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BACK IN THE SWING OF THINGS

Bayview Corner Street Dances return

By Kacie Jo Voeller Whidbey Weekly

The sounds of summer have returned to Bayview, with bands playing every two weeks at the beloved Bayview Corner Street Dances.

The dances are held Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m. at the Bayview Cash Store located at 5603 Bayview Road. Admission is free, with beverages available for purchase. The event is put on by Goosefoot, a community organization committed to promoting a thriving South Whidbey. This year's lineup will include Janie Cribbs and the T.Rust Band July 28, Western Heroes Aug. 11, PETE the Band Aug. 25, and Eric Vanderbilt-Matthews Quartet (EVM Quartet) Sept. 8.

Sami Postma, special events and education coordinator at Goosefoot, said the community is excited to have the dance back after last year's cancellation due to COVID-19 concerns.

"It is a tradition people have dearly missed and so we are really excited and glad that we can bring those back," she said.

Postma said the event's organizers are taking a number of steps to follow safety standards while continuing to create a fun and welcoming atmosphere for all. She said updated guidelines will be posted on Goosefoot's website as well (goosefoot.org).

"We are readjusting how the bar works, so people can have more space," she said. "We bought more hand sanitizer stations as well so we are buying what gear we need and we are keeping an eye on what the current regulations are."

The event is another way Goosefoot works to bring people together in the Bayview area and beyond.

"One of the biggest parts of our mission is to connect

neighbors and really build a sense of community and place in Bayview and street dances are always great for that," Postma said. "It is a place for friends to come out and see each other and it is a place to meet new people."

Inclusivity and accessibility for all are also a key piece of the event, Postma said. She said the posters and social media posts for the dances had also been translated into Spanish.

"The dances are free for everybody," she said. "We do not charge anything and these are not fundraisers for us. We just wanted to provide an equal and open space for everybody to come no matter what their situation is. There is plenty of parking (and) the buses go right by there."

The bi-weekly event offers plenty of variety in terms of music, Postma said.

"We have a lot of different bands, too," she said. "There is something for everyone, we do not just stick with one style. Pretty much our only requirement is: 'Can people dance to this?'"

David Licastro, guitarist and vocalist of local band Western Heroes, said a number of factors make the event a great one.

"There are no age requirements," he said. "Families can come out, children can come out and I have been teaching music in the community since 1980. And so it is great to be playing and have young students be able to be there and see what I do, which if you are playing in a wine bar, that just does not happen. So that sort of complete community involvement that includes all ages makes this very special."

Licastro said he felt it was important for people to be able to reconnect with others in the community as COVID-related restrictions lift.

"It is hard to put that in words, but I think people are so ready to get out and be with other people that they used to be with on a somewhat regular basis," he said. "And to have an event like this, I think it is really important for people's basic morale."

Western Heroes brings music meant to be "danceable" Licastro shared.

"Stylistically, we are all over the map, from playing kind of punky polkas to rhythm and blues and sort of country-oriented stuff," he said. "It is just whatever we do so long as it makes people want to move. We do some cover tunes, but typically they are hand-picked, they are not necessarily something that was in the top 40, it is just our favorite songs that we would like to do. But most of it is original."

Dave Draper, guitarist for PETE the Band, said the event is one the group looks forward to playing year after year.



Photo Courtesy of Goosefoot
Janie Cribbs and the T. Rust Band will perform July 28 at the Bayview Corner Street Dance, bringing blues-style tunes and originals to the event.

"The thing that is really special about it is how unpretentious it is," he said. "It is just about people standing around in a parking lot with a band playing and having a beer and seeing people that they know really well."

Draper said some on the island have even called the band "Whidbey's quintessential garage band," and said he felt the street dances in Bayview could also be seen as a quintessential island event.

"What I really like about it is, it is kind of one of the last remaining vestiges of what the Whidbey community was like some time ago," he said. "We see all of our friends, there is no stage really separating anybody, so people come wandering down and wander around the stage and they are standing next to you."

After not being able to play the event last year, Draper said both the band and the community are looking forward to the return of the dances.

"There is a huge sense of relief that it is happening because we are in such a crazy time right now," he said.

Draper said the event is a great place for people to connect and offers a chance for the band to share its music in a fun and community-oriented atmosphere.

"Whidbey is a special place, and for us it is an opportunity to go and play," he said. "One of the things I like about it is that we can turn up – no one tells us to turn down or tells us to do this or do that. They just do a really good job and it is always fun."

For more information and updates, visit goosefoot.org.



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The Bayview Corner Street Dances are back and will provide a place for the community to come together again after the event's cancellation in 2020.

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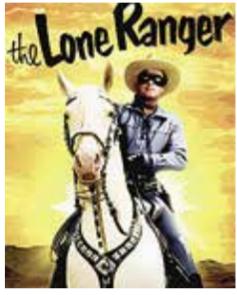


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ON TRACK

With Jim Freeman



The nice thing about my borrowed-12 years-ago Toshiba laptop is it warms up like I do. By the time the computer is through its security precautions, I have already had two cups of coffee.

Drug test

Thanks to the 3 by 5 cards on my desk, I kept a running total of the pharmaceuticals being hawked during TV commercials.

Don't you love it when the name of the drug is just as ridiculous as the generic name in small letters bracketed by parenthesis?

Would you rather buy Eliquis or Apixban? Same thing.

Dupixdent has really good theme music. I always watch the ad for the music.

Farxiga is another good one. An old Bill Withers song, *Lovely Day*, with the pharmaceutical as the chorus.

I have no idea what those two drugs are for, but neither did I know what Abdul was giving out when we were rafting down the Colorado River 40 years ago. All I remember is Reagan was president. Plus, the water level dropped 15 feet every morning when L.A. flushed before the automotive drivers hit their commute.

One of the side effects of Jardiance is dehydration. Not doing that one. I don't drink enough water as it is.

There are a lot of drugs on TV. It is difficult to watch their ads for too long without feeling sick.

Call me symptomatic, but I keep track when a commercial mentions one of my symptoms. When I get to 10, I hit the mute button.

The Lone Ranger

Just like listening to a good music station on your car radio while driving across the desert, the music of a *Lone Ranger* episode is home sweet home for my ears.

My first exposure to classical music was *The Lone Ranger*. It is not just the opening and closing of the show with William Tell and the Overtures, but the background music for many scenes.

A third grader can tell when the bad guys are coming, the good guys are going, or it is time for another Cheerios commercial.

As quoted by Reginald M. Jones, Jr. in his classic, *The Mystery of the Masked Man's Music*, there is this definition from a definition from *The Reader's Digest* - "An intellectual is a person who can listen to the *William Tell Overture* and not think of *The Lone Ranger*."

Call it living in the past, but for me, the music from old episodes of *The Lone Ranger* is healing.

Who needs Big Pharma? I have *The Lone Ranger*. Plus, *The Lone Ranger* is the real reason I still wear a mask.

