

THE CRAB CRACKER
COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

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

-Membership Drive Event -



Gates & bar open at 1pm • Music from 2-6pm
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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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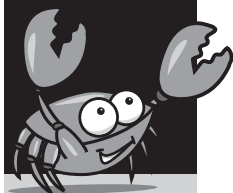


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FRIDAY, AUGUST 7 MOVIES IN THE PARK



The City of Stanwood invites families, friends and neighbors to enjoy Movies in the Park taking place at Church Creek Park. Admission is free. Tonight's feature: Zootopia 2. Movies begin around dusk, approximately 8:00 to 8:30 p.m. Attendees can also stop by the Stanwood Cupcakes booth, which will be serving on-site ice cream and other sweet treats throughout the evening. Overflow parking is available at Stanwood High School.

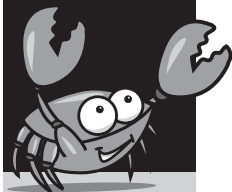
A Summer Selah Music, Prayer & Poetry SUNDAY, AUGUST 23, 2026, 5pm ST. AIDAN'S CAMANO ISLAND, WA



Jeff Johnson with special guests:
Lisa (Celtic harp) & Emy (violin) Carter

Poems by
Scott Cairns

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DID YOU KNOW?

Eight of the ten
largest statues
in the world are
of Buddhas.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

STANWOOD FARMERS MARKET

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

JOE COOK BLUES BAND

7pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. With powerhouse vocals, slick guitar licks, and a rhythm section that hits hard, this is blues the way it was meant to be heard.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

BEACH 1 GALLERY RECEPTION FOR MARK DODGE



5-7pm. Mark's photographic journey began in a darkroom at Pennsylvania's Edinboro State college, and brought him to Western Washington in 1975, a target-rich environment for a landscape photographer. He won multiple awards and acclaim for his photographs and multiple-image landscape photomontages. His art will be displayed and for sale the entire month of August. The Gallery is open 7 days a week. We will be serving appetizers, pop, wine, bottled water and bags of chips for the reception. Beach 1 Gallery in Camano Country Club, 1243 Beach Drive, Camano Island.



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DID YOU KNOW?

The dark region on the north pole of Pluto's moon, Charon, is called Mordor.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 SUMMERFEST PROMENADE



Join your Warm Beach Community for a spontaneous, safe walk to the park. Show your support and kick-off the Summerfest festivities. It's all in good fun. Include your family, friends, kids and grandkids. The possibilities are endless, and the memories last a lifetime. We will be gathering at the North end of 96th street and Soundview at 10:15. We will begin our walk at approximately 10:30. If you have any questions, feel free to text preferred or call Cathy 425-220-7163.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 SUMMERFEST 2026

11am-3pm at 19016 94th Dr. NW, Stanwood. Event by Warm Beach Community Association. The ultimate neighborhood party! We are bringing the community together for a day packed with food, fun, friendly competition, and fantastic vibes. Grab your family, friends, and neighbors—you won't want to miss this! Food Truck; Live Music; Beer Garden; Bake Sale; Local Vendors; The Famous Crab Contest: Bring your best catch or cheer on the contestants! Winners will be announced for not only largest local crab but also include a special prize for crab closest to legal minimum size (6 1/4"); Chicken Poop Bingo; Classic Bingo; Silent Auction; Treasure Fest; Kids Activities. Bring your sunblock, and your community spirit.

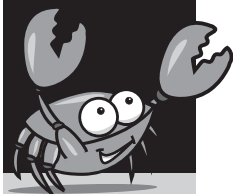
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

MINIATURE WARGAMING MEET-UP

2-6pm at the Camano Island Library. Discover the strategic camaraderie of miniature wargaming with Camano Island Miniature Wargamers. All are welcome to explore historical, fantasy, and sci-fi battles around the tabletops—no experience needed. This hobby brings together a wide range of ages from interested young people to the avid retired enthusiast. Age: 8+, under 12 requires parent/guardian

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

BILLY STAPLETON WITH ANNIE EASTWOOD

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

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

BUILD A BOAT WITH CAMA BEACH FOUNDATION

at Camano Island State Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. located in the North Beach Picnic Area. Learn how to build a wooden toy boat. The best part? You get to bring it home as a souvenir! For safety, all children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Building materials and tools provided. \$5 suggested donation to the Cama Beach Foundation.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

DISCOVER WAGON - OWLS

Learn about our local raptors. See mounted owls courtesy of the Skagit Audubon Society. Dissect an owl pellet and piece together a rodent skeleton. 11am to 1pm at North Beach next to the Toy Boat building event in Camano Island State Park. Sponsored by the Cama Beach Foundation.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

FAMILY BINGO

at the American Legion Hall ON CAMANO ISLAND, 609 W. Camano Drive. "Camano Island American Legion Bingo is pushing it up... Now with \$100 and \$200 blackout jackpots!" Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

AKTION CLUB'S 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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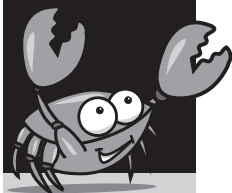
The self guided tour
begins at the
Stanwood Area
Historical Society
D.O. Pearson House



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

10 am to 3 pm
www.sahs-fncc.org

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DID YOU KNOW?

Tigers have striped skin, not just striped fur. The stripes are like fingerprints, and no two tigers have the same pattern.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

JAMNESIA - A TRIBUTE TO THE GRATEFUL DEAD AND PHISH

8 PM - Arcadian Public House - 18444 Spruce Street, Conway. Tickets: \$10 ADV / \$15 DOS Online ticket sales end at noon on the day of the show Doors at 7 PM Show at 8 PM 21+ only This will be a outdoor show if weather allows. If the weather does not allow for an outdoor show, it will be held inside instead.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

GAME NIGHT

With KEVIN. 6pm-9pm at Camano Island Library. 848 N Sunrise Blvd Suite D, Camano. Beginners welcome. Bring Favorite games. May bring food.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

AMERICAN MAHJONG NIGHT



at the Camano Island Library Meeting Room. Come play, learn, and laugh at our friendly American Mahjong night—perfect for beginners and experienced players alike! Enjoy strategy, camaraderie, and a fun, welcoming atmosphere. No experience needed. Free. Bring snacks, your favorite beverage, and your NMJL card if you have one. We'll provide the tiles and the fun! 6:15-10PM.

Death Cafe

REAL TALK. OPEN HEARTS. SHARED SPACE.

Join a welcoming, judgement-free gathering where we talk openly about death, dying, and what it means to live fully.

DATE & TIME:

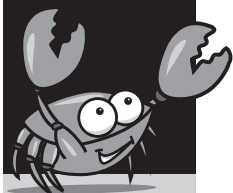
Thursday, August 13
6:00pm-8:00pm

LOCATION:

Stanwood Library

ALL ARE
WELCOME

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DID YOU KNOW?

In 2005, a fortune cookie company called Wonton Food Inc. correctly foretold lottery numbers, resulting in 110 winners and an investigation. No fraud was involved.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

FREE COMMUNITY PAINT RECYCLING EVENT

The City of Stanwood and Snohomish County, in partnership with GreenSheen Paint are hosting a community paint collection event from 9am-3pm. This free event will be held at Stanwood High School and give Washington residents and businesses a convenient way to safely dispose of leftover paint while helping protect the environment. Registration is required to keep traffic moving and wait times short. Community members can reserve a time to drop-off paint online at <https://circular.eco/event/stanwood26>. Together, GreenSheen Paint, the City of Stanwood and Snohomish County are helping residents conveniently recycle leftover paint, keep reusable materials out of landfills and protect the local environment.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

LIVE MUSIC AT CONWAY'S PUB & EATERY

Looking for the perfect way to spend your Saturday night? We've got you covered with amazing local talent. Help us support these talented musicians by coming out, grabbing a bite, and enjoying a great night with friends and family. Today's feature: Mama Dirty Skirt (6:30-9:30 PM).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

CASA ANNUAL DOG WASH!



11am-4pm. Bring your furry friends down for a bath and nail service! Volunteers will care for your dog's hair and nail needs. Dog nail services provided by Camano Canine Resort and Kristas Pet Spaw. All proceeds will directly benefit the programs and animals at CASA.



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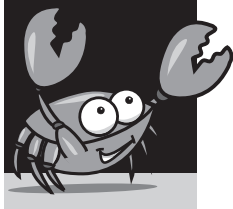
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 STANWOOD BOOK FEST



10 am to 4 pm - The Brick Road in Historic West Downtown Stanwood (10123 270th St NW). Wit's End Bookstore presents Stanwood Book Fest - The First Chapter! Please join 60+ amazing authors, illustrators, narrators, and artisans, food trucks and face painting for a wonderful, family-friendly, and FREE community event that celebrates all things bookish! It's going to be a fantastic day of shopping and delicious food. More info: 360-572-2249.

