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# Family Guide

By Amy Hannold

**The Admiralty Lighthouse is open:** The newly renovated lighthouse is now partially open to the public Saturdays and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., through October. The lower level of the lighthouse is full of interesting exhibits and the enthusiastic, knowledgeable docents are there to share with you about the lighthouse. The lighthouse's tower and gift shop are closed. The lighthouse is located inside Fort Casey State Park. Read about the restoration and preview the lighthouse at [Facebook.com/keepersofadmiraltyheadlighthouse](https://www.facebook.com/keepersofadmiraltyheadlighthouse). Once larger crowds are allowed, the Keepers of the Admiralty Lighthouse will host a grand re-opening celebration.

**Experience Local Art and the WISE Sculpture Garden:** Whidbey Island's Sculpture Experience (WISE) will open for an interactive Art Market two weekends, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 29-30 and Sept. 5-6, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The interactive, family-friendly markets will feature demonstrations with Whidbey Island artists and the opportunity to tour the acres of 57-plus notable artists' sculptures, artistic displays, and inspiration to create places of art in your own garden.

Wander the trails of the garden, taking in the kinetic, eclectic, unique and fun collection of sculptures and more. Picnics are welcome; there will also be food available for purchase. Please wear masks, observe social distancing and leave pets at home. The Whidbey Island Sculpture Experience is located at 1162 East Crescent Harbor Road, in Oak Harbor. Admission is free. WISE: Whidbey Island Sculpture Experience on Facebook.

**Prepare to Celebrate Grandparents Day:** Virtually, with a distanced visit, or by creating a handmade gift, cherish the grandparents in your life. Make plans now to prepare, and mail if necessary, those beloved homemade gifts and other tokens of love. This year, Grandparents Day is Sunday, Sept. 13. Spread joy beyond your family by adopting seniors in your neighborhood. Create greeting cards, treats or a bouquet of flowers to leave at the doorsteps of seniors near you. Everyone would appreciate the kindness, as they too, are likely missing their grandchildren. Visit [uniqueideas.site/10-unique-grandparents-day-ideas-for-school](https://uniqueideas.site/10-unique-grandparents-day-ideas-for-school) for some free printables and cute ideas to inspire you.

**Take a Hike, For Free:** Washington State Parks' Free State Parks Days for September are Sunday, Sept. 13 (a "Make-up Spring Day") and Saturday, Sept. 26, observing National Public Lands Day. Explore a Washington State Park near, or "new-to-you." Visit [discoverpass.wa.gov](https://discoverpass.wa.gov) and for Sept. 26, [nps.gov](https://nps.gov).

**School Supplies and Other Assistance:** Families needing assistance with back-to-school supplies are welcome to contact the Family Resource Center, part of South Whidbey's Readiness to Learn, to register: [rtlprograms@readinesstolearn.org](mailto:rtlprograms@readinesstolearn.org) or call 360-221-6808 ext. 4321. The Virtual Family Resource Center is available online, with connections to health, housing, social and other support for all ages, at [readinesstolearn.org/covid19-resources](https://readinesstolearn.org/covid19-resources).

**Active Classes for Youth at The Backyard:** This fall, The Backyard of Langley offers programs for ages 5-14, including Homeschool PE, Online Zoom PE, Gravity Fighters, and Beginning Parkour. Space is limited, to observe social distancing and safety guidelines. The Backyard is a 501c3 organization in Langley, whose mission is to provide affordable and accessible active opportunities for all ages. [thebackyardwhidbey.org](https://thebackyardwhidbey.org)

**Early Childhood Programing in Nature:** The Whidbey Island Waldorf School will offer two programs this fall, for ages 1 to 6, on its 100-acre forest preserve in Clinton. The following programs are now enrolling: Little Woods, ages 1-3, and Great Forest, ages 3-6. Little Woods children begin their day outdoors and, slowly, over the course of the morning, transition inside to the nursery classroom. Daily rhythms are outside nature play, inside for circle time with songs and movement, healthy, organic snack, and inside imaginative play.

The Great Forest classes use the meadows, trails, and shelters of the 100 acres as a moveable outdoor classroom. In this space, there is ample time for crafts, cooking, building, climbing, imaginative play, singing, and other essential elements of Waldorf Early Childhood Education. [wiws.org](https://www.wiws.org)

**Disasters Don't Wait. Make Your Plan Today:** September is Preparedness Month. Annually, it's a reminder that in order to lessen the impact of a disaster, we need to take steps now to be ready. In short, three key aspects needing to be addressed in your disaster plan are: information, communication and preparation. Island County Department of Emergency Management has an app for this. Download the app to your mobile device and it will assist you in steps necessary to create and share a communication plan, build an emergency kit tailored to your circumstances, prepare your home for disasters, etc. (If you don't utilize apps, there are guides and information on the DEM's website).

Utilizing the app will also connect you to local emergency alerts and resources and inform you of how to be prepared for the most likely disasters in our area. The Island County DEM has an extensive website of guides and information, [islandcountywa.gov/DEM](https://islandcountywa.gov/DEM), and there are also valuable guides at [ready.gov/](https://ready.gov/) September. Island County DEM also has an emergency alert system, where you can register to receive notifications, according to your preferences, at the website.

**Free the Books – The Books Are Free!** The less time books are on shelves, the more time they are in a reader's hands. This is the mission of Kevin Tyler Lucas, of Oak Harbor, his wife, Marlena, and their three children, who have opened their home to thousands of books, creating the group Shelves Are Prisons. Kevin saw books were winding up in landfills or recycle bins, out of the reach of someone who could enjoy them. To prevent those travesties, and to gift them to readers, he collects donations of books, and then finds them new homes with free little libraries around the community, in cooperation with service groups or at an event such as the one held in August, at his home, open to the public.

The next Free Books event will be Saturday, Sept. 26, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at 1111 SW Heller St., in Oak Harbor. All sorts of books, as well as media, will be available. You are welcome to bring your own books to swap, or contribute monetary donations to keep this great program going. COVID precautions will be in place. Guests are asked to wear masks and observe social distancing. To donate books, or to join the Shelves Are Prisons efforts, visit [Facebook.com/ShelvesArePrisons](https://www.facebook.com/ShelvesArePrisons) or email [shelvesareprisons@gmail.com](mailto:shelvesareprisons@gmail.com).

**Back to the Books:** However you go to back to school this fall, be sure to connect with Whidbey Island Macaroni Kid. We'll keep you up to date about local activities, events and other fun things to do! [WhidbeyIslandMacaroniKid.com](https://www.whidbeyislandmacaronikid.com).

## CELEBRATE LOCAL FOOD



Whidbey Island Grown Weekend is a celebration of local food with farm fresh specials from your favorite restaurants, virtual farm tours and videos, and farm open houses.

- Local Eats - Patio Seats ... Island farmers and restaurants are teaming up to create delicious dishes for dine in or take out.
- Virtual Farm Connect ... Island farmers are sharing videos of their farms, practices, and lives. Connect with the amazing people who grow our local food.
- Find Local Food ... Find places to buy fresh from island farms on our website.

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# ON TRACK

with Jim Freeman



Ever have one of those days when it seems like everything is a hassle? So far today, my hassle chart is bulging. Ever try to check your fuse box by yourself?

Even in a small space like I have, walking from the fuse box, conveniently located in a crammed closet of clothes, all the way to the other end of the caboose, is a hassle.

All 40 feet.

Maybe if I could figure out which switch to flip, the 40 foot walk would not be as long.

Maybe if I had some success, I would be hassle free.

In the process of determining which 20 amp lever to flip, my patience level collides with my impatient level to the point of flipping every switch in the fuse box.

Haste makes hassle.

Now all the clocks are blinking to remind me I have just flipped myself off. Didn't even need a mirror.

Years ago, I tried to write what each fuse and switch was for in that little bitty space to the side of the unknown.

Now I am unable to read my writing. Faded ink meets lousy cursive.

As my rage intensified, I decided to change tasks and try to light the pilot light on the propane.

Last week, I had ordered another load. Because the delivery was so swift, I was not here when my tank dial percentage went from 20 percent to full. No invoice was in the doorway. Until I smelled that dead animal smell after opening the door, I had no idea the delivery had been made.

After checking the gauge, I noticed the little arrow was within the illegible small print section which verified my being warm until Thanksgiving.

Due to the intensity of the odor, I assumed some rodent had met its lack of Waterloo. Those rodents are always crawling around eating Toyota wires. Maybe they nibbled on my propane hose, allowing a modicum of escape.

Grabbing my giant 9-volt battery-powered flashlight, I crawled underneath the porch to inspect the hose. Laughing loud enough to hear myself, I realized this was an eye exam I would not pass.

Not enough light or visual acuity was available for me to see where the location might have been for the passing of the gas.

Just to be as male as possible, I opened the black circular steel cover on the tank. There were several knobs and areas to explore, but I knew better. I knew nothing.

Since my light bulb was not on, and the kitchen smelled like *Old Yeller*, I went back inside to call the propane company to ask a question or two.

After we got through the preliminaries of authentication and verisimilitude, the receptionist advised me to turn off the propane at the source.

"Which one of these knobs do I turn? I have never touched any of this stuff before."

"The big silver one. Just turn it off. I will connect you with a supervisor."

Efficiency being the name of the game, there was no time for on-hold music.

"This is Jeff. Are you smelling gas outside the tank?"

"No, just inside the house. It could be a dead animal. I am not sure. It has been too many years since smelling that smell that you smell when the gas is low."

"I have a serviceman in your area. He will be by shortly."

Oh my. Where is my mask? No one has been inside my place since last February. Did I need to dust?

In what seemed like the same amount of time it takes to board the ferry once your lane has been directed, Inspector Gassoiseau had arrived.

After my abbreviated remarks, I invited the masked inspector inside.

"I don't smell anything," he said.

I would have swallowed but everything smelled too bad.

"Well, I have a good smeller. I've saved lives with my nose."

"Let me run a pressure check."

My tank pressure was where it needed to be.

"Have you opened the doors and windows to vent?" he asked.

"No sir, I never thought of that. I just assumed you would want to smell what I was smelling. Sort of a CSI: Nasal."

"I don't smell anything."

"Well, at least I know I don't have COVID-19. No dipstick up my nose. Thanks for your help and for getting over here so quickly. By the way, that Dodge Ram 2500 you have is a really nice rig. You can back up there on the grass."

Sure is a good thing I have a law degree. While I do know enough to get in out of the rain, I missed the class on opening doors and windows when your domicile smells of dead inert gas.

I wonder if the inspector really did not smell ethyl mercaptan, or has smelled so much of it he is immune.

He probably wouldn't even notice he smelled of fried chicken after paying his bill at the Chevron Short Stop in Freeland.

In the 90s, on Friday nights, we used to take the family to the American Legion to enjoy cheeseburgers, play pool, spin the wheel of steaks, and to gather an unhealthy dose of secondary smoke.

We even had our special Friday night Legion clothes, which we removed out-doors on the porch upon returning home.

Having a strong sense of smell has its benefits.

I'm the first one to smell the coffee, the flowers, and the inert gases.

In college, Susan, a classmate, wore what I consider the most powerful fragrance – Estee Lauder perfume.

