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# ON TRACK

with Jim Freeman



For me, the greatest benefit to being a conductor of fun is I get to hang out with a community of superstars.

Were there a show called *Survivor: Community*, Whidbey would dust them all.

One of those superstars is Kris Barker, now in her final year serving as executive director of South Whidbey Children's Center in Langley, swchildrenscenter.com.

Founded 40 years ago by magnificent Mully, this four decade young nonprofit has been nurturing and educating "the whole child, fostering deep roots for the whole person."

Prior to my conducting effort to raise money for the kids, Kris greased the wheel of wallets and purses and more with her heart-filled final address, shared here with her permission and my enthusiasm.

"Good evening. I am Kris Barker, the executive director for the South Whidbey Children's Center. Thank you so much for coming out tonight to support the center.

As many of you know, this is my last year as executive director for the South Whidbey Children's Center. I've had so many things swirling through my head as I sat down to write this speech, so many thoughts I want to convey.

As we launch into the 40th year of the South Whidbey Children's Center I want you to know what I think deserves your support and needs to be preserved...for the next 40 years.

It is the small things, the everyday things at the Children's Center.

It's teacher Jennifer rubbing the eyebrows of young honey bears to get them to sleep.

It's Mario inviting me to every birthday he has for the rest of his life.

It is teacher Lalaina taking so very much time to problem solve and make a plan around supporting a single child, so he may feel more comfortable in his world.

It is listening to the stars begin to get words, and one in particular that learned how to say *utoh* (uh-oh)...and says it for everything.

It is poop talk. We talk about poop a lot. How much, how little, what kind.

It is teacher Andi making up new science songs and trying them out on all the kids.

It is the endless cuddling and holding. Helping children to feel safe and secure.

It is the number of times we can read *Going on a Bear Hunt*. And how *Going on a Bear Hunt* completely symbolizes everything that will ever happen to you in your life. You can't go under it, you can't go over it, you have to go through it.

It is the million rashes I get to look at. The endless accident reports I sign. The extra birthday cupcakes the office gets to eat. The Halloween songs Babe teaches the kids. The fire truck visiting in October. Learning to walk to Langley on a rope. Saying hi to your sibling over the fence. Holding babies at the front desk.

It is the small things that make us who we are. It is the small things that make the Children's Center feel like home. It is the small things.

But small things take big money. In order to have small tender moments, you need to have low teacher to child ratios. In order to have individualized education, you need to have educated teachers. In order to be accessible to all families you need to have tuition assistance.

Families are stretched and teachers are underpaid. I don't have the answer to this problem. This last year I listened to Ken Langone, adviser to Home Depot, talk about raising millions of dollars to wipe out the student debt for the future doctors going to NYU.

A short time later Robert Smith said he would

wipe out the student debt for seniors at Morehouse College.

Full time childcare costs almost as much as a college education. If you have a full time star, you are paying \$14,400 a year for childcare. How can we continue to expect parents to foot that bill? At the same time, if you are a teacher with a four year degree working in a preschool, full time, your average salary is \$28,000 a year. How can we expect someone to live on that salary?

This is the elephant in the room. This is what makes me sad.

I don't have the answer to this problem.

But what I dream of is being able to offer tuition assistance, not just to low income families, but to middle income families. Giving families enough breathing room so they can enjoy their time together. Supporting all families to be the best they can be. So they can cherish the small things.

I dream of giving teachers a living wage. Becoming a model center that shows the rest of the country you don't have to sacrifice in order to work in early childhood education. I dream of offering health insurance. Imagine that! Health insurance. I dream about teachers not qualifying for food assistance.

I dream about all of us coming together to find a solution to this problem.

So tonight, I thank you for being here. I thank you for coming out to support this very important institution. I thank you for giving what you can. I welcome any thoughts you might have for how we can come together and bridge this gap. The gap between high quality care and wage equity. We need to find a solution to this problem. It starts with us, here, together, tonight."

Thank you, Kris Barker, for being you, sharing you, giving you.

My first moment being a grandpa was that first holding of our first granddaughter.

Lots of firsts.

It was a moment I shall never forget, no matter where I left my truck keys.

Malia Mae will never know what I felt the first moment with her until she transcends my feeling with her own, as a first time mother. No guy will ever get close to that one, but being a grandpa sure gets a guy closer.

The joy experienced daily at South Whidbey Children's Center is joy to the world.

Our kids are joys for the world.

If there were not so much paperwork involved, I might start a business called *Rent-A-Kid*.

Grandpas who miss their own kin could stop by the store, pick a kid from the lot, and go have fun for a couple of hours.

Ain't gonna ever happen. Makes me nervous just to think about it.

The point being, we have professionals who teach joy as they ooze joy.

South Whidbey Children's Center, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, South Whidbey Schools Foundation, Ryan's House for Youth, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, church groups and more.

We still need more. Always more.

As Kris stated in her speech, "It is the small things that make us who we are."

Seeing my Mom caregive, seeing my Dad donate, seeing my Grandpa preach a sermon, and seeing Grandma pray were my small things.

I was the small guy with the big mouth, watching my family heroes give to others.

Grandpa used to say a reporter asked General Booth of the Salvation Army if he had a message for the world.

General Booth answered with his last earthly words.

"Yes, others."

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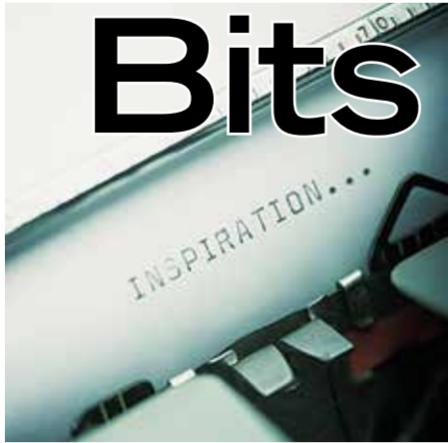
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# Bits & Pieces

## Letters to the Editor

### Editor,

Here we are, ballots in hand. We find ourselves, with the power of our votes, with the ability, even the responsibility, to set a course for our city's future. I'd like to specifically address the City of Oak Harbor (Oak Harbor Transportation Benefit District No. 1) Proposition 1.

It has recently been stated Oak Harbor residents are not in the mood for a new tax right now. I get that. I'm an Oak Harbor resident and I don't rejoice gleefully at the prospect of any new tax imposition. This proposal, however, will equate to \$1 for every \$500 spent on taxable retail sales. This additional revenue source would be collected from everyone making purchases in the City of Oak Harbor; residents, military, tourists and travelers alike. This would generate approximately \$987,000 per year, specifically set aside for sorely needed road repair, along with sidewalk and pedestrian/bicycle lane improvements. Extensive study of our roadways has been undertaken and the results of that study are no surprise to anyone who drives in our city: our roads need help.

The question has been asked, "How have city leaders allowed the streets to get into such a state of disrepair"? That's a good question, which I can't readily answer, but even those asking are acknowledging the obvious need for action. What I do know, is if we fail to act now, our roadways will continue to deteriorate, costs associated with repairing those roads will steadily increase, and we will broaden the gap between what needs to be done and our ability to get it done. If this proposition does not pass, we will have to look at funding alternatives, all of which would generate significantly less resources and would place the financial burden solely on the shoulders of Oak Harbor residents. (Remember that with this proposal, everyone who uses our roads pays a fair share to maintain them).

Mayor Bob Severns has backed this proposal, even though this is an election year for him. Recognizing the importance of this issue to our city, he has chosen to support taking action for the betterment of our city while possibly adversely affecting his bid for re-election. I have worked with the Mayor for two years now, and this is yet another sterling example of his integrity and his devotion to duty. He is placing the needs of the city above his own. I've witnessed our Mayor work tirelessly to build consensus and coalitions, listening to every party willing to enter the conversation. We may not always agree, but there is always reasoned, respectful dialogue. This is an invaluable commodity in today's political climate.

Please pay attention to recent letters in local periodicals about who's financing the campaigns for those running for election in Oak Harbor. Please take some time to educate yourself about the candidates and the issues before marking your choices and returning your ballot. It's easy to let the louder, bolder voices drown out those of reason. It's easier to sit on the sidelines of social media, taking cheap shots while offering little else of value to the conversation. Mayor Severns and Councilmember Tara Hizon are two people who have my admiration for working selflessly for our city, and I believe ought to be given the

opportunity to continue to do so. I can, and will work with everyone who is elected on Nov. 5. In the meantime, I wanted to offer some thoughts to ponder before then.

Bill Larsen  
Oak Harbor, Wash.  
[Editor's Note: Bill Larsen serves on the Oak Harbor City Council.]

### Editor,

The first ever Kraken Coat Drive was a HUGE success! We're still counting and sorting through the overwhelming amount of jackets, scarves, gloves, hats and everything in between and cannot wait to get them out to our community! Thank you to everyone who braved the weather and made the time for such a wonderful cause. Thank you so much to Daniel Mazurek of Pioneer Sticker shop for his continued and tireless support for our local businesses and for the oh, so many coats he delivered. Thank you to Mrs. Erin Gibbs and to Mr. Jeff Mack for their much-needed donations as well. Thank you to all of the volunteers who came out to help; including Big Brothers Big Sisters, The Irish Wildlife Society, all of the Rotary members and especially to the infamous masked horse head sign carrier.

From the bottom of my heart, thank you to everyone who made the effort to support our community and to those in need. It truly does take a village. Till next time and till the wheels come off.

Cheers,  
Captain Kraken  
Kraken Tours, Oak Harbor

### Bring the Family for Trick or Treating in Langley

Langley invites families to bring their super heroes, goblins, and ghosts to downtown Langley for a safe and fun trick or treating experience this Halloween.

Participating Langley merchants will have treats waiting for the kids from 2:30PM to 5:00PM Thursday, Oct. 31. Look for the moon and crow sign in the window of participating businesses letting families know that they are part of the fun.

After the trick or treaters have had their fill, stay in town for dinner, warm up with a hot chocolate at one of the great coffee shops, or sample some local wines in one of the wine tasting rooms.

The whole town is dressed for the season, with everyone in costumes, lighted trees, crows, pumpkins and more decorating the town. Sponsored by Langley Main Street Association, made possible by the downtown Langley merchants. For more information, email [mainstreet@whidbey.com](mailto:mainstreet@whidbey.com).

[Submitted by Michaleen McGarry, Langley Main Street Association]

### Whidbey Weavers Guild offers "Uncommon Threads" for Holiday Shopping

The 16th Whidbey Weavers Guild Uncommon Threads sale will be Friday and Saturday, Nov. 1 and 2, at the Nordic Hall at 63 Jacobs Road, about 1 mile south of Coupeville.

Hours of the sale are Friday, Nov. 1, 10:00AM to 7:00PM, and Saturday, Nov. 2, 10:00AM to 4:00PM.

The Whidbey Weavers Guild is a community of fiber artists celebrating its 50th year. The Guild's over 150 fiber arts members range in experience from novice to nationally recognized artists and instructors. Members weave, knit, crochet, spin, dye, surface design, create baskets and jewelry. Some members raise sheep, alpacas, llamas, goats and dogs for fiber production.

At the Uncommon Threads sale, you will find fiber arts of all kinds represented, including hand-spun yarn, dyed spinning fibers, rugs, braided or felted jewelry, baskets, clothing and table linens. A variety of woven, knitted, crocheted, felted and spun hand-crafted clothing and home accessories will be featured.

A wide range of pricing ensures something special for every budget. The Uncommon Threads sale is a great opportunity to purchase locally hand-crafted products made by Guild members and provides an opportunity for early holiday shopping.

Guild members are active in the community with displays and demonstrations in schools, shops, libraries, festivals and at the Island County Fair. Each April, the Guild hosts a two-day group Spin-In with teaching sessions and vendors for a large audience drawn from neighboring states and Canada.

Celebrate the creative fiber arts on Whidbey Island and visit the Uncommon Threads sale. Learn more about the Whidbey Weavers Guild at [www.whidbeyweaversguild.org](http://www.whidbeyweaversguild.org)

[Submitted by Gretchen Schlomann]

### Outcast Theater Presents the World Premiere of "Over My Dead Body"

When an out of work actor can only get a part as a dead body on stage, he thinks he has hit an all-time low. That is, until he meets his understudy who would do anything to play the corpse, even if that means murdering any "body" that stands in his way.