Cama Beach Foundation

Volunteers Needed at Camano Island State Park

Toy Boats - assist boat builders of all ages and/or help with set-up. Saturdays. Training provided.

Discovery Wagon - assist children dissecting owl pellets. Saturdays. Training, yes.

Website



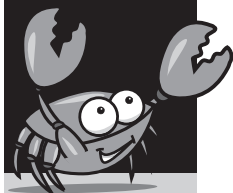
For more information about volunteer opportunities with the Cama Beach Foundation please call Janet at 360-387-2062

or email

jlrott.cbfg@gmail.com



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DID YOU KNOW?

The collars on men's dress shirts used to be detachable. This was to save on laundry costs as the collar was the part that needed cleaning the most frequently.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 FIRST ANNUAL WOODLAND FAIRE



A fundraiser for Camano Forest School. Join us for free games and crafts, live music and a bake/craft sale. 11am - 2pm at Camano Commons Courtyard 848 N Sunrise Blvd. Camano Island. Our fundraiser is designed for families and children ages 3-11. Play free lawn games, make crafts, shop locally-made goodies at our bake and craft sale, enter our raffle and enjoy live music from local bluegrass group, Band of Friends (www.facebook.com/band.of.friends.camano). As our mini faire is inspired by traditional renaissance festivals, we encourage visitors to wear woodland and fantasy-inspired costumes (think fairy wings, flower hats, capes and animal (or elf) ears).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 FREE PRESCHOOL SCREENING

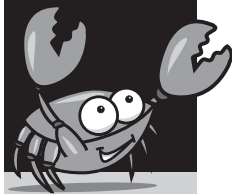
Is your preschooler on track for kindergarten? Professionals in Stanwood are volunteering their services to provide a free screening day. Vision, hearing, speech, cognitive development. Bring your preschooler to Community Resource Center, 9612 271st St NW, Stanwood. 9am-noon.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8 HAZEL BLUE ACRES FUN RUN



Presented by Arlington Runners Club. Join the fun at Hazel Blue Acres for the annual Farmland Fun Run 5K as part of the Arlington Farm Tours! Bib pickup at 8 a.m. The kids one mile race will kick off at 8:45 a.m and the 5K will begin at 9 a.m. Delicious blueberry prizes for winners! Sweet swag for all participants! Register: <https://farmlandfun-run5k.itsyourrace.com/>

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SATURDAY-SUNDAY, AUGUST 8-9

2ND ANNUAL COMMUNITY GARAGE SALE!

Idlewood Neighborhood - Camano Island. 9am - 4 pm, no early sales, please!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

COMMUNITY DRUM CIRCLE – FREE EVENT

Outside at Camano Commons in the grass circle 5-6:30 pm. Free and Open to all ages. Bring drums and other percussion instruments to play and share. Experience the power of collective rhythm! Kids, dogs and dancers welcome. Please register so that we know how many people to expect. Limited chairs available, good idea to bring one. Register at movementarts.com/events or call 360-629-9100.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

FREE COOKING DEMO

in the barn at Hazel Blue Acres blueberry farm in Silvana. 2pm and 6pm at 430 Hevly Road. Samples and Recipes are included! No reservation necessary. Questions? Call 360-770-7261.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11

SUMMER STAY AND PLAY

10:30am–11:30am at the Stanwood Library. Join us for play and art activities! An opportunity for children, birth to kindergarten, and their caregivers to come play with fun and educational toys. Engage in in-person play, socialize with others, and reconnect with the library. Drop in anytime during this event.

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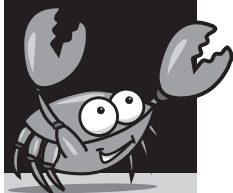
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DID YOU KNOW?

In 2014, a missing woman on vacation in Iceland was found when it was discovered that she was in the search party looking for herself.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12 TEDDY BEAR PICNIC



11am-noon at the Camano Island Library. Grab your favorite teddy bear and join us outdoors for a beary fun picnic! We'll enjoy music, crafts, and playful activities perfect for little ones. Bring a blanket and your favorite stuffed friend for a sweet morning of fun in the fresh air. Light refreshments will be provided! All ages welcome but crafts and activities will be geared towards children ages 6 months-5 years old. This event is weather dependent—please check our social media for updates in case of rain/excessive heat.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

EXPLORE YOUR CREATIVITY

with Stanwood Camano Arts Advocacy Commission. 4–5:30pm at the Stanwood Library. Join us for an art class with SCAAC! We will provide everything you need. For kids ages 6-11.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

WILLOW WIGGLY MUSIC SERIES

A playful music and movement program designed for children ages 0–5 and their caregivers. 3pm at the Community Resource Center of Stanwood Camano, Stanwood. Little ones will explore a variety of instruments, sing songs together, discover different sounds, and listen to the sounds of nature in a fun outdoor setting.

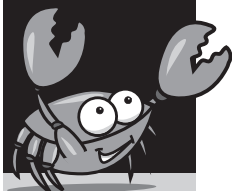


August 12

Happy Middle Child's Day! Oh, you didn't notice that it was Middle Child's Day? Don't worry, no one ever does.



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DID YOU KNOW?

If you sneeze while traveling at 60 mph, your eyes are closed for an average of 50 feet.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

LIVE MUSIC AT THE CAMANO COMMONS

3 to 5pm, LIVE music, Beatles to Bach, oldies & lots of goodies! with Island Affogato & Linda Younce on Accordion/Flute. Outside & weather permitting. More info at www.smallchambers.com

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

DEATH CAFE

6-8pm at the Stanwood Library. Join a welcoming judgement-free gathering where we talk openly about death, dying, and what it means to live fully. Free refreshments provided. All are welcome.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

LIFE FLIGHT



The Camano Preparedness Group will feature a program of LIFE FLIGHT helicopter service. They will conduct a landing drill at the Vista Fire Station and discuss their service. We will watch the heliicopter land and will be able to see how the helicopter is set up for patient care. There are many accidents and illnesses that require airlift to Seattle for treatment. Come see how they do it! 7pm at the Vista Fire Station, 273 N West Camano Dr., Camano Island. For more information, contact Sue at kk6sue@gmail.com



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DID YOU KNOW?

Alligators will give manatees the right of way if they are swimming near each other.



THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

SUNSHINE AND STRETCHES - YOGA FOR KIDS

10am at the Camano Island Library. Join us outdoors for a fun children's yoga adventure filled with movement, imagination, and calming stretches in the fresh air! Kids will wiggle, bend, breathe, and play their way through a joyful yoga session designed just for little ones and their grownups. Please bring a towel, water bottle, and sunscreen. A limited number of yoga mats will be available on a first come, first served basis, but feel free to bring and use your own mat or towel! This event is weather dependent—please check our social media for updates in case of rain/excessive heat.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

STANWOOD FARMERS MARKET

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

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

TRAVEL TALK



For over two years Travel Talk has featured places all over the globe. Today we will explore another incredible place - our own backyard here at Camano Island. Pat Holmes has been monitoring and studying bald eagles here on Camano since 2014. Her goal is to share through the use of photos, videos and personal stories her passion and respect for these magnificent creatures. We meet at the Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Road, Camano Island at 10am. Members free; non-members \$5 (please pay at the registration desk in the lobby).

Yoga and Pilates
movementarts.com



MOVEMENT ARTS

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Camano Commons

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

RAE ISLA - BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND!



7PM, \$20 PP. Rae Isla is an independent American singer-songwriter and musician from Bainbridge Island, WA, now based in LA. Drawing from her early years playing classical cello, learning piano and guitar, and attending Berklee College of Music on a vocal scholarship, Rae weaves together a unique blend of folk, indie rock, and alt-country. Camano City Schoolhouse - 993 Orchid Rd, CI. Tickets can be purchased at camanoschoolhouse.org/upcoming-events



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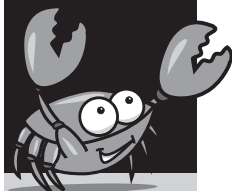
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Crystal – the monkey from The Hangover 2 and Night at the Museum, has her own IMDB page!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

THE STONES SOCIETY

7pm at Rockaway Bar & Grill, 326 NE Camano Drive, Camano. The Stones Society... a Rolling Stones Cover Band at The Rockaway! Come enjoy a cocktail and dance to some of the best renditions of classics we all love. All Ages / No Cover.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

KIDS SUMMER ART SERIES: ROADMAP LANDSCAPE

11am-noon at the Camano Island Library. In this playful mixed-media lesson, students transform real roadmap paper into a creative landscape full of depth and adventure. By cutting and rearranging the map, they create a road from negative space while naturally exploring contrast and perspective as the road stretches toward the horizon. Students then bring their scene to life with colorful skies, optional vehicles, and watercolor details, creating a vibrant road trip-inspired artwork full of imagination and movement.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

MOVIES IN THE PARK



The City of Stanwood invites families, friends and neighbors to enjoy Movies in the Park taking place at Church Creek Park. Admission is free. Tonight's feature: Back to the Future. Movies begin around dusk, approximately 8:00 to 8:30 p.m. Attendees can also stop by the Stanwood Cupcakes booth, which will be serving on-site ice cream and other sweet treats throughout the evening. Overflow parking is available at Stanwood High School.

