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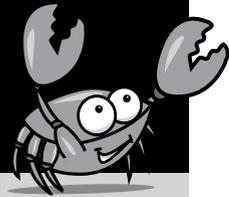
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Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

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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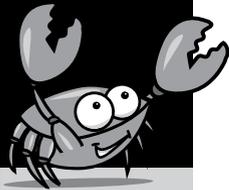


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Submission DEADLINE: FEB. 4 for Next Edition (Feb. 12-25, 2021)

Calendar of Events



FUN FACT:

Even though smoking has been banned on airplanes, ash trays are mandatory on every plane. This is for safe disposal in case someone breaks the law.

NOTICE: Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, many events have been cancelled or postponed or rescheduled. Some of the following events are online and virtual. For all others, contact them directly to ensure they are happening.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

PAINT AND SIP (ACRYLICS)

Silver Kite Online Workshops. 10:30 AM – 11:30 AM. Join us for a step-by-step acrylic painting workshop with one of Silver Kite's professional teaching artists. Grab a beverage of your choice and spend an hour with us talking and making art together! Register on the Silver Kite website at least one hour before class starts. Use sil2020 as the password. Silver Kite will send you the link for your class one hour before it begins. If you have any questions about your registration, please contact Silver Kite by email: info@silverkite.us or by phone: (508) 812-0431



FRIDAY, JANUARY 29

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA - THE HUMAN BODY

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM. Online event. Go it solo or grab a family member (or a few!) to test your trivia skills, right from the comfort of your own home. Join us for family fun while we explore trivia of the human body. Family trivia is designed with young people in mind – we suggest a youth participant on each team. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member need register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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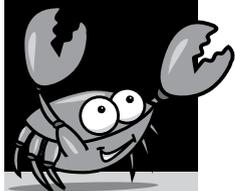
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FRIDAY-SUNDAY, JANUARY 29-31

COUNTRY LIVING EXPO & CATTLEMEN’S WINTERSCHOOL (VIRTUAL)

Each day there will be 4 sessions with up to 7 classes available each session. You may register for 12 classes at this year’s Expo. We’ve lowered the adult price to \$55 and kept our student price the same at \$10. We chose our top performing classes and instructors according to our surveys and added 10 new classes. There were instructors who felt their hands on class would not work virtually but they have promised to be back in 2022 at the brand new Stanwood High School. Our classes will all be offered over ZOOM. There will be no worries about not having a chair in the classroom because of folks sneaking into classes that were full, the only noisy children will be your own, and you can park right outside your door. To view our class description Booklet: skagit.wsu.edu/countrylivingexpo. To access our registration form on wufoo: <https://countrylivingexpo.wufoo.com/forms/q82f10d1v1sdn9/>. If you have questions about the Expo please email: countrylivingexpo@gmail.com. Classes begin at 9 am, 11 am, 1 pm, and 3 pm

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

ISSUES THAT MATTER: RECOGNIZING ANXIETY AND DEPRESSION IN KIDS

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM Online event. Kids of all ages have been affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Remote schooling, isolation from friends and relatives, and fears that they or someone they know may fall ill can cause anxiety. Even the youngest children can sense the pandemic stresses their parents and caregivers feel, resulting in anxiety and depression. Learn how to tell the difference between normal child behavior and changes that indicate it’s time to seek help. Learn about help that’s available for kids and their families. Panelists will share tips and offer resources to help kids of all ages cope with pandemic pressures. Please register to ensure you receive a reminder the day before the event, and to help us get a head count. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>



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MENU:

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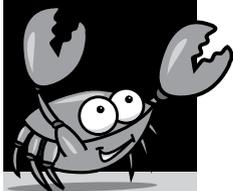
Smoked Game Hen OR
White Artichoke Lasagne with Pomodoro Cream

Brown Butter Mashed Potatoes
Maple Roasted Brussels Sprouts
Bread Pudding with Chocolate Sauce



Place order by February 8th through link on website www.camano-center.org or by calling 360-387-0222.

Calendar of Events



FUN FACT:

Sprite was manufactured as Coca-Cola's response to the popularity of 7 Up.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 30

INTRO TO VISUAL JOURNALING

Silver Kite Online Workshops 1:30 PM – 2:30 PM. During this hands-on workshop, we will explore ways to record daily experiences and memories by creating a visual journal. Participants will learn basic drawing and watercolor skills and how to create their own journal. Register on the Silver Kite website at least one hour before class starts. Use sil2020 as the password. Silver Kite will send you the link for your class one hour before it begins. If you have any questions about your registration, please contact Silver Kite by email: info@silverkite.us or by phone: (508) 812-0431



SUNDAY, JANUARY 31

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – UPCYCLED CRAFTS: INSPIRE YOUR HEART WITH ART DAY

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Today is Inspire Your Heart with Art Day! Join us in sharing the projects you've made that've been further inspiring your creativity and any other ideas for upcycled crafts you've been working on!! Seeking inspiration for materials? Our group has been using a variety of materials like toilet and paper towel tubes, scrap paper, and plastic bottle caps dressed up with acrylic paint. This is also the perfect opportunity to use up remnant fabric, craft materials, and yarn from past projects! A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>



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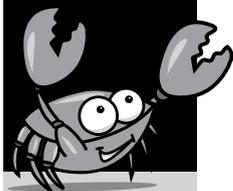
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We are committed to taking extra precautions to keep our office safe for everyone.

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FUN FACT:

Georg von Trapp, far from being the detached, cold-blooded patriarch of the family who disapproved of music, as portrayed in the first half of *The Sound of Music*, was actually a gentle, warmhearted parent who enjoyed musical activities with his family. His portrayal in the movie distressed his family greatly.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1

ORIGAMI BOOKMARKS

Join Davis Teen Program on Facebook Live at 3pm! You will need construction paper, scissors, pen/pencil, glue or tape, ruler. More info: teens@crc-sc.org or call 360-629-5257.



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

GROUNDHOG DAY

is a very popular tradition in North America, celebrated on February 2nd. On this day, the groundhog comes out of his hole after sleeping through the winter (hibernating) to look for his shadow. If he sees his shadow, it means that there are six more weeks of bad weather to come. If he doesn't see his shadow, it means that it is unofficially spring (spring officially starts on the spring equinox) and nice weather is on its way.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

OPEN SCHOOL

for middle school and high school students. 8am-2:30pm at "The Spot", 9831 271st St NW, Stanwood. A place to do school and ask questions. Free wi-fi access, free snacks, bring your own lunch. Face coverings required when 6 feet cannot be met.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

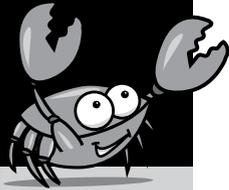
with Wonderland Child & Family Services. 10:00 AM – 10:30 AM. Join Shelby for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom! We will have fun activities designed to foster your child's development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need for the Play & Learn activities. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: <https://wonderlandkids.org/> A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants one day before the event.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2

STAY-AT-HOME STORYTIME SNIPPETS

3:00 PM – 3:15 PM Online event. Enjoy stories, sing along songs, rhymes and fun activities that prepare young minds for the adventures of reading. Presented by Sno-Isle Libraries staff from their homes for you and your little ones to join in from your home. To view, please visit the Sno-Isle Libraries Facebook or YouTube pages. Recordings will be available for later viewing.

