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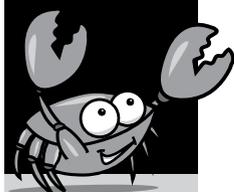
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## Welcome to The Crab Cracker! Here's What's Crackin'...

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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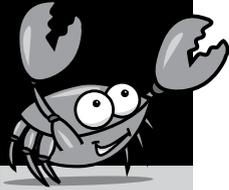


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**Submission DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 29 for Next Edition (March 8-21)**

# Calendar of Events



## DID YOU KNOW?

Super Bowl Sunday ranks as the third-largest occasion for Americans to consume food, according to the National Football League.

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23 PREVENT POISONING AT HOME



11am-noon via Zoom. Most calls to Washington's Poison Helpline come from people exposed to potentially harmful products in their home. Join Alex Sirotzki, with the Washington Poison Center, for an overview of the at-home risks to look out for, including cleaners, medications, drugs/alcohol, and other household substances. This webinar will discuss common household hazards, including look-alike substances, medications, and plants. Hear about some poison prevention tips. Understand when and how to contact the WAPC when you have a question or concern. This event is free and open to anyone in the community. Not able to attend? Register anyway and we will send you the recording. Please visit [stillyvalleyhealth.org](https://www.stillyvalleyhealth.org) or call 360-386-9918 to register. REGISTRATION: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/781664749307>

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23 THE UNKNOWNNS

8 pm - Conway Muse. A 5-piece all-female band from Bellingham. Their unique brand of entertainment fuses tight three-part harmony and sultry vocals with cheeky lyrics and smart original songs. The Unknownns have gained a loyal following with their blend of jazz, blues, and contemporary music, and more. Tickets \$12.50 Advanced \$15 Day of Show.

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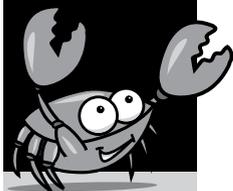
Trampolines



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# Calendar of Events



The Crab Cracker had compiled this list of current events, derived from submissions & content from various resources, with effort to ensure accuracy. We recommend that you contact the venue or event to confirm the info provided.

*Thank you.*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

## **BILLY APPLETON BAND**

8:00pm - 11:00pm at Pub 282. He has put together a group of stellar musician's performing the rock and roll and blues music he has loved for the last 40 years as well as a new crop of original music that is sure to please!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

## **SNOW GOOSE AND BIRDING FESTIVAL 2024**



9:00 am – 4:00 pm. Come see why the shores and waters surrounding our community are internationally recognized as crucial habitat for countless birds of sea, shore and land at the Snow Goose and Birding Festival on Saturday February 24, 2024. Tours and guides will help you experience one of Western Washington's most spectacular natural events – the annual winter gathering of thousands of Snow Geese and Trumpeter Swans. In addition, we have flocks of wintering seabirds and shorebirds along with many raptors that call Stanwood and Camano Island home. Thanks to dedicated volunteers including Tom Hiegler, Tom Eisenberg, Robin & Richard Hanks, this Festival returns to "The Floyd" (Floyd Norgaard Cultural Center, 27130 – 102nd Ave. NW. map below) in Stanwood on 2/24/24! Volunteers are needed! Stewards – please contact Tom Hiegler at [hiegler@hotmail.com](mailto:hiegler@hotmail.com) or (360) 420-3426 if you would like to help on 2/24/2024. Volunteers will sell tickets tickets at the door, assist with busses to find the snow geese and swans in the fields, set up and clean up, AND go out in advance to spot snow geese.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

## **MARK DUFRESNE BAND**

8 pm - Conway Muse. Folks, blues doesn't get any better than this. Mark can wail, no doubt, and wait till you hear him on the harp! Everything about this band is good. Don't miss out. Advanced Tix \$17 Day of Show \$20.



# 55+ RESOURCE FAIR

One convenient place to get information about services, programs, and activities tailored to the 55 and over age group.



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lunch  
11:00 - 1:00

**SATURDAY, MARCH 9, 2024**  
**9:30 AM - 2:30 PM**  
AT THE CAMANO CENTER

## PRESENTATIONS:

**10:00 - 11:00**

Healthy Living for Your Brain & Body:  
Tips from the Latest Research

**12:15 - 1:15**

Navigating the Aging Journey: Local  
Programs and Support Services

**11:30 - 12:00**

Six Dimensions of Aging Well:  
Aging Mastery Program Overview

**1:30 - 2:30**

Getting Your Ducks in a Row:  
Important Legal Issues

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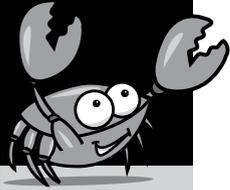


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## DID YOU KNOW?

New Jersey had 4 Governors in the span of 8 days in early 2002. The shortest term of those was served by John Farmer Jr. for 90 minutes.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24  
**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, FEBRUARY 24  
**JIMMY WRIGHT BAND**

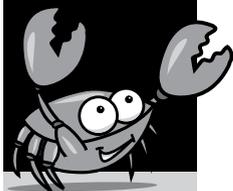
8:00pm - 11:00pm at Pub 282. Catering a wide variety of music.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25  
**INTRODUCTION TO POLLINATOR DIVERSITY  
AND THEIR OVERWINTERING**



by Bob Gillespie - 2-3pm at Paws & Wings Place, Camano Island. In this presentation He introduces the audience to the variety of insect pollinators, also to their life cycle including overwinter, habits and more. Register at <https://pawsandwingsplace.com/events-classes/>

# Calendar of Events



## DID YOU KNOW?

If sheep have long tails when they are born, the tails are cut off in order to prevent infection.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

### AARP TAXAIDE – MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENTS NOW

AARP TaxAide will be providing FREE tax return preparation on Mondays at Camano Center and Tuesdays and Thursdays at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community in Stanwood from 2/6/24 to 4/15/24. Appointments must be made in person when picking up a Tax Payer packet at the location you want your taxes done at. While our goal is to assist Seniors and low income individuals, we will do returns for any taxpayers that fall within our scope. If you have any further questions, leave a voice message at 425-270-7357, with your name, your question and your phone number or email.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

### TODDLER STORYTIME WITH JENNIFER

10:00 AM – Camano Island Library. Jump and bounce together into a world of stories, music, and movements that nurture the desire to read in toddlers. A play time or art activity may follow.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

### TOMMY CASTRO & THE PAINKILLERS

7 pm - Conway Muse Hayloft. One of the best bands you will ever hear at the Muse - this show is sure to sell out so get your tickets early! There is not a bad seat in the house when Tommy Castro & TPK play! "Soul-baring, roadhouse-meets-church, Memphis guitar licks... gritty voice...Southern colors and rootsy textures." -Washington Post. Tickets \$27.50 on-line advanced \$30 @ Venue.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

### NAUGHTY BINGO

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

### MULTI-VENDOR CRAFT SUPPLY AND SMALL BUSINESS GARAGE SALE

You're Invited to the Two Girls Gift Shop Multi-Vendor Garage Sale! 9am-5pm at Two Girls Gift Shop, 4925 Lakewood Rd, Stanwood. An epic garage sale featuring a variety of craft supplies, boutique goods, small business items, display fixtures and more! Get ready to shop an amazing selection of goods from a diverse group of talented vendors. This sale will have something for every interest and hobby.