Reader submission

Dear Tide:

I am writing to say what an excellent product you have! I've used it all of my married life, as my Mom always told me it was the best. Now that I am in my 50s, I find it even better!

About a month ago, I spilled some red wine on my new white blouse. My inconsiderate and uncaring husband started to belittle me about how clumsy I was, and generally started becoming a pain in the neck. One thing led to another and somehow I ended up with his blood on my new white blouse! I grabbed my bottle of Tide with bleach alternative, and to my surprise and satisfaction, all of the stains came out!

In fact, the stains came out so well the detectives who came by yesterday told me the DNA tests on my blouse were negative and then my attorney called and said I was no longer considered a suspect in the disappearance of my husband. What a relief! Going through menopause is bad enough without being a murder suspect! I thank you, once again, for having a great product.

Well, gotta go, have to write to the Hefty bag people.

Last weekend

After all these years of working a microphone, I finally broke down. I went to Amazon's web site and bought my first lectern. A portable presentation lectern.

When the lectern was delivered in a long flat box, I knew I would soon be reading instructions.

The suggested set up time was 30 minutes. Two and a half hours later, all I had left was a lonely washer. The lectern was ready.

Today I had a practice lecture. Like any other day, I talked to myself.

The subject matter was a surprise to me. Finally, I figured out what it was and began to talk faster.

Self-confidence is a funny thing. Who knew having my own lectern would make such a difference?

Jokes for kids

Thanks to the *Parade* magazine website, we have some clean jokes to share.

What do you call a boomerang that won't come back? A stick.

Two pickles fell out of a jar onto the floor. What did one say to the other? Dill with it.

Why didn't the quarter roll down the hill with the nickel? Because it had more cents.

Why is six afraid of seven? Because seven eight nine.

What do you call a sleeping bull? A bulldozer.

What did the ocean say to the pirate? Nothing, it just waved.

Why don't pirates shower before they walk the plank? Because they'll just wash up on shore later.

Grandma's corner

Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under the trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time. ~John Lubbock

I am not afraid of storms for I am learning how to sail my ship. ~Louisa May Alcott

It is the simple things of life that make living worthwhile, the sweet fundamental things such as love and duty, work and rest, and living close to nature. ~Laura Ingalls Wilder

Cash claim

Just for grins, I entered my name, rank, and serial number in the Washington Department of Revenue's Claimyourcash.org.

No matter how many different zip codes I tried, my name was not listed for unclaimed cash prizes.

This experience was not unlike pull tabs. It occupied time without reward.

Air travel

Despite what was erroneous information included with my driver's license renewal last month, we have until September 2023 to get a Real ID or a federally acceptable document for airport security.

What a relief. Two more years of federally induced procrastination.

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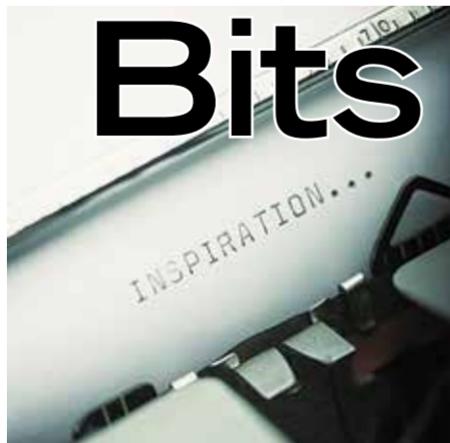
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Outdoor Burning Ban in Island County

Type II Burn Ban in Effect

Burn Ban - Type II includes a ban on all outdoor burning in unincorporated Island County, including a ban on recreational fires that were otherwise exempt from a Type I burn ban, and including a ban on the use and discharge of consumer fireworks, unless the use and discharge of such fireworks are authorized by a permit issued by the local fire official. The use of barbecue grills using propane or briquettes, or self-contained camp stoves are exempt from Type II burn bans and these items may still be used.

The danger of outdoor fires is very high right now. Please use extreme caution with any ignition source.

PROCLAMATION and PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, by July 15, 2021, atmospheric conditions of reduced moisture levels, low humidity, and warmer weather have increased the risk of fire within the confines of Island County,

THEREFORE, in concurrence with the Fire Protection Districts of Whidbey and Camano Islands and the Northwest Clean Air Agency, I, Sheriff Rick Felici, serving as the Island County Fire Marshal, do hereby proclaim a BAN on ALL outdoor burning within the entirety of Island County

REPORT VIOLATIONS TO 911

This ban will remain in effect until further notice.

Sheriff Rick Felici
Island County Fire Marshal

Whidbey SAR Conducts Two Rescues Sunday

Search and Rescue (SAR) teams from Naval Air Station (NAS) Whidbey Island conducted rescues in the Olympic National Forest and near Mount Baker Sunday, July 18.

In the first rescue in the early afternoon, the SAR team responded to a call to extract a 39-year-old female mountain climber at about 9,000 feet in the saddle between Colfax Peak and Mount Baker. The climber had suffered a possible broken ankle and injuries to her neck, back and legs.

After a short search, the SAR crew found the climbers and were able to land nearby. The SAR team transported the climber to St. Joseph Hospital in Bellingham.

Later that day, SAR was called to rescue a 47-year-old male who had fallen 100 feet while hiking at about 1,800 feet on Mount Ellinor in the Olympic National Forest. The hiker had a head injury and broken leg. The SAR crew launched at about 6:00PM and quickly found the group of hikers and the injured patient on a trail. By about 7:15PM the patient and his spouse were hoisted aboard the SAR helicopter and taken to Harbor View Medical Center in Seattle.

Naval Air Station Whidbey Island SAR has conducted 26 missions this calendar year, which includes five MEDEVACs, 18 rescues, and three searches.

The Navy SAR unit operates three MH-60S helicopters from NAS Whidbey Island as search and rescue/medical evacuation (SAR/MEDEVAC) platforms for the EA-18G aircraft as well as other squadrons and personnel assigned to the installation. Pursuant to the National SAR Plan of the United States, the unit may also be used for civil SAR/MEDEVAC needs to the fullest extent practicable on a non-interference basis

with primary military duties according to applicable national directives, plans, guidelines and agreements; specifically, the unit may launch in response to tasking by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center (based on a Washington State Memorandum of Understanding) for inland missions, and/or tasking by the United States Coast Guard for all other aeronautical and maritime regions, when other assets are unavailable.

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

Nominate Someone Today for the 2021 Civility First Awards

"Civility First... So We Can Work Together" announces the first ever Civility Awards.

The awards by the western Washington-based nonprofit will recognize and celebrate individuals and groups selected from nominees from Island, Jefferson, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Whatcom Counties who work to mend relationships and build bridges. Civility First is looking for those actively pursuing discourse and engaging in meaningful dialog with others. The awards will highlight efforts taken by recipients to depolarize interactions and bring people together.