Calendar of Events



FUN FACT:

Victoria's Secret was originally supposed to be a store for men to shop for their female partners without feeling embarrassed.



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

TREES - A COMMUNITY DISCUSSION TIED TO CLIMATE CHANGE

7:00 PM to 8:15 PM Virtual via Zoom. We are excited to chat with you! This session will include a brief introduction to the Project Drawdown climate framework, information about how trees can help fight climate change, and then we'll open it up for discussion and networking with other attendees. We hope to learn from you as much as we can provides resources and ideas for where you live. Please register to join us for our first talk in a 5 part discussion series. Each discussion will start at 7pm, but feel free to join in a bit early to settle in and chit chat. Each session will last for an hour with "after class" time if desired.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT - EARLY BIRD COFFEE AND CRAFTS

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM. Good morning early risers! This Craft and Chat is for those who know the best way to start the day is with conversation, coffee, and creativity. All crafts and all skill levels are welcome. This is a social event and not a tutorial. Registration is required, although being on camera is not. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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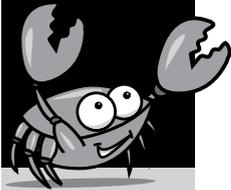


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FUN FACT:

Mulan has the highest kill-count of any Disney character, including villains, and was the first Disney Princess to be shown killing people on-screen.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – KNIT & CROCHET

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM. Calling all yarn crafters! Whether you make garments, gifts, home décor, or amigurumi, you can use yarn to create a wide variety of beautiful and interesting objects. Bring your current knit or crochet project and connect with your fellow crafters. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>



WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

ONLINE PUB TRIVIA - THE WORKS OF ADAM SANDLER

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. By popular request, we are bringing you a trivia night all about the long career of comedian Adam Sandler! From his debut on Saturday Night Live to his more recent, dramatic projects, this trivia night will test your knowledge and tickle your funny bone! A link to join trivia via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the morning of the event. Team members are not required and teams of one are absolutely fine. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member need register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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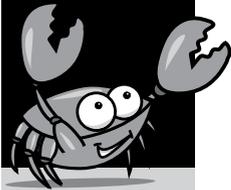
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FUN FACT:

The mongoose is one of those rare animals that is immune to a snake's venom.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

READING WITH ROVER

Thursday, February 4, 2021

4-4:15pm, 4:15-4:30pm, or 4:45-5pm. Children build reading skills and confidence by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog in a live video chat. For elementary students ages 6-12, with an adult. One registration required per student. Prior to the event you will receive an email invitation for the Zoom event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

AMONG US

DON'T BE SUS AND JOIN US FOR... "Among Us." Join Davis Teen programs at 2:30pm as we play Among Us. We will meet on Zoom and then play. You will need two devices, one to play the game and one to join us on Zoom. Contact us at teens@crc-sc.org or call 360-629-5257. open to students 6th-12th grade. Zoom info sent RSVP.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

BEACH CLEAN UP

CCC Beaches 1-3. A beach clean, due to the excessive debris left by the recent king tide. We're going to meet 12-3pm at Beach 2. High tide is 12+ at 9:30am and will be heading out until 4:30pm so the beach will be exposed. More info: 360-333-4308.

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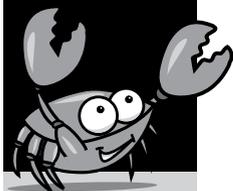
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FUN FACT:

There was a man in the late 1700's who had such a constant and severe appetite, he was once kicked out from a hospital because they thought he ate an entire toddler.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA - CELEBRATING BLACK VOICES

5:00 PM – 6:15 PM. Go it solo or grab a family member (or a few!) to test your trivia skills, right from the comfort of your own home. Join us for a night of trivia in celebration of Black History Month, including trivia about history and our modern world. Remember, family trivia is designed with young people in mind, and we suggest a youth participant on each team. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member need register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – CRAFTING FOR NIGHT OWLS

9:00 PM – 10:30 PM. This Craft and Chat is for those of you whose creative juices get flowing after the sun goes down. All types of crafts welcome. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

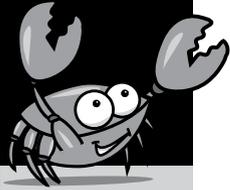


FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

ARTIST RECEPTION FOR PETER TURNER

Peter Turner's photography will be featured the entire month of February in the Beach 1 Gallery. Peter is a local Camano Island photographer. The Gallery is open 7 days a week. The artist reception for Peter is today from 5 to 7 PM at Beach 1 Gallery in Camano Country Club, 1243 Beach Drive, Camano Island 360-387-1655. Masks and social distancing are required in the Club House. We will be serving bottled water and individual bags of chips.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

E-CYCLE

10am-2pm, across from Stanwood Middle School on 94th Avenue, follow signs. Accepting all TVs, monitors, computer towers, and laptops only (for recycling). This is put on by Stanwood-Camano Aktion & Kiwanis Clubs & donations benefit their many local service projects.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

ONLINE CLASS: SUSTAINABLE GARDENING

10-11:30am. Sustainable Gardening: Growing food with ease & minimal impact. Have you been curious about starting a food garden, but not sure how to begin? Or worried it will cost too much? Learn how growing food in your yard can be simple, inexpensive, and provides many other benefits for people and the planet. We will provide plenty of information and resources to get your garden going this spring! Register at: <https://sustainablefoodgardening2021.eventbrite.com>



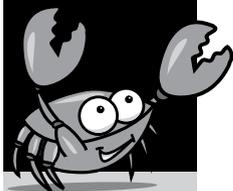
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INAUGURATION FACT:

Selfies now cause more deaths than shark attacks. It is estimated there are 28 selfie related deaths per year, with the leading cause being heights.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

VIRTUAL SOUND WATERS UNIVERSITY 2021

A One Day Journey of Discovery About Our Beautiful Natural World and the Salish Sea. Learning about this beautiful place we call home is both an exciting educational opportunity and a chance to see how to make a difference in our fragile natural environment. Sound Waters University will launch a new chapter in 2021 with our first virtual event. Attendees can choose from a wide variety of informative classes, from climate change to birds, whales, coastal geology and so much more. New in 2021, attendees will have the wonderful opportunity to listen to all our exciting speakers, with 12-14 sessions planned. This means that while the live portion of our event only happens on February 6th, you will have full access to all these wonderful classes after the event to explore at your leisure. Some of our exciting class subjects include: Orcas - Climate Change - Earthquakes - Asian Giant Hornets - Marine Birds - Forest Health - And so much more! More info: <https://www.soundwatersuniversity.org/>

