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ON TRACK

with Jim Freeman



In honor of our local pending Halloween celebrations, I have trolled the dark web for some really light hearted humor.

Although it takes me longer to cut and paste purloined product than to offer my own musings, after driving 2,017 miles to find

sunshine and dry weather, I feel like taking a break from my own braking.

Thank you www.upjoke.com for your collection of travel jokes for seniors, juniors, and those in between.

Travel abroad

A blonde parks her car in front of a bank near the airport and gets out. She then enters the bank and walks to the next teller.

Blonde: "Hello, I want to get a loan for \$1,000."

Teller: "Very well. But I need a credit security in order to grant you that loan."

Blonde: "How about my car? It is right in front of the bank entrance."

The teller takes a look through the glass door: "Very well, this car is valuable enough."

The blonde and the teller exchange keys and loan. After that, the blonde walks off with her bags and gets to her airplane.

Two weeks later she returns to the bank with her luggage and sees the teller she had received her loan from two weeks prior.

The blonde approaches the teller: "Hello mister. I have taken a loan of \$1,000 from you and I wish to return it today and get my car back."

Teller: "Very well, I accept your payment of \$1,000 with an additional \$5 as interest. If you pay off the total of \$1,005 then you will get your car keys back."

The blonde and the teller exchange the money for the car keys. Before the blonde walks off, the teller asks her one last question.

Teller: "Excuse my curiosity, but why did you leave your car for security in exchange of that small amount of money?"

The blonde smiles back: "Because nowhere else can I park that close to an airport for just 5 bucks for two weeks."

Honeymoon fun

A man and his wife were traveling down to sunny California for their honeymoon. The husband arranged to go to their hotel a day earlier to prepare, and upon arrival sent his wife a quick email. But unfortunately he misspelled the address, and it got sent to a grieving widow, who's pastor husband had died the day before.

When the widow checked her email, she let out a shriek and fell to the floor in a dead faint. Her children came running to see what the matter was, and saw this on the screen:

"Dearest wife,

Just checked in. Everything prepared for your arrival tomorrow. See you soon.

Your loving husband.

PS. Sure is hot down here!"

Big top

A husband and wife who travel with the circus go to an adoption agency, but are met with skepticism.

"Do you really feel a traveling circus is a suitable environment to raise a child?" the lady from the adoption agency asks.

"Certainly," the couple reply. "We have a beautiful, fully-equipped, state of the art nursery we will be traveling with."

Still showing reservations, the woman asks, "What about the child's education?"

"Not to worry," the couple assure her. "We have a full time tutor with years of experience that can provide our child with the finest education money can buy."

"I see," says the woman behind the desk. "But what about the child's health?"

"We also have in our employ a full-time nurse with a degree in pediatric medicine who will be able to attend to all of our child's needs."

"Well, it certainly sounds like you've thought of everything. Were you looking to adopt a girl or a boy?"

"Doesn't matter," the couple tell her. "As long as it fits in the cannon."

Bike on

Once upon a time there lived an American biker

named Rick. Rick loved to ride his motorcycle but was tired of driving up and down the same roads, day after day.

One morning, he woke up, and decided to travel the world. So he saved up some money, got on a plane, along with his trusty Harley, and set out to explore the globe.

For the next few weeks, Rick spent his days riding to and through some of the most popular European cities like Paris, London, and Rome.

After seeing all Europe had to offer, he moved on to explore the rest of the world. Over the next few months, he rode through the African savannas, the deserts of Egypt, and even made it to the top of Mount Everest.

He was having the time of his life until he reached a small town in China. Unexpectedly, and out of nowhere, a beautiful Chinese maiden crossed his path, causing him to fly off and crash his motorcycle. Apologizing, the maiden offered Rick to pay for the repairs and a place to stay while they fixed his bike. "My name is Yu! It's an honor to meet you!" the beautiful maiden introduced herself to Rick.

It turned out she was the daughter of a rich magistrate, so he spent the night in a small palace in the center of town. However, due to the scarcity of motorcycle parts, Rick had to spend several days in the palace, in the presence of Yu. Over the next few days, she took a liking to him and his strange American ways. As expected, Rick took a liking to her, too.

The two quickly became inseparable, but Yu's father did not approve, for Rick was an outsider. By the time the motorcycle was finally up and running, Rick had fallen madly in love with Yu and refused to leave. Yu begged her father to let him stay, but instead, the Magistrate had Rick banished from the town. He warned him if he ever came back, he would have him beheaded.

Rick was devastated, he had no motivation to continue on the rest of his journey. It seemed as though there was nothing left for him in the world, if he didn't have his beloved Chinese maiden.

So he did the only thing any other sane guy would do....

Rick rolled back into town screaming,

"I'm never gonna give Yu up!"

Travel trouble

I couldn't decide whether to go to Salt Lake City or Denver for vacation, so I called the airlines to get prices. "Airfare to Denver is \$300," the cheery salesperson replied.

"And what about Salt Lake City?"

"We have a really great rate to Salt Lake-\$99," she said "But there is a stopover."

"Where?"

"In Denver," she said.

All aboard

Three engineers and three accountants are traveling by train to a conference.

At the station, the three accountants each buy tickets and watch as the three engineers buy only a single ticket.

"How are three people going to travel on only one ticket?" asks an accountant.

"Watch and you'll see," answers an engineer.

They all board the train. The accountants take their respective seats but all three engineers cram into a restroom and close the door behind them.

Shortly after the train has departed, the conductor comes around collecting tickets. He knocks on the restroom door and says, "ticket, please."

The door opens just a crack and a single arm emerges with a ticket in hand. The conductor takes it and moves on.

The accountants saw this and agreed it was quite a clever idea. So after the conference, the accountants decide to copy the engineers on the return trip and save some money (being clever with money, and all!)

When they get to the station they buy a single ticket for the return trip.

To their astonishment, the engineers don't buy a ticket at all.

"How are you going to travel without a ticket?" says one perplexed accountant.

"Watch and you'll see," answers an engineer.

When they board the train the three accountants cram into a restroom and the three engineers cram into another one nearby.

The train departs.

Shortly afterward, one of the engineers leaves his restroom and walks over to the restroom where the accountants are hiding.

He knocks on the door and says, "ticket, please."

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Sno-Isle Libraries Urges Reversal on Ebook Access Restriction

Beginning Friday, Macmillan Publishers, home to best-selling authors like Nora Roberts, Kristin Hannah and Brandon Sanderson, will restrict libraries to one ebook copy of each new Macmillan title. After an eight week embargo, libraries can buy additional ebook copies to meet their customers’ needs.

In August, Sno-Isle Libraries Executive Director Lois Langer Thompson sent a letter to Macmillan CEO John Sargent urging him to reverse the company’s decision. Thompson pointed out the Panorama Project, a collaborative market research effort, shows public-library access to ebooks actually results in more sales to consumers, not fewer.

Thompson also said Macmillan’s decision strikes at the heart of the premise that access to information is fundamental to a free and democratic society.

Sno-Isle Libraries customers checked out more than two million digital items in 2018 and are on pace to break that record in 2019. Macmillan ranks fourth on the list of publishers with material purchased by Sno-Isle Libraries.


For Sno-Isle Libraries, the path forward at this time is to continue to provide access to materials for the communities and the customers served by the library district. Sno-Isle Libraries will purchase the one ebook copy Macmillan makes available on publication date and then purchase additional copies following the eight-week waiting period.

Sno-Isle Libraries staff members will manage holds placed by customers on Macmillan ebooks with a focus on providing timely access. The number of customer holds on print versions of Macmillan titles will also be closely monitored in the event of increased demand.

Sno-Isle Libraries remains concerned about the changing sales practices of publishers resulting in barriers to public access. Public libraries’ ability to purchase and circulate digital materials is an important and growing service to customers. Sno-Isle Libraries will continue to work toward solutions that meet the needs of customers and communities.

[Submitted by Jim Hills, Sno-Isle Libraries]

Can U C Me Campaign



Starting Nov. 4, Island Transit will launch its second annual Can U C Me Campaign offering free reflective vests or wrist bands to its bus riders. During the dark days of winter pedestrians and cyclists making their way to a bus stop need to be seen to be safe. Statistics show 19 percent of traffic fatalities involve a pedestrian or cyclist and November is the worst month for these incidents. To get a vest or wrist band climb aboard the Route 1 bus on Whidbey or Camano Islands during commuter hours between Nov. 4-8.

[Submitted by Maribeth Crandell, Island Transit Mobility Specialist]

Bits & Pieces

**New Funding Secured for Cleaner, Greener Ferries
Largest ferries in the state will be converted to hybrid electric propulsion**

Washington State Ferries is moving forward with converting its three Jumbo Mark II class ferries, the largest in the fleet, from diesel to hybrid electric propulsion. In early October, the trustee administering the nationwide federal Volkswagen settlement approved up to \$35 million to support retrofitting the first of the ferries from diesel to electric power.

The ferry system is the largest consumer of diesel fuel in the state with over 18 million gallons of diesel burned each year, and the three Jumbo Mark II ferries account for 26 percent of total fuel consumption. This step brings the state ferry system closer to meeting the goals outlined in Gov. Jay Inslee’s Executive Order 18-01, which directs WSF to move toward a zero emissions fleet.

“Converting the biggest, dirtiest ferries in the fleet is a huge milestone in our efforts to decarbonize the state and fulfill our obligation to help defeat climate change,” said Inslee. “In addition to reducing emissions, moving to an all-electric ferry fleet will save taxpayers money on ferry operating costs, virtually eliminate engine noise and vibration that can hurt orca whales, and improve reliability of service.”

