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Events, Information, and Entertainment in the Port Susan Area
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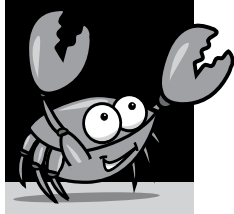
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Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

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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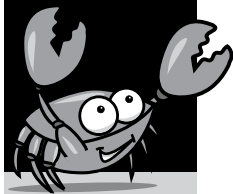


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Submission DEADLINE: DEC. 22 for Next Edition (December 30-January 12)

Calendar of Events



THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15

OPEN HOUSE

Stanwood Camano Arts Advocacy Commission Open House. 5:30-7:30pm at The Floyd Norgaard Cultural Center, Stanwood. Food and beverage provided by Tapped Camano.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Boys Basketball vs Edmonds Woodway. JV & Frosh: 4pm. Varsity: 7:15pm.

Girls Basketball vs Edmonds Woodway. JV: 4pm. Varsity: 5:40pm.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

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 16

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!



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Many people celebrate Kwanzaa by decorating their home in African art as well as the colors of green, black, and red. They may also wear traditional clothing. Women may wear a colorful wrap called a kaftan. Men may wear a colorful shirt called a dashiki and a hat called a kufi. On the last day of Kwanzaa, families often gather for a large feast called karamu.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

MIDNIGHT ROCKERS

7:30pm - 10:00pm at Pub 282. Fun, sexy rock from classic to modern.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16

HOLLY JOLLY HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

5-7pm at Community Resource Center. You are invited! Join us for free family friendly fun, holiday crafts with Mrs. Claus, a live holiday music sing-a-long, light snacks and treats, hot cocoa bar, and stories with Santa!



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

WINTER WONDERLAND BALL

Join us under the magical lights and snowflakes to celebrate the holiday season with dancing and friends. Karaoke and complimentary dessert table. Dress in your favorite holiday attire. 9pm at Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge, 10011 270th St NW, Stanwood. (360) 629-2324.



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DID YOU KNOW?

Norwegian scientists have hypothesized that Rudolph's red nose is probably the result of a parasitic infection of his respiratory system.



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

LOCAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA CEREMONY

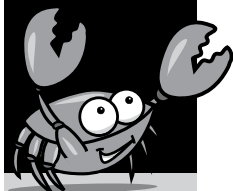
Local volunteers have been working hard to ensure that all veterans laid to rest at the Anderson Cemetery in Stanwood and the Camano Pioneer Cemetery are honored this December as part of National Wreaths Across America Day – December 17, 2022. Last year, ceremonies were held across the country at more than 3,100 participating locations, placing 2.4 million wreaths for interred veterans. Stanwood/Camano is one of the smallest communities in Washington to participate in Wreaths Across America. Utsalady Ladies Aid sponsored and will place the wreaths at the Camano Pioneer Cemetery and the Stanwood American Legion Post #92, along with many volunteers, will place the wreaths at Anderson Cemetery. Please join us at 10:00 a.m. "Every \$15 wreath sponsorship made is a meaningful gift from a grateful American who knows what it means to serve and sacrifice for the freedoms we all enjoy," said Karen Worcester, executive director of Wreaths Across America. "We are so grateful to the good people of this wonderful community for participating in our mission to Remember, Honor and Teach." To sponsor a wreath, please visit www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org/WA0183P or you can contact Mischa Plesha at post92adjutant@gmail.com or 408-595-7634. Excess funds go toward next year as we continue to support our local cemeteries through Wreaths Across America every December.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

THE OWL AND THE WOODPECKER WITH PAUL BANNICK

11am at Community Resource Center. Register at sno-isle.biblio-commons.com/events/6366fa54ffe8733f0089ea82/ The Stanwood Library and the CRC welcome Paul Bannick and his keynote presentation that combines breathtaking photos, compelling videos, evocative audio, and the latest science and first-person stories from the field. Paul's presentation will take participants on a visual and auditory exploration of habitats of the Pacific Northwest through the owls and woodpeckers that most define and enrich these places. This photographic field report celebrates the ways the lives of these two iconic birds are intertwined with one another, and their role as keystone and indicator species for their environment. Audiences are immersed in the sights and sounds of forest, grassland, arctic, and desert. Please register as seating is limited. Registration is free.

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DID YOU KNOW?

The first official White House Christmas tree was decorated by President Franklin Pierce.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY

7:30pm - 10:00pm at Pub 282. Playing some of the best rock & roll songs throughout the decades.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

MOON DADDY

8 pm - Conway Muse Hayloft. The Conway Muse is proud to welcome back Moon Daddy to the Hayloft Stage Saturday, December 17, 2022 at 8 pm. This band will have you out of your seat and moving all night long! Advanced Tickets \$17.50 Night of show \$20



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

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.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

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 17

CABAM! CAMANO AREA BLUEGRASS AND ACOUSTIC MUSIC

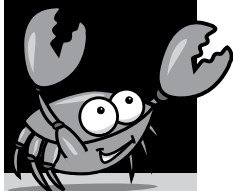
Whole lotta holiday jammin' goin' on at the Camano Center, 3-6 pm. Come and jam. Come and sing. Come and listen to some smokin' bluegrass. Banjos, mandos, guitars, fiddles. It's all here. All we need is YOU! Old timers and juniors alike. Git on over here.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

TEEN ENTREPRENEUR CLASS & STUDENT BAZAAR

10am-3pm at Seven Lakes Baptist Church. 17007 E Lake Goodwin Rd, Stanwood. More info: 360-652-9000.