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – UPCYCLED CRAFTS

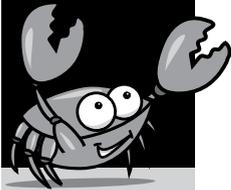
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TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

VIRTUAL PLAY & LEARN

Virtual Play & Learn with Wonderland Child & Family Services 10-10:30am. Join Shelby for a 30-minute virtual circle time on Zoom on Tuesday mornings! We will have fun activities designed to foster your child's development, including a story time, singing, and simple crafts. Register online to receive your Zoom link and a list of materials you may need for the Play & Learn activities. For information about Wonderland Child and Family Services, please visit their website: <https://wonderlandkids.org/>. A link to join the event via Zoom will be sent to registered participants one day before the event.

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FUN FACT:

A dog was the first living creature to be sent into space in 1957.

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OPEN SCHOOL

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

ONLINE CRAFT & CHAT – OPEN SEW

10:30 AM – 11:30 AM. All sewing enthusiasts are invited to gather and chat! Bring your quilting, machine-sewing, hand-stitching or any sewing-related project, and a mug of your favorite morning beverage. I'm looking forward to lots of show and share! A link to join the event via Microsoft Teams will be sent to registered participants the day of the event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

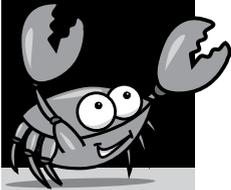
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

ONLINE PUB TRIVIA - INVENTIONS & INVENTORS

7:00 PM – 8:30 PM. Test your knowledge of inventions—the important, the obscure, and even the obsolete—along with facts about their creators. Part history, part technology, but all trivia and all from the comfort of your own Internet-capable device! Grab your favorite beverage, call your friends, and settle in for a night of online pub trivia. A link to join trivia via Zoom will be sent to registered participants the morning of the event. Team members are not required and teams of one are absolutely fine. If you are playing with team members who are sharing your screen/device, only one team member needs to register. If team members are located in different households, at least one member of each household should register for trivia. For Online Trivia frequently asked questions, please visit: <https://www.sno-isle.org/faq/online-events/>

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Calendar of Events



FUN FACT:

During the filming of the first Fast & Furious movie, 78 cars were wrecked both on and off-screen. Out of the 78 cars, 3 cars were shown being destroyed in the film's trailer alone.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

BEST HORSEKEEPING PRACTICES FOR WESTERN WASHINGTON - NORTH CREEK WATERSHED

5:30 PM - 6:30 PM. Presented by Snohomish Conservation District. Whether you're new or experienced with owning a horse, you know that it's no small chore to keep them healthy and happy. Join us for a Zoom webinar all about how to make necessary improvements to keep your property healthy for your horse and our environment. Michael Hipp can answer your burning questions as we take a deep dive in combating winter weather and mud. We will require you to register so we can send you the zoom link and password. If you cannot attend, register anyways so we can send you the link to the recording once it's posted on our YouTube channel. Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/best-horsekeeping-practices-for-western-washington-north-creek-watershed-tickets-133870583519>

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

RIDING THE WAVES OF CAREER CHANGE

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM Online event. Overwhelmed by your job search? This workshop will help you develop concrete skills and personal resiliency needed to carry you through. Attendees will learn to use labor market data sources to help inform job searches and/or career changes, will learn (through interactive discussions and activities) to identify transferrable in-demand skills, and will explore concrete tools to stay adaptable in the current job-market. Attendees will leave the workshop with practical job search tools that will make the transition back to the work force a smooth and positive one. This two-hour workshop is offered in partnership with WorkSource Washington. Space is limited, and registration is required. Register at: <https://www.trumba.com/calendars/worksource-snohomish?eventid=150425994>

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

READING WITH ROVER

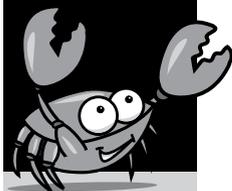
online event. 4-4:15pm, 4:15-4:30pm, 4:45-5pm. Children build reading skills and confidence by reading aloud to a certified therapy dog in a live video chat. For elementary students ages 6-12, with an adult. One registration required per student. Reading with Rover is a community-based literacy program working with schools and libraries. Prior to the event you will receive an email invitation for the Zoom event. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11-13

COHOST MAKERS MARKET

is back with a Valentine's Day edition! We are thrilled to be featuring over 20 local artists and creators in our pop-up shop. These hand-made goods include jewelry, calligraphy, stained glass art, apparel, candles and so much more. Come fall in love with shopping small! The shop will be open Feb 11-13 from 10am - 5pm. To maintain the safety of our community, we are offering a sanitized and distanced shopping experience. 8712 271st St, Stanwood (360)572.3352.

Kid's Korner



FUN FACT:

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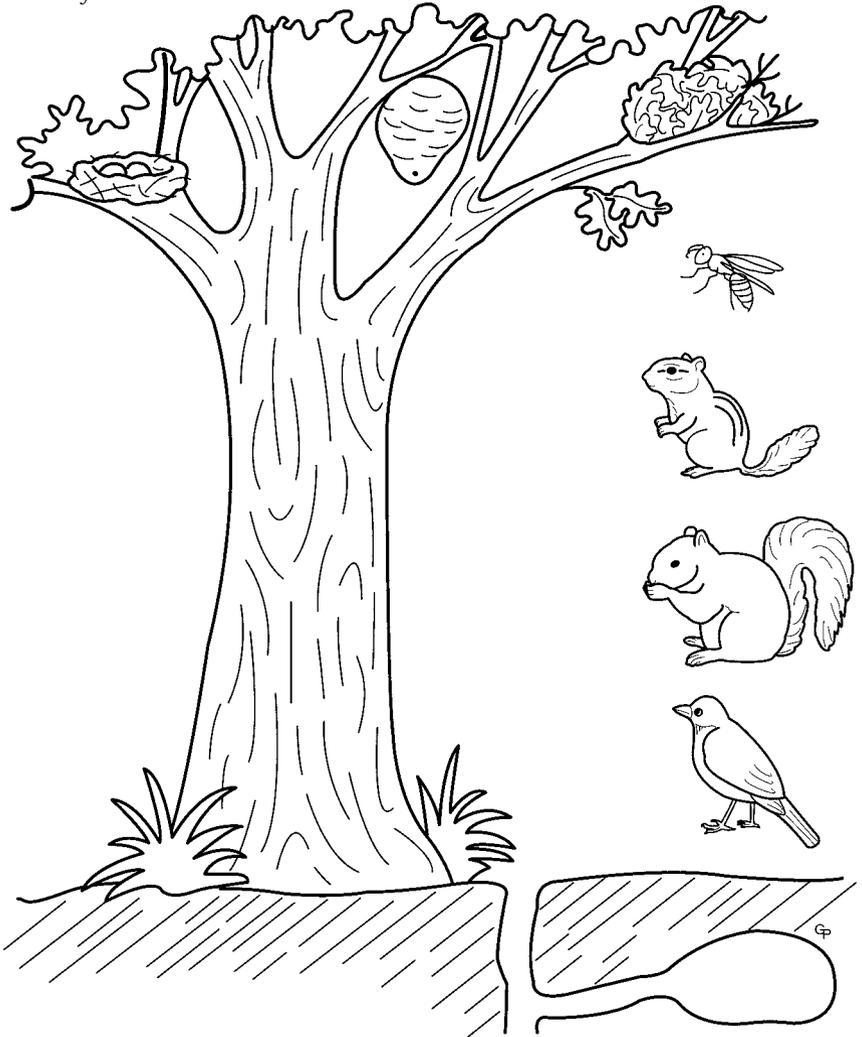
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SUDOKU