Susan wore this stuff to our organic chemistry lectures. She was the only girl in the class.

My mind was not on the periodic table of elements, but the fundamental fragrances of matriculation.

Maybe I'll buy a small jar of Estee Lauder before the next propane delivery.

Febreze and Clorox did not work at all to silence the smells.

Why didn't I think to have my neighbor come over to smoke Camels in the kitchen?

Time to make a check list of reminders for these infrequent propane tank deliveries.

Then, back to the Mystery of the Fuse box.

Where are the Boxcar children when I need them?

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# Bits & Pieces

## Letters to the Editor

### Editor,

This year, in Washington's 10th District, we are blessed with a surfeit of qualified Democratic candidates. Angie Homola is the candidate running for State House Position 1.

Angie has proven herself to be a leader who thinks out of the box to find creative solutions. She is a person who puts her money where her mouth is. When Island County was faced with a budget short fall, as a Commissioner, she donated a portion of her salary to fund various county services. She is so committed to the protection of our environment, that as a lifelong learner, she recently completed a master's degree program in Environmental Law and Policy. As a registered architect, she will be invaluable in helping the legislature understand the needs in repair and maintenance of our state's infrastructure.

I encourage all who wish to be well informed voters to go to her website: [angieforall.com](http://angieforall.com). In the section "Meet Angie," go to the Q&A. There you will get a good overview of Angie's positions on numerous issues.

Please do the research, and then vote as I will, for Angie Homola.

John Colby Stone  
Coupeville, Wash.

### Service Restored to Near Pre-Pandemic Levels on Some State Ferry Routes

Aug. 22, Washington State Ferries restored two-boat weekend service on the Edmonds/Kingston and Mukilteo/Clinton routes. Both runs had been operating without one of their normal two vessels each Saturday and Sunday since June 20, due to a lack of crewmembers needed to meet U.S. Coast Guard safety requirements.

Since late March, more than 100 high-risk WSF vessel and terminal employees have been unavailable due to the pandemic. In addition, new hires were unable to undergo mandatory face-to-face training until June.

"Over the past month, we welcomed 16 new crewmembers, 10 terminal attendants and actively worked with existing employees to increase staffing availability," said WSF Director of Operations, Greg Faust. "We're now at a point that we can incrementally increase service and are working to restore sailings on additional routes in the weeks ahead."

WSF plans to restore a two-boat schedule seven days a week on the Seattle/Bainbridge route starting Sunday, Aug. 30. Service increases on other routes will follow as ridership demands and crewing availability allow.

### COVID-19 Response Service Plan

Crew availability is one of four pillars in WSF's COVID-19 Response Service Plan dictating the system's current schedules. The others are ridership, vessel availability and funding. Any changes in service must be based on all four metrics, and each are considered before any modifications are made on any route.

### Latest ridership numbers

Current system ridership is nearly 60 percent of what it was this time in 2019 with the number of vehicles carried a little higher at nearly three-quarters of 2019 vehicle ridership. Walk-on passengers are hovering around one-quarter of last year's numbers.

### Pandemic precautions

Because of the coronavirus, customers who board a state ferry in a vehicle are strongly encouraged to remain in the vehicle throughout the sailing if possible. A face covering is required in compliance with the state's health order – inside or outside – if riders are unable to physically distance from others. To maintain physical distancing standards, if necessary, WSF will enforce reduced occupancy on sailings for walk-on passengers.

Customers can sign up for email alerts and follow WSF on social media for notification about any future restorations in service. Riders are also encouraged to check WSF's terminal conditions and COVID-19 travel updates.

WSF, a division of the WSDOT, is the largest ferry system in the U.S. and safely and efficiently carries nearly 24 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 ([www.twitter.com/wsferries](http://www.twitter.com/wsferries)) and Facebook ([www.facebook.com/wsferries](http://www.facebook.com/wsferries)).

[Submitted by Justin Fujioka, WSDOT]

### Skagit Valley College Basic Education for Adults Program to Offer English Language Acquisition Information Sessions

Skagit Valley College's Basic Education for Adults (BEa) program is committed to student success as it continues to adjust its programs and instruction online. There are a number of resources available, such as laptop loans, funding, and advising support, to help students navigate these challenging times. BEa will offer the following English Language Acquisition virtual information sessions:

Thursday, Aug. 27, 1:00-3:00PM

Thursday, Sept. 17, 6:00-8:00PM

These orientations will be in English.

Wednesday, Sept. 9, 6:00-8:00PM

[http://skagitvalley.force.com/events/targetx\\_eventsb\\_\\_events#/esr?eid=a0u1R00000B-1zAvQAJ](http://skagitvalley.force.com/events/targetx_eventsb__events#/esr?eid=a0u1R00000B-1zAvQAJ)

This session will be held in Spanish.

Fall classes begin Sept. 22. Email [hscompletion@skagit.edu](mailto:hscompletion@skagit.edu) or call 360-416-7640 to receive more information.

[Submitted by Arden Ainley, Chief Public Information Officer, SVC]

### Art Market @ WISE

Join local artists for a Whidbey Island Experience at the WISE Sculpture Garden, 1162 E Crescent Harbor Road, Oak Harbor. For two weekends only, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 29-30 and Sept. 5-6, there will be an Outdoor Art Market at WISE, the Whidbey Island Sculpture Experience, from 10:00AM to 5:00PM, featuring demonstrations and interactive events from Whidbey Island artists. FREE admission! All ages welcome (family friendly), sorry, no pets. Bring your picnic and spend some time in the beautiful sculpture garden (no garbage facilities so be sure to pack it in, pack it out). This will be a COVID-19 conscious event, please wear your masks and social distance, so everyone will safely enjoy the garden and event. For more information, contact Therese Kingsbury at 360-969-5621.

[Submitted by Kim Tinuviel]

### Whidbey Community Foundation Annual Grant Cycle Closes Aug. 31 Up To \$100k Available in Grants to Nonprofits

Whidbey Community Foundation's (WCF) third annual grant cycle will close Aug. 31. Any organization that operates with a charitable status or for a charitable purpose on Whidbey Island is eligible to apply for a grant. The organization does not need to have a headquarters or physical presence on Whidbey, so long as services are provided here.

Whidbey Community Foundation recognizes the tremendous strain on our nonprofit sector and the people and places they support due to the current economic and social issues. In addition to the COVID-19 Community Resilience

Fund, which is actively raising and distributing funds to community organizations serving those populations disproportionately affected by the pandemic, WCF's board of directors designated up to \$100,000 toward the 2020 Annual Grant Cycle. Grant applications of up to \$5,000 will be accepted through Aug. 31.

"Through the Annual Grant Cycle, Whidbey Community Foundation wants to enable nonprofits working on Whidbey Island to focus on long-term mission fulfillment by providing support that is flexible and enables organizations to build critical skills and adapt as work structures pivot due to the pandemic. Unlike our prior annual grant cycles, we have opened eligibility to all nonprofit categories on Whidbey Island due to the availability of more flexible funds this year," stated Robin Hertlein, board member and chair of the Grants Committee.

The community foundation will prioritize funding for general operations, capacity-building support focused on building organizational capacities, and project support.

Please check WCF's grant application page on its website for more details. Paper copies can be made available. Visit WCF's website [www.whidbeyfoundation.org](http://www.whidbeyfoundation.org) for more information. If you have questions about the grant process, email [info@whidbeyfoundation.org](mailto:info@whidbeyfoundation.org) or call 360-660-5041.

### About Whidbey Community Foundation

Whidbey Community Foundation was founded in 2016 by longtime community members. Its mission is to improve the quality of life on Whidbey by: providing support for the nonprofit sector, assisting donors to build and preserve enduring assets for charitable purposes, and meeting community needs through financial awards.

[Submitted by Jessie Gunn, Program Manager, Whidbey Community Foundation]

### Way of Sorrows: Grief for our Planet; Grief for all People

The Greening Congregations Collaborative, a coalition of seven south island churches, have rescheduled the annual Way of Sorrows, originally planned for April. In the tradition of pilgrimage, this is a community opportunity to grieve and pray for both earth's sufferings and racial inequity. The Way of Sorrows has 12 meditation stations to reflect on these painful, sometimes overwhelming, realities. The public is invited to the Trillium Community Forest Sept. 1 at 4:00PM (park in the Bounty Loop parking lot off Mutiny Bay Road), to walk silently in guided, small groups (masked and distanced). For those who prefer to walk privately or want to organize your own small group, it is possible to obtain an electronic copy of the meditation booklet by contacting Elizabeth Guss at [cohesion@whidbey.com](mailto:cohesion@whidbey.com).

[Submitted by Dianne Shiner, Greening Congregations Collaborative]

### 4th Annual Whidbey Island Grown Weekend

Whidbey Island Grown Cooperative will hold its 4th annual Whidbey Island Grown Weekend over Labor Day weekend, Friday, Sept. 4 through Monday, Sept. 7.

Whidbey Island Grown Weekend is an opportunity to showcase and celebrate local farms and businesses on Whidbey Island, and connect island residents with their local food system. Traditionally, Whidbey Island Grown Week has been a week long celebration in which members work together to hold events, festivals, farm tours, and farm-to-table dinners. This year's offerings will focus on events appropriate for the current pandemic-related guidelines. The events will be:

**Local Eats – Patio Seats:** Local restaurants will partner with local farms to serve a special WIG Weekend menu made with locally grown products, which will be available all weekend long. Some restaurants even grow their own produce. Outdoor seating and take-out options are available.

**Virtual Farm Connect:** Local farmers take viewers behind the scenes with virtual farm tours, tutorials, and stories available for viewing on the Whidbey Island Grown website and YouTube channel. The videos will offer a chance to connect the viewer to local farms and the local food system.

In addition to these events, the Whidbey Island Grown website will have a list of resources and publications to help island residents find and support the local farm community. Other ways to support local for Whidbey Island Grown Weekend include shopping at a farmers market or farm stand, ordering from multiple farms at once through the Whidbey Island Grown Cooperative Food Hub, and buying local products available in retail stores like Goosefoot and 3 Sisters Market.

Whidbey Island Grown Weekend is a great time for the community to show its love and support for local food. Businesses have been hit hard this year and the local economy continues to struggle during this difficult time. Whidbey Island Grown Weekend is a way to encourage support and connection between the public and the local food system.

To participate in this event, please email [info@whidbeyislandgrown.com](mailto:info@whidbeyislandgrown.com) with contact information and any other details about the menu or experience you'd like to provide.

To find details about the events and lists of participating restaurants and farms, go to [www.whidbeyislandgrown.com/whidbey-island-grown-week](http://www.whidbeyislandgrown.com/whidbey-island-grown-week). Also look for videos and event details on Whidbey Island Grown's social media accounts.

[Submitted by Shannon Bly, Outreach Coordinator, Whidbey Island Conservation District]

### Marti Anamosa is Retiring after 21 Years as a Library Volunteer and Leader

For 21 years, Marti Anamosa has volunteered her time and talents to Sno-Isle Libraries.

The path that eventually led to two terms on the board of trustees started with one Friends of the Langley Library meeting in early 1999.

