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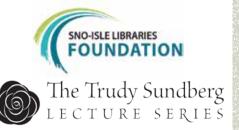














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#### St. Patrick's Day shenanigans planned this weekend

**By Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

Green is the preferred color this weekend, as Whidbey Island celebrates St. Patrick's Day in style, with a parade, music, food and some shenanigans to boot.

The annual St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in Oak Harbor. The event was started by the Whidbey Island Irish Wildlife Society and has kept going strong, although the group did seek some planning and logistical help this year.

"The Whidbey Irish Wildlife Society has been doing a great job with the parade for 51 years now. I just felt that we needed Oak Harbor Main Steet Association and Oak Harbor Chamber support and sponsorship as well," said Teresa Besaw, an Irish Wildlife Society member and marketing coordinator for OHMSA. "Last November OHMSA and the Oak Harbor Chamber worked together to bring the Veterans Day parade back to downtown Oak Harbor...so I asked them to help me and the Whidbey Irish Wildlife Society on the St. Patrick's Day parade. They already have a lot of the contacts needed to pull off a successful parade."

"From our perspective, we decided to support Oak Harbor Main Street with the St. Patrick's Day Parade for a few reasons," said Cheryl Grehan, events and logistics manager for the Oak Harbor Chamber. "Several of our members are also members of the Main Street Association and supporting our members is priority. The chamber feels more people collaborating to produce an event gets better results and lightens the load for all involved. Working with another association that knows what they are doing is beneficial to us as we glean from their experience. Aligning with our tagline of 'Connecting Community', it creates a meaningful connection between two entities dedicated to supporting local businesses."

The grand marshals for the parade this year will be the Carrothers family, in memory of Sandi Carrothers, a longtime volunteer for many events and organizations in the Oak Harbor community, explained Besaw.

"She was a member of the Whidbey Irish Wildlife Society and a pub crawl organizer," she



Teresa Besaw Photos Courtesy of Oak Harbor Main Street Association In honor of St. Patrick, Rich Mueller of Oak Harbor, shown at right, and others my be spotted in his finery at the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade in Oak Harbor. This year's parade will be Saturday at 1 p.m., rain or shine.



Teresa Besaw Photo Courtesy of Oak Harbor Main Street Association

Get ready for an untraditional parade of fun as the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade marches through downtown Oak Harbor Saturday at 1 p.m. The event has been going strong for decades and anyone can participate by donning their best green attire and just having a good time.

fun, well known lady about town."

The St. Patrick's Day parade in Oak Harbor is truly like no other organized parade in the city. It's free to participate, you don't have to be Irish (because EVERYONE is Irish on St. Patrick's Day, right?) and it's just meant to be a fun time for all.

"This parade is free, it's fun, and anyone can be in it," said Besaw, adding political entries are not allowed in this event. "It's all about having fun and celebrating the Irish heritage of Oak Harbor and Whidbey Island. For participants, I think they have a good time and it's a fun way to get out there and see the community. As for the spectators, who doesn't love wearing green and being Irish for a day?"

Margaret Livermore, OHMSA executive director, said the expression "the more, the merrier," summarizes the overall planning philosophy surrounding the St. Patrick's Day parade.

She was pleased to point out at least 30 different groups, organizations or businesses have signed up to take part, rain or shine.

The light-hearted event is also a great way to kick off a weekend full of St. Patrick's Day-themed activities.

"Participating merchants in historic downtown will be offering specials and/or discounts," said Livermore. "There is a pub crawl as well and other restaurants will be serving corned beef and cabbage."

People are encouraged to stick around downtown Oak Harbor and to wear green for discounts, specials and treats all weekend long at participating merchants. Or consider stopping by Oak Harbor's own Blarney Stone.

"In the early morning hours, leprechauns appear and they wash the Blarney Stone with Guiness and then they leave shamrock prints and potatoes Irish flags about Oak Harbor," described Besaw of some of the St. Paddy shenanigans expected. "After the parade, we will gather at the Blarney Stone (currently at Windjammer Park) and have a benediction and kissing of the Blarney Stone."

For those who work up an appetite watching or participating in the parade, or visiting the Blarney Stone, the Ladies Auxiliary of the George Morris Post of the American Legion will be offering its traditional St. Patrick's Day feast immediately following the parade, beginning at 2 p.m., at 690 SE Barrington Ave. The menu includes corned beef and cabbage. The cost is \$15 for adults and children 12 and under are \$7

Starting at 3 p.m. Saturday, the St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl begins at the Oak Harbor Café/Lava Louie's. Nine different restaurants/bars will be participating in the crawl this year, offering food and drink specials, trivia and prizes. There is no cost to attend the crawl, but participants must purchase their own food and drink. The plan is to spend 30 minutes at each of the participating locations. Pub Crawl participants should secure a designated driver or taxi.

All in all, St. Patrick's Day weekend should shape up to be pure fun, whether you're rish or not.

"It's just a fun time," said Grehan. "It is the day that everyone is Irish, according to the Irish Wildlife Society."

"Dress up and celebrate the Irish," Livermore encouraged. "You do not need to be Irish to be in the parade or to have fun dressing up in green and celebrating.

"It is a lot of work to put a parade together, but I enjoy the outcome and seeing everyone coming together to celebrate," she continued. "Smiles all around."

Learn more at oakharbormainstreet.org or to learn more about the Whidbey Island Irish Wildlife Society, go to facebook.com/ IrishWildlifeSociety.

#### Clinton egg hunt changing venue this year

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Easter is coming early this year, on March 31, and that means certain bunny trails are getting set for special egg-stravaganzas all over Whidbey Island. While most of the traditional egg hunts can be found in their usual places, the Clinton Easter Egg Hunt is moving – and growing!

The Clinton Chamber of Commerce, which puts the annual event together, will hold the egg hunt Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Thirsty Crab Brewery and Event Space at 9000 SR 525. This marks a change from previous events, which were held at Dan Porter Park.

Emily Switzer, Clinton Chamber's executive director and board president, said they decided it was the right time to change things up.

"As traditional as it has been for many years and the community relies on it, we just feel like it's time for a change," she said in an email to Whidbey Weekly. "At the end of the day, Clinton is progressing and a rebrand of the Easter Egg Hunt is a step in a new direction."

The Clinton Chamber has run the event for the past several years, and board members felt the organization could use it to help not only showcase more members, but get them involved in the fun.

"If it's going to continue to be managed by the Chamber, it should benefit its members," said Switzer. "That is what a chamber does, it supports and promotes local businesses; hence the reason to move it to a local business with tons of other business involvement. This is a chance to show the community that the Clinton Chamber is operational and we are looking forward to many more events promoting our community."

The egg hunt will still have what south Whidbey families look forward to, Switzer said, and will offer more fun activities to boot.

"We will have thousands of eggs, hundreds of prizes, photos with the Easter bunny, Scally Wagon food truck for breakfast, and Build a Braut [will] open early for lunch. There will be a live DJ, craft stations for kids, farm and pet rescues will be there with animals, and an onsite custom printing station where people can customize a shirt with a special choice image."