Reducing diesel exhaust and carbon pollution from marine vessels is one of the priorities identified for Washington’s share of the VW settlement by the Washington Department of Ecology, which oversees investing the settlement funds. Other sources will fund conversions of the remaining Jumbo Mark II vessels.

“Air pollution from diesel emissions is one of the most pressing public health threats facing Washington, and converting these ferries to hybrid propulsion will slash pollution in our state,” said Ecology Director Maia Bellon.

In September, WSF selected Siemens to complete the propulsion system upgrade design for the three Jumbo Mark II class vessels. The vessel conversion design will begin this month. Planning and design will continue through 2020 and construction will begin in 2021.

“At WSDOT we’re always looking for innovative solutions,” said Secretary of Transportation Roger Millar. “We are repurposing ferries in the middle of their service life, so they can continue serving Washingtonians for years to come in the most efficient, greenest way possible. This type of innovation and new technology will allow us to better serve our customers and manage growth.”

In addition to cost savings and reduced maintenance costs, converting the Jumbo Mark II ferries will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 48,565 metric tons per year – that’s like taking more than 10,000 cars off the road. Hybrid ferries will also cut the emissions of nitrogen oxide, a toxic form of air pollution, by 184.5 metric tons per year once all three ferries are operating with hybrid electric propulsion.

Constructed in the 1990s, the Jumbo Mark II class ferries are due for their mid-life propulsion system replacements, making for easy upgrades with minimal service disruptions. The ferries carry 202 cars and 1,800 passengers each and primarily operate on the Seattle/Bainbridge and Edmonds/Kingston routes.

Hybrid electric propulsion and terminal electrification was one of the primary recommendations in the 2040 Long Range Plan WSF released in January 2019. Hybrid electric conversion of the fleet’s largest vessels is the first step toward meeting system-wide emission reduction goals.

Washington State Ferries, a division of the Washington State Department of Transportation, is the largest ferry system in the U.S. and safely and efficiently carries nearly 25 million people a year through some of the most majestic scenery in the world. For breaking news and the latest information, follow WSF on Twitter and Facebook.

[Submitted by Hadley Rodero, WSDOT]

WhidbeyHealth Cancer Care Earns National Accreditation from the Commission on Cancer of the American College of Surgeons

The Commission on Cancer (CoC), a quality program of the American College of Surgeons (ACS) has granted Three-Year Accreditation to the cancer program at WhidbeyHealth Medical Center. To earn voluntary CoC accreditation, a cancer program must meet 34 CoC quality care standards, be evaluated every three years through a survey process, and maintain levels of excellence in the delivery of comprehensive patient-centered care.

Because it is a CoC-accredited cancer center, WhidbeyHealth Cancer Care takes a multidisciplinary approach to treating cancer as a complex group of diseases that requires consultation among surgeons, medical and radiation oncologists, diagnostic radiologists, pathologists, and other cancer specialists. This multidisciplinary partnership results in improved patient care.

“Our excellent cancer care program, which has been recognized many times during the course of its 40-year history, is invaluable to the cancer patients of Whidbey Island. Being able to serve our patients on the island where they live is something that is very important to our community and I commend the oncology and MAC Unit staff for their continued dedication to this quality program,” says CEO Ron Telles.

The CoC Accreditation Program provides the framework for WhidbeyHealth Cancer Care to improve its quality of patient care through various cancer-related programs that focus on the full spectrum of cancer care including prevention, early diagnosis, cancer staging, optimal treatment, rehabilitation, life-long follow-up for recurrent disease and end-of-life care. When patients receive care at a CoC facility, they also have access to information about clinical trials and new treatments, genetic counseling, and patient-centered services including psycho-social support, a patient navigation process, and a survivorship care plan which documents the care each patient receives and seeks to improve cancer survivors’ quality of life.

Like all CoC-accredited facilities, WhidbeyHealth Cancer Care maintains a cancer registry and contributes data to the National Cancer Data Base (NCDB), a joint program of the CoC and American Cancer Society. This nationwide oncology outcomes database is the largest clinical disease registry in the world. Data on all types of cancer are tracked and analyzed through the NCDB and used to explore trends in cancer care. CoC-accredited cancer centers, in turn, have access to information derived from this type of data analysis, which is used to create national, regional, and state benchmark reports. These reports help CoC facilities with their quality improvement efforts.

The American Cancer Society estimates more than 1.7 million cases of cancer will be diagnosed each year. There are currently more than 1,500 CoC-accredited cancer programs in the U.S. and Puerto Rico. CoC-accredited facilities diagnose and/or treat more than 70 percent of all newly diagnosed patients with cancer. When cancer patients choose to seek care locally at a CoC-accredited cancer center, they are gaining access to comprehensive, state-of-the-art cancer care close to home. The CoC provides the public with information about the resources, services, and cancer treatment experience for each CoC-accredited cancer program through the CoC Hospital Locator at www.facs.org/search/cancer-programs.

Established in 1922 by the American College of Surgeons, the CoC is a consortium of professional organizations dedicated to improving patient outcomes and quality of life for cancer patients through standard-setting, prevention, research, education, and the monitoring of comprehensive, quality care. Its

Millennials May Need to Boost Life Insurance

If you’re a Millennial – born between 1981 and 1996 – you’re either in the very early or relatively early stages of your career, and as the old song goes, you’ve got a lot of living to do. Still, it’s not too soon to think about a financial issue you may have overlooked: the need for life insurance.

Regarding this topic, Millennials need to ask three key questions:

When should I purchase insurance? The answer to this question depends somewhat on your stage of Millennial-ism. If you’re a young Millennial, perhaps just out of college, single, and living in an apartment, your need for life insurance may not be that great. After all, you may well have other, more pressing financial needs, such as paying off your student loans. But if you’re an older Millennial, and you’ve got a mortgage, a spouse and – especially – children, then you unquestionably need insurance, because you’ve got a lot to protect.

How much do I need? Millennials who own life insurance have, on average, \$100,000 in coverage, according to New York Life’s 2018 Life Insurance Gap Survey. But that same survey found that Millennials themselves reported they need coverage worth about \$450,000, leaving an insurance deficit of approximately \$350,000. That’s a pretty big gap, but of course, these figures are averages and may not apply to your situation. Still, you should know how much insurance you require. You might have heard that you need life insurance worth about seven or eight times your annual salary. And while this isn’t a terrible estimate, it doesn’t apply to everyone, because everyone’s situation is different. A financial professional can look at various factors – your age, your marital status, number of children, size of mortgage, etc. – to help you arrive at an appropriate level of coverage.

Keep in mind, also, that your employer may offer life insurance as an employee benefit. However, it might be insufficient for your needs, especially if you have a family, and it will probably end if you leave your job.

What type of life insurance should I get? Many people initially find life insurance to be confusing, but there are basically two types: term and permanent. As its name suggests, term insurance covers a given time period, such as 10 or 15 years, and provides only a death benefit. It’s generally quite affordable, especially when you’re young and healthy. Permanent insurance, on the other hand, offers a death benefit and a savings component that allows you to build cash value. Consequently, the premiums are higher than those of term insurance. Again, a financial professional can help you determine which type of insurance is most appropriate for your needs.

Thus far, we’ve only been talking about life insurance. But you may also need other types of protection, such as disability insurance, which can replace part of your income should you become ill or incapacitated. And you may eventually want to explore long-term care insurance, which can help cover you for the enormous costs of an extended nursing home stay.

You should at least consider all forms of insurance as part of your overall financial strategy. The future is unknowable – and as a Millennial, you’ve got plenty of future ahead of you.

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[Submitted by Patricia Duff, Public Relations Officer, WhidbeyHealth]

Seeking Citizen Representative for Law & Justice Council

The Island County Board of Commissioners is seeking a citizen member representative to fill an unexpired term on the Law & Justice Council from County Commissioner District # 2 (Oak Harbor). The unexpired term runs through Feb. 28, 2021.

The Board of County Commissioners appoints Law & Justice Council citizen member representatives for two year terms, which may be renewed by mutual agreement.

The Law & Justice Council consists of members representing the various law and justice offices of the county and cities, school districts, mental health providers, Dept. of Corrections and Public Defenders Association. In addition, there are two citizen member representatives from each of the three County Commissioner Districts. Applicants must reside within the area they are representing.

The Law & Justice Council meets the fourth Wednesday of each month at noon. Meetings normally run for one hour. Service on the Law & Justice Council is without fee or compensation.

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: Law & Justice Council, 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. Application materials should be received no later than 4:30PM Nov. 12. For additional information, please phone 360-679-7353 or e-mail Pam Dill at the above address.

[Submitted by Pam Dill]

Local Business News

Join Penn Cove Gallery for 25th Anniversary Celebration

The current 26 artists at Penn Cove Gallery celebrate their 25th year in business by building on the cooperative nature of the gallery. Penn Cove Gallery is the longest continuously running cooperative gallery on Whidbey Island. Saturday, from 10:00AM to 5:00PM, the public is invited to help celebrate. Come view the art, enjoy some refreshments, visit with the artists, and pick up a free ticket for drawings to be held throughout the day. Deb Francis will demonstrate polymer clay from 11:00AM to 1:00PM and Timothy Haslett will demonstrate oil painting from 2:00 to 4:00PM.

The gallery artists are showing outstanding work in the following media: painting in oil, acrylic, watercolor; woodcut prints, print making; wood, pottery, mixed media; jewelry in copper, sterling, polymer clay, silver art clay; sterling and copper boxes, colored pencil, stained glass, hand-weaving, photography, and pastel.

