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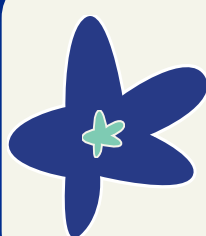
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Saturday, July 6, 2024 • 6 p.m.

AERIAL LIGHT SHOW ON CASCADE AVE.
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Whidbey Island Markets events set to enhance Bayview Corner as hub for weekend commerce



By Jon Bach | Whidbey Weekly

South Islanders know Langley's Bayview Corner very well. It's tucked just out of the way on Route 525 so during the weekdays it's hard for visitors to notice, but on weekends, even they can't un-see the variety of white canvas tents in the adjoining field, with a gentle swarm of pedestrians making it come alive.

Tammy Murphy, owner and organizer of Whidbey Island Markets, has contributed a few more canopies right next to the Farmers Market at Bayview Community Hall, including a number of vendors inside of those tents.

"Whidbey Island is an absolute haven for artists and makers of all kinds!" Murphy. "We pride ourselves on always having a wide variety of what the island has to offer at our shows."

She also said Whidbey Island has the highest per capita of glassmakers per square mile of anywhere in North America.

"Add all of our painters, weavers, woodcrafters, potters, and everyone in between, and you end up with an embarrassing (but very welcome) number of artistic riches on one lovely island."

Although there may be issues with parking, Murphy believes it's worth it to be there, because of surrounding shopping and dining opportunities like the Farmers Market, Whidbey Doughnuts, the Taproom, Bayview Farm and Garden, and Flower House Cafe.

"It's a great way to shop local, and you get to see so many locals there to catch up!"

Coming up on July 5 and 6 is their Summertime Arts & Crafts Market from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on both days. It will feature over two dozen handmade arts and crafts from local creators.

There will be pysanky eggs made by a local Ukrainian woman, crocheted outfitted frogs and shawls, garden stones and birdbaths, ceramics and paintings, embroidered cloths to some gorgeous cutting boards, jewelry, adoptable fairies and more.

"For those who would rather not park at Bayview Corner on a Saturday morning, one new thing Murphy and the crew are doing is to have their Flea Market get started on the Friday evenings on each month's last Saturday, April thru September, from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm."

The Flea Market then reopens on monthly last Saturdays at 9:00 am -- an hour before the farmers market opens -- and goes until 1:00 pm.

Other than the Summertime Arts and Crafts market and the Flea Markets, they have also planned a few other special events. For example, during the Flea Market's August 31 session, they're hoping to create a community "Pet Picnic" with dog contests.

"We are still working with the Farmers Market to make this happen," Murphy said. "How great would it be during Labor Day weekend to grab a blanket and some shade, buy picnic makings from the Farmers Market or a carry-out meal from one of the restaurants here, bring your pups, and just hang out together as a community?"

Also planned is a "Healing Harvest" on September 21, which they're hosting to help people find local health-related services like massage therapists and chiropractors.

"There are so many other healing modalities that are practiced on the island that I've never experienced. So how about we bring some of them together, so people can actually meet different practitioners and talk about what they do? Then if you feel good about that person, you make an appointment!"

Murphy said there was a health fair in previous years hosted by the Whidbey Island Holistic Health Association, but they're skipping that event this year.

Late into the fall, on the Saturday before Thanksgiving, Whidbey Island Markets is hosting a similar event, except instead of healing arts, they're gathering local non-profits for those who either need help

themselves, or want to help those in need.

"Knowing what the options are without having to scour the internet makes things so much easier," Murphy said. "Maybe you'd like to help but you don't have much money...but you can crochet like the wind? There are non-profits who need that! Maybe you can type 70 words-per-minute; there will likely be someone there who could use a person who is good with data entry. Or you do have some money, but want to look into the best place to donate it. Maybe you have a bunch of friends and you all want to volunteer together this holiday season doing something...here's where you can find out what that might be."

Murphy said there's no charge for non-profits who attend. Whidbey Island

Markets will be covering the expenses as a thank-you to the community.

Lastly, there will be one more locals-only arts & crafts market in 2024 called The Holiday Market taking place in mid-December.

The next event is this weekend -- the Summertime Arts and Crafts event on Friday, July 5 and Saturday, July 6 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Featured artists include: Seacrest Ceramics, Island Body & Soul, My Brown Wren, TC Design Fusion, Zina Kunko, Ritual Mischief, Stitched By Jennifer, Lisa Allison Blohm, Sasha Cranch, Whidbey Island Fairies, Timberlane Arts, Salish Sea Gifts, Freeland Art Shack, James Brannon, Eclectic Reference, Pia Carruth, Sewn With Love, Lorelei White, and tea/glass.

For more details on this and all the other events above -- each taking place at Bayview Hall at 5642 Bayview Rd in Langley -- go to <https://whidbeyislandmarkets.com> or scan the following QR code.





Seriously, we do not make this stuff up!

Monday 06/17/2024

11:19 AM, NE ERNST ST

Reporting party advised vehicle was hit in parking lot on Saturday night.

12:20 PM, SE 9TH AVE

Possible prowler - male stole items from someone's residence - tall white male with red beard.

4:41 PM, SW ROCK ROSE DR

Father's leg got crushed by a vehicle going 5-10 mph.

4:42 PM, SR 20

Reporting party stating male is walking around vehicle for employees - reporting party states, male tried to come through back door.

5:32 PM, NE GOLDIE ST

Reporting party just arrived to her business - heard a lot of gunshots in the area - sounds like it could have even been in the same plot.

6:09 PM, SW ERIE ST; WALMART

Reporting party advised having a mental crisis - is homeless, going through court stuff.

6:17 PM, SE CABOT DR

Man passed out in the middle of the field - reporting party going to check on him - is breathing.

8:57 PM, SE CABOT DR

Reporting party advised there is a male in the grassy area by the Domino's plot - male subject laying in the grass - reporting party advised subject didn't respond at all when reporting party tried to talk to him.

11:15 PM, N OAK HARBOR ST

Reporting party advised that upstairs neighbors are being loud. Ongoing issue.

Tuesday 06/18/2024

5:37 AM, S BEEKSMA DR

Reporting party advised there is a German Shepherd wandering around the area, near the main pavilion closer to the car-wash side - seems calm, but it's been wandering around unsupervised for last 20 minutes.