The award criteria stresses respect, integrity, kindness, engagement, inclusiveness, objectivity and effort to seek common ground. Nominated individuals or groups must have worked with or treated others in an honorable and respectful manner regardless of political affiliation, religious belief, age, race, sexual orientation or other differences.

The nomination period is open now through Aug. 25 and nominations should be emailed by the end of the nomination period.

Award recipients will be announced based upon nominations received or submitted. The winner in each category will be notified by the end of September and publicly recognized during October's Civility Month celebrations.

The nomination form is available through the Civility First website, www.civilityfirst.org/nominations-for-2021-civility-award.html.

[Submitted by Ken Harvey, Civility First]

Tee Up for Scholarship Fund

Grab your golf clubs and help the American Legion Auxiliary George Morris Unit #129 support local high school youth continue their education.

The golf tournament is set for Saturday, Aug. 21 from 9:30AM to noon at Lam's Links, 597 Ducken Road in Oak Harbor. The tournament is open to everyone, no matter the level of experience and will be a two-person blind draw partner format. Check-in starts at 8:30AM with a shotgun start at 9:30AM, rain or shine. A nonrefundable registration fee of \$25 per person includes a 9-hole round of golf and lunch at the American Legion following the tournament. Limited clubs are available at the golf course for the usual course fee. Cash prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place.

Registration forms can be found at the American Legion Post #129, 690 SE Barrington Dr., Oak Harbor or at Lam's Links. Registration sheets are due July 31. Register today as there is only room for 48 golfers.

For more information, contact Jan Sabalausky at 360-969-4722 or the American Legion at 360-675-2411. All COVID protocols will be followed.

Anyone wishing to donate to the fundraiser – either monetarily or items for a drawing – please contact Jan at the number above.

[Submitted by Mary Jones]

100 Days Without Js J-Pod Absent from Core Summer Habitat for 100 Days and Counting

May through September used to be heralded as the peak season for seeing the Southern Resident killer whales in the Salish Sea. For decades, J-Pod, K-Pod, and L-Pod were here

so frequently the inland waters of Washington and British Columbia were designated the core summer habitat for these endangered orcas. They used to be seen on a near-daily basis for months on end. Now, we've passed a grim milestone: 100 consecutive days without J-Pod.

J-Pod was last seen in the San Juan Islands April 10. K-Pod made a brief visit to the Salish Sea July 1 before heading back west to the outer coast; other than that, K-Pod and L-Pod have not been documented in inland waters since late February. While members of all three pods have been spotted at Swiftsure Bank off the western end of the Strait of Juan de Fuca in July, none of them have taken their typical summer route to follow Chinook salmon migrating towards the Fraser River.

"We published a study in 2018 showing the declining spring presence of the Southern Residents and its correlation to the crashing of the Fraser River Chinook salmon runs," said Monika Wieland Shields, director of the Orca Behavior Institute. "We never thought their summer visits would also diminish so soon. We never thought we would see an absence of more than three months."

J-Pod has historically been documented in the Salish Sea nearly every month of every year. "For the first time since Orca Survey began in 1976, we have gone 100 days without the most 'resident' of the three pods in our waters during the peak season," explained Dr. Michael Weiss, a biologist with the Center for Whale Research. "This is a sure sign of dire, drastic changes in the Salish Sea and Fraser River ecosystems."

"As much as we miss seeing the Southern Residents, we all hope they are finding plentiful food off the coast, enough for the population to grow and thrive," said Cindy Hansen of Orca Network. "They used to spend their summers here, having greeting ceremonies, and socializing with one another. The lack of salmon may be impacting more than their health and ability to reproduce. It may also be depriving them of an important part of who they are as a society."

Bigg's killer whales, humpback whales, minke whales, and occasional gray whales are still being seen with regularity in the Salish Sea as the summer progresses. "There are whales here, but there is no replacing the Southern Residents," said Shields. "We all feel it. We trust they are doing what they need to do, but it is not the same without them."

[Submitted by Monika Wieland Shields, Orca Behavior Institute]

Local Business News

Oak Harbor's Read and Create Space Hosts Free Book Swap and Creative Activities Event

The new Read and Create Space of Oak Harbor, located at 210 S.E. Pioneer Way, is hosting its next free, community event Wednesday from 4:00 to 7:00PM.

The Read and Create Space events are fun and creative events where people of all ages are invited to come and enjoy free books, games, and puzzles. While visiting, guests are encouraged to take some time and utilize a variety of art supplies and creative activities being offered.

Guests are welcome to bring books to donate, if they wish, and/or select from books donated.

Donations of books and/or usable art supplies are welcome at the Read and Create Space's collection box at the Oak Harbor Sears store.

These events are seeking volunteers. Hosts are needed, as well as people to help sort books and donations between events.

Find Read and Create Space on Facebook: [Facebook.com/ReadandCreateSpaceOakHarbor](https://www.facebook.com/ReadandCreateSpaceOakHarbor).

[Submitted by Amy Hannold, Read and Create Space]

The right emotions can be useful in investing

You may have heard that it's important to take the emotions out of investing. But is this true for all emotions?

Certainly, some emotions can potentially harm your investment success. Consider fear. If the financial markets are going through a down period – which is actually a normal part of the investment landscape – you might be so afraid of sustaining losses that you sell even the investments that have good prospects and are suitable for your needs.

Greed is another negative emotion. When the financial markets are rising, you might be so motivated to "cash in" on some big gains that you will keep purchasing investments that might already be overpriced – and since these investments are already expensive, your dollars will buy fewer shares.

In short, the combination of fear and greed could cause you trouble.

But other emotions may prove useful. For example, if you can channel the joy you'll feel upon achieving your investment goals, you may be more motivated to stay on track toward achieving them. To illustrate: You may want to see your children graduate from college someday. Can you visualize them walking across the stage, diplomas in hand? If so, to help realize this goal, you might find yourself ready and willing to contribute to a college savings vehicle, such as a 529 plan. Or consider your own retirement: Can you see yourself traveling or pursuing your hobbies or taking part in whatever activities you've envisioned for your retirement lifestyle? If you can keep this happy picture in mind, you may find it easier to maintain the discipline needed to consistently invest in your IRA, 401(k) or other investment accounts.

Another motivating force is the most powerful emotion of all – love. If you have loved ones who depend on you, such as a spouse and children, you need to protect their future. One key element of this protection is the life insurance necessary to take care of your family's needs – housing, education and so on – should something happen to you. Your employer may offer group life insurance coverage, but it might not be sufficient, so you may want to supplement it with your own policy.

Furthermore, you may need to protect your loved ones from another threat – your own vulnerability to the need for long-term care. Someone turning age 65 today has almost a 70% chance of eventually needing some type of long-term care, according to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This type of care, such as an extended nursing home stay or the help of a home health aide, is extremely expensive, and, for the most part, is outside the reach of Medicare. So, to pay for long-term care, you might have to drain a good part of your resources – or depend on your grown children for financial help.

