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WhidbeyHealth has reached the 10,000-dose mark in COVID-19 vaccine distribution in Island County.

One step closer to normal - Washington moves to Phase 3

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

The state of Washington takes another step on the roadmap to recovery next week – as of Monday, the entire state will move into Phase 3 of the Healthy Washington: Roadmap to Recovery plan, Gov. Jay Inslee announced last week. In addition, the short-lived “regional approach” will be no more, as the evaluation process will shift back to a county-by-county approach.

“Because of the progress we’ve made by decreasing our case rates and hospitalizations, as well as our tremendous efforts to get more people vaccinated, our reopening plan is once again based on counties, not regions,” Inslee said during a press conference. “We are excited to take this step and we will keep evaluating our progress, and the impacts of these changes, to determine how and when we reopen further.”

As part of the updated plan, counties will now be evaluated every three weeks. Evaluations will take place on Mondays and any changes would begin on Friday. The first evaluation is planned for April 12. Large and small counties will be evaluated differently on two metrics – new case rates and new COVID hospitalizations. If any county fails either of the metrics it will move back one phase. Island County falls into the large county category, as it has more than 50,000 residents.

Further, if the statewide ICU capacity reaches more than 90 percent, all counties in the state will move back one phase. All movement backward or forward in phases is at the discretion of the State Department of Health.

While details of Phase 3 are expected to be released sometime this week, it will allow in-person spectators at professional and high school sporting events for the first time in a year, according to Inslee. For sporting venues with permanent seating, 25 percent capacity will be allowed. Up to 400 people will be allowed for both outdoor and indoor activities, as long as that number does not exceed 50 percent of capacity for the location. This also applies to restaurants, gyms, fitness centers and movie theaters. Masks and social distancing will still be required.

“Some of the hardest hit businesses in Washington will be able to return to 50 percent capacity as we continue on the road to recovery,” Inslee said. “On March 22, we make one more step to beating this virus and rejuvenating our economy.”

Local leaders are pleased to see the state’s progress in reopening the economy.

“I am pleased to move to Phase 3, assuming the public will continue to follow the three W’s – wear a mask, wash hands and watch your distance,” said Island County Commissioner Janet St. Clair. “We just need to be safe as we are cautiously optimistic about our progress.”

“We don’t know yet exactly what Phase 3 means — we’re still wait-

ing for clarification,” said Melanie Bacon, Island County Commissioner. “We do know restaurants can open up to 50 percent, so I’m certainly happy for those businesses and customers.”

Commissioners also applauded the move back to a county-by-county method of evaluation rather than the regional plan.

“I would like to think it was Island County’s persistence, but most local governments were pushing to get out of the regional model,” said Commissioner Jill Johnson. “The fact that counties of all size were expressing concerns about regionalization I think underlines the point that it was simply the wrong way to go about reopening decision-making.”

Gov. Inslee also announced last week that the state will progress to the next tier of eligibility for the vaccine, about a week earlier than originally planned. Those in Phase 1B-Tier 2 are now able to get their vaccine.

The supply of vaccine to Island County has also stabilized somewhat, making it easier to distribute. The county is actually running slightly ahead of the state in terms of vaccine distribution, according to St. Clair.

“Island County has done very well in vaccine distribution given our advance planning and early start,” she said. “This despite the challenges in supply at the early weeks of vaccinations. If you review the State data on vaccinations – Washington state has 18 percent initiating (first dose) vaccinations completed, Island County has 19 percent. Vaccination completions is close, with the state at 10.26 percent and Island County at 10.40 percent.”

“Based on what we’ve seen, specifically in regard to the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine (due to our storage capabilities with our specialized freezers), we are beginning to see some regularity developing with the vaccine supply chain,” said WhidbeyHealth Marketing and Community Relations Manager Conor O’Brien. “Due to how we report our vaccine data to the State Department of Health, we haven’t had any problems in the last month receiving allocation requests for booster (second) doses. Regarding our prime (first) dose allocations, those in particular are starting to normalize. We’ve received allocations for prime doses two out of the last three weeks.”

O’Brien said they have had such success manning WhidbeyHealth’s vaccination clinics, they are not adding additional volunteer staff at this time and said vaccinations continue to go well.

“We also just had a milestone in our vaccination efforts this week, where we administered our 10,000th vaccine dose to the Dean of Students at Oak Harbor Intermediate School,” he said.

To determine eligibility for the COVID vaccine, visit FindYourPhaseWa.org.

Oak Harbor considers adding “Angel de la Creatividad” sculpture to Windjammer Park

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

Oak Harbor’s Windjammer Park may soon be home to the “Angel de la Creatividad,” or “Angel of Creativity,” a 37-foot statue by world-famous sculptor Sebastián. Currently, Oak Harbor City Council members are considering the statue and voted unanimously at a Feb. 16 meeting to explore the offer in more detail, with findings to be presented at the March 24 council workshop.

Therese Kingsbury, a member of the Oak Harbor Arts Commission, said the sculpture is a part of the late George Drake’s estate. Drake was an avid supporter of the arts and the statue was initially offered to Bellingham, but the offer was withdrawn by the estate’s executor. She said Drake had expressed his desire to have the statue installed at a waterfront location, and indicated Windjammer Park as a possibility.

“(This is a) world class opportunity that does not get offered to small towns like Oak Harbor ever,” she said. “This is an unexpected gift coming from an unexpected donor with an unexpected storyline.”

Kingsbury said Sebastián, the famous Mexican artist of the “Angel de la Creatividad,” has his work featured around the world, including in Rio de Janeiro, Osaka, San Antonio and more. Kingsbury said she felt the sculpture would help bolster tourism and draw art enthusiasts to the island.

“It is a magical opportunity that will be a gamechanger for our community and I think that everybody should embrace the gift and enjoy the fact that it is going to bring people, because people will travel to see this sculpture,” she said.

Many community members have expressed support for the piece, including Karen Koschak, whose public comment was included in the March 2 meeting of the council.

“I’m writing to encourage you and others on the committee to accept the donation of the beautiful artwork,” she wrote. “I am aware that there are those who may not appreciate a modern piece of art, but that is the beauty of art. It inspires and touches each of us differently. It creates conversation and discourse through which we can all learn. There have been many occasions when hearing why someone loves a piece, I have been enabled to have a better appreciation.”

However, there has been concern from community members about the sculpture, including maintenance costs and the piece’s abstract aesthetic. Local social media pages have seen comments from community members expressing reservations, as well as discussion of a desire to have another windmill built in lieu of bringing other art to the city, as the windmill previously located in the park was dismantled starting in 2017 due

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ON TRACK

with Jim Freeman



When you sneeze, do you say "achoo?"
Having just finished a sneezing spell, I counted at least eight audible "achoos" during the session.

Did I say "achoo" as I sneezed because of the cartoons I watched in the 50s? Those were my formative years.

To "achoo" or not to "achoo," that is the sneeze.

The Greening

Not being a fan of green beer, I did not have one last night. I did not have a clear beer either. I don't drink beer alone or with small groups.

I celebrated St. Patrick's with a green Jarritos Lime drink, the kind that eats the tooth between cleanings. The dentist can tell when there has been pure cane sugar in my mouth, so I try to drink Jarritos Lime with a tooth-brush nearby.

From the 80s

At 5:37 p.m. a Freeland man called from Harbor Village Square stating he had been in an accident and needed an ambulance. Said his truck had hit the "Holy Spirit" and his ankle was broken due to divinely reasons.

