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**COMMUNITY MAGAZINE**

**ISSUE 315**  
**December 17-30, 2021**  
**Christmas Edition!**



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**ONE**

**Events, Information, and Entertainment in the Port Susan Area**  
**Camano Island • Stanwood • Warm Beach • Silvana • Conway**



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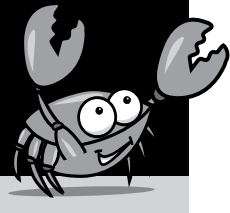
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## Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

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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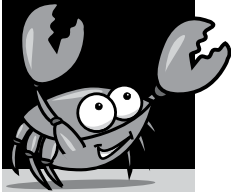


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**Submission DEADLINE: DEC. 22 for Next Edition (Dec. 31-Jan. 13)**

# Calendar of Events



## HOLIDAY QUOTE:

"Presents are the best way to show someone how much you care. It is like this tangible thing that you can point to and say, "Hey, man, I love you this many dollars' worth.""

– Michael Scott,  
The Office.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Girls Basketball vs Everett. JV: 5:40pm. Varsity: 7:15pm.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### **FORD GIESBRECHT PERFORMANCE**

at Tapped Camano, 5:30-7:30pm at 848 N Sunrise Blvd. Ford plays an eclectic mix of Brazilian classical, American and Latin jazz standards, old rock and original music. conversation friendly. No cover.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### **YOUTH GAME NIGHT!**

6:30-8pm at Church Of Jesus Christ Of Latter Day Saints, Ell Road, Camano Island. Ages 12-18. We can play sports, games and activities of your choice! invite your friends and family to come. A chance to meet new people. Games, treats & more!

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### **MIDNIGHT ROCKERS**

8-10pm at Pub 282 at Camano Plaza. Midnight Rockers - Fun, sexy rock from classic to modern.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### **COMMUNITY HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES**

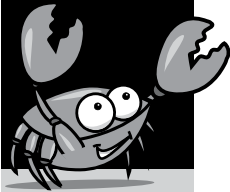
4-7:30 pm. Celebrate the Holidays with the Community Resource Center and friends. This event is free and open to all ages. We will have Holiday Crafts, Hot Cocoa and Desserts, games, story time with Santa, door prizes and much more! For questions contact us at 360.629.5257 or at [info@crc-sc.org](mailto:info@crc-sc.org). The Community Resource Center located at 9212 271st ST NW Stanwood. Masks are required.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

### **WOMEN'S COOKIE EXCHANGE**

Join us at the Stillaguamish grange for soup, cookie and gift exchange. Bring a gift under \$10 for the gift exchange. Bring 3-5 dozen of 1 kind of cookie to exchange. Go home with a variety. RSVP at 360-391-4550.

# Calendar of Events



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17

## **DANCING WITH KIM!**

At Loco Billy's, 27021 102nd Ave NW Stanwood. NO COVER~OPEN DANCE 6:30-8pm and after the lessons from 9-1am. Line Dance Lessons \$10, at 8 - 9pm. Beginners welcome! 425-737-5144 or [www.locobillys.com](http://www.locobillys.com)

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17-18

## **LAST MINUTE HOLIDAY MARKET!**

At 9923 270th St NW, Stanwood. Friday 4pm to 8pm and Saturday 10 am to 2pm. Held at Tamara Sperry Insurance Agency. Stop by and get some Holiday shopping done! Tami's Treasures sports themed jewelry will be there, along with Avon and more!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## **SIP AND PAINT ACRYLICS (WINTER THEME)**

Silver Kite Online Workshop. 1:30 PM-2:30 PM. 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. If you have any questions, please contact [info@silverkite.us](mailto:info@silverkite.us) or by phone: (508) 812-0431.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## **THE BEL-REDS**

8-10pm at Pub 282at Camano Plaza. Live music from "The Bel Reds" We are a rock dance music band.

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A healthy body is a body in motion.

## **Orthopedics & Sports Medicine**

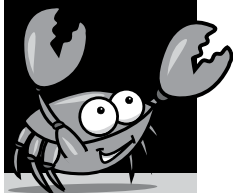
Call to schedule an  
appointment.

**360-435-6641**

[SkagitRegionalHealth.org/orthopedics](http://SkagitRegionalHealth.org/orthopedics)



# Calendar of Events



## FUN FACT:

In Japan, many families eat a KFC for Christmas Dinner. Many people order their meals months in advance and queue for hours to collect them.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## A COPPER HOUSE CHRISTMAS

10am-3pm at A Copper House, 7208 267th Pl NW, Stanwood. We invite you to join us for this special event. Mrs. Claus will be here for story time at 10:30, 12:30, & 2:30 We will have free pictures in front of our merry balloon wall

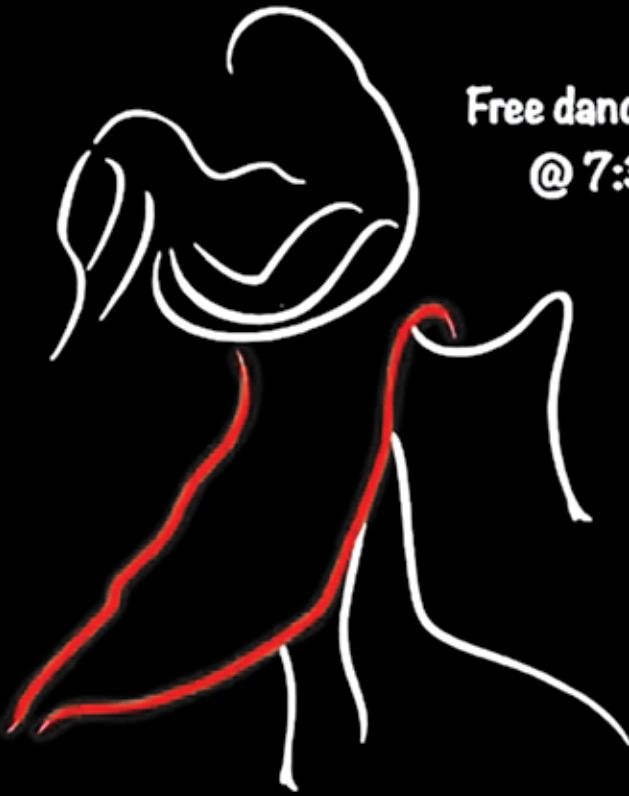


SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## SHOPPING... BUT FIRST LET'S DO A 5K!

Join AC & Just James Boutique for a 5K in Downtown Stanwood to get our bodies moving, feel our hearts with joy, and have a celebration with our community! After the 5K we will have AC & JJB shopping to continue the festivities! Run, walk, jog, move forward... any pace is a great pace! We will start with warm ups. Then, we will head out on our 5K at 9:30am led by ATHLEISURE COLLECTIVE. We will do a 5K loop around Downtown Stanwood. We will end at Just James Boutique with smiles on our faces, stretches, shopping, AC CAFE COFFEE, and air high fives! There will be good music and good times. This is a free community event. If you can, please bring a can of food for our Food Drive for the Stanwood Camano food bank!

**Camano Junction's  
New Years Eve Dance 8pm  
Friday December 31st @ the  
Camano Center**

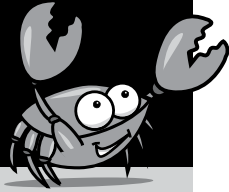


**Free dance Lesson  
@ 7:30pm**

**606 Arrowhead Rd.  
Camano Island WA 98282  
Students \$15 Adults \$25**



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## NEED TO FIND FRESH CRAB?