Penn Cove Gallery is located at 9 NW Front Street, Coupeville. For more information, call 360-678-1176 or visit www.penncovegallery.com.

Whidbey Made Celebrates Grand Opening

Whidbey Made is a new retail shop opening in downtown Oak Harbor Tuesday, Nov. 5. As the name suggests, every item in the shop is created on Whidbey Island. The talent and skill of artisans living on Whidbey Island is astounding and Whidbey Made will showcase the best artists and craftpersons here. This is a completely 'buy local' and 'made in the USA' representation of food, clothing, gifts, art, skincare, furniture, jewelry, cards, ceramics, woodwork, and wine.

Whidbey Made doesn't just sell products made on the island, but also provides demonstrations free to the public. This is a kinetic gallery. The public will see things being made, being created right in front of them. Whid-

bey Made will provide classes and space for anyone wanting to teach a skill, craft or artistic endeavor. It will be a 'go to' provider of information and contacts for all things made on Whidbey. It will eventually include an information center to encourage others to pursue their creative passions and to direct locals and tourists towards all of the galleries and local producers on the island.

Whidbey Made is family owned and operated by local residents Brian and Catherine Noel. The Noels have been selling their furniture, artwork and tools in galleries and around the world for 20 years. The goal of Whidbey Made is to encourage people to embrace and pursue their creative side, to buy local and make it, not buy it. Whidbey Made hopes to benefit the entire Whidbey Island community.

Many of the artists and artisans in the gallery are nationally or internationally recognized. Coffee and tea from Mukilteo Coffee Roasters is world renowned. The felt vessel by Janet King one sees upon entering the shop won international first place awards in felting. Many of the artworks are created by award winning artists, known for excellence in their craft such as the soft, dynamic watercolors by Ginny O'Neil, bright, primary acrylics by Shai Steiner and stunning glassworks by Dan LaChaussee. The best fudge ever is made by Whidbey Island Fudge Company. Artistic excellence is represented by Arlin Peterman, Claudia Mitchell, Megan Noel, Jenifer Meissner, Gerrard Del Monte, John Moritz, Kathleen Secrest, Kim Tinuviel, Laurie Brown, Marcia Muchnick, North Whidbey Farm, Primal Island, Robert Colson, Shannon Nuckols, Sonja Bratz, Sweet Mona's Chocolate, Tammi Sloan, Utopia Candles, Waldron Lane Gourmet Spice, Mary Barker Furrelli, CE Inkibitz, Jim Short (woodturner), Chocolate Flower Farms and *Whidbey Life Magazine*.

Join Whidbey Made for a Grand Opening celebration and Ribbon Cutting Tuesday, Nov. 5, 5:00 to 7:00PM. Whidbey Made is located at 851 S.E. Pioneer Way in downtown Oak Harbor. Call 360-682-8354 for more information.

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Oak Harbor Chamber of Secrets
Thursday, October 31, 9:00AM-6:00PM
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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. and Midway Blvd. Sponsored by Oak Harbor Main Street Association and Walmart.

Frightville XIX
Thursday, October 31, 7:00PM-12:00AM
Roller Barn, 98 NE Barron Dr, Oak Harbor
Haunt fee is \$13 per person, all proceeds benefit Oak Harbor Boys and Girls Club.

“The Addams Family”
Thursdays, Oct. 31, Nov. 7, 14, 7:30PM
Fridays, November 1, 8, 15, 7:30PM
Saturdays, November 2, 9, 16, 7:30PM
Sundays, November 3, 10, 17, 2:30PM
Whidbey Playhouse, Oak Harbor

In the kooky, upside-down world of the Addams Family, to be sad is to be happy, to feel pain is to feel joy, and death and suffering are the stuff of their dreams. Nonetheless, this quirky family still has to deal with many of the same challenges faced by any other family - the Addams kids are growing up. Worse, Wednesday Addams is engaged. She has even invited her fiancé’s family to their home for dinner. Visit www.whidbeyplayhouse.com for more information.

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 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.

Holiday Bazaar & Bake Shop
Saturday, November 2, 9:00AM-1:00PM
First Reformed Church, Oak Harbor
Featuring handcrafted items, antiques and collectibles, baked goodies and lunch. The church is located at 250 SW 3rd Ave.

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.

Holiday Bazaar
Saturday, November 2, 9:00AM-3:00PM
Oak Harbor Lutheran Church,
1253 NW 2nd Ave.

Featuring handmade gifts, Seahawks crafts, knitted crafts, quilted items, wreaths, giant Jenga, handmade dolls, birdhouses, dress dish towels, wooden snowmen, baked goods, lefse, awesome silent auction items, and much more.

Live Music: Released From Quiet
Saturday, November 2, 7:30-9:30PM
Penn Cove Taproom, Coupeville
Released From Quiet is the singer/songwriter groove-centric acoustic blues rock duo from Bellevue, Wash. Their unique sound is mesmerizing. No cover. For more information, call 360-682-5747 or visit www.penncovebrewing.com.

Free Skin Cancer Screenings
Tuesday, November 5, 9:00AM-1:00PM
Freeland Library
Tuesday, November 5, 9:30AM-1:30PM
Oak Harbor Library

Skin cancer screening provided by a WhidbeyHealth provider. Screening is private and will take about 10 minutes. Space is limited. For an appointment, call 360-678-7656, ext. 2649 and leave a message. Arrive 5-10 minutes before your screening time to complete a short questionnaire. A representative will be available to help you enroll in an insurance coverage plan if you are not currently covered.

Lions Club Blood Drive
Thursday, November 7, 9:00AM-3:00PM
First United Methodist Church, Oak Harbor

The Oak Harbor Lions are having another blood drive. Come donate a pint of blood or platelets and save three lives. Be a hero! Homemade goodies are provided. The church is located at 1030 SE Ireland St.

Community Potluck
Friday, November 8, 5:30-8:30PM
Historic Crockett Barn, Coupeville

Come celebrate 10 years of the Ebey’s Forever Grant program with the board of Ebey’s Landing National Historical Reserve and Friends of Ebey’s. The community potluck is a time to gather with friends and neighbors and share the bounty of our landscape. Bring a dish to share, along with your plates and utensils. After dinner, enjoy music and dancing with guest artist Wild Man Cooley. Free and open to the public.

20th Annual Nordic Fest
Saturday, November 9, 9:30AM-3:30PM
South Whidbey High School, Langley

Presented by Daughters of Norway Ester Moe Lodge #39, featuring vendors with hand-made gifts and crafts. Bakery brimming with Scandinavian baked goods: cookies, breads, cakes and lefse. Musical entertainment. Many chances to win a sumptuous cake or pie at our old-fashioned cake walk. Scandinavian lunch featuring Swedish meatballs, open-faced sandwiches and meringue cream cake. Free parking. \$1 donation suggested at door. Questions? 360-221-5280.

Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events
See schedule below
Cost: Free
Whidbey Writers By the Sea
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.

Butterfly Wingding with Idea Hatch
Friday, November 1, 1:00PM
Coupeville Elementary School MPR

Explore all things butterfly at this Early Release Day program. Collage with real butterfly wings and make a butterfly garden to take home. For ages 5 and up with a caregiver.

Puppy Dog Tales
Saturday, November 2, 10:00-11:30AM
Coupeville Library

Read aloud to a patient listener and certified therapy dog. Pre-readers and independent readers are welcome. Caregiver required. Supported by the Alliance of Therapy Dogs.

Used Book Sale
Saturday, November 2, 10:00AM-2:00PM
Freeland Library

Large selection of great books for all ages at bargain prices. Proceeds support Friends of the Freeland Library.

Whidbey Earthquakes: What to Expect, How to Prepare
Monday, November 4, 2:00-3:30PM
Freeland Library

Find out about local earthquakes in an update of this popular documentary. Presented by Robert Elphick and an American Red Cross representative. All are welcome. Q&A follows.

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, November 3 - Communion: Another Gift of Christ. 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.

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, Oak Harbor. Call 360-675-0621 or visit christianscience.com.

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
Annual Crow Show
Saturday, November 2, 4:00-7:00PM
Show continues through November
Whidbey Art Gallery, Langley

Tis the season of Langley’s Crows! There will be many versions throughout the gallery. They take many forms - paintings, photography, pottery, jewelry, fiber arts and more. Enjoy beverages and light snacks and meet many of the artists.

Sculptures
Artist’s Reception: Saturday, November 2, 5:00-7:00PM
Show continues through November 25
Rob Schouten Gallery, Langley
The new Rob Schouten Gallery Sculpture Garden is a grand slam hit with everyone

who sees it. With this inspiration we have decided to extend our focus on sculpture for the November show. In addition, the gallery is honored to welcome the work of renowned painter Alfredo Arreguin. Any attempt to try and summarize this remarkable Northwest painter’s many accomplishments would be destined to fall short. Please join us for our reception in conjunction with Langley’s First Saturday Art Walk. Many of our gallery artists will be in attendance, and light refreshments will be served.

Meetings & Organizations
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 signs. For more information, contact Susan at 360-221-0383 or email sisoleil973@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 Dec. 14. Questions: Email AAUW at whidbeyisland-wa@aauw.net.

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Classes, Seminars and Workshops

Concordia Community Academy: “Planning Your Own Funeral”
Thursday, November 14, 3:00-3:45PM
Concordia Lutheran Church, Oak Harbor

Concordia Community Academy is hosting Wallin Funeral Home to provide information about types of burial, cost, and pre-payment arrangements. The church is located at 590 N. Oak Harbor St.