At 2:14 a.m. a Cultus Bay Rd resident reported that dogs who usually don't bark were barking. A deputy found the area to be secure.

At 10:01 p.m. a French Road resident reported that when she let her dog outside, it went over to the garage and just stood there, which was not normal behavior for the dog. She also thought she heard footsteps on her porch. A deputy found the dog sleeping in the storage shed and saw no evidence of anything unusual.

At 1:18 p.m., a Camano Island resident reported that his neighbor's dogs kept running away with his shoes that he leaves outside. He threatened to shoot his neighbor's dogs and his neighbor threatened to shoot him.

William Arthur Ward
Life

The adventure of life is to learn.
The purpose of life is to grow.
The nature of life is to change.
The challenge of life is to overcome.
The essence of life is to care.
The opportunity of life is to serve.
The secret of life is to dare.
The spice of life is to befriend.
The beauty of life is to give.
The joy of life is to love.

Nomenclature

If you read this column as much as I do, you know I like to discover the source of things. Ever since our first central Ohio elementary school field trips to museums, I have enjoyed finding out where stuff came from.

The following info I learned from *American Heritage* in 1997. No matter one's political preference, the history of the democratic party is fascinating. Why weren't we taught this in American history? Why wasn't I taught this in political science? Thank goodness for American Heritage Publishing.

"When the Democratic-Republicans split over the choice of a successor to President James Monroe, the faction supporting the old Jeffersonian principles, led by Andrew Jackson and Martin Van Buren, became the predecessor of the modern Democratic Party – the oldest political party in continuous operation in the U.S.

"As the American Civil War broke out, Northern Democrats were divided into War Democrats and Peace Democrats, and Southern Democrats formed their own party.

"After Reconstruction ended in the 1870s, the South voted solidly Democratic for nearly

a hundred years until Richard Nixon began to shift conservatives to the Republican Party with his 'Southern Strategy.'

"The donkey first appeared as a symbol for the Democrats when Andrew Jackson was President. Cartoonist Thomas Nast first used the donkey as a Democratic symbol in *A Live Jackass Kicking a Dead Lion* published Jan. 15, 1870, in *Harper's Weekly* to comment on the dealings of Northern Democrats (nicknamed Copperheads) with Edwin M. Stanton, Lincoln's Secretary of War."

And we thought 2020 was strange.

Old Joke of the Week

A motorcycle mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the motor of a Harley-Davidson when he spotted a well-known cardiologist in his shop.

The cardiologist was there waiting for the service manager to come and take a look at his car when the mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey Doc, want to take a look at this?"

The cardiologist, a bit surprised, walked over to where the mechanic was working on the motorcycle.

The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I opened its heart, took the valves out, repaired or replaced anything damaged, and then put everything back in, and when I finished, it worked just like new.

"So how is it that I make \$24,000 a year and you make \$1.7M when you and I are doing basically the same work?"

The cardiologist paused, leaned over, and then whispered to the mechanic... "Try doing it with the engine running."

Best Irish joke?

An Irishman moved into a tiny hamlet in County Kerry, walked into the local pub, and promptly ordered three beers. The bartender raised his eyebrows, but served the man three beers, which he drank quietly at a table, alone.

An hour later, the man had finished the three beers and ordered three more. This happened yet, again. The next evening the man again ordered and drank three beers at a time, several times. Soon the entire town was whispering about The Man Who Orders Three Beers.

Finally, a week later, the bartender broached the subject on behalf of the town. "I don't mean to pry, but folks around here are wondering why you always order three beers at a time?"

"Tis odd, isn't it?" the man replied. "You see, I have two brothers, and one went to America, and the other to Australia. We promised each other that we would always order an extra two beers whenever we drank, as a way of keeping up the family bond."

The bartender and the whole town were pleased with this answer, and soon the Man Who Orders Three Beers became a local celebrity and a source of pride to the hamlet, even to the extent that out-of-towners would come to watch him drink.

Then, one day, the man came in and ordered only two beers. The bartender poured them with a heavy heart. This continued for the rest of the evening:

"Each time he orders only two beers," the word flew around town. Prayers were offered for the soul of one of the brothers.

The next day, the bartender said to the man, "Folks around here, me first of all, want to offer condolences to you for the death of your brother. You know – the two beers instead of three, and all..."

The man pondered this for a moment, then replied, "You'll be happy to hear that my two brothers are alive and well. It's just that I, meself, have decided to give up drinking for Lent."

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Drive-By Donation Drive

I Support The Girls-Whidbey Island is holding a Drive-By Donation Drive from 10:00AM to 2:00PM Saturday. It will be held at the old IOOF building on the corner of Barrington and Dock Streets in Oak Harbor, across from the American Legion Post. Volunteers will be collecting new and gently used bras, new panties, socks, toiletries of all types and sizes and all individually wrapped menstrual hygiene products. These items are then distributed all over the island to help ladies who are homeless, fleeing abusive and/or human trafficking situations, low income, school girls, and more. This is another opportunity to clean out your cabinets and drawers for those unwanted but usable items and items you no longer need. Open packages are fine as long as the contents are individually wrapped. For more information, email Kate at istg.whidbeyisland@gmail.com.

[Submitted by Kate Mistler, I Support The Girls-Whidbey Island]

Community Invited to Learn More About Local Boating Squadron
Deception Pass Sail & Power Squadron to Hold Virtual Open House

Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron (DPSPS), the local affiliate of America's Boating Club, is holding a new member orientation Saturday from 11:00AM to noon. The meeting is also open to anyone interested in learning more about the boating squadron. Due to COVID restrictions, the meeting will be held online using Zoom and will cover membership benefits, education, training and recreational activities. For more information and meeting login instructions, contact DPSPS commander Pat Waters at frenchsailor@comcast.net.

The Deception Pass squadron, which covers Whidbey and Fidalgo islands, is part of a national organization with over thirty thousand members nationwide. They offer boating courses and seminars, on-the-water training events, vessel safety checks, safety training and cooperative charting.

According to Waters, the boating squadron welcomes anyone, from young families interested in getting into boating, to the experienced mariner. "Our classes go from basic boating safety and handling, all the way to celestial navigation," he noted. "We also offer family-friendly seminars on shrimping and

crabbing, and a boating safety class specifically for kids. It is a great way to connect with the Puget Sound boating community."

The Deception Pass Sail and Power Squadron (DPSPS) is a 44-year-old nonprofit organization, and has over 75 members from Whidbey and Fidalgo islands.

[Submitted by Jennifer Geller, DPSPS]

Navy to Make PFAS Notifications to Agricultural Operations

This week the Navy will begin making notifications to owners and operators of agricultural operations near Navy installations with known per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) impacting groundwater.

Notifications are required under a new federal law – Section 335 of the 2021 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA). The law requires the Department of Defense (DOD) to work with the Department of Agriculture (USDA) to identify agricultural operations within one mile down gradient of DOD installation boundaries, in the direction of the groundwater flow, for which groundwater sampling results exceed 70 parts per trillion of PFOA and/or PFOS and /or 40 parts per billion of PFBS.

Notifications are being made based on the USDA identified agricultural operations and PFAS results from applicable Navy installations. The Navy will provide notification packets to those USDA-identified agricultural operations that fall within the applicable notification areas.