For those who are used to taking part in the annual Dan Porter Park cleanup which typically happens before the egg hunt, the change of location for the egg hunt will not interfere with the annual cleanup.









Photo Courtesy of Clinton Chamber of Commerce

The Easter bunny is getting ready for his biggest day of the year which includes the annual egg hunt in Clinton! The traditional hunt will be in a new location this year, at the Thirsty Crab Brewery and Event Space from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 30.

"As a community service, many committees and volunteers, including myself, clean the park weeks prior to hosting the event," Switzer said. "Many are under the impression that by changing the venue the park won't get cleaned, and that just isn't true. We still plan to pick up the park. The fact this simple cleanup also benefits springtime visitors and little league baseball, is a must."

Find out more at discoverclintonwa.com.

#### The Bunny Trail Continues...

That rascally Easter rabbit will be making appearances all over Whidbey Island, as one might expect. Here are a few of the public egg hunts happening that weekend. Whidbey Weekly will highlight these events in our calendar, so if you have a public event you'd like included, please submit it to news@ whidbeyweekly.com no later than Thursday, March 21, to be included in our March 28 issue.



The 29th Annual Easter Scramble in Coupeville will be held Saturday, March 30, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Pre-registration is required by Tuesday, March 26, to participate in this event, which is put on by the Coupeville Soroptimists Club.

The club has conducted this annual Easter Egg hunt for kids in the community for nearly 30 years. Participants will be given clues to destinations on Front Street and scramble to collect eggs, clues and candy. Each child receives a bag of candy when they have visited all the bunny stops. The community donates prizes as well and all proceeds benefit local women and girls through the Soroptimists Club. A suggested donation of \$5 is

encouraged. The event begins on Front Street, next to the Island County Historical Museum. For questions on how to register, email Erin at seduffy1992@gmail.com.



Oak Harbor Main Street will host its annual **Egg** Hunt at Smith Park Saturday, March 30. A sensory-friendly hunt for children ages 1 to 10 will begin at 11:30 a.m. At 12:30 p.m., additional hunts get underway for children by age group: 1-3 years, 4-6 years and 7-10. Participants can find more than just candy – get a lucky coin and win a prize. There will also be Garry Oak Tree education and other activities going on. Organizers say the eggs go quickly, so be sure to arrive before the starting time.



Hop down to Meerkerk Gardens for its annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, March 30. There will be two different hunts, one at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m. for children ages 10 and under. Children up to age 5 will have their own hunt at the area near the Gazebo, while children ages 6 to 10 will have a separate egg-hunting space nearby. Participants can meet the Meerkerk bunny and everyone can enjoy the gardens, which are heading into peak bloom season. Cost to participate is \$10 per person. Tickets may be purchased online at Meerkerkgardens. org/events.





Photo Courtesy of Clinton Chamber of Commerce The annual Clinton Egg Hunt, put on by the Clinton Chamber of Commerce, will feature hundreds of eggs and lots of other activities.



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#### Whidbey Island Music Festival Presents "The Deer's Cry: Songs of the Celtic Saints"

Whidbey Island Music Festival invites you to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with a unique and enchanting musical experience, "The Deer's Cry: Songs of the Celtic Saints." This family-friendly concert will take place Saturday at 3 p.m., at St. Augustine's in-the-Woods, 5217 S Honeymoon Bay Rd, Freeland.



Drawing inspiration from an ancient Irish legend, "The Deer's Cry" takes audiences on a captivating and toe-tapping journey through the mystical world of Celtic saints. According to the legend, St. Patrick recited a prayer of protection while traveling through a Druid chieftain's territory, causing his men to appear as a herd of red deer, allowing them to pass safely. This prayer, known as "The Deer's Cry" or "St. Patrick's Breastplate," has become a cherished part of Irish folklore.

Featuring a talented trio of musicians – Natalie Ingrisano (soprano), Brandon Vance (fiddle), and Henry Lebedinsky (guitar and piano) – the concert promises to captivate audiences with a diverse repertoire of traditional Irish music. From the mystical hymns attributed to St. Patrick and St. Columba, to the enchanting ode to St. Brigid, and the lively jigs and reels, this performance will transport you to the heart of Celtic spirituality and culture.

"We are thrilled to present this unique and entertaining concert to our community," said Tekla Cunningham, director and founder of Whidbey Island Music Festival. "It's a wonderful opportunity to immerse ourselves in the rich heritage of Celtic music and celebrate the enduring legacy of the Celtic saints."

Tickets for "The Deer's Cry: Songs of the Celtic Saints" are available now. General admission is \$30, and students can enjoy the performance free of charge. Don't miss this extraordinary celebration of Irish culture and spirituality.

For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit ww.whidbeyislandmusicfestival.org

[Submitted by Whidbey Island Music Festival]

#### Documentary series explores inventive ways to combat climate change

Finding a unique way to combat climate change is at the heart of a four-part documentary series, "Roots So Deep (you can see the devil down there)," screening at the Whidbey Island Center for the Arts (WICA) March 26 and 27. Directed by Peter Byck, the series tells the stories of "inventive farmers and maverick scientists" who are rethinking how cattle graze in an effort to solve climate change.

The series follows Byck as he connects with farmers and scientists to explore how lessons learned from "the way bison once roamed the land [can] help get farmers out of debt, restore our depleted soils, rebuild wildlife habitat and draw down huge amounts of carbon."

Shown in partnership with Whidbey Island's Organic Farm School (OFS), the first two films of the series will be shown on March 26, followed by the second two films on March 27. Programming on both days will begin at 6 p.m. and both the filmmaker, Peter Byck, and producer/supporter and award-winning director and actor, Peter Horton, will be onsite for the showings.

"WICA's mission in the community is to bring people together to share in impactful experiences like this one and to deepen our understanding of our humanity and sense of belonging," says WICA Executive Artistic Director Deana Duncan. "We've been so fortunate to be able to partner with the Organic Farm School for this event and to really focus on important conversations that redefine what it means to be responsible environmental stewards and global citizens today."

For OFS Executive Director Judy Feldman, this screening is only the start of "a conversation about food, community, and climate" that she hopes will last beyond

"It's a great way for our community to see something meaningful happening on the island, and then to see that what's happening here is also happening in other locations across the country," she says. "In this instance, the OFS is doing great work with the Whidbey community, and yet we are working on just one small piece of a very big effort. Regenerative agriculture doesn't look the same everywhere, and yet there does seem to be a common denominator of communities reconnecting to the importance and value of soil health. This kind of programming brings attention to simultaneously diverse and common experiences."

The first two films of the series, "Mavericks and Meadowlarks," and "Losing is Winning," will be shown Tuesday, March 26. The final two films, "Change is Hard," and "One Lane Road Ahead," will be shown the following evening, Wednesday, March 27. The screenings begin at 6 p.m. both evenings.