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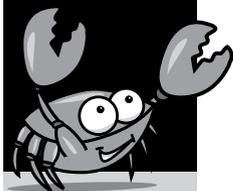
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## FEBRUARY 29 LEAP DAY

A date added periodically to create leap years in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. In the Gregorian calendar, February 29 is added in each year that is an integer multiple of four (except for years evenly divisible by 100, but not by 400).

The Julian calendar — since 1923 a liturgical calendar — has a February 29 every fourth year without exception.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

## **FAMILY STORYTIME WITH JENNIFER**

10:00 AM – Camano Island Library. Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and creative activities together as a family to prepare for the wonder of reading. A play time or art activity may follow.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

## **FREE COMMUNITY SHRED EVENT**



12:00 pm - 3:00 pm at Incoln Hill Retirement Community and Senior Center 7430 276th St. NW Stanwood, WA 98292 Free Event- Donations are encouraged! Proceeds from this event go towards reopening our Thrift Store.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

## **JESUS CLUBS TOUR: STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL**

Part of the Jesus Clubs Tour 2024 collection. Join us in your school's Jesus Club for encouragement, training, and the gospel! Noon-1pm at Stanwood High School. Circuit Rider Youth is partnering with Jesus Clubs and hitting the road to visit clubs across the nation. We are going to visit approximately 70 high schools to train students to share their faith and be bold on their campuses! Join us in your school's Jesus Club for encouragement, training, and the gospel! Our schools are our mission field, and now is our time to go. To find out more: <https://circuitrideryouth.com/>

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

## **FAMILY STORYTIME WITH VICKY**

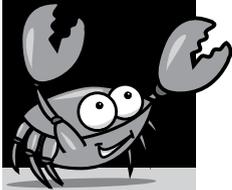
10:30 AM – Stanwood Library. Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and creative activities together as a family to prepare for the wonder of reading. A play time or art activity may follow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

## **TODDLER STORYTIME WITH ALEX**

10:30 AM – Stanwood Library. Jump and bounce together into a world of stories, music, and movements that nurture the desire to read in toddlers. A play time or art activity will follow.

# Calendar of Events



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

## STANWOOD TATTOO COMPANY OPEN HOUSE

We hope you'll join us for our Open House and Fourth Anniversary Celebration! 6-9pm at 100003 270th St NW. We'll have snacks and yummy cupcakes from Stanwood Cupcakes and tarot readings from Harmony at Joyful Life Tarot ! Stop by and celebrate with us, meet our artists & book an appointment for your next tattoo, browse tattoo flash, and check out art & merch from our artists! Tarot readings are first come/first serve so sign up early on the 29th to claim your spot!

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

## 5TH ANNIVERSARY AND ARTISTS RECEPTION FOR THE "FRIDAY GIRLS"

5-7pm at Beach 1 Gallery. Jane Morris, Margie Ridley, & Linda Boyd. Jane Morris moved to the Island from Seattle where she taught high school art. She studied at North Texas State University and Texas Women's University. Fridays she paints here at the Country Club with other artists. Margie Ridley creates acrylic abstracts, watercolor paintings and gift cards. The joy of color and abstract design drives her passion to create. Linda Hendry Boyd...I am an artist who is addicted to fabric, paper, paint and all things mixed media. I love creating in a diverse, mixed media style. Their art will be displayed and for sale the entire month of March. We will be serving cake, pop, wine, bottled water and bags of chips for the reception.

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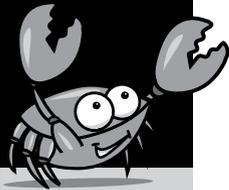


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## DID YOU KNOW?

The name for a collective group of rhinoceroses is called a crash.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

### JIMMY WRIGHT BAND

8:00pm - 11:00pm at Pub 282. Catering a wide variety of music.

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

### UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES: THE BLACKLIST ERA AND HOLLYWOOD



Presented by Robert Horton, Humanities Washington, and Sno-Isle Libraries. A free public discussion. 7pm at Camano Island Library. [www.humanities.org](http://www.humanities.org).

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

### LIT LAB

Hello Writers and Lit Lovers, we like the idea of monthly themes, but are willing to listen to whatever jewel you care to share. The theme is "Anticipation" so use write something to share or just show up and enjoy. Readings should be approximately five minutes or about 700 words. 7:30 at the Conway Muse, 18444 Spruce Street, Conway.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

### E-CYCLE

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





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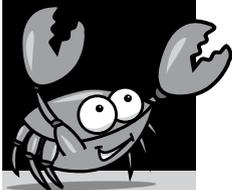
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## DID YOU KNOW?

When cellophane was invented in 1908, it was originally intended to be used to protect tablecloths from wine spills.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

### GRANT DERMODY

8 pm - Conway Muse. In the hands of harmonica master Grant Dermody the harp rumbles like a freight train, sidles up like a soul singer, purrs like an electric cat, rings out in a rhythmic dance. Pair it up with his voice, a strikingly honest vocal approach that resonates in the direct center of your chest, and the intrigue just increases. The swamps of Louisiana, the wide open skies of Montana — all that's deep and sweet and awe-inspiring about Americana and its musical roots — reside there. There's simply nothing like the growling grace that emanates from Grant Dermody. Tickets \$15 Advanced \$18 Day of Show.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

### FOCIP ANNUAL HOSTED WINTER AND SPRING WALK PROGRAM



CAMA BEACH TO CAMANO ISLAND STATE PARK: Meet at 9:45 a.m. at Ivy Road cul-de-sac CAMA trailhead off of Dry Lake Road. You can access Dry Lake Road from East Camano Road or Monticello Road. Walk from the trailhead parking area to the South Beach of Camano Island State Park along the Cross Island and West Rim trails enjoying downhill and level terrains with great views. The walk is about 3.2 miles. Shuttle service will be available to return participants to the trailhead. No Dogs Please.

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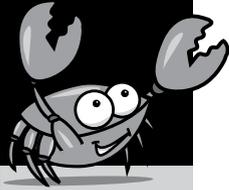


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## DID YOU KNOW?

William Shakespeare had a curse engraved on his tombstone to prevent anyone from moving his bones.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

### ROCK RADIO

8:00pm - 11:00pm at Pub 282. A Classic Rock / Blues cover band playing hits from the 60's, 70's and 80's.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

### 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, MARCH 2

### "THE BLUE PLATE SPECIAL" SISTER ACT



Please join us at the Camano City Schoolhouse & Fire Hall at 6:00 PM to take in the history of the all-female bands of the Vaudeville era and enjoy live performances by "The Blue Plate Special" as they swing through the music of the mid-20th century sister acts and girl groups including "The Andrews Sisters, The McGuire Sisters, The Chiffons, The Chordettes, and The Supremes". Please REGISTER early for this FREE event at [www.camanoschoolhouse.org](http://www.camanoschoolhouse.org) as seating is limited. Donations are appreciated. 993 Orchid Rd. (just off Chapman), Camano Island. Sponsored by The Gilroy Law Firm.