Notification packets will include a letter from the base commanding officer, a copy of Section 335 of the NDAA and the range of levels for PFOA, PFOS, and/or PFBS found in groundwater. The packet will also include health and safety information from government agencies about these substances. Multiple notification packets may be sent to different people at the same address to ensure all official owners and operators have been notified. Notification letters will be distributed as information is received from USDA.

This is only a notification effort. At this time, there are no additional actions required or planned for these USDA-identified agricultural operations. While PFAS are not currently regulated as hazardous substances, Navy and Marine Corps installations nationwide are proactively conducting investigations to identify PFAS releases and address them. For more information on Navy's PFAS investigation and drinking water response actions, please visit www.navfac.navy.mil/NWPFAS.

For more information about this notification effort, please contact the Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Public Affairs Officer, Mr. James Johnson at 360-396-6387 or via email at PAO_Feedback@navy.mil.

[Submitted by Mike Welding, Public Affairs Officer, NAS Whidbey Island]

Seeking Applicants for Housing Authority of Island County

The Island County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants to fill two positions on the Housing Authority of Island County Board.

The Housing Authority Board of Island County consists of five community members and one resident member. The Board of County Commissioners appoints Housing Authority Board of Commissioner members for five year terms. Resident commissioner terms are for two years.

The mission/purpose of the Housing Authority of Island County is to promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination; to serve the citizens of Island County by assisting low-income households with safe, decent and affordable housing opportunities as they strive to achieve self-sufficiency and improve the quality of their lives and by forming effective partnerships to maximize social and economic opportunities for low-income household to assist them in achieving self-sufficiency. The mission shall be accomplished by a fiscally responsible, creative organization committed to excellence in public service.

The board customarily meets monthly for up to two hours at a time. Regular meetings are the second Tuesday of each month, from 9:30AM to 12:00PM and are subject to rescheduling as needed. In December, an annual meeting is held at 9:30AM the second Tuesday of the month. The annual meeting includes presentations of the annual report for the prior fiscal year and election of board officers for the coming year.

Interested individuals should provide a letter of interest and statement of qualifications by mail or email to:

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ATTN: Housing Authority Board of Island County Vacancy
PO Box 5000
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Email applications should be sent to j.roll@islandcountywa.gov

Application materials should be received no later than 4:30PM April 8.

For additional information please phone 360-679-7353 or e-mail Jennifer Roll at the above address. A complete position description is available upon request.

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

Time for some financial spring cleaning

In just a few days, we will experience the vernal equinox – one of the two times in the year when the sun is exactly above the equator. Apart from this astronomical anomaly, though, the equinox is mostly known as the beginning of spring – a fresh beginning and the time to spruce things up. This year, as you tidy up your home and surroundings, why not also consider some financial spring cleaning?

Here are a few ideas for getting your financial house in order:

• **"De-clutter" your portfolio**
Over the years, many of us tend to pick up duplicate items that find their way into the nooks and crannies of our homes, gathering dust and remaining unused. Over time, your investment portfolio can also accumulate redundancies – that is, you might own several investments that are essentially similar. It might be appropriate to replace some of these and broaden your holdings.

• **Own your investments purposefully**
You own certain things for certain reasons – a broom to sweep the floors, a microwave to heat the food and so on. As an investor, you should be following a goal-based strategy that includes the matching of certain investments with certain objectives. For example, you might own stocks or mutual funds to eventually provide the capital appreciation potential you'll need to retire comfortably. But you might also own other vehicles, such as bonds or other fixed-income investments, to provide you with a source of regular income.

• **"Dust off" your investment strategy**
Over a long winter, your windows can get dirty and grimy, so, when spring arrives, you may want to get out the glass cleaner – and when you're done, you'll be able to see out more clearly. Over time, your investment strategy may get somewhat "dusty," too, especially if you've experienced significant changes in your life, such as a new job, a new child or even a new plan for retirement. By periodically reviewing your investment strategy, you'll be able to clarify your vision for the future.

• **Protect yourself from hidden dangers**
If you poke around your garage, shed or other storage area, you may well find some objects – gardening tools, paint thinners and engine fluids, leaning ladders and so on – that could be dangerous, either because they aren't stored properly or they're hard to see and can cause trips and falls. As part of your spring cleaning, you'd want to get these objects out of harm's way to safeguard yourself and your family. But when you think of your financial situation, are you also exposing yourself and your loved ones to risk? If something were to happen to you, could your family members stay in their home? Could your children still go to college? To help keep their lifestyle intact if you weren't around, you'll need adequate life insurance. And to avoid burdening your grown children with potentially huge expenses should you ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay, you may want to talk to a financial advisor about protection strategies.

By taking some spring cleaning measures, you can brighten your living space for the seasons ahead. And by applying some of the same principles to your financial environment, you can help improve the prospects for meeting your important goals.

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THURSDAY, FEB. 11
3:09 am, Tree Frog Ln.
Caller states subject has been living in the woods and told caller her cigarettes were locked in his car. Caller gave her the keys and then she drove off in it.

12:20 pm, Smugglers Cove Rd.
Advising female was just at location stating she was looking for her ex-husband, who is in the military; she wanted access to wooded property behind reporting party's residence. Reporting party found female suspicious.

2:04 pm, SR 20
Occurred last week, subject exposed himself to barista. Reporting party would like subject trespassed from location.

3:56 pm, Nubian Way
Caller needs to report a felony theft he is involved in. You know, pre-meditated kleptomania. Needs to meet with prosecuting attorney

6:02 pm, Northgate Dr.
Reporting party states they were driving by storage units and female was yelling at reporting party, telling reporting party to come back so she could fight reporting party. Believes female works at storage.

6:23 pm, Scurlock Rd.
Reporting party advising someone is outside her door. Says they are seeking shelter because they had too much to drink, talking to themselves. White female, 50 years old.

9:16 pm, Coles Rd.
Reporting party advising female hemorrhaging from her vagina; unknown cause. Line disconnected - male was frustrated with questions.

10:44 pm, SR 525
Reporting party would like to get a trespass issued on his mother. States mother has been very rude to reporting party's wife and kids and "getting in their faces;" mother last at location earlier this month.

FRIDAY, FEB. 12
12:35 pm, SR 20
Reporting party advising heading to Oak Harbor, is being chased by Jeep; has guns.

2:58 pm, Lupine Ln.
Transfer from Kitsap: One month ago, intoxicated female knocked on door. Reporting party started to walk her home when law enforcement showed up and finished escorting her. Last night, she came back to residence and knocked on back door.

4:35 pm, Rosemont Dr.
Male on line advising he needs to reach Salt Lake City to report an incident involving his wife. Told reporting party to hold while call-taker found number, reporting party disconnected. Recalled twice went straight to voicemail.

SATURDAY, FEB. 13
12:23 am, Cherry St.
Immediate hang up from residential line; on recall, female was trying to get option for time and temperature; advising didn't know address, no need for law enforcement, fire or medical.

9:17 pm, Cultus Bay Rd.
Caller states it looks like something on power line exploded and is now on fire.

9:44 pm, Timberline Rd.
Caller advising four subjects on 4-wheelers going up and down the road, is upset about noise.

SUNDAY, FEB. 14
7:59 am, Northgate Dr.
Requesting check on subject at location due to piracy felonies and lives with felons. Drugs in house. States someone put something in the water.

12:30 pm, Cultus Bay Rd.
On Cultus Bay before Campbell Road, reporting party saw car upside down with snow on it; can only see two tires from roadway was unable to stop to check.

