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Life Tributes



Dianne A. Granade



Dianne Granade passed peacefully May 29, 2023 with her loving family by her side. Dianne was born Feb. 6, 1940 in Maryland and moved to Los Angeles soon after the end of World War II. Dianne graduated from Dorsey High School in the class of 1958.

Following high school, Dianne briefly attended UCLA however, life took her in a different direction. She married and had three children within a three-year span. After her first marriage ended, she met and married Jack Granade and the two settled down in Long Beach, Calif., to raise their family together.

One of Dianne's dreams was to become a registered nurse and she returned to college at the young age of 38 and graduated four years later with her ASN in nursing. In 1989 Jack and Dianne downsized and moved to Heritage Ranch, located at Lake Nacimiento, and Dianne started working at Atasadero State hospital where she retired in 1998.

Jack and Dianne moved to Oak Harbor in 2002 and enjoyed a full life with many friends and a wonderful church.

Visitation was held June 5 at Wallin-Stucky Funeral Home. The family would like to thank those who visited and offered their condolences.

Stephen Charles Dalbey



Stephen Charles Dalbey, born Feb. 27, 1944, peacefully passed away in the early dawn of June 24, 2023. Born in Iowa, he spent most of his childhood in Wisconsin before embarking on a journey that would shape the course of his life.

After joining the Army and serving time in Germany, Steve decided to make the Seattle area his adult home. Eager to find employment, he approached an autobody shop and convinced them to train him, marking the beginning of a remarkable career. Frank, the owner, vividly recalls how Steve's persistence and unwavering determination caught his attention. Impressed by his

tenacity and passion for learning the trade, Frank not only hired him but also became a lifelong friend.

Steve and Frank shared an unbreakable bond, strengthened by their shared experiences and mutual respect. Their friendship extended beyond the workplace, as Steve asked Frank to officiate his wedding to the love of his life, Chandler. The significance of this gesture speaks volumes about the deep connections Steve fostered with those around him.

Steve had a deep passion for cars and Harley-Davidson motorcycles, which played a significant role in his life. He amassed a vast collection of both throughout the years and cherished every moment spent with them. If there was a car show nearby, he was there. It was a heartbreaking moment when he had to part with his last motorcycle due to his failing eyesight. However, the memories created while riding on the open road with friends and loved ones would forever hold a special place in his heart.

His daughter Denise holds dear the memories of riding on the back of her father's motorcycle from a very young age. Those rides created bonds and experiences that will remain with her for a lifetime. In his later years, it was a common sight to see Steve and Chandler embarking on motorcycle rides together, both adorned in leather chaps and Harley jackets, enjoying the freedom and thrill of the open road.

Another great love of Steve's was music, particularly Motown and soul. Sundays were sacred to him as he happily settled into his recliner, with music playing loudly throughout the house. His fingers and toes would tap along to the rhythm, and his face would light up with joy. The power of music had a profound impact on his life, providing comfort and happiness.

After many years in Seattle, Steve moved with his family to beautiful Whidbey Island, where he could be surrounded by water and indulge in his love for fishing. He became a volunteer firefighter with Bayview Station, forging deep and lasting friendships. Additionally, he accepted a position with Boeing in Everett, where he dedicated the better part of seven years. Following that, he and Chandler purchased properties in Arizona, which provided him with the opportunity to ride through the desert sun. However, Whidbey Island always held a special place in his heart, and they would always return to the island that had captured their love.

Steve leaves behind his wife of 43 years, Chandler, daughters Denise and Adrienne, grandchildren Gedeon, Olivia, and Damon, and two terrific sons-in-law, Andrew and Mark, along with many nieces and nephews. He also leaves behind amazing and supportive friends.

As a family, we would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to Paul and Penny, whose unwavering dedication and support helped us navigate these difficult times. We are also grateful to Frank and Kathy in Lake Havasu, Ariz., for their love and support over the years, and to Audrey (his adoptive sister) for spending countless hours over the phone while watching football together, particularly during Packers vs. Seahawks games.

"They broke the mold when they made that man."

Until we meet again, enjoy the ride! You will always stay in our hearts and minds.

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

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another layer of realism to 5D Ultrasound Images captured during an Island County Ultrasound appointment.

"I am so excited to bring this service that allows mothers and their families - including siblings, grandparents and friends - to bond with the baby before it is born," says Kulvinder Kaur (RDMS, RVT, known by many as KK).

"As a professional sonographer, I have conducted diagnostic ultrasounds on mothers for many years, and I understand that mothers often want to know the gender of their baby or need the reassurance that comes from confirming the baby's heartbeat and seeing its movements in utero."