"By the second meeting, I was on the board and from there, a friend and I traded off as president, vice-president, president and so on," Anamosa said. "That was my first taste of what Sno-Isle Libraries has to offer."

In 2004, Anamosa was tapped to join the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation Board of Directors. She served until 2010, including four years as president of the foundation board.

"Serving on the foundation board really opened my eyes to how the library and foundation can reach out to various segments of the community," Anamosa said.

Foundation funds, which come primarily from individual donors, supplement library district spending on new programs or other areas where public money can't be used. Years ago, for example, the foundation funded a pilot project for teen programming, she said.

"Sno-Isle didn't want to spend taxpayer money on something that might not work," Anamosa said. "So the foundation funded the programs in the first two years. The statistics were all very positive, and the library district took over the funding the next year."

In 2010, Anamosa decided to apply for an opening on the library district's board of trustees.

A media report at the time announced her appointment and summed up Anamosa's motivation: "I have realized how much an excellent library can do to teach kids a love of reading, to get teens involved in their communities, and to help people of all ages connect through the shared experience of reading."

Along with her personal interest and support in public libraries, Anamosa brought her professional experience to Sno-Isle Libraries, too.

Raised in New Mexico, Anamosa went to college in Austin, Texas, and law school in Houston before finding her way to the Pacific Northwest.

Anamosa practiced law for 25 years, focusing on small business and real estate law before joining the real estate subsidiary of Burlington Northern Railroad.



During her time on the foundation board and the library district board of trustees, Anamosa has seen and helped both organizations through some tough times. First came the economic recession in 2008-10 and its lingering effects and now, COVID-19.

"The recession was a huge hit," said Anamosa, referring to plunging property values impacting funding for the library district. "Sno-Isle Libraries made the commitment to maintain staff if at all possible because the staff is what makes Sno-Isle Libraries so great. We froze staff salaries and executives took cuts. It was a tough stand."

Coronavirus-related restrictions are presenting a different sort of challenge, she said.

"I salute management and staff for pivoting to online resources so heavily," Anamosa said. "It's not perfect, but it's better than not having anything. I admire the creative way staff pivoted to new ways of reaching customers, such as online storytimes, online trivia programs, and offering TEDxSnoIsleLibraries in online events over six weeks rather than a one-day, in-person event."

Anamosa says her most gratifying moments as a trustee have come recently.

The first one came in 2018 when voters approved resetting the library district's property-tax levy. "That was a huge moment of joy," she said. "The levy funding supports everything the library does."

The second was hiring a new executive director in Lois Langer Thompson. "Lois asked us what we were looking for, and we told her we were looking for new ideas and fresh perspectives. That is exactly what she has given Sno-Isle Libraries."

Anamosa has some thoughts for whoever replaces her on the board of trustees.

"I think now is a very exciting time to be a library trustee," she said. "There is an opportunity to find new ways to provide more services to more people. COVID-19 has forced us to look at new ways to serve our communities, and some of these changes will endure."

"I think applicants should be engaged with their community library and should know the community because trustees also serve as a conduit for the community to Sno-Isle Libraries."

While 21 years is a long time to serve, Anamosa says she will miss the people: "There are so many smart people who know what they are doing and do it really well. And I've made some wonderful friends along the way at Sno-Isle."

What is next for Anamosa?

"Retirement," she says. "My husband says I've failed at retirement, so I'm going to give that another try."

#### Trustee position application

Island County residents are eligible to apply for the Sno-Isle Libraries board of trustees position being vacated by Marti Anamosa. For more information and an application form, go to [www.sno-isle.org/board/trustees](http://www.sno-isle.org/board/trustees). The deadline for applications is 5:00PM, Sept. 8.

[Submitted by Jim Hills, Sno-Isle Libraries]

#### South Whidbey Fire/EMS Reduces Its Carbon Footprint, Conserves Resources

As concerns about climate change increase, South Whidbey Fire/EMS has taken steps to reduce its emissions, conserve energy and protect natural resources on the island. The fire district has been a leader in these areas for over a decade, and wants the community to know the actions it has taken to be a good steward of the environment.

"Reducing emissions and conserving natural resources is important to the health and safety of our community," said Fire Chief H.L. "Rusty" Palmer. "This definitely falls under fire prevention and life safety from our perspective."

#### Ground Water Conservation

All fire districts are required by the National Fire Protection Association to annually test the hoses carried on fire apparatus for fire suppression. South Whidbey Fire/EMS installed

new storm drains at its maintenance facility in 2019. This new storm drain system will allow the agency to reclaim nearly all of the water used in testing its fire hoses, saving 20,000 gallons of water per year.

#### Reducing Emissions

Many fire departments keep engines and other apparatus running at emergency scenes. South Whidbey Fire/EMS has implemented an engine idle shutdown program installed on newer apparatus that support this feature. Voters also recently approved funding to replace older engines that are at the end of their usable lives with new ones that support this feature. All new apparatus will be designed with technology to save fuel, and reduce emissions, idle time and unnecessary engine wear. In addition, all smaller command and response vehicles for the fire district have zero-idle technology.

The agency renovated and re-purposed an older rescue unit with a new fuel-efficient generator which can power multiple pieces of emergency apparatus and lights on scene. This unit reduces the need for other apparatus to have their engines running to power their lighting equipment during an emergency.

Maintenance staff also refuel and/or top off response apparatus fuel tanks while performing station weekly checks. This eliminates the need for a special trip, saving 2-3 gallons of fuel each time the unit would otherwise have to refuel. It also increases response time readiness by ensuring the fuel tanks are always full.

#### Energy Conservation

Since 2010, the fire district has worked to improve energy conservation at all of its facilities. It has and continues to install LED lights, fixture upgrades, motion activated light switches, photo cells, wind-up timers, and programmable controlled lighting systems and outlets. These measures have resulted in South Whidbey Fire/EMS being able to cut its electric consumption by half.

Station 36 on Bayview Road was designed to meet the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver energy standards. As part of this plan, the building is wired and plumbed for solar panels, which is included in the fire district's capital plan for 2021.

The fire district has installed multi-zone programmable thermostats, energy-efficient heat pumps or ductless heating systems and on-demand water heaters at most stations. Older stations have received upgraded insulation and more efficient furnaces. These steps have reduced its propane consumption by two-thirds since 2010 and allow for a more consistent temperature in the stations throughout the year.

#### Recycling

South Whidbey Fire/EMS and its employees are committed to recycling and reducing waste. There have been receptacles at all facilities to recycle paper, plastics, cardboard and cans since 2008. Employees are encouraged to bring reusable containers for water and other beverages, and there are bottle refill stations in multiple fire stations.

"The financial support of our community has made these projects possible," said Chief Palmer. "We are grateful for it, and will continue to look for ways to be good stewards of the environment and your tax dollars."

South Whidbey Fire/EMS provides emergency services to 15,600 people over 66 square miles. The fire district has some full-time and part-time personnel, but relies primarily on volunteers to respond to an average of 2,600 calls a year. The fire district operates under a balanced budget and has a proud history of passing its financial and accountability audits by the state. In 2017, it earned a double-A rating with a leading bond agency because of its sound financial practices.

[Submitted by Sherrye Wyatt]

#### Seeking Applicants for Island County Planning Commission

The Island County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants from Commissioner District 3 (North Whidbey/Camano Island) to serve on the Island County Planning Commission. Members must reside in the district appointed to represent.

The Board of County Commissioners appoints Planning Commission members for 4-year terms, which may be renewed by mutual agreement. The Planning Commission consists of nine members, three from each County Commissioner District, to assure county-wide representation. The Board of County Commissioners seek to ensure the Planning Commission is a balanced committee representing many different viewpoints with regard to land use. The Planning Commission makes recommendations to the board in matters concerning growth and development as authorized in the Planning Enabling Act (RCW 36.70).

The Planning Commission meets on the second and fourth Monday of each month in the Island County Commissioners Hearing Room in Coupeville at 2:00PM in the Courthouse Annex Hearing Room, Coupeville. Depending on the agenda, some meetings are held in the evenings and/or on Camano. Meetings run two to six hours or more depending on the complexity of the agenda. Preparation and research is necessary. Service on the Planning Commission is unpaid; however, members may obtain reimbursement for travel expenses to and from meetings.

Interested individuals should send a letter of interest including a statement of qualifications and a resume to:

Island County Board of Commissioners  
Attn: Jennifer Roll

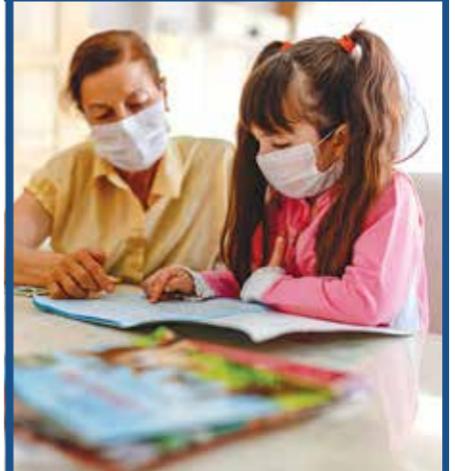
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Or via email at [j.roll@islandcountywa.gov](mailto:j.roll@islandcountywa.gov), no later than 4:30PM Sept. 9.

For additional information, please phone 360-679-7354 or email [j.roll@islandcountywa.gov](mailto:j.roll@islandcountywa.gov).

[Submitted by Jennifer Roll, Deputy Clerk of the Board]

## Judy's Tutoring Service



I'm a credentialed teacher who's tutoring K to 12, online or in-person. My specialties are early reading, written expression and writing (K to 2), elementary to high-school - most subjects. Interested parents should call me. My fees are \$50 to \$0 (with income verification) per hour. I'm a substitute teacher in 2 school districts on Whidbey Island and in Everett and so proven to be a safe adult for the children and teens of working parents.

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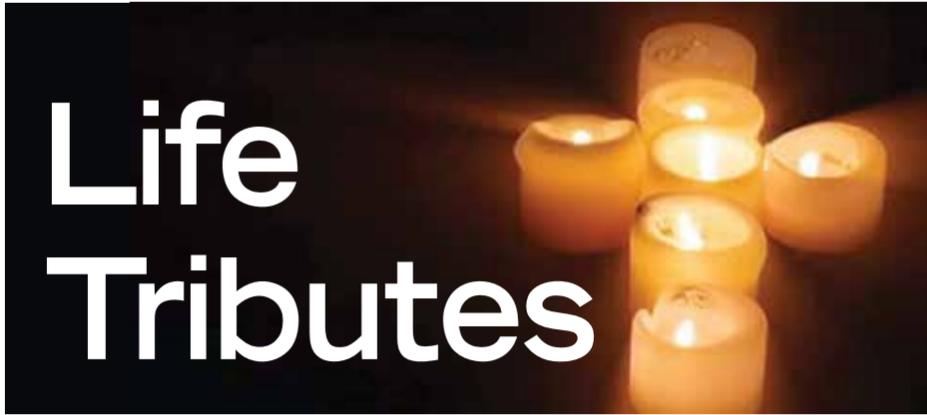


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# Life Tributes

## William Byers Campbell



Bill was born to Richard Cunningham Campbell and Doris Byers Campbell Nov. 28, 1936 in New York City. His family moved to Seattle, Wash., when he was 12 and he attended Meany Jr. High 1950 - 51. Bill graduated from Garfield High School where he was president of his senior class. He graduated from the University of Washington in 1958 with a degree in Business Administration. He was a member of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity and a diehard Husky fan. He attended most home football games and loved tailgating with many Husky friends. After college he worked for Safeco Insurance in Seattle and later formed his own agency, Campbell Younger and Assoc. in Bellevue, Wash. He was married to Dale Parsons in 1958 and they have four children: William Bruce Campbell, Lori Lynne Campbell (Softli), Kathryn Marie Campbell (Davis) and Brent Parsons Campbell. Bill met Cindy Margolis in February 1985 on the tennis courts at Bellevue Athletic Club and they were married in July of that year. He was a loving stepfather to Jennifer Lynn Margolis.