Tickets are now on sale for the screenings with WICA Star and Standard pricing available as well as free admission for youth under 18 years of age. The screenings will also offer a Pay What You Wish opportunity for all shows. Visit wicaonline.org for information and tickets.

[Submitted by Whidbey Island Music]

#### Celebrate Bach's birthday with film screening of "Living Bach"

Whidbey Island Music Festival invites the community to join in the celebration of Johann Sebastian Bach's birthday Thursday, March 21 with a special screening of the inspiring film, "Living Bach," at Oak Harbor Cinemas and Langley's historic Clyde



Theater. This event will also serve as a celebratory announcement for the festival's highly anticipated 2024 summer season.

"We are thrilled to mark Bach's birthday with this extraordinary film that beautifully captures the power of music to connect people across continents," said Tekla Cunningham, founder and director of Whidbey Island Music Festival. "'Living Bach' takes viewers on a global journey, exploring how Bach's timeless compositions have touched the lives of amateur musicians from diverse backgrounds, united by their shared passion for his work."

The matinee screening will take place at 1:30 p.m. at Oak Harbor Cinemas, while the evening showing is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Clyde Theater in Langley. Both screenings will be followed by a special announcement revealing the exciting lineup for the festival's 2024 summer season.

Directed by Anna Schmidt, "Living Bach" follows the journey of amateur musicians from six continents as they prepare for the largest gathering of the global Johann Sebastian Bach family in Leipzig, Germany. From Japan and Malaysia to Australia, South Africa, Paraguay, the USA, and Switzerland, the film showcases the universal appeal of Bach's music and its ability to transcend cultural boundaries, bringing people together in a shared celebration of artistic expression.

"Living Bach" has received critical acclaim for its stunning visuals and its exploration of the transformative power of music. The film offers a unique opportunity to experience Bach's legacy through the eyes and voices of those whose lives have been profoundly impacted by his compositions.

Tickets for the "Living Bach" screenings and the 2024 summer season announcement will be available soon. For more information and to stay updated, please visit the Whidbey Island Music Festival website at www.whidbeyislandmusicfestival.org.

[Submitted by Whidbey Island Music Festival]

#### Celebrate St. Paddy's Day with the Shifty Sailors

St. Patrick's Day on Whidbey Island just isn't St. Patrick's Day without the island's own Shifty Sailors.

The group's 17th annual St. Paddy's Bash will be held Sunday from 5:30 to 8 p.m. at the Rec Hall in Coupeville. Cost to attend is \$45 per person and includes an Irish



dinner and two beverage tickets, redeemable for beer, wine or cider. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by the Shifty Sailors and Eclectically Celtic.

The Shifty Sailors have been singing shanties and songs of the sea for over 30 years. They started entertaining at Coupeville's Island County Historical Museum in 1993 and have continued performing their engaging, crowd-pleasing style of music at festivals in Coupeville, Langley, Anacortes and Port Townsend. They have done concerts on the New England coast as well as the U. S. west coast and Vancouver Island. They have also toured Europe four times.

To date, the Shifty Sailors have recorded six CDs. For more information, please see their website at shiftysailors.net. For tickets to the St. Paddy's Bash, go to brownpapertickets. com/EVENT/5718760. Tickets may also be purchased by cash or check at bayleaf in Coupeville.

[Submitted by Jim Lightner, Shifty Sailors]

#### St. Patrick's Day specials this weekend at Pacific Northwest **Naval Air Museum**

The Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum is offering special admission pricing in celebration of St. Patrick's Day weekend.

Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m., admission to the museum will be two for the price of one.

See the museum's tiny T-2 airplane in the St. Patrick's Day Parade Saturday afternoon, get the special admission price and follow it up by participating in the museum's artifact scavenger hunt! Those who complete the scavenger hunt successfully will receive a \$20 credit at the museum store.

The museum is a great place to experience some great family activity, learn more about our Whidbey Island heritage and museum exhibits and try winning the scavenger hunt

The Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum is located at 270 SE Pioneer Way in Oak

[Submitted by Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum]

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#### Monday, Feb. 19 11:10 am, SE Jensen St.

Reporting party advising that male walked through yard and when reporting party asked him to get off property, male started

#### 12:25 pm, NE Goldie St.

Caller advising someone broke into RV sometime in mid-January; multiple RVs broken into.

#### 12:26 pm, SW Barlow St.

Report of male subject behind the building; has a guitar and a backpack; no weapons seen.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 20 4:32 am, SE 4th Ave.

Reporting party advising she has hallucinations; doesn't need medical attention, but the things she sees seem real to her at times and keep her awake.

#### Wednesday, Feb. 21 10:05 am, NE Izett St.

Caller advising of a raccoon in gated area being a raccoon.

#### 10:25 am, SW Bayshore Dr.

Reporting party advising she is not speeding and needs to not be pulled over; in a Tesla; is rambling.

#### 12:12 pm, SR 20

Reporting party advising someone is "taking up residence" at their dumpster; leaves stuff there and they have asked him to leave and remove his belongings.

#### 1:02 pm, SE Pioneer Way

Party requesting call; has additional information referencing a suspicious subject reported last week.

#### 5:58 pm, SE 6th Ave.

Reporting party advising people were in his back yard and advised that he chased them off and was following them.

#### 7:41 pm, NE Ellis Way

Advising of a group of vehicles gathering after dark in Koetje Park. No description available.

#### 9 pm, NE Izett St.

Reporting party advising a young black male is calling her and telling her that he's lonely; sending her photos.

#### 10:43 pm, NW Crosby Ave.

Reporting party advising neighbor's dogs are barking all the time.

#### 11:46 pm, SW Erie St.

Reporting party advising she is outside of location with several items; advising she is in bad health and needing to get home; clarified she does not need medical attention.

#### Thursday, Feb. 22 8:40 am, Mobius Loop

Advising police were at location last night; wanting to know why.

#### 11:10 am, SE Neil St.

Report of barking dog; constant issue; barks all day long.

#### 12:17 pm, E Whidbey Ave.

Advising of male in a wheelchair; legs out in the road; caregiver is sitting on sidewalk on the phone.

#### 4:26 pm, NE Midway Blvd.

Guy is standing outside; tattered black clothes; scruffy.

#### 9:44 pm, SR 20

Reporting party advising there is a suspicious RV in the parking lot; advising the vehicle is parked in the middle of the lot.

#### Friday, Feb. 23 1:55 pm, SW Vista Park Dr.

Caller talking about issue with phone/ Facebook; possibly account hacked?

#### 3:48 pm, SE Pioneer Way

Reporting party's wife thinks there is a theft ring being run in their shop.

#### 5:57 pm, NE Kettle St.

Caller advising they lost their wallet while riding bike around town today.

#### Saturday, Feb. 24 5:18 pm, SR 20

Advising female is refusing to "back off" the reporting party.

