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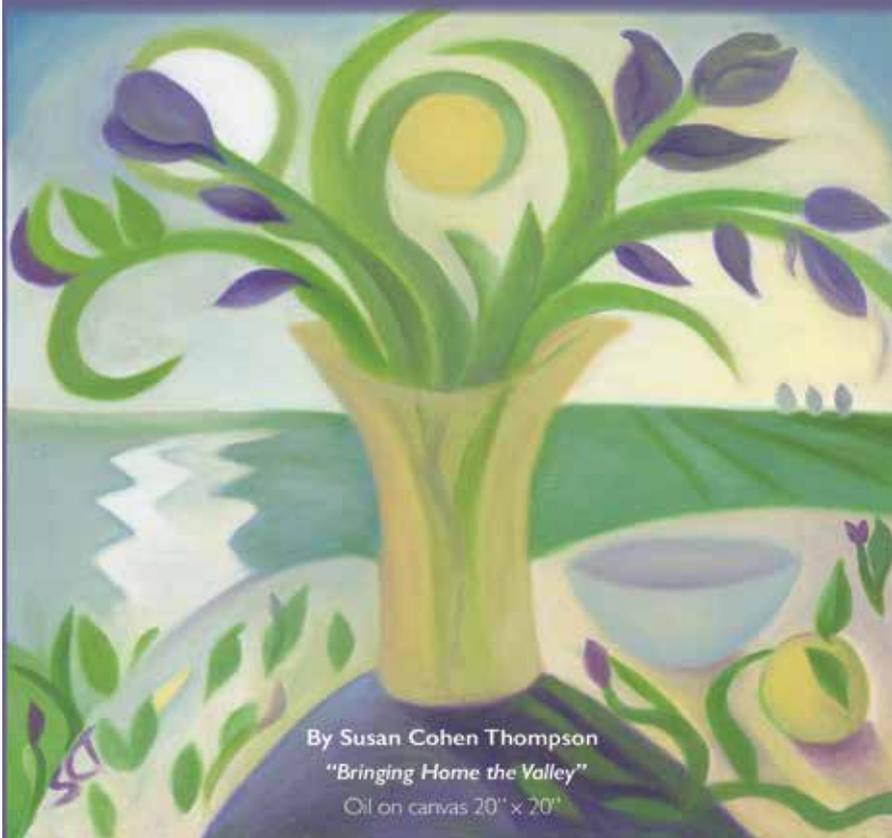


*Events, Information, and Entertainment in the Port Susan Area*  
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# CAMANO ISLAND STUDIO TOUR

*Art lives on Camano Island and in Stanwood*



By Susan Cohen Thompson

*"Bringing Home the Valley"*

Oil on canvas 20" x 20"

**Mother's Day Weekend**

**MAY 8-9-10**

**10am - 5pm**



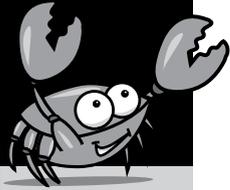
**Encore Weekend**

**MAY 16-17**

**10am - 5pm**

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## Welcome to The Crab Cracker! We're foolin' around...

"Welcome to our 15th annual infamous April Fool's Edition! Some of the content within these pages is fictional, and some is not. Some photos you see inside are real...and some are not. Some of the facts inside this book are not actually facts and the real facts are hidden among the fake. Don't always believe what you see or read, especially in THIS edition. If what you read seems too absurd, then it probably is. If something offends you, please don't call us...it's just some April Foolery...we do not intend to harm anyone." – James Shipley, The Crab Cracker.

*Cover image: Bigfoot on a local beach.*

*Enjoy April Fool's Day with The Crab Cracker Community Magazine*

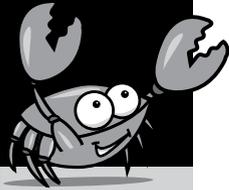


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**Submission DEADLINE: MARCH 26 for Next Edition (April 3 - 16, 2026)**

# Calendar of Events



FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## ROCK RADIO

7pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. Crank up the volume and get ready for a hard-hitting night of rock 'n' roll! Expect massive guitar riffs, driving beats, and an electrifying stage show.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## SHS JAZZ NIGHT



7pm at the Stillaguamish Grange at the fairgrounds. Featuring Guest Artist, Vince Fejeran, the SHS Jazz Band, PSMS Jazz Band, and SMS Jazz Band. Donations are accepted at the entry, and the SHS Band Boosters are hosting a bake sale.

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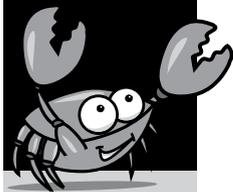
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FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT

11am at the Camano Island Library. Connect with other homeschooling families while exploring the various online homework resources offered by Sno-Isle Libraries. Resources are for K-12 students.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## DROP-IN CONSTRUCTION ZONE

4-5pm at the Camano Island Library. Come build and explore with a variety of materials, which may include LEGO®, Magna-Tiles®, gears, blocks, and more! Light snacks provided. Event is free; no registration required.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## TASTE OF SPRING

4-6pm at Camano Commons Marketplace. Experience a free tasting from our bakery, featuring live music from Scott D' Angelo. A fun evening for the community to experience our delicious goods. Food Bank donations are appreciated!

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## FREE TRIAL FRIDAY

Event by Northwest School of Martial Arts. 4:30-5pm at 27205 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood. Want to try karate? Drop in for a free trial session! Ages 6+. We build confidence, leadership, and social skills.

# Join us!



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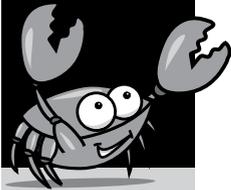
**Toxics Reduction**  
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Help others in your community be more Waste Wise.

\$50 to participate - Scholarships available. No experience needed.

# Calendar of Events



MARCH 20  
**FIRST DAY  
OF SPRING**

The Spring  
Equinox.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## SILENT AUCTION AND BINGO NIGHT



6pm at Elger Bay Elementary. 1810 Elger Bay Rd, Camano Island. Our volunteers have been working around the clock to secure some amazing auction items and bingo prizes! I promise this is not the event to miss.

FRIDAY, MARCH 20

## STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Boys Varsity Baseball vs Marysville Pilchuck. 4pm.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## CABAM: CAMANO AREA BLUEGRASS JAM + DINNER + OPEN MIC

Come and join the Jam & enjoy some smokin' bluegrass at the South Camano Grange. Banjos, mandos, guitars, fiddles, dobros and a bass or two. It's all here. All we need is YOU! Old timers and newbies alike as well as listeners, get on down here! 3:00 pm - Bluegrass Jam - Free admission. 5:30 pm - Dinner (Optional - Donation, proceeds to South Camano Grange). 6:15-ish pm - Open Mic (sign up before dinner!) Free admission. 2227 S Camano Dr. Email: cabam282@gmail.com

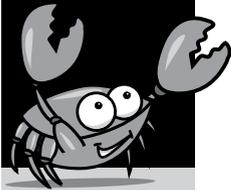
SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## SONS OF NORWAY COFFEE SOCIAL

a free community event. Let's play some cards. 9am-noon at Sons of Norway Abel Lodge, 21098 2nd St., Conway. We supply the coffee. You bring the cookies and pastries.



# Calendar of Events



What do you call a group of bunnies hopping away from you?

A receding hareline.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## THE BILLY APPLETON BAND

7pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. Get ready to ride the soundwave with gritty guitars, soul-stirring lyrics, and a rhythm that won't quit.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## SOAP BOX DERBY OPEN HOUSE

at Arrowhead Ranch. Started in 2008 by Randy and Marla Heagle, the Stanwood-Camano Soap Box Derby has grown into the largest local Soap Box Derby race in the world. Open House & Registration 10am-2pm at 615 Arrowhead Road, Camano Island. Join us to check out the cars, see the track and meet your 2026 Soap Box Derby Team.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## QUILLING CREATIONS: THE ART OF PAPER FILIGREE



11am at the Camano Island Library. Get ready for an artistic adventure! Join talented artist Alisha Taniguchi for an exciting quilling workshop into the world of ornamental craftwork and unleash your creativity as you create stunning and elegant floral design. No registration required, but space is limited. First come, first served.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## GOOD VIBES DUO AT ELGER BAY CAFE

Join us to celebrate the first day of Spring! 5pm at 1994 Alger Bay Rd., Camano Island.