To keep your financial independence and avoid possibly burdening your family, you may want to consult with a financial professional who can recommend a strategy and appropriate solutions to cover long-term care costs.

By drawing on positive emotions, you can empower yourself to make the right financial moves throughout your life.

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What's Going On



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

Lions Club Swap Meet

Saturday, July 24, 9:00AM-2:00PM
Blue Fox Drive-In, Oak Harbor

An opportunity for all businesses, vendors, garage, yard and estate sellers a chance to reach more buyers by selling their wares at an outdoor, free, family and pet friendly community event. For more information, call 360-679-9468 or email wilclions@gmail.com.

The Wellerman Cometh

Saturday, July 24, 1:00-2:00PM
Community Center Courtyard, Langley

Saturday, July 24, 4:00-5:00PM
Town Park Pavilion, Coupeville

Join Saratoga Orchestra with special guests, The Shifty Sailors. Two performances. Free admission, reserve your free tickets at PNWmusic.org.

Whidbey Playhouse Auditions

Saturday, July 24, 1:00PM

Sunday, July 25, 1:00PM

Star Studio, 730 SE Midway Blvd, Oak Harbor

The Whidbey Playhouse is holding auditions for "Tea for Three: Lady Bird, Pat & Betty." Roles are available for three dedicated, committed and strong female actors, aged 25-65. Electronic versions of the script are available by contacting the Playhouse office at 360-679-2237 or office@whidbeyplayhouse.

com. All those auditioning must provide proof of full COVID vaccination prior to entry. No guests allowed.

Live Music: Groove Kitchen

Saturday, July 24, 6:00-9:00PM
Penn Cove Taproom, Freeland

Groove Kitchen is a high energy dance band with an accent on classic R&B. No cover. For more information, visit www.penncovebrewing.com.

American Roots Music Series

Saturday, July 24, 7:00-8:00PM

Deception Pass State Park, North Beach Amphitheater

Briar sings vintage jazz, blues and original music. Her songs and stories shine a light on singers and tales that have been forgotten by the country that created them. The concert is free to attend, though a Discover Pass or Day Pass is required for parking. Bench seating is available, but feel free to bring your own folding chair. Blankets and bug spray are highly recommended. For more information, visit: http://parks.state.wa.us/folkarts, or contact Makaela Kroin, program coordinator, at Makaela.Kroin@parks.wa.gov or 360-902-8635.

Street Dance: Janie Cribbs & T.Rust

Wednesday, July 28, 6:00-8:00PM

Bayview Cash Store, 5603 Bayview Rd, Langley

Janie Cribbs & T.Rust provides powerhouse vocals laced with gritty guitar featuring original soulful songs, compelling stories and blues-drenched licks. Rain or shine! Free admission and family friendly. Beverages are available

for purchase. Keep an eye on https://goose-foot.org/news-events/ for up-to-date information on COVID-19 safety regulations in place at the time.

Meetings & Organizations

Washington State Redistricting Commission Public Outreach Meeting

Saturday, July 24, 10:00AM-12:00PM
Zoom Webinar, TVW, & YouTube

The Washington State Redistricting Commission has scheduled a second round of public outreach meetings to solicit public input on the drawing of new congressional and state legislative district maps. To contribute in the meeting, you will need to register as a participant to receive a Zoom invite. If you do not register, you will not be allowed to contribute during the meeting.

You DO NOT need to register if you only want to watch.

You can watch the meetings live at TVW (for English and Spanish broadcasts) or the Commission's YouTube page for broadcasts in English with American Sign Language interpretation.

For those wishing to comment during the public comment portion of the meeting, please register by Saturday July 24 at 9:00AM. If you do not register by this time, you will not be allowed to comment during the meeting.

You can find more information about the Washington State Redistricting Commission and a link to register for the meeting at www.redistricting.wa.gov/index.html.

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SPORT ANGLERS DESERVE MORE HATCHERY CHINOOKS – HERE'S THE PROOF

What more evidence does the State of Washington need? Let the successful fish hatcheries go into full Chinook salmon recovery mode! I can't begin to understand why the state continues to support reduced hatchery fish production. Over the past 15 years, Olympia's bureaucrats, anti-hatchery individuals and organizations like the Wild Fish Conservancy Group (located in Duvall, Wash.) and misguided federal agency studies by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) have severely limited hatchery salmon and steelhead production. This type of thinking restricts economic growth within the state's huge sport fishing community. Why does the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) stomach knowing thousands of taxpaying recreational anglers' dreams of a decent summer salmon season will likely get pulled out from under them in the Puget Sound?

What evidence/proof am I talking about? Let's step back in time a few years. Beginning with the 2016 summer salmon season, Marine Area 7 has been opening the first of July with a combination of hatchery-only and a pre-determined restricted quota of retainable Chinook salmon. Washington State co-managed fisheries personnel seem to think 1,300 to 1,500 summer Chinook salmon encounters are all they can allow us to fish for each year. But wait! Since 2016, the retainable quotas have been hatchery fish only! Keeping a wild fish has been out of the question. There is clear proof that if it weren't for the hatchery fish, we would have no Marine Area 7 Chinook fishing, period. Why on earth would the WDFW not want a large increase of healthy hatchery Chinooks to be produced when clipped/ marked fish is all they will legally let us keep?

This July, the allotted quota of hatchery (clipped/ marked) Chinooks in Area 7 was 1,380 fish. This quota was caught in just seven days and Marine Area 7 was suspended for hatchery Chinook. For anglers who got out on the water to catch and keep their one-fish-per-day limit, the bite was fantastic! For all license-carrying anglers who were on the job or out of the area on

vacation, maybe next summer for Marine Area 7; and don't forget the co-managed WDFW agreed to take our 2021/2022 winter Blackmouth season away, too.

To summarize, if the state is only going to let us keep hatchery fish, then why not produce more of them? This would allow for larger catch quotas, reduce the focused fishing pressure and ensure longer seasons. It would help increase business revenue and raise anglers' positive fishing spirits. The state has nothing to lose! In my opinion, the recreational/sport fishermen desperately need enough brave Washington State legislators with enough spirit to say "enough is enough" to the anti-hatchery lobbyists and federal study groups that refuse to acknowledge the proof. I would ask all sport anglers to support any and all efforts they may encounter to increase state and national salmon production. Only you and I can force positive change.

Lucky for us there is more than just Chinook salmon returning to the Sound. This year's Skagit River sockeye run is doing well enough to open up Baker Lake to anglers. I have seen reports of small catches of coho and pink salmon being caught at this time and it will only get better from here on out. Marine Area 9 (MA-9) opened July 16; it will be interesting to see how long the season goes with a similar quota of chinooks. I hope we all get a chance to get on the water and hook into a nice, fresh salmon before fishing is suspended. While out trolling for chinooks, here is a good thing to do: Keep one or two spinning rods pre-rigged and ready with a "Buzz Bomb" just in case a coho or pink salmon happens to jump near the boat; have the crew members who are not tending to a trolling rod cast at the jumping fish – if their aim is good, you could catch that traveling fish.