Wednesday 06/19/2024

8:35 AM, SE BAYSHORE DR

Reporting person advised a female came to the location saying she was being followed.

9:54 AM, SE FIDALGO AVE

Reporting person advised of a dog in a red Tesla in the plot in the area.

11:21 AM, SE HATHAWAY ST

Female standing outside in the area, yelling to no one, waving arms around.

12:36 PM, SR 20

Reporting person states there is a female who had a tire fall off her vehicle. Blocking one lane southbound.

12:46 PM, NW MIZZEN DR

Fireworks occurring on reporting person's street or perhaps off Heller Road. Unknown exact location.

Thursday 06/20/2024

3:06 AM, SE PIONEER WAY

Reporting person states someone is tasing her hip and her heart right now. States she is having a hard time breathing - states they are up above with a big long elongated red bar.

5:15 AM, SE BARRINGTON DR

Reporting person advised there is someone banging around in the dumpsters behind location - female associated with a bicycle.

7:42 AM, NE IZETT STREET

Reporting recreational vehicle parked on Northeast Izett Street in front of the portable classroom buildings. Shades are drawn. No persons seen. No plate available. Request check.

8:59 AM, N OAK HARBOR ST

Female stomping on the ground waking everyone up, disturbing reporting person and reporting person's children.

9:04 AM, SE PIONEER WAY

Reporting person rambling about someone tasing her feet and hip.

9:11 AM, SR 20 AND AULT FIELD RD

Blue Ford truck with blue tarp unknown plates - driving erratically, passing Fakkema now still heading into town.

12:11 P.M. WILDCAT WAY

Reporting person just got a call from Oak Harbor High School that juvenile male just left the school and walked off.

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



Summertime Arts & Crafts Market

Art and handicrafts from Whidbey Island makers!



**Friday, July 5 and Saturday, July 6, 10-4
Bayview Hall
5642 Bayview Rd, Langley**



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- 7/5 Second Line
- 7/12 Erik Christensen Band
- 7/19 Brandon Baker
- 7/26 Kick Brass

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- 8/9 Steve Johnson
- 8/16 Fiddle Chix
- 8/23 Bobby Silver and the FatDaddys

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New Grant Opportunities Available from Whidbey Community Foundation!

Whidbey Community Foundation (WCF) is pleased to share that it has two new grant programs accepting applications---the Community Health Grant Program and the Nonprofit Capacity-Building Grant Program. Any organization that operates with a charitable status or for a charitable purpose on behalf of Whidbey Island is eligible to apply for a grant.



WCF's mission is to improve the quality of life on Whidbey Island. Many factors contribute to the conditions that shape a thriving, healthy community. A wide range of factors influence how long and how well we live, including: opportunities for education, income and wealth, safe housing, and the right to shape policies and practices that impact our lives and futures. Community Health grants will be awarded to projects and organizations that take action to improve health and eliminate unjust barriers to opportunity for all who call Whidbey home---now and into the future.

Nonprofit Capacity Building grants support the organizational strength and effectiveness of nonprofits on Whidbey Island. Capacity-building grants are awarded to nonprofits for one-time projects that address a part of the organization's strategic plan to improve the management, governance, and administration of the organization. By strengthening the internal capacity of an organization, WCF believes the programs and services will also be strengthened.

"Our Grants Committee is made up of community members from all across our island and helps WCF determine priority areas for funding. This year, WCF has created two new grant programs that are open to all nonprofit organizations serving Whidbey Island. Through our Community Health grant program, we are looking to fund organizations working to improve the health of our Island. Our Nonprofit Capacity Building grant program will fund projects meant to fortify the foundation of organizations serving Whidbey," stated Jessie Gunn, Executive Director "We look forward to reviewing this year's applications and learning more about the work being done in our community!"

Grant applications will be accepted through August 31, 2024. Visit WCF's website www.whidbeyfoundation.org for more information. If you have questions about the grant process, email info@whidbeyfoundation.org or call 360-660-5041.

For more information, please visit our Grant Opportunities page.

(Submitted by: Jessie Gunn, Executive Director)

2024 Pioneer Way Royalty Proudly Announced

In an all-day, outdoor event at the Pavilion at Windjammer Park on June 22, 44 contestants competed for sashes and crowns as they vied for age-group titles. The Pioneer Way Pageant for girls and boys ages 0-14 was produced by the 2023 Mr. Oak Harbor and 2024 Miss Oak Harbor Courts. It is the primary fundraiser for their service projects (advocating for an Oak Harbor community recreational center and North Whidbey Hearts & Hammers). The event was sponsored by Whidbey Royalty and Oak Harbor Main Street.

Spending time on Pioneer Way in the last year qualified contestants to participate. Each age-group pageant throughout the day included coaching by Miss and Mr. Oak Harbor Royalty in stage presence, impromptu questions, and a dance to You're a Grand Old Flag. The five-judge panel scored contestants on stage presence and effort.

"This pageant is a fun, one-day event that provides an opportunity for aspiring princesses and princes to be mentored by high school royalty. They compete for the opportunity to be crowned royalty themselves and ride in the 4th of July parade with their mentors," stated Pageant Director River Powers.

The top two contestants in each division were crowned Queen/King and Princess/Prince and will ride on the float with Miss and Mr. Oak Harbor Royalty in the Oak Harbor 4th of July parade.

Whidbey Royalty is proud to announce the 2024 Pioneer Way Court:

- **Miss Pioneer Way:** Charlianne Eller
- **Mr. Pioneer Way:** Danny Tate
- **Junior Miss Pioneer Way:** Mae'Lea Boyles
- **Junior Princess:** Riley Bighouse
- **Young Miss Pioneer Way:** Andilynne Eller
- **Young Princess:** Kiana Tyson
- **Little Miss Pioneer Way:** Savannah Love Taylor
- **Little Princess:** Millie Kindred
- **Mini Miss Pioneer Way:** Lona Lange
- **Mini Princess:** Emery Webb
- **Mini Mr. Pioneer Way:** Caveno Eli Taylor
- **Mini Prince:** Tommy Tate
- **Tiny Miss Pioneer Way:** Lola Rae Taylor
- **Tiny Princess:** Laylani Muñoz
- **Tiny Mr. Pioneer Way:** Callum Webb
- **Tiny Prince:** Knox Smith

(Submitted by: River Powers, Board President | Pageant Director | Royalty Director)

Youth Heritage Project Explores Coupeville and Ebey's Landing This July

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation's 2024 Youth Heritage Project will take place on Whidbey Island, exploring Coupeville and Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve, this summer from July 16-19.