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September 20, 2026

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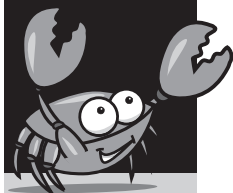
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DID YOU KNOW?

Although the TV show "Friends" is based around life in New York City, the entire show was filmed in California.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14 **MOVIE ON THE LAWN**



Free showing of Hoppers at Camano Commons. 848 N Sunrise Blvd, Camano Island. 8pm / dusk. Free Popcorn, and concessions for sale. Ice cream window open till 9pm!

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, AUGUST 14-15 **CAMANO ISLAND QUILTERS QUILT SHOW**

Display of 200+ quilts made by guild members. Silent Auction, Boutique, Merchant Mall, Scavenger Hunt for Kids, Demonstrations and Raffle Quilt. \$10 for both days, kids 12 & under free. Location: Port Susan Middle School, Stanwood.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15 **4TH ANNUAL DUBS AROUND THE ISLAND**



Bring your VW out to Terry's Corner (North overflow parking area of Camano Commons) at 1:30 pm, as we gather together to start our engines at 2 pm to head south down to the point, back up to Elger Bay Store, over through the State Park, up Sunset through Madrona Beach to the North, turning into Utsalady and ending up at location to be determined for a Weinerschnitzal (hot dogs and brats) BBQ. All ages are invited so shine up your bug, bus, Thing, water cooled, air cooled VW and let's cruise around the island.



FREE! **SAVE THE DATE** **FREE!**
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER
12th & 13th • 10am to 5pm

**SELF-GUIDED ARTIST'S WORKING
STUDIO TOUR 2026**

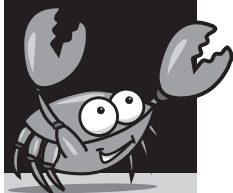
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SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

ROCK SHOW WITH ALTERED 90S

8 PM - Arcadian Public House, 18444 Spruce Street, Conway. High energy band with many of your favorite songs. Grab your tickets early! Tickets: \$15 Doors: 7 PM Show: 8 PM. 21 and over only (please carry proper identification at all times) - outside food is welcome, no beverages or drink containers please Genre: 90s and 2000s alternative, punk, rock.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

PLANT WALK



Noon-1pm at Four Springs Nature Preserve, 501 S Lewis Lane, Camano. Event by Mutual Aid Assembly of Stanwood-Camano. Come meet some plant neighbors!

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CAMANO ISLAND YACHT CLUB ANNUAL MUSIC FESTIVAL & MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

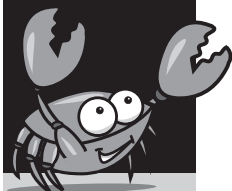
Celebrate summer at the Camano Island Yacht Club Annual Music Festival! Pack a picnic, grab your lawn chair, and enjoy an afternoon of outstanding live music in a beautiful waterfront setting. Gates open at 1 pm, with performances from 2-6 pm. Beer and wine will be available for purchase (please, no outside beverages). This popular annual event also serves as the Yacht Club's membership drive, making it a great opportunity to experience the club and connect with the community. Tickets are \$35 and available at camanoislandydc.com.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

AMERICAN MAHJONG NIGHT

at the Camano Island Library Meeting Room. Come play, learn, and laugh at our friendly American Mahjong night—perfect for beginners and experienced players alike! Enjoy strategy, camaraderie, and a fun, welcoming atmosphere. No experience needed. Free. Bring snacks, your favorite beverage, and your NMJL card if you have one. We'll provide the tiles and the fun! 5:15-9:15 PM

Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

The most popular item at Walmart is bananas. They sell more bananas than any other single item they have in stock.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

LIVE MUSIC AT CONWAY'S PUB & EATERY

Looking for the perfect way to spend your Saturday night? We've got you covered with amazing local talent. Help us support these talented musicians by coming out, grabbing a bite, and enjoying a great night with friends and family. Today's feature: Nick Vigarino (8:00-10:00 PM).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

STANFEST - STANWOOD CONCERT FESTIVAL



6-8pm at Church Creek Park, Stanwood (across from the high school). Free admission. Family event. Concert, food trucks, beer garden, vendor market, kid zone. Tonight's headliner: Saltwater Sky. Saltwater Sky is a rising PNW country band known for small-town storytelling, bluesy rock influences, and high-energy performances. Formed in 2019, the band blends soulful vocals, driving guitars, and heartfelt lyrics inspired by artists like Creedence Clearwater Revival, Lynyrd Skynyrd, and Eric Church. Led by prolific songwriter Scott Heuston, Saltwater Sky delivers an authentic country sound that invites audiences to sing along, connect, and enjoy a lively night of music.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

FAMILY BINGO

at the American Legion Hall ON CAMANO ISLAND, 609 W. Camano Drive. "Camano Island American Legion Bingo is pushing it up... Now with \$100 and \$200 blackout jackpots!" Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.



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Magpies are considered one of the most intelligent animals in the world and the only non-mammal species able to recognize themselves in a mirror test.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

BUILD A BOAT WITH CAMA BEACH FOUNDATION

at Camano Island State Park from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. located in the North Beach Picnic Area. Learn how to build a wooden toy boat. The best part? You get to bring it home as a souvenir! For safety, all children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Building materials and tools provided. \$5 suggested donation to the Cama Beach Foundation.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

DISCOVER WAGON - OWLS

Learn about our local raptors. See mounted owls courtesy of the Skagit Audubon Society. Dissect an owl pellet and piece together a rodent skeleton. 11am to 1pm at North Beach next to the Toy Boat building event in Camano Island State Park. Sponsored by the Cama Beach Foundation.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

AMPLIFY

Summer concert - art - music - hope. All ages show. Hosted by Amplify, the CRC's teen music program, this night is packed with live local music you won't want to miss! Live at the Community Resource Center, Stanwood. Doors open at 6PM. Featuring Black Ends, Torch, Bonney Rubble, Wanderstar Vol 2, and Amplify bands.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

LET'ER RIDE CAR SHOW FUNDRAISER



10am-2pm at Arrowhead Ranch, 615 Arrowhead Rd., Camano. Free to the public. Rev up for a great cause! Join us to support the construction of a covered archery range for our local community. Classic Cars, trucks, jeeps and more. Bring your special vehicle to show it off! Archery FunTake your shot in our challenge of the day. Closest to center will take home the grand prize! Vendors. Food + Beer + Wine. More info: <https://www.arrowheadranchcamano.com/events>

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15

CAMANO ISLAND WOMEN'S REPUBLICAN CLUB BBQ AND MEET THE CANDIDATES FUNDRAISER

at The Chalet at Camaloch from 11:30 am- 2 pm. Tickets are \$15 per person and include a hamburger or brat lunch with sides, and a glass of wine or beer. Local candidates will be on hand to meet and discuss issues that involve our local community. FMore info: CIWRC.com.

Calendar of Events



DID YOU KNOW?

The small indents in the bottom of frozen pizzas are there to prevent air bubbles from forming inside the dough.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16

FOUNDER'S DAY PICNIC BBQ

Open to the public. Event by Sons of Norway Abel Lodge Conway, 21098 Second Street, Conway, WA. Come help us celebrate the 94th anniversary of Norway Hall and our Son's of Norway Abel Lodge organization! This event is open to ALL in the community, and we kindly ask you to RSVP to the Facebook event so we have enough hot dogs (regular and vegetarian), beverages, and cake for this event. Please bring any potluck item to share. Our lodge will have several outdoor games set up to play, tours of the building and historical items for those who are interested, and we will provide the hot dogs, buns, condiments, water, coffee, lemonade, cake, and paper products. More info: conwaynorwayhall@gmail.com.

MONDAY, AUGUST 17

GRIEF TO GRATITUDE - STORIED PASTS

10-11:30am at the Camano Center. The loss of a loved one is one of life's most common human experiences. "Grief to Gratitude - Storied Pasts" is a unique free program that creates the space for you to share and celebrate that reality. Come and share an uplifting story (or two) about your lost loved one to inspire joy, reflection and gratitude. Program facilitated by Danny Koffman, artist and author of books focusing on caregiving with a smile and a topspin of love. Questions: 360.348.6277. Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Road

TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

SUMMER STAY AND PLAY

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

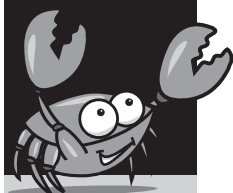
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GLOW KICKOFF

6-7:30pm at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, Stanwood. BBQ, water games, parent meeting, kid's fun! Questions? Email children@OSLC-Stanwood.org



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DID YOU KNOW?