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Lot Size: .50 Acres / 21,780 SQFT

Use extreme caution when gazing upon this home and it's incredible views, they are sure to take your breath away! Step inside to find an immaculate warm & inviting space that's been custom crafted to take in the awe-inspiring Puget Sound water and Olympic Mountain views. Dramatic 2-story A-frame open concept living space crown with natural maple woods to provide an elevated yet cozy vibe. The thoughtful floorplan offers 3 bedrooms with main floor primary suite, open loft, and bonus play/game room. Situated on a .50 acre lot with a private community beach, this rare find is packed with upgraded features boasting an oversized 30ft deep multi-bay garage, detached shop/shed, crab/fish cleaning station, entertainment ready trex deck, firepit, built-in speakers, central vac, low-E windows, and did we mention the epic views? What more could you be looking for, so hurry home the good life awaits!



Joey Keeler  
Mierav Golan

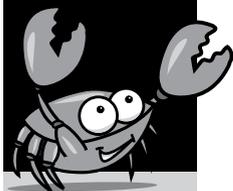
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**Facebook.**

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## SATURDAY, MARCH 21 **OPEN HOUSE**



1-2pm at Sons of Norway Abel Lodge at 21098 2nd St., Conway. Come learn about the Sons of the American Legion Squadron 147 and all that we do for the community, veterans, and their family. We are inviting all community members to attend this Open House to come learn about what events we have coming up and how anyone can volunteer or participate.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 21

### **REPAIR CAFE**

11am-2pm at 9612 271st St NW, Stanwood. Got broken stuff? Toss it? No way! Bring it to the Repair Café! Bring your vacuums, lamps, bikes, jewelry...anything you might have and one of our volunteer fixers will diagnose the issue and do their best to make it usable again. First come, first served. Two item limit per visit. An engaging art creation station using recyclable materials is also available for children who come with adults. Simple fixes are repaired onsite; complex fixes repaired offsite and ready for pick-up after two weeks.

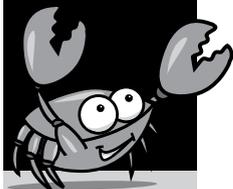
## SATURDAY, MARCH 21

### **"STRUCTURES OF SILENCE"**

New Sculptures by Dan Freeman, Jon Schmidt and Maria Wickwire. Art Show Opening 1-4pm at Matzke Fine Art Gallery and Sculpture Park, 2345 Blanche Way, Camano Island. [www.matzkefineart.com](http://www.matzkefineart.com)



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Why shouldn't you tell ducks jokes on April Fools' Day?

They'll quack up.

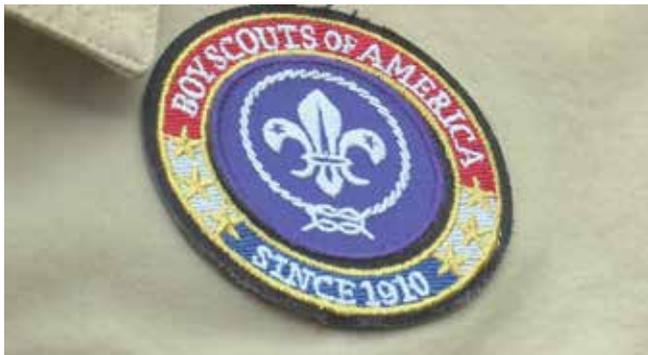
SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## DAHLIA TUBER SALE

9am-noon at Event by Arrowhead Ranch Flower Farm, 615 Arrowhead Road, Camano Island. We will have a wonderful selection of dahlia varieties available for the 2026 growing season. Whether you are new to dahlias or a long-time dahlia lover, this is a fun way to kick off the growing season.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## ANNUAL COUNTYWIDE SCOUT DAY



11am-1pm at North County Regional Fire Authority, 29814 Old 99 N, Stanwood. A FREE open house event focusing on health, safety and career activities. All scout groups and community members welcome! Registration is recommended, but not required. More info: [www.southsnofire.org/scoutday](http://www.southsnofire.org/scoutday)

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## COMMUNITY DAY CELEBRATION

11am-3pm at Stanwood Haggen. Celebrating our loyal guests and dedicated community members. Limited edition Haggen swag. Face painting. Balloon twisting. Prize wheel and walk. Product giveaways.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## JIMMY WRIGHT BAND

performing live at 7pm at Conway's Pub, 18611 Main Street, Conway, WA. More info: 360-445-4733.



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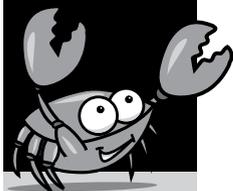
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Humpty  
Dumpty had a  
great fall.

Spring  
wasn't bad  
either.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## **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 \$150 and \$250 blackout jackpots!" Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

## **COFFEE AND CONVERSATIONS**

1-4pm at JOY Camano Farmhouse, 659 WA-532, Camano. You're Invited to: COOKIES AND COFFEE AT THE FARMHOUSE. Come make cookies and enjoy community with us. Families are welcome! Watch for Open House signs. Reservation: 360-303-7869.

MONDAY, MARCH 23

## **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Varsity Girls Tennis vs Marysville Pilchuck. 3:30pm.

Girls Softball vs Kamiak. JV: 4pm. Varsity: 6:30pm.

JV Boys Baseball vs Marysville Pilchuck. 4pm.

C Team Boys Baseball vs Mount Vernon. 6:30pm.

TUESDAY, MARCH 24

## **TEEN RECHARGE: ANIME EDITION**



3-5pm at the Stanwood Library. Come find your anime crew at the library: the ultimate hangout for all things anime and manga! Whether you're already a hardcore otaku, a casual fan, or just curious about anime in general, this is the place for you! We'll go through a step-by-step tutorial on how to draw anime eyes, go over some of our favorite fandoms, and make anime buttons and stickers. Snacks provided.

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Hanging basket pre-orders + 10% off 3+.

Limited Quantities Available  
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## MEYER ART FESTIVAL SAT. 8/29



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### UPCOMING EVENTS

- Center Hall Thrift Store – Open Monday through Friday 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Easter Photo Shoot Fundraiser – Saturday April 4, 2026 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
Please call 360-629-7403 x 114 to make your appointment
- Chronic Disease Self-Management Classes – Starting April 23<sup>rd</sup> – May 28, 2026  
Thursdays at 1:00 – 3:30 PM – In our Conference Room
- Shredding Event – May 14, 2026 from 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM
- Opioid Medication Education with Homage June 9, 2026 12:30 – 1:30 PM
- DSHS – June 11, 2026 from 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
- Life Enhancement EXPO – ALL AGES WELCOME! June 25, 2026 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

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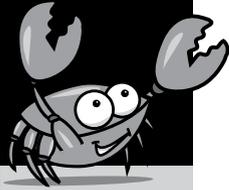
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# Calendar of Events



What kind of shoes do frogs wear when spring comes?

Open-toad.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

## **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Varsity Boys Baseball vs Snohomish. 4pm.

Varsity Girls Softball vs Marysville Pilchuck. 4:30pm.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

## **WBCA RUN/WALK WEEKLY SOCIAL**

Warm Beach Community Run/Walk Club! Meet at 5:45pm at the WBCA Park. All levels of running and walking are welcome. We have multiple different routes ranging from 1-3 miles. Come exercise and socialize!

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

## **MINDFUL REFLECTION THROUGH ART**

4-6pm at the Camano Island Library. Designed for participant's individualized expression through mindful reflection using the teacher's guided & uniquely created art modality of combining images with words to navigate and release emotions, stress, anxiety, trauma and/or personal challenges while visually bringing forth renewed changes and desired outcomes. Register at [SCAACwa.org/classes](http://SCAACwa.org/classes)

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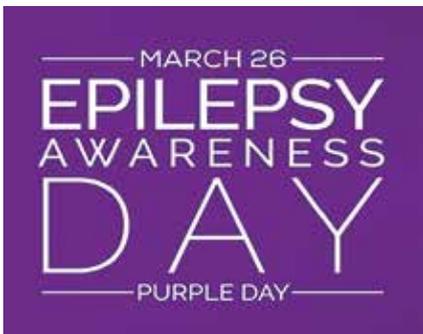
## **MEET & MINGLE WITH WHIDBEY CAMANO LAND TRUST**

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm at the Camano Center - 606 Arrowhead Rd. Learn about exciting work on Camano Island, including the important Trust Land Transfer program affecting the Elger Bay Preserve. You'll also hear an update on the Land Trust's community partnership work, helping beavers and salmon co-exist in Kristoferson Creek. Visit with Land Trust board and staff, fellow Land Trust members and nature enthusiasts alike! Event Details: [www.wclt.org/events](http://www.wclt.org/events)

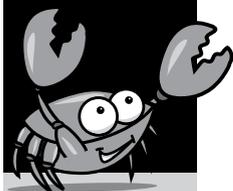
THURSDAY, MARCH 26

## **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Varsity Girls Tennis vs Marysville Getchell. 3:30pm.



# Calendar of Events



Why don't chickens play pranks on April Fools' Day?