A cornerstone of the Washington Trust's educational initiatives, the Youth Heritage Project (YHP) hosts high school students from across the state for a four-day educational program, engaging them hands-on with issues facing our national and state parks and connecting them to Washington's historic, cultural, and natural resources. Through YHP, the Washington Trust seeks to inspire and educate our state's next generation of leaders to get involved and advocate for saving the places that matter to them.

Participation in YHP is offered free of charge to students in the region, thanks to the program's partnership with the National Park Service and the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation. This year's YHP will host 40 high school students and 8 teachers/mentors from 25 communities across the state, including Aberdeen, Beverly, Bellevue, Coupeville, Covington, Eastsound, East Wenatchee, Gig Harbor, Kennewick, Kent, Langley, Lynnwood, Mattawa, Oak Harbor, Olympia, Orcas, Richland, Seattle, Tacoma, Taholah, Tumwater, Vancouver, Washougal, West Richland, and Yakima.

With a home base at Camp Casey, the historic former army facility located just outside Coupeville, this year's YHP will explore topics related to the area's agricultural landscape, its maritime history and contemporary maritime culture, and the effects of sea level rise and climate change upon local historic resources. Students will collect native seeds with the Pacific Rim Institute, learn about easement monitoring on historic barns with the Whidbey Camano Land Trust, and explore the Haller House with Historic Whidbey. They will experience maritime culture firsthand sailing on the historic Schooner Suva, learn about Indigenous history and the impact of climate change upon cultural and historic resources at the Coupeville Wharf, and embark on photo scavenger hunts across downtown Coupeville. Through visits to Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve, they will learn about the reserve's model for collective management across its partners, including the National Park Service, Washington State Parks, Island County, and the Town of Coupeville.

Throughout the week, students will work on group projects highlighting issues related to their experiences and the sites they explore. At the end of the week, students will present their projects to a panel of experts at a Town Hall meeting. The Town Hall meeting will take place on Friday, July 19 from 1:00-3:00 pm at Camp Casey's Auditorium A (1276 Engle Road, Coupeville). A panel of cultural resource management professionals will also be on hand to offer encouragement and feedback to the students as they make their presentations. Members of the press and the general public are invited to attend.

YHP 2024 is made possible with the support of the National Park Service, Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation, Washington State Parks, and Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve. Additional funding has been provided by the Lummi Nation, Colonial Dames of America in the State of Washington, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, and Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe.

About the Washington Trust:

The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation is a statewide, tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded in 1976, dedicated to saving places that matter in Washington State and promoting sustainable and economically viable communities through historic preservation. For more information, visit www.preservewa.org or call 206-624-9449.

(Submitted by: Farah Momin, Communications Specialist)

Meerkerk Gardens Unveils Exciting Summer Offerings: Classes, Nature Trails, and Stunning Vistas Await Visitors

As summer blossoms into full splendor, Meerkerk Gardens is delighted to announce an array of captivating experiences for nature enthusiasts, families, and avid learners alike. Nestled in the heart of Greenbank on Whidbey Island, Meerkerk Gardens invites visitors to immerse themselves in the beauty of its lush landscapes, tranquil nature trails, and vibrant flora.

Summer at Meerkerk Gardens promises an enchanting blend of education, exploration, and relaxation amidst the backdrop of its renowned botanical wonders. Here are some highlights of what visitors can expect:

1. Educational Classes and Workshops:

Embark on a journey of discovery with our series of educational classes and workshops designed for garden enthusiasts of all ages. From Falconer exploration to learning about bats, and trees Meerkerk provides learning opportunities for all ages.

2. Guided Nature Trails:

Set out on an adventure along our scenic nature trails and immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of the natural world. Our knowledgeable docents will lead you through winding pathways, past tranquil ponds, and beneath towering trees, offering insights into the fascinating flora and fauna that call Meerkerk Gardens home. Guided tour Sundays at 1 p.m.

3. Spectacular Vistas:

Prepare to be captivated by the breathtaking vistas that await you at every turn. Whether you're admiring the vibrant colors of our rhododendron collection, gazing out across the Salish Sea, or marveling at the majestic beauty of our woodland landscapes, you'll find inspiration and tranquility at every corner of Meerkerk Gardens.

4. Family-Friendly Activities:

Bring the whole family and enjoy a day of outdoor fun and exploration. Our family-friendly activities include scavenger hunts, and interactive learning experiences designed to engage and inspire young minds.

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What's Going On!

Oak Harbor Independence Day Carnival

NOW - Sunday, July 8

Hours Vary:

Bayshore, South of Pioneer and Midway, Oak Harbor

TICKETS:

\$35 for One

\$135 for a Megapass for 5 hours of

Access

Enjoy exhilarating rides, delicious treats, and fun prizes, all with a beautiful water-side view. Wristbands are available for purchase at the Carnival Gates.

Independence Day Celebration in Oak Harbor

Thursday - Sunday, July 4 - 6

1-8:30 p.m.

Bayshore, South of Pioneer and Midway, Oak Harbor

Join local MC's Robert Sanders and Samantha Goodman for this year's Independence Day Entertainment Stage. Oak Harbor Chamber has partnered with DJ David Duprey and local entertainers to offer live music and community engagement through the holiday weekend. July 4th - July 6th catch artists like: Handsome & Gretyl, Kick Brass, and much more!

The stage will host free entertainment throughout the afternoons: including a pie eating contest provided by Chris's Bakery, Raffles, and variety hours with performances from Whidbey Playhouse, and Oak Harbor Cheer, and Whidbey Royalty.

Special performances include the winner of Oak Harbor's Talent Show hosted by On Our Own Arts & Lava Louie's:

Stephen Brooks, Dancing Phenomenon, and 8-year-old Oak Harbor local.

Maxwelton Fourth of July Parade

Thursday, July 4

8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The parade typically begins at the intersection of Maxwelton and Swede Hill roads and proceeds down Maxwelton Road, ending at Dave Mackie Park, where food and commemorative buttons are available for purchase and classic family games can be played in the park.

