

THE CRAB CRACKER
COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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July 11-24, 2025



Events, Information, and Entertainment in the Port Susan Area
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**Come to the 77th Annual
Silvana Fair on July 26th!**



SILVANA FAIR

*It's time to get your entries in -
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All ages are awarded ribbons. Cash premiums are also awarded to eligible youth exhibitors age 6-19 (see Fair Book for exceptions). You can enter almost anything you made, grew, or produced since July 28th, 2024. See the Fair Book, "Inside Exhibits" section at www.SilvanaFair.com. Entry forms are on the website, and will be available at entry.

Entries will be accepted on Wednesday, July 23rd, from 5 to 8 pm, and Thursday, July 24th, from 9 am to 3 pm at the Viking Hall in Silvana.

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Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

The Crab Cracker is a community magazine created **BY** local residents **FOR** local residents. It is a FREE publication printed every two weeks and distributed throughout the communities of Camano Island, Stanwood (and Warm Beach area), Silvana, and Conway. It contains an extensive calendar of events, original stories, feature articles, fun and interesting sections, community news and announcements, tide tables, and more. Please send us any material you want our communities to know about for possible entry into this publication. It is content provided from YOU that makes this publication the popular source of information and entertainment that all of our friends and neighbors enjoy.

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Submission DEADLINE: JULY 17 for Next Edition (July 25-August 7)

Calendar of Events



FRIDAY, JULY 11
TRAVEL TALK



10:00-12:00 at Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Road, Camano Island. Local artist, writer and videographer Jack Gunter traveled to Siberia in 1989 with 19 of his paintings of the USA that were kept there against his will and remained missing for 24 years. In 2013 he formed a rescue team to travel to remote Siberia to attempt to rescue them and bring them home. This trip was documented in a one hour prize winning documentary video of his rescue attempt which included traveling to the Mongolian border which will be shown. Absolutely no sales pitches nor promotions, just travel fun! Camano Center members free, non-members \$5.

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FRIDAY, JULY 11

BILLY STAPLETON WITH ANNIE EASTWOOD

7-11pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. Get ready for a night of soulful blues, sizzling guitar, and powerhouse vocalSmooth, heartfelt melodies and electrifying performances.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

NATIONAL PARK SERIES PRESENTS - SEQUOIA AND KINGS CANYON

11am at the Camano Island Library. Join us for an engaging presentation on Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks, led by Interpretive Specialist, Meredith Peterson. Discover the awe-inspiring beauty of these iconic parks, home to towering sequoia trees, dramatic canyons, and diverse wildlife. Meredith will share stunning visuals, insider tips, and fascinating insights into the parks' natural wonders, hiking trails, and conservation efforts. Don't miss this opportunity to explore the majesty of Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks from the comfort of your local library!

FRIDAY, JULY 11

STANWOOD FARMERS MARKET

2-6pm behind the Stanwood Police station. Local produce, food trucks, fresh flowers, baked goods, artisans, and live music.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

FRIDAY NIGHT KARAOKE

WITH MARCUS. 8pm at Stanwood Hotel Saloon. 26926 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood. 360-629-2888.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

HOMESTEADERS' HAVEN OPEN AIR JAMS & FREE TRADE MARKET

Summer Open House Fridays, 3 - 7 pm at 880 E Ashley Way, Camano Island. Text 509-741-4132.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

JOE DAY AND THE COYOTES WITH HERNAMWASPRINCESS

8:00 PM at Arcadian Public House OUTDOOR STAGE, 18444 Spruce Street, Conway. All shows are 21+ Presale: \$15 At the Door: \$18

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FRIDAY, JULY 11

SCUBA JESS EXPLORES THE OCEAN



3:00 PM – 4:00 PM at the Stanwood Library. Jessica Alexanderson captures the beauty of Puget Sound through underwater photography and documents the sea creatures she loves, as well as the trash and garbage she finds on her clean-up dives. She will speak about what we can do to reduce underwater trash, along with fun games and crafts related to recycling and keeping our oceans healthy.



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DID YOU KNOW?

One weird fact about the human body is that a child's circulatory system stretches out to 60,000 miles long.

By the time they're adults, it stretches out to 100,000 miles of blood vessels.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

FREE MOVIE ON THE LAWN



Showing Moana 2. Join us at 8pm at Camano Commons to pick up your concessions and ice cream! Free popcorn. Movie starts at Dusk.

FRIDAY, JULY 11

BEACH 1 GALLERY ARTISTS RECEPTION FOR CHRISTINA HARVEY



5-7pm. Painting for over five decades, in between life and family, including growing up in a family of artists, Art has been around me my whole life. I also worked as a Technical Illustrator and Graphic Designer, which gave me another artistic perspective. I'm working on an Expressionistic Style where I can paint my love of color and design, a twisting of reality with some abstraction or touch of whimsy. I find this very exciting and fellow artists and patrons recognize my style. Her art will be displayed and for sale the entire month of July. The Gallery is open 7 days a week. We will be serving pop, wine, bottled water and bags of chips for the reception. Beach 1 Gallery in Camano Country Club.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JULY 11-13

POOL PARTY PANDA-MONIUM BHA TRIALS

Event by SchaSam Farm Barn Hunt Club. Cynthia from Campfire Photography will be joining us Saturday & Sunday, and Sheena from Precision Canine will be there on Sunday for nail trims! <https://www.barnhunt.com/register/event.php?key=7933>

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Camano Center

606 Arrowhead Road, Camano Island, WA 98282

July

- 07/02/2025 - 10:00am – 11:00am Jensen Room
- 07/16/2025 - 3:00pm – 4:00pm Jensen Room

August:

- 08/06/2025 - 10:00am – 11:00am Jensen Room
- 08/20/2025 - 3:00pm – 4:00pm Jensen Room

September:

- 09/03/2025 - 10:00am – 11:00am Jensen Room
- 09/24/2025 - 3:00pm – 4:00pm Jensen Room

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SATURDAY, JULY 12

CYBER TERRORISM



Camano Preparedness Group is presenting "Cyber Terrorism, Cyberwarfare & Cyber Crime: What the average citizen needs to know and can do." In this talk, we will explore what can happen, what countermeasures you should consider to mitigate risks, and how your voice needs to be heard on these issues. James Province focuses his professional expertise on digital risks that some of the world's largest organizations face by helping their C-level leaders better understand those risks and ways to mitigate that risk. He works for large software company. 10am at the Camano Island Library. The public is welcome and no reservations are needed. For more information, contact Sue at kk6sue@gmail.com. Come join us for this very informative program!

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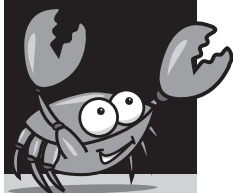
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DID YOU KNOW?

The set used on the television show *iCarly* was also used for *Saved by the Bell*.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

THE NAUGHTY BLOKES

7-11pm at Pub 282. 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. Ready to rock? The Naughty Bloses are hitting the stage with their signature blend of gritty rock, bluesy swagger, and unstoppable energy!

SATURDAY, JULY 12

MINIATURE WARGAMING MEET-UP WITH CIMW

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM at the Camano Island Library. Bring your curiosity—and maybe a friend—and discover the strategic camaraderie of miniature wargaming with Camano Island Miniature Wargamers. Whether you're a seasoned veteran or brand-new to the hobby, all are welcome to explore historical, fantasy, and sci-fi battles around the tabletops—no experience needed.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

CAMANO SCHOOLHOUSE FOUNDATION ARCHIVE OPEN HOUSE

1:00 pm-4:00 pm. Volunteers with the Archive at the Camano City Schoolhouse will be giving tours of the Archive, for which historical photographs and documents of Camano Island history are being collected, digitized and stored in archival quality boxes. The new book, "All Roads Lead to Utsalady", by Dr. Richard Hanks, will be available for sale. 993 Orchid Rd., Camano Island.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

CAMA BEACH FOUNDATION'S DISCOVERY WAGON

We're moving the event to the Picnic Shelter at North Beach in Camano Island State Park right next to the Toy Boat builders. 11am. The focus of the Discovery Wagon activity this summer will be on RAPTORS. A number of mounted raptors (or is that raptor mounts?) will be on display along with other raptor items. Sheila Pera the CBF volunteer will be on hand to ask (and answer) questions.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

SOULED OUT SUPER FUNK

8:00 PM at Arcadian Public House OUTDOOR STAGE, 18444 Spruce Street, Conway. All shows are 21+ Presale: \$10 At the Door: \$12



Giddy Up for Family Fun! Stanwood Camano Community Fair!
Looking for a fantastic family outing with a touch of country flair? Head to the Stanwood Camano Community Fair at 6431 Pioneer Highway, Stanwood, WA, on August 1st, 2nd & 3rd, 2025! This year's theme is Country Roots & Cowboy Boots! Kids of all ages will love the exciting carnival rides, the chance to see farm animals up close, and the delicious food! Get ready to embrace your inner cowboy or cowgirl!
Open: Friday & Saturday 9 am - 9 pm, and Sunday 9 am - 6 pm.