The state finally got some hard copies of the regulations distributed; with all of the format changes in and out of the booklet. Be sure to take some time to get familiar with its contents.

Keep fishing, enjoy the water with friends and family and GOOD LUCK out there!

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Central Whidbey workday helps build community

By Kathy Reed Whidbey Weekly

It may not be happening until Sept. 25, but already volunteers with Central Whidbey Hearts & Hammers (CWHH) are hard at work making plans for the first workday the organization has had in well over a year.

The nonprofit, which serves residents living within the Coupeville School District boundaries, is the very definition of neighbors helping neighbors.

"Our goal is to help homeowners who can't afford to maintain their homes and to provide a venue for the community to come together helping neighbors,"

described Jim Short, board member and the house general for CWHH. "Projects range from yard cleanup and trash removal to wheelchair ramps and window replacement."

"We prioritize health and safety issues," explained CWHH board president Kelly Keilwitz. "Examples include repairs of stairways, railings, decks, floors, windows, gutters, etc. However, we include many other tasks that can help to reduce a homeowner's feeling of overwhelm, such as yard cleanup, painting, repairing fences, trash and debris removal, etc. Leaking roofs are often an issue for many of our disadvantaged neighbors. However, we are not able to repair many roofs due to the safety issues with our volunteers."

Normally held in May but sidelined because of COVID-19, volunteers say they are thrilled to be able to once again help fulfill CWHH's mission. Between 15 and 20 projects will be on the schedule Sept. 25, so those who may qualify for no- or low-cost assistance as part of the workday are encouraged to apply. (cwheartsandhammers.org or call 360-720-2114)



"For Central Whidbey Hearts & Hammers, the neighbors we help must live within the Coupeville School District and be physically and financially unable to make the repairs themselves," Keilwitz said. "All work and materials are free to qualifying homeowners. Sometimes we'll help some of our elderly neighbors who, though financially able, are reluctant to ask for help or are incapable of hiring someone to help them. Such homeowners may help with the material costs of their projects."

Keilwitz said the past 16 months has been difficult for members of an organization whose soul purpose is connecting with members of the community.

"The unknown status of the COVID pandemic measures over the past year left all organizations, including CWHH, unable to plan ahead," said Keilwitz. "Our annual workday is an event that depends on the community getting together to share meals and help our neighbors. And 'getting together' is exactly what we could not do."

While the workdays could not be held, that doesn't mean members of CWHH haven't been busy. Necessity, as they say, is the mother of invention, so CWHH invented a safe way to continue to help neighbors in desperate need of help.

"Central Whidbey Hearts and Hammers shifted our focus from the annual workday to our HEART program," Keilwitz said. "The Homeowner Emergency Action Response Team is available year round to help homeowners with emergencies that just can't wait for the annual workday. The HEART teams can be managed to be safe and work within the COVID response restrictions."

Safety will remain a priority, should health guidelines change as the workday approaches.

"At this point we are planning for the group morning meeting and the dinner at the end of the workday, but we are ready to modify that if COVID conditions change," Short said.

"We'll follow the state's recommendations," agreed Keilwitz. "Such restrictions, if in place, may include handing out boxed meals instead of gathering for the traditional breakfast and dinner. At work sites volunteers may need to maintain physical distance, wear masks, etc."

After such a long time, volunteers are ready to grab a hammer, a shovel, a saw, a rake – whatever is needed to get the selected projects done.

"It feels good to achieve our mission of 'Neighbors Helping Neighbors' again, [being] able to help homeowners this year," Keilwitz said.

CWHH is not the only such organization on Whidbey Island. It all began with the Hearts & Hammers organization on south Whidbey, from which the central Whidbey organization grew. CWHH in turn, helped start North Whidbey Hearts & Hammers a couple of years ago. The north Whidbey group will hold a workday Saturday, Sept. 11. (nwheartsandhammers.org.) SWHH was unable to schedule a workday this year due to the pandemic, but the organization is having a community party from noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19 at Bayview Community Hall with food, music and information for homeowners and those interested in volunteering. (heartsandhammers.com)

For anyone who is interested in lending a helping hand, volunteers are always welcome at any of the Whidbey Island Hearts & Hammers organizations. Carpentry skills are not necessary.



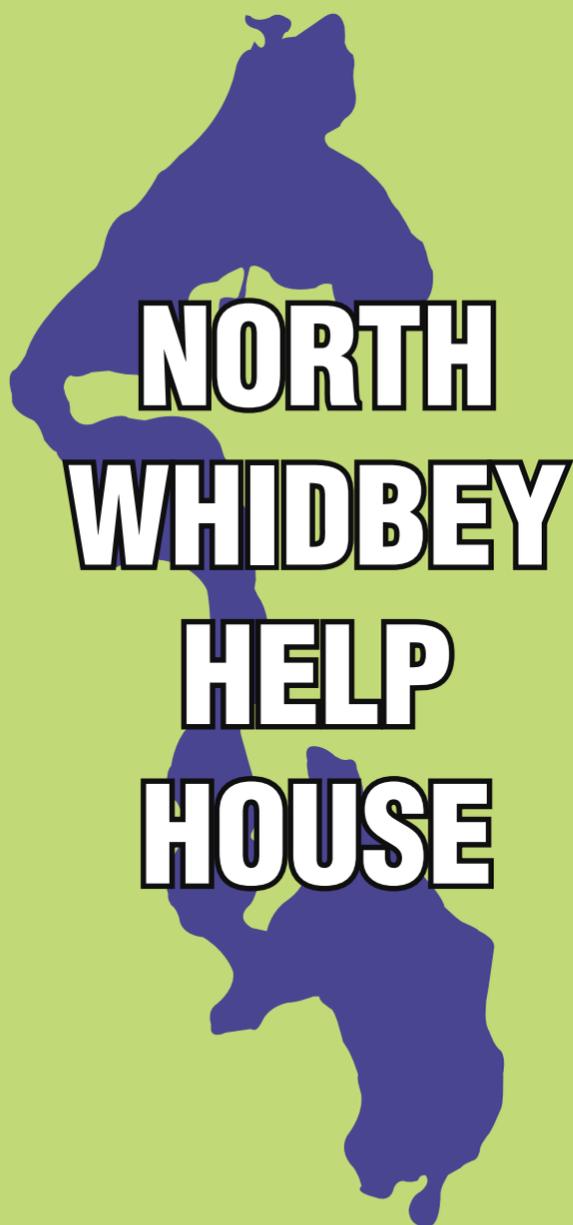
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Homeowners who live within the Coupeville School District boundaries and cannot afford to pay for repairs or projects can apply to Central Whidbey Hearts & Hammers for potential cost-free help. The nonprofit has scheduled a workday for Saturday, Sept. 25.