NRA Basics of Pistol Shooting Course
Friday, November 15, 6:00-9:00PM
Saturday, November 16, 9:00AM-5:00PM
NWSA Range, 886 Gun Club Road, Oak Harbor
Cost: \$35

This course introduces students to the knowledge, skills and attitude necessary for owning and using a pistol safely. The pistol handling and shooting portion is completed at the NWSA range where students will learn about safe gun handling, pistol shooting fundamentals, and pistol shooting activities. The Basics of Pistol course will also help prepare the student for participation in other NRA courses. Students can register online at nrainstructors.org. For questions or to register, call NRA instructor John Hellmann at 360-675-8397 or email NWSA.Training@gmail.com. Additional information can be found at www.northwhidbeysportsmen.org.





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Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly
It's "The Addams Family" as you have never seen them, singing and dancing through a crazy maze of fun in the musical production now playing at the Whidbey Playhouse.

Playhouse's "Addams Family" is frightfully delightful

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

Looking for some creepy, kooky, mysterious and spooky friends with whom to spend an entertaining evening? Then check out the Whidbey Playhouse production of "The Addams Family" musical, now playing through Nov. 17 in Oak Harbor.

All the beloved characters are there – Gomez, Morticia, Wednesday, Pugsley, Uncle Fester, Grandma and Lurch. Even Cousin It makes an appearance in this wacky stage production that drags the Addams Family – delightfully kicking and screaming all the way – into contact with their worst nightmare: normal people.

Under the direction of Stan Thomas, this play is an original



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly
Matt Montoya shines in his role as Uncle Fester in "The Addams Family" musical, now on stage at the Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor.

musical based on the book by Marshall Brickman and Rick Felise with music and lyrics by Andrew Lipa, all inspired by the original characters created by Charles Addams.

"It's the story of a kooky family, who don't share some of the traditional ideas as most of us," described Thomas. "They view death in a strange way. It's not right or wrong, it's just different."

Family ancestors play a large part in this production. Not only do members of the Addams family have to listen to one another's opinions, the 10 ancestors happily chime in with their own ideas, making it even more difficult for Gomez and Morticia to face the fact their children are growing up and their lives will change.

Thomas gives credit to his cast for building a believable family dynamic on stage.

"It's a marvelous cast," he said. "Probably the best I've ever worked with. They are excellent singers and dancers. I feel like I've been blessed. And the crew has just been outstanding."

Playing Gomez is Playhouse veteran Fernando Duran, last seen on stage as Stanley Kowalski in "A Streetcar Named Desire."

"It's always fun being able to play a broad range of roles, from dramatic and edgy like Stanley, to the macabre and exaggerated over-the-top Gomez," he said. "Personally, character development is one of my favorite aspects of the process – it's fun to crawl down the rabbit hole of why a character is how they are."

But it can also be challenging to be cast in the role of such an iconic character.



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly
Pugsley Addams (Laurianna Newcomb) worries how his sister Wednesday's (Gabby Eaton) engagement and possible marriage will affect their relationship in the musical production of "The Addams Family" at the Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor.

"As an actor, I personally dislike playing a role the same way others have," said Duran. "I didn't want to parrot John Astin or Raul Julia as the iconic characterizations of Gomez, but I also didn't want to detract away from what people know by too much. As actors taking a role everyone knows, we have to balance the development as a blend of our own character interpretation as well as implementing some character gems everyone knows."

Many of the cast say they appreciated Thomas' direction to "go big" with these larger-than life characters. A shining example is the performance of Matt Montoya as Uncle Fester.

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Langley welcomes "wishing whale" fundraiser

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

We've all heard of wishing wells, but Whidbey Island's Village by the Sea will soon have a "wishing whale," if public fundraising efforts go as expected.

The Langley Arts Fund will hold a Wishing Whale Celebration at 5 p.m. Saturday at the Langley Whale Center, 501 Anthes Ave., the kickoff to its public fundraising effort to bring a large, bronze sculpture of a gray whale to Seawall Park.

"The City of Langley has plans to upgrade and refurbish Seawall Park," explained Joann Quintana, a founding member of the new nonprofit group. "Those of us who founded Langley Arts Fund wanted our first project to welcome people to Seawall Park, where the migrating gray whales pass by and feed on the ghost shrimp beds offshore there. We came up with the idea of a wishing whale sculpture that is also a piggy bank, where

people put money into the bank and make a wish. Money placed in the whale will go toward maintaining Seawall Park and Langley's other public parks."

The whale sculpture will be the creation of renowned sculptor – and Clinton resident – Georgia Gerber, who also created the bronze Rachel the Pig sculpture at Pike Place Market in Seattle. Rachel is a piggy bank as well, and money raised goes to support Pike Place Market's social programs such as a day care and senior center.

"She is an acclaimed sculptor whose works are all over the country and she happens to live and work in Clinton, on Whidbey Island," Quintana said. "She also created the Boy & Dog sculpture in Langley. She is known for iconic sculptures that create a sense of place."

"The wishing whale will be a massive, 12-foot bronze gray whale," she continued. "It will be a gift to the City of Langley. Geor-

gia has carefully studied gray whales and consulted experts, so the sculpture will be anatomically correct, including having many barnacles."

Such an endeavor is expensive. The Langley Arts Fund began a "quiet" fundraising campaign among major donors who contributed \$5,000 or above, and has already raised \$80,000 of the anticipated \$100,000 cost of the sculpture. Saturday's event begins the second, public phase of fundraising for the project. The event will be emceed by Langley Mayor Tim Callison and will feature an appearance by Gerber, a chance to enter a "Name the Whale" contest and of course, the opportunity to make a donation toward the whale sculpture.

Because it will be placed within 200 feet of the shoreline, its placement will require additional engineering and site-specific data to meet city and state criteria, said Peter Morton, a member of the LAF Wishing



Photo Courtesy of the Langley Arts Fund
Acclaimed sculptor Georgia Gerber shows off a scale model of the "wishing whale" bronze sculpture she is creating, which will be placed at Langley's Seawall Park. A public fundraiser for the project will be held Saturday at 5 p.m. at the Langley Whale Center.

Whale fundraising committee, adding an engineering firm has already been engaged.

"Now, there are two ways of looking at the estimated figures," he said. "One is, 'Gosh, that's a high cost for a piece of sculpture.' The other is to look into Langley's future. Seawall Park is the only accessible public waterfront in our Village by the Sea, and

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BOTTOM FISH

With almost all of the Puget Sound Marine Areas shut down for salmon fishing until the month of February, if we want to fish for fresh, bright, chrome salmon we're going to be spending our money to fish Canadian waters or Costco, the latter of which doesn't sound very exciting to me. If this state didn't have so many anti-hatchery people suing to stop the healthy augmentation of a few thousand Smoltz released into the rivers, chances are good we would be able to fish right now. The hard truth is, it took whales dying to get Olympia's attention.

Okay, putting a saltwater salmon on the dinner table could be tough right now, but we do have another option: bottom fish. Weather permitting, it's the perfect time to head out in search of the scary Halloween-outfitted bottom dwellers that lurk in the dark, rocky crevasses and swim among the ghostly swaying kelp leaves. Kelp Greenling, Dogfish and Sanddabs are the most abundant fish we will catch. Pacific Cod, Pollock, and Hake are also open, but the commercial bottom draggers wiped them out years ago in the inner Sound. Cabazon is a great eating fish, similar to Lingcod, and they are open for retention through the end of November. I wish I could tell you we could keep a mess of firm, flakey Rockfish or Black Sea Bass, but it's been 10 years since rockfish has been open to retention.

When the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) placed the inner Puget Sound Yellow Eye and Canary rockfish on the threatened or Endangered Species list, it took the liberty to blanket restrict all the other rockfish species as well. I know of a few good ideas submitted to the State of Washington about bottom fish seasons; one submission suggested the State rotate through the Marine Areas each year, i.e., open areas 4, 5, and 6 one year then 7, 8, and 9 the next year and so on; this would give us a chance to fish and continue to reduce fishing pressure as well.

Here is why the state will not change the law and fishing opportunities in our favor: Washington State is not willing to break a federal law on our behalf. However, Washington State legalized recreational marijuana, which is illegal at the federal level. This challenge to federal law was made successful by the people of Washington State, a successful petition campaign secured a spot on the voting ballot and the people of Washington voted to allow marijuana use. The state did not see the potential drug problems; they saw tax dollars, so the state did not push back hard on this initiative. A similar path

is one we must take if we are to re-open rockfish and sea bass retention in the inner Sound sooner than later. How many years and studies did it take before the federal government took the Bald Eagle off the list?

Luckily, the bottom fish that are open to us are fairly easy to catch; a simple 4 to 6 ounce weight and size #2 hook with a small chunk of bait like herring, anchovy, or mackerel will get bit. Artificial baits like curly-tail jigs, rubber swimbait, and skinny lead darts are excellent for pulling these tasty fish off the bottom and into your tortilla shell - fresh fish tacos rule! A combination of an artificial lure and bait is also a good choice. A lead-head jig with a strip of herring added to the hook can make a big difference if the fish are finicky. When searching for bottom fish, one of the keys to success is the tide - if the tide swing is heavy, the underwater current will be pushing and pulling on the fish, so they will hunker down in the rock formations and kelp beds and wait out the swift water movement. In all of the seasons my son and I have hunted for bottom fish, we have learned one thing for sure: the bite will drop off during fast water and the bite will also slow when there is no water movement. The best water speed is about the same as a medium to fast-paced walk. At this speed, fish are not afraid to dart out of hiding and strike at your lure or bait; they also can track and keep up with the moving baits. Fishing for bottom fish is an absolute blast, they are fun to catch and they are excellent table fare.