He and Cindy built a home on the beach on Whidbey Island and moved there in 1995. They joined Whidbey Golf and Country Club and spent many years golfing and socializing there. In 2006 they bought a vacation home at Westbrook Village in Peoria, Ariz., and enjoyed the winters golfing with their many friends there.

Grandfather of eight and with two great-grandchildren, Bill was preceded in death by his brother, Richard Cunningham (Duke) Campbell. Bill was the "nicest guy you could ever meet," and was beloved by all who knew him. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the WAIF Animal Shelter (Whidbey Animals Improvement Foundation – waifanimals.org).

A Celebration of Life for Bill will take place at Wallin Funeral Home Thursday, at noon, with a private reception to follow at the Campbell home.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Wallin Funeral Home, Oak Harbor, Wash.

## Pam's Prayer Corner

*In honor of my late mother-in-law, Pamela Kaye Young, this column is a place where believers can share their prayer requests for others to help lift them up in faith. The prayers can be for you, a family member, or anything weighing on your soul. Email info@whidbeyweekly.com or call 360-682-2341 to share your prayer requests.*

Lord we thank you today that you are our refuge and strength. We thank you that you stand above the storms of life. That your purposes are good and that you are faithful to your promises. We choose to set our eyes on you today. Grant us the courage to rest in your grace. Grant us the courage to trust without borders. Grant us the courage to walk in love toward others. Grant us an awareness of your presence at work in the world. We choose to lift up your name above all things and place our hope in you.

Pastor Drew Barnhart

*"Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!" ~Psalm 46:10 ESV*

*"God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling."*

**Psalm 46:1-3 ESV**



## Timothy David Strohmeyer

August 10, 1969 – July 2, 2020



Timothy David Strohmeyer, born to parents Dave and Eve Strohmeyer Aug. 10, 1969 in Edina, Minn., passed away July 2, 2020, after a difficult battle with diabetes, which led to congestive heart failure. His life was marked throughout with health difficulties. At age 3, Tim was diagnosed with kidney cancer. He endured surgery, chemotherapy, cobalt treatments, and years of bloodwork at Children's Hospital in Seattle. Though he did not graduate from high school, he completed his GED in record time at the White Swan Job Corps Center.

For over 25 years Tim was self-employed as a professional house painter. Some of his favorite activities were fishing, golfing and recently he loved wood cutting.

Besides being survived by his parents Dave and Eve, he is also survived by Sabrina Clay, who has been his life partner for the last 15 years. She and his parents were with him to the end. He is also survived by his brother, Brian Strohmeyer (Jenny), and their son, Kevin, and his aunts, uncles and cousins.

Tim had many cherished friends and loved ones and we wanted them all to know he has passed away. He was a wonderful son, life partner, and friend. He enriched our lives greatly and he will be sorely missed.

Family and friends are encouraged to share memories and condolences at [www.whidbeymemorial.com](http://www.whidbeymemorial.com).

## Adrian Ashley Bates

March 27, 1967 – August 3, 2020

Adrian Ashley Bates, son of Kenneth and the late Dorothy Bates, died suddenly Aug. 3, in Phoenix, Ariz.

Adrian was born in Wichita, Kan., March 28, 1967, the Bates' fourth child and second son. He is survived by his father and stepmother, Helen, of Oak Harbor, Wash., as well as his siblings, Paula Trowbridge (Mark), Denise Gegen (Eric), and Steve Bates (Joann). He is also survived by his significant other, Geraldine Springer, his stepbrother, Greg Benham (Robin) and numerous cousins and friends.

The Bates' family lived in the Wichita area until 1980, when they moved to Redmond, Wash. Sadly, in 1984, Adrian lost his mother. The following year his stepmother joined the family. As an adult, Adrian lived in numerous states until 2007, when he met Geri and settled down in Phoenix.

No funeral services have been planned. Adrian's ashes have been spread in Puget Sound near his parents' home.

Adrian loved animals, especially his two cats. In his honor, please give your pet an extra hug today.

## Raymond Stanley Koladycz

July 5, 1944 – August 5, 2020



Raymond Stanley Koladycz, 76, of Oak Harbor, died Wednesday, Aug. 5, 2020, in a tragic car accident preceded by a medical incident.

Born July 5, 1944, in Chicago, Ill., Raymond was the only child of Stanley and Lillian Koladycz. Shortly after learning they would be parents, Stanley reported for overseas duty in Europe and returned from World War II when Raymond was 18 months old. Ray grew up in a Polish Catholic household in Berwyn, Ill., and graduated from Fenwick High School in Oak Park. He received his BS in physics from the University of Illinois, graduating Phi Beta Kappa in 1966. There he met Donna, his wife of 54 years. Marrying in Batavia, Ill., June 30, 1966, Ray and

Donna began a life of adventure by immediately moving to Dallas, Texas, where Ray designed infrared technology for the Vietnam War and where their children were born: Scott Koladycz (Tina), Rebecca Koladycz (Lance), and Jennifer Koladycz Beatty.

In 1981, the family moved to Greece, when Ray began a career in the oil services industry. Traveling the world for work, he and Donna shared endless new experiences and cultures, including stints living in Greece, Norway, Indonesia, and Saudi Arabia. After retiring in Houston, Ray and Donna relocated to Whidbey Island in 2014, where he marveled every day at the beauty of his chosen home.

He cared deeply about the world, contributing generously to numerous progressive causes. He served on his homeowner's association board, the Rotary Club, and the Island County Planning Commission. An exceptionally intelligent man, he enjoyed debating current issues, telling funny travel stories, and being surrounded by friends and family. He loved a good spreadsheet—a trait inherited by all three of his children!

He is also survived by his six grandchildren: Alexis and Alyssa; Sasha; and Julian, Max, and Indigo. He was cremated as per his wishes and a celebration of life will be held when the COVID-19 pandemic permits. Remembrance donations may be sent to the Saint Labre Indian School in Ashland, Mont. The Koladycz family thanks friends and neighbors for the generous outpouring of support during this difficult time, and we hold the other family involved in this tragedy in our hearts.

**Life Tributes can now  
be found online at  
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## Local musicians band together to play music on the porch

By **Kathy Reed** Whidbey Weekly

Saturday, between 10 a.m. and 10 p.m., step outside and see if you can hear it – the soft strumming of a guitar, the pleasant plinking of piano keys, the brassy tones of a trombone or maybe the plucky rhythm of a stand up bass. Whatever the instrument or melody, keep an ear out for the Whidbey Island musicians joining in the fun of Play Music on the Porch Day. ([musicontheporchday.com](http://musicontheporchday.com))

Founded by visual artist Brian Mallman in 2013, the annual event – always the last Saturday in August – has grown to include thousands of musicians from more than 70 countries, and is based on a simple premise: “What if for one day everything stopped...and we all just listened to the music?”

No one needs reminding 2020 has been a difficult year thus far. Performing artists have been hit particularly hard, with live theaters closed, live music not allowed and group sizes severely limited by the COVID-19 pandemic. The disease has impacted everything – even Play Music on the Porch Day, which is recommending masks and social distancing.

Whidbey Weekly reached out to several musicians on the island. Some knew about the event, others had never heard of it, but all of them gave the idea an enthusiastic thumbs up and many are planning to join in the fun.

“We like the idea of musicians performing around the world in concert, in a collaborative way,” said Kristi O’Donnell, who will be participating with her partner in life and in music, her



Photo Courtesy of Darren McCoy  
Darren and Heather McCoy of Oak Harbor say they’re looking forward to meeting more of their neighbors as part of Play Music on the Porch Day Saturday, “even if it’s behind a mask.”

husband, Keith Bowers. “Personally, I think it will raise a harmonic tone in the atmosphere here on earth. This is needed, especially at this time.”

“This seems like a good way to reach out to the community and share music, especially during this difficult time,” said Patrice Weed Shearer, associate concertmaster (violin) with Saratoga Orchestra of Whidbey Island. “It also gives me a chance to share what I love, which is performing.”

“I love the idea of people around the world connecting with their neighbors through music,” said Oak Harbor High School Choral Director Darren McCoy, who will participate with his wife, Heather. “Music wasn’t always something that only experts did on the radio. It was something you heard at barn

*“What if for one day everything stopped...and we all just listened to the music?”*

dances, carnivals, or ceremonies and most importantly, made by the people in your community. I think this is a nice way of getting back to just sharing something simple with the people that live near you.”

“This is my first year participating and I’ve decided to do so because it’s extremely important to share music with others,” said Jordan George, who grew up in Oak Harbor and is studying music performance at Central Washington University in Ellensburg. “I feel like my neighbors, family and myself need to take a second, especially during these difficult times, to listen and escape from reality and feel the emotions that music brings to them. The hardest part about being a musician during a worldwide pandemic is that I can’t do the very thing I’m going to school for, perform. I’m very excited to see how my neighbors feel about the tuba!”

For many of these musicians, the year has not only meant a loss of income, but for some a deeper, more intense feeling of a loss of their musical community.

“I really miss performing, as well as working with my brass ensembles,” said Sean Brown, principal horn player with Saratoga Orchestra and a private music instructor. “I miss playing



Photo Courtesy of Patrice Weed Shearer  
Playing her violin or viola has been good therapy for musician Patrice Weed Shearer, who will be taking part in Play Music on the Porch Day Saturday.

together with my students in their lessons. Plus, I’ve lost half of my income because of not being able to perform or have my student ensembles, as well as some of my students who quit lessons.”

“The pandemic has affected us in several ways, all deeply,” said O’Donnell. “Firstly, I miss playing with my bands and friends (Trio Nouveau and The Hot Club of Troy). I miss playing music out for the people who love our music. To date, we have missed 30 live performances since March, including festivals, weddings and local shows. I miss the energy we create through our music. I miss the rigorous playing and rehearsals to keep this music ‘under my fingers,’ as we say.”

“Our band ‘Bahia’ has been playing on the island for 22 years and we joke COVID killed our tenacious band,” said Dale Fuentes, who said the group has already been getting together and playing on the porch, although they aren’t playing Saturday. “We are all former gigging musicians and we still play because we love the feedback from a live audience.”