Create unforgettable memories together at the Stanwood Camano Community Fair!

Where: 6431 Pioneer Highway, Stanwood, WA

When: August 1st - 3rd, 2025

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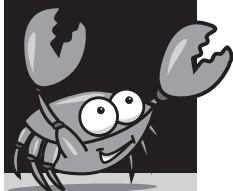


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SATURDAY, JULY 12

TOY BOAT BUILDING

Came Beach Foundation (CBF) will begin doing the Toy Boat building event from 10am to 2pm at the North Beach Picnic Shelter in Camano Island State Park. Anyone interested should head to Camano Island State Park and follow the directions on the A-frame signs to get to the event.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

FAMILY BINGO

at the American Legion Hall ON CAMANO ISLAND, 609 W. Camano Drive. "Camano Island American Legion Bingo is pushing it up... Now with \$150 and \$250 blackout jackpots!" Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

CARS & COFFEE

Come have coffee and admire our local hot rods, muscle cars, and more. Free admission to general public and free to bring by your custom car. The location alternates each week, either at Coastal Vie, Stanwood or Camano Commons. Check with them to determine this week's location. Free coffee for participants (and mini donuts at Coastal Vie). 7-10am. All cars welcome. Come out and have fun!

SATURDAY, JULY 12

LEARN HANDS-ONLY CPR

at Camano Plaza IGA. In just 10 minutes YOU could learn how to save a life. Learn hands-only CPR from Camano Fire firefighters and paramedics. "When someone has a heart attack, it's important to start CPR as soon as possible," Fire Chief Jason Allen said. "People are more likely to survive a heart attack if someone starts CPR right away. We want everyone in our community to know hands-only CPR so they can help save lives." Hands-only CPR training runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 12 at the Camano Plaza IGA – 370 NE. Camano Drive. Online at <https://camanofire.com/news/learn-hands-only-cpr-on-july-12-at-camano-plaza-iga>

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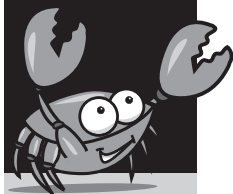
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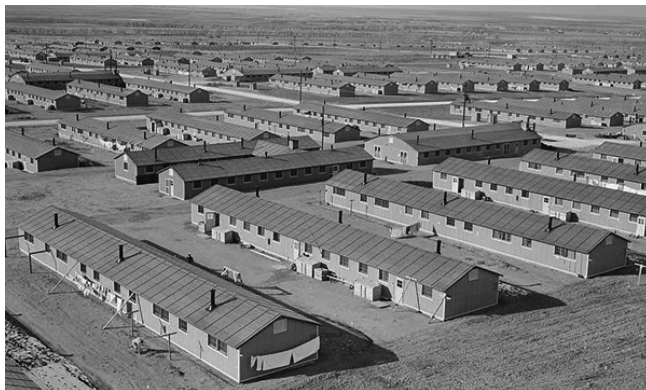
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SATURDAY, JULY 12

NEIGHBORS WHO INSPIRE: A LOOK BACK AT JAPANESE INTERNMENT



11:00 AM – 12:30 PM at the Community Resource Center, 9612 271st St NW, Stanwood. Join local Camano Island resident Joan Pang in a special look back at Japanese Internment. Joan will explore her experience as an internee in a Japanese internment camp in Amache, Colorado during WW2. Joan hopes to increase understanding about the internment and how it impacts us today. RSVP: <https://www.crc-sc.org/event-details/neighbors-who-inspire-a-look-back-at-japanese-internment>

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DID YOU KNOW?

John Quincy Adams once had a pet alligator.

The alligator was gifted to him from a French general, and it lived in one of the bathrooms at the White House.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

FAMILY FIELD DAY

Fun community event for families. 11am-3pm at Stanwood High School. Free hotdogs and ice pops, crafts, field games, bouncy houses. For info, go to www.lifechurch360.com.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

DVD/CD SALE

The Camano Library Friends will have a DVD/CD outside the library at the Commons from 11am-4pm. HUNDREDS of DVDs to pick from, many in original packaging, never opened. Series like "Inspector Morse", "The Mentalist", "Parks and Recreation", "The Closer" and many more. Whether you like Mysteries, Drama, Action, Horror, Romance, Thriller, Sci-Fi/Fantasy, Kids & Family, Classics or Comedy, Westerns this is the sale for you. Come stock up for that rainy weekend or your cabin get-a-way, the kid's room. All will be priced to sell. Proceeds support programs and events at our library.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

PATSY CLINE AND THE QUEENS OF COUNTRY



7-9 PM. Join us for a great night of music! Marcia is known for her rich vocals, lively & engaging entertainment style and a broad repertoire that is sure to please! The concert features a mix up of some of the greatest hits by the most iconic women in country music. For more information, visit Marcia's website at www.marciakester.com. Early Bird Tickets are \$15 on line and \$20 at the door. camanoschoolhouse.org/upcoming-events. Camano City Schoolhouse & Fire Hall. 993 Orchid Rd., Camano Is.

SATURDAY, JULY 12

ART SHOW "SUMMER MOMENTS" OPENING RECEPTION

5:00 to 7:30. Meet the artists at Matzke Fine Art Gallery and Sculpture Park, 2345 Blanche Way, Camano Island. Artists; Anne Martin McCool, Alan Newberg, Ron Pattern, Dee Doyle, Lori Vonderhorse, Teresa Smith, Jon Schmidt and Betty Frost. New sculptures in the 10 acre park. Open every Friday, Saturday and Sunday 11 to 5:00. matzkefineart.com

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DID YOU KNOW?

In the movie John Wick 4, Keanu Reeves did 90% of his own stunts, including insane car tricks while reloading a gun. This movie had some of the best action sequences in the recent time

SATURDAY, JULY 12

CASAUNDRA MAY & JAMES

7-9pm at the Conway Pub & Eatery, 18611 Main Street, Conway. Come join us for an evening of traditional Delta & Chicago Blues, as well as some delicious food, lovely staff, fancy drinks & some foot stompin', hoot hollerin', good time!

SATURDAY, JULY 12

ROCK RADIO

2-6pm at Edward Lynn Cellars. 748 Vineyard Ln, Camano Island. (360) 929-6072. ELCellars@gmail.com

SATURDAY, JULY 12

YOUTH BEACH CLEANUP



The WSU Beach Watchers and Snohomish County Councilmember, Nate Nehring, are hosting a youth beach cleanup on Saturday, July 12th from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Kayak Point. Celebrate the beginning of summer by planning to participate! While this event is youth focused, people of all ages are welcome to participate. Gloves and supplies provided. Light refreshments provided.

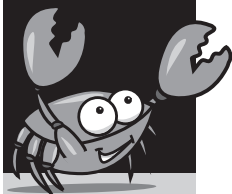
SUNDAY, JULY 13

WANA DUMA CHILDREN'S PROJECT ANNUAL AFRICAN MARKET



Noon-4pm at 1410 Beach Drive, Camano Island. Jewelry, gifts, and decor from Kenya. All proceeds benefit Dana Duma Children's Project. More info: 360-913-8222.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Penicillin's first
name was "mold
juice."

MONDAY, JULY 14

NAUGHTY BINGO

8pm at Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge. Always free to play. Come have some naughty fun and maybe win some prizes! 360-629-2324.

MONDAY, JULY 14

ALL AGES MONDAY NIGHT TRIVIA

6pm at Rockaway, Camano Island. An exciting night of prizes, great food and drinks, and the chance to win big. This is a family friendly trivia, so grab your little ones and join us!

MONDAY, JULY 14

TRIVIA NIGHT

with Darren. 6-8pm at SAAL Brewing Company, 10209 270th St NW, Stanwood. It is free to play with prizes. Always a lot of fun!