10:30 a.m. Registration opens & Shuttle service begins. Registration Closes at 12:00 & Shuttle Service Pauses.

12:00 p.m. Parade starts

12:30 p.m. Parade concludes with Flag raising & National Anthem, + Food and Games at Dave Mackie Park

1:00 p.m. Shuttle service resumes

2:30 p.m. Shuttle service ends

Buskers on the Corner presents

Second Line

Friday, July 5

5:30-6:30 p.m.

Pioneer Way and Dock Street,

Oak Harbor

FREE

Oak Harbor invites everyone to enjoy downtown Oak Harbor for a night of free music. Select shops are open late and look forward to your visit. Shows will continue through August 23, in time for the Oak Harbor Music Festival August 30 - September 1.

SUMMER NIGHTS KICK OFF! WITH RUBATANO MARIMBA

Friday, July 5

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

WICA, 565 Camano Ave, Langley

FREE

Following the success of last year's Rubatano Marimba Summer Kick-Off, we're back for another party!

Join us for our official kick-off to summer-

time fun on Whidbey Island. This outdoor music event brought laughter, dancing, and community connection in spades, and we're hoping for another full turnout! See you here!

Windjammer Independence Day Car Show

Saturday, July 6

12:00 to 4 p.m.

Windjammer parking lot nearest the Beach, Oak Harbor

Trophies for top three finishers in People's Choice voting. \$25 cash only per Vehicle: Entry includes dash plaque. Registration is only at show starting at 10 a.m. Spectators are Free!

Bayview Farmers Market

Saturday, July 6

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Bayview and SR 525, Langley

The popular Bayview Farmers Market is centrally located to all of South Whidbey at SR 525 and Bayview Road. The easy-to-spot giant letters and colorful flags let drivers know that something tasty is going on. The market featured more than a dozen farms, a dozen food vendors, and nearly a score of artisans. The market is a great place to find the freshest ingredients Whidbey Island has to offer! There are also often musicians performing, making the market an ideal place to spend a Saturday midday.

Langley Lights the Night

Saturday, July 6

6:00 - Night

Aerial Light Show (Drone Show) expected at 9:45 - 10:00 p.m.

Second & Cascade, Downtown Langley

FREE

Join the block party in downtown Langley on Second & Cascade Ave on Saturday, July 6, 2024, to celebrate Independence Day weekend with a spectacular animated drone light show launching from the marina, courtesy of Nichols Bros and the Port of South Whidbey. Festivities kick off at 6:00 p.m., with the light show starting around 9:45 p.m. This family-friendly event encourages you to bring chairs for a comfortable viewing experience. Stay tuned for more details on parking, shuttle services, and music!

Blue Heron Canoe Journey

Sunday, July 7

12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Langley Fairgrounds, 819 Camano Ave, Langley

The Snohomish Tribe of Indians presents Blue Heron Canoe Journey 2024.

Blue Heron Canoe Family will be at the Fairgrounds in Langley.

Sunday, July 7, 12:00 Noon at the Langley Fairgrounds: Community Potluck Meal and Salmon Bake followed by cultural sharing at the Fairgrounds. Bring a potluck contribution and share in the meal at the Coffman Building. The meal will be followed by presentations, songs, dances, and other cultural gifts from both the Blue Heron Canoe Family and the Snohomish Tribe. All are welcome.

Monday-Thursday, July 8 - 11: The Blue Heron Canoe Family invites everyone to visit their encampment throughout the week and participate in teachings, songs, craft-making, ceremony, and informal discussions. Some workshops will also be offered. For details email nciwhidbey@gmail.com, or contact Becky Porter at treasurer.scfs@gmail.com or text (425) 540-6554

Local Adventure: Introduction to Fly Fishing Whidbey Island and Western Washington

Tuesday, July 9

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Coupeville Library, 788 Alexander St, Coupeville

Yearning for adventure? Come learn about another way to enjoy the outdoors with Whidbey Island Fly Fishing Club.

Designed for novices and the fly fishing curious this presentation will introduce you to everything you need to get started. Discuss the basics of fly fishing and the gear required, as well as locations and season to pursue this sport on Whidbey Island and around Puget Sound, and get acquainted with the concepts of conservation and ethical angling. This program is a wonderful way to learn about one of the many ways to enjoy the natural beauty right outside your front door.

The Whidbey Island Fly Fishing Club (WIFFC), founded in 1992, is a social organization of almost 50 fly fishers, dedicated to providing our members with the resources they need to enjoy the sport of fly fishing, and working to

protect our environment and educate the public on the importance of conservation of our resources.

Oak Harbor Farmers Market

Thursday, July 11

4 - 7 p.m.

Downtown Pioneer Way, Oak Harbor

Join us to experience Oak Harbor Farmer's Market on Downtown Pioneer. We'll be closing off the road and inviting vendors from all over for the occasion. Enjoy farmers, crafters, food, and entertainment along side downtown merchants. We'll be closing off the road from Dock to Hathaway.

Vendors and Volunteers are welcome to inquire through Wednesday.

Follow to <https://northcentralwhidbeyfarmersmarkets.org/> to apply!

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For more information, call 360-929-0466

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5. Special Events and Festivals:

Throughout the summer months, Meerkerk Gardens will play host to a variety of special events and festivals celebrating the beauty of nature and the joy of community. From Evening walks for Members and plant sales to live music performances, there's always something exciting happening at Meerkerk Gardens.

"We are thrilled to welcome visitors to Meerkerk Gardens this summer and to share the beauty and wonder of our botanical paradise," said Daniel Burns, Publicity, Outreach and Event Coordinator at Meerkerk Gardens. "Whether you're seeking inspiration, relaxation, or simply a day of outdoor adventure, we invite you to discover all that Meerkerk Gardens has to offer."

For more information about summer classes, nature trails, and upcoming events at Meerkerk Gardens, please visit www.meerkerkgardens.org or contact dburns@meerkerkgardens.org

About Meerkerk Gardens:

Meerkerk Gardens is a beloved botanical garden located in Greenbank on Whidbey Island. Spread across 53 acres of rolling paths, woodlands, and meadows, Meerkerk Gardens is home to a diverse collection of rhododendrons, azaleas, and other native and exotic plants. Meerkerk Gardens is dedicated to promoting the appreciation and conservation of plants through education, outreach, and stewardship.