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DID YOU KNOW?

The British wear paper crowns while they eat Christmas dinner. The crowns are stored in a tube called a "Christmas cracker."



SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

WINTER YOGA FOR KIDS

11am at the Camano Island Library. Join us for a yoga session based on a book about a gingerbread baby! Kids can connect with others as well as increasing strength, flexibility, sensory and motor skills!



SATURDAY & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 & 18

SANTA AT FREEDOM PARK

Fundraising Event! Santa will be at Freedom Park! Professional Pictures, Hot Chocolate and Cookies! Pictures inside the Camano Gateway Building. Donations Encouraged. No pets on Saturday, but there will be pet photos on Sunday.

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

CHRISTMAS CAROLS WITH LOXLEY SILVER BAND

Bring your singing voices and festive spirit and join us at 10:30am at Stanwood Methodist Church for a Christmas Carol Service.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

DECEMBER JIGSAW EXCHANGE

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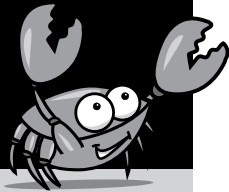


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DECEMBER 18-26

HAPPY HANUKKAH!

Hanukkah, today often referred to as the Festival of Lights, is a Jewish festival commemorating the recovery of Jerusalem and subsequent rededication of the Second Temple at the beginning of the Maccabean revolt against the Seleucid Empire in the 2nd century BCE.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

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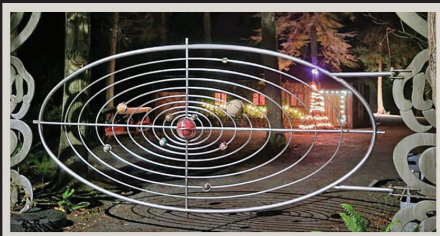


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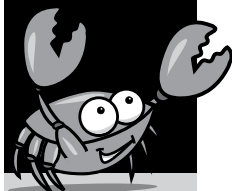
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DID YOU KNOW?

Each night of Hanukkah, an additional candle is placed in the Menorah from right to left, and then lit from left to right. On the last night, all the candles are lit.



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

GET BATTY FOR BATS

1pm Online event. Do bats live in your neighborhood? Have you seen them flying out at dusk near lakes and streams, foraging for insects? Since bats are rarely seen in the daytime, many people aren't aware that they are common wildlife after hours in our suburban and rural spaces. We welcome Bats Northwest volunteers to help us Get Batty for Bats. Through this event, participants will come to understand the essential role of bats, recognize the vital place of bats in our environment and economy, and be inspired by bats' remarkable attributes and invaluable contribution to our natural heritage. Registration is required. Register at <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/6313e0c996317542000f3b62>



TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

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 party OMG!! Wear your 90's gear! (360) 629-2324. bbstyleandsip@gmail.com.




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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20

FAMILY STORYTIME WITH JENNIFER

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

FIRST DAY OF WINTER

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

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Sunday Worship, December 25

9:30 AM One Worship Service

Sunday Worship, January 1

9:30 AM One Worship Service

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DID YOU KNOW?

During Hanukkah, families eat latkes (potato pancakes) and sufganiot (jelly donuts), or other foods which are fried in oil, to celebrate and commemorate the miracle of the Festival of Lights.

In Yemen, children went from house to house, tins in hand, to collect wicks for the Hanukkah Menorah.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

ONLINE FAMILY TRIVIA: 2022 - A YEAR IN REVIEW

7pm. 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 Trivia featuring 2022 - A Year in Review. We will reminisce about the celebrities, movies, musicians, sports heroes, and others who grabbed our attention in 2022. Family trivia is designed with young people in mind – we suggest a youth on each team. Registration is required. <https://sno-isle.bibliocommons.com/events/6346075c1fd-ca03600e7ddb5>



WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21

THE LONGEST NIGHT: A SERVICE OF LIGHT INTO DARKNESS

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 6 p.m. We will acknowledge the pain of loss and sorrow, while looking to Christ, the Light of the World, who calls out to all who are heavy-laden with a word of hope and love. Following the service, there will be the opportunity for private prayer with Stephen Ministers for those who wish to share their needs. The Longest Night service is open to all.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

TEEN LATE NIGHT

Grades 9-12, 4PM-6:30PM at the Community Resource Center of Stanwood Camano. Teen Late Night is a safe place for teens to come and connect over food & fun. Activities have included outings, classes, celebrations, help with school work and more!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22

RAINY DAY ROOM PLAYGROUP

Free weekly play group at Community Resource Center for ages 0-5 and their grown-ups! Grown ups and kids will benefit from friendship and community....getting out of the house. www.crc-sc.org.