"Bluetooth" technology was named after a 10th-century king, King Harald Bluetooth. He united Denmark and Norway – just like wireless technology united computers and cell phones.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

CAMANO WILDLIFE PROGRAM



"Living with Beavers Enhances Habitat". While beavers can present challenges, they are invaluable for creating, protecting, and preserving fresh water and wildlife habitat. Learn about the benefits of having beavers on your property, strategies for managing beaver conflicts, and opportunities for assistance from the Snohomish Conservation District. This community program is 7 p.m. at the Island County Multi-Purpose Center, 141 East Camano Drive.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19

TEEN GAMING!

2-4pm at the Camano Island Library. Refresh and reorganize your room for the best school year ever! At this workshop we will create things to keep you organized for studying, snacking, and socializing. All materials will be provided, along with snacks!

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

GAMING DROP IN

2:30pm-4:30pm at the Stanwood Library. Swing by to unwind and have fun! This drop-in program will feature the Xbox Series X, the Oculus Quest VR headset, various board games, Kid K'nex Creatures, and Magic: The Gathering Jumpstart decks. Bring a friend, meet new people, or just hang out solo. Feel free to bring your own favorite games or activities. This informal program is designed for all ages. No registration. Drop in any time between 2:30 and 4:30 pm.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

LIVE MUSIC AT THE CAMANO COMMONS

3 to 5pm, LIVE music, Beatles to Bach, oldies & lots of goodies! with Island Affogato & Linda Younce on Accordion/Flute. Outside & weather permitting. More info at www.smallchambers.com



MAKE YOUR OWN SOLAR OVEN

Use the power of the sun to cook up some tasty treats this summer!

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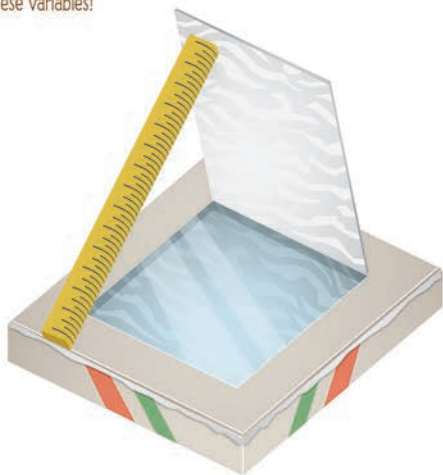
- Cardboard box (a pizza box will work best)
- Aluminum foil
- Plastic Wrap
- Scissors
- Glue
- Ruler or wood dowel
- Paper Plate



HOW TO DO IT:

1. Cut a flap on the top of your box leaving a 1-2" border around the edges.
2. Next, wrap the inside of the box and bottom of the flap you cut out with aluminum foil. Make sure the foil is shiny side up! Secure with tape.
3. Cover the hole created by the flap with plastic wrap. Use tape to hold in place. This will create a protected space for the food you decide to cook.
4. Set up your oven. Use the ruler or wood dowel to hold up the flap and place in the sun.
5. Find some food to cook - we recommend making some baked in the sun s'mores or a solar pizza - and get started! Set on a plate inside your solar oven. Remember to remove carefully, your solar powered creations will be hot!

Tip: Keep in mind that the solar oven will be a little slower than a regular oven. Cooking times will vary based on time of day, temperature, and where you place your oven. Make some delicious creations by changing some of these variables!



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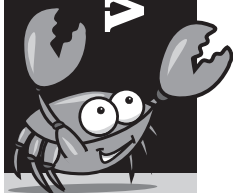
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ART CENTER HUBBUB

One of my buddies asked me, after about our 2nd pint, why Stanwoodopolis wanted to build an Art Center. Hadn't we artists done enough damage already? Mosly he was joking, tweaking me as usual, but on some level he really did wonder why we would spend 13 million dollars on a building for art. I'm sure he's not alone. There are plenty of folks who not only could live without art in their lives, they'd prefer it. Ralph is one of these. He just doesn't need it. His life, if you asked him, is full and I'd be the last guy to suggest he could make it fuller. Especially after 2 IPA's on empty stomachs.

Ralph isn't the first --- and won't be the last --- person to ask why we want to build an Art Center in Stanwoodopolis or anywhere else. I make my living doing public art, parking large glass murals in new public architecture. You bet I get angry taxpayers asking why their hard-earned money should be spent on art. And so, over the years, at countless dedications, I've had to justify adding art to the architecture the Ralphs think are just fine without extra flourishes. For a new elementary school in Kent in front of hundreds of kids and their teachers, I gave this explanation:

People ask me all the time why do we put art in schools anyway? Why do we spend money on pretty little do-dads and frills when we could buy more books or hire more teachers? It's a good question. When I first met with the art committee for Panther Lake here in Kent, we were in the old school. It was falling apart and pretty ugly. But now you got a new school. Which is drop dead gorgeous. Beautiful architecture, state of the art teaching equipment, books and computers. I'd be willing to bet you buckaroos learn better in this school than the old school.

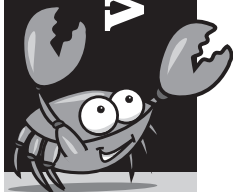
But the last thing we add to all this is ART. Some folks don't value art very much, but I'll tell you what, art is all about a couple of things. One, it hopefully makes your school a more interesting and beautiful place. And if it's good art, it makes you look at it and wonder about it. It makes you realize there are other ways of seeing the school, of seeing the world.

I hope when you look at the art, it makes you want to wonder what it is, what it means, what maybe the artist meant. Good art makes you think about it. It isn't just pretty, it's different and it asks you to examine it.

I called the glass murals we put in Panther Lake the Metamorphosis Series. You know, like tadpoles turning into frogs, or caterpillars making cocoons then coming out as butterflies. They both change into something totally different. It's a little miracle, really. I built a pond where I live just so I could have a place for the frogs to lay eggs and hatch into tadpoles and then grow into adult frogs. Amazing.

But the REAL DEAL is that you guys are the tadpoles. You guys are going to change as you learn and grow. Who knows what you'll be, right? I didn't know I'd learn to be an artist. But I did. What we want for all of you is to understand that life is WIDE OPEN. You can be whatever you want. We want you to see this school and your life as

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full of opportunities and options. We want you to explore and be curious. What we want you to SEE, what we want you to understand, is that the one real art is making YOUR own life. You get to create yourself. But to do that you have to see what possibilities there are out there. You have to develop your IMAGINATIONS and your CREATIVITY.

And that's why we put art in, to give you some small idea of what your imagination can do. Not so you can become artists like me necessarily, but so you'll bring art and imagination to WHATEVER you want to do. So you'll make everything you do more interesting, more unique, more YOU. And if you can do that, I guarantee, you'll turn into a butterfly and you'll learn how to fly and that's really why we put art in schools and libraries and all the other public buildings we can, not just for you kids, but for us big kids. We all need to grow wings.

Well, maybe if Ralph and I had ordered another round ... I might have laid this on him. But we called it a night before I could get up on that pulpit. Sure, we might have flown home on new wings but instead we just drove our beat up rigs back home, saved beating our wings.

Medicare Education Workshop

Attend our upcoming Medicare workshop and learn the essentials! This event will cover Medicare eligibility, Medicare Parts A, B, C & D.

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JILL COCKRUM



The storm rolled over Port Susan like a freight train. Lightning coming from all directions. I grabbed my gear, jumped in my car and ran down the hill to Cavalero. By the time the storm passed I was soaked through but I had the shot. Life long photographer. Hopeful adventurer. Obsessive coffee drinker

A Little About Me: It wasn't until I moved to Arizona in 1998 that I really started my photography journey. I could sit by the Salt River for hours waiting for a band of wild horses to travel by or hike into the Sonoran desert to photograph migrating hummingbirds. The grandeur of the landscape from Sedona to the Grand Canyon held me captive. The desert southwest has a beauty all its own. Then in 2019 I joined a group of night photographers at Meteor Crater and captured my first images of the milky way. I was enthralled. Night photography became a passion. With my Nissan Rogue (named Bukaroo) I realized a passion for car camping and we have traveled many miles capturing the beauty of mother nature both by day and night after which I could tuck into my cozy nest and fall asleep to the sounds of coyotes howling or get completely freaked out by a herd of night wondering cows. Now back in the beautiful Pacific Northwest, Bukaroo and I are rediscovering places that I knew as a child and setting my soul on fire by sharing my passion for photography with you.