This original play, written by Suzanne Kelman, was part of Outcast Productions' New Works Project performed at a staged reading in summer, 2018.

OutCast is bringing the play back in a world premiere production, Nov. 1-16 at the Outcast Theater at the Fairgrounds. The play is directed by Gabe Harshman.

Several well-known local actors are starring in the production including: Jim Carrol, Caelen Coe, Ned Farley, Megan LeMay, Melanie Lowey, K. Sandy O'Brien, Christina Parker, Ken Stephens, and Matt Wilson.

Performance dates are Nov. 1, 2, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16 at 7:30PM and Sunday, Nov. 10 at 4:00PM. Tickets are \$16 for adults; students and seniors (62+) are \$14.

Tickets may be purchased by credit card from Brown Paper Tickets: [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4406703](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/4406703) or you may email Outcast Productions at [ocp@whidbey.com](mailto:ocp@whidbey.com) to reserve tickets and pay at the door by cash or check. Doors open 30 minutes prior to each performance.

[Submitted by Carolyn Tamler]

### Wishing Whale Public Fundraising Effort Begins After Major Donors Contribute More Than 80 Percent of Target Amount



The Langley Arts Fund (LAF) has raised thousands of dollars in a few months from enthusiastic major donors for a new Georgia Gerber sculpture for Langley.

Now LAF is opening up its efforts to the public with a celebratory kick-off of the second phase of its fundraising effort.

Emceed by Langley Mayor Tim Callison, the public kick-off celebration will be held at, and is co-sponsored by, the Langley Whale Center/Orca Network at First and Anthes in downtown Langley on Saturday, Nov. 2, 5:00PM.

The Wishing Whale is being created by acclaimed sculptor – and South Whidbey resident – Georgia Gerber. The massive 12-foot bronze gray whale is slated for Whale Bell Park.

Like her Rachel the Pig at Pike Place Market, the Wishing Whale will be a piggy bank and funds raised by the whale's bank will go toward public park maintenance in Langley.

The celebration is an opportunity for the public to:

- Learn more about the new sculpture and meet sculptor Georgia Gerber
  - Enter the "Name-the-Whale" contest
  - Make a donation to the whale sculpture
- Refreshments will be served.

The Langley Arts Fund is dedicated to funding public art in Langley. Its founding members are: Diane Divelbess, Peter Morton, Frank Rose, Pam Schell, Joann Quintana, Don Wodjenski, and Georgia Gerber and Randy Hudson. The Langley Arts Fund is a 501(c)3 non-profit sponsored by the Whidbey Island Arts Council. [www.langleyartsfund.org](http://www.langleyartsfund.org)

[Submitted by Joann Quintana]

### Fall Jazz Concert

Saturday, Nov. 9, from 7:30 until 9:30PM, a concert dedicated to young people, the Arts, and to building a stronger community will be held at South Whidbey High School Auditorium, 5675 Maxwellton Road, Langley.

Featured in this fabulous showcase of superlatives is an all star line up of performers including singer/pianist Maureen Girard, virtuoso guitarist Andre Feriante, bassist extraordinaire Clipper Anderson, jazz professor and percussionist Brian Kirk, local fave Troy Chapman, and special guest Eric Vanderbilt-Mathews.

Conductor of Fun Jim Freeman and a variety of star student showcasers will also be featured.

This concert is being sponsored in part by Whidbey Island Center for the Arts. Tickets are on sale now through noon Nov. 9 at the WICA box office, 360-221-8268 or online at [www.wicaonline.org](http://www.wicaonline.org) (noon). Tickets available day of the show at the South Whidbey High School beginning at 6:00PM. \$18 adults, \$15 seniors/military, \$10 students 18 and under.

[Submitted by Jim Freeman]

### Saratoga Orchestra Presents LvB@150

LvB@250 is the kick off of Saratoga Orchestra's season-long 250th birthday celebration honoring the great musical master, Ludwig van Beethoven. Join Maestra Anna Edwards and the orchestra in a program highlighting Beethoven's *Symphony No. 1, Op. 21* Nov., 9 at 7:30PM at Whidbey Island Center for the Arts and Nov. 10 at 2:30PM at Coupeville HS Commons. A pre-concert chat will be 45 minutes prior to each performance.

As Beethoven is regarded as one of the most widely recognized and admired composers of Western concert music, his symphonies were praised as "epic," and "originally masterful" by his contemporaries and have since been feted by generations as cornerstones of Western civilization. As a parallel to the 250th anniversary of Beethoven's birth, Saratoga Orchestra explores a newly revived musical work written in 1770 (same year Beethoven was born) by Marianne Martines, one of the most prominent musicians and composers in 18th century Vienna, but her compositions are rarely known today. Works by Mendelssohn, Fauré and Bartók are also on the program.

General Admission concert tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for seniors and military. Students under 18 admitted free. Program information at [www.sowhidbey.com](http://www.sowhidbey.com) or 360-929-3045.

Tickets available for Nov. 9 concert only at [wicaonline.org](http://wicaonline.org) or 360-221-8262.

Tickets to the Nov. 10 concert available only at bayleaf in Coupeville, Click Music in Oak Harbor and at the Box Office two hours prior to the start of the concert. For more information visit [www.sowhidbey.com](http://www.sowhidbey.com) or call 360-929-3045.

[Submitted by Larry Heidel, Saratoga Orchestra]

### St. Augustine's in-the-Woods' Annual Holiday Market

St. Augustine's in-the-Woods' annual Holiday Market is Saturday, Nov. 16 from 9:00AM to 3:00PM. Start your holiday shopping by browsing through Christmas hostess gifts, unique crafts and gifts, bakery and savory items, and even a "collectibles" section with special treasures. Treat yourself to a homemade lunch while enjoying the festive live music. Santa will be available from 10:00AM to 2:00PM for kids young and old. All proceeds from the sale go to local charities.



St. Augustine's in-the-Woods Episcopal Church is located at 5217 S. Honeymoon Bay Road in Freeland.

[Submitted by Mary Laissue]

**Watch, Listen and Report!  
Southern Resident Orcas Return to  
Puget Sound Inland Waters**

Fall is the season Puget Sound Orca lovers have been waiting for, signaling the return of southern resident Orcas to our urban inland waterways, creating many opportunities for amazing shore-based encounters with our favorite pods as they swim past our neighborhoods following salmon.

One such encounter was videotaped by Orca Network's Whale Sighting Network Coordinator Alisa Lemire Brooks Sept. 20, as she observed several pods pass by Mukilteo Lighthouse Beach, along with other whale watchers of all ages: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=RoNkkmTTC8I](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RoNkkmTTC8I).

For decades, southern resident Orcas have begun their annual visits into Puget Sound around early October, spending fall and early winter months coming and going feeding on Puget Sound salmon. Southern residents typically spend the summer months feeding on Fraser River Chinook in their core summer habitat - the San Juan and Canadian Gulf Islands, Georgia and Juan de Fuca Straits. With Fraser River salmon stocks still at record lows J, K, and L pod have had little food to bring or keep them inland during the summer, and they again spent more time off the B.C./Wash. coast and less time in their core summer habitat this year. But they seem to continue to find enough salmon in Puget Sound during the fall and early winter, and have been observed in inland waters several times already, including a nine-day stay in late September. The inland Puget Sound habitat provides an especially important foraging opportunity during these years of declining salmon runs in other regions the remainder of the year.

For 20 years, Orca Network's Whale Sighting Network (WSN) has encouraged whale watching from shore, from the hundreds of miles

of shoreline in the Salish Sea. Trained WSN volunteers and citizens document the travels and behaviors of J, K, and L pods during these Puget Sound fall/winter forays, providing important information on habitat use and salmon runs most important for Southern Residents. Watch for Orca Network volunteers on the shores of Puget Sound watching the whales, and learn from them about the importance of tracking the travels and behaviors of southern resident Orcas. Watching and learning about these whales when they are in our neighborhoods inspires and motivates us all to care about and take action to help these orcas and the salmon they depend upon.

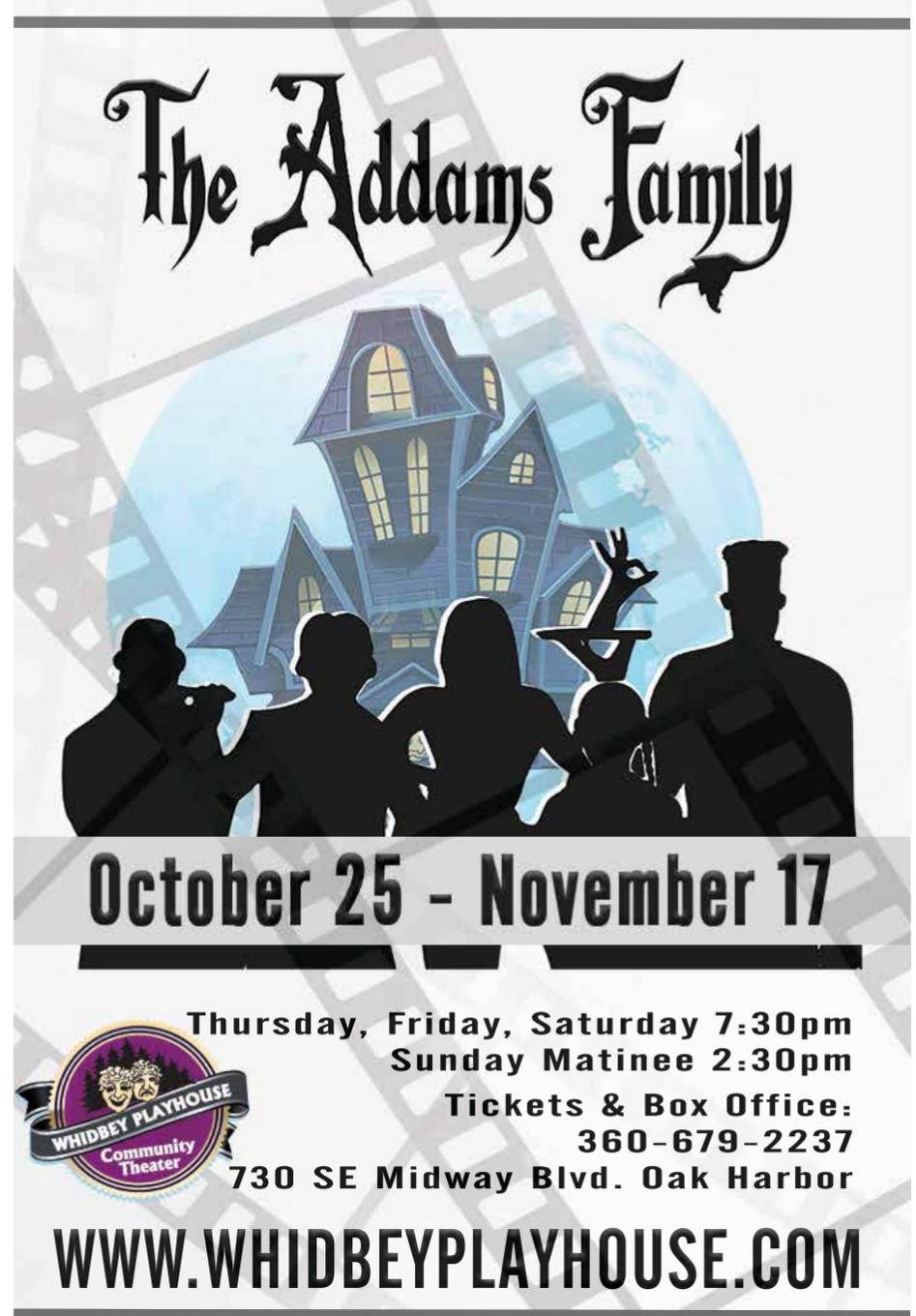
For the most recent whale sightings, go to the Orca Network Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/pg/OrcaNetwork/posts](http://www.facebook.com/pg/OrcaNetwork/posts). The Orca Network website 'sightings' page also posts and maps whale sightings, with archives back to 2001, and includes a whale sighting viewpoints map for volunteers and citizens to use to see whales from land-based viewpoints around the Sound, with descriptions of over 100 public viewing locations and directions to help find them. The map can be zoomed in to each location and is available at [www.orcanetwork.org/Viewpoints.html](http://www.orcanetwork.org/Viewpoints.html).