Every sudoku puzzle involves a 9x9 grid of squares subdivided into 3x3 boxes. In total there are 81 squares on a sudoku grid and when the puzzle is completed each square will contain exactly one number. Sudoku is a puzzle based on a small number of very simple rules: Every square has to contain a single number; Only the numbers from 1 through to 9 can be used; Each 3x3 box can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once; Each vertical column can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once; Each horizontal row can only contain each number from 1 to 9 once. Once the puzzle is solved, this means that every row, column, and 3x3 box will contain every number from 1 to 9 exactly once. In other words, no number can be repeated in any 3x3 box, row, or column.

Many animals live in forests. Draw a line from each animal to its home.



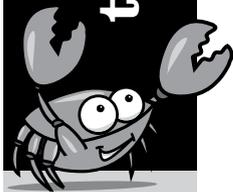
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THE BURDEN OF BEING A GOOD SPORT

I'm not the most handsome man in the world, or, as my kids periodically remind me, or the smartest. But there is one thing everybody who knows me seems to agree on: "Tim's a good sport." That's because they know that if there's one person who can take a practical joke in stride, laugh it off, and not start plotting his revenge, it's me.

My entire adult life, friends and co-workers have delighted in pulling practical jokes on me or otherwise looking for ways to thrust me into embarrassing situations. They know I'll just laugh along with everybody else at my very public humiliation. But I don't really mind. I believe that they'd never attempt these stunts unless they sincerely liked me. Or maybe they viewed me as an easy mark. Yeah, now that I process further, the latter explanation is starting to make a lot more sense to me. The following incidents all really happened as described.

In my sophomore year, after a final exam for which I had pulled an all-nighter cramming, I came back to my apartment and collapsed on the couch. My face apparently bore a zombie-like expression from sleep deprivation. Unbeknownst to me, one of my apartment-mates snapped a photo of me zonked out. Two weeks later, I returned from classes to find all three of my apartment-mates huddled around the apartment's lone 13" black & white TV. They were watching a local cable access channel (back when these channels only posted still images with announcements about local bake sales and the date of the next PTA meeting). I peered over Jim's shoulder as every 10 seconds a new screen would appear announcing local matters of no import.

Then came a series of kids' birthday announcements featuring images of adorable children with messages like, "Happy Birthday, Melody Bishop, age 7" followed by "Birthday Wishes to Amy Johnson, age 5", followed by "Happy Birthday, Timmy Jones, age 20." Whah?? Staring back at me was that grotesque photo of me after my all-nighter, looking like a serial killer, with my greasy hair, mangy beard, and a glazed-over expression. But I laughed because that's what good sports do.

Another time, I was heading off to classes. As I passed the mailboxes of our apartment building, I noticed a giant 3' x 2' poster - ABOUT ME! There was yet another extremely unflattering photo someone had taken of me with the stupidest grin on my face, along with the disturbing message: COME HEAR TIM JONES LECTURE STUDENTS AND FACULTY ON ICE CANDLES, SNOW PICNICS AND THEIR EFFECT ON THE OUTER COSMOS. Tuesday night, 7pm at Wilson Hall.

When I arrived at my first class, this same giant poster was plas-



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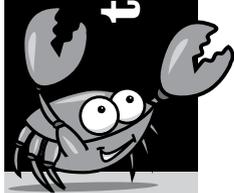
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tered on walls all around the 500-seat lecture hall and on the front of the lectern. Same thing for my next class. More signs everywhere. Every classroom I went to – and the hallways leading up to these classrooms were covered with this same embarrassing poster. I vividly remember sitting behind two girls who were staring at this poster and one of them saying, “This guy looks like a dork. What a freak show!” Well played, roomies.

At one employer, my reputation for being a good sport became widely known. As a result, during a United Way campaign fundraising event, my boss pressured me into agreeing to get dunked in an outdoor fountain every time someone donated \$100 or more. Did I mention I was wearing a suit and tie? Or that it was January? That boss of mine. What a jokester.

But nothing will quite match my ultimate humiliation – the time I got volunteered by my (formerly) dear friend Mark into helping out a street performer with his magic act. He needed a sucker, I mean, an assistant for his grand finale. Mark thrust my hand high and shouted, “Tim will do it!” The performer plucked me from out of the crowd of 500 onlookers. Before it was all over, there the performer had coaxed me into stripping down, item by item, until all that remained to cover my nearly naked body were my tighty-whities, as the overflowing crowd all chanted, “Take it off, Tim.” For the rest of the story, buy me a drink.

Being a good sport has defined my nature throughout my life. But I really have not minded all the embarrassment and occasional humiliation inflicted by friends and co-workers. After all, it just means they like me.... At least that’s what I keep telling myself.

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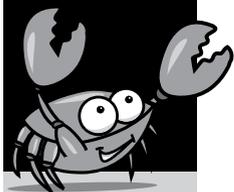


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EVENTS OF 2021

Grab your 2021 calendars! Here are some notable astronomical events for the year ahead.

March 5- Jupiter and Mercury will be closely paired in the east-south-east horizon just before dawn. Jupiter will be the beacon as its brightness will stand out even against the twilight sky. Mercury will be to the upper left.

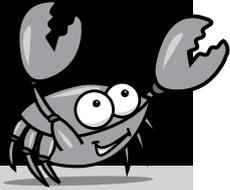
May 26- A total lunar eclipse will be visible in the early hours before dawn. Although we will miss the final stages, the totality will be visible around 4:18am. For those with a view to the west the setting of a fully eclipsed Moon over the water/mountains will be worth the effort.

August 11-12- The Perseid meteor shower, a yearly favorite. The best time to watch will be once the Moon sets (after 10PM).