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The program will launch on Tuesday, January 10th, 1:00–2:30 PM

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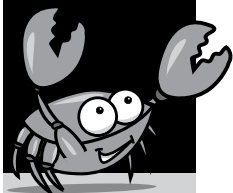
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PUNNY HOLIDAY JOKES

What did the wise men say after they offered up their gifts of gold and frankincense?

Wait, there's myrrh.

What does Santa suffer from if he gets stuck in a chimney?

Claus-trophobia!

What do you call a reindeer ghost?

Cari-boo!



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

LIVE OUTDOOR NATIVITY AT ANANDA FARM

(Arrive between 3-4pm; gates close at 4pm). Visit "Bethlehem" this Christmas season to witness a live re-enactment of the birth of Jesus at Ananda Farm at 732 Haven Place, Camano. Fires will be burning for warmth. And straw bales to sit down and watch, as the world welcomes the newborn child in the humble stable of Bethlehem. Bring a warm jacket, and the warmth of the Christmas season. More info: 360-927-5456.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

THE BEL REDS

7:30pm - 10:00pm at Pub 282. We are a rock dance music band.

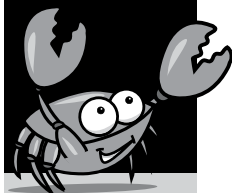


SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



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DECEMBER 26 - JANUARY 1

HAPPY KWANZAA!

Kwanzaa is an annual celebration of African-American culture. It was created by Dr. Maulana Karenga in 1966. The name Kwanzaa comes from a Swahili phrase that means "first fruits of the harvest".

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28

THE ART OF COLLAGE

3pm at the Stanwood Library. Let's make some art! Join the Stanwood Library as we learn about the history of collage and mixed media artists, followed by crafting some collage of our own! Supplies are provided by the library. More info: (360) 629-3132.

CONSUMER ALERT:

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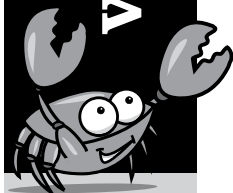
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CHRISTMAS ADIOS

We're about to head out before Christmas hits its Big Finale, Santa sets his GPS and leaves all his elves waiting for that fat bonus which is as likely as a Peking Pension Plan. Just shut the door behind us, leave the island and motor past the malls jammed with desperate folks on their last frenzied Push, credit cards and stress maxed, feeling like Jimmy Stewart when the bank run ends. Only without the Norman Rockwell town to back him up with community support....

I remember the Old Christmas. The one where we were poor as church-mice and all those gifts to friends and family felt like one more weight on the anchor dragging us below the surface. The folks who make minimum wage or who are unemployed or who pick our crops for next to nothing --- Christmas isn't A Wonderful Life, let me tell ya.

I know, we say the same thing every year. Christmas. Too commercial. Too materialistic. Too phony baloney. A month or two of seriously clichéd songs, TV specials, movie reruns. Scrooge, the Grinch, Tiny Tim, Christmas Future, Miracle on 34th St., all to sell cars, perfume, watches, toys, baubles and bullshit. I'm as sentimental as the next he-man, but C"MON!! It's a tad excessive. It's pretty close to obscene. I'm sorry, Virginia, but Santa is an executive at Wal-Mart, hate to be the one to break it to you.

I could tell you we go away to some dark hollow to escape all this ... but the truth is, we leave so we don't dampen the neighbors' spirits here on the cynical South End. No need to thank us. It's our gift. And as always, it's really the thought that used to count.







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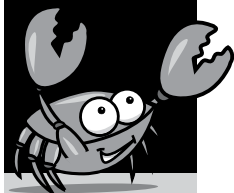
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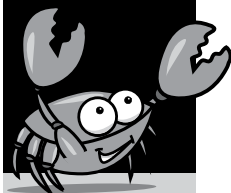