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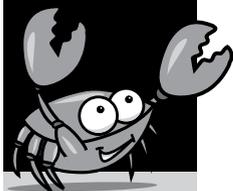


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SATURDAY, MARCH 2

## **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, MARCH 2

## **FILM FIESTA**



Join YMCA Youth Development Director Maria Solis and our Teen department for an incredible evening of Film Fiesta Fun! Our fundraiser from 6-8pm at Stanwood-Camano YMCA will feature a showing of "The Adam Project" and a raffle with a chance to win a "10 people all you can eat taco bar" from Amigo Mexican Restaurant. Come support a great cause at our fun-filled Film Fiesta Fundraiser! 360-572-3400.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

## **SOFTBALL YOUTH CLINIC**

The Stanwood High School Softball team is hosting a youth softball clinic 9am-noon at Stanwood High School softball field. Come out and have fun with the Lady Spartan Fastpitch team! \$35 per player, t-shirt included. Here is link to register:  
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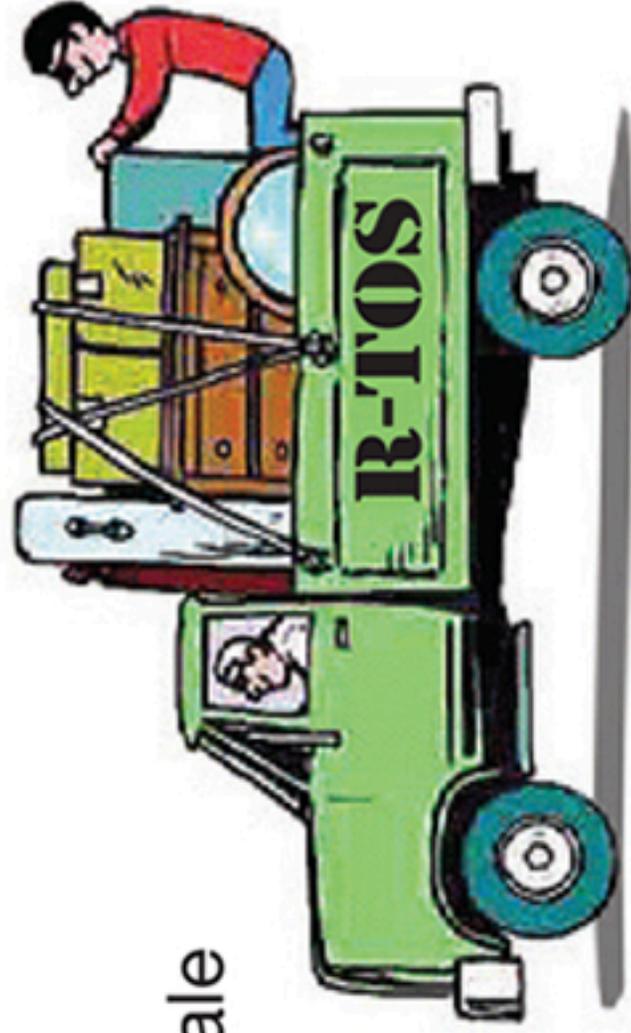
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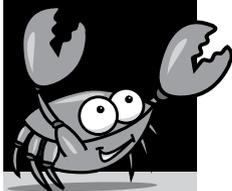
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## DID YOU KNOW?

While filming Dumb and Dumber, Jim Carrey had his crown temporarily removed – that chipped tooth is real and a result of a childhood fight.

MARCH 2

### LOCAL AUTHOR MEET & GREET

Noon-4pm at Wit's End Books, 10123 270th St NW, Stanwood. Local Authors Nila Philips, Melissa Newton and Michelle Lee will be signing their books in the store!

MONDAY, MARCH 4

### AARP TAXAIDE

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### TODDLER STORYTIME WITH JENNIFER

10:00 AM – Camano Island Library. Jump and bounce together into a world of stories, music, and movements that nurture the desire to read in toddlers. A play time or art activity may follow.

MONDAY, MARCH 4

### NAUGHTY BINGO

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TUESDAY, MARCH 5

### FAMILY STORYTIME WITH JENNIFER

10:00 AM – Camano Island Library. Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and creative activities together as a family to prepare for the wonder of reading. A play time or art activity may follow.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

### FAMILY STORYTIME WITH VICKY

10:30 AM – Stanwood Library. Enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and creative activities together as a family to prepare for the wonder of reading. A play time or art activity may follow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

### ROBBIE DEE'S TRIBUTE TO ELVIS WITH THE GRACELAND STATION BAND

8:00pm - 11:00pm at Pub 282. Seattle Elvis Impersonator/Tribute Artist Robbie Dee has been an Elvis fan ever since seeing the movie "Blue Hawaii" as a teenager growing up in Edmonds. Robbie is known for his powerful vocal renditions of Elvis' hits and his charming smile. Robbie enjoys and performs songs from Elvis' entire career, including his early years (1950s), movie years (1960s), Comeback Special (1968), and Vegas years (1970s).

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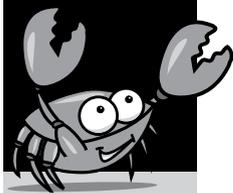
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## THURSDAY, MARCH 7 COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER CAREGIVER CAFÉ

At Caregiver Cafés, we get real about what matters most: your family. We're all about building up those protective factors, and we do that by sparking meaningful conversations with parents and caregivers just like you. RSVP at <https://www.crc-sc.org/event-details/caregiver-cafe-2024-03-07-10-00>

## THURSDAY, MARCH 7 TODDLER STORYTIME WITH ALEX

10:30 AM – Stanwood Library. Jump and bounce together into a world of stories, music, and movements that nurture the desire to read in toddlers. A play time or art activity will follow.



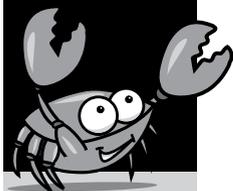
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# Kid's Korner



## DID YOU KNOW?

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: Stir together peanut butter, coconut oil and honey in a small mixing bowl until smooth. Combine dry ingredients in a large bowl. Pour peanut butter mixture over dry ingredients and mix until evenly combined. Chill mixture for 20 -40 minutes. Press 2 tablespoons of mixture together into small balls and store in a covered glass container. (Do not roll, the balls will crumble.) Tip: You can also press the mix into a greased 9 inch X 13 inch pan, chill, and cut into 4 rows of 8 squares. Chill energy balls for 30 minutes then enjoy. Store in refrigerator for up to 2 weeks.

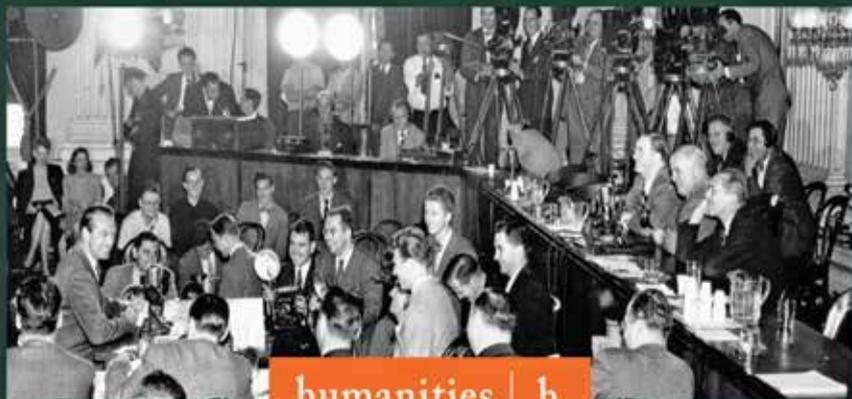
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of course on a \_\_\_\_\_ day. Watching  
all that \_\_\_\_\_ snow fall makes me \_\_\_\_\_  
for a bowl of \_\_\_\_\_! \_\_\_\_\_ it's still  
\_\_\_\_\_ and there's a lot of it! Let's go!  
Next is \_\_\_\_\_ to go out in the cold.  
Once that is done, we need to get busy.  
We make a \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ it in the  
\_\_\_\_\_. It gets so \_\_\_\_\_ we can't roll it anymore.  
Then we do \_\_\_\_\_ more and stack them on  
top of each other. We \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ in  
the driveway for the \_\_\_\_\_, eyes and \_\_\_\_\_.  
Mom gives us a scarf, hat and \_\_\_\_\_ to  
complete Mr. \_\_\_\_\_. \_\_\_\_\_ he's done!  
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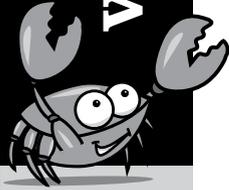
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Story by Jack Archibald.