The map and current sightings are also displayed at Orca Network's Langley Whale Center, located at 105 Anthes Ave in Langley, along with exhibits and displays about orcas and the many other inhabitants of the Salish Sea.

Anyone who sees Orcas (or other whales) can help by calling in whale sightings immediately, and when possible photographing the whales to help provide IDs. Whale reports may be called in to 1-866-ORCANET, emailed to [info@orcanetwork.org](mailto:info@orcanetwork.org), or posted on the Orca Network Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/OrcaNetwork](http://www.facebook.com/OrcaNetwork).

The Whale Sighting Network, Langley Whale Center, and Orca Network website and Facebook pages also provide up to date information on the latest research and issues related to

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**The Addams Family**

**October 25 - November 17**

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# What's Going On

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

## Addams Family Opening Night

Thursday, October 24, 7:30PM  
Whidbey Playhouse, Oak Harbor  
Tickets: \$30 each

Join the Soroptimists and the "Addams Family" opening night. Enjoy seasonal treats as you meet the actors in costume and in character. An event for the whole family! Your participation allows Soroptimists to assist local women and girls. For tickets, contact Rita Bartell Drum at ritadrum777@gmail.com or 631-707-5980.

## Star Party

Friday, October 25, 6:30PM  
Fort Nugent Park, Oak Harbor

Explore the night sky and view distant galaxies, planets and nebulas at this free public Star Party hosted by the Island County Astronomical Society (ICAS). No telescope is needed and people of all ages are welcome to attend. Be sure and dress warmly and note that the event will be canceled if the weather is cloudy. For more information, contact Bob Scott at ICAS\_President@outlook.com or visit www.icas-wa.org.

## Halloween Torchlight Parade

Saturday, October 26, 4:30PM  
Downtown Coupeville

Wear your coolest costume and join the fun at Cooks Corner Park for a walk down Front Street to celebrate the season. Central Whidbey Fire and Rescue give a flashlight to the first 100 kids 12 and under. Prizes for cool costumes: judging for best girl, best boy, best group, best adult and best family costume. Winners announced at the end of the parade.

## Haunted Fort Casey

Friday, October 25, 6:30-10:30PM  
Saturday, October 26, 6:30-10:30PM  
Fort Casey State Park, 1280 Engle Road, Coupeville

Tickets only available online and sold in advance. No tickets at door! Please call 360-679-2237 for more information.

## Frightville XIX

Friday, October 25, 7:00PM-12:00AM  
Saturday, October 26, 7:00PM-12:00AM  
Thursday, October 31, 7:00PM-12:00AM  
Roller Barn, 98 NE Barron Dr, Oak Harbor

Haunt fee is \$13 per person. A guided no-scare tour of the haunted house will be held Saturday, 12:00-4:00PM, \$5 per person. All proceeds benefit Oak Harbor Boys and Girls Club.

## "Spook-tacular Concert"

Friday, October 25, 7:00PM  
Sunday, October 27, 3:00PM  
Trinity Lutheran Church, Freeland

Includes a costume contest so come dressed for the fun. Presented by Whidbey Island Orchestra, Cynthia Morrow, Music Director, and Gabriela Garza, Asst Conductor. Featuring Brian Kenney performing a violin solo and special performance by Island Dance. Admission is Free. Reception with members following.

## Live Music: Jim Smith

Friday, October 25, 7:30-9:30PM  
Penn Cove Taproom, Oak Harbor

Jim Smith plays classic hits from throughout the decades. Music that brings back memories and puts a smile on your face. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-2247 or visit www.penncovebrewing.com.

## Fall Bazaar and Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 26, 9:30AM-3:00PM  
Olympic View Elementary, Oak Harbor

The Fall Bazaar will feature many different vendors to help start your holiday shopping early. The bazaar is held inside the school gym. The Trunk or Treat will be held in the upper parking lot of the school from 11:00AM to 1:00PM. Make sure you come dressed in your costume for some spooky fun. Accepting donations for the gently used book and canned food drive. The school is located at 380 NE Regatta Dr.

## Holiday Bazaar & Bake Sale

Saturday, October 26, 9:30AM-3:00PM  
St. Hubert Church, 804 Third St., Langley  
Presented by the Women of St. Hubert Church. Shop for crafts, books, baked goodies, lunch, and more.

## Halloween Fest Costume Party

Saturday, October 26, 12:00-6:00PM  
The Green Room, Oak Harbor

Includes vendor booths, prizes, food truck, and dab bus. Must be 21 or older. The Green Room is located at 1640 N Goldie Road. For more information, call 360-682-5755 or visit www.thegreenroomwa.com. Marijuana has intoxicating effects and may be habit forming. Keep out of the reach of children.

## Kid's Halloween Party

Saturday, October 26, 1:00-4:00PM  
VFW Post 7392, Oak Harbor

Kids ages 0-12 are invited to participate in the costume contest for prizes, decorate their own cookie and enjoy some punch. Located at 3037 Goldie Road, call 360-675-0128.

## Midway Monster Mash

Saturday, October 26, 4:00-6:00PM  
Smith Park, Oak Harbor

Free family fun with music, costume contest, games, and candy. Please call 360-320-3806 for more information.

## South Whidbey Ryther Mardi Unit Dinner and Auction

Saturday, October 26, 5:00PM  
Holmes Harbor Rod and Gun Club, Langley  
\$35 per person

Ryther is a local nonprofit that heals and gives hope to over 2,000 young people and their families each year who struggle with trauma, mental illness, substance use and autism. For tickets or more information, please contact Sara Wilcox at saraw@whidbey.com or 425-985-1185.

## Live Music: Kelly Shirey

Saturday, October 26, 7:30-9:30PM  
Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville

Singer/songwriter-driven Folk-Rock-Americana with hints of country and pop. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit www.penncovebrewing.com

## WIRG Halloween Scrimmage

Sunday, October 27, 5:00-7:00PM  
Roller Barn, Oak Harbor

Free admission with donation of canned food. Come watch the Whidbey Island Roller Girls and enter the Halloween costume contest. More information at wirg.org

## Island Herb Vendor Day

Wednesday, October 30, 2:00-5:00PM  
Island Herb, Freeland

Representatives from Creekside will be on site with product displays and information. Must be 21 or older. Island Herb is located at 5565 Vanbarr Pl, Unit F. For more information, call 360-331-0140 or visit whidbeyislandherb.com. Marijuana has intoxicating effects and may be habit forming. Keep out of the reach of children.

## Creepy Concert and Carnival

Wednesday, October 30, 6:00PM  
South Whidbey High School, Langley

The South Whidbey School Band Dept. will be having its annual Creepy Concert and Carnival. The carnival will be from 6:00-7:00PM and will feature games, prizes, and a cake walk. The concert features the middle and high school bands and will begin at 7:30PM. Admission is by donation, suggested donation is 50 cents per game and \$5 for the concert. The event is sponsored by the South Whidbey Schools Performing Arts Boosters and will benefit the middle school band program. Wear your costume.

## Oak Harbor Chamber of Secrets

Thursday, October 31, 9:00AM-6:00PM  
Chamber's Conference Room, 32630 SR 20

Wizards and muggles alike are invited to this safe trick or treat spot! Enjoy butterbeer, chocolate frogs, and more at the Chamber of Secrets.

## Spooktacular Langley

Thursday, October 31, 2:30-5:00PM  
Downtown Langley

Come trick or treat in Downtown Langley. The town merchants are all dressed up with treats for kids and friendly dogs. Just look for the moon and crow sign in the window of participating businesses. Visit www.visitlangley.com for more information.

## No Tricks! Safe Treats!

Thursday, October 31, 5:00-7:00PM  
Downtown Oak Harbor

Costume contest (humans and pets) with prizes, haunted bus, photo booth, and treats! SE Pioneer Way will be closed to traffic between Ely St. & Midway Blvd. Sponsored by Oak Harbor Main Street Association and Walmart.

## Uncommon Threads

Friday, November 1, 10:00AM-7:00PM  
Saturday, November 2, 10:00AM-4:00PM  
Nordic Hall, 63 Jacobs Road, Coupeville

Start your holiday shopping early. Beautiful handcrafted wearables, home decor and more by local fiber artists. Don't miss this sale; it's amazing. www.whidbeyweaversguild.org

## Sky, an evening of Flamenco

Friday, November 1, 7:30PM  
Bayview Community Hall, Langley

Seattle-based Flamenco dancer, Savannah Fuentes, brings her latest her show, Sky, an evening of Flamenco, to the Bayview Community Hall. Joining Savannah will be singer/percussionist, direct from Spain, Diego Amador Jr. and guitarist Pedro Cortes. The all-ages event is part of a 30-date west coast tour. General Admission \$23, VIP reserved seating \$35, student \$18, child \$8. Tickets available at www.brownpapertickets.com

## The Holiday Bazaar

Saturday, November 2, 9:00AM-2:00PM  
Grace by the Sea Anglican Church, Oak Harbor

The church is located at 540 E Pioneer Way.

## Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below

Cost: Free

## Lit for Fun Book Group

Thursday, October 24, 9:00-11:00AM  
Freeland Library

Join us for a discussion of Daniel Mason's "The Winter Soldier," the story of war and medicine, of family, of finding love in the sweeping tides of history and of mistakes and atonement. For adults.

## Made By Hand: Recycled Art Mobiles

Saturday, October 26, 10:00AM-12:00PM  
Freeland Library

Using recycled items and found objects, we will create colorful and whimsical mobiles. All ages are welcome.

## 4th Annual Clinton Fall Festival

Saturday, October 26, 1:00-3:00PM  
Clinton Community Hall, 6411 S Central Ave.

Come in costume. See a falcon up close, and learn about birds of prey. Watch Whidbey Weavers Guild members spin. Paint rocks and a bookmark. Have your face painted. Trunk or Treat. Enjoy fall crafts.

## Whidbey Writers By the Sea

Monday, October 28, 10:00AM-12:00PM  
Thursday, October 31, 3:00PM  
Freeland Library

Meet with a group of dedicated writers to polish skills, share past and present work and have fun discussing all things literary. Everyone is welcome.

## Fiddler in the Forest

Wednesday, October 30, 3:00PM  
Freeland Library

Featuring live music, Fiddler in the Forest follows the antics of forest animals around a dreaming fiddler in a magical forest. Afterward, make your own shadow puppet!

We are celebrating our 25th anniversary in our library building today, come join us. This program, like our building, is made possible by the Friends of the Freeland Library.

## Religious Services

### South Whidbey Community Church

Sundays, 9:00-9:45AM Adult Bible Study  
10:00-11:00AM Worship  
Deer Lagoon Grange, 5142 Bayview Rd, Langley

Sunday, October 27 - Pastor Wenzek: Christ Gave Gifts. Services are followed by a light lunch. You are invited to join us for lunch and loving fellowship.

### Prayer Group

Every Tuesday, 4:00-5:30PM  
St. Hubert Catholic Church, Langley

Charismatic Prayer and Praise group. Everyone welcome. For more information, call B. Moore at 360-320-0937.

### Filipino Christian Fellowship

Sundays, 2:00PM  
Meets at Church on the Rock, 1780 SE 4th Ave., Oak Harbor.  
www.ohcfellowship.com

### Healing Rooms

Every Thursday, 6:30-8:30PM  
5200 Honeymoon Bay Road, Freeland

The Healing Rooms are open to anyone desiring personal prayer for physical, emotional, or spiritual needs. There is a team of Christians from several local churches that are dedicated to praying for healing the sick in our community. All ministry is private, confidential, and free. Teams are available to pray for individuals who drop by on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information, contact Ann at 425-263-2704, email healingwhidbey.com, or visit the International Association of Healing Rooms at healingrooms.com.

### Unity of Whidbey

Sundays, 10:00AM  
5671 Crawford Road, Langley

If you're one of the "spiritual but not religious" people who questions your childhood faith or is looking for something more, Unity of Whidbey may feel like a homecoming. Visit their website at unityofwhidbey.org.

### Whidbey Quakers

Sundays, 4:00-5:00PM  
Unitarian Universalist Congregation, Freeland

Whidbey Islands Friends Meeting (also known as Quakers) meet in silent worship and community, with occasional spoken messages, every Sunday at the Unitarian Universalist building. For more information, contact Tom Ewell at tewell@whidbey.com or go to www.whidbeyquakers.org.