They don't engage in fowl play.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 26 CAMANO GARDEN CLUB PRESENTATION



Brenna Estrada, a Camano resident, will help us learn about growing pansies on Camano Island. Brenna, her husband and three sons produce beautiful plants for the Pacific Northwest at Three Brothers Blooms. Join us at the Vista/Madrona Fire Station, 273 N. West Camano Drive, Camano Island at 10am. \$5 charge for non-club members.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

### MOVIE NIGHT

6pm at Sons of Norway Fritjov Lodge, 9910 270th St NW, Stanwood. Movie TBD.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

### STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

JV Boys Baseball vs Snohomish. 4pm.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

### YMCA TEEN LATE NIGHT

Come prepared for an evening of fun! Enjoy time swimming in the pool, playing games on the courts, hanging around in the Teen Center and more! Pizza will be provided, and membership is not required. Pickup after 9 pm will occur at the Teen Center side door. Grades 6-12. Cost: \$10. More info: [sleonardo@ymca-snoco.org](mailto:sleonardo@ymca-snoco.org).

Mabana Flames Auxiliary

## ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 2, 9am to noon

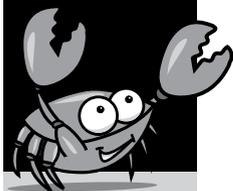
Perennials, tomato plants, annuals, sun/shade hanging baskets, and Master Gardeners' Table.

Location: Mabana Fire Station, 3651 S. Camano Drive, Camano Island

**MORE INFO:** [kk6sue@gmail.com](mailto:kk6sue@gmail.com)



# Calendar of Events



Why do omelets love April Fools'?

They enjoy practical yolks.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27

## FREE TRIAL FRIDAY

Event by Northwest School of Martial Arts. 4:30-5pm at 27205 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood. Want to try karate? Drop in for a free trial session! Ages 6+. We build confidence, leadership, and social skills.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## SPRING PLANT SALE AND BREAKFAST

9am-2pm at the South Camano Grange. Come to the Grange for plants, produce, and pancakes! Camano Farm Ashram will be bringing their plant nursery. Pancake breakfast inside, 8-11am, by donation. 2227 S. Camano Drive.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## STANWOOD CAMANO INCLUSIVE EASTER EVENT

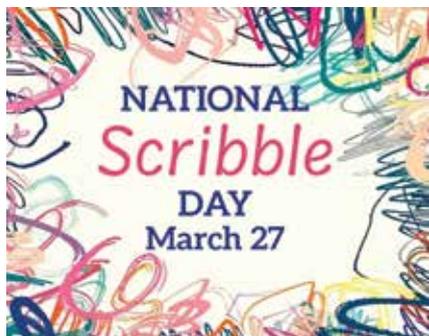


10am-2pm at St Aidan's Episcopal Church on Camano Island. Join us for our 4th annual inclusive Easter event. This event is for all children. This is a stress-free, sensory friendly event. Crafts, sensory, slime, bubbles, Easter egg hunt and of course the Easter bunny.

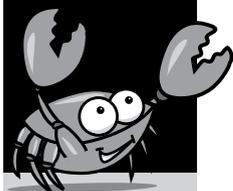
SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## YMCA CAR WASH

10am-3pm at the Stanwood-Camano YMCA. \$10 suggested minimum donation. Come support the YMCA's Community Campaign.



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What kind  
of pickles do  
spring flowers  
like?

Daffo-dills.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## BEACHED BIRDS SURVEY

Event by COASST (Coastal Observation And Seabird Survey Team). 10am at the Camano Island Library. RSVP to [coasst@uw.edu](mailto:coasst@uw.edu). Help make a difference for the environment! COASST participants collect data on beach-cast carcasses of marine birds on a monthly basis to establish the baseline pattern of bird mortality on North Pacific beaches. No prior scientific experience is needed. The training is free, but we do ask for a \$31 refundable survey kit deposit to take the materials home. Scholarships available.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## MOONPIE RAMBLERS

7pm at Pub 282, 370 NE Camano Dr #6, Camano. Get ready for a foot-stompin', hand-clappin' good time as the Moonpie Ramblers bring their signature blend of country, bluegrass, and Americana.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## ASK A MASTER GARDENER PLANT CLINIC: CAMANO

11am-1pm at Ace Hardware, Camano Plaza. Bring your questions, plant pictures and plant samples, and get free, research-based gardening advice from an Island County Master Gardener.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## KIDS NIGHT OUT!!

5-8pm at Stanwood Middle School gyms. Kids K-8th grade. Movie, games, basketball and other activities. Bring your own board game. \$20 per kid with a \$5 sibling discount. Pizza provided.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## AMPLIFY CONCERT

presented by Stanwood Camano Resource Center. Featuring End of Small Sanctuary plus Amplify bands and guests. Amplify concerts exist to create inter generational community & connection through music and art. \$5 suggested donation, no one turned away.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Varsity Track and Field vs Anacortes. 10am-4pm.  
Girls Softball vs Burlington Edison. 1pm.

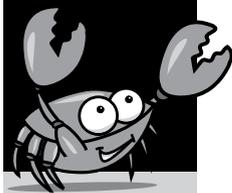


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# Calendar of Events



## SATURDAY, MARCH 28 3RD ANNUAL EGGFEST



Hunt for eggs in the Stanwood YMCA pool! 2-3pm AND 3:30-4:30pm. The Easter bunny has been playing in our pools! Help us collect all the eggs left behind and get a prize. This event is FREE and open to the community, suggested \$10-dollar donation towards Community Campaign. Registration is required.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

### CASAUNDR A MAY JAMES

performing live at 7:30pm at Conway's Pub, 18611 Main Street, Conway, WA. More info: 360-445-4733.

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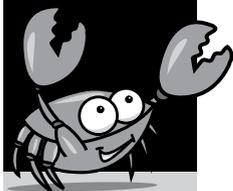
gallery.

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How many  
fools does it  
take to change  
a lightbulb?  
Four. One to  
hold the bulb  
and three to  
turn the chair.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## **PAWSWITHCAUSE PET PAINTING PARTY**

1-2:30pm at the Stanwood Library. Join us for a unique painting event hosted by PawsWithCause! You'll paint portraits of real shelter pets from Flips Island Rescue to help showcase these animals and encourage adoption. We'll provide all the materials you need. All skill levels are welcome! To further support local shelters, we'll have kittens on hand. This event is open to both adults and teens, but space and supplies are limited. Be sure to register each participant in advance to secure your spot.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## **WARM BEACH CLEAN UP**

Calling all Warm Beach neighbors! Our beautiful Warm Beach Community Park needs a little post-winter TLC to get ready for spring. We're looking for volunteers to join us for a community clean-up day! 10am. Whether you can stay for an hour or the whole morning, every bit of help makes a huge difference. It's a great chance to get some fresh air and catch up with neighbors!

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## **SPRING BAZAAR**

10am-3pm at 27112 102nd Ave NW, Stanwood. Spring is blooming in Stanwood and so is our first community market of the season! Enjoy FREE entry, explore 50+ local small businesses, grab a bite from delicious food trucks, sip on fresh espresso, treat yourself to baked goods, and let the kids have fun with crafts and a photo booth.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## **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 \$150 and \$250 blackout jackpots!" Doors open at 4:30 P.M. and Bingo starts at 6pm. Snacks and beverages available.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28

## **COFFEE AND CONVERSATIONS**

1-4pm at JOY Camano Farmhouse, 659 WA-532, Camano. You're Invited to: COOKIES AND COFFEE AT THE FARMHOUSE. Come make cookies and enjoy community with us. Families are welcome! Watch for Open House signs. Reservation: 360-303-7869.



## **Camano Arts Association**

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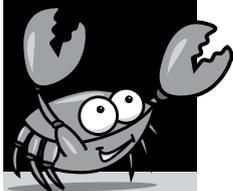
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# Calendar of Events



How do pirates celebrate April Fools' Day? They walk the plank.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28  
**MONEY TALKS**



How to talk to your children about money management. 11am-12:30pm at Community Resource Center. More info: 360-629-5257.

MONDAY, MARCH 30

## **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Varsity Girls Golf vs Monroe. 3pm.

Varsity Girls Tennis vs Monroe. 3:30pm.