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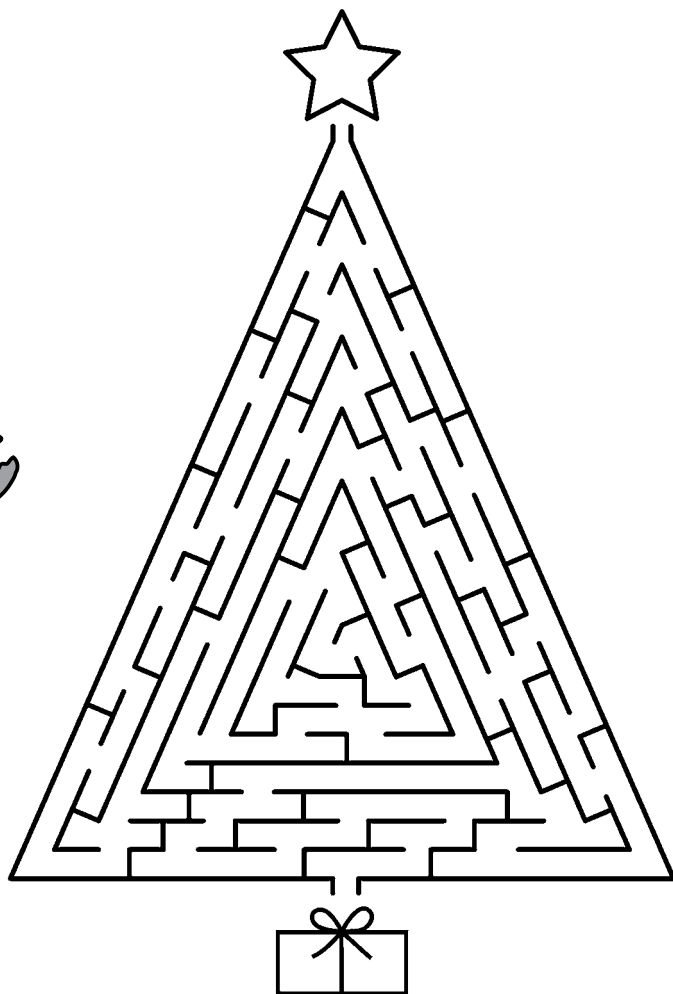
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DID YOU KNOW?

The Monster in Frankenstein was never actually named, although the Monster itself proposed the name "Adam".

CHRISTMAS TREE MAZE



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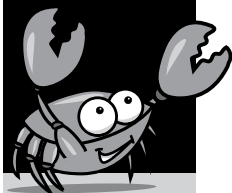
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HOLIDAY TRIVIA

For the first time in 38 years, what two religious holidays coincided on December 25, 1978?

[Christmas and Hannukkah]

What were Frosty's last words?
["I'll be back again some-day."]

20. The most popular item to put on top of a Christmas tree is?
[Angel]

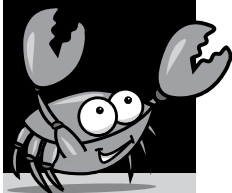


Christmas cookies photo by Laura James.



Camano Schoolhouse Lighting 2022. Photo by William O'Toole.

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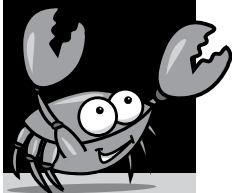


Reindeer painting by Cindy Fankhauser.



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(Above is a photo of Timmy with Santa by Leaha, Pet Photographer, at this year's NOAH Santa Paws Event).

"I (Leah) am a self-proclaimed addict of photography, but what I most love photographing, are pets. Our pets are part of our family. We never forgot the dog we had when we were 12, or the cat that gave us companionship when we moved into our first apartment, right? They will live forever in our hearts, but when they are gone, wouldn't it be wonderful to have a beautiful portrait that captures their essence? That's what I love most about pet photography, capturing the essence of your beautiful furry family members. I can't wait to photograph your beloved beast friend! As the owner of a local small business, I believe in giving back to the community by offering my services to charitable events such as Santa Paws. I also do private affordable sessions, and collaborate with small businesses to offer fun pet photography opportunities. If you've been thinking about having a photo session of your pets and family done, have a look at what I offer and my affordable prices.

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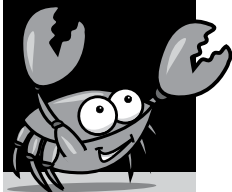
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DID YOU KNOW?

A Menorah is a special nine-branched candelabrum, also known in Hebrew as a Hanukiah.



SANTA WISHES AND SANTA LETTERS

Santa mail wanted, Young and Old. Preview Properties NW in Stanwood has helped 5 families with their Christmas list. This year they welcome your Santa letters and wish list as well as nominations for families in need of a little help from Santa. Mail Box located at 10123 270th St NW Stanwood. If your child would like a letter back from Santa please include a self addressed envelope. For all nominations please be sure to include contact information, All will be kept anonymous. For any further information call 360-629-3400 ask for Sue or Danica Head Elfs Or email THENORTHPOLEMAILBOX@GMAIL.COM.

CHRISTMAS HOUSE

Nov 29-Dec 23 2022 (Tue, Wed, Sat). Location: SC Food Bank. Eligibility: 0-18 yrs old + Food Bank member. We provide free brand new gifts for Christmas! Food Bank members can shop for their children with assistance from volunteers. We will be open for folks to come shop from 9am-3pm, except for Dec 23 we will be open 9am-6pm. Walk-ins welcome, no appointment necessary. GOT QUESTIONS? EMAIL programcoordinator@scfbs.org. PHONE 360-629-2789.

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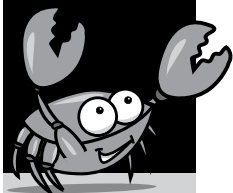


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THE 12 PROMISES GROUP

of Alcoholics Anonymous holds an open meeting every Saturday from 8 - 9:30 am at the Camano Lutheran Church, 850 S. Heichel Rd., Camano Island. Newcomers are welcome.