KK says that as 3D/4D/5D ultrasound technology continues to evolve, parents are able to get an almost accurate picture of what their baby looks like as well. "Seeing detailed images and a three-dimensional view of the baby's face, body, and movements can create a stronger emotional connection between a mother and her unborn child," she said.

Island County Ultrasound is located at 902 NE Center St in downtown Coupeville. KK's goal is to provide a unique and memorable experience for mothers and up to six guests at her ultrasound studio which overlooks Penn Cove. Appointments can be scheduled online (www.islandcountyultrasound.com/book-online) between 8:00AM and 2:00PM, Monday to Friday, and some Saturdays (varies - shown while booking).

Providing ultrasound services to mothers is not KK's only mission. "For many years, I have longed to help others find their

passion through educational opportunities. That is why I am offering Ultrasound Workshops to youth who are interested in exploring this field as a career- especially on our Whidbey Island." She added, "We sonographers are burnt out" there is a huge shortage of sonographers in Washington state and beyond.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the job outlook for sonographers is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2031.

KK said the workshops give students the opportunity to explore whether sonography is really the right career for them before they invest financially and emotionally. "It is not uncommon for students to realize that they don't enjoy key aspects of the profession once they get to the scanning lab."

Island County Ultrasound offers two-hour hands-on Ultrasound workshops to pairs of youth on selected Saturdays. Four scholarships are available per year. Get more information at www.islandcountyultrasound.com/workshops.

Island County Ultrasound offers a range of products and services:

2D and 3d/4D/5D ultrasound sessions
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For more information, visit www.islandcountyultrasound.com or call 360-720-4463.

Fundraiser Dinner

The Brandon Graham Foundation's mission is to bring mental health wellness programs, anti-bullying strategies, and suicide prevention strategies to the youth in our communities.

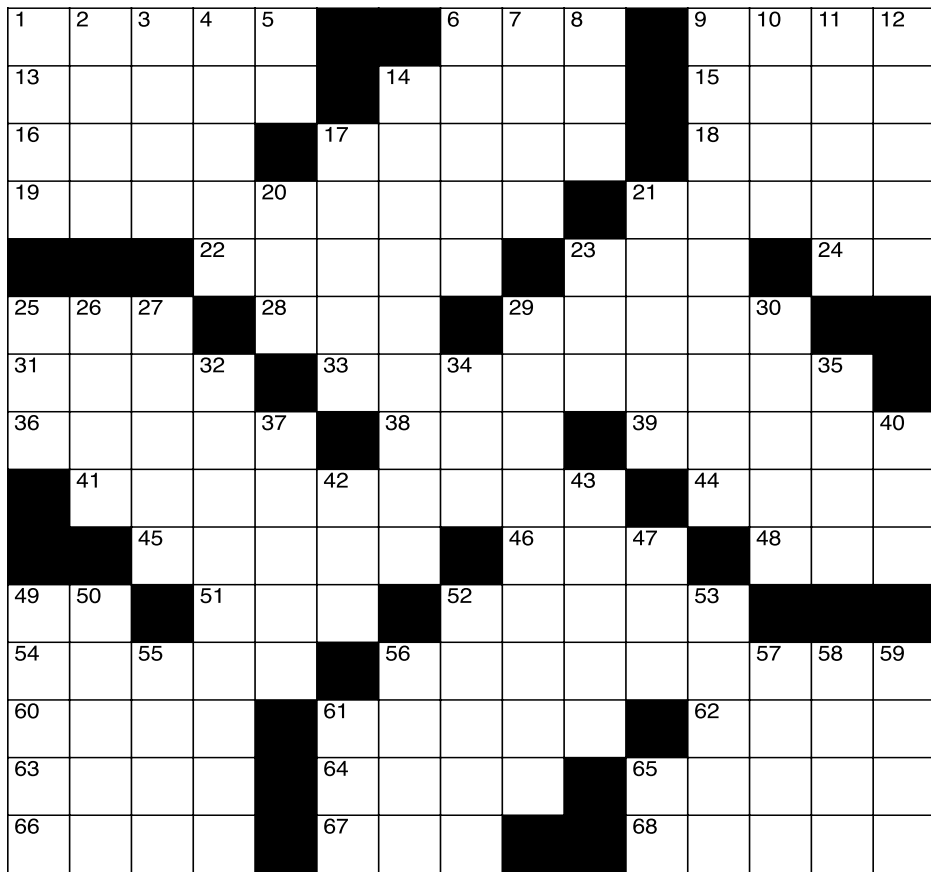
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Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