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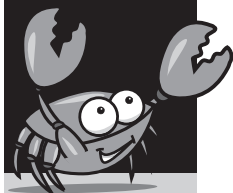
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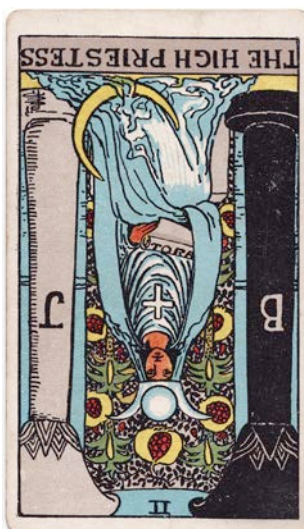


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INTUITIVE TAROT WITH TIFFANY



August 7th – August 13th : The High Priestess Reversed. She was adamant regarding being read upside down, and went on to state this demonstrates drawing down our wishes into tangible efforts; grounding our manifestations, not as if beneath our heel in an action of forsaking our dreams and acquiescing to some cookie-cutter perception of reality, but rather earnestly encouraging you in tilling the soil and nourishing the seedlings as you focus on the harvest you've desired to create. The New Moon in Leo on August 12th coincides with a solar eclipse, unsettlingly whispering to you, "Who are you when no one's watching? Do you like yourself once the distractions cease? Have you truly stepped into the power of yourself, or do you pray no one lifts the mask?" If you've done the work of Persephone's descent, breathe easier knowing this eclipse marks a culmination of which you'll soon see the fruits.

August 14th – August 20th : the King of Wands Reversed. Fire and action and an empire built upon surging forward through every scrounged ounce of energy toward achieving that for which you've hungered, sure, the King acknowledges you're very capable. But do you also possess the strength and wisdom needed for disrobing from the mantle and slowing down enough to tend to self, to admire how far you've come, without yet fixating on how much farther you'd like to conquer? This week's card reminds us we must take care each mile of the marathon, lest we never reach the finish line, or perhaps worse, cross the threshold having lost everything we'd hoped to finally appreciate once the battle was won. You can feel the fiery pressure at your back, spurring you onward; does the horse ride you? Ease the reins, look at what bids attending, and be wary of neglecting yourself.



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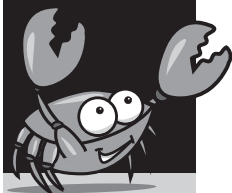
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13. Camano Island American Legion
14. Utsalady Ladies Aid
15. Camano Pioneer Cemetery

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

The term "footage" comes from films being measured in feet when being edited in the early days of filmmaking.

14TH ANNUAL BACK TO SCHOOL GIVEAWAY

The Caring Place is once again helping local families get ready for the new school year! If you have a child in grades K-12 (including homeschool students) in the Stanwood-Camano School District, you may qualify to receive backpacks, school supplies, clothing, shoes, socks, and more (based on availability). By Appointment Only: August 18-22. To schedule an appointment, call or text 360-913-1551 Monday-Friday, between 9:00 AM-6:00 PM. The Caring Place - 9928 272nd Pl NW, Stanwood, WA 98292.

TOWN TO ISLAND PLEIN AIR PAINT OUT



About the event: Artists of all experience levels are welcome to capture the beautiful landscapes of Camano Island and Stanwood, Washington. Date: Saturday, August 29. Painting Hours: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Locations: Designated boundaries across Camano Island and Stanwood. (Specific locations and map will be emailed one week before event). Tickets and sign up at <https://www.scaacwa.org/>

BASKETBALL FREE PLAY FOR THE COMMUNITY

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SAVE CAMA BEACH CABINS

Do you miss having the cabins open and seeing visitors excited about the park, Camano Island, and Stanwood? Does your business miss the income from tourists? Does your family miss the fun educational events at the park? There is a new group forming to reopen the cabins.

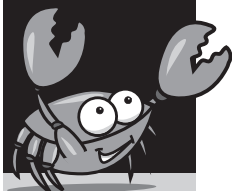
Save Cama Beach Cabins group is asking the Washington State Legislature for funding to repair the septic and water systems so the cabins can be used again. A website with more information will be available soon. They need your help to contact the Governor and your State Legislators to urge their support for this effort so the Cama Beach cabins can be reopened for all of us.

Governor's office: 360-902-4111
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Senator Ron Muzzall: 360-786-7618

Thank you for your help! Watch the Crab Cracker and/or go to our website for more info.

SaveCamaBeachCabins.org / info@savecamabeachcabins.org

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2005, Mark Zuckerberg unsuccessfully tried to sell Facebook for \$75 million. Back then, it was called The-Facebook.

WHO MAKES OUR COMMUNITY SPECIAL? TELL US THEIR STORY

The Stanwood and Camano Island communities are filled with people who quietly make a difference every day. They volunteer their time, help neighbors in need, support local organizations, mentor young people, preserve our history, care for our environment, and strengthen the connections that make this such a special place to live. We believe these contributions deserve recognition. That's why we're inviting readers to submit letters recognizing community members whose efforts have had a positive impact on the Stanwood-Camano area. Whether it's a longtime volunteer, a dedicated teacher, a youth leader, a local business owner, a caregiver, or simply a neighbor who consistently lends a helping hand, we want to hear their stories. Your letter doesn't need to be long. Tell us who you are nominating, what they have done for the community, and why their contributions matter. Personal stories and specific examples are especially welcome. Please, if you are able, also add a photo (horizontal format) of that person for better recognition to our readers. Help us shine a light on the individuals whose dedication, generosity, and community spirit deserve to be celebrated. Submit your letters to: thecrab@thecrabcracker.com

FREE HORNET HIVE REMOVAL

I will be offering my free services again to remove hornet hives from the Camano and Stanwood areas. The hornets are used to make venom immunotherapy. Help me save lives by giving me, Joel, a call at 509 987 7717. I remove the hornet without the use of any chemicals. I will be removing the hives until the end of July. Call Joel at 509-987-7717.

ADULT FUTSAL

Futsal is a soccer-based game played on a hardcourt, using the basketball court, Mondays at Camano Chapel. 6pm-8pm, ages 18+. Free!

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.

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ISLAND COUNTY DRAFT HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

In August 2025, a coalition of Island County cities, towns and special purpose districts embarked on a planning process to prepare for impacts of disasters. Responding to federal mandates in the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-390), the coalition was formed to pool resources and create a uniform hazard mitigation strategy that can be consistently applied to the defined planning area. This planning coalition has now completed that effort. The planning process was led by Island County Emergency Management with support from Bridgeview Consulting, LLC, the technical consultant. The project was funded by a planning grant from FEMA and took approximately 11 months to complete. During this process, citizens were asked to contribute by sharing local knowledge of the region's vulnerability to hazards based on past occurrences, as well as identify initiatives which could help reduce the level of impact of those hazards. Public involvement was solicited via a multi-media campaign that included: press releases; public council/board presentations and meetings; web-based information; questionnaires, and safety fairs. That process has now culminated with the development of the Island County 2026 Draft Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan, which is now available for review and comment at the informational website established for this planning effort at: <https://www.islandcountywa.gov/170/Department-of-Emergency-Management>. The public is highly encouraged to provide input on the draft plan. The comment period for review of draft plan will end August 16, 2026.

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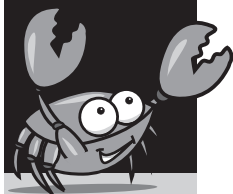
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There is an opposite of albino animals, which aren't white, but black. These are known as Melanistic animals.

MEYER ART FESTIVAL

The third annual Meyer Art Festival (previously known as MACfest) on the old brick road in west Stanwood on Saturday, August 29, 10am-6pm. Guests can shop at over 30+ booths hosted by local artists, enjoy lunch or dinner from food trucks at the beer garden, and listen to music on the main stage. Creativity will be nurtured at interactive art booths and a family area gives parents time to rest and visit and for kids to play with the free art supplies they can "shop" for in the furniture store that will be open for guest to get a "taste" of what the future Meyer Store, Gallery, Classroom, and Media Room The Meyer Art Center will host a booth where visitors can get a virtual reality picture of the future Meyer Art Center building that we hope to break ground on in the fall. We are excited to launch the first annual Town to Island plein air competition with cash awards going to people's choice, best of town and best of Island paintings. Experience the Meyer Story. We are super excited to invite guests into the old furniture store one last time before the building is taken down. We are calling this Experience the Meyer. We expect over 1,000 guests to get a foretaste of what the future will be. When you enter, to the right is the GALLERY with art and antiques by legendary NW artist Jack Gunter. To the left is STORE curated by artist Susan Cohen Thompson where festival goers will shop for ceramic, glass and art by local artists. Straight ahead is the KIDS STORE where kids can shop for free art items that have been donated to the Meyer Art Center and where they can work on a mosaic hosted by one of our summer art interns. Next to the Kid's Store is the EMERGING ARTIST GALLERY with artwork by youth. In the room to the left is the CLASSROOM, where Jed Dorsey, Aleita Bailey and Katie Trent will teach classes and guests can observe. And on the east side of the building, is the MEDIA ROOM where visitors can discover the history of art and artists in Stanwood-Camano with artworks by over 30 Stanwood-Camano artists curated by Lael Williams and John Ebner. We hope that this "taste" of the future Meyer Art Center will show you how we hope to build community by art! Contacts: Susan Cohen Thompson - talk to her about the "Store" in Experience the Meyer; Katie Trent - talk to her about the Classroom experience; Lael Williams - talk to her about the History of Art and Artists; Ellie Olson - Talk to her about the Free Kids Store; Paula Thomas - Talk to her about the Meyer Art Center booth with VR "fly through" of the future building, and wine served by Beyernmoor Cellars; Tasha Smith - Talk to her about the Meyer Art Festival on the street including the kids play area, Beer Garden, Food Trucks, Art Booths, Interactive booths; Melanie Serroels and Karen Epperson - Talk to them about the Town to Island Plein Air Competition; Emma and Riley - Talk to them if you want posters, access to YouTube videos, fliers about bands, artists, etc. To schedule and interview with me talk to Meyer Art Center Administrator Sara M, admin@meyerartcenter.org.