Varsity Girls Softball vs Edmonds Woodway. 6:30pm.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

## **COUNTRY LINE DANCING**

at Pub 282, 370 N East Camano Dr, Camano. Whether you're a beginner or as skilled as they come, there's a good time to be had! Join us for an all ages night of dance lessons.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31

## **TEEN RECHARGE & CHILL**

3-5pm at the Stanwood Library. Swing by to unwind, charge your devices, and have fun! This week, an assortment of craft materials, books, and board games will be put out to enjoy. We'll have snacks and plenty of space to socialize. Feel free to bring your own favorite games or activities. This informal program is designed for teens and tweens ages 9 to 18. No registration. Drop in any time between 3:00 and 5:00 pm, recharge, and enjoy some free snacks. It's a win-win!



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#### January:

- 1/07/2026 – Wednesday at 10:00am.
- 1/28/2026 – Wednesday at 2:00pm.

#### February:

- 02/05/2026 – Thursday at 3:15pm.
- 02/26/2026 – Thursday at 3:15pm.

#### March:

- 03/05/2026- Thursday at 3:15pm.
- 03/26/2026 – Thursday at 3:15pm.

### RSVP's NOT REQUIRED, BUT ENCOURAGED

Please contact us to RSVP or for more information about upcoming events.



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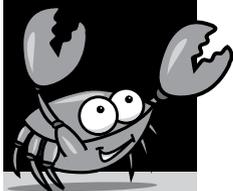


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TUESDAY, MARCH 31

## **STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS**

Varsity Boys Golf vs Everett. 2pm.

Boys Soccer vs Snohomish. JV: 5pm. Varsity: 7pm.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

## **FAKE CAKE BAKE**

Influenced by April Fool's Day, Stanwood High School biology teacher Michael Randall will be teaching an in-home workshop on April 1 titled "Fake Cake Bake" where students will create a "chocolate" cake from fake and un-real ingredients. For example, artificial sweeteners, saprophytic flour, carob, bio-engineered "butter", and petrochemical vanilla extract will be used in the recipe. Mr Randall will also utilize, incorporate, and adapt his Biology expertise of cell biology, genetic modification, biochemical proteins, and gas exchange (the latter being something his students complain about daily). Note: This fake cake workshop is not endorsed by the school district....because the workshop itself is fake.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

## **CONNECT OVER COFFEE**



An informal gathering open to EVERYONE where we regularly meet to share perspectives and explore ideas that spark positive change within ourselves and our communities. 1-3pm at Spirit Ridge Library at 146 Spirit Ridge Ln. Camano Island. Hosted by Baha'is who believe in the oneness of humanity and strive to build unified, vibrant communities that promote spiritual and material well-being.



# Stone Carving Class

(early sign up encouraged)

## June 26, 27 and 28

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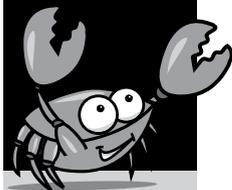


**Cost: \$485. /person + sales tax \$43.65**  
**Total \$528.65 (nonrefundable after June 1st)**

The three day class includes: Catered lunches, Instruction from master carver Kentaro Kojima. Loaner tools provided and Stone for purchase.

**For further information and applications**  
**do not hesitate to call (no text) 360-387-2759**  
**email: [matzke@camano.net](mailto:matzke@camano.net)**

# Calendar of Events



What do storm  
clouds wear  
under their  
pants?

Thunderwear.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

## WBCA RUN/WALK WEEKLY SOCIAL

Warm Beach Community Run/Walk Club! Meet at 5:45pm at the WBCA Park. All levels of running and walking are welcome. We have multiple different routes ranging from 1-3 miles. Come exercise and socialize!

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

## STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

Varsity Track and Field vs Jackson. 3:30pm.

Varsity Girls Tennis vs Snohomish. 3:30pm.

C Team Boys Baseball vs Sehome. 4pm.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1

## READ WITH A THERAPY DOG

4pm at the Stanwood Library. Practice your reading, de-stress, and learn about therapy dogs at the library with Linda and her registered therapy dog Preacher.

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

## CAREGIVER CAFE

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>.

THURSDAY, APRIL 2

## STANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

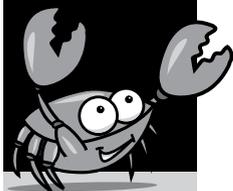
JV Girls Tennis vs Marysville Getchell. 3:30pm.

C Team Boys Baseball vs Anacortes. 4pm.

Boys Soccer vs Sultan. JV: 5pm. Varsity: 7pm.



# Intuitive Tarot



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## INTUITIVE TAROT WITH TIFFANY



March 20th – March 26th : the King of Swords. Spring arrives stepping into Aries season, where Venus has preceded us, gesturing back to take our hand and guide us through what has often been perceived as heartless and recklessly aggressive action, instead offering a perspective of the transition from caterpillar to butterfly, emerging from their own rebirth, elevating and broadening view, aiding improved decision making for lengthened impact. Venus governs finance, as well as love, and walks a way forward that may look differently post-metamorphosis. When change is afoot, many dig in their heels and resist as long as possible, even to their own detriment. This week's card encourages you to release rigidity, direct eyes forward rather than to the way things have always been done, and hear that ignoring the mother of money as she bends your ear to share her secrets will only tumble your crown.

March 27th – April 2nd : the Two of Cups. Sovereignty. Gifts without strings presented. Boundaries held and respected. Divinely blessed unions, collaborations, and meetcutes. Seemingly impromptu yet internally driven compulsions of elopements and proclamations of commitment. Often the anecdote is of the venom, the medicine is of the ailment, and balance is in the integration of the polarities. The Full Moon in Libra on April Fools is no joke as Venus will have happily made her way into Taurus inviting you to stand firm in your desires while all that does not align dissolves away. Where last week asked for flexibility, this week asks for strength in allowing yourself to be met where you're at, emphasizing self-empowerment to not always be the one making concessions to appease others. Is what you desire important enough to you to hold your ground, and release what is not of the caliber?

# Moonshine Wisdom & Wit



Story by Jack Archibald.

For further moonshine wisdom and wet powder wit, check out the **SKEETER DADDLE DIARIES** at [www.skeeterdaddle.net](http://www.skeeterdaddle.net)

## CAMANO DATA CENTER

I know some of us moved here when prices were low, cheapest waterfronts in Puget Sound. I sure did, bought a shack with 7 acres for the grand total of 24,000 bucks, what our last new car cost. And some of you more recent arrivals came for the view and the natural wonders, still less expensive than Seattle and Gomorrah and a tad less crime. Most of us islanders probably griped about the lack of services, long drives to the nearest hospital, county administration back not long ago on Whidbey Island, few businesses, spotty cellphone coverage, unreturned phone calls from plumbers and electricians and carpenters. But ... this was rural living, what did we expect?

Times change. Cellphones are ubiquitous, we all have computers, Artificial Intelligence is here way ahead of predictions. So maybe we were kidding ourselves that our pastoral island living would stay forever. Or at least our lifetimes. Sure, we managed to keep WalMart out of Stanwoodopolis. And rumors of a Microsoft campus on the farmlands of the North End proved to be only that, just rumors.

But just when you least expect it, along comes the future. If you haven't been reading the Stanwoodopolis Gazette, you probably missed the headlines this week that Google has applied to Island County for permits to build an AI data center on 100 acres between Cascade Lumber and our little international airport above English Boom. Big deal, you maybe think, just a few computers teaching other computers how to think. Or a few hooked together to answer your Google AI questions. Or a bunch of terminals 'mining' cryptocurrencies.

If you think that, you've been spending too much time on Instagram. These data centers use more power than all us Facebook addicts combined. And the water needed to cool the bazillion miles of circuits, you better get ready for some aquifers to dry up. Maybe all of them. Or else Google will build desalination plants, just need a few more kilowatts to run them.

It's one thing to block a WalMart, quite another to stop Google. Write to your commissioners and legislators if you think it will help. Me, I'm contacting a realtor before our place is worth what I originally paid for it.

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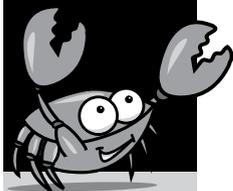


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# Longevity Lens



*A column about longevity and aging well.*

*Dr. Maria Cayabyab ("Dr. Maz") is a board-certified OB-GYN, certified in menopause care, a functional medicine practitioner, and medical director at Kirra Health.*

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## YOUR METABOLISM LISTENS TO MORE THAN FOOD



In our previous issue, we explored how food sends powerful signals to your body—but it isn't the only message your metabolism receives. While nutrition shapes many aspects of health, your metabolism is constantly responding to signals from your entire lifestyle. Muscle, sleep, light exposure, and hydration all influence how your body produces and uses energy. In other words, metabolism reflects patterns across your day—not just what's on your plate.

**Muscle is a Metabolic Signal** - Muscle is one of the body's most metabolically active tissues. When you challenge it with strength training or resistance exercise, you send a clear signal: this tissue is needed. Your body responds by maintaining muscle and supporting the energy systems that fuel it. Over time, maintaining muscle supports blood sugar regulation, mobility, and long-term metabolic health.