Nov 19- A second lunar eclipse, this time not quite total (although very close). Again you will have to get up in the pre-dawn hours, but the view of the mostly eclipsed red against the sliver of yellow/white Moon will be a spectacular view.

For the hard core solar eclipse chasers, there will be two this year. The first on June 10 will be visible from northern latitudes (for us the closest in northern Canada) and for the truly hardcore a second on Dec 4 visible from the summer skies of Antarctica.

Classes and Workshops



FUN FACT:

Puma, cougar, and mountain lion are names for the exact same animal. The scientific name is puma, but they are more commonly referred to as cougars.

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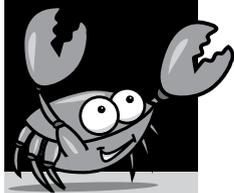
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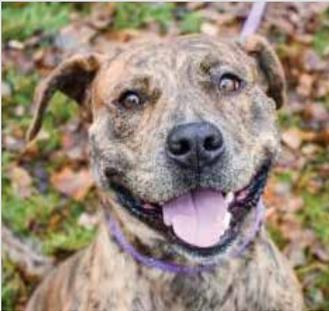


CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

BATMAN is a cuddly guy who likes to sleep with his person. He would prefer a quiet household with no small children or loud noises. He can be fearful of new people but with a slow introduction to the home he will start to relax and show his personality. Although he may be a little skittish at first, once he warms up, he is an attention hog.

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NOAH'S PET OF THE WEEK:

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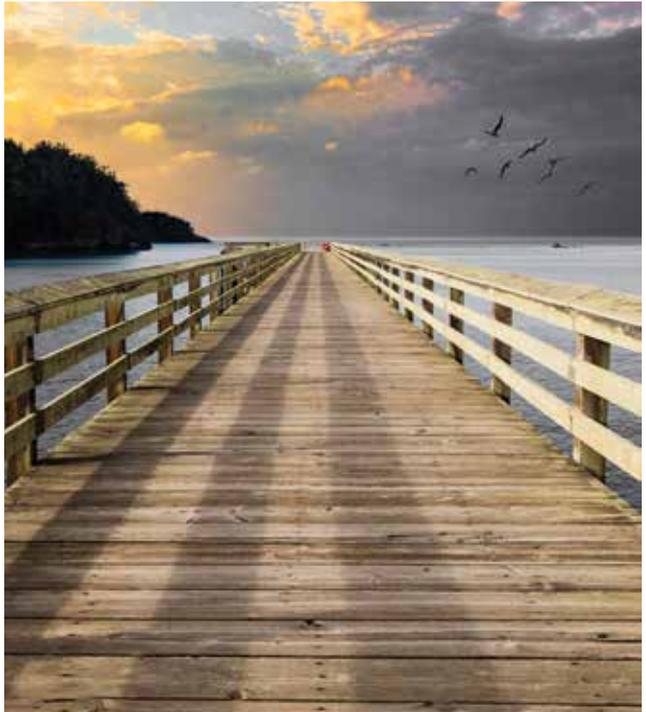
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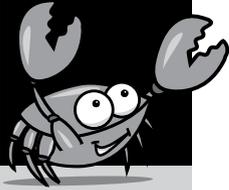
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FUN FACT:

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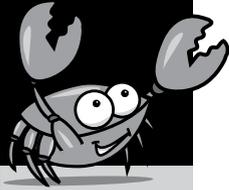
STANWOOD CAMANO LITTLE LEAGUE

Like all of you, we have been keeping up on the situation with Covid-19 and the mandates in our state. One of the most difficult things to do in this time is make long-term plans, as the situation seems to change weekly. However, we are hopeful that we will have a season and have opened up registration to prepare for it. Registration will look a little different this year, so please read carefully. To best prepare for the possibility of having to cancel the season again, the registration process will place you on a waitlist. This is so that you will not pay any fees upfront. Once we confirm that a season will happen, we will have you go back in and pay the fees. Our hope is that this encourages more people to sign up and we can get an accurate picture of participants. Another change this year is that registration has moved from Stack Sports to Sports Connect. This means that you will have to create a new account in Sports Connect. You should have received an email about this a while back, but you can also go to <https://www.stanwoodcamano.org/> and click "register" in the top right corner. Once you have an account, click on "my account" and then the red "register now!" button in the top right. For those willing to coach (Please consider, as we were short last year), there will be a step in the athlete registration process for head or assistant coach registration. With tryouts tentatively planned for the first couple weeks of February (for the older divisions), we ask you to register ASAP. We will get tryout and season dates out to you as we nail them down. Lastly, please know that the health of our participants and our community is a priority, and we will be paying attention to the health recommendations given by the state and Little League International. We look forward in hope to what this season brings. Please direct any questions to Derek at playeragentscll20@gmail.com (note that board email addresses have changed as well). - Ned Cross, President, Stanwood Camano Little League.

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The Camano Island Chamber of Commerce is delighted to welcome you to celebrate the 12th Annual Great Northwest Glass Quest. The Pacific Northwest is known throughout the world for its fine glass artists. People come from far and wide to view and purchase glass art in the Puget Sound area. Stanwood and Camano Island are part of that rich heritage, with many artists living and working here. In collaboration with the Camano Chamber of Commerce, artists Mark and Marcus Ellinger are giving everyone a chance to own a hand-blown glass ball simply by searching for it. The "treasure" is yours to find! The 2021 Great Northwest Glass Quest starts on February 12th and runs through the 21st. Here's how it works: download or view a Glass Quest Guide from the event website: www.thegreatnwglassquest.com. You can also download the Glass Quest App. The guide will tell you where to look for plastic 3 inch clue balls which are turned in to receive a limited-edition, stamped and signed hand-blown glass treasure. There will be over 400 clue balls hidden over the course of the 10-day event. If after pursuing your Quest, a prize eludes you - all is not lost! You can participate in a free drawing every day you Quest by "checking-in" online as well as entering into a raffle (\$5/ticket) to win the #1 or #2 Limited Edition balls. Unlimited Glass Balls are also available to purchase at select locations as supplies last. Questing is a safe activity you can do with your family - many clue balls are hidden outside in our local parks and participating businesses will maintain limited numbers of individuals allowed in stores at one time. We ask all participants to follow COVID-19 rules and enjoy the thrill of the hunt! Take part in the Greatest Treasure Hunt in the Pacific Northwest with the 12th Annual Great Northwest Glass Quest.

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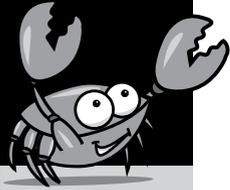
At his audition for *The Office*, John Krasinski told someone he was nervous about the producers ruining the show because of how great the British version was – little did he know, the person he was talking to was the show's executive producer.