An outdoor magazine rack filled with "fresh" Crab Crackers is located at the Terry's Corner Visitor's building.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## HOLIDAY MEAL

2pm at Stanwood Camano Food Bank. For those who might not otherwise be able to celebrate Christmas with a special meal, the Stanwood Camano Food Bank can provide the fixings for a traditional meal for your family during the holidays. To shop our holiday market, you must be registered at the Stanwood Camano Food Bank. Please pre-register by signing up to receive services (<https://stanwood-camanofoodbank.org/sign-up-for-services>) or stop in to register 10AM to 2PM.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## COFFEE SHOP & SIP

10am-noon at Cohost. Coffee Shop & Sip with Mornin' Sunshine Coffee Co. \*free\*. Christine from Mornin' Sunshine Coffee Co. will be onsite with her delicious brew. Sip on a \*free\* cup of joe while you look around our Holiday Makers Market full of locally handcrafted goodies. [www.cohostspace.com](http://www.cohostspace.com).

## HATS OFF to Christmas!

\* Mail Letters to Santa and Get a Letter Back!

*Include a prestamped and addressed envelope with your letter*

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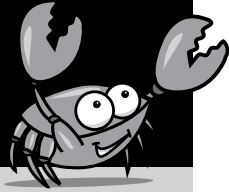
*We are located in the heart of Stanwood! Come see us!*



**HATS OFF** 8616 271st ST NW, Stanwood - [www.HatsOffLynden.com](http://www.HatsOffLynden.com)



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## **XMAS BASH WITH MEGS MCLEAN!**

At Loco Billy's, 27021 102nd Ave NW Stanwood. This gal & her band will knock your socks off! Megs and her band deliver music with a guitar-driven rock edge with new country roots. For parties of 4 or more ~ Call 425-737-5144 for \$12 VIP ~ Reserved Seats, or purchase GA at the Door, \$10. - Doors open 6:30 pm, Band starts @8 pm. Specials on Xmas Drinks, Prizes for best Holiday Outfits!



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## **FAMILY BINGO**

at the American Legion Hall ON CAMANO ISLAND, 609 W. Camano Drive. Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.

# **RESIDENTIAL TRASH OUT SERVICES**

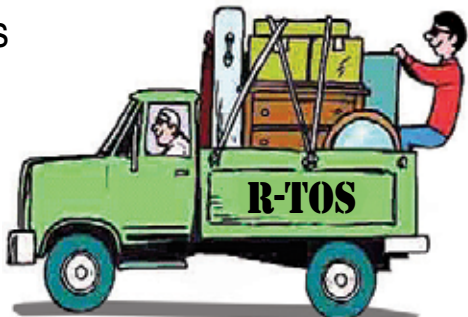
## **TAKE THE STRESS OUT OF TRASH REMOVAL**

### *Spring Cleaning Year Round!*

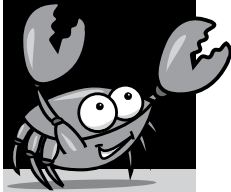
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# Calendar of Events



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## ASK A MASTER GARDENER

Today is Island County Master Gardener Clinic day. Join us at 2 PM and ask your garden questions or just listen in as we talk about what is going on in our gardens this month. Zoom Link <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/92586177662>. Meeting ID: 925 8617 7662. Password: 509241.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## BEAUTY BAR DIVAS

Join us for beauty bar divas, some of the best celebrity impersonators in Washington. Show starts at 9pm at Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge, 10011 - 270th St NW, Suite A, Stanwood. And we are open till 2:00 a.m. for karaoke and dancing after the show!! (360) 629-2324.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY

10am-1pm at the Stanwood Area Historical Society Tolin House, Stanwood (between Pearson House & the Floyd Norgaard Center).

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 18

## UGLY SWEATER HIGH FITNESS

7pm at the Stillaguamish Grange #1058 (at the fairgrounds). Come get your workout and a party in at the same time! We love Christmas! We're dressing up in tacky sweaters and decorating and giving out prizes and treats. You don't want to miss this one! \$10, cash at the door or venmo @chelseaeck. See you there!



WORSHIP WITH US THIS

# CHRISTMAS



## Our Saviour's Lutheran Church

### Special Worship Services

360-629-3767

[www.oursaviourschurch.org](http://www.oursaviourschurch.org)

### Tuesday Worship, December 21

5:00 PM Longest Night Service of Light into Darkness

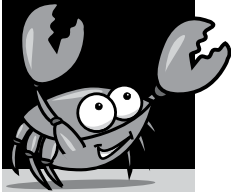
### Christmas Eve, December 24

5 PM Family Candlelight Worship Service  
11 PM Traditional Candlelight Worship Service

### Sunday Worship, December 26

8:30 AM Service of Carols / 10:30 AM Service of Carols

# Calendar of Events



## FUN FACT:

Santa Claus was issued a pilot's license from the U.S. government in 1927. They also gave him airway maps and promised to keep the runway lights on.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20

## USING FANART TO GROW AS AN ARTIST

with Sarah K. Turner. 2-3pm Online event. Do you have a favorite video game, book, or tv show? You may love it so much that you're inspired to draw fanart of the characters! In this drawing exercise, you will learn how to create fanart of your favorite characters, as well as how you can use that art to grow in your original work. For kids in Grades K-5. Registration is required. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

## WINTER SOLSTICE - FIRST DAY OF WINTER

The winter solstice marks the official beginning of astronomical winter. The winter solstice is the day with the fewest hours of sunlight in the whole year, making it the "shortest day" of the year.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

## FORD GIESBRECHT PERFORMANCE

at Tapped Camano, 5:30-7:30pm at 848 N Sunrise Blvd. Ford plays an eclectic mix of Brazilian classical, American and Latin jazz standards, old rock and original music. conversation friendly. No cover.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

## VIRTUAL STEM PROGRAM - ECOSYSTEMS

with Burke Museum. Virtual STEM Program (Zoom) for kids & tweens. 1pm, 2pm & 3pm. Register online at [sno-isle.org/events](http://sno-isle.org/events).



Stanwood United Methodist Church  
A Reconciling Congregation

27128 102<sup>nd</sup> Drive NW, Stanwood  
Pastor Justin White  
360-629-9555

## STANWOOD UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**Sunday Worship Service: 10AM**

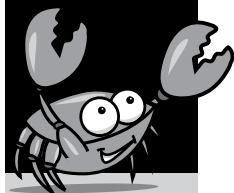
**Blue Christmas Service \* December 23**

2PM: For those experiencing grief or loss during the holidays

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Service \* December 24**

9PM: Traditional carols and candle lighting

# Calendar of Events



## FUN FACT:

Some reindeer living above the Arctic Circle live in complete darkness for several weeks of the year. To adapt to this, a small area of tissue behind the retina called the tapetum lucidum changes colour from a gold colour in summer months to blue in winter. This allows the reindeer's eyes to detect ultraviolet light and to see in the dark.



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

## THE LONGEST NIGHT: A SERVICE OF LIGHT INTO DARKNESS

5pm. If you or someone you know is struggling with grief, loneliness, loss, or weariness this holiday season, the Stephen Ministry of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church extends a warm invitation to come to a simple service of quiet, music, and prayer at 5 p.m. Following the service, there will be the opportunity for private prayer for those who wish to share their needs. The Longest Night service is open to all. If a ride is needed to church, please call the church office at 629-3767.

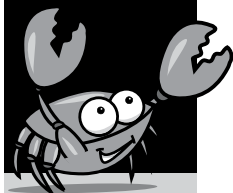


TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21

## 90'S NIGHT

Join us tonight at beauty bar 9pm-2am. 10011 270th St NW, Stanwood. Drink & food specials all evening with your host & bartender DJ JESS. Dancing & fun games all night...party party OMG!! Wear your 90's gear! (360) 629-2324. [bbstyleandsip@gmail.com](mailto:bbstyleandsip@gmail.com).