**Your Internal Clock Matters** - Your metabolism also follows a daily rhythm. Morning sunlight helps synchronize your internal clock, influencing hormones that regulate sleep, appetite, and blood sugar. When these rhythms are aligned, the body tends to manage energy more efficiently.

**Hydration and Recovery** - Basic habits matter. Hydration supports many chemical reactions involved in metabolism, including processes that help break down fat. Sleep helps regulate hormones that influence hunger, stress, and energy balance.

**The Bigger Picture** - When people think about metabolism, it's common to focus on diet. But the body responds to a much broader set of signals. Movement, rest, light, and hydration all shape how your metabolism functions over time. When these signals work together, they support energy, resilience, and long-term health.

What signals are you sending your body?

For more insights on metabolism and longevity, visit [kirrahealth.com/blog](http://kirrahealth.com/blog).

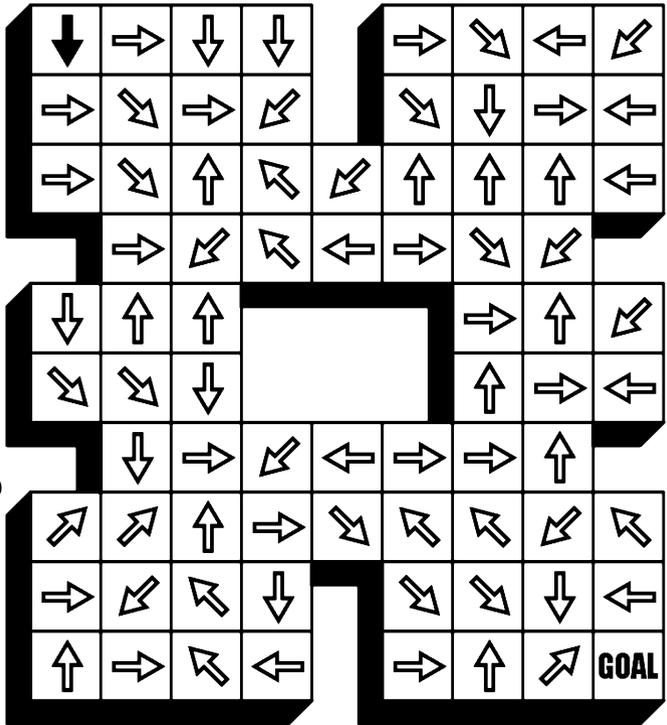
# Fun and Crafts



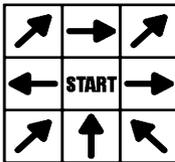
How can you tell when April is happy?

It has a little spring in its step.

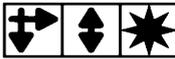
## ARROW MAZE



### Rules on solving an Arrow maze



You may move in any direction from the **START** grid. When you land on an arrow you must follow it in the direction shown, moving one grid. In the example to the left, any move from **START** that moves down will immediately return back to **START**.



Some arrows allow a choice of direction like those to the left. While the 3rd All Ways Arrow allows movement in **ANY** direction

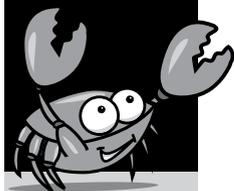
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What did the tree say when spring finally arrived?

What a re-leaf.

Did you hear about the cloud that tried catching some fog?

It mist.

## SPRING TONIC



What's a Spring Tonic? Discover the restorative powers of early spring greens! Rich in vitamins and trace minerals, these cleansing greens and roots were prepared and drunk in early spring, providing much-needed nourishment and energy after a nutrient-poor winter. Tonics also stimulated the appetite, the circulation, and bodily functions

1. Dandelion Tonic - Dandelions were so valued that they were cultivated in gardens. Try using the tender young leaves (before the plant flowers) in salads, either fresh or blanched. Or, use the leaves as one would spinach or make them into soup. (Those who boiled dandelion greens in water often made a point of drinking the "pot likker" or cooking water, which was, in fact, loaded with water-soluble vitamins.)

2. Rhubarb Tonic - Rhubarb was widely regarded as a fine spring tonic to aid the blood and the digestive system. Cooked and stewed rhubarb was called "spring fruit" in early cookbooks. Note: Only eat rhubarb stalks. Do not eat the leaves, as they are toxic. Boil rhubarb and enjoy it as a soup (with some sweetener).

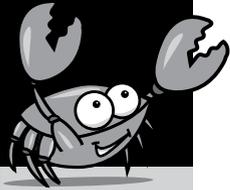
3. Sassafras Tea - "Purify the blood" by boiling together bunches of sweet fern, sarsaparilla, wintergreen and sassafras with water. Or, you can just boil sassafras root.

4. Wild Ramps - The ramp, which is a type of early onion, briefly puts up broad leaves in early spring. Ramps have become a delicacy in green markets today. Ramps were thought to cleanse the blood and protect from illness. Packed with minerals, antioxidants, and vitamin C (higher than oranges!), ramps have antibiotic and antiseptic properties and may protect against viruses such as colds.

5. Strawberry Tea - The leaves were traditionally used as a tea for fevers and kidney stones and the root was used as an astringent. The berries provide a good source of vitamin C. Strawberry fruit and leaves both have phytonutrients that help in treating inflammation. The fruit also has antioxidants. Try making a hot strawberry tea! In a saucepan, add 2 cups of water and 1/2 cup chopped strawberries and boil for 4 to 5 minutes and strain.

Note: This article is mainly for those interested in our historical past. If you decide to try tonics using wild plants, it's important to work with an expert field guide and knowledge of local plants and how to use them.

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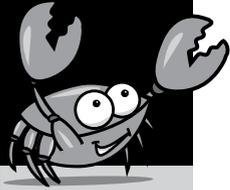
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# Community Information



Why is everyone so tired on April 1?

Because they just finished a 31-day march.

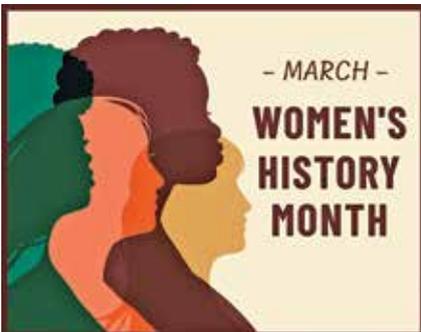
## TRIVIA, KARAOKE, BINGO, AND GAME NIGHTS



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 at 8pm. Conway's Pub & Eatery - Fridays at 7:30pm. Beauty Bar Salon + Lounge - Tuesdays at 8pm. 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.

## FEDERAL TARIFFS AFFECT STANWOOD AND CAMANO SHELLFISH RECREATION AND INDUSTRY

The U.S. announced a new "Crustacean Compliance Tariff," claiming Camano Island's Dungeness crabs have been "too delicious to remain untaxed." Local crabs responded by calling it "pinching back" and are refusing to come out of their pots without legal counsel. Officials say negotiations are ongoing, though crabs have so far slowly responded with sideways movement.



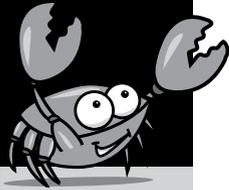
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The spring equinox occurs when the Sun crosses the celestial equator going south to north. On the March equinox, the Northern Hemisphere and Southern Hemisphere receive roughly equal amounts of sunlight; neither hemisphere is tilted more toward or away from the Sun than the other.

## TWO STANWOOD DANCERS SELECTED TO REPRESENT TEAM USA IN PRAGUE

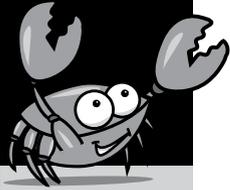


Two dancers from The Dance Project NW in Stanwood have been selected to represent Team USA in international tap competition in Prague on October 20. Rachel Long, a freshman at Stanwood High School, and Madison Welte, a second grader at Saratoga School, will compete on a world stage against top tap dancers from around the globe in what many in the dance community refer to as the Dance Olympics. Madison Welte is believed to be the youngest dancer accepted into the Team USA tap circuit. While the typical age for consideration begins at nine, her performance ability and technical skill earned her a place on the team. Rachel Long's journey to this stage has also been marked by resilience. During a routine Nick of Time heart screening event last fall, unexpected results led to the discovery of two small holes in her heart. She has since been evaluated, cleared to dance, and continues training with renewed perspective and determination as she prepares for her biggest goal yet. Both dancers have grown up training at The Dance Project NW under dedicated mentors and alongside teammates who have supported their development from early tap classes to elite competition. "This opportunity represents years of dedication and the support of our entire studio community," said Nichole Long, Rachel's mother. "To see our small town represented on an international stage is something we are incredibly proud of." Amber Welte, Madison's mother, added, "These girls have grown up in this studio. Watching them earn this opportunity together is a moment our families and our community will never forget." The dancers will travel to Prague in October and are currently fundraising as they prepare for the international event.