### First Church of Christ, Scientist

Worship, 10:00AM  
Sunday School to age 20, 10:00AM  
Wednesday Testimony Meeting, 2:30PM

### Christian Science Reading Room

Tuesday & Friday, 11:00AM-3:00PM

The church and Reading Room are located at 721 SW 20th Court at Scenic Heights Street,

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Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly  
Ron Muzzall has been appointed senator by county commissioners and council members of the 10th Legislative District to fill former Sen. Barbara Bailey's seat in the state senate.

## Ron Muzzall to fill Senate seat

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Ron Muzzall, lifelong Whidbey Island resident and owner of Three Sisters Farm in Oak Harbor, has taken on a new role as Senator for the 10th legislative district.

Muzzall was appointed unanimously during a joint meeting of commissioners and council members from Island, Skagit and Snohomish counties last Friday in Mount Vernon. He will fill the remainder of former Sen. Barbara Bailey's term. Bailey announced her intention to resign from her senate seat in August.

"I'm humbled," Muzzall said immediately after his appointment. "I'm humbled by the support that I got from a lot of people and I'm humbled that this group of leaders thought that I had the potential to serve as senator."

Muzzall was one of three finalists put forward by the Washington State Republican Central Committee to fill the vacancy. The other candidates for the position were former Oak Harbor Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Christine Cribb, and Sara Hyatt, owner of Hyatt Construction in Stanwood.

Each of the finalists was questioned by county leaders, at which point Hyatt said she would like them to appoint Muzzall to the senate seat.

"I've been through this vetting process," she told them. "It's been a very valuable process, I think that it's served its purpose in each of the six of us who were originally started in this process getting to know each other. About two weeks ago, I came to the firm opinion through this process that Ron Muzzall is absolutely the best choice for this appointment...I am not working towards the path of being a senator at this point."

After talking with each of the candidates, Island County Commissioner Helen Price Johnson recused herself from the vote, as she has announced her intention to seek the senate seat next year.

"I also want to thank the candidates and urge my colleagues to choose who they believe to be the best candidate to fill the unexpired term of Barbara Bailey for the 2020 legislative session," Price Johnson said before exiting the chamber.

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## Monster Mash and more: festive fun in Oak Harbor

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

From chances to dance to the "Monster Mash" or trick-or-treat downtown, children will have plenty of chances to get into the Halloween spirit in the Oak Harbor community this year. Treats and Halloween-themed fun will abound at various events, from Midway Monster Mash to the Frightville Matinee and more.

Midway Monster Mash will bring a carnival atmosphere to Smith Park from 4-6 p.m. Saturday. For those who want to make it a day of family fun, there will also be the Frightville Matinee, which features a no-scare tour of the Boys and Girls Club's haunted house from 12-4 p.m. for \$5. On Halloween itself, the Oak Harbor Main Street Association will host its annual No Tricks, Safe Treats event from 5-7 p.m. along Pioneer Way and throughout downtown.

Teresa Besaw, one of Monster Mash's organizers, said this year the event will have a new venue — Smith Park.

"It has all the historic Garry oak trees and there is a gazebo there so we thought it might be kind of fun to have it in the spooky trees — not that it is a spooky event, it is just a free family event," she said.

Monster Mash has grown over the years and each year, various community organizations, including the Sea Cadets, Oak Harbor Elks Club and others, work to put together booths and activities for attendees.

"The families really enjoy it," Besaw said. "They do not just come for trick-or-treat, it is not all about trick-or-treating, they play games and they kind of earn their treat."

Besaw, who said she got involved in the event due to her love of all things Halloween, said Monster Mash is just one of many festive island events taking place the weekend before Halloween. Besaw recommends the no-scare Frightville Matinee and other harvest festivals on the island.

"The cool thing is someone could start at 9 in the morning and go to these different harvest festivals and our event and the no-scare matinee and even head out to Fort Casey," she said. "They could just make it a day of Halloween events and have a lot of fun."

Besaw said the event spotlights merchants from Midway Boulevard and many businesses pitch in to make the event possible.

"It is just a lot of great people involved and every year we hope it is bigger and better and right now it is looking that way," she said.

Sooz Konopik, a volunteer for the event, said Monster Mash has an array of games to keep young ghouls and ghosts busy.

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Photos Courtesy of Midway Monster Mash  
Midway Monster Mash offers children and families a chance to don their costumes for an afternoon of fun and games.



Photo Courtesy of Midway Monster Mash  
You never know who you're likely to run into at the Midway Monster Mash, which will be held Saturday from 4-6 p.m. at Smith Park in Oak Harbor.

## Halloween Activities

Spooktacular events for all ages abound!

### Practical Magic Movie Night

bayleaf, Coupeville

Friday, 5:30 p.m.

Limited seating/tickets at www.bayleaf.us

### Halloween Torchlight Parade

Downtown Coupeville

Saturday, 4:30 p.m.

### Haller-ween

Historic Haller House, Coupeville

Kid-friendly Tours

Saturday, 5-7 p.m.

Sunday, 4-6 p.m.

Admission by donation

### Haunted Fort Casey 1914 Triangle of Fire

Fort Casey State Park, Coupeville

Friday & Saturday

6:30-10:30 p.m.

### Frightville

Roller Barn, Oak Harbor

### HORROR NIGHTS

Friday and Saturday

7 p.m.-Midnight

\$13 per person

### NO-SCARE MATINEE

Saturday, Noon-4 p.m.

\$5 per person

### Spooktacular Langley

Downtown Langley

Thursday, Oct. 31

2:30-5 p.m.

### Midway Monster Mash

Smith Park, Oak Harbor

Saturday, 4-6 p.m.

### WCT's Monster Mash

Whidbey Island Fairgrounds, Langley

Saturday, 4-7 p.m.

\$7 ages 5-13 | \$10 ages 14+

\$40 Families of 5 or more

Benefits Whidbey Children's Theatre

### Great Pumpkin Race

Alexander St., Coupeville

Sunday, 1-5 p.m.

### No Tricks, Safe Treats

Downtown Oak Harbor

Thursday, Oct. 31

5-7 p.m.

### Paranormal Investigation

Historic Haller House, Coupeville

Thursday, Oct. 31

6:30-09 p.m.

\$20 per person

### Frightville

Roller Barn, Oak Harbor

Thursday, Oct. 31

7 p.m. -Midnight

\$13 per person

### The Rocky Horror Picture Show

WICA, Langley

Thursday, Oct. 31

7:30-9:30 p.m.

\$20/all seats; Rated R



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orcas, salmon, other cetaceans and their habitats, along with federal whale watching regulations and 'Be Whale Wise' guidelines for viewing marine mammals (www.BeWhaleWise.org). Orca Network strives to educate boaters to always remain aware of orcas and other whales with which they share the Salish Sea, and to follow the Be Whale Wise regulations and guidelines. Boaters and shore-based observers are encouraged to report boaters who are not observing these guidelines to NOAA Fisheries enforcement at 800-853-1964.

To be on Orca Network's whale sighting network email list and receive whale sighting information to improve your chances of observing whales off our shorelines, sign up at www.orcanetwork.org.

You may also listen for the whales at <http://live.orcasound.net> - choosing Orca Network's hydrophone at Bush Pt, Whidbey Island, the Port Townsend Marine Science Center's hydrophone, or the San Juan Island OrcaSound hydrophone. Listening to the hydrophones not only provides opportunities to hear whales, but also gives listeners an idea of what the acoustic underwater world is like for whales and other marine mammals, who have experienced an increase of marine traffic.

[Submitted by Orca Network]

**Seeking Applicants for Board of Equalization**

The Island County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants to fill a position on the Board of Equalization.

The Board of County Commissioners appoints Board of Equalization members for 3-year terms, which may be renewed by mutual agreement. The Board of Equalization consists of five members and two alternates. The Board of Equalization renders decisions on taxpayer petitions for property tax equalization. The majority of meetings are held at the Courthouse in Coupeville, with periodic hearings scheduled on Camano Island. All quali-

fied applicants shall be county residents, shall neither be a holder of public office nor an employee of any elected official, and may not have been employed by the Island County Assessor within the previous two years. Newly appointed members must complete the required training course/schooling within one year of appointment. Members are paid \$100 per day during active service.

Interested individuals should provide a letter of interest and statement of qualifications by mail, email or fax to: Island County Board of Commissioners, Attn: Pam Dill, Re: Board of Equalization Vacancy, Post Office Box 5000, Coupeville, WA 98239. The fax number is 360-679-7381 and email applications should be sent to [pamd@co.island.wa.us](mailto:pamd@co.island.wa.us). Application materials should be received no later than 4:30PM Thursday, Oct. 31. For additional information please contact Don Mason, BOE Program Coordinator, at 360-679-7379 or by e-mail at [donma@co.island.wa.us](mailto:donma@co.island.wa.us)

[Submitted by Pam Dill]

**Local Business News**

**Order Your BBQ Joint Smoked Turkeys Now**

It's time to start thinking about your Thanksgiving dinner, and the BBQ Joint in Oak Harbor is ready to make your holiday a scrumptious success.

BBQ Joint, which has been serving up Texas-style barbecue on Whidbey Island since 2006, is now accepting orders for 12-14 pound Hickory smoked turkeys to grace your Thanksgiving Day dinner table. A limited number of these delicious birds will be available, so anyone interested is encouraged to order soon.

In addition to making its own rubs, sauces, side dishes, cornbread and desserts, the BBQ Joint, located at 601 NE Midway Blvd. also offers catering. Your family and friends are sure to gobble it up. Call 360-679-3500 and place your order today. Go to [www.thebbq-joint.com](http://www.thebbq-joint.com) for information.



**SATURDAY, SEPT. 21  
9:23 am, Bayview Rd.**

Reporting party states her daughter told her female was pulling out reporting party's campaign signs on the side of the road; reporting party's daughter confronted female and female stated "This is my civil duty."

**2:20 pm, Lone Lake Rd.**

Reporting party advising she was staying at friend's house and noticed there are cameras in the room where reporting party gets undressed; advising friend's daughter has planted cameras.

**4:48 pm, NE 7th Ct.**

Vehicle vs. residence. Reporting party advising she mistakenly put car in drive instead of reverse and hit friend's house.

**4:57 pm, Main St.**

Occurred in year 2008 or 2009; reporting party advising ex-husband tried to rob the bank; says ex-husband is gambling addict.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 22**

**8:06 am, Oak Harbor Rd.**

Female on line wanting to be connected to PSE; states receiving texts referencing power will not be restored until 5:30 tomorrow. Upset at call-taker for asking further questions.

**10:43 am, Hersig Rd.**

Reporting male up in tree; not sure if he can get down; male is awake and breathing.

**3:38 pm, Tianda Ln.**

Advising gas stove is "clicking;" red light is on. Unknown if gas is coming out; can't get gas to fire. Reporting party not feeling any ill effects.

**5:44 pm, Mobius Lp.**

Male caller on business line saying he doesn't know where he is, at a motel; states he thinks he was arrested and taken to location for his dog.

**8:11 pm, NW 4th St.**

Reporting party advising neighbors killed reporting party's cat four years ago. Reporting party very upset, disconnected.

**8:22 pm, SE Pioneer Way**

Caller advising female at location appears to be scared. "She seems to be really worried, like somebody's gonna get her."

**MONDAY, SEPT. 23**

**8:05 am, Wildcat Way**

Advising male subject walking north on Heller by Oak Harbor High School; walking with sledgehammer, dressed in dark clothing. Reporting party saw him while dropping her kids off at school within past few minutes.

**12:52 pm, SR 525**

Caller advising person in front of location is "mental case;" approaching customers and asking if they are rapists, being belligerent and weird. Subject is northbound on foot now.

**5:41 pm, SW Erie St.**

Caller advising male at location is requesting help with ride home, seems to have been drinking. Caller states he also tried to walk out of store without paying for a case of beer.

**6 pm, SW Erie St.**

Reporting party states male who stole

earlier is back, leaving with case of beer towards Petco on foot.

**11:37 pm, SW 6th Ave.**

Caller hearing people "communicating." States it sounds like bird calls/yelling.

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 24**

**2:20 pm, SW Barrington**

Reporting party advising subject is walking to Walmart area; has sledgehammer.

**3:55 pm, SW Barlow St.**

Reporting party advising subject walked in front of store with sledgehammer; advising subject took photos of subject chasing people. Reporting party believes he defecated behind the store.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25**

**9:11 am, Sills Rd.**

Reporting party states neighbor who lives at location is currently in Seattle. Reporting party was out for a walk and found can of beer and hammer in road near location and now hearing music playing and person banging on a tree in the bushes near location.