1. Russian painter
6. Very fast jet
9. Phillipine municipality
13. Intestinal
14. Small freshwater fish
15. Algerian coastal city
16. Vomit
17. Famed astronomer
18. Ghanaian currency
19. Improved the condition of
21. Int'l association of interpreters
22. Infections
23. Dish made with lentils
24. Thou
25. Former CIA
28. Unit used to compare power levels
29. Members of Pueblo people
31. Myanmar monetary units
33. Polished
36. Signed a contract
38. Nothing
39. Once-ubiquitous department store
41. Neural structures
44. Thick piece of something
45. Slang for trucks with trailers
46. Longing
48. Senior officer
49. Levels of frequency

CLUES DOWN

51. Bird's beak
52. Move rapidly downwards
54. Koran chapters
56. Stretches out
60. Top of the human body
61. A Chinese temple and Indian town are two
62. Fertility god
63. Sea eagle
64. Dry
65. Zodiac sign
66. "Horizon Call of the Mountain" character
67. Have the ability to
68. Take somewhere

21. Richly decorated cloth tapestry
23. Vito Corleone was one
25. Igbo musical instrument
26. Put in harmony
27. Japanese alcoholic drinks
29. Tinseltown
30. Closes tightly
32. Songs sung to one's lover
34. One thousandth of an inch
35. Small drink of whiskey
37. Political divisions in ancient Greece
40. Helps little firms
42. Baby's eating accessory
43. Very long periods of time
47. Small block of wood
49. Town in Surrey, England
50. Enquiry
52. Murdered
53. Bura-__: Chadic language
55. Crater on Mars
56. Mammal genus
57. Sock
58. Make
59. Stony waste matter
61. Partner to cheese
65. Pound

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, August 3 North Isle H-67°/L-54° Mostly Sunny	Fri, August 4 North Isle H-69°/L-55° Partly Sunny	Sat, August 5 North Isle H-69°/L-54° Mostly Sunny	Sun, August 6 North Isle H-69°/L-57° Partly Sunny	Mon, August 7 North Isle H-70°/L-57° Partly Sunny	Tues, August 8 North Isle H-72°/L-58° Cloudy	Wed, August 9 North Isle H-74°/L-59° Mostly Sunny
South Isle H-75°/L-55° Sunny and Pleasant	South Isle H-73°/L-55° Mostly Sunny	South Isle H-75°/L-57° Mostly Sunny	South Isle H-74°/L-55° Mostly Sunny Patchy Clouds	South Isle H-74°/L-57° Mostly Sunny	South Isle H-77°/L-69° Partly Sunny	South Isle H-78°/L-62° Mostly Sunny



OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

Where is the most interesting place you have ever been, and why?



Mary Stewart, Oak Harbor

I visited Tibet many years ago and found it to be fascinating. The landscape was so different from what I had seen before. The highlights of Lhasa City were visiting the Portola, wandering around the city streets, and having the opportunity to try on their traditional clothing. Our group took a five-hour bus ride to Shigatse, Tibet's second largest city. Along the way, we enjoyed seeing the colorful prayer flags that adorn homes. We stopped midway and had lunch at a small local cafe that sat isolated along the highway. It was one of the best meals that I have ever had.

Steve Moore, Oak Harbor

The most interesting place I have ever seen is Gettysburg National Museum. I was so mesmerized by the artifacts such as artillery shells, bullets, guns, cannons and the sites of the biggest battles in the civil war.

I traveled there with my wife, Becky. She had been there a year before with her best friend and was so excited to share it with me. I was so impressed that I said let's go now. I was not disappointed.



Chrissy Kitchell, Oak Harbor

My most interesting place to visit was the Pearl Harbor Memorial. My uncle was on the USS Arizona when it was bombed, so it holds a special place in my heart. I wasn't born until almost 30 years after, but it gave me goosebumps nonetheless. From the short film at the beginning of the tour to the boat ride out to the site, everything was beautiful. I was touched to present and be able to place my lei in the water.

Karen Tarrant, Oak Harbor

June 15, 1991, I was in the Philippines when Mt. Pinatubo erupted. Ashes up to my knees, dark skies and the sounds of cracking rooftops and loud sirens is what I recall. Being caught in the middle of a natural disaster in another country is quite interesting!



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Community Bulletin Board

To place an ad, email classifieds@whidbeyweekly.com

GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

The cousins and friends are having another yard sale at the log cabin (2774 Laurel Lane, off Crescent Harbor, Oak Harbor)! Friday, Aug. 4 and Saturday, Aug. 5, 9am-3pm. Four households involved! Some of the offerings are: 1940s oak office desk, succulents in vintage pottery, new-in-boxes appliances, sewing items, wooden ironing board, Christmas craft supplies, quirky books, artist's easel, local-made iron yard art, old bottles, 31-inch flatscreen TV (good for shop or man cave) and much more. We hope to see you again.