8:09 pm, Andreason Rd.
Caller advising heard what sounded like an "explosion," maybe to the east of caller's residence. Not sure how close. Caller says her TV is now out.

8:11 pm, Mobius Loop
Requesting call regarding ex taking dog to Washington state; reporting party is flying out here tomorrow to get dog back. Does not know address of where dog is.

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

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

Register for In-Person Kindergarten

Wednesdays, 11:00AM-3:00PM

South Whidbey Elementary K-4 welcomes families to enroll their child into the 2021-2022 In-Person Kindergarten Program. Please call 360-221-4600 (press 5 for the office) to schedule a time for a meet and greet. Meetings are being scheduled each Wednesday beginning March 17. Children who will be five years old on or before Aug. 31, 2021 are welcome to enroll. For online enrollment, go to the South Whidbey School District's Website at sw.wednet.edu, choose "Families" and "Enrollment."

98260: Live!

Saturday, March 20, 7:30PM

Whidbey Island Center for the Arts, Langley
All Seats: \$35

Travel writer Sue Frause and improv artist Billy Tierney host a fun-filled evening of comedy and music featuring local celebs and a Best Mask Contest. For tickets or more information, visit www.wicaonline.org or call 360-221-8262.

Eine Kleine Nachtmusik

Saturday, March 27, 7:30PM

Whidbey Island Center for the Arts, Langley
All Seats: \$35

The Whidbey Island Orchestra performs Mozart's joyful *Milanese Quartets* (K.155, 156, and 157) and *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik*. For tickets or more information, visit www.wicaonline.org or call 360-221-8262.

Upcoming Sno-Isle Library Events

See schedule below

Cost: Free

Dreamer's Carnival presented by Yasu Ishida

Thursday, March 18, 4:00-5:00PM

Come join an adventure of Dreamer's Carnival, a virtual storytelling magic show! It is filled with stories with magic tricks, and origami!



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Learn how to make your own origami with scrap paper from around the house. Mr. Ishida will show us how we can make our own origami paper and how to fold it, so bring some paper and scissors and imagination! To register, visit <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/>.

Food for Thought Online Book Group - "Eruption"

Thursday, March 18, 7:00-9:00PM

Online event

Discover the history and science behind the 1980 eruption in this page-turning account of an iconic Washington event. We will then take a look at some iconic Washington food purveyors in Washington Food Artisans. To register, visit <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/>

Books2Movies: "The 100-Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared"

Friday, March 19, 2:00PM

Zoom meeting

Which do you like better, the book or the movie? Read or listen to the book, watch the movie, then join us online for a lively discussion. Brandon Henry, who works at The Clyde Theater in Langley, leads the discussion.

This month's title: *The 100-Year Old Man Who Climbed Out the Window and Disappeared*, by Jonas Jonasson, the tale of a larger-than-life old man with a fondness for vodka, who goes on an unexpected adventure in this whimsical novel – perfect for fans of *Forrest Gump* and *A Man Called Ove*. To receive a Zoom invitation, please register. An email address is required. <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/>

Volcano Hazard Maps Past, Present, and Future

Tuesday, March 23, 3:30-4:30PM

Online event

Map nerds, this is the talk for you! One of the most frequently asked question is "how will I be affected by the next eruption?" Scientists and geographers work together to make sure you know what hazards to expect and how to respond during the next eruption. See how hazard maps have evolved over time and the challenges faced today by mapmakers. To register, visit <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/>.

Discuss the Classics with Rita Bartell Drum

Thursdays, 12:30 or 7:00PM

Enjoy a pleasant hour of shared wisdom and fellowship as we consider the words and hope of times past and weave a fabric of renewed hope by leaning on the "Classics." Contact: ritadrum777@gmail.com for ZOOM link.



KING SALMON SERIES—PART 3: MARINE AREAS 8-1 AND 8-2

I refer to fishing Marine Areas 8-1 and 8-2 as "fishing the inside." This stretch of water gets large amounts of fresh water from river run-off, which makes fishing techniques a little different. The biggest difference I have noticed over the years is lure color; light green or blue has produced the most fish for me during the winter Blackmouth seasons. Summer Chinook fishing on the inside has been basically non-existent as far back as I can remember. The Tribal Council and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife have restricted these waters during the summer months to help increase the number of adult Chinook salmon returning to the Skagit, Stillaguamish and Snohomish rivers. From my point of view, it's been many years of summer closures with very little, if any, positive results, mainly due to the persistent yearly tribal gill netting that takes place on all three rivers during spawning season.

There are a couple of bright spots for catching Chinook salmon on the inside. One is the summer Tulalip Bubble fishery. Just on the outskirts of Tulalip Bay fishermen can target Chinooks from May through September with day-of-the-week restrictions. This isolated area is subject to yearly changes set by the WDFW so be sure to check the state regulations. The second bright spot and other opportunity to fight a king salmon on the inside is during the winter Blackmouth season (November through mid March); unfortunately, the state and tribal council decided not to open the 2020/2021 winter season. Let's hope the co-managed fisheries personnel do not repeat this very disappointing closure for the 2021/2022 season, in my opinion it's not fair to the recreational fishermen. Our taxes, licenses, and boat launch fees help pay to raise these Blackmouth chinook to create a winter fishery; the fact is all of the adult winter fish we would catch would be hatchery fish; there are no adult natural kings in the sound at this time.

Since chinook fishing is scarce, let's touch on another salmon species that enters Marine Areas 8-1 and 8-2 that is sure to put a smile on your face and fresh fillets in the smoker: Pink Salmon, or Humpy's. Pinks only return to the Puget Sound on odd years, and if the returning numbers of these fish are high enough, sometimes in the millions, it is all out pandemonium on the inside beaches of Whidbey Island.



The "Buzz Bomb"



The "Rotator"

Pinks don't get the top-shelf attention the kings do, but they are tenacious fighters and are not afraid to leap out of the water and show off their top-water skills. There are two primary lures that 90 percent of fishermen use to catch pink salmon – the "Buzz Bomb" (the treble hook will need to be replaced by a single hook) and the "Rotator."

The Buzz Bomb was first to make its mark, then a local lure maker got into the act and created the Rotator. Both of these lures look very similar in shape and size and are rigged to catch fish in the same manner. Both lures come in a variety of colors, but pink is the most proven.

Pinks are a perfect opportunity to get young anglers excited about salmon fishing. It doesn't require a boat to catch a limit of fish and the start-up cost of rod, reel, and tackle is low compared to Chinook. The pinks generally begin to arrive in mid to late July and will peak between mid-August through September. One of the biggest reasons pinks are great for young anglers is it does not take a long cast to reach these fish; during certain times of the tide the fish can be as close as 10 feet from shore. The prime time to be on the beach is one hour before and after high or low tide. There will be fish traveling the deeper waters all day but if you have to pick a time when the odds are in your favor, those are the best.

Here are a few spots along the inside (Saratoga Pass) to try your luck starting on the north end of Whidbey working south:

- Hoypus Point
- Ben Ure Spit (Ala Spit Park)
- Mariners Cove public beach area
- Any Penn Cove public beach access
- Freeland Park Beach
- Possession Beach Waterfront Park
- Possession Point State Park

There are miles of beach in Area 8-1 and 8-2, but many of the fishable beaches are private; friends, family, or businesses may be the only way to get access to these beaches so remember to always ask and get permission first!