CO-ED ULTIMATE FRISBEE

Saturdays from 9-11:30am at 7401 272nd St NW, Stanwood. Join us for a fun morning of co-ed pickup games in Stanwood. Whether you're a seasoned player or new to the sport, event is open to all.

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

In 2016, a student left a pineapple in an art museum in Scotland. Two days later, it had been placed in a glass case as part of an exhibition.

TRIVIA, KARAOKE, BINGO, AND GAME NIGHTS

Many of our local businesses offers weekly "events". Following are some of the locations that offer these "events" (that are typically free to participate) on a weekly basis: KARAOKE: Stanwood Hotel and Saloon - Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm. Conway's Pub & Eatery - Fridays at 7:30pm. Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge - Tuesdays at 8pm. Low Bar, 8630 271st St NW, Stanwood - Including live music - Thursdays at 7pm. TRIVIA: SAAL Brewing Company - Mondays at 6pm. Rockaway Bar & Grill - Mondays at 6pm. Pub 282 - Wednesdays at 7pm. BINGO: American Legion Hall (Camano Island) - Saturday at 6pm. Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge - Mondays at 8pm. Pub 282 at 7pm. BOARD GAME DAY: Noon-6pm at Scattered Deck Games, 8919 271st St NW, Stanwood. Stop in and play. Use some of our 300+ store copies or bring your own. Free event every Sunday. MAHJONG: Fridays at 2pm and Mondays at 3:30pm at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community. 7430 276th St NW, Stanwood. More info: (360) 629-7403.

BOOK DONATIONS

The Camano Island Library Friends is accepting book donations. Proceeds fund programs and events at the library year round. We do not accept magazines, technical journals, text books, encyclopedias, travel books, books that have water damage or smell musty. To donate, send an email with your contact information to camanolibrary-friends@gmail.com. We can arrange a pick up day and time at your home or the library at our convenience. Thank you for thinking of the Friends for your book donation.

FREE SUMMER MEALS



Summer break doesn't mean kids have to miss out on a healthy meal. If you have children or teens ages 18 and younger, remember that free summer meals are still available through the Stanwood-Camano School District. There's no application, registration, or school enrollment required - simply stop by during meal service. Twin City Elementary (Monday-Friday through Aug. 21). Breakfast: 8:30-9:30 a.m. Lunch: 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Stanwood High School (Monday-Thursday through Aug. 20). Lunch: 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Whether you stop by once or all summer long, we're here to help make sure every child has access to nutritious meals while school is out.

Community Information



DID YOU KNOW?

The first film with a \$100 million budget was *True Lies*, which was made in 1994.

YOUNG RACERS WIN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS AT 88TH ALL-AMERICAN SOAP BOX DERBY



Akron, Ohio – July 18, 2026 – Nearly 300 young racers from across the United States and from Canada and Japan participated in the 88th FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby held here today, for the chance to win a share of \$36,000 in Bill Speeg Memorial Fund college scholarships. Racers between the ages of 7 and 20 spent months building their gravity-powered race cars to compete in local Soap Box Derby races to earn their trips to the championships at the world-famous Derby Downs track in Akron. Winners of the 88th FirstEnergy All-American Soap Box Derby were determined today: Stock Division: Racers (7-13) compete in cars built from kits, which assist the Derby novice by providing a step-by-step assembly of a basic style car. Rally Winner: Amos Miller, 13, from Stanwood, Washington.

STANWOOD-CAMANO AREA FOUNDATION AWARDS \$106,900 TO 14 LOCAL NONPROFITS

Grants from the Floyd & Delores Jones Endowed Fund will support organizations serving the Stanwood-Camano community. The Stanwood-Camano Area Foundation has awarded a total of \$106,900 to 14 local nonprofit organizations through the Floyd & Delores Jones Endowed Fund. The grants will support programs and services that respond to local needs, strengthen quality of life, and create meaningful opportunities for people throughout the Stanwood-Camano area. "These grants represent community generosity in action," said Natalie Hagglund, Executive Director of the Stanwood-Camano Area Foundation. "Each recipient is doing important work close to home, and we are honored to help provide the resources they need to serve our neighbors, strengthen families, and build a more connected community." The Stanwood-Camano Area Foundation works to strengthen the community by empowering nonprofits, fostering community involvement, and providing educational opportunities through collaboration and giving. Its vision is a vibrant, caring hometown community where people are proud to live, work, and play. The Floyd & Delores Jones Endowed Fund provides lasting support for nonprofit organizations serving the Stanwood-Camano community. Because the fund is endowed, the generosity that established it continues to create local impact year after year. A list of grantees can be viewed at www.s-caf.org.

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PROCLAMATION and PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS, by July 1, 2026, atmospheric conditions of reduced moisture levels, low humidity, and warmer weather have increased the risk of fire within the confines of Island County,

THEREFORE, in concurrence with the Fire Protection Districts of Whidbey and Camano Islands and the Northwest Clean Air Agency, I, Sheriff Rick Felici, serving as the Island County Fire Marshal, do hereby proclaim a BAN on ALL outdoor burning (except for recreational fires) within the entirety of Island County

REPORT VIOLATIONS TO 911

This Ban will remain in effect until further notice.

SHERIFF RICK FELICI, ISLAND COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL

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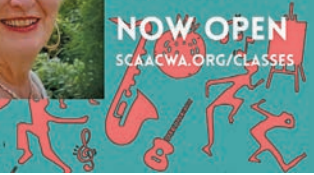
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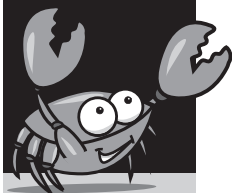
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What is That?



A new column describing a local or native plant or animal in our area.

SMERINTHUS OPHTHALMICA

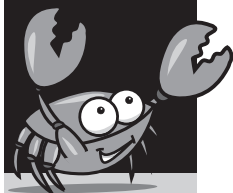


Smerinthus ophthalmica is one of the most common and widespread moths in the Pacific Northwest. It is a large sphinx moth (FW length 34–47 mm) with pink hindwings with a blue eyespot with a central black pupil. The forewing has a smoothly scalloped outer margin. Its ground color is variable, most commonly light gray and darker gray-brown, but tan and dark brown individuals are fairly common in most populations. The forewing is marked with a complex pattern of light and dark brown. The hindwing is mostly rose pink to red with tan outer and light gray anterior and medial margins. It is marked with a prominent eyespot, black at the periphery, bright blue with a large black pupil centrally. The sides of the thorax are light gray and the central portion is dark gray-brown.

The *Smerinthus ophthalmica* caterpillar is the larval stage of the western eyed sphinx moth, featuring a plump green body, white speckles, and a pale blue or white tail horn. Found in western North America, this caterpillar feeds exclusively on trees in the willow family (Salicaceae) including willows), cottonwoods, and quaking aspen (*P. tremuloides*).

This species is common to abundant in all forest and riparian habitats throughout the Pacific Northwest. *Smerinthus ophthalmica* is found at low to mid elevations throughout our region, including along the Pacific Coast and in dry steppe regions as long as there is enough moisture for willows to grow.

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Longevity Lens



*A column about
longevity and
aging well.*

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YOUR BONES ARE LISTENING, TOO



When we talk about aging well, we often focus on energy, weight, or hormones. But another system is quietly shaping your future independence: your bones.

Bone is not static. It is living tissue, constantly remodeling in response to the signals you send it.

Estrogen helps protect bone density, which is one reason bone loss can accelerate during the menopausal transition. But hormones are only part of the story. Bones also respond to muscle force, nutrition, inflammation, metabolic health, and—especially—mechanical load. Think of it this way: just as muscle adapts when you challenge it, bone adapts when it is asked to carry more.

Every time you lift, carry, climb stairs, or move against resistance, your muscles pull on your bones. That physical signal tells your body that strength is needed. Scientists call this process mechanotransduction. You can simply think of it as your bones listening to how you move. Walking and swimming are wonderful for heart health, mood, and mobility. But to specifically support bone strength, many people also benefit from weight-bearing and resistance exercise. The right plan depends on your health history; if you have osteoporosis, low bone density, or a prior fracture, ask for guidance before adding high-impact exercise.

Bone health is more than calcium alone. Adequate protein, calcium, vitamin D, strength, and movement all matter.