TUESDAY, JULY 15

THE 2025 SALISH SEA EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL

presents its inaugural program of early chamber music performed on period instruments in Conway through July. Tonight's concert features JOHANN SEBASTIAN BACH: Irene Roldàn, harpsichord; Jeffrey Cohan, baroque flute. Spanish harpsichordist Irene Roldàn from Basel and Jeffrey interpret Bach's phenomenal music for flute and harpsichord. 7:00 PM at Fir-Conway Lutheran Church at 18101 Fir Island Road in Conway. Admission is by suggested donation (a free will offering) of \$20 to \$30. Those 18 & under are free. All are welcome regardless of donation. For additional information please see www.salishseafestival.org/skagit

TUESDAY, JULY 15

DROP IN TEEN/TWEEN CRAFT CRAZE: ZINES!

2:00 PM – 4:00 PM at the Camano Island Library. Unleash your inner writer and artist by creating your own zine! Express your unique voice through creating mini-magazines and journals.

TUESDAY, JULY 15

GENTLE HIKES IN JULY

9 am – Walk to Cranberry Lake, Cama Beach State Park. Volunteer leaders - Mary & Carl Marino. You are invited to join us. These hikes are zero elevation, easily accessible. Come and let's get outside TOGETHER!



**BECOME A FRIEND
OF THE FAIR!!!**

Help keep our beloved community tradition strong. With a donation of \$100 you can directly support the Stanwood-Camano Community Fair and all the fun, exhibits, and memories it creates. As a special thank you, we'll proudly display your name on a dedicated support banner located in our popular T-shirt area during the fair: August 1, 2 & 3rd, 2025



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Christmas in July Sip & Shop Bazaar

July 26th 2025

9:00 AM – 2:30 PM

Shopping for the holidays made simple and fun! Enjoy a hot soup and roll with beverage and get your shop on at our first bazaar of the year! Lots of local vendors will be here with their wonderful hand made items!

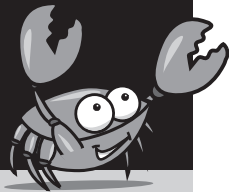


Christmas in July Sip – N – Shop
 July 26th 9:00am – 2:30pm

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 Soup, Roll and water \$5.00




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DID YOU KNOW?

Out of all the planets, Venus is the only one to spin clockwise.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY

with Stanwood Camano Arts Advocacy Commission. 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM at the Stanwood Library. Join us for an art class with Stanwood Camano Arts Advocacy Commission (SCAAC)! We will provide everything you need. For kids ages 6-11.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

FOCIP'S CAMANO WILDLIFE HABITAT PROJECT



LIVE EVENT: Hummingbirds: The Improbables. Tiny but pugnacious, Camano Island's three hummingbird species are some of the most fascinating of our local bird life. Their physical characteristics and behaviors make them unique in the avian world. In this program led by local naturalists, you'll discover how hummingbirds feed, fly, and raise their young, and you'll marvel at the intricacies of their nest. You'll also be awed by the Rufous Hummingbird migration and the ability of Anna's Hummingbirds to cope with winter. Specimens will be available for people to see and hold. 7pm at the Island County Multi-Purpose Center, 141 N East Camano Drive, Camano Island.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA!

7-9pm at Pub 282. Test your knowledge on music, history, current events, pop culture & more! All ages and free to play!

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DID YOU KNOW?

On average,
people eat
around 70
different insects
throughout
their entire
lives while they
sleep.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

PUZZLE EXCHANGE

Join us for our family friendly exchange. 6:30pm at the Stanwood Library. Bring your puzzles, a bag, and swap your finished puzzles for your next challenge!! We ask that your puzzles that are not chosen be taken home. See you there!!

THURSDAY, JULY 17

SUMMER STAY AND PLAY

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM at the Stanwood Library. This is an opportunity for children, birth to kindergarten, and their caregivers to come play with fun and educational toys provided by the library. During this hour, caregivers and children will engage in in-person play, explore process art activities, socialize with others, and reconnect with the library. Drop in anytime during this event.

THURSDAY, JULY 17

CREATE CARE PACKAGES!

5:30-7pm at the Stanwood Library. Event by NeurodiversityLibrary. Org and Autistic Women & Nonbinary Network. Join us as at the Stanwood Library Meeting Room as we put together care packages for local trans, nonbinary, and gender-diverse individuals in Stanwood and Camano Island. We will meet to create notes of affirmation and encouragement to our amazing trans friends and neighbors, along with thank-you notes to our wonderful sponsors! We will have light snacks and beverages.

THURSDAY, JULY 17

CHRIS EGER

7-11pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. The Chris Eger Band is a Northwest band hot on track to becoming the next band to hit the billboard charts. Rock/blues/country mix.

THURSDAY, JULY 17

GENTLE HIKES IN JULY

Meet at the YMCA at 10 am. Where you will carpool to English Boom (optional Cookie Mill Lunch after). Volunteer leader – Beverly Hoback. You are invited to join us. These hikes are zero elevation, easily accessible. Come and let's get outside TOGETHER!



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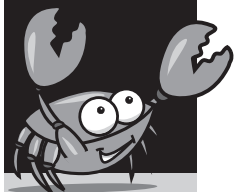
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DID YOU KNOW?

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created the
Chupa Chups
logo.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

AROUND THE WORLD WITH NELLIE BLY



11:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the Camano Island Library. Nellie Bly was a trailblazing journalist who broke barriers and set new standards for investigative reporting in the late 19th century. Imagine a fearless woman with a knack for uncovering the truth, armed with nothing but her wit, determination, and a pen! N.W. Storyteller/Actress Debbie Dimitre has been entertaining, inspiring, and educating audiences of all ages with her historical and dramatic storytelling presentations. In costume and by the glow of her kerosene lamp, Debbie brings to life women and young girls in American history through story and first-person portrayals in a style that is uniquely her own. With her engaging storytelling skills, Debbie captures the essence of Nellie's groundbreaking work, making history come alive for her audience.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

STANWOOD FARMERS MARKET

2-6pm behind the Stanwood Police station. Local produce, food trucks, fresh flowers, baked goods, artisans, and live music.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

FRIDAY NIGHT KARAOKE

WITH MARCUS. 8pm at Stanwood Hotel Saloon. 26926 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood. 360-629-2888.

DIVE INTO COLOR!

9:30 - 12:00 PM - AT THE FLOYD

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- Try traditional Norwegian Rosemaling, collage, still life, and Neurographic art.
- Create artwork inspired by museum artifacts.

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DID YOU KNOW?

A 15-year-old Irish girl was the first person processed at Ellis Island.

FRIDAY, JULY 18 BIKE RODEO



5:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Stanwood Library . Ride on down to the library for a Bike Rodeo! Pick up a free helmet and then test your skills on an obstacle course created by the Fire Department. Sharing Wheels will help with helmet fittings and conduct safety checks on participant bikes. Sign up for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library with Stanwood-Camano Rotary. Free bike helmets provided by North County Regional Fire Authority will be available in sizes toddler (2-4 years), small (5-6 years) and medium (6-12 years), while supplies last. This event will be taking place in the library auxiliary parking lot across 96th Ave NW from the library. Quiet activities and bathrooms will be available through the library meeting room.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

POP UP YOGA WITH EMILY MUELLER

Gather with friends and join us for some outdoor yoga on the green at Camano Commons at noon. Spread out and feel the grass under your feet as we come together and celebrate the warmth of summer. Pack a picnic or support our local restaurants with a take-out order. This is a FREE Event. Please bring a donation for the Stanwood/Camano FOOD BANK. Please prepare for the day's weather. (we won't practice if it's raining on our mats). Register in advance to receive any last-minute updates at movementarts.com/events or call 360-629-9100.

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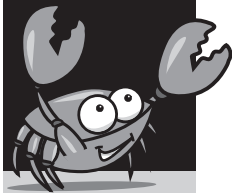
July 18-20, 2025 / 9am-5pm

\$5 lunch special at the Clubhouse Saturday.
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No early birds please.



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DID YOU KNOW?

Phagocytosis is where cells consume smaller cells or molecules to ultimately remove them from the system. This is not a harmful process but a necessary one in order to preserve gray matter in the brain.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

DROP-IN CONSTRUCTION ZONE

3:30 PM – 4:30 PM at the Camano Island Library. Come build and explore with a variety of materials, which may include LEGO®, Magna-Tiles®, gears, blocks, and more! Light snacks provided. Event is free; no registration required.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

HOMESTEADERS' HAVEN OPEN AIR JAMS & FREE TRADE MARKET

Summer Open House Fridays, 3 - 7 pm at 880 E Ashley Way, Camano Island. Text 509-741-4132.

FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JULY 18-20

ANNUAL LOST LAKE YARD SALES

9am-5pm. \$5 lunch special at the Clubhouse on Saturday. Look for bright yellow signs at participating homes. No early birds please.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

COMMUNITY LITTER CLEAN UP!

11am - 12:30pm. Let's Make Camano Shine! Join us for a community litter cleanup to help keep Camano Island beautiful! Meet at the picnic tables by the lawn at Terry's Corner. Bring a friend, a smile, and your passion for a cleaner, greener island. Let's work together to make a visible impact.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

CHILL DEVILL

7pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. Get ready for a night of killer vibes and smooth grooves! Chill DeVille is bringing their signature sound to Pub 282. Don't miss this high-energy performance that'll have you dancing, sipping, and vibing all night long.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

PINBALL PARTY



Event by PFLAG Stanwood-Camano. Noon-3pm at The BrewCade, 7009 265th St. NW, STE. 102, Stanwood. Calling all 21+ folk! We are renting out The Brewcade for an old school pinball party. All the games will be free to play, just buy your own drinks. All 21+ are welcome for this safe event. Come mingle and have a good time!

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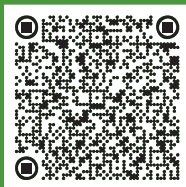
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JULY 19



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church to Festival.*

www.staidancamanoisland.org/connect/summer-festival

Proceeds benefit St Aidan's and local charities

DONATION DROP-OFF JULY 14-18, 10AM-5PM

Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

Since teeth are coated in enamel and not made of live tissue, they cannot heal on their own like other parts of the body.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

STEP INTO HISTORY: FREE GUIDED BARN TOUR



11am-2pm at Kristoferson Farm, 332 N East Camano Dr, Camano. Take a walk through time at Kristoferson Farm with a free guided tour of our beautifully preserved historic barn, a true icon of the island's agricultural heritage. Discover the story of over 110 years of farming and four generations of Kristoferson family stewardship, as told by none other than family member, Steve Campbell. Steve brings the history of the farm to life with family stories, fascinating insights, and a deep love for the land. Free to attend — all ages welcome!

SATURDAY, JULY 19

SEMBLANCE

Celebrity tributes, impersonations & more at Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge, 10011 - 270th St NW, Stanwood. Live FREE SHOW!!! Show starts at 10 pm. Be there or be square! More info: (360) 629-2324.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

GIANT BUBBLE FESTIVAL



6:00 PM – 7:00 PM at the Stanwood Library. The giant bubble festival is back - come play with the biggest bubbles you've ever seen! This is an outdoor program, so please dress appropriately for the weather.

Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

If all of the world's entire bacteria were stacked together, it would stretch for 10 billion light-years.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

FARM STAND POP-UP MARKET

10am-4pm at Kristoferson Farm. Join us for a charming countryside escape at our Farm Stand Pop-Up Market, where rustic flavors and handcrafted treasures come together for a one-of-a-kind shopping experience. A bustling open-air market celebrating the best of local flavor and artisan creativity. Family-friendly and free to attend!

SATURDAY, JULY 19

CAMA BEACH FOUNDATION'S DISCOVERY WAGON

We're moving the event to the Picnic Shelter at North Beach in Camano Island State Park right next to the Toy Boat builders. 11am. The focus of the Discovery Wagon activity this summer will be on RAPTORS. A number of mounted raptors (or is that raptor mounts?) will be on display along with other raptor items. Sheila Pera the CBF volunteer will be on hand to ask (and answer) questions.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

STACY JONES BAND + NICK VIGARINO'S MEANTOWN BLUES

8:00 PM at Arcadian Public House OUTDOOR STAGE, 18444 Spruce Street, Conway. All shows are 21+ Presale: \$20 At the Door: \$25

SATURDAY, JULY 19

TOY BOAT BUILDING

Came Beach Foundation (CBF) will begin doing the Toy Boat building event from 10am to 2pm at the North Beach Picnic Shelter in Camano Island State Park. Anyone interested should head to Camano Island State Park and follow the directions on the signs to get to the event.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

STANFEST – STANWOOD'S ULTIMATE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES!



Live Music, Food, & Fun! Get ready, Stanwood! Epic live music, delicious food trucks, a 21+ beer & wine garden, local vendors, and a fun-filled Kid Zone at Church Creek Park! Tonight's performer: The Olson Bros Band (High-Energy Country). 6PM - 8PM at Church Creek Park, Stanwood. Bring a blanket, grab your friends, and enjoy an unforgettable night! Admission is FREE – Just bring your good vibes!

Calendar of Events



SATURDAY, JULY 19 MOTORCYCLE RIDE THROUGH



9am-3pm at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community, 7430 276th St NW, Stanwood. Show your community support by joining us for our "Motorcycle Ride Through Fundraiser". Enjoy the "The Porch Brothers" Band and "Jimmy Wright Band". Have some great Breakfast/Lunch Dessert. Give back to our older adult low-income community who spent a lifetime giving to us by purchasing raffle tickets and having a great time. Ride through or park your lawn chair, stay and play.



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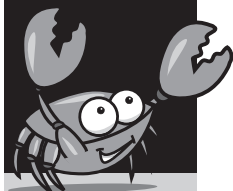


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Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

They used so much pink paint for Barbie Land in the Barbie movie, that it caused a world-wide shortage.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

FAMILY BINGO

at the American Legion Hall ON CAMANO ISLAND, 609 W. Camano Drive. Now with \$150 and \$250 blackout jackpots! Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

CARS & COFFEE

Come have coffee and admire our local hot rods, muscle cars, and more. Free admission to general public and free to bring by your custom car. The location alternates each week, either at Coastal Vie, Stanwood or Camano Commons. Check with them to determine this week's location. Free coffee for participants (and mini donuts at Coastal Vie). 7-10am. All cars welcome. Come out and have fun!

SATURDAY, JULY 19

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE AT THE FIRE STATION 99

Event by North County Regional Fire Authority. 10am-noon at 8117 267th Pl NW, Stanwood. Meet your local firefighters, check out the rigs, and bring the whole family for a fun, behind-the-scenes look. Plus, stop by our Levy Q&A with the Chief — get your questions answered and learn how the levy supports your emergency services.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

CHRISTMAS IN JULY SALE



9am-3pm at Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Rd. When you shop the Christmas in July Sale, you're doing more than scoring great deals—you're helping fund local programs. Shop with purpose. Support your neighbors. Rain or Shine!

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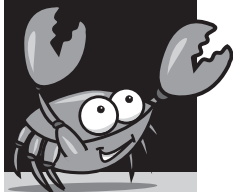
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SATURDAY, JULY 19

ST. AIDAN'S ANNUAL SUMMER FESTIVAL



Gates open at 8am. (For your safety, please do not park on Hwy 532. Park only at the next-door LDS church located at 795 Ell Road, Camano Island. The Snow Goose shuttle will be available from the LDS church to the Festival grounds). We call this annual event a "festival" and not a "rummage sale" because it's about more than just "stuff." It's about our community, our neighbors, and raising resources for those in need. Because of this festival, St Aidan's is able to send financial resources into the community to support critical social services.



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If you are a North County resident in need of a window stop,
Contact our Fire Marshall's office at
admin@northcountyfireems.com

Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

If the earth doubled in size, then all trees would topple over. This is a direct result of changes in surface gravity.

MONDAY, JULY 21

NAUGHTY BINGO

8pm at Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge. Always free to play. Come have some naughty fun and maybe win some prizes! 360-629-2324.

MONDAY, JULY 21

ALL AGES MONDAY NIGHT TRIVIA

6pm at Rockaway, Camano Island. An exciting night of prizes, great food and drinks, and the chance to win big. This is a family friendly trivia, so grab your little ones and join us!

MONDAY, JULY 21

TRIVIA NIGHT

with Darren. 6-8pm at SAAL Brewing Company, 10209 270th St NW, Stanwood. It is free to play with prizes. Always a lot of fun!

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

OFF THE BOOKSHELF AND INTO THE WILD

10:00 AM – 11:00 AM at the Camano Island Library. Help us celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the opening of the Camano Island Library with the professional storytellers that presented the first program in the newly opened library in 2015. Bob and Liz arrive with their walking/talking stick, harmonica, shakers, a Possibles Bag of Tales to pick from, and ALWAYS lots of audience participation. They bring life to the stories and the stories to life! Event will be outside in the grass area, so please feel free to bring a blanket or sit-upon to enjoy this great outdoor program.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

SUMMER STAY AND PLAY

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM at the Stanwood Library. This is an opportunity for children, birth to kindergarten, and their caregivers to come play with fun and educational toys provided by the library. During this hour, caregivers and children will engage in in-person play, explore process art activities, socialize with others, and reconnect with the library. Drop in anytime during this event.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TRIVIA!