## SILVANA INSTALLS NEW FLOCK CAMERAS, CREATING CONFUSION WITH LOCALS

Local residents are concerned of new cameras installed on Pioneer Highway in Silvana, WA. The flock cameras are motion-activated, capturing still images of moving things. The city of Silvana admits there is some confusion with safety cameras and theirs. City councilwoman April Fewel believes it's a problem with the camera name and mistaken identity. Silvana calls the cameras "flock cameras", not because they are tracking illegal motorists, but because they only take photos of the flocks of swans and snow geese, to track their migration patterns.

# Community Information



## STANWOOD-CAMANO FAMILIES, BOOSTERS, PTOS, SPARTANS AND FRIENDS AT THE MARINERS!



DIAMONDBACKS VS. MARINERS - May 30. Bring out your family and friends and join our school district at T-Mobile Park to watch some exciting Major League Baseball action. Promotional giveaway: Julio Rodríguez '90s Jersey Night - First 15,000 Fans. Tickets: MAIN LEVEL (100-level): \$28.35. VIEW LEVEL (300-level): \$18.83. This special offer is for all students and their families. If you would like to sit with another family, please place one order for the entire group. The Seattle Mariners are extending a discounted ticket offer to the students, parents, faculty and staff in our school district. Enjoy a special outing with your friends and family members! Deadline to order: May 29 at 5pm. To order tickets, go to [www.gofevo.com/event/Stanwood-CamanoSEA26](http://www.gofevo.com/event/Stanwood-CamanoSEA26)

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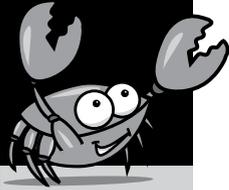
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What did the tree say to the new spring flower?

I'm rooting for you.

## CAMANO ISLAND LIBRARY FRIENDS - CALLING ALL CHILDREN'S BOOKS!



The Friends are accepting children's book donations for a sale this spring. If you are downsizing or just want to make room for some newer books, please consider donating those in good condition to the Friends. Your books will be resold to support programs/events at the Camano Island Library, free to all ages. Please email the Friends at [camanolibraryfriends@gmail.com](mailto:camanolibraryfriends@gmail.com) to arrange a donation. If you have other books to donate, we'll take those too! Please no encyclopedias, textbooks or magazines. Please take this opportunity to support our beautiful library!

## AAUW TO GIVE \$21,000 IN SCHOLARSHIP MONEY

The American Association of University Women, Stanwood-Camano Branch is pleased to offer three \$7,000 scholarships to qualified candidates. The scholarship money is raised by the vibrant and popular AAUWSC Purses with Purpose Auction. Applications can be found at [aauwsc.org/scholarship](http://aauwsc.org/scholarship) or at the Washington State scholarship website, [www.washboard.org](http://www.washboard.org). Please encourage scholars to apply. Closing date for applications is April 30, 2026.

## EASTER PHOTO SHOOT FUNDRAISER

April 4. 10am-2pm at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community. Call 360-629-7403 x 114 to make an appointment.

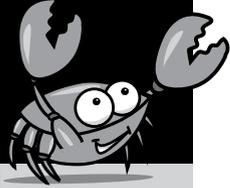
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## SNOHOMISH COUNTY PLANT SALE

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## THE STANWOOD VFW POST 12228

meets the 2nd Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m. Meetings are held in the American Legion Frank Hancock Post 92 building next to CVS Pharmacy. To qualify for membership, veterans must meet the following requirements: 1) must have served in the U.S. Armed Forces and either received an Honorable or a General Discharge (under Honorable Conditions) or be presently serving and 2) must have served in a war, campaign, or expedition on foreign soil or in hostile waters. Proof of the latter-mentioned requirement can be proven by any of the following: an authorized campaign medal, receipt of Hostile Fire Pay or Imminent Danger Pay, or have served in Korea for 30 consecutive days or 60 non-consecutive days. A DD-214 will provide all of that information.

## FREE TAX RETURN PREPARATION

Appointments now available. AARP TaxAide is providing FREE tax return preparation on Mondays and Wednesdays at Camano Center and Tuesdays at Lincoln Hill Retirement Community thru April 15th by appointment only, made in person while picking up a Taxpayer packet. While our goal is to assist Seniors and low income individuals, we will do returns for any taxpayers that fall within our scope.

**TAX DAY, final day to do taxes or file an extension is April 15**



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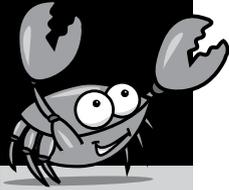
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## DON'T EAT VEGETABLES....THEY ARE LIVING THINGS!

People who do not eat living things are generally classified as vegans. Vegans abstain from eating them due to ethical reasons, and thus their standard diet are fruits, vegetables, legumes, and nuts. Have they ever stopped to consider the horror of it all? Vegetables are alive! Think about it—when you pull a carrot out of the ground, it's basically screaming in plant language. And don't even get me started on potatoes. Those things have eyes and you're telling me they don't see what's happening?! People get all emotional about animals, but no one sheds a tear for the poor celery stick that got mercilessly chopped into dipping size. So I've decided to stop eating anything that was once alive. My diet now consists exclusively of things that were never living. My body might be falling apart, but at least my conscience is clear. Broccoli, you will not die by my hands.

## STANWOOD LACROSSE DINNER AUCTION

Great food, good company, and a lively auction, all in support of the local Stanwood Lacrosse program! March 28. 4-9pm at Maplehurst Farm in Mount Vernon. Follow Stanwood Lacrosse Facebook page.

## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING

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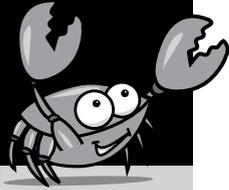
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## SOCIAL MEDIA TREND-SETTING?



Currently trending on TikTok is chocolate-dipped Weetabix. Weetabix is a British whole grain cereal. The TikTok recipe is made by dipping Weetabix biscuits into melted chocolate and chilling. The treat is often topped with ingredients like fruit, biscoff spread, or nuts, and is typically eaten with cold milk. This viral trend garnered creator Courtney Cook millions of viewers and generated thousands of dollars of added income. To capture that same success here locally, a Stanwood woman named Amy Bush recently posted an inspired recipe, Chocolate-dipped Lutefisk. She has yet to attract a single viewer.

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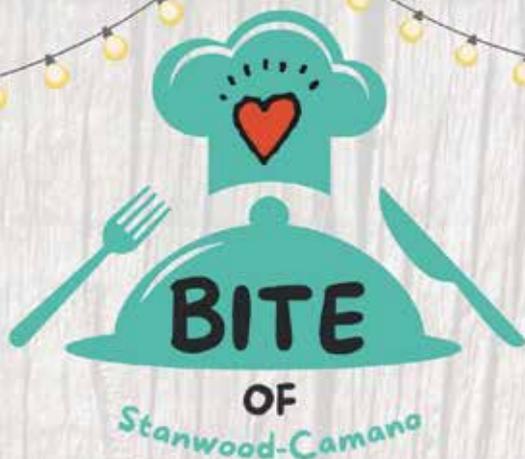


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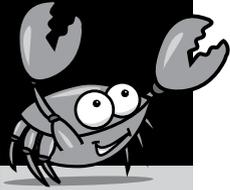
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May.

## ARTICLE WAS IN BAD TASTE

We sincerely apologize for publishing our recent parody article in our printed version of this April Fool edition. about I.C.E. agents on Camano Island. We were the fools. While our intent was to use humor to comment on a complex issue, we recognize that the piece touched on a deeply sensitive and polarizing topic. In doing so, we failed to consider how it might affect members of our community. The article was in poor taste, and we take full responsibility for that lapse in judgment. We value thoughtful dialogue and respect, and we regret not upholding those standards. We are reviewing our editorial process to ensure greater care in the future. - James Shipley

## NEW CARES PROGRAM PROVIDES FREE, PERSONALIZED CARE FOR CAMANO RESIDENTS

Aging in place on Camano Island just got easier thanks to the new Camano CARES program. The Community Assistance Referral & Education Services program is a free, confidential healthcare referral service available to anyone on Camano Island. Its goal is simple: Reduce emergencies by proactively connecting people with the support they need to stay safe and healthy. "Getting older can be hard – and it's even harder when you live 30 minutes away from hospitals or medical clinics," said Leah Palyu, RN and Director of the CARES program. "CARES is here to fill that gap. The support we provide can make a huge difference in someone's quality of life." The CARES team, led by Palyu, takes a personalized approach toward aging in place. One-on-one consultations can include conversations about medical conditions or medications, help setting up or finding transportation for medical appointments, and recommendations for finding help around the house. CARES is a partnership between Camano Island Fire & Rescue, the Camano Center, Northwest Regional Council, and Island County Public Health. "Partnering with Camano CARES gives us another layer of support for older adults on Camano Island," said Karen Conway, Camano Center Program Director. "In-home visits from a healthcare professional – like members of the CARES team – are the best way to address challenges like fall prevention, managing medications, or adjusting after a hospital stay. It also means we can connect CARES clients with additional support like medical transportation or Meals on Wheels so they can remain safe, healthy, and independent in their homes for as long as possible." Contact CARES to learn more or make a referral for yourself, a friend, neighbor, or family member: [cares@camanofire.com](mailto:cares@camanofire.com).