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## LASERS IN THE CORN FIELD

There's nothing like reading about the future in the morning paper to wake you right up to Full Alert. This morning, buried among the scintillating stories of the Prince of England's funeral and more mass murders, was the article about the company here in Washington state that was deploying its mobile lasers to prowl the agricultural fields at speeds up to 5 mph zapping weeds. I know what you're thinking, probably those Jews in outer space that start forest fires in California, but let's leave that for the Qanon folks to chew on when they get tired of wondering how the Donald never quite managed to penetrate the Deep State and the assault on the Capitol ended with him retreating to a mansion in Mar-a-Lago.

Part of the article concerned the plight of the poor strawberry pickers and the field workers whose low paying jobs might disappear when Artificial Intelligence Machines could pick apples or harvest cucumbers. Hello? I guess the writer thought maybe we should go back to the happy days of slavery and resume picking cotton by hand. The laser weeders would eliminate the need for pesticides, but hey, maybe that would cut down on oncology doctors. Don't get me wrong, I'm not excited about a future of drones taking away good paying factory jobs or self-driving vehicles eliminating taxi drivers and Uber folks.

Now I know lasers don't kill, people kill. And I suspect drones will be given all the protection the NRA can muster for their 2nd amendment rights to keep and bear arms. And if one of the weeding machines runs amok, well, that's the price we pay for freedom. Just another unfortunate incident of malfunctioning technology, frequent but nothing that should be considered grave enough to ban automatic lasers in our suburbs when dandelions are taking over the fescue.

I was on the campus of the Univ. of Wisconsin in Madison, my old alma mater, down near the cafeteria I used to work at for 3 years, watching these little R2-D2's at the intersection waiting for the students who had called in their pizza orders to come and pick them up. Pizza delivery folks must be weeping. But at least the boxy white drones weren't armed with lasers. No tip, buddy? Try a small burst from the rear laser then, maybe you'll remember next time. And have a nice day, kid.

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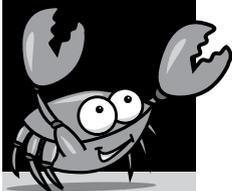
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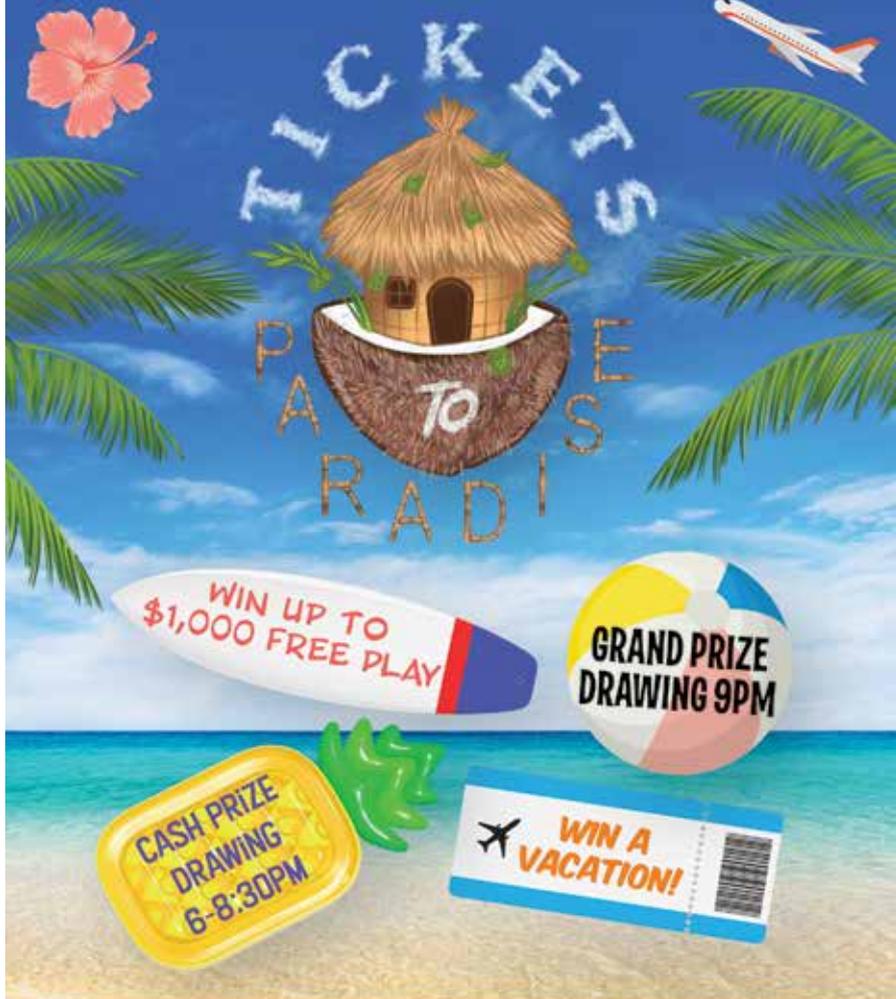
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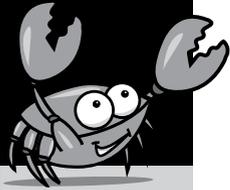


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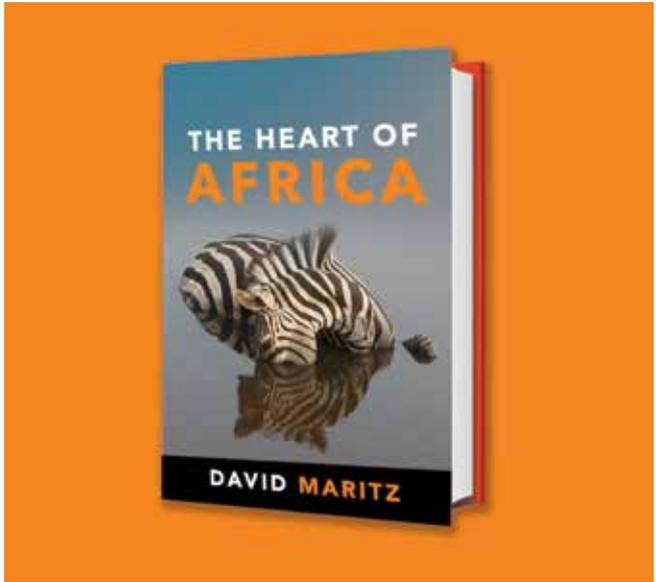
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About the Author: David Maritz was born and raised in Central Africa and his family is still engaged in the tourism and ongoing conservation efforts of that part of the world. "At the Heart of Africa" is available as an e-book as well as paperback and hard cover editions. It can be purchased through the following online outlets:

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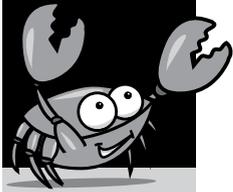
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# Business Spotlight