"We can always use more volunteers," Keilwitz said. "Not all of our volunteers can help every year. So, we like having a big pool of volunteers to tap. We can really use more volunteers willing to be house captains. House captains organize and lead each project. Although helpful, construction experience is not necessary to be a house captain. The important skill is being able to organize people and interact with the homeowner."

"Also, not all volunteers help out on homeowner projects," Keilwitz continued. "Volunteers are also needed to help with meals, drive trucks and trailers to the solid waste facility and such. And we do have a few open positions on our board of directors, for anyone who would like to help shape the future of CWHH."

Anyone interested in getting involved as a volunteer, or homeowners who are in need of assistance, can find out more at cwheartsandhammers.org.

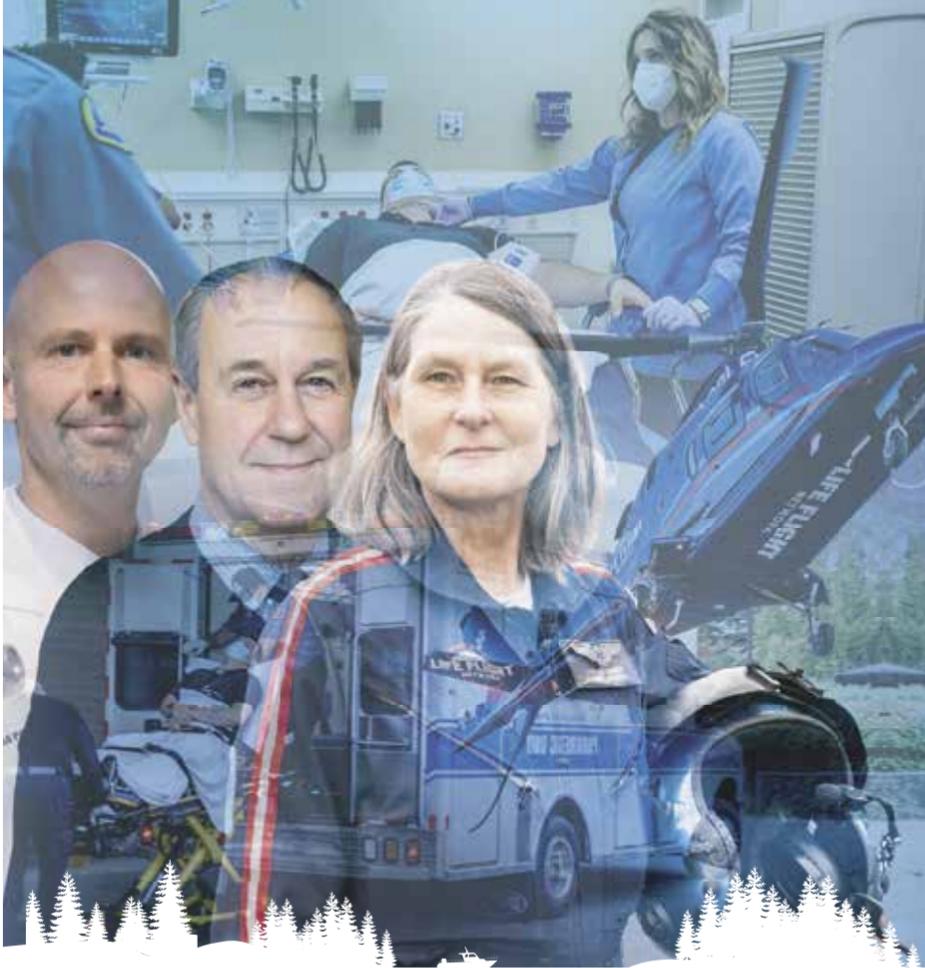
"It's difficult to ask for help," Keilwitz said. "But everyone needs help, sometimes. That's what community is all about. CWHH is your community, here to help you. Please ask."



On July 7, 1977, Help House was chartered with the state of WA and designated as a 501(c)3 by the IRS. Throughout the years, our mission has not changed - providing food to our neighbors on the north end of Whidbey Island. We could not have continued to do this without the help of our community. From all of us at Help House, thank you all for your love, support and commitment. We couldn't feed our neighbors in need without YOU! Here's to another 44 years!

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Family Guide

By Amy Hannold

Whidbey Island Scavenger Hunt to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Island County: Join in on a fun-filled adventure while raising funds to help kids here in Island County. The Whidbey Island Scavenger Hunt runs from 11 a.m. July 23 to 4 p.m. Aug. 2. Take on a wide variety of challenges, suitable for all ages, in this island-wide, digital scavenger hunt. The hunt will be comprised of safe, socially distanced quests like taking photos, making videos, finding secret locations, answering trivia, and more.

This event is also a peer-to-peer fundraiser, with each scavenger having a \$150 minimum fundraising goal via a text-to-give code. The first 100 participants to reach their fundraising goal will receive two free tickets to Woodland Park Zoo, with more prizes for top fundraisers.

Completed challenges will be submitted through the Eventzee app, which is available for free through the App Store and Google Play Store. Register as an individual or in teams of two, paying \$10 per Scavenger. Daily giveaways and prizes based on the top scavengers will be awarded. bbbsislandcounty.org/wish

The La Conner Classic Boat & Car Show: Saturday, Aug. 7, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. See cars on parade, with a Car Cruise beginning at 3 p.m. Admission is free.

NAS Whidbey Seaplane Base Exchange Car Show: Saturday, Aug. 7, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Base

access and masks are required to attend this free event.

Whidbey Cruzers Antique Cars: As part of the By the Harbor Vintage Vendor Market, Saturday, Aug. 14 in downtown Oak Harbor, Whidbey Cruzers will display antique cars from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Market hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free.

America's Night Out Against Crime: National Night Out is a free, crime-prevention, community-connecting event with emergency vehicles on display, demonstrations and more. This year's event will be held in Oak Harbor Tuesday, Aug. 3, 4:30 to 7 p.m., at Windjammer Park.

A Weekend of Creativity: Sixty-plus artists will have their studio doors open for you to see how they create during the free Whidbey Working Artists Summer Open Studio Tour, Aug. 21 and 22, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Each artist demonstrates a different medium, including sculpture, watercolor, print, fine woodworking, hand-blown glass, hand-thrown pottery, acrylic, oil, fiber, jewelry, photography, encaustic and mixed media. View a tour map and brochure at Whidbeyworkingartists.com.

Autism Support in Island County: Island County now has a website relating to the Autism Spectrum Disorder to assist residents. The Autism Partnership of Island County (APIC) site is designed to walk you through the process of potential concern, to diagnosis and beyond. There is information about autism screening and evaluations, connection to

resources and support, FAQs and more. The APIC website also includes the Island County Parent to Parent Disability Resource Guide, Autism Resource Guide and the Behavioral Health Resource Guide, under resources. The website is presented in English and Spanish: Pilotace.org. Island County Parent to Parent, with support and information for families of children with developmental disabilities, remains available to local parents and caregivers: 360-632-7539.