SONGBIRDS ARE GETTING SICK AND DYING ACROSS WASHINGTON

(Article by BROOKE WOLFORD, "The Olympian", JANUARY 13, 2021 02:42 PM). What's going on? Reports say that finches and other songbirds are likely dying of a disease caused by salmonella bacteria. Washington wildlife officials are warning people that finches around the state are dying of a disease that has appeared in multiple counties, according to a news release from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. The department has received reports about sick or dead songbirds at backyard feeders in King, Kitsap, Skagit, Snohomish and Thurston counties, the release said. Those reports have prompted wildlife officials to recommend people temporarily stop feeding wild birds or to do more to maintain their feeders, according to the release. Reports say that finches and other songbirds are likely dying of salmonellosis, "caused by the salmonella bacteria," the release said. "When birds flock together in large numbers at feeders, they can transmit the disease through droppings and saliva," Kristin Mansfield, a veterinarian with the department of fish and wildlife, said in a statement in the release. The disease was likely spread more because of "an anomaly where finches and other species that generally winter in the boreal forest in Canada and the far north move south and are spotted in areas in larger numbers than non-irruption years," the release said. Birds with the disease "become very lethargic, fluff out their feathers, and are easy to approach," Mansfield said. "This kind of behavior is generally uncommon to birds." There is little people can do to treat the diseased birds. But people can help stop the spread by discontinuing bird feeding until at least February, according to the release. People should also reduce the number of feeders to a quantity that will be easily cleaned daily, accommodate fewer birds and spread further from other feeders, the release said. "Birds use natural food sources year-round, even while also using backyard bird feeders, so they should be fine without the feeders," Mansfield said. Salmonella bacteria can transfer from birds to humans, but it's uncommon, according to the release. Those handling birds, feeders or bird baths should wear gloves and thoroughly wash their hands afterward, the release said.

Community Information



FUN FACT:

Clinomania is the excessive desire to lay in bed all day.

“WE ARE BACK!”

Beginning Monday, January 11, we will resume some indoor fitness activities. We are looking forward to welcoming more members back to the Y! The new Healthy Washington plan announced this week permits us to reopen our fitness centers and gyms, but with different restrictions than our previous reopening. Here’s what you need to know: Limited capacity/occupancy. No more than one member per 500 sq ft. Facial coverings are required at ALL times except while actively using the pool. Facial coverings are required while working out. Reservations required. 45-minute sessions will be available for the cardio, strength, gym, and other areas in the facility to accommodate more members. Outdoor group exercise will be available by reservation. Our hours will remain the same. We will be open from 5 am – 8 pm Monday through Friday (closed from 1 – 3 for deep cleaning) and Saturday from 7 am – noon. Wellness checks required upon entry (temperature and health check). Extensive cleaning and sanitation practices, as well as physical distancing rules will continue. We remain committed to providing a safe, healthy environment for our members. We’re so glad that we can once again be together, safely! We will continue to provide virtual programming through our Y at Home platform. For more information, please visit: ymca-snoc.org/reopening.

WIDOWED WOMEN-

God has a special place in His heart for you and so does Camano Chapel! Please join us ladies each Sunday starting 1/31/21. Our Sunday School class is called Solo Connection. We will be viewing the video series “One Widow to Another, the Connection that Counts,” by Miriam Neff. Please contact Gloria at gloriawalsh@camanochapel.org for more information on the time and location.

MONDAY HELP GROUP

If you’ve been feeling overwhelmed with distance learning and would like some help, please attend the Monday time management group “Do More and Stress Less: How to Manage Your Time and Improve Your Grades.” Join this Google Meet from 2:30-3PM on Mondays with the code “Monday Help.” We’ll go over strategies for understanding your grade, making a weekly schedule, and getting caught up in your classes. Parents and students are invited to attend.

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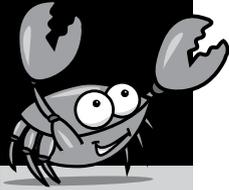
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SOUND WATER STEWARDS OFFERS 2021 TRAINING FOR NEW MEMBERS

Sound Water Stewards (SWS) of Island County seek individuals who are passionate about marine and shoreline ecology to join the 2021 Class. Sound Water Stewards are trained volunteers working in and around Island County for a healthy, sustainable Puget Sound through education, stewardship, and citizen science. Applications are now being accepted for 2021. Classes will be virtual on Thursdays, April 8 through May 20 and September 9 through October 21, 2021 from 9:00 am to about 2:30 pm via Zoom. Classes are augmented by guided small-group outdoor field trips, hands-on practice, on-line sharing in a private platform, and further online content. It adds up to 100 hours to prepare graduates to be well-rounded volunteers in the field. Apply by March 8. The fee for training is \$200 plus a commitment to give back 100 hours of volunteer time within the next two years. Scholarships are available to ensure the Membership Fee is not a barrier to involvement. People who are new to Island County find the training and friendships to be especially valuable. Find details, application form and quotes from recent graduates at <http://soundwaterstewards.org/training>. Sound Water Stewards is a non-profit organization serving Island County.

DO YOU HAVE VACCINE QUESTIONS?

Find answers to some of the most common appointment and eligibility questions on our COVID-19 Update Page- <https://stanwoodwa.org/CivicAlerts.aspx?AID=28&PREVIEW=true>

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FUN FACT:

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VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER TO GO

"Celebrate love." February 14th. Pick up at the Camano Center between 2 & 4pm. Your purchase supports the Camano Center programs and services. Menu: Winter kale salad, coconut shrimp with chili sauce, smoked game hen or white artichoke lasagne with pomodoro cream, brown butter mashed potatoes, maple roasted brussels sprouts, bread pudding with chocolate sauce. Place order by Feb. 8 through www.thecamanocenter.org or call 360-387-0222.

VIRTUAL GUITAR 101/102 CLASS

strum like a pro. Join Davis Teen Programs and learn how to play the guitar. This is a FREE beginners/intermediate class for students 6th-12th grade. Every Wednesday January 27 to February 24, 3-4pm. Register today at teens@crc-sc.org or call 360-629-4705. The class will be on a Zoom link sent with RSVP.

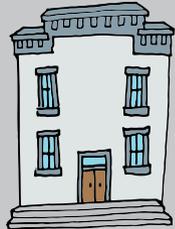


CAMANO VACCINATION CLINIC

Posted by Camano Island Fire and Rescue: Yes - The rumors are true: We're working with the Camano Center and Island County to set up another clinic on the island. However - it's going to take a couple more weeks before we can open to the public. We'd love to open the clinic tomorrow, too, but we need vaccinations to give. Right now, we're still waiting on the state to ship those vaccines to us. One way you can help is to volunteer - if you're able. We need both clinical and nonclinical volunteers. If you have previous medical training, or if you just want to help with paperwork and facilitation, please email Pat Waters, the Island County Emergency Management Volunteer Coordinator, at p.waters@islandcountywa.gov. Let him know you're interested in volunteering for the Camano Island vaccination clinic. Vaccination is going to be a marathon, not a sprint. We expect to run the clinic for the next few months, so you may not get the call to volunteer right away. We want to be mindful of our volunteers so we don't burn people out. Photo caption: Commissioner Lich gets a vaccine at Station 4.