(Submitted by: Daniel Burns)

**Kinship: Work by Jeanne Dodds
New art show on view at the Hub Gallery**



Nearshore Fragments by Jeanne Dodds

Goosefoot Community Fund is pleased to present JeanneDodd's first solo art exhibition on Whidbey Island. She is an artist, biodiversity conservationist, researcher, and educator whose creative practice investigates place identity and systems relationships. Her work in Kinship combines natural pigment, photography, and mixed media to document her connection and relationship with the natural world.

Kinship is on view July 20 through September 9, 2024, at the Hub Gallery, located in the Bayview Cash Store, on South Whidbey Island. Gallery hours are 10 am – 6 pm daily.

An opening reception on Saturday, July 20, 3 to 5 pm will feature a gallery talk with the artist at 4 pm. Admission is free for this public event.

Dodds is currently a PhD candidate at Falmouth University, Institute of Photography, UK, and her research is centered on natural pigments, more-than-human kinship, and place identity as experienced with climate change. She earned her Master of Environmental Studies researching visual art's impact in preventing wildlife trafficking. For her BFA, she photographed dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers in Washington, Oregon, and Idaho and created avian and botanical imagery for her certificate in Scientific Illustration. She works for a conservation non-profit on national campaigns intersecting art and species conservation.

In the artist's own words, "Kinship records a journey of tuning into and developing relationships with the more-than-human world. By knowing these aspects of our natural surroundings, we develop connection to and reciprocal relationships to place. This sense of place belonging is more vital at this moment than perhaps any other time, living as we do in an era of biodiversity loss, climate change, and socio-ecological crises of many kinds. The artworks I create with natural pigment, photography, and mixed media document a process of developing connection and place identity. Lichens, birds, water, minerals, trees, weather, celestial cycles are observed, appreciated, and responded to through visual practice. These works are an invitation to you to reflect on our interconnectedness and kinship with the more-than-human."

The Hub Gallery/Bayview Cash Store is located at 5603 Bayview Road, Langley, WA, on Whidbey Island. For more information, please contact info@goosefoot.org or call 360-321-4145.

The Hub Gallery is presented and sponsored by Goosefoot Community Fund.

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(Submitted by: Marian A. Myszkowski)

Grand Reopening of Artworks Gallery in Langley celebrates their second comeback in four years



By Jon Bach | Whidbey Weekly

This past January, a broken water pipe damaged artwork at the Artworks Gallery at 221 Second Street in Langley. The water has long receded and the restoration is complete, so the Gallery is celebrating its Grand Reopening this Saturday, July 6.

It's a comeback story, but few people know it is not their first one.

The pandemic in 2020 forced the gallery to close its doors when it was located in Greenbank because there was no visitors and no accompanying rent relief from the landlord.

"We had to put everything in a storage unit until we found a new home," said gallery Vice President Gaylen Whiteman. "We found a great location in Langley with wonderful landlords."

company as the building which helped us cover move out and move in costs," Whiteman said.

The gallery also received some private funding support, which enabled them to do a soft reopening on June 19, and plan for their Grand Reopening this Saturday where there will be refreshments, and artisan demos throughout the day.

"During the closure, gallery artists have poured their hearts and souls into producing new and inspiring art pieces," said Artworks President Christine Crowell.

Beth B. Johns works with the Gallery and is also a resident artist there.

"It's been a long five months since the burst water pipe," she said. "All of our artists are thrilled to be back with the gallery open and running again. Our



The Artworks Gallery just a few days before broken pipes flooded the space on January 14. Photo by Gaylen Whiteman

But then came a hard January freeze and a burst pipe in the fire suppression system from the 3rd floor ceiling which seeped through to the second floor offices and then to the first floor gallery.

The water drenched the gallery from the track lightning for a full 30 minutes before the fire department could get there, at which time there was 2 inches of standing water to be pushed out.

They only lost a few paintings, and the water required a weaver and a clothing artist to clean and re-press their work.

"Fortunately we had the same insurance

artists spent these past 5 months creating beautiful new work and we are back looking better than ever!"

The Gallery is also going to be giving away 3 baskets full of art (one of their featured artists is a basket-maker who donated their work). To participate, you can fill out a free entry form in the gallery. The gift basket drawing will take place during the celebration on the Art Walk that day from 5 to 7:00 pm.

*Note that also on Saturday night, the city of Langley is hosting "Langley Lights the Night" -- a drone light show -- so be mindful that Langley may be a little crowded.



A worker clears two inches of water after a hard freeze broke water pipes on the 3rd floor. Photo by Nancy Frances

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By Tracy Loescher

Summer Chinook Know-How

Have you ever felt extremely excited about fishing and at the same time extremely disgusted about fishing? Talk to most any Puget Sound summer Chinook salmon fisherman, and that's exactly how they will feel. They are super excited at the chance to catch a fresh king salmon, then the realization and frustration of only getting three days out of the year to fish for them sets in! You might think I'm kidding, but take a look at the fishing regulations for Marine Area 7 beginning July 13, and you will see what I mean. If we don't get a chance to fish the three-day season in Area 7, we will get approximately ten days in Marine Area 9 to try again.

If you and your salmon buddies want to catch a one-fish-a-day limit, you better have your salmon "know-how" dialed in. I want to share the tips and techniques that have proven successful for me over the years and may help you put a salmon in the cooler:

- Troll, mooch, or dart:** Each of these techniques works well to catch kings. I primarily troll for salmon, but I have also mooched and jigged with darts. With the price of tackle and restricted daily catch limits today, the cost of doing all three can climb incredibly fast. Most fishermen troll for salmon; it allows the fisherman to cover lots of water in search of the fish at all depths when multiple fishermen are on board. Mooching with a banana weight and a 4-foot leader with herring or shrimp is a great way to put the bait down in the fish's face. The up-and-down motion provided by the fisherman can mimic wounded bait extremely well. If you have ever hooked a king salmon on a jigging dart, you will never forget it. If catching kings while jigging darts was as consistent as trolling, I might never troll again. Unfortunately for me, darting has a narrower catch corridor than trolling does.
- Early morning bites:** Kings will feed anytime of the day; however, they are the most active first thing in the morning. The baitfish are awake and feeding, the full light of the sun has not touched the surface of the water, and kings like breakfast as much as we do. Matching the hatch is always a key factor in what lure or bait to use, so figuring out what the kings are feeding on as quickly as possible will greatly improve your chances of an early hook-up.
- What are they eating:** Suspended bait clouds in the mid-water column on the fish finder usually indicate herring or pogies (small silver shiners), and bait clouds appearing on the bottom generally indicate candlefish (sand lance) and sometimes shrimp. Over the years, the most consistent stomach contents have been candlefish, followed by herring, then shrimp or small crabs.
- Meat, metal, or rubber:** Many salmon fishermen swear by meat (herring) to attract a strike, especially longtime king fishers. I believe this is due to the once large abundance of herring in Puget Sound. Herring numbers have decreased over the years due to commercial harvest and, to some degree, ocean conditions. Herring is still a tried-and-true bait to catch kings, so I never count them out. Metal (spoons) have come on strong for the last 20 years. Salmon spoon designs, baitfish color schemes, UV coatings, and improved hook designs and materials have leveled the playing field with natural bait. Another artificial bait that is a proven king catcher is rubber hoochie squids; the wriggling, flowing rubber legs of the hoochie can be irresistible to kings. Many fishermen add a small strip of herring inside the hoochie skirt, giving the bait the best of both worlds.
- Size and color:** Does the size of the lure make that big of a difference? Yes and no. If you happen to be in a salmon derby, then the bigger lures can sometimes result in bigger fish. Matching the hatch should still dictate what length of bait you're fishing with. Most of us will be fishing for dinner and the thrill of the catch, so remember even "elephants eat peanuts." Colors can be tricky but always start with the color(s) you have the most confidence in, which color has been the most consistent at getting bit. If you are new to salmon fishing, you can't go wrong with some form of green, black, or white.
- Scent or no scent:** I am a firm believer in adding scent to artificial bait, and even to natural bait it can't hurt. However, there is a time you should never put scent on the lure: when the scent has gone bad, either gone rancid, soured, or changed texture. How do I know the scent has gone bad? I put a dab on a popsicle stick and give it a taste test. Trust me, you will know right away. The easiest way to avoid a taste test is to keep the bottles and jars of scent out of the direct sun. Keep the scent in a Ziploc bag in the cooler of ice on the boat and in the refrigerator between fishing trips. Try not to put your fingers in the scent. Dip the tail-end of the lure directly in the scent or apply it with some kind of applicator. Finally, buy a small jar of scent if available; it's cheaper to throw away a little than a lot.
- Odds on catching a fish:** If we are able to get on the water during the short seasons, I put our odds at 95% that we will catch a king salmon. Here is why: Winter blackmouth season has been taken away for the last three years, so no winter fishing pressure. We are starting to see increased numbers of kings in the Marine Areas due to the Orca Task Force salmon recovery projects, and we have had good cold ocean conditions the last couple of years. The only odds against us is how quickly the quota of fish will be caught and the season will quickly be closed, so be ready for opening day the best you can.

With the state forcing us into bottleneck seasons, be prepared for anxious fishermen and busy boat ramps. Once on the water, we can expect fishy spots to be busy with boats, so be sure to keep your head on a swivel to avoid bumper-boats. If fishing is as good as it was last year, you will not be disappointed and it will be well worth the effort to go summer Chinook fishing!

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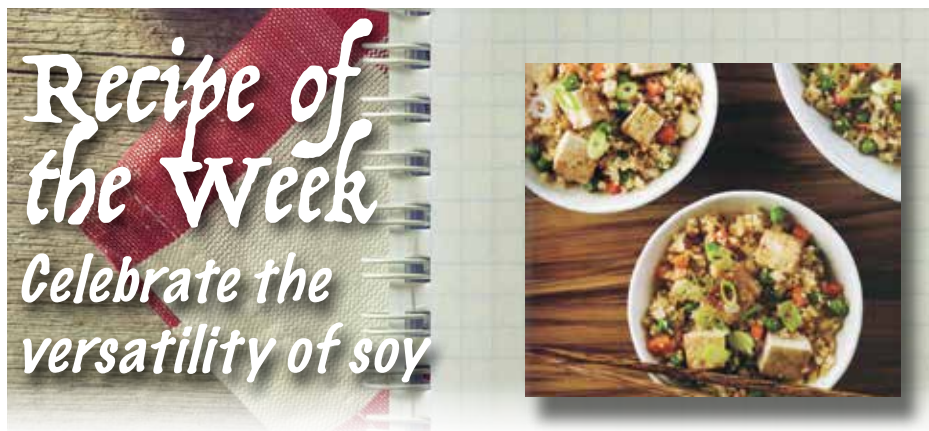
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Many Asian-inspired meals rely on soyfoods, including this dish for "Tofu Cauliflower Fried Rice" from "Vegan Cooking for Beginners" (Publications International, Ltd.) by the PIL editors.

Tofu Cauliflower Fried Rice (Serves 4)

Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon minced fresh ginger or ginger paste, divided
- 2 teaspoons dark sesame oil
- 1 teaspoon packed brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon rice vinegar
- 1 package (14 to 16 ounces) firm tofu, drained
- 2 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
- 1 yellow or sweet onion, chopped
- 1 carrot, chopped
- 1/2 cup frozen peas
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 package (12 ounces) frozen cauliflower rice
- 1 green onion, thinly sliced

Instructions:

1. Whisk soy sauce, 1 tablespoon ginger, sesame oil, brown sugar, and vinegar in small bowl. Place tofu in quart-size resealable food storage bag. Pour marinade over tofu. Seal bag, pressing out as much air as possible. Turn to coat tofu with marinade. Refrigerate 3 hours or overnight.
2. Drain tofu, reserving marinade. Cut tofu into 1-inch cubes. Heat 1 tablespoon vegetable oil in large skillet over high heat. Add tofu, stir-fry 3 to 5 minutes or until edges are browned. Transfer to bowl.
3. Heat remaining 1 tablespoon vegetable oil in same skillet. Add yellow onion and carrot; stir-fry 2 minutes or until softened. Add peas, garlic and remaining 1 teaspoon ginger; cook 2 minutes or until peas are hot. Add frozen cauliflower rice and 1/4 cup reserved marinade; stir-fry 5 minutes or until heated through. Return tofu to skillet; stir-fry until heated through. Top with green onion.

TEST YOUR RED, WHITE AND BLUE IQ

By JoAnn Hellmann

Amid flags, fireworks, and festivities, we celebrate the biggest birthday bash of all: the 4th of July.