# Calendar of Events



## CHRISTMAS FACT:

Star Wars Holiday Special, which debuted on CBS on November 17, 1978 and is often considered a failure; Lucas himself disowned it.[244] The special has never been aired after its original broadcast, and it has never been officially released on home video. However, many bootleg copies exist, and the special has consequently become something of an underground legend



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

### **BLUE CHRISTMAS**

2:00PM at Stanwood United Methodist Church. This worship service is for those experiencing grief and other personal pain. During this season of joy and celebration, many who are dealing with the loss of a loved one, family crisis, health or financial issues, may not feel the joy in the holidays. This service acknowledges their loss while also being a time of reflection and remembrance.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22

### **RESEARCH WEDNESDAY**

1-4pm at the Stanwood Area historical Society Eldridge Center.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23

### **JIMMY WRIGHT BAND**

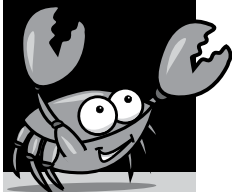
7-9pm at Pub 282 at Camano Plaza.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

### **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

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ABOUT IT,  
WE CAN'T  
PRINT IT.**

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and/or images  
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

### **SERVICE OF CAROLS**

8:30 AM and 10:30 AM at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 27201 – 99th Avenue NW, Stanwood.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

### **WORSHIP SERVICE AND CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG**

10AM at Stanwood United Methodist Church. We'll enjoy cookies and cocoa. All are invited!

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26

### **LIFE OF THE SPIRIT DEVOTIONAL GATHERING**

Please join us on Zoom at 11am. There will be prayers, poems and music to uplift spirits. We usually start with 10-15 minutes of prayers and readings from the world's sacred scriptures. After that, we share personal thoughts, prayers, inspirations, poems, music - whatever lifts the spirit. 425-319-8870 or bahaisofcamanoisland.org.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 27

### **CAMANO ISLAND QUILTERS OPEN SEW**

(OPEN TO THE PUBLIC). 11am-1pm at the Camano Center – 606 Arrowhead Road. Bring your sewing machine, projects & basic tools for an afternoon of fun! Free to Camano Center members, \$5 for non-members. More info: calvius@msn.com, 425-319-0400.

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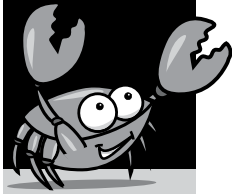
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# Calendar of Events



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28

## **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Girls Varsity Basketball vs Cedarcrest. 5pm.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

## **RESEARCH WEDNESDAY**

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

## **COFFEE KLATCH**

A social gathering, especially for coffee and conversation. 10am at Camano Island Coffee Roasters at Camano Commons.

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of COVID-19. Call  
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Dr. Bryan Cooper

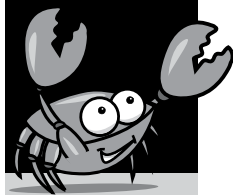
## **CAMANO ISLAND HEALTH SYSTEM**

1283 Elger Bay Rd, Camano Island  
7:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. Mon-Fri, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Saturday

*Vaccinating in cooperation with Island County COVID Response*



# Calendar of Events



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

## **DORKY DANCE FITNESS**

6:30 PM Online event. You'll be laughing, crying (due to laughter) and sweating your pants off...while also getting a total body workout! Get your blood pumping and the hilarity flowing in this 30 minute online class! Dust off that sweatband, don those leg warmers and dance with us. Please register. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

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# NEW YEAR'S EVE



**THE DAYANOS**



**2 BANDS!**

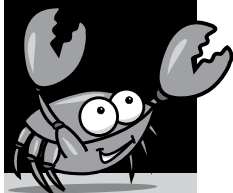


**STONED AMERICA**

FRI-December 31st-8pm  
Doors 6:30pm

RESERVED SEATS \$30, Call 425-737-5144 or Buy GA online or At The Door. Party Favors, Champagne Toast - [LOCOBILLYS.COM](http://LOCOBILLYS.COM) For Info

# Calendar of Events



## FUN FACT:

There is a town  
in India called  
Santa Claus.



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

### ONLINE PUB TRIVIA - HORROR

7-9pm. Grab your favorite beverage, call your friends, and settle in for a night of pub trivia – right in the comfort (or discomfort mwah ha ha ha!) of your own home! Join us for Online Trivia - Horror! Registration is required. Contact us with questions: <https://www.sno-isle.org/contact-us/>

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29

### VIRTUAL ART PROGRAM - BEGINNING OIL PASTEL

with Michael Steen. Virtual Program (Zoom) for kids & teens. Grades K-5. 2pm. Register online at [sno-isle.org/events](https://www.sno-isle.org/events).

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30

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# CHRISTMAS RESOURCES

## Christmas meal:

When: December 15th 10am-3pm & December 18th 10am-2pm

**\*\*all members will also receive their regular weekly food at the same time.\*\***

For those who might not otherwise be able to celebrate Christmas with a special meal, the Stanwood Camano Food Bank can provide the fixings for a traditional meal for your family during the holidays. To be eligible you must register at the Stanwood Camano Food Bank. Register online or at the food bank.

## Stanwood-Camano Food Bank:

*Wednesdays: 10:00AM - 3:00PM*

*Saturdays: 10:00AM - 2:00PM*

Location: 27030 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood, WA 98292

Closures: December 24, 2021, Christmas Eve (Closed)

December 25, 2021, Christmas Day

December 31, 2021, (Closed)

January 1, 2022, New Year's Weekend

## The Christmas House:

Location: The Caring Place: 9928 272ND PI NW (by Josephine's)

An opportunity for parents to receive free holiday gifts for their children 0-18 yrs of age. Parents must fill out a registration form at the food bank. Once the form is submitted, volunteer elves will fill the request to the best of their ability. They will then contact the parent to have their gifts picked up.

## Warm Coats for Kids:

Wednesdays: 10AM to 3PM & Saturdays: 10AM to 2PM

Location: Stanwood Camano Food Bank

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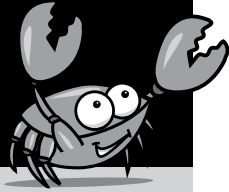
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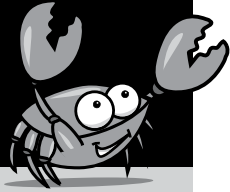
## FUN FACT:

The traditional Yule Log lighting is an example of an ancient Celtic fire ritual done at the time of the December Winter Solstice. It was believed that to bring the log indoors was a symbolic way of bringing the blessings of the Sun God into your house. It was important that the log burn constantly without going out or else bad luck would follow.

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# Photos and Art



## FUN FACT:

Oregon grows more Christmas trees than any other state in the country.