**9:17 am, NW 4th St.**

Caller states persons are threatening to hit caller; occurred in person two months ago when line was answered, female was yelling "you bitch" at someone. When questioned about statement, female said she was just yelling at herself. Nothing occurring now, caller requesting contact.

**9:43 am, NW 2nd Ave.**

Requesting call referencing issue with racoons.

**9:10 pm, SR 20**

Advising older male walking around outside, is making reporting party nervous.

**11:39 pm, NE 3rd St.**

Reporting party advising doesn't know address; states she's hearing voices in her room and someone took a picture of her with flash.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 27**

**6:32 pm, N Oak Harbor St.**

Female screaming; now saying her uncle is a weed addict and she threatened him with a hammer.

**Saturday, Sept. 28**

**12:02 pm, SE City Beach St.**

Party in lobby to report "aggressive kite flyer" by water.

**3:12 pm, La Fiesta St.**

Requesting call referencing dispute over who owns shed on caller's property.

**9:44 pm, SR 525**

Advising male confronted reporting party's wife around 5 pm today; reporting party's wife told him male in white Ford pulled over, started cursing at her, believed related to a motorcycle outside and not covered.

**SUNDAY, SEPT. 29**

**2:19 am, Williams Rd.**

Reporting party advising family thinks they're renting a house "this is not an apartment, this is a f\*\*\*ing house;" asked address more than once but not answered.

**4:25 pm, SE Barrington Dr.**

Reporting party requesting to know if police are looking for him for anything.

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



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# Town Hall Talk

6 to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 29

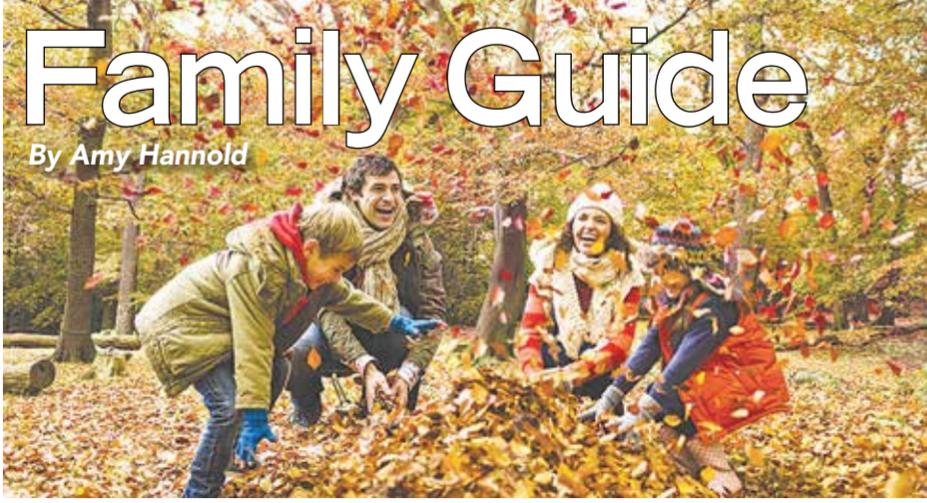
Oak Harbor Senior Center (Multi-purpose Room)  
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Join WhidbeyHealth CEO Ron Telles and Hospital Commissioners for a short presentation on WhidbeyHealth's financials, a recruitment update and a quality report.

Ample time will be dedicated to a question and answer period with community members.





**Come Play Saturday:** Mother Mentors of Whidbey Island hosts Playscapes, facilitated play and learn groups for Whidbey families and caregivers with children birth to 5. The groups are located in Langley and Oak Harbor during the week. Playscape offers an indoor play-space, with a wide variety of play stations, in an environment to promote healthy socialization of young children and their families. Saturday Playscapes are being offered the following Saturdays: Oct. 26, Nov. 23 and Dec. 14, from 9:30 to 11 a.m., at Playscape South: 5476 Maxwellton Road, Langley. All Whidbey families with children ages birth to five-years old are welcome. Playscape is a drop-in program, no pre-registration is required. A suggested donation of \$2 per family is appreciated. Mothermentors.org

**Farm Fun for Families with Kids Under Five:** Don't miss this super fun fall festival fundraiser, for families with children ages birth to 5 years. Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m., at the Ballydidean Farm (3460 French Road, Clinton). Enjoy goat petting, crafts, costume parade, hay maze, sensory activities, cider, s'mores and more. The \$40 per family suggested donation benefits Mother Mentors of Whidbey Island and Playscape programming.

**Get Scared and Support the Team:** Rise Academy of Arts' Competitive Team Booster Club's Spooktacular Haunted House, will be open Saturday, 7 to 8 p.m. for kid-friendly fun, and then 8 p.m. to midnight for True Terror. Rise Academy is located at 628 Oak Street, in Oak Harbor. Admission is \$5 per person. Riseacademyofarts.com

**Haunted Petting Zoo:** Don your costume and come meet the cute animals of the Kool Kritters 4-H Club decorated to scare: Vampire Rabbits, Demonic Cats, Guinea Pig Witches, and more. The petting zoo will be hosted by Sherman's Pioneer Farm in Coupeville Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the petting zoo is free, Sherman's Farm has pumpkins, produce and other items for sale.

**Candy to the Troops, Dollars to You:** Playhouse Dental of Oak Harbor and Anacortes is offering their Candy Buy Back program. Bring in your unopened candy Nov. 1, 4, or 5, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. They will pay you \$1 per pound! The candy will be shipped to our troops through Operation Gratitude. Playhousedentalkids.com

**Observing Veterans Day:** Honor our veterans by attending Oak Harbor's Veterans Day Program, Monday, Nov. 11, 11 a.m., at Oak Harbor High School. United States Navy Captain (Ret.) and NASA Astronaut Heidemarie M. Stefanyshyn-Piper will be the guest speaker, the Oak Harbor High School Wind Ensemble and Harbor Singers will perform.

**Oak Harbor's Veteran's Day Parade** takes place at 1 p.m., rain or shine, on the Walk of Honor (Pioneer Way, between Midway Blvd. and Ely St.). Nov. 11 is also a Washington State Parks Free Parks Day, when no Discover Pass is required to enjoy our local parks.

**Holiday Shopping for a Great Cause:** The Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7392 in Oak Harbor invites you to its annual auction Saturday, Nov. 16, beginning at 5:30 p.m. It's a fun evening to begin your holiday shopping. Featuring live, silent and dessert auctions, the event includes an appetizer potluck. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$18 for couples. 360-675-4048

**Sensory-Friendly 'Elf':** Island County Parent to Parent and the Whidbey Playhouse are pleased to announce the first sensory-friendly musical offered to families with special needs in Island County. "Elf Jr., The Musical" will be presented with dimmer lights and decreased volume Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 7:30 p.m. Santa Clause will be there for photos 5:30 to 6:45 p.m.

An Interactive Hot/Cold Chocolate Stand and sensory/quiet area will also be featured. The Whidbey Playhouse will open at 2:30 p.m. that day for those who want to do a walk through, get a lay of the land, to relieve any anxieties. To reserve your FREE tickets call 360-632-7539. Facebook.com/islandcountyparent2parent. "Elf, Jr., The Musical" opens to the public Dec. 5, and runs through Dec. 15. WhidbeyPlayhouse.com

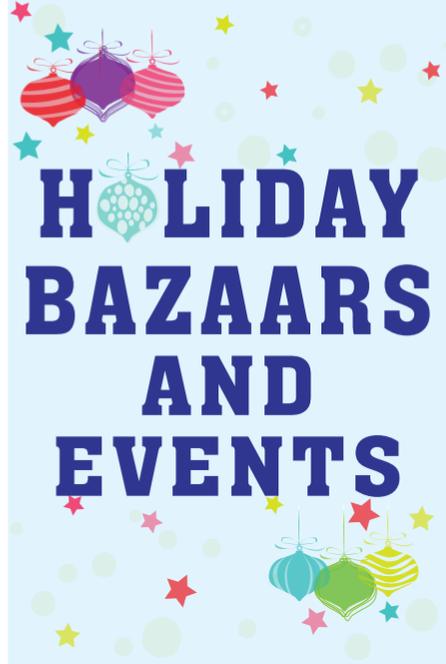
**Check-In to Your Local Libraries:** As fall and winter weather approach, acquaint yourself with all that our local Sno-Isle Libraries have to offer. Whether in-person or online, there is a whole world of activities to explore when going outside isn't an option. Digitally, you can connect to foreign language lessons, "Great Courses" on a variety of topics, Scholastic interactive books, business and software tutoring, eBooks and media, magazines and newspapers – all you need is your Sno-Isle Library card! They also have great resources for disaster preparedness – if you're not ready for emergencies, that would make a valuable fall family project. Homework help, local history, genealogy, finance...and, meet "Explora," your window to the world with information about nearly everything!

Whidbey's libraries are preparing to host a variety of fun and educational programs for all ages. Some require registration, so make it a habit to check your local library's event page at least monthly, to reserve a seat if required, for an upcoming popular program. Of particular note is the Pre-School Science Club (Oak Harbor Library), crafting classes, STEM events (Langley), STARS (Early Childhood Education Training) classes, LEGOs, Reading with Rover, and more! Sno-Isle.org

**Facebook Pages to Follow:** Free eBook Alerts for Christian Readers: No matter your faith, this group posts free non-fiction books for foodie interests, organization, special diets, books for early readers, meal inspiration and more. Money Saving Mom: I scored a great deal on flannel shirts and denim jackets. Plus, the author posts ideas for saving money, classic literature, organization/home, and great books to read.

**Holiday House:** Island County Readiness to Learn will be seeking donations to stock its shelves. Consider buying an extra gift for a family in need. Most needed every year are stocking stuffers and gifts suitable for teens and tweens. To volunteer or for more information, go to Readinesstolearn.org

**It's Raining, It's Pouring and I Have a Houseful of Kids:** Sound familiar? School break activities, holiday inspiration, local events and connections to community organizations can be found at WhidbeyIsland.MacaroniKid.com



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# HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

## Spooktacular Langley

Come Trick or Treat in Downtown Langley Thursday, October 31 Halloween Day 2:30-5pm

**Langley Main Street**  
[www.visitlangley.com](http://www.visitlangley.com)

The town and merchants are all dressed up with treats for kids and friendly dogs. Just look for the moon & crow sign in the window of participating businesses.

FREE COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN FUN ON MIDWAY BLVD IN OAK HARBOR!

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# HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

**OAK HARBOR SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**HAUNTED SCHOOL BUS**  
**MIDWAY MONSTER MASH**  
 4-7PM OCTOBER 26  
 SMITH PARK OAK HARBOR

AT 2 EVENTS IN OAK HARBOR!

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Frightville 2019 Schedule  
 October  
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### DAVID WAYNE BARTLETT



David Wayne Bartlett, age 67, longtime Oak Harbor resident, passed away Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019 at Skagit Valley Hospital. As a fervent believer, he looked forward to meeting his Lord.

David was born in Portland, Ore., Oct. 22, 1951 to Elmo and Mariam (Banks) Bartlett. The family moved to Cheney, Wash., where David attended school and graduated from Cheney High with a passion for music. Immediately after, he entered the United States Navy and served honorably for 22 years. He retired in 1992 as an Electronics Technician.

Being a people person, David enjoyed the opportunities and camaraderie of military life: he learned his trade (he was a techie from the word reboot); he saw parts of the world and created lifelong friendships. The challenges of military life he took in stride – for the love of his country, for those with whom he served, and those for whom he served. David was first stationed in Adak, Alaska, where his son was born. He spent the remainder of his career at NAS Whidbey, fulfilling assignments with ACD, VAQ-134, NAMTRADET, VAQ-140, SEAOPDET, and lastly AIMD. Highlights from those commands included seeing the Arizona Memorial, visiting Israel, and walking in the footsteps of St. Paul.

David married Valma Vallquist May 15, 1982, in Oak Harbor. He loved his family and playing bass with the church worship team. He admired horses, motorcycles, and airplanes. The B-17G especially fascinated him and it was a dream come true when he flew in the B-17 Sentimental Journey. He also sang with Whidbey Community Chorus and was a member of Church on the Rock.