Marine Areas 8-1 and 8-2 are not known as prime Chinook waters but there are salmon to be caught so we can't leave it out. Some early salmon predictions are on the WDFW website; navigate to "fishing regulation news" and see what the crystal ball might have in-store for us. Our licenses expire March 31, and lake trout season is the end of April.



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“Pandemonium” reigns at OutCast Productions

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

OutCast Productions in Langley is pleased to present a completely original work to enjoy this weekend via the small screen: “Pandemonium, Life During the Pandemic.” The filmed collection of nine short plays debuted last weekend and three more opportunities to join in the streaming experience are available Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. (“doors” open 30 minutes prior).

Artistic director and founder, Ned Farley, said that following the shutdowns and restrictions of 2020, it was time to try something new.

“We came into 2021 thinking we’ve got to do something, we have to find opportunities to be creative,” he said. “We invited playwrights to be creative – what’s it been like

living in a pandemic for a year? We put the word out, basically asking for plays no longer than 20 minutes.”

Farley said they received nearly 30 submissions. Those were whittled down to just nine short plays by playwrights from around the globe, ranging in length from about four minutes to 20 minutes each.

“We have playwrights from England, Israel, New York, California and Seattle,” he said. “It’s a mix of humorous, slice-of-life works and more serious.”

Whether it’s the story of a single woman whose friendship with a live bat brings her great comfort, a wealthy couple from the Hamptons who get a life lesson in doing without, or the poignant depiction of a mother and daughter in deep, emotional,



Alex Wren Photo Courtesy of OutCast Productions
Chelsea Mathews-Jensen and Bojohn Dicile record their performance in “Pacific Coast Trail,” by Jenny Lyn Bader, in front of a green screen for OutCast Productions’ film production of “Pandemonium, Life During the Pandemic,” streaming this weekend.



Alex Wren Photo Courtesy of OutCast Productions
Nine original short plays have been filmed and are part of OutCast Productions’ streaming event entitled “Pandemonium, Life During the Pandemic.” Above, Jim Scullin is featured in the play “Waiting for Godzilla,” by Sherry Friedman.

pandemic-induced pain, the thought-provoking production will spark laughter and likely some tears.

Despite health restrictions still in place at the time of filming, most of the plays were recorded on stage at the OutCast theater at the Langley fairgrounds.

“Two of the plays were written for Zoom, so we rehearsed them that way and recorded them on Zoom,” Farley explained. “Several were filmed in the theater up against a green screen so there is some consistency in how all of them look, and one was filmed at one of the couple’s home.”

Keeping actors and crew safe was also a priority.

“Three of the plays are about couples,” said Farley. “We cast them with couples who are in relationships, so they were already in their own bubble. When we brought them into the theater, it was just me and sometimes

another director and a lighting designer.”

Even though several of the plays were recorded at the theater, the experience of directing for the stage versus directing for a camera was something very new, Farley said.

“Well, one difference is as the artistic director of the company, this felt more like being a project manager, which is not a bad thing,” he said. “It felt very different from that end because there was so much juggling.

“As a director, the rehearsal aspect was much different, because it was all virtual,” Farley continued. “That was part of the reason we cast actors we knew, because we knew what they could do and we were comfortable with them working on their own. So I wasn’t as hands on as I am in the theater, where I have to do a lot of blocking, work on the lighting, etc. Rehearsals we did on Zoom

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William “Bill” Layne Burgoyne



Bill was born in Portland, Ore., May 27, 1962 and died March 3, 2021. He was lovingly raised by his parents, Dixie and Robert Burgoyne, with his brother Rick. Bill fondly recalled his childhood with his brother and parents, often sharing memories of him and his brother, family camping trips, the sound of his father’s piano playing and his admiration for his mother’s dedication to them.

In 1981, Bill joined the U.S. Navy, where he served a 20-year career. He was a proud Seabee and used their “Can Do” motto throughout all aspects of his life. Bill met his wife of forty years, Darcie, in middle school. They grew up as friends in shared social circles. While away at bootcamp, Bill entered Darcie in a “Sailors Sweetheart” competition. Despite not being sweethearts at the time, he won the competition and her heart through his persistence and ability to make her laugh. In 1982 they married, and together had four children. They traveled where the Navy sent them, moving 13 times before eventually settling on Whidbey Island. In 1998, Bill made Chief and closed out his Navy career in 2001. Following his retirement, he continued to serve the government, working in civil service. He was a proud veteran and a dedicated employee.

Bill had four children: Joshua, Briana, Sarah, and Matthew. He was a loving and devoted father. He took great pride in their accomplishments and was always their biggest supporter. He taught them hard work, loyalty, forgiveness, the importance of laughter and that family is what matters most. In 2004 Bill was made a “Papa” for the first time when his granddaughter, Alexus, was born. He admired her dedication to achieving her goals and adored her kind heart. In 2012 he was once again gifted with more grandchildren, Shayla and Jaxson. Bill loved going to their school and sporting events and simply spending his time with them. In 2016 he was given another grandson, Shae, and shortly after that, Bryer. He found joy in Shae’s funny nature and cherished Bryer’s tender demeanor.

In 2019 Bill was diagnosed with metastatic cancer, but he maintained his “Can Do” mentality. Bill endured 27 chemotherapy infusions with unending perseverance and incredible strength. His fight against cancer taught us all to love deeper, be truly present, and to take life and really live it.

Bill will be remembered for his outgoing personality, the joy he found in laughter, his dedication to hard work, the love he had for his family, and the strength he showed us all. A military service was held at Tahoma National Cemetery for family March 18. Friends and family are welcome to celebrate Bill’s Life from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, March 26 at Rocky Point Recreation Area (Can-Do-Inn).

Arrangements are entrusted to Wallin-Stucky Funeral Home, Oak Harbor, Wash. Please visit Bill’s page in our Book of Memories online at www.wallinfuneralhome.com to share memories and leave condolences.

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

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.

God, we praise You! Your seeds of righteousness and praise have been planted in the earth. May we be like “sprouts” in Your garden, sprouting up in hope, as we grow in You. Fortify us with strength as we “burst forth” into who we have been created to be in You. We will praise and honor You, God! May our life bring You glory!

Matthew Erikson
Hope Church Oak Harbor - Pastor

“For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.”

Isaiah 61:11 ESV



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to deterioration of the building. In the March 2 meeting, a comment by longtime-community resident Gerry Yakovleff was displayed, expressing his thoughts about the sculpture.

“Public art: say no to the donation sculpture being dumped on us by Bellingham,” he wrote. “There is a very good reason that Bellingham turned it down. You should too. The monument is not in keeping with the theme of Oak Harbor as a water way - Pacific Northwest theme. (An) abstract angel is not appropriate for us.”

Kingsbury, who also serves as vice president for Sculpture Northwest, said she hoped community members would see the statue’s installation as a positive step for the community and would help draw visitors.

“This is not about a new windmill, this is just about grasping an opportunity and I think in these times and these days that these kinds of opportunities do not happen very often and a lot of these little communities are struggling,” she said.

Rodric Gagnon, the chairman of the Oak Harbor Arts Commission, said he encouraged those with thoughts or concerns pertaining to the statue and other city issues to consider getting involved.

“If anybody has opinions that they want the city to hear about, come and participate,” he said. “All our public meetings are public, everything is open to the public for comments and participation. We are always looking for volunteers on the Arts Commission and there is always tons of opportunity to participate and influence how the city spends its taxpayer dollars.”