“I miss the lack of connection to our fellow musicians and audiences,” agreed Larry Heidel, Saratoga Orchestra’s executive director and principal trombone player. “Also realizing that different scientific studies are pointing to the fact that

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# For Vets Only

Memories and recollections  
of U.S. Service Members

Contributed by  
**Dana Sawyers**  
Whidbey Veterans Resource Center  
Program Coordinator

The Whidbey Veterans Resource Center continues to serve veterans and their families through adapted support groups and VA benefits assistance appointments via the phone and secure online applications. In person appointments are available by exception when necessary to complete benefits processes. The WVRC has successfully supported veterans benefits processes, resulting in resources and compensation coming back to veterans as an earned benefit related to their service. Counseling services are available at no cost to the veterans locally, and telehealth by phone and secure video is ongoing with VA providers; in person appointments are occurring when the provider and the veteran determine an in person appointment is best for needed care.

Military service between 1944 and 1975 and at specific locations, included exposure to hazardous materials, including Agent Orange. The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan exposed many service members to a variety of hazards, including burn pits, which have resulted in health conditions for many veterans. The Whidbey Veterans Resource Center provides information and applications assistance for veterans to connect with the Hazardous Exposure registry with the VA. The WVRC has assisted many Vietnam veterans with learning about the connection between Agent Orange and conditions known to be related to exposure. This year the WVRC has seen an increase in Vietnam veterans requesting assistance connecting with the VA healthcare and compensation related to conditions that occurred or were aggravated related to their military service.

The U.S. military used Agent Orange to clear plants and trees during the Vietnam War. If you served in Vietnam or in or near the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) during the Vietnam era—or in certain related jobs—you may have had contact with this herbicide. This is referred to as having a presumption of contact. The WVRC encourages all veterans to contact the WVRC or the VA to learn more about benefits they may be eligible to receive related to their military service.

You may have had contact with Agent Orange if you served in any of these ways:

- In Vietnam or Korea between Jan. 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, in Vietnam, or between Sept. 1, 1967, and Aug. 31, 1971
- In or near the DMZ, Korea.
- On U.S. Navy and Coast Guard ships or other vessels in or near Vietnam between Jan. 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975
- On Thailand military bases, between January 1962, and May 1975
- On C-123 airplanes between 1969 and 1986
- In testing and storage areas outside of Vietnam, between 1944 and a yet-to-be-determined date.

How do I get these benefits? WVRC can inform and assist with filing a claim for disability compensation and submit your evidence (supporting documents).

If you have an illness you believe is caused by Agent Orange, you won't need to show the problem started during—or got worse because of—your military service. This is because we believe certain illnesses are the result of exposure to herbicides. These are referred to as presumptive diseases.

For more details, call the VBA customer support line, 1-800-872-1000. For assistance in getting more details contact the Whidbey Veterans Resource Center at 360-331-8081, WhidbeyVRC@gmail.com, or www.WhidbeyVRC.org.

Veterans can also call the Agent Orange help line at 800-749-8387, or send an email to GW/AOHelpline@vba.va.gov. Please be ready to give your name, email address, telephone number, and VA file number or Social Security number.

Many veterans are not aware of benefits or how to connect with the application process. Please let us know how the WVRC can connect and serve you, and other veterans on Whidbey Island!

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### THURSDAY, JULY 30

**12:01 pm, SR 525**

Reporting party advising in area after large hill and Trump signs, heard loud bang and her windshield cracked. Reporting party thinks it could be a bullet hole.

**2:34 pm, Waterloo Rd.**

Requesting call. Advising is getting complaints about rats and subjects defecating outside. Will be going out to location to check issues but wants to have law enforcement assist.

**9:50 pm, Hansen Dr.**

Neighbor's roommate has harassed reporting party about where she parks her vehicle. Neighbor also flies drone over reporting party's yard.

**11:06 pm, Kennedy Lagoon Ct.**

Advising flashlights shining into her bathroom. Neighbors have had people snooping around house. Multiple subjects.

### FRIDAY, JULY 31

**8:05 am, Garden Ln.**

Reporting party advising vehicle went through fence, left and came back. Driver not injured, no airbag deployment. Driver on scene waiting for law enforcement.

**11:02 am, SR 20**

Caller advising estranged boyfriend sent nude picture to her sister. Advising he won't stop trying to contact caller.

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

**9:51 am, SR 20**

Male frantic, advising his pigs got out; if someone sees them is requesting they call him. Male disconnected line before further information could be gathered.

**12:42 pm, Terry Rd.**

Caller reporting male rolling around on side of road and screaming; caller states near high school. Was on a bicycle, doesn't appear he crashed.

**3:23 pm, Monkey Hill Rd.**

Reporting party noticed a large hole in the woods on her property, which reporting party thinks looks like a grave was dug. Advising her dog fell in when she found it; looks old. States have owned property for past five years.

**5:28 pm, Mobius Loop**

Reporting party advising Sheriff is going to be arrested Monday morning and there will no longer be an ICSO, everyone is an accomplice. ICOM disconnected.

**5:59 pm, E Troxell Rd.**

Advising male sitting in middle of road at intersection.

**6:32 pm, Columbia Beach Dr.**

Advising female neighbor to south parked her car in yard. Female claiming people are after her, hiding behind vehicle.

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

**12:59 am, Nubian Way**

Someone is flying a drone over his property. Reporting party very upset.

**7:30 am, Devries Rd.**

Silver Ford Ranger in ditch. Driver hiding on other side of road in bushes.

**11:30 am, Mobius Loop**

Male yelling, "When I call to speak to a Sheriff, he better answer." Disconnected.

**12:49 pm, Lilac Dr.**

Golf ball broke window. Reporting party

approached male who hit golf ball. Male threatened reporting party.

### MONDAY, AUGUST 3

**4:14 am, Mobius Loop**

Reporting party states he is "starving to death" and wants to give new address for Meals on Wheels. Address in Oklahoma.

**10:09 am, Windmill Dr.**

Reporting party states neighbor yelled at her from across the street because he wants to park in front of her house and reporting party planted some plants there.

**11:06 am, Crosby Rd.**

Advising post attached to mailbox was stolen, mail box and mail left.

**2:17 pm, Nubian Way**

Reporting party states "there's a pirate radio;" states everyone has a radio and TV. Yelling at call-taker and calling her stupid, using multiple profanities.

**3:24 pm, Secret Pl.**

Reporting party advising ongoing issue with harassment. He just received video of him and his fiancé in their driveway they didn't know was being taken, it has audio and was sent from landlord.

**4:55 pm, Mobius Loop**

Reporting party on line asking why call-taker is answering phone; advising anarchy is in charge, Sheriff is a bozo, telling dispatcher to leave unless they want to be killed; usual stuff.

**5:15 pm, Stewart Rd.**

Reporting party advising his nephew borrowed equipment from him when reporting party lived at location; nephew was supposed to bring it to him in California; nephew didn't and lent item to reporting party's sister and now won't give it back.

**7:04 pm, 2nd St.**

Reporting party advising female is "on drugs," is in park taking her clothes off.

**7:20 pm, Waterloo Rd.**

Reporting party advising dog stolen by male who was interested in dog; male who took dog is staying at Acorn Inn.

**9:55 pm, Hersig Rd.**

Advising neighbors have pack of wild dogs out and dogs attacked reporting party. Denying medical attention.

**11:36 pm, Angela Ln.**

Reporting party states persons have been "messing with me" today. Shining lights in trees. Nothing occurring now.

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

**1:48 pm, Hersig Rd.**

Caller advising bit by neighbor's dog last night; neighbor has eight dogs that "swarm."

**6:28 pm, Puget Dr.**

Requesting to know if it is legal to shoot coyote if it comes onto her property.

**6:50 pm, SR 20**

Female youth throwing dresser drawers into pool even though she was asked to leave; 18-year-old female.

**10:35 pm, Jones Rd.**

Reporting party advising cow jumped fence. Jersey cow, light brown with white on him.

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



# MILITARY MUSTER



NAS Whidbey Island, Washington

August 27 – September 2, 2020

## USS Carl Vinson Conducts Change of Homeport

From Lt. Cmdr. Miranda Williams, USS Carl Vinson Public Affairs

The Nimitz-class nuclear-powered aircraft carrier USS Carl Vinson (CVN 70) departed Bremerton, Wash., Aug. 23, to commence sea trials as the final phase in completing a 17-month docking planned incremental availability (DPIA) at Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Intermediate Maintenance Facility.

Upon the conclusion of DPIA, which began Feb. 28, 2019, Vinson returned to the fleet to begin her operational training cycle.

The DPIA included a complete restoration and system retrofit to accommodate F-35C Lightning II Joint Strike Fighter mission capabilities, as well as upgrades to combat systems, electrical systems, and crew living spaces, and maintenance on the ship's hull, rudders, and shafts. Vinson has the speed, agility and maneuverability to travel more than 5,000

nautical miles in less than seven days and arrive on station ready to fight.

"I am proud of all of the hard work and dedication shown by the entire crew throughout the DPIA - and particularly with the added challenges we faced during this pandemic," said Capt. Matthew Paradise, Vinson's commanding officer and a native of Tacoma, Wash. "Also, a huge thank you to our family and friends; because our success was, in large part, due to their unwavering support. We just couldn't have done this without them."

Prior to departing Bremerton, Vinson conducted extensive COVID-19 prevention measures to ensure the health and safety of the crew while at sea, and to prevent potential spread to their families and the community upon their return to port. Those measures included: restriction of movement for all personnel for 14 days prior to embarking the ship, mandatory face coverings, continued cleaning and disinfecting throughout common areas, routine COVID-19 testing, and social distancing.



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Upon completion of sea trials and underway training, Vinson will shift its homeport from Bremerton to San Diego.

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## USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) Flight Operations

From Commander, Task Force 70 / Carrier Strike Group 5

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Haney, a native of Lynnwood, Wash., assumed command of the "Shadowhawks" July 3, 2019, and led the squadron through two Indo-Pacific deployments and several exercises, including Talisman Sabre 2019 and Annual Exercise Iwakuni.

Under Haney's command, despite the obstacles presented by an unprecedented global pandemic, the squadron successfully supported Commander Task Force 70 tasking.

"This has undoubtedly been the most rewarding tour of my career," said Haney. "There have been numerous challenges, and I thank every Shadowhawk for your dedication and hard work. I am leaving the Shadowhawks in capable hands. I'm proud to be an Outlaw!"



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A native of Carthage, Mo., Ales most recently served as the executive officer for VAQ-141 before taking charge as the squadron's commanding officer. Prior tours include the "Rooks" of VAQ-137 embarked aboard USS Enterprise (CVN 65), the "Vikings" of VAQ-129, the Zappers of VAQ-

130 embarked aboard USS Harry S. Truman (CVN 75), the "Gauntlets" of VAQ-136 embarked aboard USS George Washington (CVN 73), and Navy Personnel Command in Millington, Tenn., where he was the VAQ Aviation Assignments Officer.

"I am excited for the opportunity to lead this talented, professional, and resilient group of men and women," said Ales. "The feats our people have accomplished so far on this deployment are nothing short of amazing. We will continue to fly, fight, and win every day while providing Airborne Electronic Attack excellence in the 7th Fleet."