7-9pm at Pub 282. Test your knowledge on music, history, current events, pop culture & more! All ages and free to play!



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DID YOU KNOW?

Johnny Depp based the character of Captain Jack Sparrow on rock legend Keith Richards and the Looney Tunes character Pepe Le Pew.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 READ WITH A THERAPY DOG



4:00 PM – 5:00 PM at the Stanwood Library. Practice your reading at the library with Linda and her registered therapy dog Preacher. Children build reading skills and confidence by reading aloud to a registered therapy dog. For elementary age kids, with an adult. Sign up online to save a spot in line, or sign up at the event.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 CRANBERRY LAKE TRAIL RUN

Event by SC Runners - Stanwood Camano Runners. One of my fav trail runs on the island.... because you can't get lost! Just run until you get to the lake, then come back. This is a 3.6 mile-ish trail run, some-what hilly. There's not much of an option to add extra mileage, but, since it's an out & back route, you can turn around at any point to do less miles. Park at the Ivy Way trailhead off Dry Lake road (not on W Camano). We'll meet at 6pm; we'll run at 6:10pm.

THURSDAY, JULY 24 FAMILY BBQ FUN NIGHT WITH THE YMCA!

Join us for a night of games, laughter, and community fun at the Little Arrowhead Nature Explore - LANE at Arrowhead Ranch, hosted by the YMCA of Snohomish County! Games for all ages; Hot dogs for dinner; Friendly competition & summertime smiles. 4:30-6:30pm at Arrowhead Ranch. \$20 per family. Register at <https://snoco.recliquecore.com/programs/1079/>

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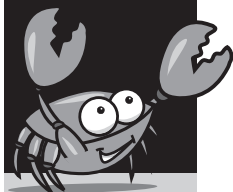
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Hawaii's twin volcanoes Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa are taller than Mount Everest. 2.6 miles of the volcanoes are submerged underwater, and Mauna Kea and Mauna Loa are 6.34 miles tall.

PING PONG BALL PLANETS

by Debbie Chapman



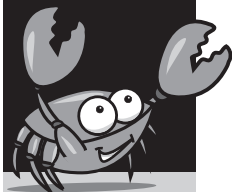
These ping pong ball planets are out of this world! This fun and colourful art project is the perfect way to bring the solar system to life. Kids can make vibrant designs to represent real planets, or let their imaginations run wild by creating their very own glowing planets. Materials: Ping pong ball(s); Acrylic paint (multiple colors); Battery operated tealight candle

Equipment: Round cake pan; Tin foil; Craft knife; Glue gun

Instructions: Step 1: Find what you need. Step 2: Add paint to a covered cake pan. Cover a cake pan or baking dish with aluminum foil. You want to use something with tall enough edges to contain the ping pong ball as it moves around. Choose your first color and add dots of acrylic paint around the foil. Repeat with 2 to 3 more colors. We recommend using white as one of your "colors" – it helps to create a marbled look and lightens the shades of your colours in certain areas. Step 3: Roll the ping pong ball around. Set a ping pong ball down into the paint. Pick up the cake pan and tilt it back and forth, coating the ping pong ball in the paint. Continue until the ball is completely covered and you're happy with the look. Step 4: Allow to dry and add to a tealight candle. Repeat with different colours of paint to make another planet or two, if you'd like. Allow the ping pong balls to dry on a parchment lined tray. (Keep reading below for more paint drying tips.) Use a craft knife to cut a hole in one side of the ping pong ball. It should be large enough to fit the "flame" of the battery operated tealight candle. Apply a thin line of hot glue around the opening you just made on the ping pong ball. Insert the tealight into the ping pong ball and press them together. Your ping pong ball planet is complete! Then watch the planets glow and light up the room once you turn the tealight candles on!

Helpful Tips: If you'd like to speed up the drying process, once the top of the planet is dry you can create a little "cradle" of tinfoil. This will stop the ball from rolling. Place the ping pong ball in this cradle with the wet paint facing up. Test your flameless tealight before gluing it onto the ping pong ball to make sure that it works. We recommend buying enough supplies so everyone can make at least a few ping pong planets. It's so fun to try different color combinations!

Activity for Adults



DID YOU KNOW?

A lightning bolt
is five times
hotter than the
sun's surface.

BOTTLE CAP FISHING LURES



They are the perfect gift for those men who love to fish or drink beer...or do a little bit of both...at the same time. Of course you don't have to use beer caps. You could use soda caps as well. These are super easy and cheap to make. You just need some bottle caps, treble hooks, swivel snap connectors and some round slip jump rings. I purchased all of my items from Amazon. Start off by pinching the caps together with your fingers. Now you will want to drill the ends of the caps right in the pinched crease. Measure with the split rings to see where you should drill. You may need to flatten the pinched end of the cap just a tiny bit to get the drill in there easier. Plus it makes getting the split rings in easier too. Just use a screwdriver or any small blunt item to flatten them. Drill the other side. Now insert the split rings into the drilled holes. Next attach the hook and swivel to the split rings. And that is it.

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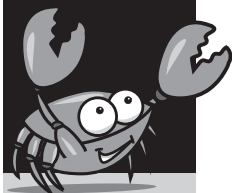
AUTHOR EMMY R. BENNETT!



"When I was 6, I wanted to be a writer. I wrote stories of all sorts and poems seem to float off my tongue onto paper like nothing. I remember starting my first book at around 12. My grandmother gave me her old typewriter to use. The keys would stick together if I started typing too fast, but it didn't bother me, I was writing. In 4th grade I discovered reading comprehension. It was like a whole new world. I found myself walking to the library once a week. I was fascinated with reading. The movies going on inside my head enticed me to read more. Of course, somewhere in there I dreamed of becoming a mother. I wanted 6 kids. A large family to love. To give them something I felt I didn't have much of growing up. It's my most proud accomplished dream of all. Almost 50 years later what do I have to show for it? Lots of memories. Whether good or bad. The good ones of course are cherished, like the birth of all four of my kids, or the day I married my best friend. The bad, or perhaps just hard life experiences, and lessons learned, fade into a future story or poem, usually. Quite frankly, I would not be the person I am today without it. Mistakes make us wiser; stronger. Mistakes are the building blocks of our foundations core. The day my grandmother died, I stopped writing. I aced my English classes in college despite having dyslexia and ADHD. When one loves something, things seem to just fall naturally into place and yet I didn't pursue my writing. When my oldest daughter was about 12 years old and about 4 years after my beloved grandmother's death, I took to the pen again. My daughter became my new inspiration to a story. The idea and plot were there. My heart was in the right place. I wanted to write a book that my daughter could relate to. Reading was important during this time, (anytime really, reading is always important) she needed to get past her (what I now know to be dyslexia) anxiety. Watching my children not pursue their dreams, no matter how much it pays or doesn't pay the bills, literally breaks my heart. I see the discouragement in their eyes and pray that they never give up on their dreams. Life is a journey and there will bumps in the road. The lesson: it's not how long it takes to get there, but that you get there. Besides, I truly believe if it's your God given gift or talent, then pursue it. It will make you happy and may even pay your bills. My heart is telling me that God is steering me down a new path — rather, an old path that has always been there, but the weeds are now gone, and the way is clear. I know now, the difference between writing, and making it a reality... is a pen." - Emmy R Bennett.

(Photo from book signing at Wit's End Bookstore, Stanwood)
Read her full bio on her website: <https://erbennettbooks.com>

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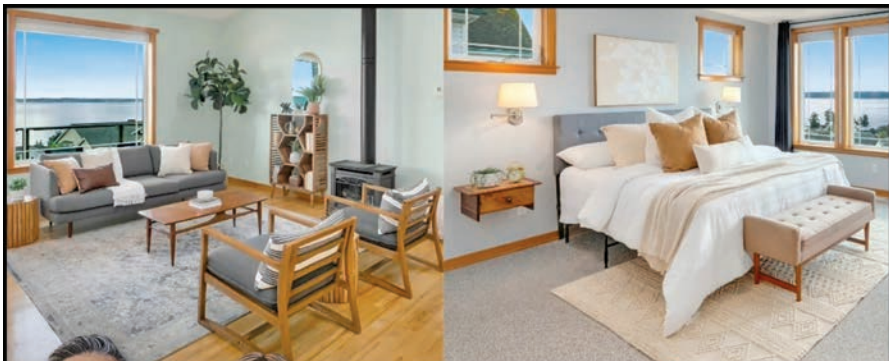
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SKEETER'S ADVICE COLUMN

Being one of the last people on earth who still subscribes to daily newspapers, I read most everything between the front page and the last. With the exception of most of the sports and about anything financial. Or a majority of the comics. Most mornings I end up with the advice columns as the conclusion to my reading, maybe not the high note to end on but probably better than the latest stories of our country sliding into autocracy the way glaciers are calving off into the sea.