Report provided by OHPD

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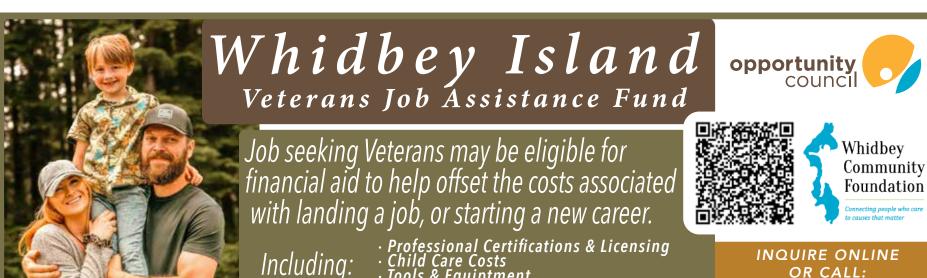
The Community Foundation for Coupeville Public Schools is holding a raffle in support of teacher grants and student scholarships, as well as the Promise Fund, which supports students with specific financial needs.

Participants who make a \$25 donation will get a raffle ticket. Each ticket holder has a chance to win two tickets to the Rolling Stones concert in Seattle on May 15. Tickets are transferable. The seats are valued at \$1,100 each and just 200 raffle tickets are being sold. There are currently 46 tickets left to sell before Wednesday, March 20.

Those interested in purchasing tickets can get them at either Branch Business Services, at 404 S Main Street, or Agua Gifts, at 2 Front Street, in Coupeville. For more information or to make other arrangements, you may also text 360-320-1143.

Raffle organizers said they hope people will consider supporting the Coupeville schools foundation and win a chance to enjoy the concert from some of the best seats in the

[Submitted by Vickie Chambers]



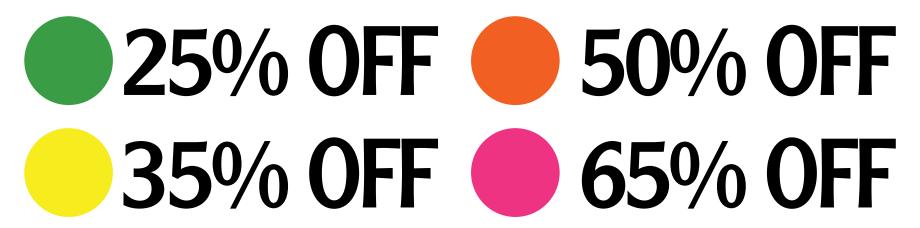
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## What's Going On!

#### South Whidbey Board of Fire Commissioners

*Thursday, March 14, 5:30 p.m.*Station 36, 5579 Bayview Road, Langley

The South Whidbey Fire/EMS Board of Fire Commissioners will meet to discuss a resolution to place a fire levy lid lift on the Aug. 6, 2024, primary election ballot. The community is encouraged to attend. Learn more at www.swfe.org.



#### Whidbey Audubon Society: Become a Moth-er!

Thursday, March 14, 7 p.m.
Online & Unitarian Universalist
Congregation, 20103 SR 525, Freeland

Lepidopterist David Droppers will be the featured speaker at the regular meeting of the Whidbey Audubon Society, noting there is much more to moths than meets the eye. The public is welcome to attend this free program, presented both in-person and online. Doors open at 7 p.m. for socializing, a brief meeting is at 7:15 and the program begins at 7:30. To attend virtually via Zoom, register on the Whidbey Audubon website, whidbeyaudubonsociety.org.



#### Whidbey Repertory Festival

*March 14 – 17, Times vary*Whidbey Island Center for the Arts, 565
Camano Ave., Langley

The Whidbey Repertory Festival (WRF), a collaboration between Island Shakespeare Festival and Whidbey Island Center for the Arts continues. The festival features five different shows this year. Find the schedule and more at wicaonline.org.

#### "A Doll's House, Part 2"

Fridays, March 15, 22 @ 7:30 p.m.
Saturdays, March 16, 23 @ 7:30 p.m.
Sundays, March 17 and 24 @ 4 p.m.
OutCast Productions' Black Box Theater,
Whidbey Island Fairgrounds, Langley

In the final scene of Henrik Ibsen's 1879 groundbreaking masterwork, "A Doll's House," Nora Helmer makes the shocking decision to leave her husband and children and begin a life on her own. This climactic event—when Nora slams the door on everything in her life—instantly propelled world drama into the modern age. In Lucas Hnath's "A Doll's House, Part 2," many years have passed since Nora's exit. Now, there's a knock on that same door. Nora has returned. But why? And what will it mean for those she left behind? Outcastproductions.net

Family in Nature: Leaf Detectives Friday, March 15, 9:30-11 a.m. Saturday, March 16, 9:30-11 a.m. Deception Pass State Park, 41229 SR 20, Oak Harbor

Why do leaves come in so many

different shapes and sizes? Bring your little investigators to come find out. Nature based learning through games and crafts for families with children ages 2-5 (pre-registration required). Family in Nature programs are offered in partnership with the Deception Pass State Park, Deception Pass Park Foundation, and the Fidalgo Nature School. Programs are scheduled for 90 minutes and are designed with fun and highly interactive experiences for the whole family. Register in advance at Eventbrite.com.

#### What is a Chief? How Native Values Can Teach Resilience

Friday, March 15, 4-5:30 p.m. Coupeville Library, 788 NW Alexander St.



Join the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation and the 2024 Trudy Sundberg Lecture Series for an afternoon with John Halliday, legally blind Native American artist of Muckleshoot, "Duwamish," Yakama, and Warm Springs Indian descent. Halliday recently retired from the Bureau of Indian Affairs as Deputy Regional Director for the Navajo Region after serving as CEO for both the Muckleshoot and Snoqualmie tribes. Halliday has shown his art at Lakewold Gardens, ANTGallery, and the Sacred Circle Galleries of American Indian Art under the artist name "Coyote." This program is a lead up to the annual Trudy Sundberg Lecture Series presentation, "Lyla June - Architects of Abundance: Indigenous Regenerative Food Systems and the Excavation of Hidden History," to take place Friday, March 22 at 7:30 p.m. at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts. This program is brought to you by Humanities Washington and the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation.



#### Meerkerk Gardens Spring Nursery Plant Sale

Saturday, March 16 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, March 17, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Meerkerk Gardens, 3531 Meerkerk Lane, Greenbank

This event marks the spring opening of Meerkerk's specialty nursery, which sells rhododendrons and azaleas in different sizes as well as a variety of trees and other woodland companion plants. Choose from more than 1,200 rhododendrons and azaleas in stock and hundreds of varieties. Members get a sneak peek at nursery plants and first opportunity to buy them on Member Day March 15. Learn more at meerkerkgardens.org.