CASA LIGHTS OF LOVE TREE

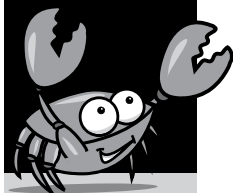
at RE/MAX Elevate. Celebrate the holidays by remembering your pet. Honor your pet with a special light this year at the Camano Animal Shelter Association's Lights of Love Tree. Donate \$5.00 and a Christmas tag with your pet's name will be hung on the Christmas tree at RE/Max Elevate at Camano Plaza. Stop in any time after Thanksgiving weekend to view your pet's tag. Your donation can be in honor or in memory of your pet and will help the dogs and cats at CASA, the Camano Animal Shelter Association. Forms are available at the shelter or online at www.camanoanimalshelter.org.



WARM BEACH LIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS - DRIVE THRU

The Lights of Christmas is a holiday tradition for families. Spectacular lights, dazzling displays, and costume characters create a fantastic Christmas experience for people of all ages. Plus, listen to Christmas music from the comfort of your car on The Lights of Christmas radio station 101.9 FM. Grab your keys, pack up the kids, and get out of the house for an event with Christmas spirit. December 1-4, 8-11, 14-23, 26-31. Get tickets at <https://www.thelightsofchristmas.com/>

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DID YOU KNOW?

UPS delivers on
Christmas Eve.

"THE SPOT" - TUESDAYS AND SATURDAYS

at 9831 271st St NW, Stanwood. For middle and high schoolers. Tuesdays drop in: 2:30-5pm. Games, food, hang out. Saturday Night: 7:30-10pm. Food, bonfires, pool, and more! Hosted by Youth Dynamics Stilly Valley. 425-879-7633.

HOLIDAY MEALS

Dec. 17th & 21st 2022. 10AM to 3PM Wednesday & 10AM to 2PM on Saturday at Stanwood Camano Food Bank. For those who might not otherwise be able to celebrate Thanksgiving or 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. If you're not already registered, please pre-register by signing up to receive services (Get Help) or stop in to register Wednesdays 10AM to 3PM or Saturdays 10AM to 2PM. https://stanwoodcamanofoodbank.org/stanwood_events/holiday-meals/

WARM COATS FOR KIDS

at the Stanwood-Camano Food Bank now to Jan 14, 2023. Location: "New" Food Bank/Old Thrift Store. Eligibility: 0-18 years old and Food Bank Member. Newborn to 4XL. Shopping Days: Wednesdays 10am-3pm and Saturdays 10am-2pm. We accept walk-ins.

OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY & RESEARCH WEDNESDAY

Open House every Saturday, 10am-1pm at the Stanwood Area Historical Society Tolin House (between the Pearson House the Floyd Norgaard Center). Research Wednesday 1-4pm at Eldridge Center.

CIFR HOLIDAY FOOD & GIFT CARD DRIVE

Camano Island Fire & Rescue annual holiday food and gift card drive runs through Dec. 28. Bring donations to any of our fire stations, or to our Administrative office. Every year we collect 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. We also accept donations during our Santa Run.

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HOLIDAY TRIVIA

Who yelled
"Stop!" to
Frosty?

[The traffic cop.]

After Joseph,
Mary and Jesus
left Bethlehem,
they went to
what country?
[Egypt]

"Advent" means?
[Coming]

Lucy charges
how much for
her psychiatric
services in the
animation, "A
Charlie Brown
Christmas"?
[5 cents]

HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE

It's the most wonderful time of the year—the season of giving! Join Haggen and our partner organizations, Marine Toys for Tots Foundation and 2022 Skagit Valley Herald Christmas Fund, in helping local children share in the magic of the holidays during our Holiday Toy Drive. Donate at any Haggen register through Dec 24. Learn more about our holiday giving program at <http://ms.spr.ly/6182dYY1j>.



1ST EVER GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION

by Pub 282. Bring in your creations now-December 23. Judging will be done by staff at Pub 282. Winner will be notified by phone or email. 3 categories: Kids 5-12, Youth 13-17, Adults 18+. Prizes: Kids \$50 IGA gift card. Youth \$75 IGA gift card. Adult \$100 IGA gift card. Gingerbread houses must be 80% edible. This is a family-friendly contest and is meant to be enjoyable. Have fun with it! NOTE: West Camano Little Free Pantry may have gingerbread house kits and candy. Reach out to them to see if there is any available. (425-220-3758 or tiffany.lucus@gmail.com).

CAMANO CENTER LIBRARY

The Camano Center (606 Arrowhead Rd) has a lending library that is open to the public during business hours. Find a book you like and take it home. Bring it back when you are finished. That's all you have to do. This library is managed by volunteer librarians. They manage all donations of current fiction and non-fiction hard back books.

2ND ANNUAL DIAPER DRIVE

Diapers and wipes needed. Stanwood Cannons baseball and softball have teamed up with Hand In Hand, a local nonprofit serving Snohomish County to collect diapers and wipes for local families in need. donations will be collected now to December 19. You can drop off with a local ball player or drop off at Stilly auto Parts (NAPA) in Stanwood. More info: stanwoodcannons@gmail.com.