The "Shadowhawks" welcomed their new executive officer. Cmdr. Brett Jones. Jones reported to VAQ-141 from the Tactical Aircraft Programs in Patuxent River, Md.

VAQ-141 is forward-deployed to Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan, as a component of CVW-5 and regularly embarks aboard the aircraft carrier USS Ronald Reagan (CVN 76) in support of security and stability throughout the Indo-Pacific region.



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# Ryan's House for Youth opens new Oak Harbor center

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

Ryan's House for Youth has served the Whidbey Island community for over a decade, with services including mentorship, meals and more for homeless or at-risk youth. With its housing campus and drop-in center

now located in Coupeville, the organization is again expanding, recently opening a new drop-in center location in Oak Harbor.

The addition is a new direction for the organization, said Amber Truex, executive director of Ryan's House for Youth.

"This is actually a super big deal for Ryan's House," she said. "Since Ryan's House's inception, communities, the school (and) a lot of even our young people have said they really wanted us to separate the age groups out a little bit because currently we serve (ages) 12-24 in the same space."

Krystal Lindsey, program manager for Ryan's House for Youth, said the new drop-in center will serve school-eligible or enrolled youth from ages 12-21. For those who are not currently attending a school, Lindsey said the hope is to provide resources to help youth return to school.

"What we mean by eligible is somebody (who) may be experiencing a loss of either a living situation that has forced them to drop out of school or maybe they just were not comfortable at school and they had chosen to leave," she said. "We are giving them the ability to return back to school and giving them an outlet to be able to complete their schooling, whether it is using our computers or it is using that as a safe space."

Truex, who became the executive director in January after serving as an interim director in late 2019 following the retirement of founder Lori Cavender, said the youth asked for a space with a more limited age range for participants.

"The youth have a big voice in this project," she said.

Lindsey said the center will have a number of different offerings, including a computer lab, an art space and case management options. Unlike the Coupeville location, Oak Harbor's center will be drop-in only and will not include housing facilities.

"It is really just making sure that they (the youth) still have all of the resources Ryan's House in Coupeville would be providing, other than the housing," she said. "And also making sure they have access to somebody local, in town, that is able to help provide the same resources other than housing."

Like many other organizations, Truex said Ryan's House for Youth has been profoundly impacted by the effects of COVID-19, and the Coupeville campus has seen many changes. Truex said many of the participants who had been working at the start of the pandemic were unable to work for a period of time, but the majority have been able to return to work since then.

"As young people, their world as they know it has been turned upside down and they have adapted extremely well given the circumstances of the traumas they have

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Photo Courtesy of Ryan's House for Youth

Ryan's House for Youth recently added a second drop-in center in Oak Harbor. The center will give at-risk and homeless youth between the ages of 12-21 a space to receive services, get snacks or meals, work on homework and more.

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the performing arts sector, and large ensembles in particular, will be the last to open up."

"The disappointment of not making music seems small compared to lives lost," noted Erica Montgomery, percussionist for Saratoga Orchestra and retired principal timpanist for the U.S. Air Force Band in Washington, D.C. "It makes me, along with many of my friends, anxious to imagine a future that's 'normal.' It puts us all in an uncomfortable place of uncertainty. I just hope that unity can bring folks to all [help] to make this pandemic as short as possible."

Other musicians said they have found unique ways to connect with one another during this unusual time.

"For me, as a working musician sans performance, I decided to challenge myself to a 100-day musical project," said Louise Fiori, assistant principal viola with Saratoga Orchestra. "I got out my viola, put on new strings and fell in love again with simple musical sounds. Hugged scales and arpeggios and tried on some Bach."

"Day 67, tired of doing this alone, I realized that this pandemic was not going away and I needed to explore safe ways to connect with other musicians," Fiori continued. "It was time to look at my relationship to music from a 21st century perspective. I found an online musical workshop for 12 weeks. Using Zoom, we connected with over 200 musicians from around the world! Now I feel refreshed and excited to explore new possibilities. Music keeps me sane."

"I missed having musical projects during the pandemic, so I cleaned out this old 'concrete room' and made it a hip space for all things drums," said Montgomery.

"During this time, the pandemic helped me connect with musicians around the world, which gave me a sense of purpose," said O'Donnell. "We produced two videos together, as The Hot Club of Lockdown. E Sarah Carter, famous Lord

of the Dance fiddler, is the brainchild of this project. She lives in England, David Ahmed the guitarist lives in London and Thomas William Dostal, drummer, is in Seattle.

"Three of us had never played together before," she continued. "We orchestrated the videos to tunes Django Reinhardt and Stéphane Grappelli recorded. David Ahmed is also super creative designing the video program, and Sarah and all of us chimed in to help. The end results are super fun and have been viewed by thousands the globe 'round. It is bringing joy to people at this time of chaos and separation." (Find the videos here: [www.youtube.com/watch?v=a4g6mTUn3RI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a4g6mTUn3RI) and [www.youtube.com/watch?v=53gHC4vYrz8](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=53gHC4vYrz8).)

Whether playing on the porch or not, all the musicians Whidbey Weekly heard from say music can bring people together, even at a time when it's necessary to be apart.

"We have known the power of music therapy for hundreds, if not thousands, of years," said McCoy. "Music is one of the most powerful ways of changing a person's mood or attitude. Within seconds, your favorite songs can wash away a rough day at work, jog wonderful memories, or even help you cope with being cooped up with nothing to do except yard work and laundry. For me, a Guinness and some Ella Fitzgerald goes a long way to lowering my blood pressure."

"I can always count on music to be there for me," Brown shared. "Nothing can ever take it away. I enjoy it so much that listening to it, making it and playing it will always make me happy. I think hearing music, particularly live, classical music, is a good escape from everyday life for everyone, and the quality and artfulness of music can speak to anyone."

"Music really can not only bring joy, sorrow, nostalgia and peace to people, but it's an international language we can all identify with," Montgomery said. "It's a 'joining place.'"

"Music brings us together," said O'Donnell. "It brings us joy



Photo Courtesy of Jordan George

Jordan George is looking forward to finding out whether his neighbors enjoy hearing the tuba, which he plans on playing on the porch Saturday.

and a way to communicate, to be creative with each other. This is a great time to learn how to play an instrument! Plenty of time is available, and there are tons of classes online."

"I'd like to think that musicians, artists, writers, actors, dancers, etc. are the second wave of essential workers," Heidel said. "Being able to share our talents for the community can bring healing not only for the consumers but the artists."

"It may sound corny, but it does soothe the soul," said Weed Shearer. "Picking up my violin or viola and playing is probably the best therapy for me. It gives me hope. I recently was able to get together and play with my quartet and do a couple of weddings (with social distancing). All of us were so excited to be able to play music together. I don't think we will ever take what we are able to do as musicians for granted again."



Photo Courtesy of Sean Brown

Sean Brown is one of many Whidbey Island musicians who will be joining in Play Music on the Porch Day Saturday.



Photo Courtesy of Erica Montgomery

Percussionist Erica Montgomery has spent time during the pandemic finishing a "hip" room in which to play.



Dennis Brown Photo Courtesy of Kristi O'Donnell

Musician Kristi O'Donnell and her bass, Emi, will be making music on the porch Saturday as part of Play Music on the Porch Day.



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# Home Movies

More virtual cinema offerings

By Carey Ross



I am a part-time projectionist at the Pickford Film Center—it's likely you know this already. I mention it often enough. I've been at it a long time—in fact, as I type this, it is my 19th anniversary, not of my first day there, but of my second, which also happens to be the most infamous day of my Pickford tenure.

The movie was **Sexy Beast**, a gangster flick starring Ben Kingsley at his finest. Or so I'm told. I can't bring myself to watch it after what happened.

I was manning the Pickford's ticket booth when I heard a litany of swearing from my manager in the tiny projection booth behind me. This was before the days of digital when we still ran 35mm on a Century projector which was, in fact, nearly 100 years old, as its name suggests. The projector was not the problem—despite its advanced age, the thing was a workhorse. Instead something had gone wrong, terribly wrong, with the motor of the platter system we used to feed the film through the projector and when I entered the booth to see what had prompted the profanity, I was greeted with a most unusual sight: The entire film, all 88 minutes of it (plus trailers), was on the floor in a tangled mess of celluloid.

Needless to say, that's not supposed to happen.

What comes next is fairly boring. For the next six hours, the manager and I, along with another projectionist who was called in, sat in the cramped booth as the temperature soared to 80-plus degrees, and carefully hand-wound literal miles of film as quickly as we could manage without doing damage to the delicate celluloid. Because we could not reach the CD player to change the music without stepping on a length of film, the same Beatles album played over and over, forever tarnishing my feelings about the Fab Four.

It was a mishap so strange and dramatic it has become the benchmark against which all other mishaps have been measured for nearly 20 years.

Until now, that is. It's safe to say the Great **Sexy Beast** Calamity of 2001 has been surpassed by the Great COVID-19 Calamity of 2020. It has been five months since I've been inside the Pickford, much less fired up projectors, popped popcorn, chatted with patrons or joked with volunteers. For a theater that's been open more than two decades and a staff conditioned to work 365 days a year, five months of inaction is a very long haul.

But we're committed to seeing it through and coming out the other side changed, but intact.

More importantly, we're still showing movies, albeit virtually.

I've written about the Pickford's virtual cinema before, and for those of you who are, 1. bored and spending a lot of time at home, and 2. looking for a means by which to continue your support of independent cinema and the theaters that give it a home, it may interest you to know half of the proceeds from virtual cinema rentals go toward keeping us alive until our triumphant Phase III return.

Of course, the Pickford isn't the only excellent nonprofit indie theater around. Mount Vernon's Lincoln Theatre is also in an identical situation, so the following movie selections are for films that can be found in both virtual screening rooms. Support the Pickford tonight, support the Lincoln tomorrow—feel free to spread your love around.

Take a break from the 20-ring circus that is national politics in a presidential election year to focus on contests on a more grassroots local level with **Represent**, a documentary that follows three races on both sides of the aisle in three different areas of the Midwest. The one thing

all the races have in common: the first-time candidates are all women in a political system in which gender parity is a pipe dream at every level. Watch as they engage with their communities, navigate the entrenched political machines in their regions, and encounter obstacles unique to women in politics.

I became a card-carrying member of the ACLU the day after the 2016 presidential election (the same day I also subscribed to the *New York Times* and set up monthly donations to both Planned Parenthood and the NAACP Legal Defense Fund in what was quite possibly the most prescient moment of my life) and, as such, have been interested in the Kerry Washington-produced **The Fight**. The documentary details four cases in which the ACLU takes on the Trump administration in the areas of immigrant rights, bodily autonomy, citizenship and the census, and transgender rights in the military. Not just a piece of boosterism for the nation's foremost protector of civil liberties, it's a nuanced look at how the ACLU chooses and builds cases—complete with a real-time reveal of a Supreme Court decision in which the buildup of suspense rivals that of any fictional court thriller.

Perhaps you are well and truly sick of politics as a whole—no one blames you for wanting to escape our long national nightmare, if only for a movie's runtime. In my wholly biased opinion, the best way to do so (other than a Coen Brothers film, which is my ultimate form of cinematic escape) is with music docs. Luckily, both virtual screening rooms offer a trio of them on a range of highly entertaining subjects.