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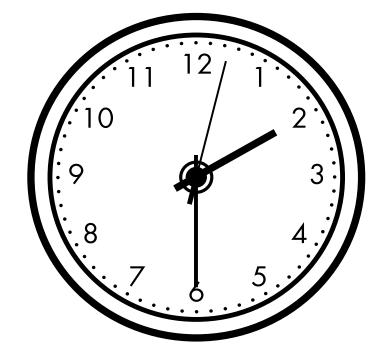


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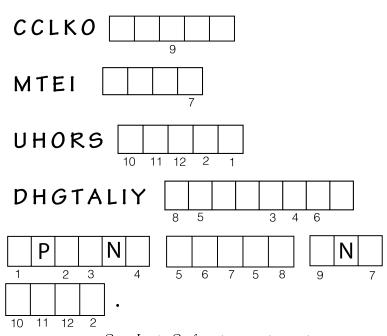
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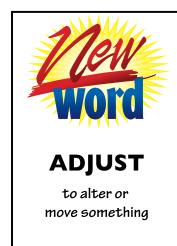
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Answers: Clock, Time, Hours, Daylight; Spring ahead one hour.



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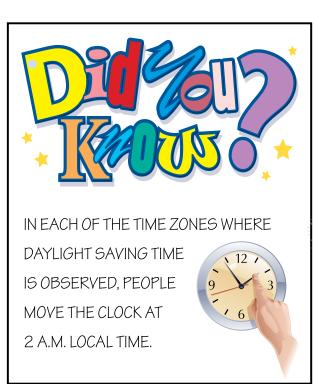
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Whale Center 10th Birthday Celebration Saturday, March 16, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Langley Whale Center, 105 Anthes Ave.

Enjoy storytelling hours and science talks with Orca Network pod members throughout the day, watch a 10th anniversary historical video presentation (with lots of familiar faces from 10 years of history), or participate in facepainting, special discounts, and birthday crafts! Orcanetwork.org

#### Spring Afresh: A Celebration of the Spring

Friday, March 15, 5-6:30 p.m. St. Augustine's in-the-Woods Episcopal Church, 5217 S Honeymoon Bay Rd.,

Through music and poetry, ritual and movement, we will acknowledge the beauty of the natural world and the interweave of the seasons with our own spiritual lives. Light refreshments to follow.

#### St. Patrick's Day Parade

Saturday, March 16, 1 p.m. Pioneer Way, downtown Oak Harbor

Celebrate the wearin' o' the green at the annual St. Patricks's Day Parade through historic downtown Oak Harbor. Grand marshals this year will be the Carrothers family, in memory of Sandi Carrothers. Find information at www. oakharbormainstreet.org/events.

#### The 2024 Spring Eclipse

Saturday, March 16, 2-3:30 p.m. Freeland Library, 5495 Harbor Ave.

Discover the amazing sky all around us! Join Astronomer Dr. Dan Tomandl, emeritus professor of physics and astronomy at Northwest University, for a look at what's happening in the night sky for spring 2024, including the eclipse. What you can see with binoculars or a simple telescope will surprise you.

#### St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl

Saturday, March 16, 3 p.m. Downtown Oak Harbor

This year's Pub Crawl is in memory of well-known community volunteer Sandi Carrothers. A toast will be presented in her honor at the first location- Oak Harbor Café/Lava Louie's. There will be trivia and prizes and participating restaurants will have food and drink specials. There is no cost to attend, and participants purchase their own food and drinks. Participants are asked to secure a designated driver or taxi.

#### The Deer's Cry: Songs of the Celtic Saints Saturday, March 16, 3-5 p.m.

St. Augustine's in-the-Woods, 5217 S Honeymoon Bay Rd., Freeland

The Whidbey Island Music Festival invites you to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with Irish traditional music, from the mystical to the jovial, including songs and hymns attributed to St. Patrick and St. Columba, a mystical hymn to St. Brigid, and toe-tapping jigs and reels. Vocalist Natalie Ingrisano, fiddler Brandon Vance, and guitarist/ keyboardist Henry Lebedinsky serve up this family-friendly musical treat

- no green beer involved! Tickets are available online at eventbrite.com/e/ the-deers-cry-songs-of-the-celtic-saintstickets-774561653757.

#### Adult Forum: How are aging seniors cared for and about in our area?

Sunday, March 17 9:15-10:15 a.m. St. Augustine's in-the-Woods, 5217 S Honeymoon Bay Rd, Freeland

Charles LaFond, senior development director for Island Senior Resources, will preach at the 8 and 10:30 a.m. services at St. Augustine's-in-the-Woods Episcopal Church and will discuss senior care at the adult forum between the two services. He will be joined by Katheryn Howell, director of programs at Island Senior Resources. LaFond is a retired Episcopal priest, full-time fundraiser for 38 years, author of books on fundraising and spiritual life, and master potter of 42 years. He is an active public speaker, retreat leader, conflict manager, and novelist, and lives on Whidbey Island with his dog Sugar. All are welcome.

#### Shifty Sailors' St. Paddy's Day Bash Sunday, March 17, 5:30-8 p.m. Coupeville Rec Hall

The Shifty Sailors will present their17th annual St. Paddy's Day Bash featuring music by the Shifty Sailors and Eclectically Celtic, plus an Irish dinner and two beverage tickets for beer, wine or cider. Cost is \$45 per person. Advance tickets are available online at brownpapertickets.com/EVENT/5718760 or by cash or check at bayleaf in Coupeville. Doors open at 5 p.m.

#### **State Park Free Day**

Saturday, March 19, all day All Washington State Parks

Whidbey and Camano Islands are home to some of the most beautiful state parks in Washington, including the most visited of all (Deception Pass!). Usually, a Discover Pass is required for entry, but special dates are set aside where entry and parking for day use is completely free! If you miss the free days, an annual Discover Pass (including fees) is \$35 or daily for \$11.50.



#### **Spring Equinox Drum Circle**

Tuesday, March 19, 7 p.m. Whidbey Island Fairgrounds, Langley

Bring your drums and other noisemakers and celebrate the spring equinox. This event will take place rain or shine.



#### WHIDBEY ISLAND CENTER for the ARTS

#### Art Talks - Special Reservations: Elizabeth

Wednesday, March 20, 11 a.m. Whidbey Island Center for the Arts, 565 Camano Ave., Langley

This iteration of Art Talks by Rebecca Albiani focuses on African American printmaker and sculptor Elizabeth Catlett (1915-2012). Catlett moved to Mexico in 1946 and worked for two decades with a printmaking collective devoted to socially conscious art. Her images of working-class women and mothers of color afford heroic status to the dispossessed. Learn more at wicaonline.org.