SARATOGA SANTAS

Holiday front yard display, different characters and blowmolds, On December 17th from 5-8pm Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there in the Santa workshop for photos and a hot cocoa bar, 836 Saratoga Way, Camano.

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

Each of the candles of Kwanzaa represents a different principle. The candles are different colors; black, green, or red. There is one black candle which stands for unity. There are three green candles which represent the future and three red candles which represent the struggle out of slavery.

COLOR AND LIGHT ART SHOW

Color and Light Regional Juried Art Show now to December 29 at A Guilded Gallery, Stanwood. The winter collection of original art works.

STANWOOD AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP

meets Thursday night 7:30-9 at the Stanwood United Methodist Church 27128 102nd Dr SW Stanwood. Al-Anon offers help and support for friends and families of alcoholics. A complete list of area meetings can be found at www.district28alanon.com

HOLIDAY MARKET IN THE LOFT

Join us for the Holiday Market in the Loft at Camano Commons Marketplace now to December 24! Special treats and gifts from local artists including: Ananda Farms, Camano Cookies, DB Woodworking, Elevated Creations, Klrkidsco, Seek Adventure Co, and Silver Seahorse Designs! New vendors each week so be sure to keep checking in!

RAINY DAY ROOM PLAYGROUP

Free weekly play group on Thursdays at Community Resource Center for ages 0-5 and their grown-ups! Grown ups and kids will benefit from friendship and community....getting out of the house. www.crc-sc.org.

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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 10, 2023, with more weeks possible. The luxury coach will make stops in Bellingham, Burlington, Stanwood and Monroe. Sign up now for best deal. More info: www.merrymountain.com or email questions to tuesdayskibus@gmail.com or call 206-550-4908.

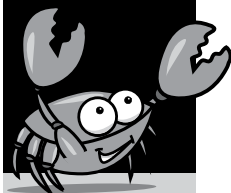
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Lincoln Hill Retirement Community is looking for people interested in volunteering at our Reception Desk. Lincoln Hill Volunteer Receptionists are needed 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. Do you have experience as a Coffee Bar barista? We are looking for volunteers to volunteer a few hours a week to serve coffee and cover our in house snack bar. Hours are negotiable and training will be provided. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Lincoln Hill Retirement Community Volunteer team please contact Darlene Campbell, Volunteer Coordinator at 360-629-7403, ext. 104 or via e-mail at dcampbell@lincolnhill-rc.org.

FAMILY HISTORY CENTER OPEN WORKSHOP

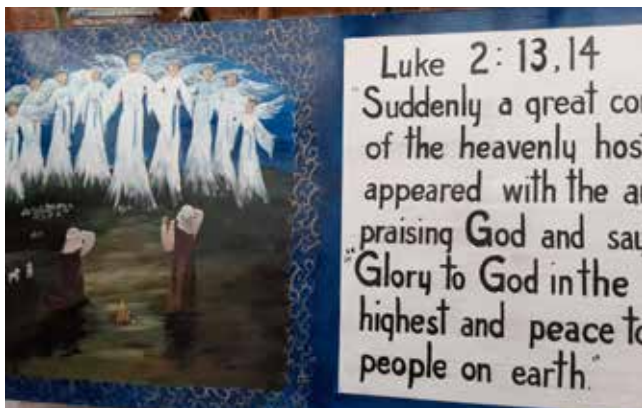
Come any Tues. (10am-noon) or Wed. (6:30-8pm), at 795 Ell Rd, Camano Island (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints), and get an absolutely FREE personalized consultation. We'll show you how to discover your ancestors and get FREE access to Ancestry.com, Fold3.com military records, Newspapers.com, ArkivDigital, and other websites. Visit our Facebook page for more info and weather/holiday closures: www.facebook.com/groups/CamanoIslandStanwoodFHC.

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GRAB A CRAB CRACKER:

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Freedom Park



CHRISTMAS CARD YARD SIGNS TOUR

The signs are displayed on Old Pacific Hwy, in Stanwood, Dec 10 thru January 3. Signs displayed by Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Stanwood. More info: 360-629-8510.



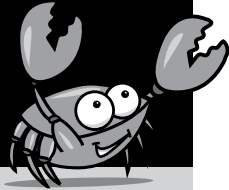
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DAY AND EVENING SHELTERS FOR COLD WEATHER

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HOLIDAY TRIVIA

How much did it cost to send a Christmas card within the same city early in the Victorian era?

[Nothing]

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS & WIRE RECYCLING

Free at Camano Transfer Station is back! Safety First! Toss out the old and in with the new. Don't chance it. Extension cords, computer cords, appliance cords, and more. No Coaxial or cable cords. See signage for details. Troop 46 Scouts and WSU Waste Wise volunteers are here to help make this possible. And special thanks to Brian and John, and Laura and the attendants at the Transfer Station. Happy Holidays! Be safe!