Healthy Island Youth Initiative Scholarships: HIYI Scholarships can be requested to cover an Island County youth's sports registration fees, equipment vouchers, and other expenses that are a barrier to pursuing an organized physical activity. The goal of offering HIYI Scholarships is to provide confidential support to Island County youth who, without this financial assistance, would not be able to participate in a physical activity that meets their interests. Qualifying families need to be receiving assistance for either free or reduced school lunches, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Aid for Dependent Children, or be a foster child. 360-678-7935.

SUMMER EVENTS IN DECEPTION PASS STATE PARK

The following events are free, open to all ages, and no reservations are required. A Washington State Discover Pass is required for park use.

The Discovery Center at Rosario is now open to the public Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. Stop by to explore ocean life through crafts, specimens, books, microscopes, and more.

The American Roots Music Series concert series featuring live music happens every Saturday evening at 7 p.m., through Aug. 28, at the North Beach Amphitheater. Seating is limited, plan to arrive early or bring your own chairs to enjoy music from the beach.

All-ages Junior Ranger Programs run every weekday afternoon at 3:30 p.m. and every Saturday at 1:30, 2:20 and 3:30 p.m. Evening programs are Monday through Thursday, beginning at 7 p.m. All Junior Ranger Programs are located at the North Beach Amphitheater.

AUGUST IS FAMILY FUN MONTH, HERE ARE SOME SITES FOR INSPIRATION:

Color the World, with Coloringnature.org: 650+ FREE coloring sheets for kids and adults. Categories include serious science: biomes, anatomy, animals, plants and more.

STEM and STEAM for Families of All Ages: Stepoweredfamily.com sparks curiosity and a love for learning, regardless of ability, with recipes, seasonal fun, challenges, experiments and information for promoting positive mental health in children.

Learn a Language: With Duolingo.com, when you're playing the games, you're learning a new language. The free version offers 35 world languages you can add to your repertoire.

Art Lessons for Kids and Adults: Free step-by-step instructions to explore your artistic interests. Drawing, painting and creating at Youtube.com/c/WildFreeandCrafty.

The **Seek by iNaturalist** app is a mobile assistant to help you identify plants or animals you see, using your smartphone/device camera. Optionally, you can join the iNaturalist community to share and discover observations world-wide. Its Facebook page is a gem for those who love nature. iNaturalist.org

SUMMER FAIR FUN BEYOND WHIDBEY:

Skagit County Fair, in Mount Vernon, Aug. 11-14 (Skagitcounty.net).

Northwest Washington Fair in Lynden, Aug. 12-21, (Nwwfair.com).

Evergreen State Fair in Monroe, Aug. 26-31, and Sept. 2-6, (Evergreenfair.org).

Washington State Fair in Puyallup, Sept. 3-26 (Thefair.com).

UPCOMING EVENTS OF NOTE:

Hydros for Heroes: July 31 and Aug. 1, HydrosforHeroes.com

Anacortes Arts Festival: Aug. 6-8, AnacortesArtsFestival.com.

Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival: Aug. 14-15, CoupevilleFestival.com.

National Park Service's 103rd Birthday, Aug. 25: A Washington State "Free Parks" day.

Oak Harbor Music Festival, Labor Day weekend, Sept. 3-5, oakharborfestival.com.

Answer the question, "Mom, Dad – What Can I Do Today?" at Whidbeyisland.MacaroniKid.com. You'll find a daily calendar of activities, guides to local events and short-drive destination ideas for all ages.

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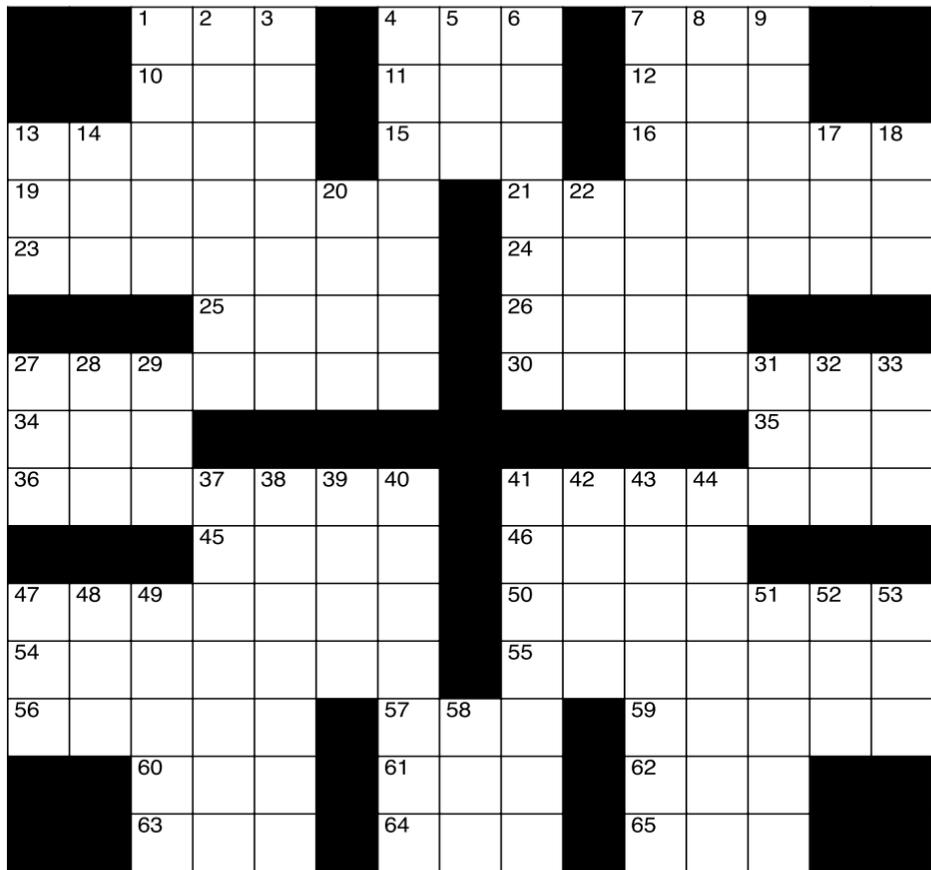
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Crossword Puzzle



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- 1. Sr. enlisted Army member
- 4. Payroll firm
- 7. Monetary unit of Macao
- 10. Cooking vessel
- 11. Cow sound
- 12. Hairpiece
- 13. Spoon-shaped surgical instrument
- 15. Mother
- 16. Remove from record
- 19. Foolish
- 21. Mailman
- 23. Unit of data size
- 24. Stirred
- 25. Deceptive movement
- 26. We all have one
- 27. Direct from pasture beef animal
- 30. A person's own self
- 34. Helps little firms
- 35. Deep, red-brown sea bream
- 36. Tumbler
- 41. A short section of a musical composition
- 45. Young woman (French)
- 46. Wings
- 47. Wine bottles
- 50. Thin layers of rock