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**SAT 3/23 - GIRL'S FASTPITCH OHHS @ MSVL-PILCHUCK - FIRST PITCH 11:00 AM** 

SAT 3/23 - BASEBALL **OHHS @ MSVL-PILCHUCK - FIRST PITCH 1:00 PM** 

**TUES 3/26 - BASEBALL MERIDIAN @ OHHS - FIRST PITCH 4:00 PM** 

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#### A LONGER HALIBUT SEASON

We are starting out with some good news for recreational fishermen for a change! Here is the Puget Sound 2024 halibut season, per the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), for Marine Areas 5-10, which covers where the majority of we Island Anglers will fish:

"April 4 through June 30 seven days a week, if the quota has not been met after June 30, halibut will once again be open seven days a week in August and Septem-

It is good to see the state using some realistic plans for halibut after so many years of heavy restrictions put on which days of the week to fish and short sea-

Why the sudden increase in opportunity, you might ask? Here are my thoughts: over the last 5 or 6 halibut seasons, the catch quotas that have been given to us by the halibut commission and the WDFW have not been met. Chopped up days of the week for open fishing, unpredictable weather that can lead to other than normal risks to boaters on rough water, and other states like California asking for a portion of our halibut quota, finally got the right people's attention.

Does the longer season mean catching halibut will be a slam-dunk this year? No. Halibut fishing in the inner sound has always been challenging for most anglers, including myself. It's not that anglers haven't done their homework; the hard truth is halibut numbers are not extremely plentiful in the San Juan Straits and inner Puget Sound compared to the Marine Areas in the open ocean. Plus, commercial halibut long-liners will have already targeted many of the in-shore productive areas. However, with this year's longer season, the odds of catching a halibut are more in our favor, and a welcome change. Here is a list of things that have not changed:

- Where to fish? With all of the acres of water to fish, knowing where to fish can seem impossible. However halibut are just like any other predatory fish they will be where the food is. In wide open waters, bait fish search out some kind of structure for safety and feeding habitat. With this in mind, study bottom charts or use known GPS coordinates to locate underwater humps. Don't shy away from rocky humps if the bottom contour shows sandy/gravelly "foothills" surrounding the base of the rocky hump. This is where halibut will lie and wait for the baitfish to leave the cover of the rocks, plus fishing in these areas we are less likely to get hung up on the bottom. Look for plateaus and shelves; submerged flat surfaces that are off the main sea floor are great places to find halibut. These raised flat plateaus hold bait. Fish near the easiest sloping dropoff bait and feed will often just be over the edge out of the heavier current.
- How deep to fish? Halibut will be moving into shallower water in the Straits of San de Fuca to spawn and feed. Concentrate your fishing in April at 150 -180 feet; in May and June, 100-180 feet. If the season continues into August and September we will need to fish a little deeper, 150-225

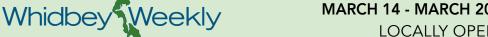
feet. If you are forced to fish in shallow waters around 50-100 feet, possibly due to weather, seek out any depressions, trenches, and deep sloping pockets this is where the halibut will most likely

- Best tides to fish? Studying and planning your halibut trip around tidal movements is a HUGE factor in successful halibut fishing. Gradual ebb and flow tide changes throughout the entire day are the best, and they give us the most/ longest productive fishing time. Too much tidal change causes the baitfish and halibut to hunker down and stay in place until the tide eases. Too little tidal movement can cause a stalemate of both baitfish and halibut activity, however the slow, gentle current still allows us to fish; the fisherman will be the one making up for the slack tide by inducing more action and movement of the bait on the bottom, which will be necessary to attract the halibut's attention.
- What are the best natural baits? Lucky for us fishermen, halibut like all natural baits. Herring, anchovies, salmon heads and bellies, whole cod, squid, and small octopus are all on the halibut's menu. Don't forget to dig through the freezer for freezer-burned meats like beef and chicken; they will work as well.
- What are the best artificial baits? Large rubber swimbaits, large lead-head curlytail grubs, heavy lead darts/jigs, large flat wobbling salmon style spoons, large rubber hoochie squids, and copper pipe jigs will all catch halibut. I like the option of artificial baits due to their ability to remain in the fish's strike zone a long time. Dogfish, crabs, and other bottom feeders can quickly devour our meat offerings before the halibut can find it.
- What is the best scent? Obviously natural baits will have their own oils and aromas to release into the water, but there are many scent enhancers on the market, from shrimp to "butt-juice." For many years WD-40 has had a good reputation for attracting halibut, and fishbased plant fertilizers, too. No matter what scents you choose to use, remember to be patient; unless you drop your rigging right on top of a halibut, it will take time for the scent slick to get the distant halibut's attention and head your way, sometimes up to an hour

The most important thing to remember when fishing for halibut in the inner Puget Sound is to plan ahead. Try to put as many checks in the block before you head out on the wate: equally important is to be patient and take notes, remember the fish are not everywhere. If landing a halibut is high on your catch list, then it might be wise to set up a guided trip out of Westport or Neah Bay; the cost-to-catch comparison these days might make it a better choice.

The Oak Harbor salmon (coho) enhancement rearing program is in its third year and going strong. The juvenile fish are fed three times weekly, every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 9 a.m. Visit the Oak Harbor Marina website for more information or contact me at tlfishmonger@gmail. com if you would like to be involved with feeding and observing the salmon during their short four-month stay with us.





## Recipe Celebrate pi and pie all in one day

Math-lovers rejoice each March because they get to celebrate a particular irrational number and mathematical constant that is the ratio of a circle's circumference to its diameter. Known more casually as pi  $(\pi)$ , this infinite decimal is typically shortened to

What does pi have to do with cooking, one may ask? Typically nothing, unless a person is calculating the size of a circular food. However, because the symbol is pronounced with the long "i" (as in eye), it is a homonym to pie, which is a dessert enjoyed in many households. Pie frequently is served on Pi Day, celebrated on March 14 (3/14).

Individuals who want a new pie to add to their recipe collections, which can be enjoyed on Pi Day, need look no further than this recipe for "Deep-Dish Peanut Butter Pie" from "Butter, Flour, Sugar, Joy" (Sourcebooks) by Danielle Kartes.

#### **DEEP-DISH PEANUT BUTTER PIE** (Yield: One, 9-inch pie)

- (3.4-ounce) box instant vanilla pudding
- cups heavy cream
- cup milk
- cup crunchy peanut butter (use smooth, if preferred)
- teaspoon vanilla extract
- 10 to 12 Biscoff® cookies, graham crackers, or crunch peanut butter cookies
- tablespoons butter, melted
- 11/2 cups heavy whipping cream
- tablespoons confectioners' sugar

Whip the pudding mix with the cream and milk in a large mixing bowl, then add the peanut butter, vanilla, and salt. Continue mixing until it's light and thick, roughly 2 to 3

Crush the cookies in a bowl or Ziploc® bag and mix with the melted butter.

Press into the pie dish, then spoon the filling into the dish.

Whip the heavy whipping cream in the work bowl of your stand mixer, with a hand mixer, or by hand in a mixing bowl and confectioners' sugar. Top the filling with the whipped

Refrigerate at least 4 hours, but overnight is best. Serve and enjoy.



Do you have a recipe to share? We'd love to hear from you! Email to: news@whidbeyweekly.com or scan the QR code here. Via mail at: PO BOX 1398 Oak Harbor WA 98277



### WEEKLY HOROSCOPES

#### ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, this week you need to get back to business, especially if hobbies or other interests have been taking up much of your time lately. Avoid distractions at all costs.

#### TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21

You may be excited about new prospects that are on the horizon, Taurus. With so much change coming, it can be exciting to see what lies in wait.

#### GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, you may discover that you are devoting a lot of attention to others of late, sometimes cutting into your own needs. Be attentive and caring, but pay attention to your own needs as well.

#### CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, if you check the calendar lately you are bound to find a number of dates are filled. You may want to consider slowing down; otherwise, you may prematurely burn

#### LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, if expenses and finances have been troubling you of late, you can breathe a sigh of relief when things lighten up this week. Right now you are in a good spot financially.

#### VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, you will need to uphold your end of the bargain for the time being as others are counting on you delivering. You cannot dodge any responsibilities right now.

#### LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, over the next few days you may receive some offers from employers or entrepreneurs that seem very appealing. Before you jump into something new, do your homework.

#### SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, it will become obvious how others rely on you for advice and to get jobs done correctly. All of that responsibility can put extra pressure on you, so take it all in stride.

#### SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

This week you may discover that people are flocking to you left and right, Sagittarius. You will not have trouble making new friends if you so desire.

#### CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Capricorn, take ownership of any actions that may have put you into a strained relationship with those close to you. Admitting mistakes is the first step in mending fences.

#### AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

Aquarius, you may only now be getting to those resolutions you made a few months ago, but better late than never. Focus on projects around the home that will revitalize your spaces.

#### PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Physical activity can do wonders for you, Pisces. If you are feeling stressed, overwhelmed or even tired, take a walk or hit the gym for some exercise that can alleviate many symptoms.

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Soundview Shopper

Safeway

Starbucks on SR-525 & 7th

Thrive Fitness

WAIF

Whidbey Coffee SR-525 Whidbey Coffee – Pioneer Way

#### Coupeville:

Cascadia Eye

Chamber of Commerce

Sno-Isle Library

Crabby Coffee Hearing Health

Mariners Court Shops

Prairie Center Market - Red Apple Ryan's House

Regency on Whidbey

Sunshine Drip

Toby's Tyee Restaurant & Hotel

#### **Greenbank:**

Greenbank Wine Shop Old Spots Bistro

#### Freeland:

China City

Healthy Pet

Fare Market Freeland Cafe

Island Athletic Club

Payless Foods

NEW \*\* Freeland Post Office \*\* NEW

Shortstop Texaco Sno-Isle Library

Whidbey Coffee WAIF

#### Langley:

All Washed Up Laundromat

Bayview Taproom

The Braeburn

Casey's Crafts

Good Cheer Food Bank & Thrift Store The Goose

Sno-Isle Library @ Community Center

Chamber of Commerce Sweet Mona's

Whidbey Donuts

Whidbey Bank

#### Clinton:

Critters & Co.

Clinton Post Office Sno-Isle Library

Clinton Food Mart

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#### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Helps little firms
- 4. Political action committee
- 7. Allowed
- 12. Olivia Colman played one
- 15. Open
- 16. He had a notable lamp
- 18. Promotional material
- 19. Domesticated animal
- 20. Larry and Curly's buddy
- 21. The best ever
- 24. TV network
- 27. Checked for
- 30. Dry or withered
- 31. Expression of annoyance 33. Dash
- 34. Fifth note of a major scale
- 35. A secret clique
- 37. Partner to cheese
- 39. \_\_ school: where to learn healing
- 41. City in ancient Syria
- 42. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
- 44. Established practice
- 47. Thanksgiving side dish
- 48. District in Peru
- 49. It's becoming more prevalent
- 50. State in India
- 52. Measure of illumination
- 53. Raised platform
- 56. Japanese warrior
- 61. R.L. Stevenson novel
- 63. Transitory 64. Advanced degree
- 65. Fiddler crabs

#### CLUES DOWN

- 1. Prevent from seeing
- 2. Czech city
- 3. \_\_ and Andy, TV show

- 4. A young pig
- 5. Removed surgically
- 6. Covered with
- 7. Chest muscle (slang)
- 8. Nigerian City
- 9. Midway between south and
- 10. A way to shut
- 11. Stop playing
- 12 Marshy places
- 13. Takes apart
- 14. Ten cents
- 17. A gesture of assent
- 22. Scent
- 23. Teletypewriter
- 24. General's assistant (abbr.)
- 25. Hillside
- 26. Taxi driver
- 28. Semitic Sun god
- 29. Town in India
- 32. Traditional rhythmic pattern
- 36. Fugitives are on the \_\_\_
- 38. Type of dance
- 40. Two letters, one sound
- 43. Having a strong, pleasant taste
- 44. Golf score
- 45. Mayhem
- 46. Drenched
- 51. River in northeastern Asia
- 54. Drug to treat anxiety (abbr.)
- 55. Part-time employee
- 56. A very large body of water
- 57. Aboriginal people of Japan
- 58. Millisecond
- 59. Forearm bone
- 60. Subway dweller
- 62. Royal Mail

Answers on page 15

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

Thurs, Mar. 14 North Isle H-50°/L-38°

South Isle

H-53°/L-40°

North Isle H-52°/L-41 South Isle

H-56°/L-42°

Fri, Mar. 15

Sat, Mar. 16 H-60°/L-44°

South Isle

H-65°/L-45°

Sun, Mar. 17 North Isle H-58°/L-45°

South Isle

H-64°/L-47°

Mon, Mar. 18 North Isle H-57°/L-45° South Isle

H-60°/L-48°

Tues, Mar. 19 North Isle H-54°/L-43°

South Isle

South Isle H-58°/L-45°

H-53°/L-44

H-50°/L-41°



## Community An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What is your favorite event or festival in Coupeville?



#### Samantha Peterson Coupeville

What I love most about Coupeville is the amount of intentionality the town puts into its annual events. For families, it's a magical place to raise kids. Our family's favorite is the annual Easter egg scavenger hunt. We love following the clues which point out architectural and other elements unique to Coupeville while still getting the traditional excitement of an Easter egg hunt full of candy. As adults, we enjoy the day as a stroll around our town, and the kids are fiercely

determined to solve each clue to complete the course.

#### Mike Pearson Coupeville

I would have to say the Arts and Crafts festival is my favorite event. As an amateur crafter I have always found it fun to walk the booths and look for inspiration. My favorites booths are the various wood and metal workers, since those are the materials I work with, but it is just neat to see so much talent in one place. All in all, it's a really great way to spend a sunny summer day in Coupeville, complete with some ice cream from Kapaw's.



#### **Kathy Claudill** Coupeville

Kathy Claudill, Coupeville

I love the Musselfest, because Penn Cove mussels are the best and because the festival showcases how a small town can take something like mussels and make them sustainable and at the same time world famous! I had heard of Penn Cove mussels before I moved here.

#### Lynda Eccles Coupeville

As a chamber director, all the festivals are my favorite:) Musselfest to me celebrates the start of the season, Penn Cove Water Festival celebrates the rich history of the Native American tribes of our island, and the Arts and Crafts Festival is our traditional summer festival that started as a celebration of the work of local artists in our community - this year is its 60th anniversary!