The biggest drawback to bottom fishing is the amount of tackle a person can lose getting snagged on the bottom. Tapping the bottom with a lure is not always needed; drop your bait down to the bottom and quickly reel up three or four turns off the bottom, then begin a slow up and down jigging motion; the fish will rise up to bite the bait. Braided line is the best for bottom fishing. The braid has little to no stretch; this solid line lets you feel everything and when you set the hook down at 75 to 100 feet, you will drive the hook home. I use 50-pound test on my level-wind reels or on a spinning reel as well, fish with the reel you feel most comfortable with, and I use a 7 foot medium heavy rod.

Duck and deer season is here so many sportsmen have shifted gears, but for us die-hard fishermen if the rivers are blown out and unfishable, the kelp beds and rockpiles can ease the pain and produce some good eating. My email is tlfishmonger@gmail.com. Feel free to drop me a fishing story, true or not. Colder weather is here; so give yourself a little extra time at the boat ramps, and GOOD LUCK out there!



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Uncommon Threads showcases unique local items

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

Whether searching for handcrafted home decorations or a locally made gift, the Whidbey Weavers Guild will offer a variety of locally made items at the annual Uncommon Threads sale. The sale will run Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Nordic Hall in Coupeville.

Janet King, president of the Whidbey Weavers Guild, said the show will include 40 to 50 vendors, from those focused on weaving to other fiber arts like felting or knitting.

“It is a very diverse group of artists, so even though the title is Whidbey Weavers Guild, there is more to it and it is a community of fiber artists,” she said.

King, a feltmaker, said the sale generates a buzz each year, and they have even had people line up outside prior to the sale’s opening.

“You can just feel that excitement when the doors open and the whole thing starts,” she said. “It is pretty exciting.”

King, who joined the group in 2014, said the guild draws a number of artists from the island and beyond.

“We have usually somewhere around 165 members, which is huge,” she said. “And we have members from far away that take the time to travel and come to meetings and be part of the group because it is so dynamic and to me it is just a special and unusual group of people. It is really great that way.”

King said the event helps raise funds for the guild to bring in workshops and speakers to help both beginning and seasoned members learn new skills and hone their craft.

“It (the guild) is great because of its members,” she said. “Every member is really an important part because the members are appreciative of knowledge and work hard so the sale proceeds fund different programs.”

Gretchen Schlomann, who has been a member for approxi-



Photo Courtesy of Gretchen Schlomann
The Uncommon Threads sale, presented by the Whidbey Weavers Guild, features items from household decor to handmade clothing items, and even pet clothing. Gretchen Schlomann, a guild member, says the sale is a great place to get a start on holiday shopping.

mately nine years, said one of the highlights of the sale each year includes the raffle ticket drawings.

“One of things we do is we have raffles – everything from things members donate and things they have made go into the raffles,” she said. “A lot of the members teach their specialty, whether it is felting or whatever they do, so often the raffle items could also be a class in something. So that is kind of fun.”

Schlomann said the sale has offerings for everything from home decor to wearable designs.

“It is really impressive and I actually enjoy working at the sale, being a helper or being at the front table just because you get to see all of this great stuff,” she said. “It is a very popular sale. People come from all over the place to the sale and it is great to talk to people and see what they are interested in.”

Schlomann said she got her start in weaving while she was farming alpacas for fiber. Someone offered her a loom, and she said it felt like the right time to pursue weaving. She said the guild offered a number of learning opportunities and a supportive community of beginning and experienced artists.

“I was drawn to the organization because it was a resource to learn about weaving and they have some smaller study groups so you can join a sub-group of people with a common interest and so forth.”

Schlomann will showcase a number of her alpaca rugs at the upcoming sale, and said Uncommon Threads puts the spotlight on fiber artists from the local area.

“It is all local,” she said. “All our members come from Whidbey Island and a little bit larger (area). There are members from Anacortes and members from Mount Vernon, and they are very active in the sale.”

Scholmann said due to the local aspect of the event, shoppers may be able to connect with the very artisan who made the product they buy at the sale.

“Often, the artist might be there, so if you are shopping you may actually get to meet the person who wove the thing you are buying, so that is kind of cool,” she said.

The mission of Uncommon Threads is to share the art of weaving and more with the public and showcase the work done by the guild throughout the year, Schlomann said.

“I think it is just to show the range of things weaving and handcrafted fiber arts involve and just to share this with the public and give people an opportunity to own these things and have them be a part of their lives,” she said.

For more information about the Uncommon Threads and the Whidbey Weavers Guild, please visit whidbeyweaversguild.org.

SPIN Café reopens drop-in center, founder resigns

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

SPIN Café in downtown Oak Harbor has reopened its coffee shop following the loss of grant funding from Island County, but the organization has also lost its founder and executive director.

The changes were announced in a press release last week from SPIN’s board of directors, which noted the coffee shop on Bayshore Drive had reopened, despite the withdrawal of Island County Human Services grant which funded operations.

“We are deeply grateful to some special donors who stepped up out of concern for our community and funded our coffee shop for 90 days,” Tom Saunders, SPIN board spokesman, said in the release. “Once again we will be able to offer some dignity, friendship and safety to those of our neighbors who have no place else to go.”

The coffee shop is open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, according to Saunders, providing a warm environment where guests can enjoy coffee and various donated foods. Dinner service was not affected by the loss of funding and continues every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 4 to 6 p.m.

Also included in the press release was news of the resignation of Vivian Rogers-Decker, the founder and executive director of SPIN Café. Saunders said Rogers-Decker made no specific mention in her resignation as to whether her decision was due to the funding withdrawal by Island County.

“Vivian’s resignation has modified the function of our board of directors into more of a working board,” Saunders told *Whidbey Weekly* via email. “There are several efforts underway which have resulted in the

formation of various committees amongst the board to develop policies and procedures to enhance the operational performance at SPIN. For the time being, I have assumed management of SPIN Café.”

In a letter dated Sept. 5, Jackie Henderson, director of Island County Human Services, notified SPIN Café the county was terminating its contract, based on allegations of inappropriate personal relationships between staff members and clients as well as allegations support staff were under the influence of drugs or alcohol while at work. Funding was terminated as of Sept. 6.

Board members did acknowledge there are some issues, as pointed out by the county, such as guests and volunteers not feeling safe. Enhanced screening, training and management of staff and volunteers is vital and a code of conduct and ethics “is crucial,” according to the release.

Saunders said he believes it will be possible to seek county funding again in the future.

“I believe Island County Human Services will reconsider funding once we have clearly demonstrated that our board of directors and management of SPIN and our staff consistently adhere to policies and procedures necessary to protect our most vulnerable citizens,” he said. “Our ongoing discussions with them have indicated their pleasure in the direction we are now heading and we plan to continue with improvements to our operations.”

SPIN, which stands for Serving People in



Vivian Rogers-Decker, founder of SPIN Café, has resigned her position at the nonprofit.

Need, opened in 2012, providing meals to homeless and those in need. The café serves dinner to approximately 60 to 80 people three times a week. That service was not affected by the loss of the county’s grant. The organization, while drawing much support from the community, has also prompted concern, something Saunders said the organization’s board intends to work on.

“SPIN has already begun a community outreach to listen to the concerns of our neighbors and we will continue to arrange meetings with others we have not yet met,”

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Spin Café has reopened its coffee shop and is reorganizing, following the loss of grant funding from Island County Human Services and the resignation of SPIN Café founder, Vivian Rogers-Decker.

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if we are to make Seawall Park truly accessible and useable year around for residents and tourists, it needs a lot of work. (Repairs, ADA access, shelters for the shoulder and winter seasons, a rest and changing room, etc.)

“The price tag to make Seawall Park all it can be will be close to \$1.5 million, and that money has to come from external sources, philanthropy and grants which look for a bold statement as an inspiration to give,” Morton continued. “By that scale, the Wishing Whale sculpture is a conspicuous magnet we should employ to influence and inspire the generosity of grantors and philanthropists far beyond our borders.”

Quintana said the LAF sees the Wishing Whale as welcoming

people to Langley’s waterfront and as strengthening the connection between downtown and the waterfront.

“The sculpture will draw attention to the plight of all whales, whose populations are declining due to environmental degradation,” she said. “The wishing whale has been unanimously endorsed by the board of the Langley Whale Center/Orca Network because of this connection.”

“For our part, having Georgia Gerber’s beautiful gray whale at Whale Bell Park at First and Anthes, will be a wonderful addition to the City of Langley and will be a way to let visitors know Langley is a ‘Gray Whale City,’” said Susan Berta of Orca Network. “We look forward to the unveiling of the

bronze, which will be done as part of our annual ‘Welcome the Whales’ parade and festival in April, and are honored to be partnering with the Langley Arts Fund in helping make this wishing whale a reality for the City of Langley and for whale lovers everywhere.”

The wishing whale is the first project of the Langley Arts Fund, whose founding members include Quintana, Frank Rose, Diane Divelbess, Pam Schell, Peter Morton and Don Wodjenski. For those unable to make it to Saturday’s public fundraising kickoff, donation cans will be available in various Langley businesses, or you can visit www.langleyartsfund.org. LAF is sponsored by the Whidbey Island Arts Council.

Film Shorts

Courtesy of Cascadia Weekly

By Carey Ross

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.)