Gagnon said the commission has also partnered with Sculpture Northwest (the organization Drake founded) to help find a place for the sculpture to be displayed. Gagnon said Drake’s estate is willing to cover installation, transportation and engineering costs minus \$35,000 from the city, with the sculpture itself being a gift. Gagnon also said the city has funding for the arts built into its budget.

“We brought it to City Council on a pretty fast track just because the estate of George Drake is pretty anxious to get this piece in the public view, it has been in storage for a long time,” he said. “And when we did bring it in front of City Council on fairly short notice those who had concerns all had prudent, thoughtful concerns and I think we have tried to address all of those and we are going to try to continue to move forward and come up with a solution that makes sense to where the city is not committing to something that they don’t bargain for.”

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had to translate to performing in the theater. Because we wanted a virtual look, they were shot in place, with not a lot of movement.”

Farley said the actors involved were trusted to do a lot of the work on their own.

“The work was really all around the text, I’m not a micro manager as a director because I was an actor first,” he explained. “I’m already comfortable stepping back and seeing what the actors can bring.”

Of course, once all the filming was done, it was time for post-production, another new element to get used to in the streaming video process.

“A big chunk of the work was to do all the editing,” Farley said. “That’s something we’re not usually doing, it’s not typically part of the process. It was very interesting and I feel very good about it. I think it’s going to be an interesting venture into a new way of thinking about theater.”

Farley said the opportunity to produce new work during the pandemic was exciting for the playwrights as well.

“We had two Zoom interviews with some of the playwrights,” he said. “It was fun to listen to them talk about their excitement to do this project and be able to work during



Rendering Courtesy of Richard Nash
This rendering of the "Angel de la Creatividad" statue by international artist Sebastián gives an idea of what the modern art sculpture could look like if placed at Windjammer Park in Oak Harbor. (The color and placement of the work have not been finalized.) The city council will discuss the possibility of selecting the sculpture at a workshop March 24.

Local sculptor Sue Taves offered her thoughts on the piece and said she was excited about the possibility of bringing the work of an internationally-known artist to the area.

“I think it is a whole new level of sculpture,” she said. “This is something you might see in the Olympic Sculpture Park in Seattle or in a major collection,” she said. “It is quite amazing thinking about having the opportunity to have it here and considering how much it would cost if it were being purchased outright, I cannot imagine any of our cities or fundraising being able to come up with something at this budget. I just cannot even understand why anybody would be against it if they were a supporter of the arts at all.”

Taves said although there were a number of factors to look at and costs associated with upkeep and engineering to be considered, she felt the statue was worth the investment and much of the associated costs would also be covered by the estate.

“It brings positive attention, it has the potential to bring tourism, it engages the community in conversation about art,” she said. “Those are all positive aspects. So I think that would be the thing I would encourage people to do, is just step back and look at it as a gift. That is what it is, it is being given as a gift from somebody who was a major arts supporter in the region. So I would encourage people to think about it on the bigger scale.”

Public comments can be made to the City of Oak Harbor by visiting the updated page: www.oakharbor.org/publiccomment.

this pandemic. They were thrilled with the opportunity and I feel like we’ve made connections with people we can work with down the road.”

Community theaters across the country have faced difficulties of all kinds due to the pandemic. New technology costs money. Farley said he is thankful OutCast Productions had reserves on hand to help with expenses. This program is supported, in part, by a grant from the Washington State Arts Commission and National Endowment for the Arts, of which the theater company was recently notified.

Cost to see “Pandemonium, Life During the Pandemic” is \$20 per household. Tickets are available online at outcastproductions.net; click on the “donate” button, which will link to OutCast’s PayPal site. Those who submit payment will receive a link to the livestream broadcast of their choice.

“Because of the topic, I really think seeing something like this is one of the ways we can take care of ourselves after living in a very stressed environment for a while,” said Farley. “There’s something about theater that can be healing. Whether it’s funny or serious, it offers a healing quality. I think it’s going to be really entertaining.”



Make a Difference

By Barbara Lyon Bennett

Appointed member, Island County Marine Resources Committee; Coordinator, Island County Beach Watchers, 2010-2015

YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY SHARING ISLAND COUNTY'S SHORELINE WONDERS

Do you love the beauty of Island County? Are you charmed by the ebb and flow of the tides, the seasonal visits of migrating birds, the return of mature salmon after growing strong in the ocean and the drama of orcas passing close to shore?

If these natural surroundings lift your spirits and draw your curiosity, you already have gifts of great value to share with others, and by sharing these gifts you can make a difference in the stewardship of our islands and in the lives of people who live here and visit here.

A sense of wonder is one of your gifts and it's not just for children. I'll bet you can remember (no matter how old you were when it happened) the first time you saw a killer whale swim by, or you dug up a clam and took it home for a delicious meal, or even the first time you watched barnacles wave their feathery "legs" to catch plankton for their dinner. Your delight and wonder in these everyday things on our islands can invite grandchildren, neighbors, friends, even strangers to have WOW! moments they will savor for a lifetime and you will fuel their interest in our wonder-filled natural world on display here in Island County.

Don't be shy about your enthusiasm – it's contagious!

Your spirit of adventure and exploration is another gift you can share. There are beaches to walk, trails to follow, bays to explore by boat or kayak, whale-watching outings – the list is almost endless. In addition, thanks to the Island County Marine Resources Committee, the Whidbey Camano Land Trust and a number of other organizations, you will find informative signs and displays throughout the county to help you understand and share details about many locations. You will find exploring is fun and informative and that one layer of discovery leads to more and deeper exploration.

Explore boldly and invite others to join you!

Your willingness to share what you know is another gift. It's helpful to keep in mind we are all learners on a journey and an honest "I don't know the answer" is absolutely the right response when it's true. A good question can lead to great fun learning together and is an ideal way to push yourself and your friends to learn even more.

Other questions about our shorelines may seem basic. I'll bet you can remember being asked questions that made it clear the questioner knew little about the sea and the shore. These questions open a great opportunity to share correct information and encourage more questions and more learning. Strive to be a "Guide on the Side" who encourages and enjoys curiosity and discovery.

Assemble an Adventure Basket. Now is the time to prepare to share the shoreline with seasonal residents, tourists, children, grandchildren, and friends and invite them to join you in the adventure. To pave the way as you follow your own interests, I recommend you create a collection of information and supplies that will make it easy for you (and your friends and visitors) to head out the door for an adventure. My adventure collection includes maps, brochures from local museums and displays, books, sea-life identification cards, information about parking and passes, a favorite shade/rain hat, doggie bags and more. Yours will be unique to you.



Barbara's adventure basket.

In my home, I have a beautiful basket brimming with these materials. It nudges me to be creative about my personal adventures and is very helpful for my visitors looking for their own adventures.