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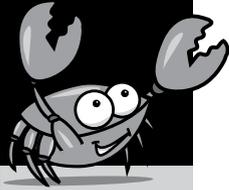


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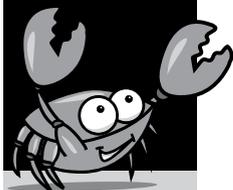


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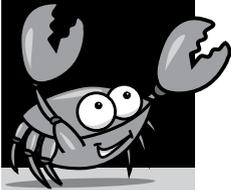
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**It's Elemental: Yoga and Ayurvedic Wisdom for Modern Living.** Im-merse yourself in the understanding of the 5 Great Elements (Panca Mahabhutas) of earth (prthvi), water (ap), fire (tejas), air (vayu) and ether (akasa). You'll understand how these elements are the foun-dation for the 3 energy principles (doshas) of vata, pitta and kapha and how these are present in the entirety of our existence. Most profoundly, you'll learn how to continually find balance in your life through the use of different elemental qualities, yoga poses (asanas), breathwork (pranayama), yoga for the mind (mantra) and symbolic hand gestures (mudras). This workshop is available In-Studio or On-line. Sign up at [movementarts.com/events](http://movementarts.com/events) or call 360-629-9100.

**YogaTone** March 3, 10, 17 and 24, 11am-12pm. Enjoy a fresh hour of warm up, core, easy to follow dance moves, and a sweet yoga stretch at the end. Smiles, endorphins and positive sweat will cleanse your body and inspire you for the week ahead. Stay on your yoga mat, no shoes needed! Full Body Fun at your own pace. No prior ex-perience required. March 3, 10, 17, 24. \$85 for 4 class session. Sign up at [movementarts.com/events](http://movementarts.com/events) or call 360-629-9100

**New Body Workshop** March 9, 2-5pm. Have you grown weary of feeling weary? Lacking energy? Brain fog? It is time to discover your Luminous Body. Open to anyone! \$60. Sign up at [movementarts.com/events](http://movementarts.com/events) or 360-629-9100.

**Dotti Burton's creative art class** begins Wednesdays March 6, 13, 20 and 27, at the Lincoln Senior Center in Stanwood. All levels are welcome. Painting, Mixed Media and Collage will be taught. Class size is limited. Sign up now! Call Dotti to enroll at 206-714-3647.



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DINNER THEATRE  
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**SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD**  
Doors 5:00 pm  
Show 6:00 pm



**Attire**  
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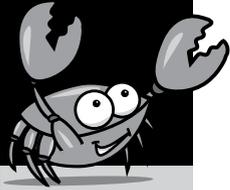
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**Dinner**  
Juniper Bites  
Creative Catering

**Show**  
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# Community Information



## DID YOU KNOW?

In the 1980's, the founder of Pringles, Fredric Baur, requested to be buried in a Pringles can. His children honored the request.

## PART OF THE PARK IS CLOSED



As of Feb. 26, 2024, the cabins and restrooms in the lower area at Cama Beach State Park will be closed until further notice. Day-use in that area will remain open, but restrooms will only be available in other parts of the park. Significant parts of the septic system recently failed in the area, and the repairs will require extensive disturbance of the area, which has known environmental and cultural complexities. Reservations will be refunded in full, and we're very sorry for the disruption this may cause. We hope you'll consider visiting one of the other parks in the area. As we continue to evaluate the site, it is possible additional mitigations or closures of parts of the park will take place. Please keep checking these alerts for the latest information. All shuttle services at Cama Beach are temporarily suspended. We apologize for the inconvenience.

## STANWOOD AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM EXHIBITS

Open for guided visits and history research 1 - 4 pm Wednesday and Saturdays. Tour the D. O. Pearson House Museum, the Eldridge Center Gallery and Library, the Floyd Norgaard Cultural Center 3rd Floor Exhibits and the Veterans Memorial (Outside). Volunteers welcome! More info: [www.sahs-fncc.org](http://www.sahs-fncc.org).

## Upcoming Classes and Events

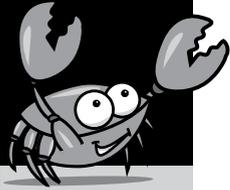
\* Visit our website for tickets & registration: [www.scaacwa.org](http://www.scaacwa.org) \*

- Pyrography Charcuterie Board **ADULTS** 02/22
- Mindful Reflection w/ Gaylynn Beuthien **ADULTS \*FREE\*** 02/28
- Drawn Together **ALL \*FREE\*** 03/07
- Crochet Hat w/ Beth Erickson **ADULTS** 03/08
- Tulip Watercolor w/ Jeanette Mahoney **TEENS/ADULTS** 03/30
- Yappy Hour w/ Jessie Hazelton & Paws with Cause **ADULTS** 04/13

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## DID YOU KNOW?

The NYPD had a police officer follow Andre the Giant whenever he went out drinking. This was to make sure he didn't get drunk and fall off a cliff.

## UPDATE ON WEST CAMANO FREE LITTLE PANTRY



(1563 West Camano Drive, Just 3 driveways on the left past Monticello Drive going south. The shed sits at the top of the driveway.). First off, I want to thank those who have recently dropped off usable, in date food. Secondly, once again, I must mention that donating junk, clothing, and expired open and used food is not acceptable. Donating little restaurant packages aren't acceptable. Today, I found a couple boxes donated of which most was expired and had been open and/or used. Bottles and containers were dirty and half used. We cannot accept this kind of stuff and unfortunately it had to be disposed of. I am leaving a picture below. I'm mentioning this because Unfortunately it happens all too often. We are in need of more groceries (not expired dates). Chef Boyardee canned food, canned fruits, all kinds of soups, Mexican can food (refried beans, green and red enchilada sauce, etc), Bisquick, pancake and waffle mix, packaged instant mashed potato mixes, hamburger and tuna helper, Cup of noodles, spices and seasonings. This is just a start and this is stuff that seems to fly off the shelves. We are so appreciative of those who shop and donate. Good stores to shop from for deals: Dollar Store, Grocery Food Outlet, Fred Meyer, Walmart. - Posted on Facebook.



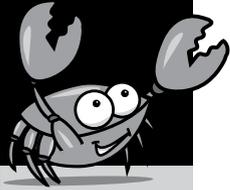
Join us in growing a Community Garden at Ovenell Park in Stanwood!

We're seeking volunteers and donations to grow Stanwood/Camano's largest community garden. Learn about our projects and apply to volunteer at [PSPFarms.org](http://PSPFarms.org).



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## DID YOU KNOW?

In the popular film, *The Godfather*, the word "mafia" is never said because the actual mafia commanded it.

## OPPORTUNITY FOR WARM-HEARTED FAMILIES



Hey there! Are you ready for an amazing opportunity that will bring so much love and joy into your home? Pan Atlantic Foundation is a non-profit organization that brings international exchange students to the United States. They're searching for warm-hearted families like yours to become host families for these incredible students. It's an experience that will leave a lasting impact on both your family and the student. All you need is a spare bedroom and bed, provide three nourishing meals a day (they don't have to be cooked, just accessible), and have clean background checks. It's a small gesture that can have an immeasurable impact on these students' lives. Please take a moment to read about one of our amazing students! If you have any questions about the host applications or want to know more, please don't hesitate to call or text. I'm here to help you every step of the way. Let's create a home filled with love, understanding, and lifelong memories together! Call/text: 206-518-2717

## THE SPOT

Hosted by Youth by Dynamics Stilly Valley. Tuesdays & Saturdays. TUES 2:30-5pm. SAT 7:30-10pm. Fun, food, hang out. Middle school & high school. 9831 271ST ST NW, Stanwood. 425-879-7633.