CARTOON ILLUSTRATIONS OF LOCAL BUILDINGS

by Camano Island artist, James M. Shipley

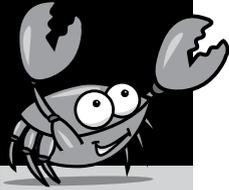


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Did You Know?



The Stanwood Area Historical Society asks, "Did You Know?"

Excerpts taken from the "Stanwood Story", written for the Stanwood News by Alice Essex.

In June 1936, Alf Willard became Stanwood's postmaster, after Trygve Lien resigned to take over the Warm Beach Shingle Mill with Ben Willard and John Munson.

During so-called "dog days" of July and August, the town turned its energies to the 1936 Harvest Festival, which featured a new attraction... Chief William Shelton and a troupe of Indian war dancers from Tulalip. The feature was so popular that it was repeated by popular demand. A few days before the festival, townsfolk were treated to an inside peek into Hollywood via the \$150,000 Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer traveling motion picture studio, complete with cameras, sound and celebrities. The presentation, which was on tour about the country, was at the Ideal Theater and the entourage was escorted into town by a welcome party.

September 30 was the date of a memorable event for Stanwood... the dedication of the new city hall. VIP'S from Seattle, Everett and adjacent towns attended along with officials of the WPA, which had supplied much of the labor for the building. A program, refreshments and dancing comprised the fanfare, emceed by Mayor Charles Dockendorf. The Building, before alterations were made, then included a ballroom, orchestra pit, kitchen, council chambers, city jail, furnace, check and rest rooms. Completed a few weeks before the official dedication, it already had been much in demand for social affairs.

Back to the business scene, a new drug store opened in the Ed Peterson Building by Howard Snow of Seattle, and in November two other buildings took on a new look. The Sons of Norway Hall, built in the late 1880's by the Masons and later acquired by the Scandinavian lodge, underwent a re-do, which removed its upper story and extended the main floor 14 feet to the east.

The new look at the Stanwood Auto Co., owned by Frank Finch featured large show windows, hydraulic hoist, new floor and parts arrangement. The company celebrated with an opening splurge displaying its new facilities and new Chevrolets, which the public lauded for their silent motors, steel bodies and safety glass.

December brought another change of ownership in the community. The Stillaguamish Grange purchased Woodland Hall from the Hubbard Bros., and re-named it Stillaguamish Grange Hall No. 1058. Meantime business concerns were busy with holiday shoppers. It had been an action-packed year, but not too commercially-oriented for Editor Brown to quip apropos of Christmas: "Going to church may not be necessary, but it puts a man in better company than the average,"

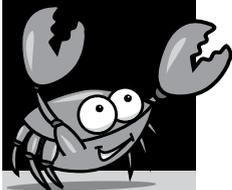
In trivial and sometimes strange ways events of the future cast their shadows before them. So, it was in 1936, when troubles of the decade of the 1970's first flickered across the horizon in Stanwood.

It was then that controversial issues of today... strikes, taxes, welfare, union and social security hassles... made their debut on the local scene. Even warnings of communism came on St. Patrick's Day 1936 at a Kiwanis dinner meeting at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church.

Art Anderson, former mayor of Longview and manger of Snohomish County Abstract Co., was speaker of the evening. After opening remarks, which included amusing Scandinavian anecdotes, the "Communist Threat" became the theme of his message.

Says the record, Anderson stated that during his regime as mayor, communist and labor interests made numerous contacts with authorities. More on his speech next time.

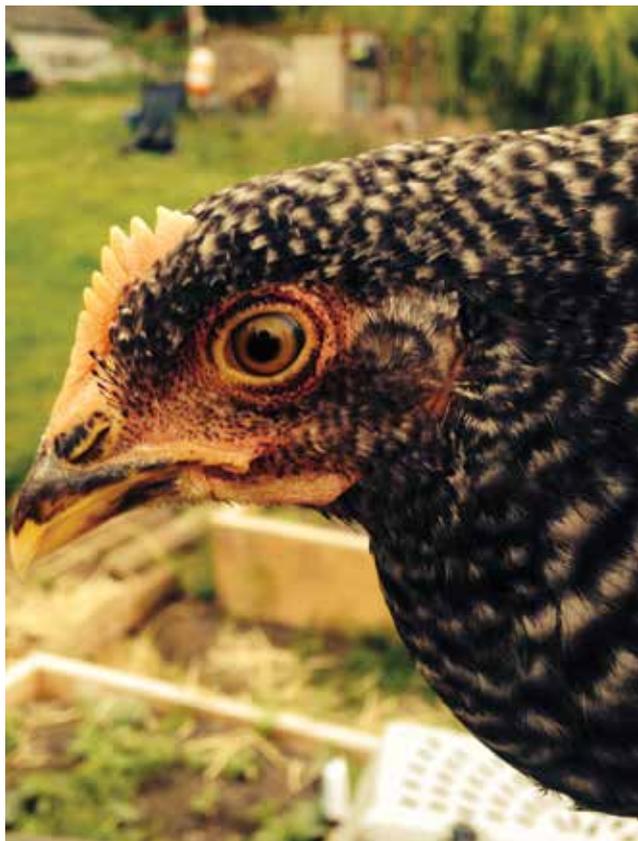
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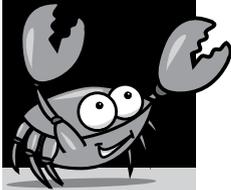


Garden friend by Jonny Winter.



"Into the forest." Photo by A. Osenberg

Senior Scoop



"Senior Scoop"

Short articles on older adult issues from Camano Island resident, Brooke Knight, CEO Northshore Senior Center / Mill Creek Senior Center



TAX TIME!

This is the time of the year where we all begin to think about filing our taxes. Older adults age 50 and older can access free tax preparation services through AARP's Tax-Aide program, generally hosted by our local library system. Due to COVID-19, the libraries will not be able to host this program in 2021, however AARP is currently working with other community partners and local non-profits to identify alternate locations that can safely host this service. AARP is anticipating locations for the Tax-Aide program will open effective February 1st. Details on site locations will be available at <https://tinyurl.com/localtaxhelp> once they have been finalized. AARP has been providing this service to low and moderate-income older adults for more than 50 years.