PILCHUCK GLASS SCHOOL ANNUAL HOLIDAY SALE

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GARDENING WORKSHOP

The Island County Master Gardeners are presenting a two-day workshop March 3-4, 2023. Early registration begins January 15th. Whether you're an avid gardener or just getting started, you'll find there's something at the Workshop for everyone. <https://www.whid-beygardening.org/>

TRANSITIONAL KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM IS COMING SOON

Stanwood-Camano School District is launching a free program in January aimed at helping children with special needs prepare for kindergarten. The Inclusionary Transitional Kindergarten (ITK) program will start January 31 at Twin City and Utsalady Elementary schools. Students will attend full-time in a classroom with a maximum of 20 students with a certificated teacher and a paraeducator. Between 30%-50% of the students enrolled will be students with disabilities. The ITK program is aligned with the Washington Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) to promote social/emotional competence in infants and young children. Our goal is to provide families with the opportunity to ensure their students begin their school careers ready for kindergarten. This program will provide high-quality early learning experience before they enter the traditional kindergarten classroom. For more information and the link to enroll, go to https://www.stanwood.wednet.edu/families__students/itk

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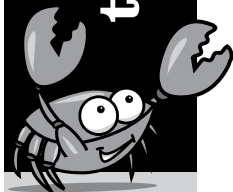
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THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, GIVE THE GIFT OF GUILT

What comes to mind when you hear the phrase, the spirit of Christmas? When I was young, my notion was so naïve. Like many children, I believed Santa and his reindeer flew around the world on Christmas Eve, bringing presents to all the children. But then I turned 25, and I began to question this narrative. Eventually I realized Santa traveling the world with eight reindeer was, of course, a ridiculous notion. He'd need far more than eight reindeer even in the best of weather conditions.

Now that I'm older, I know Santa doesn't deliver the presents (well, not most of them anyway). People do. I've learned the spirit of the Holiday Season is first and foremost about people buying gifts for other people – and the Black Friday fight fest to see who grabs the last 60% off flat screen TV – you or that jerk with the mullet haircut and a T-shirt that reads "Recall Santa. I didn't get what I wanted."

I've discovered – mainly from watching my drunken relatives – that Christmas is about ensuring that the recipient knows damn well how incredibly thoughtful your gift is, compared to their lame attempt. Studies show most gifts will be forgotten within 48 hours – never to be seen again until next spring's garage sale – or re-gifted to a co-worker at the next office Holiday Party. So why not get into the true spirit of the season by giving instead a gift they'll remember for years – the gift of guilt? By selecting just the right item, you can ensure the recipient will feel obligated to reciprocate – in the anxious hope you won't figure out that they never intended to buy you a present.

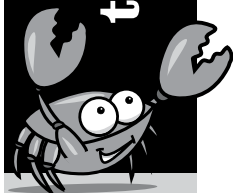
Let's say you've learned that your wife plans to give you for Christmas a pair of scissors with a built-in tape dispenser. Talk about mailing it in, right? So, what should you get her in return? Might I suggest a lovely ceramic charm bracelet from Tiffany's? The perfect holiday way to say, "I guess we know who loves who more in this relationship, eh?" Sure, she will have received the far better gift. But think about how guilty she'll feel. Well played, buddy.

When it comes to the spirit of Christmas, I need to say a word about thank-you cards. First of all, don't expect any for the thoughtful gifts you gave. People stopped writing thank-you cards in 1994. If you're lucky, you might get a two-syllable Facebook message saying "Hey, Thx!" It's important to make clear who the better person is, and that means you should write a plausibly sincere thank-you note – or at least, a thank-you text. After all, someone apparently went to a lot of effort to select just the perfect gift for you, by which of course, I'm referring to that slightly stained coffee mug they re-gifted with the hilarious phrase "I hate Mondays."

I have made it easy for you to send a thoughtful thank-you note which almost appears to be straight from the heart. Just use the following fill-in-the-blank letter.

Dear: a) important friend b) valued co-worker c) favorite relative
d) person who appears to be stalking me

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Thank you so much for your most thoughtful gift. It is: a) just what I wanted b) so unexpected c) really creative d) hopefully recyclable

I know the perfect place to: a) display it so everyone can see it b) wear it – everyone will be so impressed c) dispose of it so that your secret will be safe with me

I can't wait to: a) see you again to thank you in person b) call you to tell you how much I adore your gift c) figure out what exactly it is d) re-gift it to my mother-in-law

Remember, the real spirit of Christmas is not about honoring the birth of baby Jesus or goodwill toward men. That's so 19th century, Nowadays, it's about the gifts. But you don't need to get the perfect gift for the people on your holiday list. You just need to make sure your gift is better than whatever lame pair of cactus salt and pepper shakers they bought you.

You may not get that massage chair from your wife that you have been hinting about for six months. But you'll have the satisfaction of knowing that when she opens up that pearl necklace you bought her, she's going to feel pretty darn embarrassed about the cheese grater she bought you. And isn't that what the holiday spirit is all about?