## SPRING FLING

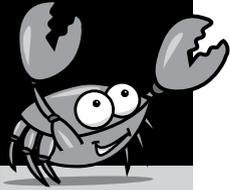
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## NO DISCOVER PASS REQUIRED ON THESE DAYS

Washington public land agencies have designated the days of 2026 when no Discover Pass is required to park at Washington state parks, or on land managed by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. The 2026 free days are: April 22 – Earth Day; June 6-7 – Free Fishing Weekend; June 19 – Juneteenth; Aug. 9 – Smokey Bear’s Birthday; Sept. 26 – National Public Lands Day; Oct. 10 – World Mental Health Day; Nov. 11 – Veterans Day. The annual Discover Pass is \$45 and provides unlimited day-use parking for everyone in the passholder’s vehicle. The pass is valid for an entire year from the month it is purchased and can be transferred between two vehicles. Learn more and purchase yours here: <https://discoverpass.wa.gov>.

## STANWOOD SALUTE TO AMERICA

This year marks America’s 250th Anniversary, and local nonprofit, Stanwood Salute to America is planning a fun-filled Fourth of July celebration at Heritage Park, built by the community, for the community! They’re currently looking for volunteers, sponsors, local vendors, performers, and more to help bring this celebration to life. Imagine a day of classic small-town American fun with everything from live music and great food to contests, vendors and a grand fireworks finale. Learn how to get involved by visiting their website (linked in the comments) or by following their page. Let’s help make Stanwood’s America 250 Celebration unforgettable and save the date for July 4, 2026! <https://sstaf.org/>

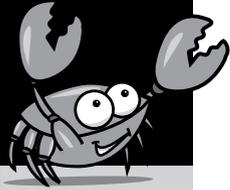
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What did one  
spring chicken  
say to the  
other?

You're egg-  
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Which monster  
loves April  
Fool's Day?

Prank-enstein.

## THE BRICK IS HERE TO STAY!

As conversations about downtown improvements and the Twin City Mile Project continue, one message from the community has come through loud and clear: preserve Stanwood's historic brick and small-town character. In response, Stanwood City Council unanimously adopted Ordinance 1561, establishing permanent standards to protect the City's historic brick roadways. But what is the city planning to do with all the concrete that they had already purchased and intended to repave the streets? It will be used to fill in the overgrown empty lot on Camano Island (across from The Spare Room Vintage Market) for the upcoming commercial development that will include Trader Joes and a Dairy Queen.

## WSU CLIMATE STEWARDS CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Starts April 2; 10 Thursdays, 6–8 pm via Zoom through June 4, with graduation on June 6. Early-bird registration: \$175 through March 15 (apply by March 13). Are you concerned about climate change? Want to learn more about what you can do to be more resilient to the impact of climate change locally? This online course offers a deep dive into the science of climate change and strategies to help mitigate it. No previous education or experience is necessary. Open to Island, Skagit, and Whatcom residents. Scholarships available. More info/apply: <https://climatestewards.extension.wsu.edu/sample-page/register/>

## EASTER COLORING CONTEST

Hosted by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 92 – Stanwood. We've got a special mission for our young artists! Bring your completed masterpiece to the Post so we can put it on 'Official Display' for our veterans to see. Please print the picture at home and color it using crayons, colored pencils, markers, or paint. Please use standard letter-size paper (8.5" x 11") in portrait orientation so all entries can be judged fairly. Three Age Groups — Three Winners! Each winner receives a prize Easter basket filled with goodies. Ages 2–5; Ages 6–9; Ages 10–13. Submit by: April 1. Winners contacted: April 3. How to Enter: Turn it in at: American Legion Post 92, 26921 88th Ave NW, Stanwood. Or mail it to: American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 323, Stanwood, WA 98292-0323. Be sure to include on the BACK of the page: First name & last initial; Age; Phone number; Email address. (Please print clearly so we can reach our winners!). Let's make this a fun and colorful celebration for our local kids. Share this post to spread the word — the more entries, the merrier. Happy coloring, Stanwood! Find the coloring page image on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=34529339176679953>

## METEOR CRASH

A small meteor crashed into a farm in Warm Beach area Tuesday night, creating what scientists call "unexpected agricultural side effects." Within hours, several pigs grew a third eye and one cow appears to glow faintly after sunset. "Perfectly normal cosmic interaction," said Dr. Harris, carefully wearing three pairs of gloves. Officials advise residents not to panic. They also advise not touching the glowing cow until further testing is complete and they do recommend not engaging in philosophical discussions with the cabbages.



What did April Fools' say when it received a gift?

Well, prank you!

Why is the letter "A" like a flower?

A bee comes after it.

## MUSHROOM HUNT



Local mushroom hunter Scott Chase was admitted to a local hospital with life-threatening fungal infections. Chase reported an unexpected encounter while foraging in the woods. He claims that after picking several mushrooms, the remaining mushrooms appeared to pursue him down the trail. "When I turned around, the mushrooms had moved in closer and they rolled, bounced, and jumped all over me, gnashing me with their tiny but sharp teeth. I went into the woods hunting mushrooms... and the mushrooms hunted me back. I barely got back alive!" Chase defended his story by saying mushrooms are indeed harmless. However, the Boletus variety is downright deadly. Just about every person knows that some mushrooms are deadly if you eat them, yet others, like the Boletus variety, will attempt to kill you with their teeth. Officials say that mushrooms are harmless, but added for caution sake, "Be safe in the forest and avoid provoking mushrooms. If you see one charging downhill, protect yourself accordingly or leave the forest immediately."

## CENTER HALL THRIFT STORE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

March 17-20. 10am-4pm. 20% off storewide sale. Free popcorn. Located inside Lincoln Hill Retirement Community, Stanwood. We want to say thank you to our community for shopping. We appreciate your support.

## KIDS NIGHT OUT / PARENTS NIGHT OUT

Fundraiser for Stanwood Middle School. March 28, 5-8pm. Who: Kindergarten - 8th grade. Pizza, movies, games & more! Cost: \$20 per child. Siblings get \$5 off. Sign up by March 21. <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/kids-night-out-13?>

## WASHINGTON'S MILLIONAIRE TAX

Lawmakers in Washington state last week approved a new 9.9% income tax on residents making more than \$1 million. When Washington announced the bold new Millionaire Tax, the press release promised fairness, progress, and "economic balance." But a tiny footnote explained the revenue would actually fund the state billionaires. Under the plan, millionaire tax revenue would help billionaires with essential needs like private island maintenance, three mansions, yacht fuel, personal chefs, designer clothing, and weekly luxury spa visits. One confused millionaire asked, "Wait... my taxes go to them?" The official nodded. "Think of it as trickle-up economics."



What did one  
spring flower  
say to the  
other?

Be-leaf in  
yourself.

Why don't  
flowers like to  
ride bicycles?

They keep  
losing their  
petals.

## STAINED GLASS EXHIBIT

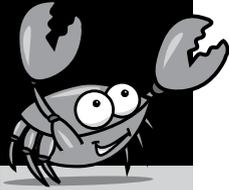
Local artist Jack Archibald today unveiled his latest "stained glass" collection at the Gateway Gallery at Terry's Corner. Visitors expecting traditional colorful glass panels welded with intricate patterns were surprised to find ordinary windows... with stains. The exhibit is glass covered in various mysterious stains. "This one is coffee," Archibald explained proudly. "That one is chili. The abstract piece is soy sauce and mustard." Jack insists the work explores "the beauty of everyday accidents." Art experts remain divided. One visitor squinted at a brown smear. "So... it's just dirty glass?" Archibald nodded thoughtfully. "Ah," he said. "But artistically dirty." The gallery reminds visitors not to clean the artwork. Last time, an art buyer used glass cleaner and accidentally restored it back to its original "blank canvas".