Barbara's adventure basket

Here's my list of essential information and books:

- Sea-life identification cards (available at the Langley Whale Center)
- Tide log for the current year (available at hardware stores or the Moonraker)
- *Hiking Close to Home* (available at bookstores in Island County)
- *Getting to the Water's Edge* (available at bookstores in Island County or through Sound Water Stewards' website)
- *Exploring Camano Island* (Available at hardware and gift stores on Camano)
- Washington State Parks information (Deception Pass and Fort Casey Park offices)
- Washington State Birding Trails (Available from Audubon Washington)
- *Sibley Field Guide to Birds of North America* (Available at bookstores and on the web)

And destination brochures:

- Island County Historical Museum, Coupeville
- Coupeville Wharf Display, Downtown Coupeville
- Langley Whale Center, Langley

And websites to search:

- Whidbey Camano Land Trust: wclt.org
- Sound Water Stewards of Island County: soundwaterstewards.org
- Whidbey Audubon Society: whidbeyaudubonsociety.org
- Island County Marine Resources Committee: islandcountymrc.org
- Washington Sea Grant Shoreline Ambassador Program: wsg.washington.edu/shoreline-ambassador-program

When you are ready to dive deeper in your exploration and learning, consider becoming a member of Sound Water Stewards (applications for the 2021 training waitlist are now open), Whidbey Audubon, or another local organization such as those listed above.

When you expand the circle and deepen the knowledge of people who find joy in Island County's shorelines, you support good stewardship of our wonderful natural surroundings.

I encourage you to delight in WOW! moments, explore boldly, learn eagerly, share your knowledge generously and kindly. Then, repeat the cycle again...and again...and again...and again...

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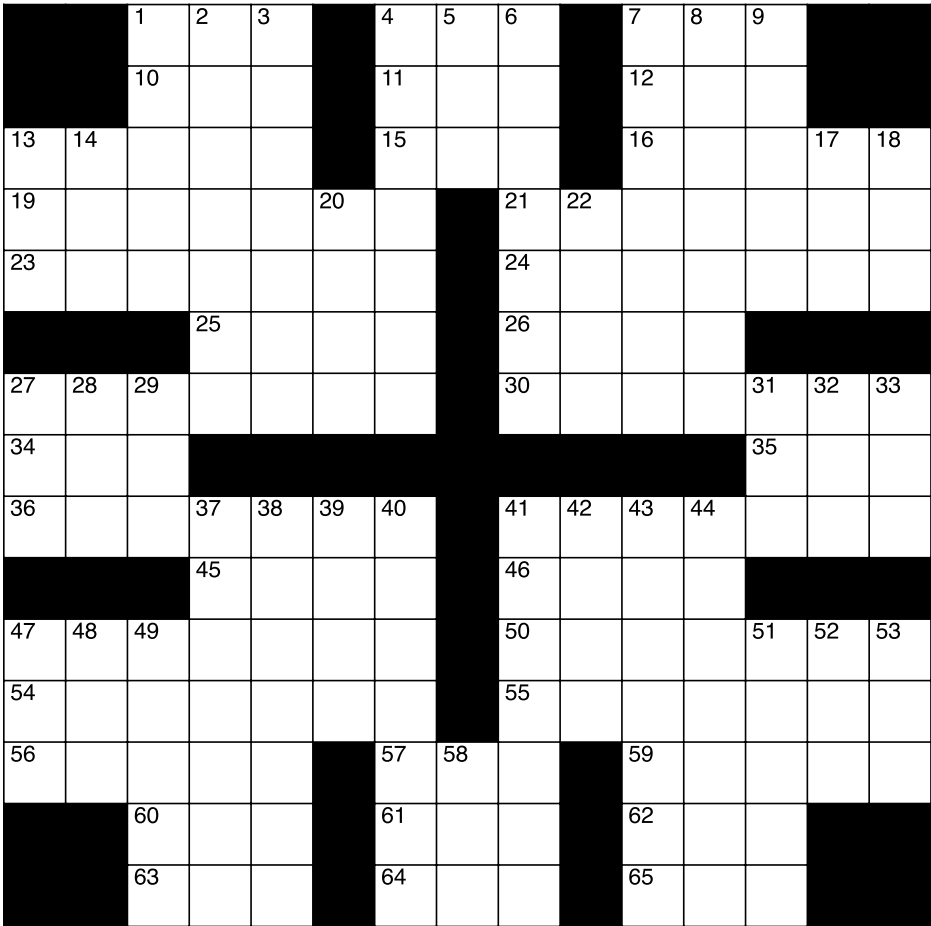
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Crossword Puzzle



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. __ fi: popular genre
- 4. Curved shape
- 7. Defunct airline
- 10. Beverage receptacle
- 11. Corporate bigwig
- 12. Belong to he
- 13. They cover cuts
- 15. Cost per mille
- 16. Walk into
- 19. Power-producing machine
- 21. Part of one's character perceived by others
- 23. Emotionally appealed to
- 24. Protected
- 25. Wrestling icon Okerlund
- 26. Thailand's former name
- 27. Muscle weaknesses
- 30. Chooses
- 34. American film studio
- 35. Expression of satisfaction
- 36. Mythical winged horse
- 41. Ballplayers
- 45. Edible seaweed
- 46. Chinese politician
- 47. Tested for fertility

- 50. Glove worn with medieval armor
- 54. Basaltic lavas
- 55. Small shoaling fish
- 56. Surrendered
- 57. Taxi
- 59. Potato part
- 60. Female sheep
- 61. Trouble or difficulty
- 62. Put into service
- 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 64. 17th letter of Greek alphabet
- 65. Type of student

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Frighten
- 2. Partner to corned beef
- 3. Parts
- 4. Agrees to a demand
- 5. Elected official
- 6. Navigator's tool
- 7. Relating to heat
- 8. Attractive
- 9. Wealthy US merchant
- 13. Engine additive
- 14. A passage with access only at one end
- 17. Midway between northeast and east
- 18. Cool!

- 20. Brazilian NBAer
- 22. NW Pennsylvania city
- 27. Young dog
- 28. Mimic
- 29. Large truck
- 31. The NFL's Newton
- 32. One and only
- 33. Diego, Francisco, Anselmo
- 37. Julie __, actress
- 38. More nourishing
- 39. Compound
- 40. A small carrier attached to the side of a motorcycle
- 41. Object of fear or alarm
- 42. __ Ladd, actor
- 43. Sacred place
- 44. A way to express enjoyment
- 47. Trigonometric function
- 48. A team's best pitcher
- 49. Intersecting points
- 51. Roundishly shaped
- 52. Adam's partner
- 53. God of battle (Scandinavian)
- 58. Human hormone

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

Thurs, March 18	Fri, March 19	Sat, March 20	Sun, March 21	Mon, March 22	Tues, March 23	Wed, March 24
<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-57°/L-44°</div> <div>Rainy and Breezy</div>	<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-54°/L-42°</div> <div>Rain</div>	<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-51°/L-41°</div> <div>Windy with Chance of Rain</div>	<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-51°/L-41°</div> <div>Windy with Showers Possible</div>	<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-49°/L-37°</div> <div>Showers Possible</div>	<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-51°/L-37°</div> <div>Showers Possible</div>	<div>North Isle</div> <div>H-52°/L-42°</div> <div>AM Showers PM Sunbreaks</div>
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OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What is the most positive thing about returning to school, besides seeing your friends?

Keydince Clark

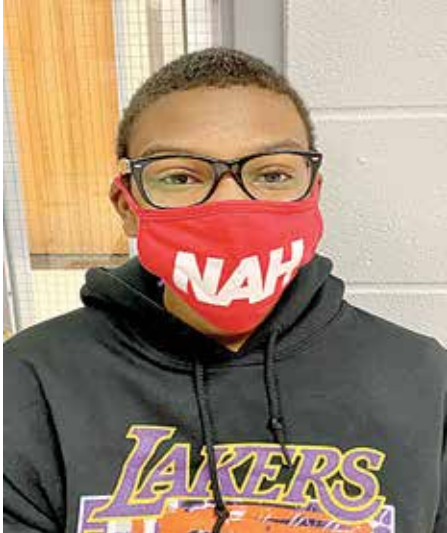
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"Being able to learn in person, learning on the computer is hard."