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



NOAH'S PET OF THE WEEK:

Hi I am **PUFFI** I am a lovely 8 year old senior and I weigh about 5 pounds. In my future home I will need to stay on a special urinary diet. My ideal home would be a calm, quiet one with lots of love and cozy cuddles! If you think you might have a warm place for me to spend my golden years, come visit me at The NOAH Center today!

The N.O.A.H. Animal Adoption Center:
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SAVE-A-MUTT'S PET OF THE WEEK:

ALABAMA is ready to be included in your outdoor adventures. Alabama loves all people. She thinks that everyone is her friend and she will keep trying to win you over until you give in. YOU MUST visit www.save-a-mutt.org/adoption-application/ to fill out an application before meeting any dogs. We are foster- based rescue. There is no facility.

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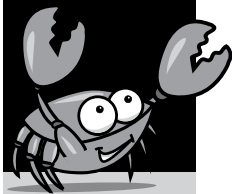
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Yoga Classes In-studio & Online at Movement Arts. IN-STUDIO – View our schedule to monitor our status. LIVE STREAM – book classes in advance to attend our live studio class from your own home.

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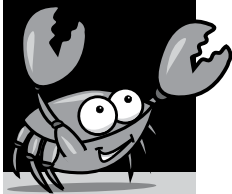
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GINGERBREAD WAFFLES

A Christmas morning tradition in our family, we serve these delicious waffles with a side of bacon and/or sausage and a plate of fresh fruit. Makes wonderful pancakes too!!

WAFFLES: 3 c. all-purpose flour; 4 tsp. baking powder; 2 tsp. ground cinnamon; 2 tsp. ground ginger; 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg; 1/2 tsp. salt; 4 lg. eggs; 2/3 c. brown sugar, packed; 1 c. canned 100% pure pumpkin; 1 1/4 c. evaporated milk; 1/2 c. molasses; 1/2 c. melted butter, plus more for iron

TOPPINGS: Warm maple syrup for serving; Chopped pecans for serving; Whipped cream for serving; Fresh fruit for serving

DIRECTIONS: 1. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, cinnamon, ginger, nutmeg and salt; set aside. 2. In a medium bowl, beat together eggs and brown sugar until light and fluffy, then beat in pumpkin, milk, molasses and melted butter. Gently fold egg mixture into the flour mixture, until moist. Do not over stir the waffle batter. The batter will be thick in consistency. 3. Preheat your waffle iron according to manufacturer's directions. (I used a Belgian waffle iron.). 4. Brush the waffle iron with a little melted butter, scoop about a 1/4 to 1/2 cup batter onto the waffle iron and cook according to manufacturer's directions. Repeat with remaining batter. 5. Top the waffles with warm maple syrup, chopped pecans, and whipped cream or fresh fruit if desired. Serves 6-8.



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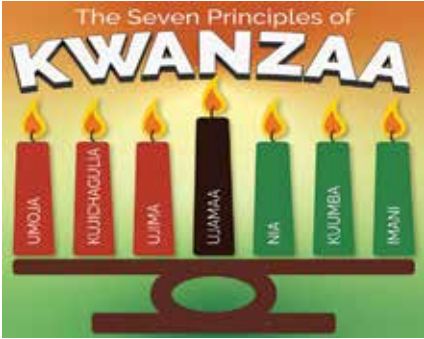
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Date	High /Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Moon Visible
F 16	Low	3:36 AM	2.6	
16	High	10:59 AM	11.6	
16	Low	5:57 PM	4.6	
16	High	11:05 PM	7.1	
Sa 17	Low	4:30 AM	3.9	
17	High	11:34 AM	11.6	
17	Low	6:37 PM	3.3	
Su 18	High	12:35 AM	7.6	
18	Low	5:32 AM	5.1	
18	High	12:08 PM	11.6	
18	Low	7:14 PM	1.8	
M 19	High	1:58 AM	8.6	
19	Low	6:38 AM	6.3	
19	High	12:42 PM	11.6	
19	Low	7:51 PM	0.2	
Tu 20	High	3:05 AM	9.8	
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20	Low	8:30 PM	-1.2	
W 21	High	4:01 AM	10.9	
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21	Low	9:11 PM	-2.5	
Th 22	High	4:49 AM	11.8	
22	Low	9:42 AM	8.2	
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23	Low	10:35 AM	8.3	
23	High	3:19 PM	11.8	
23	Low	10:39 PM	-3.8	
Sa 24	High	6:21 AM	12.7	
24	Low	11:29 AM	8.2	
24	High	4:09 PM	11.6	
24	Low	11:27 PM	-3.8	
Su 25	High	7:06 AM	12.9	
25	Low	12:23 PM	7.9	
25	High	5:03 PM	11.2	
M 26	Low	12:15 AM	-3.3	
26	High	7:52 AM	12.9	
26	Low	1:22 PM	7.3	
26	High	6:03 PM	10.5	
Tu 27	Low	1:05 AM	-2.4	
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28	High	8:26 PM	8.7	
Th 29	Low	2:47 AM	0.8	
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