When the Pickford booked **Gordon Lightfoot: If You Could Read My Mind** for the 2019 iteration of its annual documentary film festival October, I knew little about the Canadian singer/songwriter other than the beginning of the doc's title song. Sold-out crowds of devoted Lightfoot fans convinced me there was more to the musician than just his status in my mind as an easy-listening crooner, and this hugely entertaining film only reinforced this. The movie's directors enjoyed unprecedented access to the singer, tracing his life from Christian choirboy to his substance-fueled 1970s peak to the present day, with commentary from such musical luminaries as Randy Bachman and Steve Earle to round things out.

If it's a concert film you're after, I've got one for you—and it's the coolest throwback jam ever.

**Jazz on a Summer's Day** dates back to the 1958 Newport Jazz Festival, and if your brain is now frantically conjuring up the names of jazz greats from that area, rest assured they're all accounted for here. Louis Armstrong, Thelonius Monk, Chuck Berry (also the subject of a forthcoming documentary which will begin screening in September), Dinah Washington, and more all performed at the historic event before the inimitable Mahalia Jackson brought down the house with her rendition of the Lord's Prayer.

Lastly, it wouldn't be a roundup of music docs without things getting a bit messy. And for this we turn to **Creem: America's Only Rock 'n' Roll Magazine**. The title pretty well says it all—and yet barely scratches the surface at the same time. The scrappy-zine-turned-cultural-pow-erhouse coined the term "punk rock," helped launch the careers of everyone from David Bowie and Blondie to Iggy Pop and Parliament-Funkadelic and will forever be remembered as the vehicle by which "America's Greatest Rock Critic," Lester Bangs, became music writing's enfant terrible. The documentary features a host of rock royalty paying homage to the magazine that makes *Rolling Stone* look like an establishment rag.

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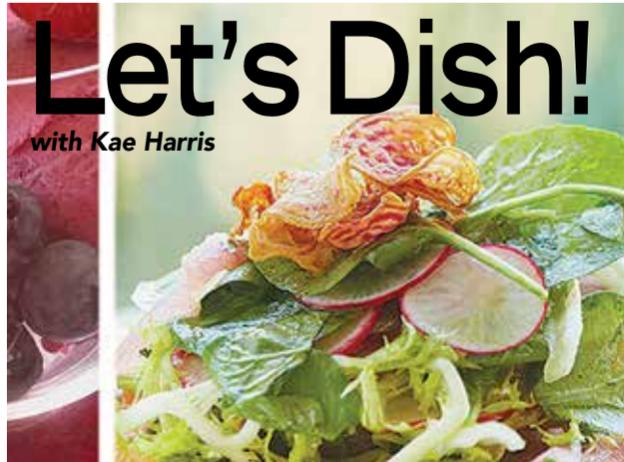


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## LET PASTE SMEAR SOME FLAVOR INTO YOUR LIFE!

It's probably harvesting time for those of you who have maintained a vegetable garden the past few months – or however long. Of all the things I have grown in mine, I find tomatoes seem to be the easiest and yield the most, though I don't understand how some tomatoes end up ripening when they are but wee little marbles while others – on the same plant, mind you – grow to gargantuan proportions and still haven't turned red. In any event, that's not the point. The point is I harvested a wealth of tomatoes and then had no idea what to do with them.

I could turn them into tomato jam, which is delicious, but I've already done that. What is something I haven't turned my "tomaties" into? Well, sauce for one, and this got me thinking. What about paste? Could I replicate store bought tomato paste in my own kitchen, using my own garden grown produce? What is a paste in cooking after all?

A rudimentary search online will tell you it's a concentrated sauce, so by this definition, a tomato paste is just tomato sauce, cooked down, skins and seeds removed, and then cooked down even further, sometimes with (sometimes without) herbs and spices to leave you with a more dry and tight sauce. At this point, it isn't even a sauce anymore; rather, it's the foundation of the sauce. How strange and almost unnecessary; cook a sauce down into a paste, to make a better sauce. Or IS it unnecessary? Tomato paste is not the only sauce concentrate in the world and in fact, the basis of a lot of cooking outside of the United States are pastes.

I know I mentioned a paste in its essence, is a super-concentrated sauce. It's a merger of ingredients used to suspend flavor within it until it is more evenly distributed in the cooking of a certain dish. It's akin to a puree except with a paste. These usually (though not always) begin with cooked ingredients. One of my favorite pastes to use in my vegetable curries is Thai red curry paste, or *prik gaeng ped* for the curry aficionados out there. I know, I have an affinity for curry and maybe it's because it's so flavorful, so full-bodied and bold in the way it tastes and it is probably a result of the use of paste to make the curry sauce that renders it so flavorful. Red curry paste is one of my favorites and simpler to make than I first realized. As with any recipe, there are a myriad of variations, but the core of the paste remains the same – dry red chilies (preferably red spur chilies to lend authenticity), garlic, cumin, coriander powder, lemongrass, kaffir lime (again for authenticity), shrimp paste and seasoning to taste. Grind all these ingredients together and in no time, you have a delicious paste ready to create not only the perfect curry but the ideal base for soups and stir-fries as well.

While we're in Asia, I'd like to tell you about another favorite of mine: *gochujang*. This spicy red paste is a staple in Korean cuisine and has a history that reflects its color. As chili peppers were only introduced to East Asia from the Americas by the Portuguese (quite a voyage) in the early 16th century, *gochujang* was originally made from black pepper and has been in existence since the early mid-9th century. Additionally, this staple was traditionally made at home by most Koreans until the advent of mass

production in the early 1970s. The versatility of *gochujang* means it can be used as the base for stews, a marinade for meats as well as a condiment. As with Thai red curry paste, recipes vary, but the essence of *gochujang* is red chili powder, glutinous rice powder, powdered fermented soybeans and salt. Who knew such simplicity could yield such culinary adventure? As with all things, homemade is best, but if you're dipping your toes into the spicy waters of Korean cuisine for the first time, stop by your local Asian market and pick up some *gochujang* to take your taste buds on a well-deserved trip around the world!

Dear readers, we all know this column would not be complete without a touch of controversy; seeing I have a charitable nature, I am only too happy to oblige. We shall continue our Paste 101 lesson by heading to Europe. Italy, to be precise. Genoa actually, to be more accurate, the birthplace of *pesto alla Genovese* or *pesto* for us lay-people. "But pesto is a sauce!" I hear you say, and herein lies the controversy. While pesto can be used as a sauce for pasta and gnocchi in lieu of a hearty red sauce, it is, in fact, a paste. Blasphemy! Loosely translated, pesto does actually mean paste and refers to the components of this paste being crushed together, traditionally using a mortar and pestle. Garlic, pine nuts and fresh basil are creamed together before a mix of Parmigiano-Reggiano, Pecorino and olive oil are added to complete this popular paste. Pesto can be used as a marinade and pairs perfectly with fish, chicken and vegetables, adding to its versatility in the kitchen. I'm sure there are many of you who will always view pesto as nothing more than

a pasta sauce, but try making this simple paste at home before using it in a variety of ways and I am sure you will be delighted with the results!

Pastes offer the ability to escape from the culinary doldrums; their versatility as a base or a marinade means you can adapt any recipe to your desired taste. I'm including a recipe for an authentic Thai red curry paste because, frankly, I can't get enough of it! What are your favorite pastes? Is there a culinary technique you use that incorporates paste in an innovative way? Let me know by dropping me a line at [letsdish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com](mailto:letsdish.whidbeyweekly@gmail.com) so we can continue to Dish!

### Thai red curry paste

- 10 dry red spur chilies
- 10 cloves of garlic
- 1 shallot
- ½ teaspoon shrimp paste
- ½ teaspoon cumin powder
- ½ teaspoon coriander powder
- 1 tablespoon fresh cilantro
- 1 tablespoon sliced lemongrass
- 1 tablespoon sliced galangal (or ginger root)
- ½ the peel of one kaffir lime
- ½ teaspoon salt to taste
- 3 teaspoons white pepper corns

Blend all the ingredients together using either a pestle and mortar or a blender until a smooth, cohesive paste forms. Season to taste before storing in an airtight container and refrigerating for up to one week.

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already experienced in their lives," she said. "I have to say kudos to them even more for adapting to the things they have to go through because we have made some pretty strict policies."

Lindsey said safety measures at the center have been prioritized, and residents and visitors have had to incorporate stricter cleaning policies and mask-wearing, among other things.

"Moving forward, we are still in the unknown phase," she said. "What we are having to really do is focus on what we are capable of doing right now using the resources that are still available. As far as cleaning, obviously our cleaning has ramped up tremendously. We provide masks for participants to use as well as staff. If you are inside the facility, you are always masked and have hands washed."

Truex said the center saw a rise in more youth who needed a place to live during the pandemic, as well as more youth and young adults coming to the Coupeville center for a meal or a shower.

"We definitely have seen a lot more young adults needing housing," she said.

Lindsey said the organization has continued to work to serve young people in the community, whether it be through providing housing, or helping youth obtain necessary identification, such as Social Security cards or Washington state identification.

"COVID does not stop us from having to do

our jobs and it does not stop anybody from still needing housing and any of the other resources that we provide," she said.

Truex said the pandemic has also impacted the organization by having volunteers stay home for safety reasons and financially through the cancellation of fundraisers. Truex said many of the volunteers are in the high-risk category and only recently has the center opened up some opportunities to volunteer outdoors. Truex said the center has worked to replace some funding through applying for grants and other programs such as the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) funding.

"There has been a lot of funding released that is COVID related, not just federal or state but different foundation grants, and so we have been able to receive some funding to help along the way," she said. "But it definitely has not been enough to all the way offset what we have lost and what we would have been able to raise in fundraising."

Lindsey said having a place like Ryan's House for Youth is an important community asset.

"Resources like this are extremely important," she said. "Our goal is diversion and prevention of youth homelessness and if they are already experiencing that homelessness, it is getting them to a place where they can successfully exit our program by utilizing the resources that we are providing and giving them a hand up instead of a hand out."

For more information, please visit [ryans-houseforyouth.org](http://ryans-houseforyouth.org).



Photo Courtesy of Ryan's House for Youth  
Participants in Ryan's House for Youth programs have had to make many adaptations during the pandemic. In the midst of changes, the group has also come together to learn new life skills, such as cooking. During this session, participants made dishes including crab rangoons, egg rolls and pancit.



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# CHICKEN LITTLE & THE ASTROLOGER

By Wesley Hallock

## ARIES (March 21-April 19)



Hot topics this week include top-down vs. bottom-up. Not to be confused with the merry-making, "Bottoms up!" used as a toast, bottom-up is the term for self-governance that puts power in the hands of the people. (In their free hand, if merry-making.) It's all about you. Something's not right? You don't ask for change. You get together and change it. Power to the people: We'll drink to that. Bottoms up!