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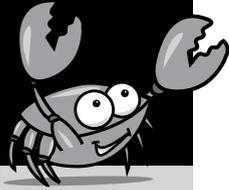


MOVEMENT ARTS

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Camano Commons

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## DID YOU KNOW?

In 18th Century England, having a pineapple was a symbol of wealth because of high import fees. They would be used as displays instead of being eaten.

## C.E.R.T. TRAINING

Learn the skills needed to help you, your family, and your neighbors if disaster hits. Sign up for our upcoming Community Emergency Response Team training March 22-24. CERT trains participants in basic disaster response skills, such as: Fire safety, Light search and rescue, Team organization, Disaster medical operations. Registration is required. [southsnofire.org/CERT](https://www.southsnofire.org/CERT).

## MONEY SMART WEBINARS

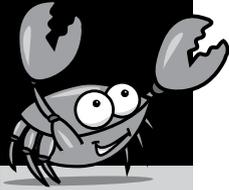
We've just released our Money Smart course schedule for 2024, and this year, we're offering all classes online via convenient webinars. It's now easier than ever to attend our Money Smart for Small Business courses designed to help those starting and managing a business. Webinars are hosted by Katy Woods, Coastal Community Bank Branch Manager and Certified Coach. Feb. 28: How to Sell Your Business. March 28: Record Keeping. April 5: Financial Management. May 30: Managing Cash Flow. June 20: Building Credit. Register now at <https://www.coastalbank.com/money-smart/>

## MCCLINCHY CAMANO CLASSIC CENTURY



Sunday, April 28, 2024. ADVANCE REGISTRATION IS OPEN!! Cost: \$65\* through March 31. Price increases \$10 on April 1. First 200 registrants may pick up a colorful 40th-edition neck gaiter at the ride start. Registration Fees are Non-Refundable. Check your schedule before making payment!! BIKES Club members - sign in to receive your \$10 discount! The McClinchy Camano Classic Century offers scenic and challenging route options of 103, 65, 50, 35 or 15 miles. Fresh food stops, SAG support and post-ride gourmet appetizers at a local brewpub are included. Register at <https://bikesclub.org/event-5552181>. The first 200 registrants get a colorful 40th edition neck gaiter. Biking Camano Island offers beautiful water and mountain views plus 1 mile of climbing in the full century route. There's also a metric century (65 mile), an island perimeter (50 mile), half island (35 mile) or flat 15 miler. Four "Grand Tour" themed food stops, SAG support and choice of gourmet tacos at a local brewpub are included in ride fee. Advanced Registration Recommended.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

Elephants think people are cute, the same way people think puppies or kittens are cute.

## IT'S RAINING - KEEP POOP OUT OF THE WATER



It's the rainy season, and picking up pet waste is more important than ever to keep your lake or stream healthy. Did you know there are an estimated 170,000 dogs in Snohomish County? Together, they produce over 127,000 pounds of poop EVERY DAY! This amount can harbor up to 135 trillion harmful fecal bacteria, such as E. coli, giardia, parvovirus, and worms. Unfortunately, rain washes the bacteria through ditches, drains and into our waterways. High levels of bacteria can make our lakes, rivers, and even Puget Sound unsafe for people, pets and aquatic life. Do your part: Scoop the poop, bag it, and put it in the trash. Learn more at <https://www.snohomishcountywa.gov/3366>.

## SILVANA FAIR AUCTION DONATIONS



Looking for some good old-fashioned fun? Come on down to Viking Hall in Silvana on March 9th for Silvana Fair's AUCTION! Admission is free, and all ages are welcome. This is a "do-not-miss" event for everyone in the community! "Come on down" and support the local youth and the Silvana Community Fair. Auction proceeds go towards ribbons, exhibitor premiums, and fair supplies, plus they enable the all-volunteer staff to keep the fair FREE to enter and FREE to attend. Learn how you can participate at [silvanafair.com](http://silvanafair.com). If you have a product, service, or gift certificate that you would like to donate, contact us at [info@silvanafair.com](mailto:info@silvanafair.com). We will be happy to send a fair board member out to pick up your generous gift.

# Stanwood-Camano Preschool Open Houses:

Mark your calendar! Visit each preschool that interests your family during their open house.

## CAMANO CHAPEL

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up a tour

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Open House  
February 24  
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Camano Island

## DISCOVERY PLACE

Open House  
February 24  
12:00 - 2:00pm or  
schedule private tour

28223 71st Dr. NW,  
Stanwood

## IMAGINE THAT ELC

Open House  
February 20th  
4:30-6:30pm

8510 S Lake Ketchum  
Rd; Stanwood

## JOSIE'S LEARNING CENTER

February 21  
4:30 - 5:30 PM  
for families interested  
in ECEAP  
272nd Pl NW;  
Stanwood

## LITTLE RED SCHOOL HOUSE

Open House  
February 22  
4:30 - 5:30 PM

2420 300th St NW;  
Stanwood

## OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN Virtual Open House

[www.oursaviorschurch.org/preschool](http://www.oursaviorschurch.org/preschool)

27201 99th Ave NW;  
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## SEQUOIA

Sign up for private  
tour

<https://sequoia-preschool.com/tours>

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## STANWOOD COOPERATIVE

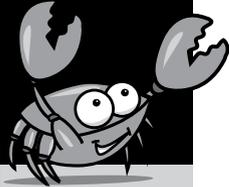
Open House  
March 2nd  
11am - 2pm

27027 102nd Dr NW;  
Stanwood

[www.stancampreschools.com](http://www.stancampreschools.com)

for more information and links to each school

# Community Information



## JOIN THE CASA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are pleased to be recruiting new Board Members to support our organization. We are looking for talented motivated individuals who are enthusiastic about contributing to the well-being of the animal shelter. Our mission is "Bringing together animals in need and caring people forever enriching their lives." Candidates who possess leadership skills, and expertise in business administration, accounting, finance, sales, marketing, law, public relations, or current or prior board experience and the ability to operate as part of a team are urged to apply. All Board Members are expected to attend monthly Board meetings and actively participate on at least one committee. If you are hardworking and interested in being considered as a candidate for openings on our Board, please contact Gloria Ingrassia (chairperson). [gfabis@wavecable.com](mailto:gfabis@wavecable.com)

## Stanwood Hearing



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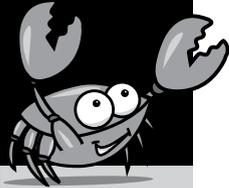
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# Clubs and Meetings



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**GRIEF Support Group:** Help and encouragement after the death of a loved one. January 11-April 4, 2024 6:00-8:30pm at Restoration Church, Camano Island, 788 Smith Rd. More Info: [griefshare.org/groups/175418](http://griefshare.org/groups/175418).

**Stanwood Coin Club** meets the 4th Tuesday of each month at the Stanwood Library meeting room 7-9pm. Bring your questions @ collecting. Buy, Sell, Trade, Learn. This club has been active since 1961.

**Rainy Day Room Playgroup** Free weekly play group on Thursdays at 10-11am and Mondays from 3:30-4:30pm at the Community Resource Center for ages 0-5 and their grown-ups! Friendship and community....getting out of the house.