David is survived by his wife, Valma; son Douglas Bartlett; daughter-in-law Kim; and three treasured grandchildren, Coral, Alexzander, and Sophia; brothers, Robert and Jim; and sister Kathy; also cherished aunts, cousins, nieces, and a nephew. A Celebration of Life took place at Church on the Rock, Oak Harbor preceded by a private family graveside at Maple Leaf Cemetery, with military honors by the NAS Whidbey Island Honor Guard. Family and friends are encouraged to share memories and condolences at [www.whidbeymemorial.com](http://www.whidbeymemorial.com)

On September 10, 2019, Lucas Nathaniel Fink, our loving son, brother, father of two children, and Iraq combat veteran departed this life at age 40 in San Clemente, CA.

### LUCAS FINK



Lucas was born Feb. 16, 1979 at Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan to Cmdr. Richard and Trudy Fink. He attended Elementary School in 29 Palms, Calif. and high school in Oak Harbor, Wash. where he played catcher for the baseball team and graduated in 1998. Following high school, he enlisted into the U.S. Navy to follow in his father's footsteps as a Hospital Corpsman.

Lucas wore the uniform of our nation for five years. He completed Navy boot camp and Hospital Corps School at Great Lakes, Ill. From there he was stationed at Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, Calif., where he worked in the mother/infant unit. Lucas was then transferred to

Okinawa, Japan, where he was assigned to the Marine Air Wing. Upon returning to the states, he attended Fleet Marine Force (FMF) training at Camp Pendleton. After completion of FMF, Lucas was assigned to a Marine unit, Echo Company 2/5, serving as a combat Corpsman in Ramadi, Iraq from Sept. 2004 through May 2005. He loved his time in the service and the many Marines and Sailors he served with. Lucas received several ribbons and medals including the

Combat Action Ribbon and Iraq Campaign with the Eagle, Globe, and Anchor. "Semper Fidelis," "Retreat Hell."

After completing his military obligation, Lucas was accepted into the Puget Sound Electrical Apprenticeship program where he became an IBEW-46 journeyman electrician and attended South Seattle College, graduating from both in 2011. He had worked in that field for the past several years.

Lucas loved his mother's cooking, which made him a very good cook. He was always talking about the outdoors and discussed on many occasions, that if he could, he would live off the grid, in a cabin he built. He enjoyed playing card games with his kids, his Mom and Pops, and brothers and cousins, many times they would play all night the silly game of "Hand and Foot" and Pinochle. He played softball with his Pops and was on many teams. Yet every time he had the opportunity, he would find a frisbee golf course and spend hours throwing the disc, along with training for the "Fink" Olympics (games he made up). He loved playing games and being silly with Quincee and Indiana, who were the apples of his eye. They always brought a smile to his face. Lucas was a man with integrity, he had a loving, caring soul and a very kind heart. He would do anything for family, friends, and fellow Marines and Sailors. Lucas will be dearly missed by those who knew and truly loved him.

Lucas was preceded in death by his beloved dog, Jack. He is survived by his two children, Quincee and Indiana; his parents, Richard and Trudy of Oak Harbor, Wash.; his two brothers, Forest (Celest) and nieces, Paige and Grace of East Wenatchee, Wash., and Matthew (Nichelle) of Federal Way, Wash.; and many, many loving aunts, uncles and cousins.

A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Nov. 2 at Wallin Funeral Home, 1811 NE 16th Avenue #A, Oak Harbor, WA at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, please make donations in Lucas' name to Wounded Warrior Battalion-West ("woundedwarrior.marines.mil" - print donation in search box - select donation form - print form - in 'specific requirements' line, write in USMC Wounded Warrior Battalion - West).

"No one is actually gone until the ripples they cause in the world die away." - Terry Pratchett

### MARYANN GUIDRY



Following an extended illness, MaryAnn Guidry passed away in the comfort of her home, Sunday, Oct. 13, 2019, surrounded with love by her devoted family.

MaryAnn was born Oct. 1, 1938, in New Orleans, La. Her son, Leon, and daughter-in-law, Nadine Guidry, brought her and his sister, Lynn Guidry Brown, up to Oak Harbor, Wash. to live following the loss of their family home during Hurricane Katrina in 2005.

MaryAnn is survived by her son, Leon M. Guidry (Nadine), and daughter, Lynn Guidry Brown, of Oak Harbor, Wash.; step granddaughter, Hannah Sullivan (Dallas), of Bellingham, Wash.; step grandson, Wesley Berry (Kim), of Chula Vista, Calif.; great-grandchildren, Joseph and Madison Brown, and step great-grandchildren, Hazen and Bailey Sullivan, Taelor Schmidt, Jacob, Alexander and Davis Berry; sisters-in-law, Audrey Nunez, Joyce Armstrong, Pearl Folse and Margaret Guidry; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and many special friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 36 years, Leon J. Guidry, in 1993; and her husband, Howard Gilmore, in 2007, the year of their marriage; her parents, Jules J. and Adelaide Nunez, and brothers, Herbert and E. J. Nunez.

The family would like to thank Hospice of the Northwest, particularly Alicia, Tiger, Sarah and Talon. Their caring is unmatched. Also, a special thank you to Fathers Paul, Bailey, and Jerry from St. Augustine Catholic Church; and to Dr. Bryan Murray and staff at Island Internal Medicine, Anacortes.

Memorials can be made in her name to the Hospice of the Northwest Foundation. Mail to 227 Freeway Dr., Suite A, Mount Vernon, WA 98273. Other ways to donate and donating online at [www.hospicenw.org/how-you-can-help/make-a-donation/](http://www.hospicenw.org/how-you-can-help/make-a-donation/).

A Holy Burial is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 4, 11 a.m. at Maple Leaf Cemetery, followed by a lunch gathering to be determined.

MaryAnn's final care has been entrusted to Wallin Funeral Home. A special thank you to Martha Wallin and staff for their assistance and care.

Please visit MaryAnn's page in our Book of Memories online at [www.wallinfuneralhome.com](http://www.wallinfuneralhome.com) to share memories and leave condolences.

### VERLA SKIVER

Verla Jean Skiver, 87, passed away in Burlington, Wash., the afternoon of Friday, Oct. 4, 2019.

Verla was born in Grant, Kan., June 8, 1932, to Verne Payne and Goldie (Angleton) Payne. She worked as a pharmacy technician in Mukilteo while residing in Mountlake Terrace, Wash., for 35 years. After her husband Donald retired from Boeing, the Skivers moved to Oak Harbor, Wash., in 1990.

Verla is survived by her children, Randy (Marcia) Skiver and Sandee (James) Waller; son-in-law Maikeli Wakolovou; grandchildren, Russell (Trudy) Skiver, Becky (Jen) Skiver-Thompson, Brett (Laura Beth) Waller, Bryce (Stephanie Horton) Waller, Kaicee Skiver and Brooks Waller; and great grandchildren, Henry Skiver, Sam Skiver-Thompson, Ivan Skiver, Milo Skiver-Thompson, Beau Waller, Blake Waller, Presley Waller and Ryleigh Skiver.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Verne and Goldie, her husband, Donald, and her daughter, Debbie.

A graveside service will take place in late December at Maple Leaf Cemetery in Oak Harbor. Arrangements entrusted to Wallin Funeral Home, Oak Harbor, Wash.

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# CHICKEN LITTLE & THE ASTROLOGER

By Wesley Hallock

## ARIES (March 21-April 19)



Enjoy the warmth of your relationships at every opportunity this week. Bask in the glow, but don't fall asleep. The ship of circumstance makes ready to sail, and it waits on no one. Can you be in the moment with your loved one, while yet alert for the sound of its boarding whistle? A lot is at stake, and snoozers will be losers. If your mate is ever-alert, as well, you're both ahead of the crowd on the 26th.

## TAURUS (April 20-May 20)



Your great need this week is to pace yourself. Your main problem may be how to resist the constant push of someone who is forever urging you faster. Can you convince them that moving out of step with your own natural rhythm is unbalancing and counter-productive? Haste makes waste, and forces you into unwise expenditures of time and energy. The 26th is geared to helping you find your pace.

## GEMINI (May 21-June 21)



Your growing hunger to break free of your rut and experience something fresh and unique is unlikely to abate this week. Anything that promises to satisfy your appetite for novelty is going to be irresistible. At the same time, the way for you to pursue your attraction is far from clear. Expect objections and dismay from someone who protests what they perceive as your instability. Reconciliations on the 26th are only temporary.

## CANCER (June 22-July 22)



Someone whose cooperation would make your life much easier is unlikely to give you what you need this week. Working around the difficulties they present is almost a game in itself. A playful approach to entice them gradually into your camp should prove much more constructive than all out war. Gradually is the key word. Trust and agreement aren't built in a day, and rejection on the 26th shouldn't be construed as permanent.

## LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)



The art of friendly persuasion might be the most useful tool in your kit this week. There is always a way to get others to work for you, instead of against you. When you find it, apply it first in defense of money and property rights. Obstacles hone your ability to stay calm and collected in situations that would heat other's tempers to the boiling point. A genuine smile on the 26th is most disarming.

## VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)



This is your week to meet your problems head-on. Aggression in the mental sense of the word is especially applicable. Think your situation through, carefully and completely. Examine it from all angles, both good and bad. Consider all scenarios, not just the ones

you want to happen. Then, and only then, are you ready to move forward into action. Force of habit may work against you on the 26th.

## LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)



Being socially active has benefits beyond the obvious this week. Aside from the normal joys of interaction, hob-nobbing with the like-minded leads to happy discoveries you wouldn't make otherwise. Among the possibilities is a blindspot in your approach to finances. If there's a way to have more fun with life and save money, too, of course you want to know. Keep your eyes and ears open for ways on the 26th.

## SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)



You may be at wit's end this week regarding a certain money worry. A solution that once held so much promise now appears not to be working. Your previous optimism was not misplaced; it's only that your timing is off. Be patient and keep your spirit up, and don't abandon your optimism. Although this thorny financial problem may seem unsolvable on the 26th, a few days can make a world of difference.

## SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)



Relationships that are not working as smoothly as they did in the past are a ripe field to explore this week. Are you focused on the other person as the reason for difficulties between you? Let that idea go, and look honestly at yourself. Are your motives truly for the good of the relationship? Or are you in it only for yourself? Selfish thinking usually ends with a tumble into the mud. The 26th is no exception.

## CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)



Detailed strategies and elaborate contingency plans have their uses this week, but are not the dependable end-all you would like. There may come a moment when the best action is no action. If your best planning comes to naught, and the clouds turn dark over your playing field, are you prepared mentally to simply hunker down and wait out the storm? Luck's role in all of this is food for thought on the 26th.

## AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb 18)



It may seem you're in a dry spell in terms of getting recognition for your endless hard work. Your sheer persistence and determination must eventually pay off, however, and this may be the week. The moment is near when the creative forces in your equation will temporarily outweigh their destructive counterparts. Like reeling in the fish that suddenly gives you slack, that is your moment of gain. Be alert on the 26th.

## PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)



If it seems there's lots of action in your life, but little forward motion, do yourself a favor. Stop the thrashing. Making waves that carry you nowhere only wears you out needlessly. Relationships are part of the equation, so you might start there. If they're mostly a tug of war, consider putting down the rope. Accept the fact that a new approach is needed, then open your eyes with intent to see. The revelations of the 26th may surprise you.

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# Crossword Puzzle

Grid for a crossword puzzle with numbered squares from 1 to 70.

## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Google certification
4. Cloths spread over coffins
9. Disorderly
14. "Star Wars" hero Solo
15. Toward the rear
16. The order of frogs
17. Alternative pain treatment (abbr.)
18. "Wolf of Wall Street" star
20. Evoke
22. Units of metrical time
23. Helps to predict eclipses
24. Some say they attract
28. Pitching statistic
29. Baseball box score (abbr.)
30. Force unit
31. Repaired shoe
33. English theologian
37. Commercial
38. Exchange money for goods or services
39. Give off
41. One from Utah
42. Computer department
43. Begets
44. English navigator
46. C C C
49. Of I
50. Pouch

- 51. Add notes to
55. A way to fall into ruin
58. Cunning intelligence
59. Blood disorder
60. Disgraced CBS newsman
64. Tax collector
65. Type of grass common to the Orient
66. Cosmic intelligence
67. No (Scottish)
68. People who rely on things
69. Stairs have them
70. Mathematical term (abbr.)