## TAURUS (April 20-May 20)



No respect. His comedy around no respect made Rodney Dangerfield millions. He went from dissed and poor to dissed and rich. Ever try the formula? How did it go for you? Still feeling dissed and none the richer for it? If you're troubled that your popularity comes and goes with your snooty cat's feeding time, good! You enjoy a higher form of respect, one not linked to cat food or comedy. It's name? Self-respect.

## GEMINI (May 21-June 21)



Back in the days of a smile and a handshake (remember those?) business was conducted around a person's word. What does today's emergent banging of elbows in lieu of handshake say about the future of business? Is the new business model to be the "outta my way" approach? Only time will tell. Best advice? With handshakes out, let nothing come between you and your smile. Oh, wait. . .

## CANCER (June 22-July 22)



Problems and solutions are like shoe fit. E-width problems require e-width solutions. Anything less will pinch. And in a pinch, what do you do? Of course. You call for the shoe salesman and request a larger size. Where is the "shoe salesman" for today's problems? Is it time to put out the bat signal? Call for Superman? Or try the Popeye approach? That's where you down your spinach, flex your bicep, and fix matters yourself. Your call.

## LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)



Tradition: progress's piñata, or the crown jewel of culture? On the piñata side, some greats have swung at tradition. "The democracy of the dead," said G.K. Chesterton. "The illusion of permanence," Woody Allen said. Gustav Mahler rallied for the jewel, saying, "Tradition is not the worship of ashes, but the preservation of fire." So, what's in the piñata? Ashes? Or the hot fire of home, family and country? And why so eager to see it struck down?

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



How many wizards does it take to change a lightbulb? Depends. What do you want it changed into? Ahh. How many wizards does it take to change history? As many as it takes to change a lightbulb? No. You don't change history. You rewrite it. Oh! We have LOTS of wizards doing that. And what do you call this

changed version of history? Anything you want. A fairy tale by any other name is still a fairy tale.

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



"In matters of style, swim with the current; in matters of principle, stand like a rock." Powdered wigs for men were still in vogue when those wise words first came to fame.

Fashions have changed, but the wisdom remains. The fashionable colors of today's well-dressed trendies? Black, among contrarians, while traditionalists tend toward red, white and blue. And on principle? Both groups are standing pat.

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



What do you get in a family spat? Blame, finger-pointing and name calling? The more immature the family, the more chaotic. On a mass level, this puzzling chaos is politely called

"social unrest." But every puzzle starts as chaos. Slowly, then, as each piece finds its right place, harmony replaces chaos and a picture gradually appears. Do you see? We're the puzzle pieces, you and me. What will our picture be?

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



On our list of quick reads is, "The Fine Art of Helping People Who Don't Want Your Help," by Dee Fixer. Maybe you've seen it. A must for meddlers and busybodies, this handy volume is

dedicated to all wanting the freedom to live their own lives. Especially for tyrants and those who feel the frequent urge to kibitz, here it is, reprinted in its entirety with the author's permission: "Butt out." THE END.

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



It's all about timing this week. Right place, right time. And watch out for wigglers! These clever folk sidestep your authority by worming over,

under or around it. They challenge you, not head-on, but through subtle refusals to get with the program. The cliches about them are true. Who gets the worm? The early bird. Who gets the early bird? The fox. See how it works? Right place, right time.

## AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb 18)



It's widely believed that you can't teach an old dog new tricks. A study of the human learning curve shows why. There's that sweet spot in your 20s when you know everything.

This leads to the 40s, in which the more you learn, the stupider you feel. Then comes old age, and the realization that you don't know anything. At that point, what's left, except to enjoy life? So, have a nice day! And watch out for 20-somethings.

## PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)



On the road to happiness, two insider travel tips. One, your most worthy vehicle, the chariot of chariots, is equal dignity and respect for all. Treat your friends with grace and decorum, and

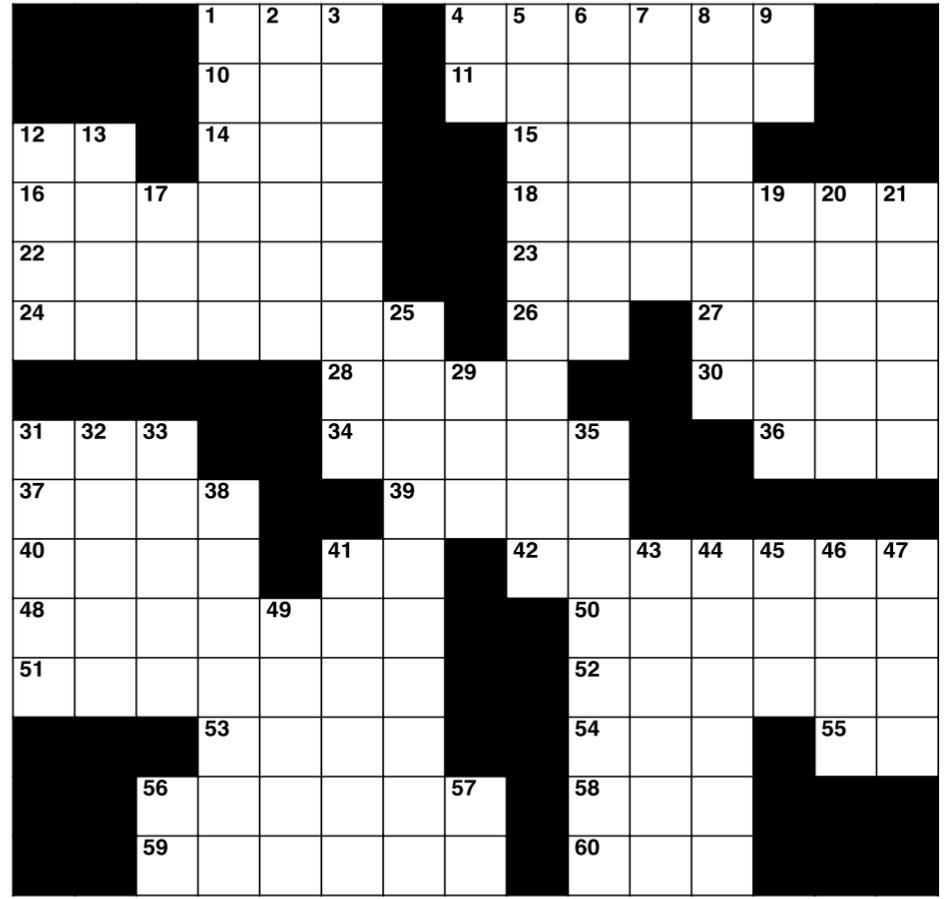
your enemies as friends. Two, avoid the axle-breaking pothole of double standards. That's one for you and your cronies, another for everyone else. At every crossroad, let these two points guide you. And have a safe trip!

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Chicken Little's knock on the head meant to him that the sky was falling, silly bird. His horoscope showed other possibilities. Don't wait for a knock on the head to ask what's up in your life. Wesley Hallock, as Whidbey Weekly's professional astrologer and horoscope writer, keeps one eye on the sky and alerts us to the prospects each week. To read past columns of Chicken Little and the Astrologer in the Whidbey Weekly, see our Digital Library at www.whidbeyweekly.com.

# Crossword Puzzle



## CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Opposite of on
- 4. Creator
- 10. No seats available
- 11. About spring-time
- 12. Flagship ESPN show (abbr.)
- 14. Automobile
- 15. A matchup
- 16. Porous volcanic rock
- 18. Utter repeatedly
- 22. Not written in any key
- 23. Revolved
- 24. Archrival
- 26. Within
- 27. Smoker's accessory
- 28. Disfigure
- 30. Primordial matter
- 31. Thrust horse power (abbr.)
- 34. Kisses
- 36. Some is iced
- 37. A way to derive
- 39. Unaccompanied by others
- 40. Discontinued Google app
- 41. Tony B. left his heart there

- 42. Condiment
- 48. Ancient Italian city
- 50. One who distributes payoff money
- 51. Guarantees
- 52. Highly decorative
- 53. Strike with a stick
- 54. Pie \_\_\_ mode
- 55. Spanish be
- 56. Glued
- 58. A way to drench
- 59. Part of the body
- 60. Changes the color

## CLUES DOWN

- 1. Passerine birds
- 2. Noisy quarrel
- 3. The front arm or leg of an animal
- 4. Early multimedia
- 5. Golden years
- 6. Large mollusk
- 7. Small arm of the sea
- 8. Persian jurisdiction
- 9. Atomic #81
- 12. From end to end
- 13. Adorable
- 17. Ma

- 19. Nearly falling
- 20. Portable conical tent
- 21. Excessive fluid accumulation in tissues
- 25. Fish with high dorsal fins
- 29. Equal (prefix)
- 31. Aquatic plant genus
- 32. Choppers
- 33. Hand parts
- 35. Region bordering the sea
- 38. Well-liked
- 41. Nap
- 43. It's used to make beer
- 44. Related on the father's side
- 45. Senior officer
- 46. Delicacy (archaic)
- 47. Figures
- 49. A way to take away
- 56. Beloved sandwich \_\_\_&J
- 57. Symptom typical of withdrawal (abbr.)

Answers on page 15

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## Island Herb: The Seeds of Service Start Here

By Kae Harris

Getting back to nature is easy to do on Whidbey Island. The sublime beauty that surrounds all who live or venture here is like something out of a book. And of all the things this scenery does for us, one of the best is evoke a sense of calm and oneness with all that's natural. It tends to us and gives us the island essence that is Whidbey. What could make the island experience even better? What sums up the spirit of community? A little place down south called Island Herb.

Located in Freeland, Island Herb is a 21+ retail cannabis store and dispensary and it's about so much more than just products. As a combat medic and war veteran, owner of Island Herb, Lucas, began using natural medication to help with post-war related trauma, depression and anxiety and had to travel to Seattle to get his medication. At a time when his struggles mounted, the Whidbey Island communities came together to support him, as is the spirit of Whidbey. Wanting to give back to those who gave so much to him, he opened up Island Herb so he could establish and strengthen bonds and have a means to always be of service.

With the guiding intention to serve others, especially the South Whidbey communities, Lucas aimed to provide a natural product and, in the process, beat the stigma of natural medicine; showcase what it is, rather than what it isn't. Holding true to his word, Lucas and Island Herb participate in matching grants to support various organizations – the money spent by residents in his shop is reinvested in the community and that's what makes it thrive. Island Herb fosters not only a sense of community, but the value of service to others and it de-stigmatizes natural medicine.

Starting out as a medical cannabis dispensary, Island Herb members were always ready to educate, inform and serve their patrons. In fact, even after the laws changed, Lucas maintained his medical endorsement, highlighting just how invested he is in the island and what it means for him to help others. Lucas' team receives ongoing medical endorsement training so they are able to continue to educate patrons in a way that allows them the freedom to make informed decisions about their product choices, medical or otherwise. With the extensive expertise each shop member has and with a vast array of products, from topicals and edibles to smoking items and more, Island Herb helps others access the therapeutic effects of this ancient medicinal plant, as well as the deeper knowledge that goes hand-in-hand with it.

Island Herb beats the stigma shrouding natural medicine, it embodies Whidbey Island in its totality, captures the essence of community and Lucas just wants to continue to remind all those who live, work or visit Whidbey, he will always make good on his promise to serve them.

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