**"Weight Loss and TOPS Clubs on Camano or Stanwood:** TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly). We provide great fellowship and support in your weight loss journey. Camano Island: We meet Thursday mornings for weigh-in from 8:15 to 8:45; meeting at 9 am. First meeting is always free. Join us and see why TOPS provides support both during your weight loss, and afterward, helping you to keep it off! Camano Lutheran Church, 850 Heichel Rd, Camano Island. Call Sandy 387-6953 or Karen (leader) at 387-9716 for more information. Stanwood: We would love to meet you and invite you to join us in friendship and weight loss support! We meet on Thursday mornings at Cedarhome Baptist Church. 29000 68th Ave NW. Stanwood. Wa. at 10:00 am. Everyone is welcome! More info: Gay at 360-393-7117.

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

**PFLAG Support Group** Free support group for friends, family, and members of the LGBTQIA+ community. First Friday of every month at the Community Resource Center 6-7pm.



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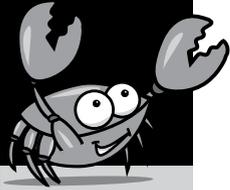
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# Clubs and Meetings



**The Wardrobe** By Appointment: at the Community Resource Center – Free clothing for teens in need – t-shirts, tanks, shorts, flip flops and hygiene products! Call 360-629-5257 or email [info@crc-sc.org](mailto:info@crc-sc.org) for an appointment.

**Kaleidoscope Play & Learn** Tuesdays and Wednesdays - a FREE play group for 0-5 years and their grown ups. Facilitators guide children and their caregivers through a variety of developmental activities that promote early learning, and is inclusive of all young children, languages, and cultures. At Community Resource Center of Stanwood Camano.

**Camano Island Quilters-Machine Embroidery Group** Every 1st Friday of the month. 10am-noon at Skagit Regional Clinics in Stanwood, 269th St., Conference Rm A. CIQ members will share help, ideas, designs, etc. Come join in the conversations.

**Camano Island Quilters Open Sew** Every 2nd Monday of the month. Open to the public. 10am-2pm at Stanwood United Methodist Church, 27128 102nd Dr NW. Bring your sewing machine, project & basic tools for an afternoon of fun! Bring a sack lunch.

**Teen Late Night** Every Thursday. Grades 9-12, 4PM-6:30pm at Community Resource Center of Stanwood Camano. A safe place for teens to come and connect over food & fun.



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### CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

Meet **SMOKEY!** Smokey is an 11 month old cat looking for her forever home. Smokey is an outgoing gal who loves to be the center of attention. She loves to play and is cuddly on her terms. Smokey does well with other cats and dogs. If Smokey sounds like the gal for you, please stop by to visit.

**Camano Animal Shelter Association (CASA):**  
360-387-1902. [www.camanoanimalshelter.org](http://www.camanoanimalshelter.org)



### NOAH'S PET OF THE WEEK:

My name is **KEVIN** and I am a 10 month old kitten full of energy and zest for life! I am BONDED to my best friend SAM so we need to go home together. We are still learning what good behavior looks like and would like to go to a home that is expecting us to be active and mischievous at times. I would love for you to come meet us today at The NOAH Center.

**The N.O.A.H. Animal Adoption Center:**  
(360) 629-7055. [www.thenoahcenter.org](http://www.thenoahcenter.org)



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

**MEET CHLOE,** ShiTzu Mix, an adorable little girl who loves to curl up in her blanket right next to her people. Chloe would love a calm, quiet home where she can sit on her person's lap while they catch up on their reading or binge watch their favorite tv show. **FIRST STEPS:** Visit [www.save-a-mutt.org/adoption-application/](http://www.save-a-mutt.org/adoption-application/) to fill out an application. We are a foster home based rescue.

**Save-A-Mutt (Silvana, WA):**  
(425) 280-0502. [www.save-a-mutt.org](http://www.save-a-mutt.org)

## Stanwood Camano Soap Box Derby Open House

March 23rd, 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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# Classified Listings



## DID YOU KNOW?

The first Game Boy could run for a staggering 30 hours on only two AA batteries!

## MISCELLANEOUS:

**Single female professional looking for room for rent.** Clean and quiet. call 360-840-8773 Or email karindulin1966@yahoo.com for any leads. Thank you!

**Boarding needed:** Seeking boarding with kind-hearted horse folk, for my sweetheart retired gelding. Looking for a large paddock/small pasture with a safe/clean/dry shelter, and 24/7 access to the paddock. Arena and round pen not needed, but another older gelding buddy in an adjacent paddock would be a big plus. Happy to provide partial self-care. If interested, please call or text Chris at 360.348.2532."

**RV Space for rent.** Private Property mid is. off of ridge rd. Clean & respectful person appreciated. 500. a month. Call or text for details. 4259237363 Thanks Brian

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**Camano Decks & Sheds LLC** Local, Affordable & Efficient. Free estimates 10% discount for seniors & ADL ramps. Jim 360-913-2941 E-mail: [jmitchell8974@gmail.com](mailto:jmitchell8974@gmail.com). Serving Outlying Areas.

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## WANTED:

**Part-time Line Cook/Baker for Meals on Wheels on Camano.** Apply here: <https://senior-resources.org/employment/>

**Considering a career in real estate?** Windermere is looking for sales associates in our Stanwood and Camano Island offices. Contact Jill at [jillvail@windermere.com](mailto:jillvail@windermere.com) for more information. [windermere-stanwoodcamano.com](http://windermere-stanwoodcamano.com).

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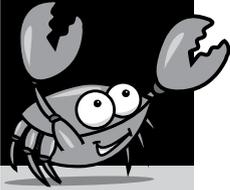
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## STUFFED SHELLS

Jumbo pasta shells stuffed with spinach, ricotta, mozzarella, and parmesan cheese, bathed in a delicious marinara sauce then baked to perfection, Enjoy!



**PASTA:** 1 (12 oz.) pkg. jumbo shells

**FILLING:** 1 lg. egg, lightly beaten; 1 (16 oz.) cont. whole milk ricotta cheese; 1 1/4 c. shredded low moisture mozzarella cheese; 1/2 c. grated Parmesan cheese; 1 (16 oz.) pkg. frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry; 1 tsp. fresh thyme leaves; 3/4 tsp. kosher salt; 1/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper; 1/4 tsp. freshly grated nutmeg; 1/4 tsp. crushed red pepper flakes; 1 clove garlic, grated

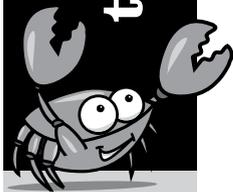
**MARINARA SAUCE:** 2 T. extra virgin olive oil; 5-6 cloves garlic, pressed; 1/4 tsp. freshly grated nutmeg; 1 pinch red pepper flakes, optional; 1 (32 oz.) jar homemade tomato basil sauce (I use Raos); 1 tsp. granulated sugar

**TOPPINGS:** 1/2 c. shredded low moisture mozzarella cheese; 2 T. grated Parmesan cheese

**GARNISH:** 2 T. grated Parmesan cheese; Fresh chopped leaf parsley

**PASTA:** Cook the pasta shells al dente according to the package directions, about 7-9 minutes. Drain immediately and shake dry. **FILLING:** In a large bowl, stir together lightly beaten egg, ricotta, mozzarella, Parmesan, spinach, thyme leaves, salt, black pepper, nutmeg, red pepper flakes and garlic until combined. Cover and refrigerate until ready to use. Preheat the oven to 375 degrees. **MARINARA SAUCE:** Heat olive oil in a large (12-inch) oven-proof skillet over medium heat. Add garlic and cook until lightly golden stirring occasionally about 2-3 minutes. Add nutmeg, and red pepper flakes if using stir until fragrant, about 30 seconds. Add marinara and sugar, stir until combined. Remove 2 cups of marinara to a bowl and set aside. Spread the remaining sauce evenly across the skillet and remove from the heat. Fill the pasta shells with 1 tablespoon filling and arrange in the skillet. Spoon the remaining sauce over the top. Sprinkle the top with 1/2 cup mozzarella cheese and 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese. Loosely cover with foil and bake until the cheese is melty, about 25-30 minutes. Remove the foil, then bake until the cheese begins to turn golden, about 8-10 minutes. Remove from the oven and garnish with the remaining 2 tablespoons Parmesan cheese and freshly chopped parsley. Serve and enjoy!