CLUES DOWN

- 54. Opposite to
- 55. American state
- 56. Uncertainty about something
- 57. Basics
- 59. Indian seaport
- 60. Owed as a debt
- 61. Buffer solution
- 62. Unit of work or energy
- 63. Soviet Socialist Republic
- 64. One point south of due east
- 65. Born of

- 18. Opposite of the beginning
- 20. Shoe company
- 22. Algerian port city
- 27. Girls organization (abbr.)
- 28. Type of cell (abbr.)
- 29. Swiss river
- 31. When you hope to get there
- 32. Fall behind
- 33. Expresses distaste, disapproval
- 37. Volume containing several novels
- 38. Less sharp
- 39. Food for the poor
- 40. Having made a valid will
- 41. Royal estates
- 42. Relating to wings
- 43. Japanese three-stringed lute
- 44. Taking something through force
- 47. Angry
- 48. Before the present
- 49. Showy ornaments
- 51. Norway
- 52. Comedienne Gaster
- 53. Consume
- 58. Founder of Babism

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YOUR GUESS IS AS GOOD AS OURS WEATHER FORECAST

<p>Thurs, July 22 North Isle H-65°/L-53° Mostly Sunny</p>	<p>Fri, July 23 North Isle H-67°/L-53° Mostly Sunny</p>	<p>Sat, July 24 North Isle H-68°/L-54° Mostly Sunny</p>	<p>Sun, July 25 North Isle H-68°/L-53° Mostly Sunny</p>	<p>Mon, July 26 North Isle H-68°/L-53° Partly Sunny</p>	<p>Tues, July 27 North Isle H-66°/L-53° Sunny</p>	<p>Wed, July 28 North Isle H-69°/L-55° Sunny and Pleasant</p>
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OUR Community

An Upbeat Question of the week

By Helen Mosbrooker

What is your secret strength or your secret skill?



Joel Norris

Kapaw's Ice Cream, Coupeville

I'm not really sure if this is really a skill or a strength, but I guess it would be making people happy on a daily basis serving them the best ice cream shakes and waffle cones. They're always happy when they come in and happier when they leave.

Betsy Arand, Langley

The first skill I thought of was research. This is not very secret though, given my lifelong career as a reference librarian and library manager. (The secret is high school friends asked me to do research for them!).

My second thought was singing. Again, not really a secret as I have been a member of the Langley United Methodist Church choir for 30 years and also sang with Sing! Chronicity.

I was stumped until I remembered my packing skills. Scrutinizing the amount of clothes our son thought he needed for a jazz band trip and fitting it into one suitcase? Easy! Helping a teenage daughter pack one suitcase with enough leotards, tights, pointe shoes, character shoes, and regular clothes for a two-week dance intensive? No problem!

Loading the back of a Eurovan with enough camping equipment, clothes for any weather, and food for a family of five on summer vacation? Hardly a challenge! The art of packing is definitely a secret skill.



Lori Martin

Oak Harbor

I feel my secret strength is making the best out of a difficult situation. I choose not to fight it but calm it down...

Alisa Reaff

Oak Harbor

My secret strength is my personal relationship with my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and the unconditional love, kindness, grace, and mercy he has shown me. It is His strength and His alone that carries me. He is my everything, my all in all, and the rock on which I stand.

Thanks be to God and my church, Living Word.



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Multi-Garage Sale: Saturday, July 24 & Sunday, July 25, 9am-3pm, 722 Camano Ave, Langley (one block from the fairgrounds). Some of everything including furniture, piano and a classic sports car. Sale will benefit ThincWhidbey.com, Building Affordable Work Force House.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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.

JOB MARKET

Garden helper, 2 hours per week hand-watering, \$20 per hour. Hank, 360-678-7591 (3)
Carpenter's helper, \$17.50 per hour. South Whidbey area. 360-730-1526 (0)

Full-time Permanent Bookkeeper: Freeland Ace Hardware Store is a locally-owned store serving south Whidbey Island for over 25 years. It is our goal to enthusiastically serve our customers by offering the best brands, providing quality merchandise, offering solutions with fast, friendly, and amazing customer service. We are looking for a candidate for our back office with relevant accounting experience, self-motivation and commitment to join our team. Our Bookkeeper role supports the staff who supports our customer-facing team and should be as enthusiastic about customer care as the rest of our associates. This includes everything from assistance with time-clock, payroll accuracy and timeliness, vendor and benefit support. We are seeking a candidate with at least 4 years of bookkeeping/accounting experience. The ideal candidate

will have experience with inventory driven businesses, multiple accounting software programs, and be experienced with GAAP. There is a need for a strong understand of A/P, receiving and terms available as well as attention to detail and care of our A/R processes. This role prepares reports from regular Cash Flow Reports to draft Income Statements for management and CPA and is responsible for most accounting activities from payroll, sales, and purchases to tax return preparation, including some payroll-related and excise tax returns. In addition to accounting responsibilities, our Bookkeeper role supports our robust benefit package, any experience with Human Resources will elevate candidates in our search for the right person. While we have an excellent team of HR support, navigating open enrollments, explaining benefits and connecting employees to the right place is a valued part of the service this role provides. This is a busy business with many moving parts, being able to juggle and move from project to project without losing traction or missing deadlines is critical for success in this role. Essential Duties & Responsibilities: Manage daily receipts including reporting and deposits; Prepare weekly check runs (A/P) for inventory and services including interaction with vendors to confirm accuracy of billing, terms, various payment methods; Process monthly statements

(A/R) for our customers, using critical attention to detail for accuracy; Process Excise and some payroll related tax returns in an accurate and timely manner; Work with HR-related vendors in identifying and preparing benefit packages for staff as they are eligible; Perform bank reconciliations and cash flow reports as needed; Assist with on-boarding and New Hire paperwork processing. Maintain Employee files; Maintain confidential, secure files for HR & Management for both personnel and financial documents. Wages and benefits are based on qualifications and will be reviewed during the interview. 36+ hours a week qualifies for full time benefits: Medical/Dental/Vision/401k/Discounts/Bonuses/Vacation, after passing a probationary period. How to apply: Qualified candidates please stop by with your resume (with references) and a cover letter, and fill out our application at Freeland Ace Hardware, 1609 E. Main St, Freeland, WA 98249 or submit your cover letter and resume to dkeace@whidbey.com (0)

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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.

Heavenly Father, the love you have shown us through your grace, you have watched over us and carried us through storms, you have fed us when we were hungry, you gave us water when we were thirsty.

Your grace is sufficient and it is everlasting. Thank you for being a mother to the motherless, a father to the fatherless and always a friend. Your joy is complete in us, yet sometimes we may be sad, your joy can never be taken away. You are the living God. Amen

"But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." 2 Corinthians 12:9



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