If you would like to be featured in "An Upbeat question of the week," please email hmosbrooker@icloud.com or phone her at 360-320-1810.

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#### **SERVICES**

Caregiver/ Licensed Nursing Assistant. Over 15 years experience of various health concerns including; Hospice, Parkinson's, Dementia, Alzheimer's, Congestive Heart Failure. Professional, Honest, and Dependable. South Whidbey Island. Please Text 425-985-1659 or email JL-3@comcast.

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Coupeville Farmers Market is looking for volunteers for our 45th consecutive season! If you want to help support your local market and have interest in volunteering either on a market day for set up/ tear down or helping in a different capacity we would love to talk to you. Please email us at whidbeyfarmersmarket@

gmail.com if you would be interested in learning more about volunteering with the market!

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 for more information. Oak Harbor: 360-675-8733, Freeland: 360-331-6272.

College student? Student of history? History buff? Opportunities are available to spend constructive volunteer hours at the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum. Go to www. pnwnam.org and click on "Volunteer" or just stop by and introduce yourself.

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

#### SHELTERS/HOUSING

CADA Emergency Shelter -Confidential crisis shelter for women and children fleeing domestic violence/sexual assault/stalking. This is NOT a homeless shelter. Office: 360-675-7057 Crisis Line: 360-675-2232 Toll Free: 800-215-5669

> Your ad here. \$12 For any sales or business listings.

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Island County Housing Support – 105 NW 1st St., Coupeville 360-678-8284 For homeless or at risk of losing housing. Mon-Thurs, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Ryan's House for Youth -19777 SR 20, Coupeville 360-331-4575

For at-risk adults ages 18-24 Whidbey Homeless Coalition Serving Island County 360-

-The Haven Overnight Shelter: Night-to-night shelter for up to 30 individuals. Must follow check-in rules and must register Mon-Fri between 4 and 4:30 p.m. at SPiN Café, 1241 SW Barlow St., Oak Harbor. - House of Hope Emergency Housing, Langley 360-708-4533 Temporary shelter for families and adults at severe risk of homelessness; to apply, contact the Housing

Oxford Houses - Recovery housing oxfordhouse.org -Men:360-246-4101

number above.

Support Center or call the

- Women & Children: 360-682-5773

#### **RESOURCES**

Basic Food Benefits Community Services Office: 275 Pioneer Way #201, Oak Harbor 877-501-2233

Food Banks: -Gifts From the Heart, 203 N Main St., Coupeville 360-672-5502

Distribution on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, 2-5 p.m. -Good Cheer, 2812 Grimm Rd., Langley 360-221-4868 Mon-Fri, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. -North Whidbey Help House, 1091 SE Hathaway St. Oak Harbor 360-675-0681 Mon-Fri, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (5 p.m. on Tuesdays) Closed 12-1 p.m. for lunch

Island Church of Whidbey Soup Kitchen: 503 Cascade Ave., Langley 360-221-0969 Tues & Thurs 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

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SPiN Café: 1241 SW Barlow St., Oak Harbor Daily, 6:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

804 3rd St., Langley 360-221-5303/sthubert@whidbey.com Tuesday orders for home; Wednesday kitchen meals 11

HUB After School: 301 Anthes Ave., Langley 360-

Food and activities for middle and high school youth. Mon, Tues, Thurs, Friday 2-6 p.m., Wed 1-6 p.m.

Ryans House for Youth: Food, fun, support

331-4575

360-682-5098 Drop-in center for youth ages

12-21; Mon-Fri 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Whidbey Island Nourishes: Serving South Whidbey 360-221-7787 / winourishes@ whidbey.com

- School Year Meal Program: For families with school-aged children to 18 within S Whidbey School District can choose weekend groceries or ready-to-eat sack lunches; Delivery on Thursday

- Self-serve Program: Youth and others in need can request a sack lunch from Good Cheer food bank, Mon-Fri 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Women, Infants & Children

Oak Harbor/North Whidbey: 1791 NE 1st Ave. Mon-Thurs 360-240-5554 Text: 360-544-

-Langley/South Whidbey: 5475 Maxwelton Rd. Thurs Only 360-221-8880 Text: 360-

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen:

a.m.-1 p.m.

221-0969

-19777 SR 20, Coupeville 360-

Drop-in center for adults ages 18-24; Daily 6 a.m.- 8:30

- 35 SE Ely St., Oak Harbor

-Camano Island: 127 N East Camano Dr. Mon Only 360-544-2633



Island Senior Services: meals@senior-resources.org - Meals on Wheels: Email or call 360-672-6416 for home-delivered meals by

-Frozen Take-Out Meals: Call 360-321-1600 Mon, Wed, Fri to arrange pickup

-Brookhaven Community Meals: 150 4th St, Langley Thurs, 5-5:45 p.m.

-Leo's Place Community Meals: 14594 SR 525, Bayview Hot lunches Mon, Wed, Fri 11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Sack Lunches Tues 11:45 a.m.-12:30

#### WEEKLY MEETINGS

Have you ever been affected by someone else's drinking? Al-Anon may be for you. AL-ANON: Tuesdays at 5:30-6:30 Oak Harbor Lutheran Church Library 1253 NW 2nd Ave. There is help and hope: Contact for more info: Danielle 360-840-7181 or Randy 360-914-8084

MEMORY CAFÉ Every 1st and 3rd Tues of the Month 12:30 - 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church 1050 SE Ireland Street Oak Harbor, WA. Join our bimonthly gathering for people with memory loss and their family to enjoy a time of fun, conversation, music and laughing (and snacks). This is a dementia friendly setting. For information: 360-720-4535

#### **WEEKLY MEETINGS**

SOUTH WHIDBEY NAR-ANON FAMILY GROUP meets every Wednesday at 6pm at the Langley Methodist Church, 301 Anthes in Langley. We meet in the Fireside Room, rear of church. Karol:360 914 7695.

#### **CRISIS LINES**

2-1-1 or 877-211-9274: 24/7 confidential referral to crisis programs and services statewide; wa211.org 9-1-1: Call for threats to life,

fire, accident or crime -Non-emergency lines: Oak Harbor Police Department-360-279-4600 -Island Communications Dispatch (ICOM) - 360-679-9567 -Langley Police Department -

360-321-4400 Island County Sheriff's Office - 360-678-4422 9-8-8: Suicide and crisis life-

line, free & confidential - 741-741: 24/7 Crisis Text Line -800-584-3578: 24/7 Northwest Washington Crisis Services

- 360-678-7880: Island County Behavioral Health

866-789-1511: Recovery help; warecoveryhelpline.org

800-215-5669: CADA 24/7 confidential domestic violence crisis support; 360-675-2232; text LOVEIS to 22522 Trevor 866-488-7386 24/7 support

LGBTQIA2S+; text 678.678

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