Presumably the purpose of advice columns is not to aid us, the readers, toward a solution to similar personal problems, it's to convince us that, no matter how screwed up our own lives are, there are others with far more issues making their lives far more miserable than ours. Take, for example, the one in this morning's paper. The writer has just finished graduating from college without any idea of what she ought to be doing with her life now that four years of coursework are behind her. No career presented itself to her, no trajectory into a gratifying profession manifested itself. What now?

Of course the columnist recommended trying volunteer work, taking some time off, not rush into anything right away, the usual mumbly-mouthed guidance. Things would work out fine, just relax, take an anti-depressant, wait for the lightbulb to come on. Some readers offered additional support, folks who graduated in one degree but are happy 30 years later as financial analysts. No one mentioned that working would probably be a kick in the teeth, whatever job she managed to score would be a low-grade, low paying hell she'd be strapped to the rest of her life with the promise of substituting that one for another equally soul-destroying job.. A career? Sweetheart, you will be compromising everything you might have dreamed for some employment that will suck the life right out of you, so get over it. Welcome to the real world. If you're lucky, you'll become a poet and give voice to your angst made worse by poverty. Meanwhile, get a job. You think everyone loves theirs? Like the rest of us, you'll finally tell yourself you do.

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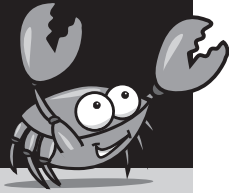
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Please join Don Simonson, Master Certified Fly Casting Instructor representing Fly Fishers International, on Saturday, September 6th, 2025 from 9:30-11:30 am at the Camano Country Club, 1243 Beach Dr, on the Club House grass. Please bring your casting outfit, if you have one, if not limited outfits will be available. Depending on attendance, instruction will occur in a group format with individual attention as time allows. An RSVP is welcomed, but not required. Please include your name and your casting skill level. dkximo@wavecable.com There is no charge for this event.

COMMUNITY INVITED TO Q&A SESSIONS ON EMS LEVY RENEWAL

Measure will appear on Aug. 5 primary election ballot. Camano Island Fire & Rescue will ask voters to consider renewing its emergency medical services (EMS) levy during the Aug. 5 primary election. The measure would restore the levy rate to \$0.50 per \$1,000 of assessed property value—the same amount approved by voters in 2021—and provide essential funding for emergency personnel, a new ambulance, and critical medical equipment and supplies. To help residents learn more, the district will host two public Q&A sessions with Chief Jason Allen: Wednesday, July 16, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Mabana Station (3651 South Camano Dr.); Wednesday, July 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Terry's Corner Station (525 E. North Camano Dr.). EMS accounts for 68% of all calls to the Camano Fire. As demand increases, so do the costs for staffing, vehicles, and medical equipment—all of which have seen steep increases since 2020. Although the EMS levy was set at \$0.50 when approved in 2021, it has decreased to \$0.37 due to the state's 1% cap on annual property tax revenue growth. This reduced rate no longer keeps pace with the rising costs of providing service. Renewing the levy would allow the district to hire additional personnel to improve response times, replace aging emergency vehicles, and invest in life-saving tools such as cardiac monitors, defibrillators, and automated CPR machines. "Providing fast, reliable medical care when it matters most is our top priority," Chief Allen said. "Renewing this levy means we can continue delivering the high-level EMS service our community depends on." If approved, the levy would cost the owner of a property assessed at \$650,000 an additional \$7.04 more per month—or \$84.50 annually. For more information, visit www.camanofire.com/news/ems-levy.

WE EMS



68% of all calls are for EMS response. Costs for personnel, equipment and apparatus are increasing faster than funding.

VOTE YES!



Medical transport can take ambulances and first responders off the island for up to 5 hours because of hospital delays.

VOTE YES!

WHAT WILL RENEWAL COST?

✚ The EMS levy would cost \$0.13 per \$1,000 of assessed property value (about \$7.04 more per month for the owner of a \$650,000 home)

WHAT WILL IT PAY FOR?

✚ More EMS personnel, replace an aging ambulance, a LUCAS device (automated CPR), a new cardiac monitor/defibrillator, and more!

WHY THIS MATTERS?

✚ The EMS levy expires if voters don't act to renew it. CIFR funds daily operations through two property tax levies — one for fire and one for EMS.

Island County does **not fund** Camano Fire. It relies solely on levies to provide emergency services

Fuel costs **up 46%**, EMS equipment **up 45%**, apparatus repair costs **up 65%** since 2020

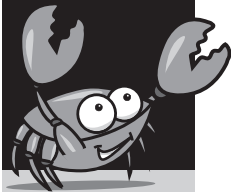
The EMS levy ensures quick, 24/7 response times for our growing community

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More than any other country in the world, Sudan has the most pyramids. Egypt has 138 pyramids, while Sudan has 255.

THE POWER OF UNCONDITIONAL LOVE

My very first best friend was my golden retriever, a brittney mix, Goldie. Little did I know, that would be the start of my love for animals. Fast forward, to 7 years ago, my last dog had passed and I "thought" I was ready to get another one. I ventured to CASA and found my current love, Moe, a beautiful blue nose pit. I had no idea at the time, she would change my life in ways I couldn't see then. I was living on a 26 foot sailboat and quickly learned she was not a small boat dog. Even though I've lived with big dogs my whole life, she was very different, and we both had to learn each others quirks. For me, it's been the most pure love I've ever known. The respect, connection and devotion that she has shown me, regardless of how much money I have in my bank account or what I happen to look like at any given moment, has taught me what unconditional love does for your life. Studies have shown that having a pet (Z has 2 feral cats that she had fixed, they live outside and the woman is cray cray about them!) can help reduce stress, anxiety, depression, ease loneliness, encourage exercise and playfulness. It has even been shown to boost oxytocin, the love hormone. I can attest to that, sometimes when I just look at her, my heart wants to explode. So if you have a pet, (even a fish!) know "an animal's eyes have the power to speak a great language." Come in to Z's Body & Soul, where you can connect with your Best self. Hope to see on the mat or while I'm walking Moe - Melissa Handy, Vibrational Coach, Reflexologist, Astrologer, Aromatherapist, Yoga Teacher

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12:30pm-2:30pm: South End String Band

2:30pm: "Burn the Bond" to celebrate the end of the tax levy

3:00pm-4:00pm: Nancy Pearl, America's Favorite Librarian

4:30pm-5:30pm: Trash Panda Go Kart



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2025 STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES ANNOUNCED



The Stanwood High School Athletic Hall of Fame committee is proud to announce the 11th annual SHS Athletic Hall of Fame Banquet, an evening dedicated to honoring the legacy and achievements of standout Spartans from years past. This year's Hall of Fame class includes six individual athletes: Megan Amundson, Sharon Cole, Kaci Jones, Neil Knutson, Brett Myron, and Isaac Teichgrab. Also being honored are legendary coaches Leonard Johannes and Dennis Klope, the 1998 Baseball Team, the 2009 Girls Cross Country Team, and the beloved football "Chain Gang" volunteers as contributors for their decades of service. The banquet will be held on Saturday, October 4, in the Stanwood High School Commons. The evening will begin at 5 p.m. with pictures and a meet-and-greet, followed at 6 p.m. by a catered dinner and induction ceremony. Stay tuned for more details in mid-August about ticket sales for the banquet, as well as a closer look at each inductee's accomplishments. Inductees will also be recognized during the Spartan football game on Friday, October 3, as Stanwood hosts Ferndale. The new Hall of Famers will be introduced during halftime and celebrated by the crowd. Historic Spartans memorabilia will be on display for attendees to enjoy throughout the evening. We hope you'll save the date and join us for this special weekend as we honor the newest members of the SHS Hall of Fame and celebrate the enduring spirit of Spartan athletics.