Arctic Dogs: In real life, arctic foxes build complex tunnel systems, use the Earth's magnetic field as a targeting system and are generally both cute and badass. On the big screen, they're named Swifty and are stuck in the mailroom looking for a promotion. What's the sequel going to be? Swifty's quest for middle management? Him fully vesting his 401k? ★★★ (PG • 1 hr. 33 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 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.)

Harriet: In school, we're taught Harriet Tubman was an escaped slave who became the kindly steward of the Underground Railroad. In actuality, she was an incredibly tough, smart, brave woman who returned again and again to slave states to free those she'd left behind. Move over, Marvel. Harriet's what a real superhero looks like. ★★★ (PG-13 • 2 hrs. 5 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.)

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.)

Motherless Brooklyn: Edward Norton wrote, produced, directed and starred in this two-and-a-half-hour-long adaptation of Jonathan Lethem's bestselling detective story, so I think it's safe to say he really liked the book. ★★★ (R • 2 hrs. 24 min.)

Terminator: Dark Fate: The last couple of installments in this franchise, that is harder to kill than its title character, were just plain bad. But I'm going to watch the crap out of this one because it had the good sense to bring back and center the story around Sarah Connor. Welcome back to the big screen, Linda Hamilton. ★★★ (R • 2 hrs. 8 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.)

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BAKE, EAT, LOVE

Are you a serious baker? I like to think I’m super serious when it comes to baking, but sometimes, if I know a recipe really well, I’ve used it countless times, then I tend to be a little more relaxed about my baking techniques. There is one area, however, where I tend to follow the rules of recipes to a “T” and take into account the things I know and have learned about baking and that area is bread. This weather we’re having is perfect for making your favorite loaves of whatever. I just made banana bread and actually, the substitutions I wrote about recently came in pretty handy!

In any event, when it comes to baking bread, I discovered there is verbiage, dare I say, language, dedicated to this art. These terms are kind of important I think, when it comes to understanding what you’re working with and especially if you’re a serious baker. Today, I will highlight some of these terms and if you get the urge, do some more research about it; the knowledge is never wasted. Here we go:

- Benching* – Also known as resting, the time during which gluten relaxes.
- Bread Flour* – Unbleached white flour, which is comprised of about 11.5 – 13 percent of gluten-forming constituents.
- Crumb* – The inside of the loaf, within the

- crust, which is defined by the pattern of the holes that make up the interior structure.
- Enriched Dough* – Also known as ‘rich dough’ because it has been ‘enhanced’ with other ingredients like butter, eggs and sugar, for example.
- Gluten* – Found in wheat and is made up of the proteins gliadin and glutenin. This is what makes the dough ‘elastic’ before it’s baked and what lends to the bread’s chewiness, after the fact.
- Hydration* – A measure of the water to flour ratio by weight in a bread recipe. The higher the hydration measure in a bread recipe, the more open the crumb and the chewier the end product will be.
- Score* – When the surface of the bread is cut before it is baked. This allows the expansion of the bread that occurs during baking to happen in a controlled fashion and therefore prevents the loaf from breaking or splitting haphazardly.
- These are just a very few of the extensive list of terms used in the world of bread-making and as I was thinking about all the ways in which I love bread – mainly just to eat it – I thought about the different kinds we see cropping up this time of year. As I mentioned earlier, I just made banana bread (again) and I tried a new recipe because, while the last loaf

I baked was delicious, there was still a little ‘something’ missing. The crumb was too loose – you see what I did there? It was almost as if it would fall apart if I decided to spread a pat of butter on a slice of it. So, I searched once more for another banana bread recipe and then, after an hour or so of poring over them, I found it. It made claims to be ‘THE BEST’ banana bread recipe EVER, but I was unsure of this potentially dubious statement. In any event, I decided to attempt this ‘BEST banana bread recipe EVER’ and wouldn’t you know it, halfway through creaming the butter and sugars (take note I said ‘sugars’ – plural. Something I, myself, did not take note of at the beginning as I thought it was a typo) I found the recipe called for buttermilk...which I did not have. Very annoying. I thought back to my previous article about how recipes using baking soda require an acidic agent to produce carbon dioxide bubbles to help the bread rise and I thankfully, had plain Greek yogurt. I used this as a substitute for the buttermilk and I guess it worked, because the recipe turned out AMAZING. Now, to touch on the ‘sugars’ part of the recipe. Apparently I skipped over the step that said, ‘1/2 cup of granulated sugar’ and ‘3/4 cup of brown sugar.’ I just read about the brown sugar and called it good. Yes, there is a lot of sweetness added to the bread, but it is oh, so good! It quite possibly IS the ‘BEST banana bread recipe EVER.’

Anyway, so this time of year I notice pumpkin bread is prevalent, which stands to reason, what with the plethora of pumpkins doing their seasonal duty and guarding people’s porches during the month of October. But pumpkin bread is all fine and dandy and while very tasty, it’s too familiar. Then I wondered about gingerbread. Yes, I know this is more of a Christmastime treat and it isn’t a bread, from what I know. It’s a cake, flavored with the deep, rich notes of molasses and the robust zing of ginger. It can be turned into a loaf, of course, and then I wondered, “does this make it a bread?” I think it does. Either way, one undeniable truth about gingerbread is it is absolutely scrumptious.

Dear Readers, I will put out an ‘open call’ to all the bakers among you, for any bread recipes you might like to share. I’d love to try them out, being the bread-lover I am! If you prefer to keep your bread recipes secret, hey, I get it – though I’ll just say ‘sharing is caring.’ I’m including a simple recipe for a gingerbread loaf that was found on the Pillsbury website and while I know I likely have included a recipe for gingerbread before, I think you can never have too many recipes to try! Please send any and all questions, comments and certainly, recipes you’d like to share to lets-dish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com and we’ll do just that and Dish!

- Simple Gingerbread Loaf**
- 1 cup brown sugar, packed
 - 2 eggs
 - ¾ cup butter, softened
 - 1 cup boiling water
 - ¾ cup molasses
 - 2 ¾ cups all-purpose flour
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 2 teaspoons baking powder
 - 4 teaspoons ginger, ground
 - 2 teaspoons cinnamon
 - ½ teaspoon cloves, ground
 - 1 teaspoon allspice (I left this out)
 - ¼ teaspoon salt
- Grease two loaf pans (8” x 4”) and preheat oven to 350°F. In a large bowl, beat the brown sugar and butter together until light and fluffy. Add the eggs and beat well. In a smaller bowl, stir together the molasses, water, and baking soda until well combined. Beat this into the butter/sugar mixture. Gradually stir in remaining dry ingredients, mix well and spoon the batter into pans. Bake for about an hour or until a toothpick inserted into the center of the loaf comes out clean. Remove from heat, allow to cool, slice and serve with a cup of hot tea or coffee. Store in the refrigerator.
- www.pillsbury.com/recipes/ginger-bread-loaves/
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“Fester is a pretty manic guy; he is just so offbeat and different from everyone else,” said Montoya. “Fester, while a bit of a goober, also has a fairly pure heart. The guy is in love with the moon, after all. He loves his crazy family, and that’s his best attribute. I really am having so much fun with this role, although Fester takes an enormous amount of energy.”

Wednesday Addams is at the heart of this story. She is now 18 years old and she has fallen in love with a very normal young man, Lucas Beineke, from a very normal family. She shares the news of her engagement with Gomez, but asks him to keep the news from her mother, Morticia, causing a rift between the nearly inseparable couple. The news is not well received by Wednesday’s younger brother, Pugsley, either, who concocts a scheme he is sure will make Lucas fall out of love with his sister.

“I auditioned for the role of Wednesday because I wanted to challenge myself with a role that’s almost the exact opposite of who I am off stage,” said Gabby Eaton. “My favorite thing about Wednesday is she is just a very confident, strong, young woman. She isn’t afraid to speak her mind. Playing her has helped me gain confidence in myself as a person and an actress.”

Much of the fun of this production has to do with the collision of two very different worlds – the Addams’ and the Beineke’s. Lucas and his parents, Alice and Mal, don’t quite know what to make of the Addams family, and vice versa. The dinner scene is one audiences will chuckle over for a long time.

“Our director, Stan, gave me full poetic license with this scene,” described Dianna Gruenwald, who plays Alice

Beineke. “He wanted over the top, and I am happy to deliver. Musical theater allows for pushing stereotypes and camp, and this scene is no exception. Alice’s transformation is so dramatic! It has been so fun to perform.

“Of all of the characters in the musical, I feel like Alice goes through the most extreme transformation,” Gruenwald continued. “It was going to be a challenge to find opportunities to demonstrate this change through vocal quality (both speaking and singing), posture, wardrobe and in her relationships with other characters. From a performance perspective, Alice’s solo takes courage and a strong set of pipes. I was up to the challenge!”

“My favorite scene is between Gomez and Mal, when I give a very deadpan ‘No’ to one of his questions,” said Tony Pooler, who plays Mal Beineke. “I feel the underlying message is one of acceptance, and that it’s ok to be a little weird.”

“The most fun moments I’ve had with this show has been given the direction to go big — and with that, comes the opportunity to play and try new things every night to find what works best for the laugh,” Duran said. “For me, the laugh is everything. I need to make the audience laugh. That’s my ultimate goal and biggest passion!”

While the humor in this show comes from the outward differences between the two families, it also showcases what all families have in common.

“At the end of the day, no matter how insane, annoying, or quirky, your family is your family, and this crazy family, on and off stage, sticks together,” said Montoya. “The three couples go through the ups and downs life throws at you, and still come together with love.”