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NOAH'S PET OF THE WEEK:

Hi, my name is **SUPERSNIFFER**. I am a very nervous dog that came from a hoarding situation. I need a home and a family that will be very patient with me. I will probably need a few weeks to warm up, but once I do, I love cuddles, sleeping with my person, and giving kisses. Once he bonds with you, he's a Velcro dog! Needs another confident dog to learn that the world isn't so scary.

The N.O.A.H. Animal Adoption Center:
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If you are already working with an agent, this is not meant as a solicitation for that business.

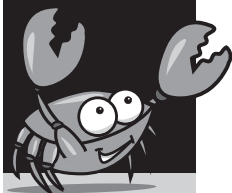
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CAPRESE ZOODLES WITH HOMEMADE BASIL PESTO

Fresh, vibrant, and bursting with flavor! Tender zucchini noodles, juicy cherry tomatoes, and creamy mozzarella pearls tossed in a rich homemade basil pesto that's unbelievably simple and delicious.

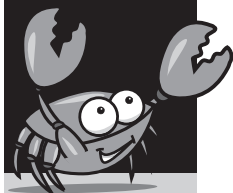


BASIL PESTO: 2 c. fresh basil leaves lightly packed; 1/3 c. pinenuts or chopped walnuts; 2-3 cloves garlic minced; 1/2 c. extra virgin olive oil; 1 T. fresh lemon juice; 1/2 c. freshly grated Parmesan cheese; Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

CAPRESE ZOODLES: 3 med. zucchini spiralized; 1/2 (10 oz.) cont. cherry tomatoes, cut in half; 1 (8 oz.) cont. Ciliegine (small mozzarella balls) cut in 1/2; Salt and pepper to taste; Fresh basil leaves for garnish; Shredded Parmesan cheese for garnish

DIRECTIONS: **BASIL PESTO:** Place the basil and pine nuts in a food processor; cover with lid and pulse a few times. (If you are using walnuts instead of pine nuts and they are not already chopped, pulse them a few times first, before adding the basil.) Add the garlic, pulse a few times more. Slowly add the olive oil in a constant stream while the food processor is on. Stop to scrape down the sides of the food processor with a rubber spatula. Add the grated cheese and pulse again until blended. Add a pinch of salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste. Makes 1 cup. **CAPRESE ZOODLES:** Place your zoodles, cherry tomatoes, and mozzarella balls into a large bowl, pour 1 cup pesto over all; toss to coat. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Garnish with fresh basil leaves and sprinkle with Parmesan cheese if desired. Serve immediately and enjoy!

Classes and Workshops



DID YOU KNOW?

The term “brah” is Hawaiian pidgin, short for brahdah (brother), and was popularized by surf culture.

“Experience the Meyer art classes 08/29 : Coffee and Canvas, Intro to Glass, Intro to Watercolor. Learn more and register! scaacwa.org/classes”.

Sifu M Andrew Curry will be teaching free introductory Tai Chi class at the Camano Center. These classes are open to everyone of all experience levels and age! Andrew is the creator of Full Circle Arts: A Creative Solutions Studio, a creative fitness practice that helps people develop creativity, confidence, wellness, and resilience through integrated art experiences. Through the Creativity Fitness Method, participants learn to move beyond self-consciousness, engage fully in the creative process, and discover new ways of responding to life's challenges. Join us August 18th, 10am - 11am!! Questions? Please call the Camano Center at (360) 387-0222.

Zumba classes on Camano with Jennifer Anderson. Mondays @ 5:30pm at the South Camano Grange. By donation, sugg: \$10. Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 5:30pm at the Camano Country Club. \$10 or FREE for clubhouse members. No class on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Full of Words: A 10-Week Women's Writing Circle (Free at the Camano Island Library, Aug 5 - Oct 14). Registration is required. If you have questions or would like to register please email the facilitator, (Joyce) at fact@msdeadlines.com.

Health & Wealth Mondays Every Monday 5:30-7pm at the South Camano Grange. Presented by Evergreen Farm. We host rotating classes including crafts, history of the grange talks, financial health information classes, AI and technology classes, wellness checks like blood sugar testing, sourdough starter classes and more! Suggested donation recommendations for these classes vary by topic.

Free ladies exercise class Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-9:45 at Camano Chapel followed by a short encouragement message. Please come join us! camanochapel.org/connect for more information.

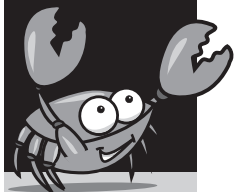
Chair Yoga at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community. Lower stress, reduce risk of heart disease, more stable blood sugar, less back and arthritis pain, sharper memory, reduce anxiety and depression, sleep better, feel happier and weight loss. Come join us on Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 10am in our exercise room.

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Guitar Lessons with Ford Geisbrecht. All ages, levels & styles. Learn at your own pace. Ukelele & Bass also available. Serving Camano/Stanwood since 2002. 360-631-0661.

Private Music Lessons (in-home or in-studio): piano, guitar, sax, clarinet, flute, voice; ages 5 and up; all skill levels. Personalized instruction to help you reach your musical goals. Call 425-780-2289 with questions. Book a free 30-minute lesson: HartMusicSchool.com/free-trial. (Music teachers apply here: HartMusicSchool.com/apply-to-teach).

Classes and Workshops



Free Macbook and iPad / iPhone Tutoring 3 / 30-minute sessions in the Camano Center Library (1pm, 1:30pm, 2pm) the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Sign up at fact@msdeadlines.com

FamilySearch Center – FREE Open Genealogy Workshop at 795 Ell Rd., Camano Island. Tuesdays 10 am-2 pm; Wednesdays 6pm-8pm. Get help to find your ancestors with free access to subscription websites and records. Contact us at camano@familyhistorymail.org.

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

Karate & self-defense mini camps, ages 6+! NW School of Martial Arts located @Stanwood Masonic Lodge. 12-4 pm, \$40/child per date: 8/11, 8/25. Email nwschoolofmartialarts@gmail.com to get your registration link!

Summer Sketchbook Series at Camano City Schoolhouse August 16, 13, 20, 27 from 1-3 PM. Bobbi Samples, long time Art Teacher, is celebrating the Schoolhouse history and its beautiful setting to teach nature sketching, landscape, perspective, color and illustration, in a variety of mediums. Classes build on each other or can be taken singly. Kids ages 8-14, parents welcome. \$20 per 2 hr. class/workshop, supplies included. Register at camanoschoolhouse.org (Events). 993 Orchid Rd (just off Chapman), Camano Is.

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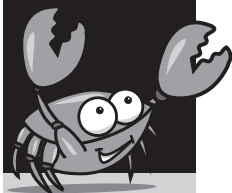


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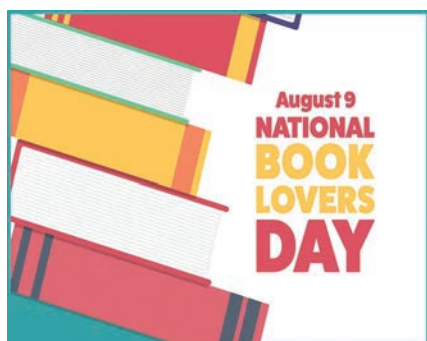
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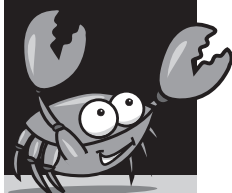
Dogs playing at the beach. Photo by Matt Jones



Blueberry. Photo by Kevin Casper.



Classified Listings



DID YOU KNOW?

The Boston Marathon didn't allow female runners until 1972. The first woman to finish the Boston Marathon, Roberta Gibb, actually ran the race a few years earlier in 1966.

She hid in some bushes until the race started to avoid detection and then ran the marathon without any official sanction.

FOR SALE:

For Sale: 2006 Mercedes Benz SL55 Amg roadster (114,000 miles). Excellent condition and well maintained by shop. Everything works as it should. \$19,500 OBO. Also for sale: 1971 Reinell I/O Chevy 4 cylinder and 2022 8HP Yamaha kicker. Low hours. Both run well. \$2,000 OBO. Call Alexei 425-923-7707.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Wellness/Beauty practitioner room for rent. Quiet building. \$45/day, 1-3 days weekly. Call/text Rebecca 425-441-7840.

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

For Sale: Multifamily properties on Camano for investors or short-term rental opportunities. Please contact Glenda Fabrizio; Windermere Real Estate Co., Glenda@windermere.com, (206) 228-6312.

Residential building lot in quiet, Lost Lake Grove. Water and power to property. Passed perk. \$145000. 360 387-6140.

2nd Annual Community Garage Sale! Idlewood Neighborhood - Camano Island. August 8 - 9. 9am - 4 pm, no early sales, please!

Jasper Junction Garage Sale - 278th St NW & 70th Ave NW from 9 am to 4 pm, August 7th, 8th, & 9th.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

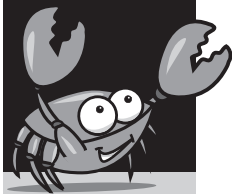
I'm looking for remote work in copywriting and business newsletters. My background also includes strategic communications, customer success, project management, and strategy consultations. Tiffany FitzPatrick, 812.251.4604, tiffanyfitzpatrickco@gmail.com.