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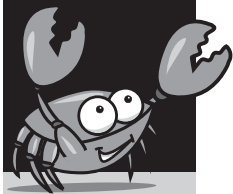
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Drop off your donations for Stanwood-Camano kiddos at any of the bins at participating locations. We are looking for gifts for all ages of children, ages 0-18. The Stanwood-Camano Food Bank is partnering with local businesses to host a Christmas in July Gift Drive benefiting the Holiday House program. Bring your donations, or purchase gifts in-store, and place them in a drop bin at any of the participating locations. Help us bring children in our community holiday cheer come December! Participating drop-off locations: Stanwood: Coastal Community Bank, Country Store, Grocery Outlet, Haggen, Hats Off, Heritage Bank, Ladders and Lace, MQ Gadgets Gifts Goodies, Nana's Toys N Gifts. Camano Island: The Camano Shop, Coastal Community Bank, Heritage Bank, IGA. To view our donation guide, visit our website: www.stanwoodcamanofoodbank.org/toydrive25

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Summer meal programs help children get the nutrition they need to learn, play, and grow throughout the summer months. The Stanwood-Camano School District is offering its free Summer Food Service Program for all children ages 18 and younger. The program is open to all families - kids can just drop in and grab a meal. Offered Mon-Fri at the following locations: Twin City Elementary (26211 72nd Ave. NW, Stanwood) - Dates: June 23 - August 22 - Breakfast: 8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. - Lunch: 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.; Stanwood High School (7400 272nd Ave. NW) - Dates: July 28 - August 2 - Breakfast: 8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. - Lunch: 10:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

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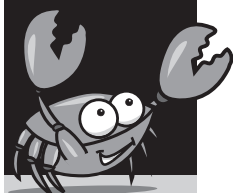
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CRAB CAKES: 1 lb. fresh Dungeness crab meat; 1 lg. egg beaten; 1/2 c. mayonnaise; 1 1/2 tsp. Dijon mustard; 1 tsp. Old Bay seasoning; 1 tsp. lemon juice; 1/2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce; 1/4 tsp. kosher salt; 1 c. breadcrumbs; 1 T. fresh flat-leaf parsley chopped; 1 T. unsalted butter; 1 T. olive oil; Lemon wedges for serving

SRIRACHA MAYONNAISE: 1 c. mayonnaise; 1 T. Sriracha sauce

DIRECTIONS: 1. Pick through the crab meat, removing all shells. 2. In a large bowl, beat the egg slightly, whisk in 1/2 cup mayonnaise, mustard, Old Bay, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, and salt. Stir in breadcrumbs and parsley. Add the crab meat; toss gently until combined. 3. Shape the crab mixture into 8 cakes about 1-inch thick for appetizers or 4-6 cakes for sandwiches. Cover with plastic and refrigerate for 1 hour. 4. In a nonstick skillet, heat butter with olive oil over medium heat. Fry the crab cakes 4 minutes per side until golden brown and cooked through (internal temperature of 165 degrees). Repeat with remaining crab cakes, adding more oil if needed. 5. Serve on toasted buns with lettuce and tomato and Sriracha mayonnaise OR serve smaller crab cakes as appetizers with lemon wedges and Sriracha mayonnaise or your favorite dipping sauce. 6. **SRIRACHA MAYONNAISE:** In a small bowl, stir together 1 cup of mayonnaise and Sriracha sauce. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use.



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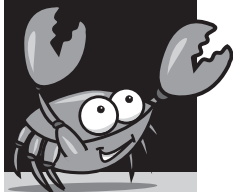


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Classes and Workshops



DID YOU KNOW?

Big Ben's clock stopped at 10:07 p.m. on 27 May 2005, most likely due to an extremely hot temperature of 31.8 degrees Celsius.

Astrology 101, with Melissa Handy. Interested in learning about astrology? The foundations will be discussed, as well as the four main elements in a chart. You will gain knowledge about your big 3. No prior experience is needed. Pre- registration is required. Space is limited. Thursday, July 24th, 5:30 to 7:30. Included in the cost of \$49, Melissa will do a basic chart for everyone prior to the event. Z's Body & Soul, Stanwood. 425-320-9776.

Zumba classes - Mondays at 11am at Pathways to Wellness in Stanwood and Thursdays at 5:30pm at Camano Country Club. Sessions run from Monday, July 7th to Thursday, December 18th. For more information: www.zumba.com (Instructor: Jennifer Anderson).

Flower Farm Retreat - We invite you to our beautiful summer retreats for a day filled with flowers, relaxation and renewal at a small, woman owned and operated flower farm in Stanwood. Two upcoming events: June 21st and July 26th. More information and register at Art Garden Yoga. <https://artgardenyoga.com/>

Calling all young chefs! Join us for Kids in the Kitchen at the Stanwood YMCA! This awesome 4-week drop-off program (ages 7-12) will have your child learning hands-on culinary skills and making delicious family-style meals each week. Cost: \$125 for Y Members, \$175 for Non-Members. Space is limited, and we only have a few open spots. Build confidence, develop skills, and have fun!

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Paint Party at the Beach Come and join us for a 'Drop In' painting day at Camano Island State Park on July 6th. We will be set up at the Lowell Point Kitchen Shelter from 9am til 4pm. Family friendly, lots of paintings to choose from. Tickets are available at Eventbrite "Painting With VanGo" or call or text us at (425) 351-8205.

Line Dance Lessons at the Camano Center with Kari — every Wednesday 3:00pm-3:45pm. Fun and exercise! socialdancesimplified.com.



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Movement Arts Yoga Classes In-studio & Online. ONLINE VIDEO LIBRARY – practice anytime, anywhere – just practice! Go to www.movementarts.com and follow the links to view our video library of online hour length classes.

High Fitness Saturdays: Join us for a FREE high-intensity (or low intensity, you choose) group exercise class (like dance fitness) Saturdays at 7:45 at 795 Ell Rd on Camano. Classes are also available Wednesday mornings at 6 am in Stanwood at The Dance Project NW for \$10/class. Go to “High Fitness Stanwood PNW” on Facebook for more info!

Medicare Basics Information Class July 12th, 8-9AM at the Camano Island Library – Meeting Room. Also available live via Zoom. Free and open to the public. Confused by Medicare? You're not alone. This free community class will help you understand the basics of Medicare, avoid common pitfalls, and explore your options for supplemental coverage through private insurance. Clear, unbiased guidance. Ideal for those turning 65 or helping a loved one. Educational only — no sales. To RSVP for the in-person class, or register to attend online via Zoom: Call John at 360-967-9601.



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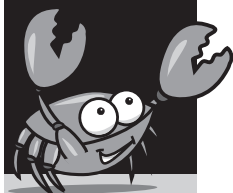
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Onamac Community Garage Sale July 11-12, 9am - 3pm. A Huge Multi-Family Sale offering a wide variety of items for browsing.

Estate Sale for two weekends: Friday, July 26th and 27th from 9am till 4 pm. In addition, if anything is left over, August 2nd and 3rd from 9am to 4pm. Antique furniture, rugs, old books and more. As well as some household items etc. 1349 SE Camano Drive, Camano Island Please note, limited parking.

Estate Sale - July 26 & 27 9 am to 4 pm. Cool vintage stuff, musical instruments and gear. 14 W Fern Lane. Camano Island.

MISCELLANEOUS:

I buy vinyl record albums: Rock, Pop, Jazz and more. I'll buy a few or a collection. Call Mike @ 425-530-8021.

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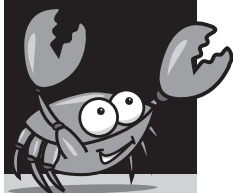
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Clubs and Meetings



DID YOU KNOW?

Queen Elizabeth II was a trained mechanic.

When she was a teenager, Queen Elizabeth II joined the Labor Exchange's British employment agency. There, she learned about repairing tires, trucks and engines.

Stanwood Chapter of Top's (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) would like to invite you to join us on Thursday mornings at the Cedarhome Baptist Church (29000 68th Ave. NW in Stanwood.) We meet at 10:00 a.m., and would love to have you visit our group of wonderful supportive friends! Please feel free to call Gay at (360) 393-7117 for more information.