- 21. Central part of
24. Academy Award statue
25. Distinct unit of sound
26. Relative on the female side of the family
27. Passover feast and ceremony
31. The brightest star in Virgo
32. Made with oats
34. Subjects to laser light
35. Beloved Hollywood alien
36. Neatly brief
40. The Great Lakes State (abbr.)
41. Soon to be released
45. Swiss river
47. Become involved in
48. More dour
52. They're on floors
53. Boxing's GOAT
54. Swarms with
56. Quantum mechanics pioneer
57. Facilitated
59. As fast as can be done (abbr.)
60. Regional French wine Grand \_\_
61. Owns
62. Tell on
63. Precedes two

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## YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Table with 7 columns for dates from Thurs, Oct. 24 to Wed, Oct. 30. Each column shows North and South Island weather forecasts with temperature ranges and conditions like 'Showers Possible' or 'Mostly Sunny'.



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# Victim Support Services opens Oak Harbor office

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Victims of crime in Island County have a safe place to go to find resources, thanks to Victim Support Services, which opened an office in Oak Harbor recently.

The nonprofit organization was founded more than 40 years ago and offers its services to victims of crime in Island, Skagit, Snohomish, Whatcom and King Counties. VSS provides advocacy and support services to victims of nearly all crimes. Intimate partner violence and/or sexual assault are not included in its services, unless they are part of a homicide or ID theft.

"We provide emotional support, advocacy, legal advocacy, referrals and resources, very limited emergency financial assistance to clients only, and assistance navigating the criminal justice system and the aftermath," said Julie Thomas, director of victim services and training for VSS. "We also provide a support group for families and friends of homicide victims. All of our services are free of charge."

The group also hosts and staffs the Washington State Crime Victim Service Center Hotline. Anyone can call this toll-free number day or night and speak to a trained advocate.

Originally called Families and Friends of Missing Persons and Violent Crime Victims,

VSS began by offering help to families and friends of homicide victims and missing persons in cases where foul play was suspected. Because of the passage of the state Victims of Crime Act, VSS has broadened the types of crimes with which it can assist, some of which have changed over the years.

"We see all the different types of crimes still committed," Thomas said. "The typical burglar is stealing to support a drug habit, whereas the typical fraud or ID theft criminal is probably working on a larger scale to obtain some kind of profit or benefit as a result of their crime. Child ID theft is one of the fastest-growing crimes because our Social Security numbers are not tied to photos and children have clean credit histories."

One of the biggest things VSS can provide, according to Thomas, is a listening ear.

"Our Victim Service Coordinators understand the dynamics of victimization, the typical reactions to crime, and will help victims understand those to help them to move along in the healing process rather than staying stuck," she said. "Family members can get weary of listening to a loved one speak about their victimization, wanting them to stop talking about it. That is part of the reason victims can get stuck. Having someone who can listen compassionately no matter how many times they talk about the crime, goes a long way in helping them process and assimilate what happened."

It's also important to note there is no expiration date for victims when it comes to dealing with a crime.

"We are here to listen and support. It doesn't matter if the crime was yesterday or 20 years ago, we will still listen and provide support and resources," Thomas said. "We can also facilitate victims applying for crime victim compensation. This state fund assists with medical bills, funeral expenses and time-loss from work as a result of a crime. There are parameters that need to be met but we can help victims apply."

"Victims underestimate the impact crime has; it touches every facet of someone's life," continued Thomas. "Even if the crime was

a property crime, there is a lasting impact. Unless a crime victim deals with the impact, it will affect their everyday life until they do."

VSS victim coordinators at all five of its offices connected with more than 1,340 people for the three-month period from July through September this year. From July 1, 2018, to June 30, 2019, there were 3,346 calls to the hotline and VSS provided outreach to 6,805 individuals. The organization had 251 new clients in 2018 and already has 275 new clients so far this year. Those figures do not include existing clients, who may stay with VSS for years, depending on several factors, such as the length of time it takes a case to work through the justice system.

According to Thomas, the most common crimes in Island County include theft, burglary, destruction of property, assault, fraud and violation of no-contact orders. Fraud and identity theft cases continue to rise.

"Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs put out an annual report every year for the previous year with crime stats for each county and major city," Thomas said. "According to the 2018 report, cases of fraud (including ID Theft) rose in 2018 from 2017. We expect that number to continue to climb. VSS holds free community classes on ID theft and fraud. Check your local library to see if one is being held there. If not, ask them to contact us to come hold a class."

It has been seven years since VSS has had an office on Whidbey Island, although the organization has always offered its services to Island County residents. The new Oak Harbor office has been named in honor of King County Sheriffs Office detective Scott Tompkins.

"The Oak Harbor office was named the Scott Tompkins Project in honor of a past board member, a stellar detective, and a champion for crime victims [who] succumbed to a sudden illness in September 2018," Thomas explained. "Scott inspired others by bringing suspects to justice and providing closure to many families. We dedicated the office and project in his memory to keep his passion for helping victims alive. It is great to have space again on the Island and for Island County so

we can collaborate with communities and assist victims."

Emma Alty is the victim service coordinator for the Oak Harbor office. She can be reached by email at emma@victimsupportservices.org. People can also call the hotline at 888-288-9221. Information is also available through the website, www.victimsupportservices.org. Those interested in volunteering are encouraged to reach out.

"We provide training to community members who are interested in volunteering on our hotline," said Thomas. "We also are always looking for volunteers who want to assist with events. They can contact us through the website if interested."

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Photo Courtesy of Victim Support Services  
A newly opened Victim Support Services office in Oak Harbor provides a safe place for victims of crime to find a listening ear and many resources. VSS staff recently gathered to celebrate its return to Whidbey Island.

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"We are giving out a limited number of free goodie bags aside from the prizes you can win from playing the games in the carnival," she said. "Each booth will have a different game and different prizes so it is great for the little ones."

Konopik, a self-taught painter, will be providing a Monster Mash-themed backdrop for photo opportunities at the event, and will also be at a face-painting booth. Konopik said a number of individuals and groups in the community donate time and resources to make the event happen each year.

"There are so many people devoting their time to it, and it is just great," she said.

Konopik said the event is an option for families who are looking for something with more fun and less fright.

"There needs to be something more that is a little less scary out there for the little guys and I think this is great," she said. "It still allows families to go down main street for that wonderful event and go to Halloween parties in their neighborhoods on Halloween."

Hayley Samford, executive director for the Oak Harbor Main Street Association, said the No Tricks, Safe Treats event on Halloween will be bigger and better than ever this year.

"We really make it as safe as we can for the kids and as big as we can for the kids," she said. "We are planning to get enough candy for 3,000 children to come through and so we close those roads down and they go all the way down Pioneer and up some of the side streets and back."

Samford said the trick-or-treat street gets downtown vendors involved in handing out candy, and efforts are also being made to help include as many children as possible.

"Another thing that is new this year is Chances for Dessert is giving out teal pumpkins to kids who might have food allergies to some of the candy that people hand out on Halloween to make sure that everybody gets to participate," she said.

Samford says the event sparks creativity in many of the attendees, with options to enter in costume contests for both children and pets.

"I think for any Halloween event it is just really fun to see all the creative costumes and see all the kids so excited to be celebrating with their families and all of their friends," she said. "And just the joy on those faces is what I am personally most excited for, and I am sure that is what the merchants are looking forward to, too."

For more information on the Monster Mash, call 360-320-3806. Information about Frightville Matinee can be found at the event's Facebook page. To learn more about No Tricks, Safe Treats, visit oakharbormainstreet.org.

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Other county officials shared their enthusiasm for the slate of candidates before them.

"It's a challenging process to put your name out there and to go for this, so I really appreciate each of you for stepping forward and making yourselves available," said Nate Nehring, Snohomish County Council Vice-Chair. "We're really blessed to have three great candidates to consider today. I've had the chance to speak with each of you over the phone on multiple occasions and I think any one of you would serve the 10th legislative district very well."

"I knew walking in here today that I would be honored to have any of the three of you serve as our state senator," said Jill Johnson, Island County commissioner. "I think we have the finest of the 10th district in front of us today to choose from."

"I want to thank each of you for the preparation work you did, for taking the time to meet with each of us, for going through this process and sharing your ideas," said Island County Commissioner Janet St. Clair. "I learned something from each of you in listening to what you had to say and how you'd best represent us. I think this is a

decision that is definitely about choosing the best qualified candidate for all of us...And whatever you can do to continue serving the public, I would encourage you to continue to pursue that."

"The hardest part is we have three good candidates and one of them's gonna get the job, so I appreciate the three of you who have taken the time and put yourselves out here," said Skagit County Commissioner Ken Dahlstedt. "We'll end up disappointing two of you, but somebody'll be happy."

Even though she wasn't selected, Christine Cribb said she appreciated the opportunity.

"It was a wonderful process," she said. "I respected the process a great deal and it was a privilege to be a part of it."

For his part, the state's newest senator said the learning process has begun and he's looking forward to serving the 10th district.

"There's a pretty steep learning curve," said Muzzall. "I'm looking forward to working with my contemporaries down there on both sides of the aisle."

## "The Addams Family," the musical

Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly

*They're creepy, kooky and a whole lotta fun!*

*That off-kilter, macabre and loveable bunch of characters known as "The Addams Family" will take the stage starting Friday at the Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor.*

*Under the direction of Stan Thomas, the characters first created as cartoons in the late 1930s by Charles Addams and then depicted on television, come to life in this musical adaptation.*

*Join Gomez, Morticia, Wednesday, Pugsley, Grandma, Lurch and Fester as they find themselves in charted and frightening territory. Wednesday is engaged to a "normal" young man from a "normal" family and everything is about to change for the Addams family.*

*There are plenty of laughs along the way as these two families come together. You can read all about it in next week's issue of Whidbey Weekly, as "The Addams Family" takes over our cover. Find out how you can get tickets at www.whidbeyplayhouse.com.*



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The breast coil is designed specifically to aid in the study of breast tissue of high density or exhibiting an abnormality. It is valuable in nearly all stages of suspected breast cancer, from screening and diagnosis to follow-up in treatment. The breast coil was purchased with funds raised by the Island Hospital Foundation, which has supported the procurement of medical

equipment and technology for many of the hospital's patient-care departments.

### BREAST CANCER INCIDENCE

One of every eight women will develop breast cancer. If caught early, the five-year survival rate is almost 100 percent. There are various guidelines suggesting when women should start screening and how often they should screen, but all medical groups agree that screening saves lives.

Although the risk for breast cancer increases with age, younger women are at risk: One in six breast cancers occur in women age 40-49. Although any level of screening is better than

none, it is estimated that screening every other year will miss up to 30 percent of cancers relative to annual screening.

The American College of Radiology recommends an annual screening mammogram beginning at age 40, and these are the guidelines nearly all insurance companies follow. The majority of insurance plans will cover screening mammography due to its exceptional preventative health value.

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# Let's Dish!

with Kae Harris



## SIMPLE SUBSTITUTIONS – BAKING TIPS AND TRICKS IN TIME FOR HALLOWEEN TREAT MAKING!

Cooking and baking can be a frustrating endeavor at times. When we try out a new recipe that looks amazing, put all our effort into it thinking it's going to turn out exactly as described or as shown in the picture and then, it doesn't - anticlimactic isn't it? What's even more annoying is when we start to prepare a dish or dessert and part way through, or even right after we've started mixing ingredients together, we realize we don't have the right things or only have a few of them. This is enough for me to leave everything where it is, give the items a dirty look and go sit on the couch and stew – pun kind of intended.

Given that I'm talking about not always having the correct ingredients a recipe calls for, I wanted to discuss common substitutions used in baking and cooking. I applied that to my bread-making skills just the other day, actually. It was banana bread, but okay, baking is baking and I still needed a sub for a key component of the banana bread – baking soda. I thought I didn't have any. I searched high and low, even checking the bathroom (because sometimes I put a little baking soda down my bathroom sink drain with distilled white vinegar) and it wasn't anywhere to be found. I figured I would substitute baking powder for the soda and here's why.

Both baking soda and baking powder are leavening agents, which means they are included in baked goods before adding heat, in order to produce carbon dioxide which causes the entire baked good to rise. Baking powder contains baking soda but there is a difference in the way they are utilized. The conditions they're used under differ, too. So, what are these differences in conditions? Well, baking soda, a.k.a sodium bicarbonate, is combined with moisture and something acidic in order to bring about the chemical reaction that produces the carbon dioxide bubbles that get bigger when heat is added to the mix. Baking powder contains baking soda,

but it also contains an acidic agent – cream of tartar – as well as a drying agent – corn starch.