Kathy Reed/Whidbey Weekly
Two very different world collide in “The Addams Family” musical on stage through Nov. 17 at Whidbey Playhouse in Oak Harbor. Pictured from left are Morticia Addams (Bailey Wend), Gomez Addams (Fernando Duran), Mal Beineke (Tony Poole), Lucas Beineke (Max Hanesworth), and Alice Beineke (Dianna Gruenwald).

“I think the underlying message is you don’t have to be normal or fit in to find true love,” said Eaton.

“At the heart of it, this is a love story,” said Thomas. “And it’s a heck of a lot of fun.”

“I hope what the audience takes away from this performance is primarily a night of fun and laughter, but also that family is family – through and through – and sometimes you can’t pick/choose them, you can’t control everything and you have to live life with love (and laughter) before we die,” said Duran. “Life is too short and we only get one (as far as we know), so let’s laugh and enjoy it.”

Performances of “The Addams Family” are at 7:30 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and 2:30 p.m. Sunday through Nov. 17. For tickets and information, visit whidbeyplayhouse.com. To see more photos, visit *Whidbey Weekly’s* Facebook page.

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he said. “Earlier this year our board President, Bob Wall, joined the [Oak Harbor Main Street] Association and attends their meetings. It is our intent to hear their concerns and determine what actions we can take to improve our relationships with them.”

Work to ensure SPIN Café’s future will continue, said Saunders, including completing all policies and procedures necessary for

successful operations, selection of a location for continued operations and outreach to the community.

“The Island County grant we received provided just over \$4,000 per month for our ‘Drop-in Center,’ which we now refer to as our coffee shop,” said Saunders. “Our successful efforts in securing grants and the kind generosity by so many residents in our

community since the contract was cancelled will support operations into the foreseeable future. Securing funds is an ongoing effort for nonprofits such as SPIN Café and we will always be engaged in fundraising to support current and future operations.”

Go to www.spincafeoh.org for more information and updates.

An email announcement following the press release noted Tangiler London has been hired as the Café Manager, assisted as needed by Laken Sennett. Staff will provide guests who need additional services with contact information for local agencies who can help. Directors say they will work with county and city agencies to establish a schedule of on-site visits and consultations.



CHICKEN LITTLE & THE ASTROLOGER

By Wesley Hallock

ARIES (March 21-April 19)



Any difficulties you face this week will likely come to you second hand. Do you really wish to play the role of caped crusader by meddling in affairs that aren't your business? Decide early. If you dally too long, you may inherit a mess not of your making. The fun of venturing beyond the bounds of what is legal and proper on the 2nd could be short-lived. Where the fun ends, the difficulties begin.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)



Rough and tumble play is what you make of it this week. As a spectator sport, the ups and downs you are sure to encounter are an expected part of the game and add to the excitement. If you carry that same spirit of adversity-as-fun over to more serious walks of life, you're home free. The slings and arrows that take others down might sting you, but can't defeat you. The 2nd sees you deep in the thick of it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)



The most striking events of your week likely center around absences. Possible is a new appreciation for something or someone whose existence in your life you previously took for granted. This can imply a happy end, as in the idiom, "absence makes the heart grow fonder." Also possible is a renewed enthusiasm for attaining something you thought beyond your reach. Inspirations of both sorts may arise on the 2nd.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)



Defeatist attitudes such as, "If you can't beat them, join them," have no place in your week. Scrappy determination to succeed is the main ingredient in anyone's successes, and doubly so for you. A touch of feistiness will work wonders for you at present, in whatever way you choose to apply it. Luck favors action, so keep your energy level high. This doesn't imply mindless leaps of faith on the 2nd. Think before you act.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)



The best time to prepare for rain is while the sun is shining. Keep that fact in mind should you feel to take responsibility for your own safety and security this week. An ounce of prevention now may forestall a future crisis. You are working not only for yourself. The steps you take will certainly impact those closest to you, to the benefit of all. Where their well-being is concerned, leave nothing to chance on the 2nd.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)



Meeting the week's frustrations head-on is not the only way, but it may be the best. Even then, don't expect all your obstacles to vanish in one fell swoop. You're in a position to make major impact on much of what is troubling you, but more time is required for a

certain long-term empty spot in your life to refill. Do what you can, given what you have, and continue to endure where you must. Patience is a virtue on the 2nd.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)



Light-hearted approaches to life rank far superior this week, especially in matters involving money and family. Nothing is worth your getting tied up in knots. It's where you feel yourself getting edgy and tense that your troubles begin. Aggressions work against you at present, and inner tension is a warning sign that you're working at cross purposes with yourself. Be especially vigilant for such on the 2nd.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)



A smile is contagious at any time, and especially so for you this week. A jovial demeanor is your first step in getting others in your world to play along with you. Of course you can think of reasons not to smile, but why mess up this great opportunity? Let someone else play the dour role. Yours is to spread joy, in whatever way appropriate. A positive outlook on the 2nd amounts to a self-fulfilling prophecy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)



Be grateful for life's little victories this week. They are a sure sign of greater things to come. Celebrate where you can, dig in and endure where you must, and know that your day to soar is not far away. The window of opportunity to advance yourself may presently be small, but it is there. Quick action on the 2nd is worth more than fruitlessly grinding away at obstacles during the rest of the week.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)



Hang on to your dreams this week. Slow progress can make it seem like you're not gaining on them, but the reality is that major advances are in the works. The lack of apparent headway is purely an illusion. Weak and wavering determination is your enemy in this regard. If you need a change of focus to keep your spirit up, by all means take it. A mini-vacation on the 2nd is one possibility.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb 18)



Progress this week is contingent on gracefully letting go of everything that holds you back. Where your attitude is the culprit blocking progress, letting go can be tricky. If you feel blocked, check in with yourself. It may be your own fixed beliefs, not be people or circumstance, that slows you. Indirect action on the 2nd is better than no action at all. Partnering is excellent for keeping matters moving.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)



Your best laid plans for the future are fair game for review this week. Your past actions may also come under scrutiny. Weaknesses in either arena bear directly or indirectly on domestic harmony. With everything on the table, will you admit to your mistakes? Or will you make matters worse by getting defensive? Your attitude may be the final arbiter for deciding the outcome. Humility is a powerful tool on the 2nd.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Fertile desert spots
6. Married woman
9. Some animals travel in one
13. Fear
14. Hawaiian island
15. Fit to work
16. Electronic counter-countermeasures
17. Former Senator Specter
18. Cambodian currency
19. Dave Matthews Band hit
21. Lists ingredients
22. Endangered ante-lope
23. Jerry's TV partner
24. Blue grass state
25. Obstruct
28. Luke's mentor ___-Wan
29. Fencing swords
31. Oh, heavens!
33. Insensitive to changes in price
36. Hillsides
38. Brew
39. Gland secretion
41. A typical example
44. Get up
45. You put it on your pasta
46. Expresses surprise
48. News organization
49. Disorder of the lungs (abbr.)

51. One millionth of a gram
52. Some are of the "suit" variety
54. Group of organisms
56. Produces
60. Passage into a mine
61. ___ and cheeses
62. Semitic fertility god
63. Dry or withered
64. Religious ceremony
65. ___ Winger, actress
66. German river
67. Midway between northeast and east
68. Take something or somebody somewhere

CLUES DOWN

1. Lyric poems
2. Genus of saltwater clams
3. Ingroup
4. Type of lounge chair
5. Memory card
6. Archipelago
7. Common Korean surname
8. It's up there
9. Quantity that helps to define
10. First month of the Jewish ecclesiastical year
11. Metal-headed golf club
12. A shade of green
14. Begin
17. A good thing to have

20. Language spoken in Laos
21. Loosely compacted sediment
23. Naturally occurring protein
25. Woman
26. Central Indian city
27. Volcanic craters
29. The largest existing land animals
30. Rumanian city
32. Equal to 10 meters
34. Historic Nevada city
35. A point of transition
37. Remove
40. Overwatch character
42. Records electric currents linked to the heart
43. Settles in calmly
47. Partner to his
49. Banking giant
50. Slowly disappeared
52. End
53. Sword with a v-shaped blade
55. Fabric with smooth, shiny surface
56. Wild cherry tree
57. Traditional Japanese socks
58. Make of your hard work
59. Stony waste matter
61. Woman (French)
65. Unit of loudness

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, Oct. 31 North Isle H-52°/L-39° Mixed Clouds and Sun South Isle H-50°/L-40° Partly Sunny	Fri, Nov. 1 North Isle H-51°/L-40° Partly Sunny South Isle H-53°/L-39° Sunny	Sat, Nov. 2 North Isle H-51°/L-40° Partly Sunny South Isle H-51°/L-40° Partly Sunny	Sun, Nov. 3 North Isle H-50°/L-39° Showers Possible South Isle H-50°/L-38° Showers Possible	Mon, Nov. 4 North Isle H-49°/L-38° Showers Possible South Isle H-49°/L-38° Showers Possible	Tues, Nov. 5 North Isle H-49°/L-38° Showers Possible South Isle H-49°/L-38° Showers Possible	Wed, Nov. 6 North Isle H-48°/L-39° Showers Possible South Isle H-48°/L-39° Showers Possible
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ESTHER LOUISE (HOUGHTALING) GABELEIN



Esther Louise (Houghtaling) Gabelein, born July 14, 1921, to Thomas and Faye (Andrews) Houghtaling, left us for a better place Oct. 14, 2019. She was the third-born of their eight children. Though born in Bellingham, she moved to Coupeville with her family at the age of five and spent the rest of her life on Whidbey Island. Growing up with five brothers, she admitted to being a bit of a tomboy, to her mother’s dismay, as she hung from monkey bars in a dress, among other antics. She had her first plane ride at an early age with the aid of her Grandfather Andrews, who arranged the flight in a friend’s biplane. She had other rides in jet planes over the years and at the age of 90 she flew in a small plane over Whidbey, giving the pilot a verbal tour of the land below. Her one regret was not taking a ride in a helicopter.