Parks & Play 10-11:30am at Freedom Park, Camano Island. For ages 0-5 and their caregivers. Explore our local parks while doing arts and crafts, sensory activities, waterplay, reading stories, pop tunnels, music and more! info@crc-sc.org or 360-629-5257

Dottie's Nature Play - at Stanwood Camano Community Resource Center. This playgroup is all about hands-on discovery, sensory-rich experiences, and letting curiosity lead the way. Come dressed for the weather and ready for adventure! More info: info@crc-sc.org or call 360-629-5257.

Rainy Day Room Playgroup Free weekly play group at Community Resource Center for ages 0-5 and their grown-ups! Friendship and community....getting out of the house. More info: www.crc-sc.org/events.

Teen Programs Monday through Friday at the Community Resource Center, please visit www.crc-sc.org/teenprograms for more details and schedule of activities.

Kaleidoscope Play & Learn a FREE play group for 0-5 years and their grown ups. A variety of developmental activities that promote early learning. Inclusive of all young children, languages, and cultures. RSVP at www.crc-sc.org/events.

Are you troubled by someone else's drinking? When you don't know where to turn...Al-Anon/Alateen Family Groups can help! Here is a list of our meeting in the Stanwood/Camano Island area: SUNDAY, "Courage to Change" Camano Lutheran Church, 850 Heichel Rd, Camano Is, 6:00pm; "One Day at a Time," Stanwood Senior Center, 7430 276th ST NW, Stanwood, 7:00pm (For Zoom hybrid meeting call 360-618-0464 if you would like the meeting ID for Zoom), THURSDAY, "Stanwood AFG", United Methodist Church, 27128 102nd Dr., Stanwood, 7:00pm, SATURDAY, "Paths to Recovery," Camano Lutheran Church, 850 Heichel Rd, Camano Is, 10:30am. For more info and additional Al-Anon meetings in Northern Snohomish County call 360-618-0464 or go to <https://district28alanon.com>

Interested in joining Camano Island Quilters? We would love to meet you, stop by, and/or check us out on our website at <https://Camanoislandquilters.wildapricot.org>.

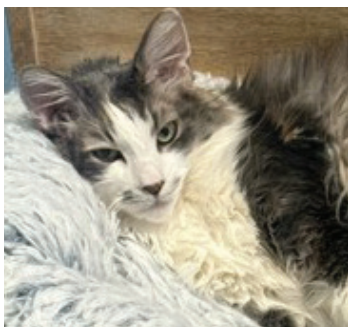
Community Open Sew 2nd Monday of the month with Camano Island Quilters. 10am-2pm at Stanwood United Methodist Church, 27128 102nd Dr NW. Open to public. Want to sew with others, need help on a project? We are here to help you. Bring your sewing machine, a project, and basic tools for an afternoon of fun!



CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

SNOOP is still here, and we can't understand why!! Snoop is now a year-old, Australian Shepherd/Coonhound mix still looking for his forever home. Snoop is very playful and outgoing and will need an active companion to keep him busy and entertained. He is very smart, and food motivated, so he will be very eager to continue to learn and train. If Snoop sounds like the perfect guy for you, come visit him at CASA!

Camano Animal Shelter Association (CASA):
360-387-1902. www.camanoanimalshelter.org



NOAH'S PET OF THE WEEK:

My name is **LUCY** and I am an independent lady and as such, am very picky about the people I spend time with. I will do best if left to my own devices and would adore a quiet space in your home or heated shop or barn (I've never been outside and I'm scared of it!) I am too refined to be very much into the sport of "mousing," but I would still love to have a home to call my own.


The N.O.A.H. Animal Adoption Center:
(360) 629-7055. www.thenoahcenter.org



SAVE-A-MUTT'S PET OF THE WEEK:

FARADAY is a very special girl who deserves a home where she will live her life as a cherished family member. She loves all people. Faraday would love a family that will include her in their adventures. She is ready to go for a ride when you are and if the plan is just relaxing on the couch she is ready for that too. **FIRST STEPS:** Visit www.save-a-mutt.org/adoption-application/ to fill out an application. We are a foster home based rescue.

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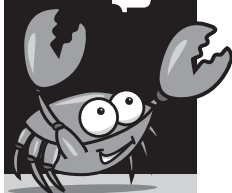
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THE IMMUTABLE LAWS OF CAR OWNERSHIP

I love cars. But owning a car is a lot like being in a long-term relationship with a temperamental, unpredictable partner. In the beginning, it's all love and smooth rides; you're cruising down the highway with the windows down, music blasting like Jerry Maguire singing along to Tom Petty's song Free Fallin'.

But then, you hit a few bumps—figuratively and literally. If you've owned a car long enough, you'll eventually learn that a few universal truths to car ownership exist, no matter how much you try to Dodge them. If you're a first-time car buyer, buckle up. You're in for a bumpy ride.

The First Law of Breakdowns

No matter how carefully you maintain your car, the first time it breaks down will occur at the most inconvenient possible moment. You'll be late for work, or worse, five minutes from the airport with a suitcase packed full of non-refundable destination vacation plans.

The breakdown will happen in the middle of a busy intersection or on a lonely road in the middle of nowhere – in utter darkness. The car will die at exactly the point when your AAA membership expires, and your phone, which in your haste you forgot to charge, will lose power just as you are attempting to text your neighbor, "Hey, My car broke down. Can you get me? I'm at –"

The Law of Mysterious Fluid Leaks

Every car has a secret, and that secret is a small, irritating fluid leak. It's always the kind of leak that doesn't show up on a regular maintenance check, but when you're least expecting it, turning your driving into the setting for a small environmental disaster. You'll detect an oil leak, or a coolant drip, or other mysterious "blue liquid" that's not covered in the owner's manual. Of course, this leak will only appear when your mechanic is out of town, and the entire auto parts store will be sold out of whatever overpriced magic potion is supposed to fix it.

The Law of Unsolicited Advice

Everyone you know will have an opinion on how to fix your car, whether they have any qualifications or not. That guy at work who's convinced that you can repair any car issue by watching YouTube will tell you to fix it yourself, even if you can't tell the difference between a spark plug and an alternator.

Your devoutly religious elderly mother will offer to "pray for the car," as if divine intervention will fix your busted radiator. And don't get me started on your buddy Norm who says, "Just use duct tape, dude. It worked on my engine once!" No. No, it didn't! You should never listen to anything Norm tells you. Why exactly are you even friends with him, anyway?

The Law of The 'Check Engine' Light

The primary reason this particular dashboard light was created is to generate intense anxiety, in order to send you rushing to the nearest

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repair shop and opening up your wallet. In reality, no one – especially you – has any idea what it actually means.

When it first comes on, you panic and frantically check the manual to decipher its cryptic message. From what you can surmise it means either that the battery is about to explode ... or possibly that the transmission is about to completely freeze up... or it might mean you're about to run out of some critical fluid without which your engine will be ruined.

So, you take the car in for a diagnostic, and they'll tell you it's a minor sensor issue and that it's probably safe to keep driving it... for now. Of course, you'll still spend the next three months Googling "check engine light causes" and wondering if you'll be stranded in the middle of the freeway at any moment with yet another warning light that flashes in bright red, "Your car is dead."

The Law of Unknown Sporadic Car Noises

There's a sound your car will make. A random squeak. A clunk. An ominous rattling. The noise will occur at the worst possible time, and you'll immediately think the car is on the brink of a mechanical breakdown. You'll take it in, and the mechanic will give you that classic shrug: "Hmm. I couldn't hear anything. It could be the camshaft. It might be the clutch assembly. Or maybe you need a complete engine rebuild. Unfortunately, your vehicle is out of warranty by 100 miles. If it keeps making that sound, bring it back in."

You'll drive around for weeks listening to that same unrelentingly unnerving sound, but the minute you bring the car back in, it will stop. It's like your car is playing some sort of twisted head game with you. And it's winning.

In the end, owning a car is a mix of love, frustration, and myriad unforeseeable expenses. But remember, the next time your car breaks down when you least expect it, at least you won't be alone – that is, once the tow truck driver arrives three hours later to tow your car, which broke down at 2am in the middle of nowhere, with the Check Engine light flashing.

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12	High	5:28 AM	9.7	
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12	High	8:12 PM	12.3	
Su 13	Low	1:44 AM	6.7	
13	High	6:18 AM	9.4	
13	Low	1:21 PM	-1.9	
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M 14	Low	2:29 AM	6.0	
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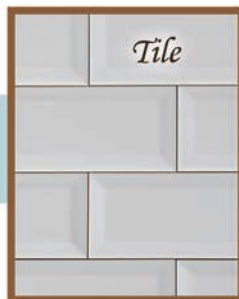


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