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### LAWS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES I'D ENACT AS PRESIDENT

Esteemed citizens of this great nation, if I am ever given the great privilege to become your Imperial Overlord, I mean your President, I would commit to making our country great again. But not in the way Donald Trump has envisioned it by building an impenetrable wall around our borders – although, now that I think of it, building an impenetrable wall around our former president would be an excellent start.

No, I would look to the many lessons of other great countries around the globe and implement several laws which will quickly restore order, security, and our past glory to this land called America. Here are some laws from other nations I have discovered, which I would implement on Day One as your Benevolent Dictator – make that Commander-in-Chief.

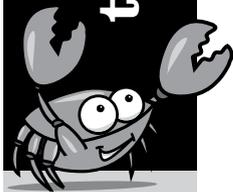
First, I'd look to Switzerland, where it is – and I'm not making this up – illegal to own just one guinea pig. That's right, my fellow Americans. According to the wisdom of the Swiss, a single guinea pig is a lonely guinea pig. And who among us wants our furry friends to feel lonely? Not me. That's why I'm proposing the enactment of a federal law mandating that every household adopt a minimum of two guinea pigs, preferably one of each sex. Before long, our homes will be filled with the delightful squeaks of these social rodents, spreading happiness, unity, and offspring like never before.

While we're on the subject of pets, I just found out that in Israel, if you have a pet bear, you are not allowed to bring it to the beach, lest you incur a substantial fine. Now, I know what you're thinking – who in their right mind would take a bear to the beach? But people have all sorts of bizarre critters as pets. I once heard of a guy who had a pet alligator named Elvis he kept on his boat. No, wait, that was an episode of Miami Vice. My bad. Impressively, ever since the law was first implemented in Israel, there have been zero bear-on-the-beach sightings (coincidentally, the same number of sightings as before the law was enacted).

In Scotland, if a stranger rings your doorbell and politely asks to use your restroom, you are legally required to let them use it. I would pass a law to adopt this same policy of neighborly civility, thereby turning our nation into a haven of restroom generosity. Why make someone hold it in until they reach the nearest rest stop 20 miles away when they can simply park in your driveway and politely drain their vein in your bushes or in your WC and be on their way. You just might make a new best friend. Probably not, but you never know.

But there is one nation whose lead I would never follow: Samoa. Sure, it's a tropical paradise with laws as colorful as its coral reefs. But did you know that in this idyllic land, it is actually a crime to forget your wife's birthday? I'm not lying. First offense: a warning; second offense: a fine; third offense: up to five years in jail. If you ask me, that's an unreasonable invasion of my privacy and totally unnecessary, since I remember my wife's birthday almost 60% of the time. But I'll admit, I kind of like the idea of making it illegal for my wife

# View from the Bleachers



to forget MY birthday. Her punishment would be that she'd have to take over doing the dishes for the next year. That's only fair. And I'm being totally objective.

In conclusion, my fellow Americans, if you elect me, I will look to the examples of other great nations to bring civility and safety to America, thereby making us a united nation again – just like we were when Trump tried to overturn the 2020 election.

Together, we shall usher in an era where our pets can thrive, our front doors can be left open for bladder-bursting strangers, spouses, I mean, wives, will never forget important dates, and our beaches will return to their pristine blissful bear-free state.

In return, all I ask from each of you, my fellow Americans, is a small donation to my presidential campaign. Just send me three easy payments of \$100, and I will mail you your very own starter kit of two guinea pigs. (Please include an additional \$150 for shipping, handling and one week's supply of guinea pig food.)

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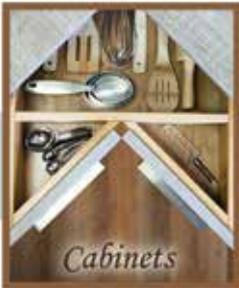




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Date	High /Low	Tide Time	Height Feet	Moon Visible
F 23	High	5:23 AM	11.7	☉
23	Low	10:45 AM	6.2	
23	High	3:44 PM	10.0	
23	Low	10:32 PM	-0.2	
Sa 24	High	5:45 AM	11.7	☉
24	Low	11:17 AM	5.4	
24	High	4:31 PM	10.0	
24	Low	11:07 PM	0.2	
Su 25	High	6:04 AM	11.7	☉
25	Low	11:49 AM	4.7	
25	High	5:17 PM	9.9	
25	Low	11:40 PM	0.9	
M 26	High	6:23 AM	11.6	☉
26	Low	12:22 PM	4.0	
26	High	6:01 PM	9.8	
Tu 27	Low	12:13 AM	1.8	☾
27	High	6:43 AM	11.4	
27	Low	12:55 PM	3.3	
27	High	6:46 PM	9.7	
W 28	Low	12:47 AM	3.0	☾
28	High	7:05 AM	11.2	
28	Low	1:30 PM	2.8	
28	High	7:34 PM	9.4	
Th 29	Low	1:22 AM	4.2	☾
29	High	7:27 AM	10.9	
29	Low	2:09 PM	2.4	
29	High	8:29 PM	9.2	

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Sa 2	Low	2:48 AM	6.6	☾
2	High	8:12 AM	10.3	
2	Low	3:42 PM	1.6	
2	High	10:56 PM	9.1	
Su 3	Low	3:48 AM	7.7	☾
3	High	8:42 AM	10.1	
3	Low	4:38 PM	1.1	
M 4	High	12:55 AM	9.5	☾
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Tu 5	High	2:13 AM	10.3	☾
5	Low	6:26 AM	8.5	
5	High	10:43 AM	9.6	
5	Low	6:44 PM	-0.1	
W 6	High	2:55 AM	11.0	☾
6	Low	7:46 AM	8.1	
6	High	12:13 PM	9.7	
6	Low	7:45 PM	-0.9	
Th 7	High	3:30 AM	11.6	☾
7	Low	8:43 AM	7.2	
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Here is the itinerary:

<b><u>Departs</u></b>	<b><u>Destination</u></b>	<b><u>Time at Site</u></b>
<b>9:30 Departs from the Floyd</b>	English Boom	30 min.
10:10 English Boom	Iverson Spit	40 min.
10:50 Iverson Spit	Barnum Point	40 min.
11:40 Barnum Pt.	Leque Island	20 min .
<b>Arrive at the Floyd 12:30 pm</b>		
<b>1:00 Departs from the Floyd</b>	English Boom	30 min.
1:50 English Boom	Iverson Spit	40 min.
2:30 Iverson Spit	Barnum Point	40 min.
3:10 Barnum Pt.	Leque Island	20 min
<b>Arrive at the Floyd 4:00 pm</b>		

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