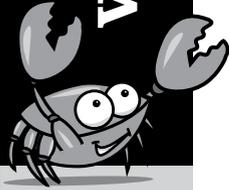
Many older adults in our local community have found that the home they purchased many years ago has increased in value significantly. This can be a huge asset to them if and when they decide to sell. But, along with increased home values comes increased property taxes. Seniors who assumed they could continue to afford their homes because they are paid off are often surprised to find property taxes in our region make living in their homes unaffordable.

In 2020, property taxes on the average home in Stanwood are estimated at \$4,200. Seniors receiving an annual Social Security payment of \$18,036 might spend more than 23 percent of their total annual income on property taxes.

What many seniors don't know is that there is help available. Seniors earning under \$55,743 in Snohomish County are eligible for some level of property tax relief. Island County residents earning less than \$45,000 annually, and Skagit County residents earning less than \$48,912 are also eligible. Evidence suggests that only 1 in 100 eligible seniors are taking advantage of this program. For more information on how to access this program, you can visit <https://dor.wa.gov/content/property-tax-exemption-program-senior-citizens-and-people-disabilities>

Brooke Knight is a local Camano Island resident and is a Seniors Real Estate Specialist®

Moonshine Wisdom & Wit



Story by Jack Archibald.

For further moonshine wisdom and wet powder wit, check out the *SKEETER DADDLE DIARIES* at www.skeeterdaddle.net

HOW TO RAISE MONEY THE OLD FASHIONED WAY

The South End Senior Center—what the wags at the Marina and Bait call the Senile Center—is basically a pole building down by the Camano Cut and Curl, about a stone's throw from the now defunct Tye MegaStore. A pole building, for those unfamiliar with architectural stylings, is a metal sided structure constructed with beams instead of stud framing. Barns and shops are often built this way. So is our Senior Center. Cheap and stout enough.

The Center has a Board and it has a small staff—which is Jenny Hancock and various volunteers who man (well, okay, woman) the desk and phones. Jenny has the only room, other than the unisex toilet in back, that has its own door. This makes it perfect for the occasional dance and their annual fashion show, the flea market fundraiser and their gala auction, capital G, that brings in most of their yearly funding.

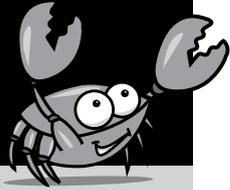
The auction used to be held at the close of the flea market, sort of an afterthought. Year after sorry year, the stragglers would bid on bad local art the artists couldn't sell or give away on the Mother's Day Studio Tour, plus the usual items from South End businesses. A day of fishing Jesse's Deep Sea Charters. Believe me, an hour would be plenty. Or a perm at the Cut and Curl. An hour of acupuncture down at Pins and Needle Therapy. Whoa, Nelly, you can imagine the bidding wars!

Just before they decided to throw in the towel on the auction, Jenny convinced the board to go Gala. Meaning, basically, play dress-up and serve wine and beer, charge an entry and serve coldcuts and cheese with crackers. The first year the Center made 5 times what they HAD been making. The second year they doubled that and on the third they served hard liquor. And made even more. Two Toke Tom is lobbying for medical marijuana sampling, but he's not on the Board.

The Center is raising money now for a new building. The toxic mold is starting to be an issue and anyway we're feeling growing pains, not so much from all the new immigrants as that demographically we're inexorably moving into our senile years. If the auction keeps on improving, we might just make it. Believe me, 3 martinis and even the Bait Shop Boyz will bid a day's wages for an hour with Janice, head dominatrix at the Pins and Needles.



Local Stories and Poetry



GROUNDHOG DAY!

If he see's his shadow, winter won't relent
And this legendary critter tells us
Six more weeks are spent
In cooling heels of eagerness as we await the spring
But Primrose Lane in sweet refrain
Remains the song we sing.
Winter's been so kind to us
[no snow on Christmas Eve]
Oh! And let us not forget... the rain... the land receives.
So here's the burning question in asking would you chuck
This bucktoothed rascal's prophecy
Since we don't believe in luck?
OR take the Farmer's Almanac
Almost the gospel truth
And not let those top hat gents bring an unseasoned truth!
Just remember it is legend on that Pennsylvania Hill
That February second belongs alone
To Punxsutawney Phil!

- By MaryAnne Rasmussen

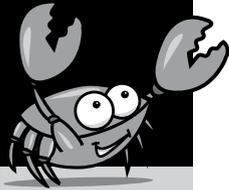


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SPICY CINNAMON CHILI WITH CINNAMON ROLL CROUTONS

Cinnamon in chili might sound strange at first, but it really does add great depth of flavor. Top it with cinnamon roll croutons and you might think I've gone crazy! Nope, I'm just crazy for this chili, Enjoy!

CHILI: 6 strips smoked bacon, chopped; 1 lg. red onion, chopped; 1/2 lg. green bell pepper, seeded & chopped; 1/2 lg. red bell pepper, seeded & chopped; 1 1/2 lbs. ground beef; 1 (15 oz.) can kidney beans, drained & rinsed; 1 (15 oz.) can pinto beans, drained & rinsed; 1 (15 oz.) can black beans, drained & rinsed; 1 (15 oz.) can diced fire roasted tomatoes with juice; 1 (6 oz.) can tomato paste; 1 jalapeño, seeded and finely diced; 2 c. beef stock; 1 T. dried oregano; 2 tsp. ground cumin; 2 tsp. kosher salt; 1 tsp. ground black pepper; 1 tsp. smoked paprika; 2 T. chili powder; 1 T. Worcestershire sauce; 1 T. pressed garlic; 3 cinnamon sticks

CINNAMON ROLL CROUTONS: 1 (8 oz.) can crescent rolls; 2 T. melted butter

CINNAMON SUGAR: 3 T. granulated sugar; 2 tsp. ground cinnamon

ICING: 1/2 c. confectioners' sugar; 1 T. milk

DIRECTIONS: 1. Remove the bacon to a paper towel lined plate. 2. Add the onions and peppers to the pot, cook until tender. Add the ground beef, cook until browned. Drain off any excess grease. 3. Add the remaining ingredients and cooked bacon to the pot, stir to combine. Bring to a boil, reduce heat, cover, and simmer on low for 45 minutes. Remove the cinnamon sticks. 4. Meanwhile, prepare cinnamon roll croutons. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Line two rimmed baking sheets with parchment paper; set aside. 5. Pop open the crescent rolls. Divide/pull crescent dough in half. Unroll each half to make two rectangles patching the seams (you should have 4 rectangles). Brush each rectangle with melted butter and sprinkle with cinnamon sugar. 6. Roll each rectangle into a log beginning with the long side. Cut into 1/2-inch pieces (you should have about 14 pieces per log for a total of 56 cinnamon rolls). Place 28 rolls onto each prepared baking sheets. 7. Bake for 8-10 minutes until lightly golden. Cool slightly then glaze each cinnamon roll crouton with icing. 8. Ladle chili into bowls and top with cinnamon roll croutons. Serves 8-10

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