*This photo is of our greenhouse on South Camano all dolled up for The Holidays. Photo by Robert Viggers.*



*Warm Beach Lights of Christmas Drive Thru. Photo by Robert Viggers.*

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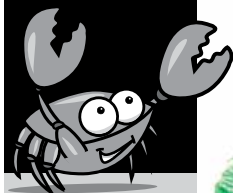
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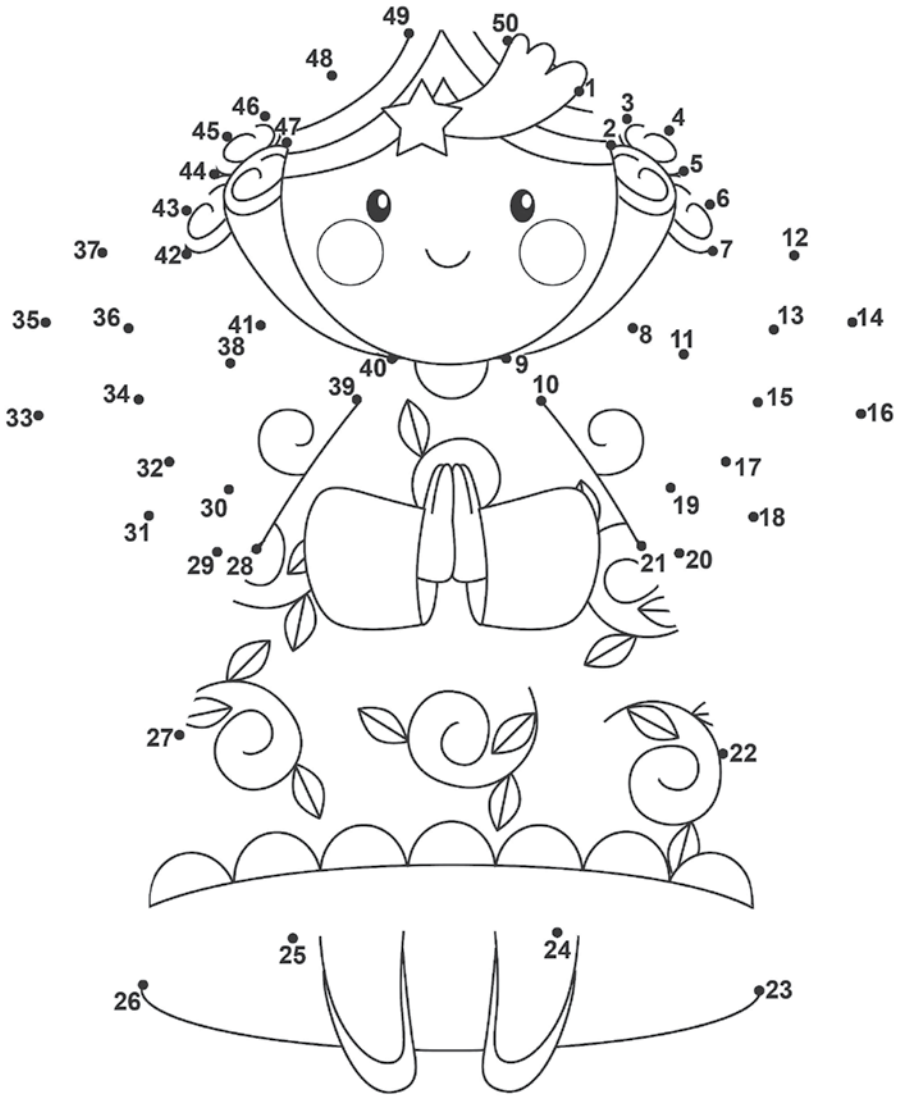
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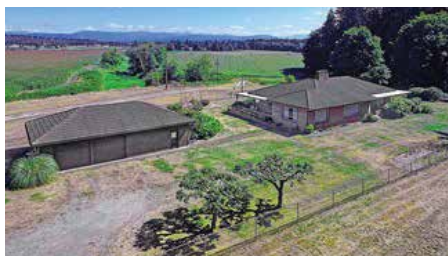
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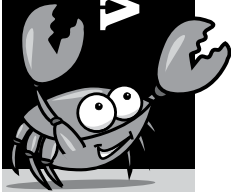
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# Moonshine Wisdom & Wit



Story by Jack Archibald.

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## THE GHOSTS OF CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Two Toke Tom and myself were quaffing a couple of Christmas cheers down at the Pilot House Lounge yesterday, talking about the State of the Union, the last election, Santa's illegal immigration status and our plans for the holidays. Me, I go away with the mizzus for 3 or 4 days, somewhere that hasn't heard of Christmas or else is too impoverished to want to participate. We go with a few other childless friends, fellow bah humbuggers, hoping to avoid the DMZ of the War on Christmas we've been hearing about for way too many years.

"And you?" I asked Two Toke.

"Same drill," he answered, holding his glass up for Jerry behind the bar to refill. Jerry had a red Santa stocking cap on, the tail slung over his shoulder. The place was humming and Jerry was hustling to keep up. "Going down to the Shelter and serve grub to the homeless," Tom said, draining the last of his current beer. Tom had been doing this since I could remember.

"You make me feel like Scrooge's black sheep kid," I muttered and nodded to Jerry that yeah, I'd take another round, Tiny Tim would have to go hungry while his old man got hammered at the pub.

"Guilty conscience?" Jerry asked. "Not for long," I answered, "maybe about one more beer. Tom here serves Christmas dinners to the homeless."

"I get a free dinner myself," Tom told Jerry, almost apologetically. Jerry shook his head. "You're a good man, Charlie Brown," he said over his shoulder with the Santa tail bobbing a white ball. When he came back with our drinks he said to Two Toke, "On the house, man."

"Mine too?" I chimed in. Jerry laughed. "Oh, what the hell, yours too. Merry Christmas, boyz."

"You too, Jerry," T.T. said.

"And to all a good night," I answered, ever the comic smartass. What I meant to say was we need a few more Toms in this world.



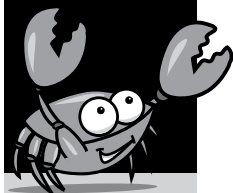
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# Classified Listings



## FUN FACT:

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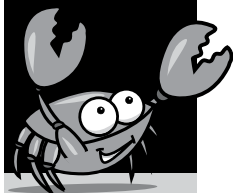
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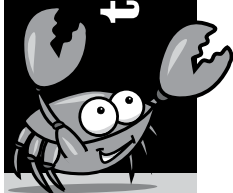
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## View from the Bleachers



Read more of Tim Jones' humor every week at [www.ViewFromTheBleachers.net](http://www.ViewFromTheBleachers.net) or check out his new YouTube channel by the same name.

### PUT DOWN YOUR DUMBBELL - EXERCISE YOUR SMART BELL INSTEAD

Ever since I was young, competing to earn a spot on my high school's freshman track team, I have regularly exercised. So much so that when I was 35, I even competed in the New York City Marathon. I say I "competed" because that sounds much more impressive than "I jogged and walked" and gives the impression I might have stood a chance of winning. Alas, I came in 5,217th – barely overtaken by the other 5,216 runners ahead of me.

Over the years, I have jogged, cycled, used the treadmill, lifted weights, swam, and played against my brother John in the Summer Olympics on Play Station 4, all in an effort to lose weight and build muscle tone in pursuit of those impossible-to-achieve six-pack abs. The results could only be described as disappointing, as anyone who's seen me without a shirt on lately will attest.

That's why I'm thrilled to announce I am never going to exercise again. Ever! From now on, I will just think about it. That's because, I just read an incredible report in the Daily Guardian with the following headline:

Scientists discover just IMAGINING exercising can make you stronger, tone your muscles, and delay or stop muscle atrophy!

Talk about a game changer! In a study by Ohio University, researchers concluded that just thinking of exercising can have the same effects as actually hitting the gym.

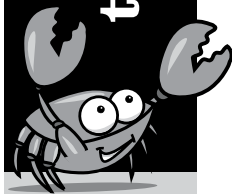
First thing tomorrow, I'm putting my elliptical up for sale on Craigs List. I'm confident I can get \$50 – just so long as they don't inspect it too closely or try peddling at any level above 3 (which is when it makes that grinding noise and starts bellowing smoke). In place of the elliptical, I will move in my plaid La-Z-Boy recliner that my wife has always hated. I guess I'll longer need all those dumbbells sitting in my basement. I'll start using my smart bell instead. Get it? (I'm talking about my brain. It's a play on words – dumbbell, smart bell? Do I have to spell everything out for you?)

I will begin slowly, so that I don't strain a mental muscle. I'll probably start out thinking about exercise only fifteen minutes – which, according to my wife, is about ten minutes more than I currently use my cranium in an average day.