Esther attended Coupeville schools until her senior year when the family moved to South Whidbey. She had planned to study nursing after graduation. Instead she met Harvey Gabelein and after a short, six-week courtship, she married him and instead spent many hours nursing Harvey and their children through all kinds of medical problems. The only time Harvey agreed to see a doctor after an injury, he developed blood poisoning. Harvey and Esther settled into a small house on 10 acres near his brothers and uncles above Useless Bay. They acquired 20 adjacent acres where they farmed and raised dairy cows, shipping cream to the Fairmont Dairy and then milk to Darigold. Mom raised a large garden every year, canning fruit and vegetables for winter. She milked cows alongside her husband until they switched to Angus cattle registered to Harv-est Farm. Harvey died of an aneurysm in 1978 at the age of 59, leaving Esther a widow for over 40 years. She continued to live on the same property until she went to live with Janice and Brian, her daughter and son-in-law, in 2017.

Esther was an avid sports fan and watched many televised games of baseball, football, soccer, golf and the Olympics. She also read five to seven books a week until just before her death. For many years she played bingo and won more often than her fellow players liked. She could play nine cards at a time. She had a talent for sewing, making most of her daughters’ clothes while they were young. She was also a talented baker, well known for her fruit cakes and date nut roll candy each Christmas. She was an adventurous traveler, flying to Adak, Alaska, after Harvey’s death to visit her son, Jim, and his family. She took a train and the ferry back to Washington, sleeping on the deck. She and her friend, George, later took trips to California and the Southwest.

Esther was preceded in death by her husband, Harvey; her son, Jim; son-in-law, Ben Lanphere; granddaughter, Kristen Lee; grandsons, Andy Lanphere and Donald Gabelein; as well as sisters, Harriet Clark and Hazel Williams; brothers, Tommy, Hank and Bill Houghtaling; and her parents. She is survived by brothers, Al and Claude Houghtaling; sisters-in-law, Dottie and Peggy Houghtaling; daughters, Janice Martin (Brian), Karen Lanphere and daughter-in-law, Jennie Gabelein (Larry Johnson); grandchildren, Jon Martin (Kim), Tammy Parker, Kari Svendsen (John), Annette Monary (Andy), Connie Gabelein and Shirley Lanphere; eight great-grandchildren and 10 great-great grandchildren. There are also nieces and nephews and their families, too numerous to count.

After a private family interment, there will be a memorial gathering at the American Legion Hall at Bayview Nov. 16, 2019 from 1- 4 p.m. We want to thank the Central Whidbey Fire responders, WhidbeyHealth, Careage and Hospice personnel who were so caring and helpful to Mom and us during her last few days. We request that in lieu of flowers, you send a contribution to Whidbey-Health Hospice or a charity of your choice. Family and friends are encouraged to share memories and condolences at www.whidbeymemorial.com

DOROTHY M. “DOTTI” CAPES



Dorothy M. “Dotti” Capes, age 94, longtime Coupeville resident, passed away Sunday, Oct. 20, 2019, at Careage of Whidbey.

Dotti was born Feb. 15, 1925, in Seattle to Edward and Vira (Bigelow) Paris. She was a graduate of Queen Anne High School. She met her future husband, Roland Capes, and they were married March 2, 1943. They resided in the Magnolia Bluff neighborhood of Seattle, and later moved to Edmonds. In 1965, the couple moved to Whidbey Island. They also lived in other communities, including Lake Havasu City, Ariz., where they enjoyed wintering in later years. They eventually returned to South Whidbey and lived in Freeland. Dorothy and Roland traveled overseas on many missionary journeys. Serving the Lord with her husband was Dorothy’s passion. She loved to garden, crochet and knit. She made many crocheted creations and enjoyed sharing them as gifts with her friends. She had a deep love and personal relationship with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Dorothy is survived by four children: Bonny Halstead (Robert) of Clinton; daughter -in-law, Shelli Capes, of Lake Stevens; adopted son, Peter Capes (Kristy), of Peyton, Colo.; adopted son, Chris Capes (Estella Guzman), of Des Moines; and adopted daughter, Vicky Tolsma; 20 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren; two sisters, Marjorie Groshong of San Diego, Calif., and Joanna Davis (Bob) of Lynnwood; also, numerous other relatives. She was preceded in death by her husband, Roland, May 29, 2017; by her son, Greg Capes, Aug. 15, 2019; by her daughter, Gloria, her adopted daughter, Winnie, her granddaughter, Tonya, and by four siblings.

A Celebration of life is being planned for this next summer and will be announced at www.whidbey-memorial.com, where family and friends are encouraged to share memories and condolences.

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

**TUESDAY, OCT. 1
4:56 am, Altair Pl.**

Reporting party is in Calif., catching a flight; father is refusing to bring her to airport; reporting party requesting escort to this address to get her child; arrive in Seattle after 9 a.m.

9:45 am, Whales Run Pl.
Caller advising location is parent’s prop-erty; landscapers showed up and took out plants and other items. Caller does not know who hired them.

11:35 am, Twin Lagoon Ln.
Reporting party advising trying to turn in the road and female is blocking reporting party in her vehicle.

6:37 pm, SW Rosario Pl.
Reporting party advising juveniles are throwing rocks at his residence.

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2
11:49 am, S Main St.**
Reporting party advising male is standing by gym asking students for things.

12:42 pm, Main St.
Advising suspicious vehicle at location; male in back with blue latex gloves on.

6:54 pm, Fish Rd.
Caller advising male at gas station mowed lawn and did not tell caller to move vehi-cle; caller’s vehicle was damaged while he was in vehicle; advising he has BMW.

9:19 pm, N Oak Harbor St.
Caller advising male subject yelling about killing people while walking in road.

9:22 pm, State St.
Reporting party states was just on date with female; states took female home to location, dropped \$100 bill and female picked it up and took it.

**THURSDAY, OCT. 3
9:58 am, SR 20**
Caller advising male subject is dancing in the middle of street.

2:26 pm, NE Koetje St.
Reporting party advising two suspicious males walking; one looks uncomfortable.

10:07 pm, Bonaparte Ln.
Advising two males came to location asking if reporting party had seen a dog. Reporting party advised no, and they left.

**FRIDAY, OCT. 4
7:30 am, SE Bayshore Dr.**
Advising female with red hair sitting in road near SE Fidalgo; told her to move up to sidewalk and subject started telling reporting party there are aliens there.

10:35 am, Amble Rd.
Advising neighbor has pig that continu-ally gets out and chases reporting party’s cows. Requesting call from law enforce-ment. Pig is in reporting party’s pasture.

10:47 am, Maxwelton Rd.
Flagger at construction zone advising at 9:30 this morning employee with South Whidbey High School came out of school lot at high rate of speed, aimed his vehi-cle towards caller and another flagger, nearly hitting them. Proceeded to get out of his vehicle and yell at caller.

2:22 pm, Blakely Ave.
Caller advising got home five minutes ago and found inflated rubber glove in her mailbox with “My name is Daddy” writ-

ten on glove and smiley faces on fingers. Reporting party left glove in her mailbox.

**SATURDAY, OCT. 5
1:55 pm, Main St.**
Reporting party advising female subject is rattling on about shotguns and crystal meth; advising subject keeps referencing the gun. Subject said she doesn’t have any weapons, reporting party doesn’t see any weapons.

2:27 pm, NE Midway Blvd.
Caller reporting male subject urinating outside window just before calling; now female is walking up and down stairs. Believes female is associated with male.

7:07 pm, Race Rd.
Reporting party advising 15 minutes ago was flying over area, saw about 20 boats, appeared to be burning another boat, half-mile north of location on east side.

11:01 pm, SR 525
Advising male who has been drinking is disrobing in Clinton ferry terminal area; another third party calling from office.

**SUNDAY, OCT. 6
10:15 am, Highland Trail Rd.**
Reporting party advising she had property marked with pole. States neighbor took pole out and now wants to speak to law enforcement. Reporting party advising neighbor is giving reporting party grief.

6:02 pm, SR 20
Advising white Toyota Corolla driving on shoulder almost hit pedestrian; advising vehicle is also over-correcting.

9:39 pm, SR 20
Reporting party advising subject has been knocking on reporting party’s door and harassing her; has been yelling “p***y.”

**TUESDAY, OCT. 8
8:46 am, SR 525**
Advising lost blue mesh bag of clean laundry between Race Rd. and Shell sta-tion; occurred last night. Reporting party went back and bag is not there.

**WEDNESDAY, OCT. 9
11:29 am, SE Midway Blvd.**
Reporting party in lobby with her first-grader about his acting out at school.

12:56 pm, Huckleberry Ln.
Requesting call referencing apples missing from his tree. Occurred some time in middle of September; caller states are very rare type. Other trees in his orchard have obvious signs of animals eating them.

3:05 pm, East Harbor Rd.
Reporting party advising backpack stolen while on transit bus earlier today; occurred while riding Bus 1, Greenbank area. Backpack had valuables inside.

6:09 pm, NW Crosby Ave.
Reporting party advising ex-girlfriend is going around spreading rumors.

9:18 pm, Scenic Ave.
Reporting party advising someone was banging on door 20 minutes ago; advis-ing she thinks it might have been law enforcement.

9:28 pm, SR 20
Caller advising employee’s parent has been stalking store.

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

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