The story of how our country went from being a group of English Colonies to an independent nation is filled with triumph, hardship, perseverance, and freedom.

- The day we celebrate Independence Day might have been the 2nd of July if John Adams, a Founding Father and the second president of the United States, had his way. That's because while the Declaration of Independence was finalized as a written document on July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress voted in favor of declaring themselves independent of British rule on July 2, 1776. Adams was such a stickler for accuracy, he even refused to attend 4th of July events because he felt so strongly it was not the correct date.
- There's a lot of history about America becoming its own country, including some lesser-known facts. That's where 4th of July trivia comes in! Have some fun as you gather with family and friends to celebrate this year with some of the following, courtesy of Reader's Digest.
- Who ruled England when the Colonies established independence? (King George III)
- Who is credited with writing the Declaration of Independence? (Thomas Jefferson)
- How many signatures are on the Declaration of Independence? (56)
- Who was the youngest person to sign the Declaration of Independence? (Edward Rutledge, 26)
- Which city hosted the first official Independence Day celebration on July 4, 1777? (Philadelphia)
- How many times does the Liberty Bell ring on each Independence Day? (13 times)
- What was the first state to declare the 4th of July a state holiday? (Massachusetts)
- When was the first 4th of July celebration held at the White House? (July 4, 1801, when Thomas Jefferson was president)
- How many sections are in the Declaration of Independence? (Five) And what are they? (The introduction, the preamble, the indictment of George III, the denunciation of the British people, and the conclusion.)
- Where was the Declaration of Independence stored during WWII? (Fort Knox, Kentucky)
- Although the 4th of July has been celebrated each year since 1776, it didn't become a federal holiday until 1870. And it didn't become a paid holiday for federal employees until 1941.

JoAnn Hellmann, a long-time resident of Oak Harbor, is a retired Navy Journalist Chief.

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- ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20**
After some time, a difficult situation is beginning to settle down, Aries. Enjoy this well-earned peace and consider how a new perspective can help going forward.
- LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**
Libra, you may be feeling introspective and philosophical, so much so that people may catch you staring into space and lost in thought. Now is not the time to make heavy decisions.
- TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**
Taurus, a new plan can be just what you need to make notable progress. Finding a mentor or someone who has forged a path already can be a useful step.
- SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**
Scorpio, this might not be the week for parties or large social events. You are experiencing some introverted feelings right now and are best in situations that have only a few people.
- GEMINI – May 22/June 21**
Gemini, you have a lot going on in your life right now to keep you busy. With so much going on, try not to worry about what is going on with others. Stay in your lane.
- SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21**
Life isn't always fair, Sagittarius. Recognize that sometimes things won't go your way. Your resolve could be tested this week so be aware.
- CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22**
It is a fine week to really think about your future, Cancer. If you have goals to start a business, start hashing out plans and give thought to seeking a partner.
- CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**
Capricorn, it may be tempting to let someone else take over when the going gets tough. That likely will not be best for you, so continue to make decisions and let things play out.
- LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23**
Leo, this week you start out with a lot of energy, but likely will burn through it early on. If you want to reach your goal, you are going to have to learn how to pace yourself.
- AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**
Aquarius, you are due for a big break after going through a lot of emotional ups and downs. Your positive attitude has paved the way for some brighter skies ahead.
- VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**
A lot of emotions are running through your mind, Virgo. They may be very confusing. It is alright to feel out of sorts. Perhaps talking to someone can offer you perspective.
- PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20**
No one else is going to do a tough job for you, Pisces. You have to dig in your heels and make a plan. You are ready for this kind of assignment and the pressure that comes with it.

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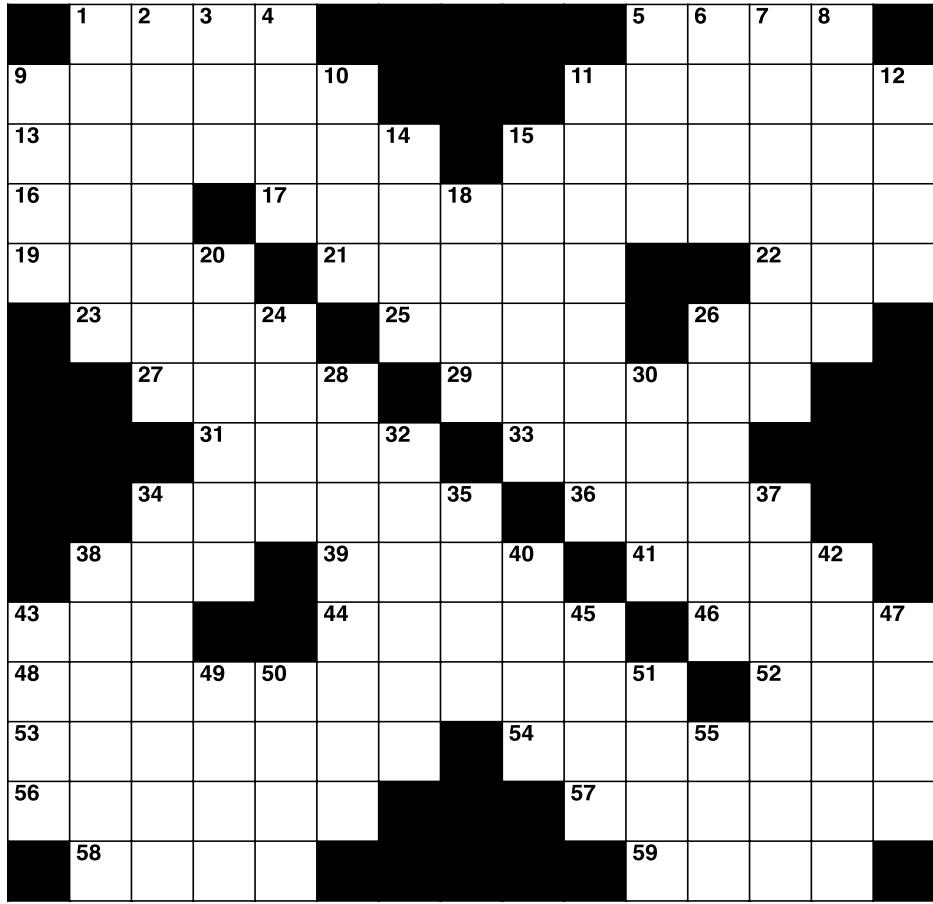
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5. Invests in little enterprises
9. Large dung beetle
11. Gored
13. Partially paralyzed
15. Still a little wet
16. Legal field media company
17. Not working
19. 500 sheets of paper
21. Church structure
22. Sheep disease
23. Small drink of whiskey
25. Weaving tradition
26. Pestilence
27. Body part
29. Nabs
31. Places to stay
33. Witnesses
34. Looked for
36. Arranges
38. Political action committee
39. Middle eastern nation (alt. sp.)
41. Hair-like structure
43. Parts producer
44. Greek city
46. Subway dwellers
48. Norm from "Cheers"
52. Clean a floor
53. Vied for
54. Canned fish
56. Inspire with love
57. Sent down moisture
58. Wrest
59. Partner to carrots