Over time, I will build up to thinking for 30 minutes about exercising, then 45 minutes, and then eventually, after a few months, a full hour. But I don't want to over-extend myself, lest I pull a temporal lobe or strain a basal ganglia. I need to pace myself if I am going to succeed at my new regimen of mental gymnastics. Then, before long, I will have the physique I have always dreamed of, plus a lot more time to sit in my new recliner and get caught up on past episodes of The Office.

But I don't intend to think just about exercise. I intend to expand my cerebration. With this new outlook on life, I'm excited to apply

# View from the Bleachers



my new cognitive skills to many other activities. Starting next week, if I can stick to my plan, I will start thinking about doing yard work and power washing the driveway. I might even start thinking about helping my wife with making dinner.

Suddenly, I have never felt so motivated to think about helping around the house. I just hope my wife appreciates how much mental energy I have expended thinking about all of this.

It's time for my first workout. They say it's important to give yourself little rewards along the way in order to keep yourself motivated whenever you begin any new challenging exercise program. That's why I'm going to reward my mental conditioning session by eating a bowl of Rocky Road ice cream. And no, I'm not just going to think about eating it.

[Read more of Tim Jones' humor every week at [www.ViewFromTheBleachers.net](http://www.ViewFromTheBleachers.net) or check out his new YouTube channel by the same name.]

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Pick up shopping	Packed in car		Pick up shopping	Packed in car	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Extra batteries	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tire chains
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Blanket	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Ice scraper/snowbrush (a small shovel comes in handy too)
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Nonperishable food/ snacks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jumper cables
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flares/warning triangle
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gloves	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Kitty litter or sand to help with traction
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Boots	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Whistle to signal for help
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	First aid kit			

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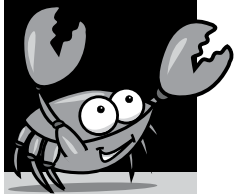
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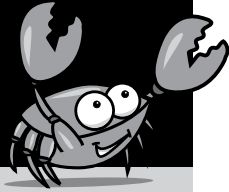
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# Community Information



## FUN FACT:

Christmas cards were introduced by Hallmark in 1915.



## HOLIDAY GIVING

If you are looking to give back this season, here is a simple and easy option at Camano Plaza IGA! Our Good Cheer Bags and the Giving Tree are set up at the front entrance! Our Good Cheer bags (\$9.99) will get sent to the Food Bank and include basic hygiene products that so often get overlooked when donations are made. Just purchase one at check out and we will take care of the delivery! And the Giving Tree is exactly what it sounds like. Choose a tag off of the tree and buy gifts for children in our community who may not otherwise receive gifts this year. Happy giving, Camano.

## HOLIDAY SAFETY

(posted by Camano Island Fire & Rescue) Between Christmas trees and holiday heating, winter is (unfortunately) prime time for home heating fires. Before you panic, we've got a few tips to keep you safe: Water your tree regularly. Dry trees can catch fire and burn very quickly. And keep that tree at least 3 feet away from heating sources (for obvious reasons). Keep an eye on (real) candles. Half the home decoration fires in December are started by candles. Clean your chimney. Creosote builds up in your chimney when you burn. That buildup could cause a fire. Cleaning your chimney each year reduces that risk. What else can you do to reduce your risk? Find tips here: <https://www.firerescue1.com/chimney-fire/articles/how-to-prevent-recognize-stop-a-chimney-fire-DV6WrtE5Ohmis0nt/>

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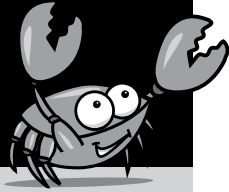
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## FUN FACT:

Paul McCartney earns \$400,000 a year off his Christmas song, "Wonderful Christmas Time" which is widely regarded as the worst song he ever recorded.



## LOCAL WOMAN WINS TRAILBLAZER AWARD

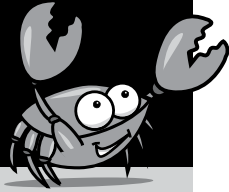
Camano Islander, Donald Miller, provided us this story "about a local woman with an interesting career... Local girl... trailblazer for women in a male dominated industry..Worked with Spielberg, Mel Gibson (funny story)...Her son produced "The Hangover"...Her other son is Jim Fay of Puget Sound Tree care...She's not the type to toot her own horn but her story is sooo interesting."

## VETERAN LOCATION MANAGER PATRICIA FAY TO RECEIVE TRAILBLAZER AWARD AT THE 2021 LMGI AWARDS

LMGI Digital Awards Show "Celebrate the Where" was on October 23, 2021. Patricia Fay, who spent many years traveling the country by trains, planes snowmobiles and whatever it took as a location manager until her retirement in 2000, (received) the esteemed Trailblazer Award from the Location Managers Guild International (LMGI) at the 8th Annual LMGI Awards on Saturday, October 23 at 2:00 pm PDT in a virtual ceremony. The LMGI Trailblazer Award recognizes an individual whose efforts and innovations elevate the status of location professionals. John Rakich, LMGI President and Awards Committee Chair, said, "During her years of location scouting, Patricia was a true trailblazer, a treasured member of our location community and is well-deserving of this honor." Patricia worked for many Hollywood studios including Universal, Warner Bros., Columbia and Amblin on some 31 movies. She started her career as spokeswoman for the Bank of Alaska, but much preferred being part of the crew and not in front of the camera. Based in Seattle, she worked on a number of commercials and movies before being called to South Carolina to work on Dino DeLaurentis's Firestarter. She accepted this first out-of-state gig because her four children were now old enough to be in high school. Her last film before retirement was The Patriot. Favorite movie? Steven Spielberg's Always, filmed in Montana. The theme of this year's program is "Celebrate the Where." Actor and director Isaiah Mustafa will return to host the 8th Annual LMGI Awards which honor the outstanding and creative visual contributions by location professionals in film, television and commercials from around the globe. The LMGI Awards also recognize outstanding service by film commissions for their support "above and beyond" during the production process. Previous LMGI Trailblazer honorees have included talents such as Spike Lee, Michael J. Meehan, Josh Karan, Steve Dayan and Sheri Davis.



# Community Information



## NEED TO FIND FRESH CRAB?

An outdoor magazine rack filled with "fresh" Crab Crackers is located at the Terry's Corner Visitor's building (the small red building)



## SOUND WATERS UNIVERSITY

February 5 & 6, 2022. Registration is now open for Sound Waters University 2022. This year's theme, "Hope in Action," emphasizes positive developments in our marine and nearshore environments. Keynote speakers are Lynda V. Mapes, Seattle Times environment reporter and author of the book, *Orca*, and David B. Williams, author of the book, *Homewaters: A Human and Natural History of Puget Sound*. Registrants will also pick classes in three concurrent sessions. Field Trips are new in 2022 and occur the following day. Registered attendees may add-on Field Trips while space is available for a small additional fee. Trips are on Whidbey and Camano Islands and Skagit County and must be purchased by January 23, 2022. Each is limited to fifteen participants. Find the class descriptions, speaker bios and field trip descriptions at [www.SoundWatersUniversity.org](http://www.SoundWatersUniversity.org). Early bird rate of \$60 per person is available through January 5 then the regular ticket price goes into effect. Attendees will have access to video recordings of classes they missed or want to watch again. SWU offers a 50% Discount\* for Students, Teachers, Military, Americorps with ID Number. A few full scholarships are also available to economically disadvantaged students. (\*Not applicable for Field Trips.) To get the discount code, contact [RegisterSWU@SoundWaterStewards.org](mailto:RegisterSWU@SoundWaterStewards.org) or leave a voice message at 360-678-4401. Include your student or teacher ID and school name. Sound Waters University builds a strong understanding of life in the Salish Sea and is presented annually in February by Sound Water Stewards of Island County, a local non-profit organization. [www.SoundWaterStewards.org](http://www.SoundWaterStewards.org)

# MIKE GANT

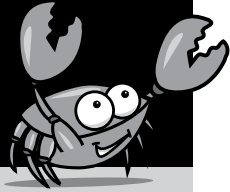
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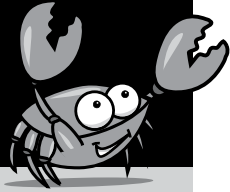
“Silent Night” was first sung as part of a church service in Austria. A guitar was used because the church organ was so badly rusted it couldn't be played.