I used to wonder when to use baking soda and when to use baking powder. It turns out you need to use the former when there is an acidifying agent in the recipes to balance out the bitter taste sodium bicarbonate has, and could result in, without the acidity of other ingredients. These acidic agents are things like buttermilk or yogurt. Baking powder on the other hand, has a more neutral taste as it already contains an acid AND a base and therefore it doesn't require any extra ingredients to lend the acidic nature to the recipe.

Now, how do you sub the one for the other? Well, it's kind of a one-way street with these leavening agents because you can use baking powder in place of baking soda in a recipe, but not the other way around. I found a general rule of thumb which states that for every one part baking soda, you substitute three parts baking powder. For example: if a recipe calls for a teaspoon of baking soda, you'll use three teaspoons of baking powder. If, however, you don't have baking powder you could try your hand at making your own: one part baking soda plus two parts cream of tartar = baking powder.

This little swap made me think about all the other things that can be switched out when you don't have the exact item a recipe calls for. Every now and then it happens I'm in the mood to bake a dessert or bread and I don't have butter. Ugh! What's the purpose of butter anyway (except to be rich, creamy and delicious)? Typically when baking, butter is creamed with sugar and this allows the sugar crystals to cut into the butter and add air to the fat, making it lighter and giving the baked good a rich, rising texture. So, what can be used in place of butter to bring about this decadence? Well, the process of creaming is important in aerating your baked good. An oil can't simply be substituted just because it's a 'fat'. Instead, another solid fat must be used in butter's place; think ground nuts or nut paste or emulsifying ingredients such as eggs. It really depends on what you're making that will be the deciding factor in what you sub-

stitute for the butter. If it's cookies that use liquid syrups or ground nuts as part of the recipe, then oil works well, as cookies tend to not need the same lift that breads and cakes do. If you need a soft, chewy cookie then using an oil/egg yolk and sugar combination does the trick. Honestly, the amount of stipulations on how to use butter substitutes is pretty exhaustive and for that reason I found a super easy baking hack - coconut oil. It can be used in almost any baked good in lieu of butter because it's solid at room temperature and liquid when heated. The subbing ratio for butter and coconut oil, just FYI, is 1:1, so if you use a quarter cup of butter in a recipe and you sub it out, use the same amount of coconut oil in its place. It is pricier however, so look around and buy in bulk if you prefer, as this way, it should save you some dough. Pun intended here, too.

I think baking is in order with the weather being what it is and of course coming up on the holiday season too. Perhaps some pumpkin or banana bread? How about your favorite cookies? Whatever you decide to bake, if anything, I hope it turns out amazing, even if you have to use a substitute or two! I'm including a recipe for soft and sweet pumpkin cookies seeing as how October is basically pumpkin month. If you try it, let me know how you like it! Please send any and all comments, questions and certainly, recipes you might like to share to letsdish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com and we'll do exactly that – Dish!

### Pumpkin Cookies

- 2 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon salt
- 1 ½ cups granulated sugar
- 1 cup pumpkin puree
- 1 egg
- ½ cup butter, softened
- 1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine dry ingredients (flour, baking soda and powder, cinnamon and salt). Cream butter and sugar until light and fluffy. Blend in pumpkin puree, egg and vanilla. Mix well. Gradually mix dry ingredients into wet ingredients and refrigerate the dough for 4 hours. Preheat oven to 375°F, form dough into one-inch balls with a spoon and place on parchment lined or greased baking sheets. Bake for about 11 to 12 minutes, remove cookies and place on cooling rack. Store in an airtight container.

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Services and Sunday School are also held at 10:30AM on South Whidbey at 15910 Highway 525, just north of Bayview and across from Useless Bay Road; testimony meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.

## Galleries & Art Shows

### Featured Artist: Jim Short

Meet the Artist: Wednesday, October, 30, 10:00AM-5:00PM

Penn Cove Gallery, Coupeville

Wood Artist Jim Short will be at Penn Cove Gallery with some of his wood turning tools. Jim rescues homeless wood. His turnings often come from local trees headed for the landfill or a stove. He enjoys the wood's connection to Whidbey Island's climate and community. A signature of his work is highlighting "imperfections."

### Featured Artists: Kathy Lull and Madrone Moulton

Reception: Saturday, November 9, 2:00-5:00PM  
Artworks Gallery, Greenbank Farm

Moulton creates shadowboxes combining her love of beads, stones and other treasures with her experience as a picture framer. She likes to use special pieces from all over the world, combining them to create harmony. Each shadowbox Madrone creates is unique.

Kathy Lull is a mixed-media artist working in a variety of 2-D & 3-D mediums. In November, Lull is presenting a new series based upon farms from the Bayview Farmers Market, showing the rugged beauty of rural life on Whidbey Island. Kathy is using different painting techniques and mediums for these studies.

Meet Kathy and Madrone and join other Artworks' artists for light treats and beverages.

## Meetings & Organizations

### WhidbeyHealth Town Hall

Tuesday, October 29, 6:00-7:30PM

Oak Harbor Senior Center, 51 SE Jerome St.

Join WhidbeyHealth CEO Ron Telles and Hospital Commissioners for a short presentation on WhidbeyHealth's financials, a recruitment update and a quality report. Ample time will be dedicated to a question and answer period with community members.

### Flying Fingers Deaf and Hearing Social

Friday, November 1, 5:45-6:45PM

Langley United Methodist Church, Fireside Room

We celebrate birthdays, holidays and share food. Small group of individuals who enjoy seeing sign language used in conversations. Fun, easy going time. Donation for room usage. Come and meet us. Parking across street, off Third St. and Anthes Ave. Room is back side of church, follow the path and signage. For more information, contact Susan at 360-221-0383 or email [sisolei973@yahoo.com](mailto:sisolei973@yahoo.com).

### AAUW Whidbey Island

Saturday, November 9, 10:00-11:00AM

Old Bayview School, 5611 Bayview Rd, Langley

AAUW Program presents Goosefoot Foundation Executive Director Sandy Whiteing and Program Director Marian Myskowski speaking about the foundation's contributions to the south-island community. Quilt Raffle tickets available. Program is free and public is welcome.

AAUW raffle of handmade quilt to raise funds for sponsorships for 2020 WA state's TECK TREK Summer Camp. Raffle tickets for sale at AAUW program. Cost: \$5/1 ticket; \$10/3 tickets; \$20/8 tickets. Name and phone # must be on each ticket to win, no need to be present for drawing on Dec. 14. Questions: Email AAUW at: [whidbeyisland-wa@aauw.net](mailto:whidbeyisland-wa@aauw.net)

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# Film Shorts

Courtesy of Cascadia Weekly

By Carey Ross

**Abominable:** An animated adventure about a kid who wakes up to find a yeti on his roof, befriends it and tries to help it return to its home on Mt. Everest. I'm pretty sure if I found a yeti on my roof, that's not at all how things would go, so kudos to that kid. ★★★★★ (PG • 1 hr. 37 min.)

Crawley, Dowager Countess of Grantham. We've missed you. ★★★★★ (PG • 1 hr. 30 min.)

**Gemini Man:** We all knew this day would come—when Will Smith would fight Will Smith in a movie starring Will Smith as two Will Smiths. ★ (PG-13 • 1 hr. 57 min.)

**The Great Alaskan Race:** I'd never heard of this film, but judging by the fact the poster for it is literally just a close-up of a sled dog's face, I'm guessing it's about crabbing in the Bering Sea. Just kidding. It's a historically inaccurate movie about the origins of the Iditarod, starring dogs and diphtheria. ★★ (PG • 1 hr. 27 min.)

**It Chapter Two:** This movie is predicated on the premise that if murderous Pennywise the clown shows up and starts offing people, the now-adult kids from the Losers Club will return to Derry and vanquish him once again. If I were one of those now-adult kids, that would be the hardest nope I ever noped. ★★★ (R • 2 hrs. 49 min.)

**Jexi:** Adam DeVine, my second-favorite Workaholic and favorite Gemstone, stars as a phone-addicted listicle writer whose life is turned upside down when his new phone's virtual assistant, Jexi (very creepily voiced by Rose Byrne), becomes sentient. ★ (R • 1 hr. 24 min.)

**Joker:** If a gunman who reportedly identified with the Joker had not opened fire in a movie theater in Aurora, Colorado during a showing of "The Dark Knight Rises," killing 12 people and injuring 70 others, I might think this movie, which has been referred to as a blueprint for incels, was harmless entertainment. Holy hell, Hollywood, what are you thinking? ★ (R • 2 hrs. 2 min.)

**Judy:** Renee Zellweger transforming herself to play a late-in-life Judy Garland? Sometimes the dreams that I dare to dream really do come true. ★★★★★ (PG-13 • 1 hr. 58 min.)

**Maleficent: Mistress of Evil:** Critics hate this movie more than Maleficent hates anything. ★ (PG • 1 hr. 58 min.)

**Zombieland: Double Tap:** Because 2009's "Zombieland" was an unexpected hit, both critically and commercially, of course it gets a sequel. I have a feeling the cast—Woody Harrelson, Jesse Eisenberg, Emma Stone—stands a better chance with zombies than they do the dreaded sophomore slump. ★★★ (R • 1 hr. 39 min.)

For Anacortes theater showings, please see www.fandango.com. For Blue Fox and Oak Harbor Cinemas showings see ads on this page.



**Ad Astra:** A lavishly shot, Very Serious sci-fi movie that tackles issues writ small and universal that probably deserves better than to be described as "that Brad Pitt space movie," but I went ahead and said it anyway. ★★★★★ (PG-13 • 2 hrs. 4 min.)

**The Addams Family:** Critics hate this movie, which means critics hate my movie-star boyfriend, Oscar Isaac, which just seems real rude if you ask me. ★★ (PG • 1 hr. 45 min.)

**Black and Blue:** Naomie Harris earned an Oscar nomination for her incredible performance in "Moonlight." That she's now appearing in this cheesy police drama with Tyrese speaks volumes about the kind of roles available to women of color in Hollywood. ★★ (R • 1 hr. 48 min.)

**Countdown:** A horror film about a malevolent smartphone app that counts down to a person's death and has a preview that caused me to literally LOL and a tagline of "Death? There's an app for that" isn't really asking me to take it seriously, right? ★★ (PG-13 • 1 hr. 30 min.)

**Downton Abbey:** I'm always skeptical when a beloved television show gets the feature-film treatment, but I think this is going to be a good one. Welcome back, Violet

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## WhidbeyHealth: Offering expert cancer care this month and every month

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and WhidbeyHealth wants you to know you'll be in expert hands when it comes to the diagnosis and treatment of all cancer, including breast cancer.

Dr. Mary Leah Oman, a general surgeon with a specialty in the care and treatment of breast cancer, offers expertise gained during her nearly 20 years in medical practice, but also as a breast cancer survivor. She knows firsthand the fear and concern that comes with such a diagnosis and can speak to her patients with knowledge and compassion.

"I feel like breast cancer was one of the greatest gifts God could have given me," Dr. Oman said. "I understand what my patients are going through and I am so lucky to be able to do what I do. I'm honored."

WhidbeyHealth offers state-of-the-art detection of breast cancer with 3-D mammography and MRI capabilities. Early detection is key when it comes to treatment.

"The biggest change in cure rates is that women are being more proactive," said Dr. Oman. "Breast cancer doesn't have to be a death sentence. Treatments have changed so dramatically, even since I've been in practice. I still see serious cases, but breast cancer today is absolutely curable.

"One of the reasons is because of early detection; we are absolutely state-of-the-art, as good as you will find anywhere," she continued. "The one thing we don't do here is radiation treatment, but you can get everything else right here. It's an ideal situation."

For those patients who require radiation treatment, WhidbeyHealth helps coordinate transportation to and from treatment to make the journey as easy and convenient as possible. Follow-up care and support services are also offered.

Community also sets WhidbeyHealth apart from other facilities, said Dr. Oman, who prefers small-town living to big city life. It's a philosophy she said you'll find throughout the organization.

"Our patients mean something to us, it's our community," she said. "I love running into my patients in the grocery store. I just love the people here, I love my patients, I love my job."

But the most important thing a woman can do, says Dr. Oman, is to be proactive when it comes to regular breast cancer exams.

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