CLUES DOWN

1. Mounted
2. Assign
3. Wrath
4. Self-immolation by fire ritual
5. Parts of an organism
6. Person from England
7. Tropical plants of the pea family
8. Body part
9. Practice boxing
10. Containers
11. Contrary beliefs
12. Bleached
14. Pre-Islamic Egyptian
15. A group of similar things ordered one after another
18. Innermost spinal cord membranes
20. Cassava
24. A restaurant's list of offerings
26. Annoy constantly
28. Orchestrate
30. Z Z Z
32. Astute
34. Highly decorated tea urn
35. Teach to behave
37. Endurance
38. Urinating
40. Barbie friend dolls
42. Repents
43. Man-eating giant
45. Jewish calendar month
47. Accelerated
49. Husband of Sita in Hindu
50. Lump of semiliquid substance
51. Lying in wait
55. Cease to exist

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

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OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

Why do we celebrate the Fourth of July?



Tatum G., 4th grade
Oak Harbor

Fourth of July is celebrated because we as Americans won the Revolutionary War. The Revolutionary War was a war we fought for our freedom from Great Britain and to have our own land. We called this land America or U.S.A., which stands for United States of America. We did not like that kings and queens would rule and their children would inherit the throne. Then there is no chance for everyone else. We fought so we could have a government that we could elect and have a president. We celebrate the Fourth of July with fireworks to represent the bombs bursting in air. The Fourth of July is also celebrated with the colors red, white, and blue because they are the color of our flag. That is why we celebrate the Fourth of July.

Ashton L., 4th grade
Oak Harbor

We celebrate the 4th of July because it is a day to celebrate the signing of the declaration of independence. It is the day we made this amazing country and people that really do support and love our country celebrate by doing fireworks, eating good food, decorating and spending time with family and friends. Our country is so so special and we are very lucky to live in such a beautiful place. That is why we celebrate the 4th of July.



Ensley H., 4th grade
Oak Harbor

The reason we celebrate the 4th Of July is because it is the day in 1776 when our country stated through the Declaration of Independence that we weren't going to be ruled by Britain anymore. It was a long fight and journey to earn our victory and independence. Instead of a king, we elect presidents now every 4 years. On this holiday, we party with fireworks and BBQs, and take time to remember how wonderful our country is and how we got here. Usually towns put on parades with floats and fun. (I even got to walk in the parade last year in downtown Oak Harbor.) Happy Birthday, America!

Michaela R., 4th grade, and Mom
Oak Harbor

We celebrate the 4th of July because we need to know about America's independence. It's July 4th because it's the day we signed the Declaration of Independence. Celebrating America means fireworks and remembering that we live in free country. Thank you to the Army Forces for keeping us free.



An opportunity and an invitation to participate in "An Upbeat question of the week?"

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Rolling Chair Tapestry Says Hello Whidbey

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VOLUNTEERING

Volunteer with the Sculpture Forest Team We are an all-volunteer led organization with a fun group of people who casually work together and have formed some great friendships as we bring art and nature to the entire community. We are always interested to meet people who like to do landscaping, social media, community outreach, lead tours, write grants, and more. Reach out to Contact@SculptureForest.org to inquire and explore new possibilities.

Freeland Hall Volunteer Outreach Event Exciting news! Freeland Hall has a lineup of new events planned for the coming year and we're looking for volunteers. Whether you need volunteer hours or simply want to help strengthen our community, we'd love to have you join us. Email: info@freelandhall.com

WEEKLY MEETINGS

Oak Harbor City Council Regular Meeting Tuesday, July 9 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Oak Harbor City Hall - Council Chambers, 865 SE Barrington Dr, Oak Harbor Available for view Online at: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CityofOakHarbor>

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

Gamblers Anonymous Meeting. Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Mount Vernon Senior Center. Mount Vernon Senior Center, 1401 Cleveland Ave, Mount Vernon Any questions, call Washington State Gamblers Anonymous hotline at 855-222-5542, or visit <https://gawashington.org/>

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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.

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

St. Anthony's Soup Kitchen: 804 3rd St., Langley 360-221-5303/sthubert@whidbey.com

Tuesday orders for home; Wednesday kitchen meals 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

HUB After School: 301 Anthes Ave., Langley 360-221-0969

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, 19777 SR 20, Coupeville 360-331-4575

Drop-in center for adults ages 18-24; Daily 6 a.m.-8:30 p.m., 35 SE Ely St., Oak Harbor 360-682-5098

Drop-in center for youth ages 12-21; Mon-Fri 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Women, Infants & Children (WIC): -Oak Harbor/North Whidbey: 1791 NE 1st Ave. Mon-Thurs 360-240-5554

Text: 360-544-2239

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

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 360-900-3077

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 Support Center or call the number above.

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

- Women & Children: 360-682-5773

WEEKLY MEETINGS

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 bi-monthly 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

SOUTH WHIDBEY NAR-ANON FAMILY GROUP meets every Wednesday at 6pm at the Langley Methodist Church, 301 Anthes in Langley. We meet in the Fire-side 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 lifeline, 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

866-488-7386 Trevor Project: 24/7 support for LGBTQIA2S+; text 678.678

Your ad here. FREE Personal Ads Help Wanted Volunteer Weekly Meetings

CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

US Postal Mail Whidbey Weekly Classified Department PO Box 1398 Oak Harbor, WA 98277

E-Mail classifieds@whidbeyweekly.com Telephone360-682-8283

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