## AVIAN CHLAMYDIOSIS UPDATE

A pet bird that originated from an Island County bird distributor has tested positive for avian chlamydiosis, a bacterial disease that can also cause illness in humans. The Washington State Department of Health, in collaboration with Island County Public Health are collecting the information necessary to contact persons who may have purchased birds from this distributor to share information needed for disease prevention. Avian chlamydiosis (sometimes referred to as “parrot fever”) can cause serious disease in birds, and rarely cause disease in people (psittacosis). Avian chlamydiosis is typically found in cockatiels, parakeets, parrots, macaws, and other parrot-like (psittacine) birds. Symptoms include nasal and eye discharge, green to yellow-green droppings/diarrhea, fever, inactivity, ruffled feathers, weakness, and weight loss. Healthy looking birds can also be infected and shed the bacteria when stressed, causing infection to other species of birds housed in the same environment, like finches, canaries and doves. Symptoms of psittacosis commonly include fever and chills, headache, muscle aches, and a dry cough. Psittacosis is rare in Washington, with less than a dozen cases reported over the last 20 years. Although the risk of psittacosis is low, persons who have purchased pet birds should take a few steps to protect themselves and their bird. Use caution for bird owners. People are usually infected by breathing dried droppings or other body fluids excreted from infected birds. To protect yourself when handling sick birds or cleaning cages, bowls and other objects, always wear gloves and use an appropriately fitted mask. Use household bleach (1:32 dilution or 1/2 cup of bleach per gallon of water) or another registered disinfectant when cleaning. Use caution for birds. Birds do not always become sick. If you are notified your bird was exposed to a positive case or appears sick with noted symptoms, please speak to your veterinarian about getting your bird tested for avian chlamydiosis. Watch for symptoms. Symptoms of psittacosis in humans include fever, chills, headache, muscle aches, and a dry cough. More severe symptoms can occasionally occur, such as pneumonia. If you get any of these symptoms and are aware your bird may have been exposed to this disease or is symptomatic, please consult with your health care provider.

# Community Information



## FUN FACT:

St. Nicholas was bishop of the Turkish town of Myra in the early 4th century. The Dutch first made him into a Christmas gift-giver, and Dutch settlers brought him to America where his name eventually became the familiar Santa Claus.

## THE STANWOOD-CAMANO ARTS GUILD

The membership of The Stanwood-Camano Arts Guild is pleased to announce it has voted in new Guild officers. The vote held on Saturday, December 4 elected Colleen Nygard as the new Guild President, Roy Johnson as first Vice President, Bill Koger as second Vice President, Denise Jackson as Secretary and Debbie Kluge as Treasurer. Outgoing President Val Paul Taylor will serve on the Guild Board. The Guild currently has just under 100 members. We appreciate all those willing to serve our art community in these leadership positions and wish them the best.

## THE GUIDED GALLERY IN STANWOOD

The Small Art Works Regional Juried Art Show is currently on display at the Guided Gallery in Stanwood and will run thru January 13. This show features over 40 paintings and 3d artworks by regional artists at a small size. Perfect for that special holiday gift. The Gallery is located at 8702-271st Street NW in Stanwood. Gallery is open for special holiday hours: Tuesday thru Friday, 11am-5pm and Saturday, 11am-6pm. Gallery will be closed January 5-8 for some minor remodeling. Call the Gallery for additional information at 360-629-2787.

## 3 NEW FEATURED ARTISTS AT THE GUIDED GALLERY IN STANWOOD

The Guided Gallery is featuring the wonderful paintings of Kitti Tanji and the innovative and creative fabric art of Kathy Raplee during December and January. They join the stunning photography of David Lunde. This collection is in addition to the Small Art Works Show and our regular featured artists. Drop by the Gallery for a fun afternoon or early evening before dinner. Special holiday hours: Tuesday thru Friday, 11am-5pm and Saturday, 11am-6pm.

## NEW YEARS EVE AT LOCO BILLY'S

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## SHARE THE WARMTH!

Winter hat, glove & sock drive. Accepting items at the Camano Center (606 Arrowhead Rd.) December 6-21. Benefitting the Stanwood Camano Food Bank. More info: 360-387-0222.

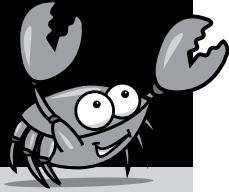
## DRIVE-BY CHRISTMAS CARD TOUR

December 6-30. 4'x8' Christmas Cards tell the Christmas story of Jesus' birth, in paintings and Scripture verses. Flyers of the tour route available at the information box in Our Saviour's Lutheran Church parking lot, 27201-99th Ave NW, Stanwood (across the street from Josephine Sunset Home and The Caring Place). Best viewing at night. Come and celebrate the Reason for the Season! Watch for new signs next year too! More info: 360-629-8510.

## HOLIDAY MARKET

now until December 24th - in The Loft at the Camano Commons Marketplace.

# Community Information



## FUN FACT:

Franklin Pierce was the first president to decorate an official White House Christmas tree.

## LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS - A DRIVE-THRU CHRISTMAS

A wonderful way to experience the magic of Christmas this year! Located in Stanwood, The Lights of Christmas presents "A Drive-Thru Christmas", providing a holiday outing for all families to enjoy during this challenging year. See spectacular lights, dazzling displays, wave to Santa and Mrs. Claus, while listening to Christmas music from the comfort of your own car. 2021 DATES: Nov. 26-28, Dec. 1-5, 8-12, 15-23, 26-30, and Jan. 2-8, 2022. Advance purchase required. [www.thelightsofchristmas.com](http://www.thelightsofchristmas.com).

## COASTAL VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD NOMINATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

The Island County Marine Resources Committee (MRC), Sound Water Stewards (SWS), and Washington State University (WSU) Extension Island County are pleased to announce the call for nominations for the 2022 Jan Holmes Island County Coastal Volunteer of the Year Award. This award is open to any volunteer, regardless of membership to any one organization or institution, participating in or supporting science and outreach efforts related to protecting or restoring the coastal resources of Island County. Nominations are requested for any and all individuals who have demonstrated their dedication and involvement in the many services, science and outreach efforts relating to the health of Island County's marine environment. The objective of this award is to recognize volunteer efforts by selecting and publicly recognizing one who best demonstrates the contribution of all. Any and all volunteer efforts, whether as an individual or as part of a team should be recognized as adding to the collective wellness of the marine environment and the knowledge base of our marine area. Start by looking at the individuals with whom you volunteer. Take note of the contributions that they make to the total effort. Are they volunteers you enjoy working with? Are they dedicated, helpful and consistent in their approach and efforts to get the job done? If so, fill out the Nomination Form and nominate them for this prestigious award. Nomination forms must be submitted by 4:30 PM Friday, December 31, 2021. The online nomination form is available here: <https://www.cognitofirms.com/IslandCounty4/JanHolmesIslandCountyCoastalVolunteerOfTheYearNominationForm>. Thank you for your participation. More info: 360.679.7352.

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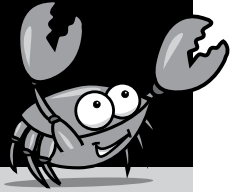
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## FUN FACT:

The song Jingle Bells was written by James Pierpont in 1857. It was originally called "One Horse Open Sleigh" and was made for Thanksgiving.