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.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteer for Island Shakespeare Festival! Many hands help keep the island's only outdoor classical summer theater going and growing! Can you help? There are many opportunities throughout the year to join the ISF family as a volunteer. These opportunities are a great way to get acquainted with the organization. • Distribute Ad Packets and Posters for our Summer Season • Production: Help set up Henry the Tent/Help with scenic painting, props, or costumes • Front of House: Usher, gate, greeter, sell snacks • House an Artist: Actors/Designers need free housing June-

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Sept./Or partial summer • Loan a Vehicle: Actors are housed on various areas of the island and need loaner cars; can you help? • Work at the Bard's Boutique: This fun and easy volunteer job is at the Bayview Cash Store and requires only a few hours per week. • Become a Board Member: Development/Outreach/Special Skills. Please contact Angelica, angelica.metcalfe@islandshake-spearefest.org, if interested in volunteering.
 The Island County Medical Reserve Corps (ICMRC) is a local network of volunteers organized to improve the health and safety of communities on Whidbey and Camano Islands. Volunteers primarily include medical and public health professionals but other volunteers who have no healthcare backgrounds are also utilized. MRC responds to local emergencies such as natural disasters and public health emergencies. If you are interested in volunteering please contact us at Island County MRC website for application and information.

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

JOB MARKET

Now Hiring: Cook at Island County Jail, Coupeville, Wash. Full-time position, requires work on some week-ends and holidays. Hours are 4:30am-5:30pm, varying days. \$18/hr. paid weekly plus benefits. Apply directly at <https://summitfoodservice.com/careers/> or send resumes to megan.berlin@summitfoodservice.com (2)
 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. (1)
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- ✓ FREE Transmission & Fill
- ✓ FREE Power Steering & Fill
- ✓ FREE Brake Fluid & Fill
- ✓ FREE Differential & Fill
- ✓ FREE Transfer Case & Fill
- ✓ FREE Windshield Washer Fluid & Fill
- ✓ FREE Battery Fluid & Fill

- ✓ NEW Oil & Oil Filter
- ✓ LUBE Chassis
- ✓ INFLATE Tires
- ✓ VACUUM Interior
- ✓ WASH Front & Rear Windows

- ✓ Wiper Blade
- ✓ Air Filter
- ✓ Belts & Hoses
- ✓ Headlights & Signal Lights

\$1*

Per gallon
of Unleaded
Limited Time Only
* Ask for details

Flat Rate Auto Repair only \$89⁹⁵ per hour

always

FREE ESTIMATES!

At Hilltop Service Center we only repair and replace parts that are needed. We will not oversell or install unnecessary parts. We are highly trained brake technicians, not high pressure sales people.

Most cars up to 5 qts. 5W20, 5W30, 10W30. Other grades extra. Some filters cost extra. Vehicles with Skid Plates may be extra. Plus \$1 Environmental Disposal Fee.

Diagnostic Scope & Scan

\$89⁹⁵

- Retrieving Codes
- Reset Check Engine Light
- Up to 1 Hour Diagnostic
- 12 month/12,000 mile warranty

Safety Inspection

Labor Includes

- Scope & Scan (Retrieving Codes, Reset Check Engine Light)
- Brake Inspection
- Tire Rotation
- Inspect Belts & Hoses
- Inspect Exhaust System
- Check Charging System
- Test Ignition Cables
- Tire Rotation & Balance
- Inspect Suspension
- Check all Fluids
- Test Anti-Freeze

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Radiator Flush & Fill

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Flushes Radiator, Engine Block, Heater Core & Hoses to -35° below.

Brake Flush \$89.95, Clutch Flush \$89.95, Power Steering Flush \$89.95, Front Diff Flush \$89.95, Rear Diff Flush \$89.95, Transmission Flush \$89.95, Transfer Case Flush \$89.95, Final Drive Flush \$89.95 Manual Transmission Flush 89.95

Computerized TUNE-UP Special

\$79⁹⁵*
4 cyl

\$89⁹⁵*
6 cyl

\$99⁹⁵*
8 cyl

- Check Compression
- Clean/Replace Spark Plugs & Air Cleaner
- Inspect/Replace Distributor Cap & Rotor
- Check Charging System
- Inspect Ignition Cables
- Scope & Scan
- Adjust Timing & Idle Speed
- Safety & Brake Inspection

*Plus Parts

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2-Wheel Front Brake Reline or 2-Wheel Rear Brake Reline starting at **\$119⁹⁵**

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- Machine Drums
- Rebuild Wheel Cylinders
- Adjust Parking Brake
- Bleed & Adjust System
- Road Test Vehicle
- 3 Year or 26,000 mile Warranty

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- Install Raybestos Disc Pads
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- Clean-Lube Sleeve & Bushings
- New Seals
- Bleed & Adjust System
- Road Test Vehicle
- 3 Year or 26,000 mile Warranty

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