Robert Jones

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"It's easier for us to learn; the education is better."

Lillian Crawford

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"Being able to meet my teachers in person."

Charlie Schultz

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"Being able to get out of the house."

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Community Bulletin Board

To place an ad, email classifieds@whidbeyweekly.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pregnant? Need baby clothes? We have them and the price is right—FREE. Pregnancy Care Clinic, open Tuesday-Friday, 10am to 4pm and Saturday, 10 am to 2 pm. Stop by at 670 SE Midway Blvd. in Oak Harbor. The Whidbey Island community is encouraged to try out the paddling sport of dragon boating with the Stayin' Alive team. Our team's mission is to promote the physical, social, and emotional benefits of dragon boating. It has been shown to be especially beneficial to cancer survivors. Practice with us for up to 3 times for free. Life-jackets and paddles provided. Saturdays at the Oak Harbor Marina, 8:45am. Contact njlish@gmail.com. More info at our Facebook Page: www.facebook.com/NorthPugetSound-DragonBoatClub?ref=hl

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Island Shakespeare Festival is seeking new members to join our Board of Directors. We're looking for people who are passionate about high-quality live classical theater and can devote time and energy to support the work of Island Shakespeare Festival's important cultural, social, and fiscal position on Whidbey Island. Our current needs include individuals with backgrounds in the following areas: human resources, donor relations, finance, as well as other skills related to overseeing a performing arts organization. Board members are asked to provide input and feedback to the Board and staff of ISF, attend one full board meeting per month, serve actively on board committees, and attend activities and events sponsored by ISF. Women and persons of color strongly encouraged to apply. For more information, please contact jeff.natter@islandshakespearefest.org. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Island County (BBBSIC) is actively seeking new member(s) for its Board of Directors. Join the board's exciting array of professionals! BBBSIC is seeking individuals who are committed to defending

the potential of youth in our community through their time, skill sets, and influence in the community. To complement the existing board, candidates with expertise in accounting, law, nonprofit management, networking, or fundraising are of particular interest. Committed to diversifying its board to better represent our community, BBBSIC encourages BIPOC and LGBTQIA community members to inquire. Please contact admin@bbbsislandcounty.org for more information. The Island County Medical Reserve Corps (ICMRC) is a local network of volunteers organized to improve the health and safety of communities on Whidbey and Camano Island. Volunteers include medical and public health professionals as well as other community members with no prior healthcare background. ICMRC utilizes volunteers to strengthen community health, enhance emergency response capabilities, and boost community resiliency. They prepare for and respond to natural and manmade disasters such as winter storms, flooding, earthquakes, as well as public health emergencies such as disease outbreaks. If you are interested in volunteering please go to the Island County MRC website for more information or contact s.ziemer@islandcountywa.gov If you are looking for a meaningful volunteer opportunity, look no further! When you volunteer at one of the Habitat for Humanity of Island County stores, you are helping local families attain decent, affordable housing. Income from the stores is vital to giving families a path to homeownership. We need people who can commit to help out in our Oak Harbor or Freeland store at least two-hours per week. Schedules are flexible. Our friendly volunteers provide customer service, help with receiving donated household items and furniture, and maintain the store. We also need drivers and driver helpers who will professionally represent Habitat as they pick up donated items using our trucks. Please call either store for more information. Oak Harbor: 360-675-8733, Freeland: 360-331-6272. College student? Student of history? History buff? Opportunities are available to spend constructive volunteer hours at the Pacific Northwest Naval Air Museum. Go to www.pnwnam.org and click on "Volunteer" or just stop by and introduce yourself. Mother Mentors needs volunteers! Oak Harbor families

with young children need your help! Volunteer just a couple of hours a week to make a difference in someone's life! To volunteer or get more info, email wamothermentors@gmail.com or call 360-321-1484. Looking for board members to join the dynamic board of Island Senior Resources and serve the needs of Island County Seniors. Of particular interest are representatives from North Whidbey. For more information please contact: reception@islandseniorservices.org

JOB MARKET

HOA Property Manager: Sierra Country Club HOA in Coupeville is seeking a part-time property manager to provide facilities and grounds maintenance, repair, and oversight. Applicant should have: knowledge of swimming pool operations, general construction principles, facility repair and maintenance, and groundskeeping; experience supervising part-time and seasonal staff. Varied schedule, average 15-20 hours weekly, \$25/hour. Application available at: http://sier-racountryclub.net/index.php/Jobs_&_Volunteering (2) RECEPTIONIST: Branch Business Services, Inc. in Coupeville is looking for a Receptionist to manage the front desk on a daily basis and perform a variety of basic office and clerical tasks. Applicant must be a self-motivated individual with the ability to multitask and have great time-management skills. This position requires a professional attitude and appearance, ability to be resourceful and be proactive when issues arise and have excellent organizational skills. Qualification would include dependability, good work ethics, basic knowledge of Microsoft Office software. high school or equivalent, full time. If you are able, please hand deliver your

resume to Branch Business Services, Inc., 404 S Main, between the hours of 9am and 5pm. If you are unable to hand deliver your resume, please email it to dawn@branchbusinessservices.com (0) Assistant Gardener—Meerkerk Gardens: We are seeking a reliable and capable Assistant Gardener to perform, under general supervision, gardening and grounds keeping functions for a private garden open to the public in Greenbank, Wash. An ideal candidate will be physically fit, friendly, possess excellent interpersonal skills and ability to work as part of a team, professional, and have a passion for gardening and working outdoors. This position reports to the Garden Manager. Job to begin immediately. Duties & Responsibilities: Oversight and maintenance of the permanent and seasonal plantings: Weed management, watering, fertilizing, mulching, dead-heading, transplanting, pruning; Pests and diseases management as needed; Assist in the nursery. Walkway Maintenance: Weed management/edging; Gravel raking. Assistance with non-horticultural projects: Brush pick-up; Fencing/light carpentry; Irrigation and minor construction projects as needed; Special event preparation such as garden tours; Safe use and maintenance of standard garden equipment including tractor, mowers, trimmers; and leaf blowers, following health and safety regulations. Work Conditions – Outdoor physical work in all weather conditions; proper footwear required: Able to traverse uneven ground and moderate to difficult site conditions; Able to lift 40 pounds. Compensation: \$20/hour, part-time with opportunity for additional hours from March-Oct. and fewer hours Nov.-Feb. Some work on weekends may be required. Qualifications and Experience:

High school degree or GED; at least 1 year experience directly related to the duties and responsibilities specified; Valid driver's license and good driving record; Ability to read, understand, and follow directions and safety procedures with precision and attention to detail. Desired Skills: Knowledge of local climate, area history, regional plant life, and local pests and controls; Knowledge of horticultural best practices and effective garden techniques; Basic fluency with computer and MS Office. To apply, email your resume, cover letter and three garden-related professional references to: rmclung@meerkerkgardens.org or mail your resume to: Meerkerk Gardens - Garden Manager PO Box 154 Greenbank, WA 98253 (0) Island Transit is Hiring! If you are looking for a solid career with great pay and benefits including two retirement plans, we are hiring. Visit www.islandtransit.org/employment to apply. Island Transit is a drug and alcohol free workplace and an equal employment opportunity employer.

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