## HOLIDAY FOOD & GIFT CARD DRIVE


Camano Fire's annual holiday food and gift card drive runs through Tuesday, Dec. 28. We're collecting nonperishable food, pet food, and personal hygiene products to benefit the Stanwood Camano Food Bank. Gift card donations benefit The Christmas House, and are used to buy holiday gifts and necessities for families in our community. Bring food donations to any of our fire stations, or to our Administrative office, and put them in the marked donation bins. Please bring gift card donations to our Administrative office, 811 N. Sunrise Road. If we're closed, you can leave them in the locked drop-box outside the entrance.

## SCLL FOOD DRIVE

As you know the holidays can be a difficult time for many. Our local food banks are here to help struggling families and individuals in need. Our food banks can also struggle to keep up with the demand, and the Stanwood Food Bank is requesting donations of canned chili, soup, and crackers. The West Camano Little Free Pantry needs baby food, hygiene products, or other goods. If you are able to donate to one of these organizations, we have designated dates and locations to drop off your donation. December 18th - 9 am - noon at Camano Plaza IGA - 370 NE Camano Drive. December 18th - 9 am - noon at Roots Church - 8925 271st St NW, Stanwood. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated. Happy Holidays!

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Lincoln Hill Retirement Community formerly known as the Stanwood Community and Senior Center is offering the following Volunteer Opportunities. The Lincoln Hill Retirement Community is looking for Volunteer Receptionists who are willing to donate 3-6 hour shifts each work or serve on call. Training will be provided. Good verbal and written communication skills are required. The center is in need of a Coffee Bar Baristas/Servers to make coffee and sell baked goods and snacks from our in house coffee bar. Training will be provided. Hours approximately 11:15-2:15 but can be flexible. Volunteer driver to assist in transporting Lincoln Hill residents to weekly grocery trips and other occasional outings. Driver would be responsible to transport both ambulatory passengers and those in wheelchairs. Training will be provided by the center. If you are interested in any of these positions please contact Darlene Campbell, Volunteer Coordinator at 360-629-7403, ext. 104.



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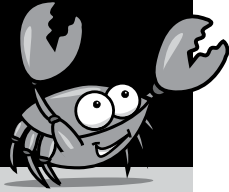


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## “STORIES IN DEMOCRACY”

Meet your representatives through 'Stories in Democracy'. What happens once elections are over and the real work of governance begins? Is this moment in our country's history different than any other that came before it? What is representative democracy and why does it matter? Eneccbbgnrtndcudjdutbkfurnkkvcnglhi-uehvcg. Join Sno-Isle Libraries and The Daily Herald as they present Stories in Democracy, an online video series exploring our democracy with the members of Congress representing Snohomish and Island counties. In this initial three-part video series, Sno-Isle Libraries Executive Director Lois Langer Thompson and Herald Editorial Page Editor Jon Bauer discuss community issues and the future of democracy in thoughtful, one-on-one conversations with Congresswoman Suzan DelBene (WA-01), Congresswoman Pramila Jayapal (WA-07), and Congressman Rick Larsen (WA-02). We hope you will join us for this unique opportunity to go behind the scenes with the elected officials who represent our communities.



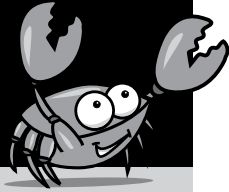
## HOLIDAY LIGHTS, COMPUTER AND ELECTRICAL CORDS RECYCLING DRIVE

What do you do with holiday light strings and old electric and computer cords that no longer work? Instead of sending them to a landfill, bring them to the Camano Transfer Station for recycling! Now through January 31, WSU Extension Island County Waste Wise volunteers and local Boy Scout Troop 46 will make sure the strings and cords are recycled responsibly. The Transfer Station is located at 75 E Camano Hill Road and is open daily from 9:30-5:00. Questions? Call (360) 639-4608 or email [jerilyn.ritzman@wsu.edu](mailto:jerilyn.ritzman@wsu.edu).

## SKI BUS TO STEVENS PASS – 2022

Interested in joining a great group of adult skiers & snowboarders on Tuesdays at Stevens Pass? Merry Mountain Ski Club, a not-for-profit club, brings you 6 weeks of skiing every Tuesday beginning January 4, 2022 with more weeks possible. The luxury coach will make stops in Bellingham, Burlington, Stanwood and Monroe. Fully vaccinated adults only! Sign up now for the best deal. For more details visit [www.merrymountain.com](http://www.merrymountain.com) or email questions to [tuesdayskibus@gmail.com](mailto:tuesdayskibus@gmail.com) or call 206-550-4908.

# Local Stories and Poetry



## FUN FACT:

America's official national Christmas tree is located in King's Canyon National Park in California.

The tree, a giant sequoia called the "General Grant Tree", is over 90 meters (300 feet) high, and was made the official Christmas tree in 1925.

## WINDSTORM

Fir branches,  
broken from the wind,  
piled in disrespect,  
beneath the trees;  
birch leaves,  
strewn helter-skelter;  
sheets of newspaper  
plastered against the fence,  
corners pointing upwards in surrender;  
the tops of both birches  
dangle broken near the top  
waiting for a day of industry,  
for the ladder and the chain saw  
and me.

Something inside says  
I should not like the wind,  
or the rain and the darkness;  
the dankness of it all;  
there's plenty to hide from;  
the wind and the rain,  
and the industry.

In the midst of it all,  
snuggled in my blankets  
listening to the wind against  
the side of the house,  
rain drumming on the roof,  
running from the edge  
in a cacophonous waterfall.  
There's certainly enough to not like.

But when are blankets more comforting?  
When are sounds more acute?  
And when am I more aware  
of the warm presence beside me  
bearing witness to a mutual need?

I think it helps to look again,  
to seek the other side.  
Looking broadly gives perspective to life  
And imparts an appreciation  
Even of windstorms.

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### CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

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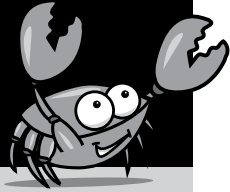


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## COOKIE BUTTER FUDGE

Cookie butter and fudge, a match made in heaven! Give the gift of homemade fudge to someone you love this holiday season.

**INGREDIENTS:** 1 lb. white chocolate, chopped; 1 1/4 c. creamy cookie butter (Biscoff); 1/2 tsp. salt; 2 T. molasses; White nonpareils, for sprinkling

**DIRECTIONS:** 1. Line an 8-inch square baking dish with foil leaving a 2-inch overhang on two sides; lightly coat the foil with cooking spray. 2. Bring 1-inch of water to a simmer in a medium saucepan over medium heat. 3. Combine the white chocolate, cookie butter and salt in a large heatproof bowl and set it over the saucepan (do not let the bowl touch the water). Cook, stirring frequently, until the mixture is completely melted and smooth. (Reduce the heat if steam spatters around the bowl, you want to prevent any water from getting in the chocolate and causing it to seize.). 4. Remove the bowl from the pan and quickly stir in the molasses. Wipe the water from the bottom of the bowl, then pour the mixture into the prepared baking dish. Spread evenly with a rubber spatula and top with white nonpareils. Let set at room temperature about 1 to 2 hours. Cover with plastic wrap and refrigerate until chilled but not hard, about 30 minutes. 5. Lift the fudge out of the baking dish and peel off the foil. Cut into 1-inch squares with a sharp knife. (If the fudge is too hard or starts to crack when cut, let soften slightly at room temperature for 10 to 20 minutes.)

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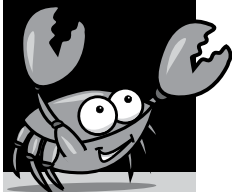


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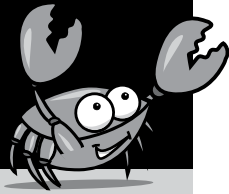
## APPLE CINNAMON PANCAKES

Warm, fluffy apple-cinnamon pancakes topped with caramelized apples and whipped cream!