Camano Decks & Sheds LLC Local, Affordable & Efficient. Free estimates 10% discount for seniors & ADL ramps. Jim 360-913-2941 E-mail: jtmitchell8974@gmail.com. Serving Outlying Areas.

WANTED:

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 for more information. windermere-stanwoodcamano.com.

Clubs and Meetings



DID YOU KNOW?

When watermelons are grilled or baked, they lose their granular texture and can even be used as a meat substitute, a "watermelon steak."

Neurodivergent Playgroup Please join us at the Stanwood Co-op Preschool every 2nd Mon of the month from 1–3 p.m. Free and open to the community, siblings welcome! Location: 27027 102nd Dr NW, Stanwood Info: (360) 629-3155 admin@stanwoodpreschool.org

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

Dottie's Nature Play is for ages 0-5 and their caregivers on Thursdays from 10:30-11:30am at Community Resource Center of Stanwood Camano (across from Stanwood Library). This outdoor playgroup is all about hands-on discovery, sensory-rich experiences, and letting curiosity lead the way. Come dressed for the weather and ready for adventure!

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

Meditation group at 1pm at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community. Meditation has many benefits including reduced stress, lower anxiety, improved sleep quality, and better emotional regulation.

Camano Island Jeep Club: Do you own a Jeep? Would you like to meet others who share their interest in Jeeping? We are a friendly group of mostly locals. We hold a monthly meeting the 3rd Saturday at the Camano Island American Legion Post #207 located at: 609 W Camano Drive, Camano. Meeting starts at 9:30 am. Come early!!

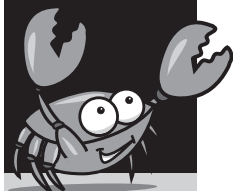
Community Open Sew 2nd Monday of the month with Camano Island Quilters. 10am-2pm at Stanwood United Methodist Church, 27128 102nd Dr NW. Open to public. Want to sew with others, need help on a project? We are here to help you. Bring your sewing machine, a project, and basic tools for an afternoon of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

Camano Island Women's Republican Club – Join us for a potluck and conversation about policies, politics and interesting speakers that affect the Stanwood/Camano Island communities. The club meets on the 4th Tuesday of every month at The Chalet at Camaloch, 358 Camaloch Drive at 12 noon sharp. www.CIWRC.com

Stanwood / Camano Coin Club Meets the 4th Monday of each month at Island County Multipurpose room: 141 SE Camano Dr, Camano. This club offers collecting opportunity, education and mentoring to all ages. Buy - Sell - Trade - Learn.

Parkinson's Support Group located at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community can provide essential emotional support, reduce isolation, and offer practical, firsthand knowledge to help patients and caregivers navigate by connecting with others who truly understand the daily challenges of the disease. It meets every 2nd Monday of each month at 10:45am in the Center Hall.

Clubs and Meetings



DID YOU KNOW?

As of 1998, over 50% of Iceland's population believed in the existence of elves.

Silvana Serinity Al-anon family group meets Wednesdays, 10 am, at Peace Lutheran church in Silvana. More info: 425-367-1776.

Caregivers Support Group meets at 10am Lincoln Hill Retirement Community. (meets first Tuesday of each month). Come meet and talk to others participating in the care of a loved one. This group meets at 10am. Open to the community.

Caregiver Cafe: First Thursday of the month. Calling all caregivers of kiddos aged 0-5! Start your day with breakfast at the AM Breakfast Caregiver Cafe at 10am at the Stanwood Camano Community Resource Center, across from Stanwood library. Adults only. Childcare provided as space allows. The Caregiver Cafe is a FREE, family centered, parent led program. During the sessions, we offer free on-site childcare so parents can relax, connect with others, share experiences, and engage in meaningful conversations in a supportive community. Space is limited, so be sure to RSVP on our website today! <https://www.crc-sc.org/events>.

Are you or your loved ones suffering from depression or anxiety? There is hope! The Nedley Depression & Anxiety Recovery Program is an evidence-based community education course designed to provide the tools, support, and practical interventions needed to overcome depression and anxiety and achieve optimal mental health. Questions? Call/Text 425-870-1006.

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

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

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BREAKING WEATHER ALERT: CAMANO ISLAND BRACES FOR EXTREMELY MILD, PLEASANT AUGUST WEATHER

We interrupt your regular TV programming for the following special emergency weather alert.

ANCHOR ANITA SCOOP: Good evening. We interrupt your regularly scheduled rerun of Seattle's Rainiest Moments for continuing coverage of what meteorologists are calling an unnervingly cool, mild stretch of August weather. The National Weather Service has issued an Extreme Summer Cool Advisory for the entire Puget Sound region after computer models confirmed what experts feared most: Daily highs in the mid-sixties for nearly the entire month of August. Let's go live now to KIRO Weather Team 7's Chief Meteorologist, Brad Breezilton, standing outside in downtown Seattle.

BRAD BREEZILTON: Thanks, Anita. As you can see behind me... (camera pans dramatically to people casually walking dogs in light jackets) ...conditions have already begun to deteriorate as yesterday's high temperature of 74 has in only 24 hours already plummeted to barely 61 degrees today. The breeze has picked up to nearly nine miles per hour, enough to cause several residents to zip their fleece jackets all the way to the top. Visibility remains excellent, humidity is hovering near zero, and sunlight has broken through the clouds for nearly two uninterrupted hours – hardly the weather we've come to expect here in the Pacific Northwest. Officials are urging residents to remain indoors unless absolutely necessary. If you must venture outside, dress responsibly. And remember to politely wave to fellow pedestrians and don't litter. Experts recommend beginning with a long-sleeve shirt, then a sweatshirt, an REI fleece vest (preferably one that cost more than your first car), and for safe measure, a waterproof shell. If you plan to visit the community swimming pool, please remember to pack your parka. Hypothermia has not been reported. But goosebumps and extreme shivering are possible. Meanwhile, across much of the rest of the United States – and most of Europe for that matter – millions of people continue enjoying summerlike "real feel" temperatures between 105 and 115 degrees. It sure must be nice to live in a place where they won't see anything remotely approaching 650 weather any time for the next four months. Envious Seattle residents can only imagine how wonderful it must feel to be a New Yorker or Atlantan basking in triple-digit tropical rain forest conditions. Washington's governor has released the following emergency preparedness checklist:

LEVEL ONE PRECAUTIONS

- Bring a hoodie to your barbecue.
- Keep one emergency fleece blanket in every vehicle.
- Drink hot coffee every two hours.
- Replace popsicles with clam chowder.

LEVEL TWO PRECAUTIONS

- If paddleboarding on one of our cool, pristine lakes, wear thermal underwear.
- Campfires are encouraged for toasting marshmallows and warming your hands.

View from the Bleachers



DID YOU KNOW?

Some cat breeds (called "puppy cats") are bred specifically to exhibit dog-like behavior.

- If attending an outdoor concert, locate the nearest propane patio heater before the opening act.
- Children should limit cannonballs into swimming pools to no more than three before returning indoors for hot chocolate.

We now go live to our field reporter, Sonny Daye, outside Green Lake.

REPORTER SONNY DAYE: Thank you, Brad. Conditions here continue to worsen. Behind me you'll notice joggers, many of them wearing long sleeves. Several cyclists have actually put on gloves. Earlier today I witnessed something truly heartbreaking. A man ordered an ice cream cone. Five minutes later... he admitted he wished he'd gotten a mochaccino instead. Back to you, Anita.

ANCHOR ANITA SCOOP: Local retailers report panic buying throughout western Washington. Stores have nearly sold out of fleece pull-overs, knitted beanies, artisan soup mixes, cinnamon tea, and decorative throw blankets featuring silhouettes of evergreen trees. Ice cream sales have dropped precipitously in the past 24 hours, with one customer complaining, "It just doesn't feel like ice cream weather." Doctors are urging calm. Meanwhile, Expedia and Orbitz travel sites report a surge in airline searches to Seattle from people living in Phoenix, Dallas, Boston, Washington D.C., and Houston. Interestingly, the number one Google search this past week from regions currently experiencing a heat wave emergency has been "How can I move to Seattle."

Meteorologists continue studying this unusual marine layer weather pattern that seems stalled over the Pacific Northwest. As a result, Seattle remains under a Level Three "Consider Wearing Another Layer" advisory.

Long-range computer models are showing a weak disturbance in the upper atmosphere that could bring a dramatic shift to our region by the middle of September, when temperatures could briefly soar into the mid-to-upper 70's. Meteorologists caution Puget Sound residents not to get their hopes up, as forecasts call for the high temps to dip back down into the mid-sixties by early October.

Until then, local residents are urged not to risk the elements, but if you do have to venture outdoors, stay covered, stay warm, and don't forget your sunscreen.



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