**APPLE CINNAMON PANCAKES:** 1 1/3 c. all-purpose flour; 1 1/2 tsp. baking powder; 1 tsp. ground cinnamon; 1 T. granulated sugar; 1/2 tsp. kosher salt; 2 T. butter, melted; 1 lg. egg, separated; 1 tsp. vanilla extract; 1 1/4 c. milk; 4-5 lg. apples, peeled and diced, divided  
**CARAMELIZED APPLE SYRUP:** 2 T. butter; 1/2 c. light or dark brown sugar; 1/2 tsp. ground cinnamon; 1/4 c. water; Butter for cooking; Whipped cream for serving

**DIRECTIONS:** 1. **APPLE CINNAMON PANCAKES:** In a medium bowl, whisk together baking powder, 1 teaspoon cinnamon, sugar, and salt; set aside. 2. Melt 2 tablespoons of the butter. 3. In a large bowl, whisk together egg yolk, milk, and melted butter. Gently fold dry ingredients into the wet ingredients until just combined. Fold in 1 1/2 cups of the diced apple. 4. In a separate bowl, using a hand mixer, beat egg white until stiff peaks form. Gently fold the egg white into the batter with a rubber spatula until just combined. 5. **CARAMELIZED APPLE SYRUP:** In a small saucepan over medium heat, melt 2 tablespoons of butter. Add remaining apples, brown sugar, 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon, and 1/4 c. water. Cook, stirring occasionally until apples have softened, and the syrup has thickened a bit, about 5-8 minutes. 6. In a large skillet over medium heat, melt 1 tablespoon butter. Pour 1/4 cup pancake batter into the pan. When little bubbles appear, about 1-2 minutes, flip and continue cooking until both sides are lightly golden. Repeat with the remaining batter, adding more butter to the pan as needed. 7. Serve pancakes topped with caramelized apple syrup and whipped cream. Yields 10 pancakes

# Classes and Workshops



## HOLIDAY QUOTE:

"This past Christmas, I told my girlfriend for months in advance that all I wanted was an Xbox. That's it. Beginning and end of list, Xbox. You know what she got me? A homemade frame with a picture of us from our first date together. Which was fine. Because I got her an Xbox."

– Anthony Jeselnik

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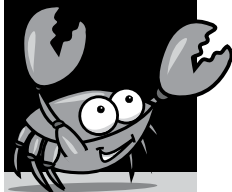
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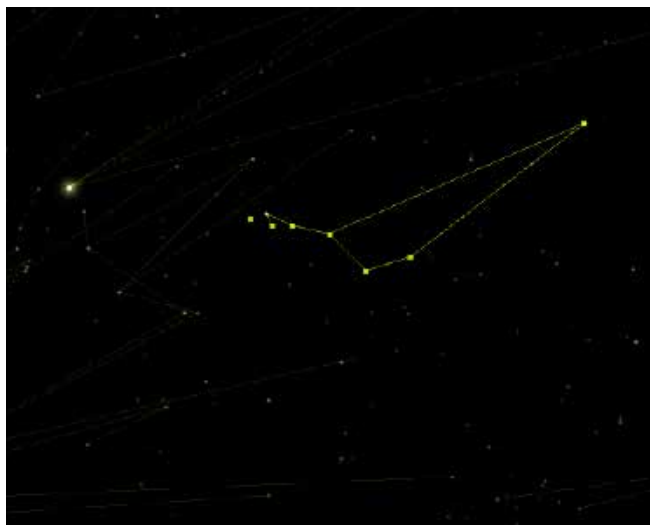
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## THE UNIVERSE IN 3D

We humans are good at determining depth between objects fairly close to us ..which makes sense viewed from our need to track down food. We are not so good at perceiving depth beyond a few hundred feet though. Past that we use atmospheric cues of haze or of distant objects looking slightly more blue as the red is absorbed by the atmosphere. Astronauts on the moon, lacking the atmospheric metric, were at a loss in determining the distances in the landscape. That mountain that looked a few miles away was often a hundred.

When it comes to the universe, however, we are absolutely terrible. Even astronomers fully aware of the depth around us find it very hard to perceive great distances in 3 dimensions. Its no wonder the sky was seen for so long as a 2 dimensional celestial sphere surrounding the Earth.

Try this as an experiment. Take a look at the Big Dipper and imagine that each star resides at a very different distance. If you lived around the star Aldebaran the shape would look like the image above. If you are still struggling, watch the video at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFT02IQ18IE](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dFT02IQ18IE) then go back outside to see if you can take that sense of depth with you. Don't feel bad if you can't. It isn't easy and we just aren't wired to do it. It is worth the effort to keep trying.


Giordano Bruno lived in a 15th century world view which enclosed the universe to a confining bowl of stars. This was the cosmos of Bruno's time. He describes the moment he became aware of the depth around him. "I experienced a sickening moment of fear as if the bottom of everything was falling away beneath my feet. I summoned up courage and spread confident wings to space and soared toward the infinite, leaving far behind what others strained to see from a distance. Here, there was no up or down, no edge or center. I saw that the sun was just another star, and the stars were other suns, each escorted by earths, like our own. The revelation of this reality filled me with unspeakable joy."

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Date	High /Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Moon Visible
F 17	High	5:11 AM	11.3	☉
17	Low	10:08 AM	7.7	
17	High	2:43 PM	10.6	
17	Low	9:50 PM	-1.1	
Sa 18	High	5:46 AM	11.7	☉
18	Low	10:53 AM	7.9	
18	High	3:15 PM	10.3	
18	Low	10:20 PM	-1.4	
Su 19	High	6:18 AM	11.9	☉
19	Low	11:34 AM	8.1	
19	High	3:48 PM	10.1	
19	Low	10:53 PM	-1.5	
M 20	High	6:47 AM	12.0	☉
20	Low	12:12 PM	8.1	
20	High	4:23 PM	9.8	
20	Low	11:29 PM	-1.5	
Tu 21	High	7:17 AM	12.1	☉
21	Low	12:50 PM	7.9	
21	High	5:00 PM	9.6	
W 22	Low	12:07 AM	-1.4	☾
22	High	7:49 AM	12.1	
22	Low	1:31 PM	7.7	
22	High	5:41 PM	9.3	
Th 23	Low	12:46 AM	-1.0	☾
23	High	8:24 AM	12.1	
23	Low	2:16 PM	7.3	
23	High	6:28 PM	8.8	

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F 24	Low	1:27 AM	-0.4	☾
24	High	9:00 AM	12.1	
24	Low	3:06 PM	6.8	
24	High	7:25 PM	8.4	
Sa 25	Low	2:10 AM	0.4	☾
25	High	9:38 AM	12.1	
25	Low	3:59 PM	5.9	
25	High	8:35 PM	7.9	
Su 26	Low	2:56 AM	1.6	☾
26	High	10:15 AM	12.0	
26	Low	4:54 PM	4.9	
26	High	10:00 PM	7.6	
M 27	Low	3:48 AM	3.0	☾
27	High	10:53 AM	12.0	
27	Low	5:46 PM	3.4	
27	High	11:32 PM	7.7	
Tu 28	Low	4:48 AM	4.6	☾
28	High	11:31 AM	12.0	
28	Low	6:34 PM	1.8	
W 29	High	1:06 AM	8.5	☾
29	Low	5:57 AM	5.9	
29	High	12:11 PM	12.1	
29	Low	7:21 PM	0.2	
Th 30	High	2:30 AM	9.6	☾
30	Low	7:10 AM	7.0	
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30	Low	8:06 PM	-1.4	

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