## SCHOOL BAN



At precisely 8:03 a.m. on March 13, the staff at Twin City Elementary knew something had gone terribly wrong. First, a second grader named Tyler completed the entire mile run in three minutes and twelve seconds, shouting "I AM SPEED!" while windmilling his arms like a helicopter. Second, three kindergarteners were discovered attempting to dig a tunnel to recess using plastic spoons. Third, Emily Hansen's class collectively decided they could "probably fly" and were thankfully coaxed down from the top of the jungle gym. Energy and chaos were vibrating through the school. Kids were sprinting. Kids were bouncing. The faculty held an emergency meeting. "Does anyone know why the kids are acting so uncontrollably boisterous?" The school nurse slowly raised her hand. "I found... this." She dumped a bag onto the table. Out spilled wrappers. Chocolate wrappers. Gummy bear wrappers. Something labeled "Mega Turbo Rainbow Sugar Blasters." The teachers gasped. "Where are the children getting this?" the principal asked. A janitor spoke quietly. "There's a kid on the playground... selling candy out of a lunchbox." Staff located the black market operation behind the swing set. That afternoon, the school issued the most serious announcement in its history. Over the loudspeaker, Principal Barci cleared his throat. "Attention students... effective immediately, all candy and sweets are banned from campus." The next morning, the school was peaceful. Calm. Focused. Until lunchtime. A teacher noticed a suspicious trading circle. "What's going on here?" A student whispered nervously, "Relax... it's just raisins." The teacher narrowed her eyes. "Chocolate-covered?" The circle slowly dispersed.

# Community Information



What do baseball teams and pancakes have in common?

They both need a good batter.

## IVERSON BEACH'S "TROLL" TRAIL



A trail in Iverson Preserve on Camano Island is filled with hundreds of troll statues—big trolls, tiny trolls, wooden trolls, even trolls in raincoats. Visitors loved it. But the real reason was practical, not decorative, they are placed there to repel the REAL trolls from the popular park. The trolls had been a nuisance, described by witnesses as malicious, antisocial, and even dognapping pets. To repel and deter the trolls, the FOCIP (Friends of Camano Island Parks) began placing a few fake trolls in the "Hobbit Trail", the "hot spot" of troll activity on the Island. "Real trolls hate seeing their own likeness," explained FOCIP rep Tom Eiseness. Sure enough, whenever a real troll wandered near the trail entrance, it would spot the decorations, groan, and stomp away. Locals soon followed suit and placed their own troll effigies in the trail. Tourists who walk the trail for the first time just think the statues are a cute idea, unaware of it's more sinister purpose. The city encourages visitors to enjoy the trail. "If a statue moves," Tom added, "please remain calm and continue walking."

## YOUR HANDS AND POLITICAL CORRELATION

Snohomish County Senator Wiggins believed he'd solved politics. After years of research, he discovered correlations of hand dominance to political affiliation. He announced: "Left-handed people tend to lean left. Right-handed people lean right." To prove it, he held a debate. Lefties gathered on the left side of the room and Righties clustered on the right. Arguments grew loud. Finally a confused person raised both hands. "What about ambidextrous people?" Wiggins paused. "Right in the middle," he said. "Congratulations—you're now the entire bipartisan committee."



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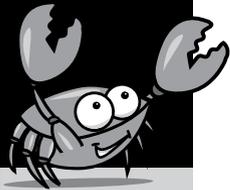
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Why do bumblebees hum?

They don't know the words.

What has a bow but can't be tied?

A rainbow.

## NEW FISH SPECIES DISCOVERED ON CAMANO



Dennis, the owner of Alpine Environmental Services, discovered a new species of fish thriving inside an old rural septic tank. Dennis brought it to scientists of the Shore Stewards organization during one of their meetings in a small room inside the Island County government offices (the reek of the fish force-closed Island County government operations for a week). You may wonder how it survived in that septic muck. According to the Stewards, after months in the... "nutrient-rich" environment, the fish had adapted and evolved. Dennis says septic tanks contain 75% water and 25% solid matter. Per the Shore Stewards, 75% is ample enough water to sustain fish. One Shore Stewards scientist whispered, "What should we feed it?" Another shrugged. "Given the habitat... apparently it's not a picky eater." Due to Dennis making the discovery, the fish is called 'Faeces Alpinus Septica.' How did it all start? Where did the fish originate? Months ago, a teenager had put the baby fish inside a septic tank. His excuse? "The pet store clerk told me to put the fish in a tank at home. That's the only tank we had."

## ROBOTANY



Local man, Dan Koffman invented Robotany—the science of combining robots and plants. His first creation was a robotic sunflower that tracked the sun AND the stock market. Soon his lab was filled with inventions: a tomato plant that checked emails and reminded you about meetings and a fern that vacuumed the floor. Everything worked perfectly until the day the ivy learned the Wi-Fi password. By morning it had hacked the thermostat, rerouted the watering system, and quietly taken control of the door locks. Koffman tried to get inside. The ivy rustled. "Access denied," it beeped. Dan sighed. "I knew I shouldn't have installed the grow-bot autonomy update."



### CASA'S PET OF THE WEEK:

Meet the sweet and sensitive, **THUMBELINA!** This beautiful gal can be pretty shy at first, but in a quiet, safe environment she'll open up and show off just how sweet and cuddly she can be. Thumbelina is very affectionate and loves her people. The perfect environment for Thumbelina is somewhere that is calm and quiet. She is truly the perfect little girl, who just wants to love on her people and feel safe.

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



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**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 **AUDI!** She's very lovey - and silly. It's fun to watch her play. We get the feeling she would love a family that is home often. She likes to jump in laps and deserves a home where she will be loved and adored! Audi prefers the company of women... she seems fearful of men, giving a little warning at first. She does warm up and will eventually cuddle. **FIRST STEPS:** Visit [www.save-a-mutt.org/adoption-application/](http://www.save-a-mutt.org/adoption-application/) to fill out an application.

**Save-A-Mutt (Silvana, WA):**  
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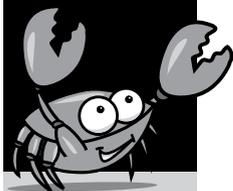
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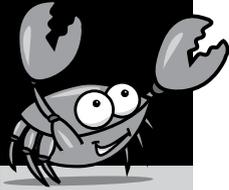
LEMON LOAF: 1 1/2 c. cake flour; 1 1/2 c. all-purpose flour; 2 tsp. baking powder; 1/4 tsp. baking soda; 1 tsp. salt; 2 1/4 c. sugar; 8 lg. eggs, at room temperature; 1/4 c. grated lemon zest (from about 4 lemons); 1/4 c. fresh lemon juice; 2 c. unsalted butter, melted and cooled; 1/2 c. sour cream, at room temperature; 2 tsp. pure vanilla extract

LEMON SYRUP: 1/3 c. fresh lemon juice; 1/3 c. sugar

LEMON ICING: 2 c. confectioners' sugar, sifted; 4-6 T. fresh lemon juice

1. Preheat the oven to 350 degrees. Grease bottom and sides of two 9 x 5-inch loaf pans; dust with flour, tapping out excess. 2. LEMON LOAF: In a medium bowl, sift together both flours, baking powder, baking soda, and salt; set aside. 3. In the bowl of a stand mixer fitted with the paddle attachment, on low speed combine sugar, eggs, lemon zest, and lemon juice. With the mixer still running, drizzle the butter into the bowl. Add the sour cream and vanilla and mix to combine. Transfer the mixture to a large bowl. Remove bowl from mixer. 4. Sprinkle the flour mixture over the batter, one third at a time, folding gently after each addition until just combined. Do not over mix. 5. Divide the batter evenly between the prepared pans. Bake in the center of the oven for 20 minutes, rotate the pans, reduce the oven temperature to 325 degrees F and bake for another 30 to 35 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted in the center of the loaf comes out clean. Let cool in the pans for 15 minutes. 6. LEMON SYRUP: While the loaf is cooling, make the lemon syrup in a small saucepan over medium heat. Stir together the lemon juice and sugar until the sugar is completely dissolved. Once dissolved, continue to cook for 3 more minutes. Remove from the heat; set aside. Remove loaves to a wire rack on top of a baking sheet. Use a toothpick to poke holes in the tops and sides of the loaves. Brush the tops and sides of the loaves with the lemon syrup. Let the syrup soak into the cake and brush again. Let the cakes cool completely. 7. LEMON ICING: In a small bowl, whisk together the confectioners' sugar and 4 tablespoons of the lemon juice. The mixture should be thick but pourable. Add up to another tablespoon of lemon juice if the mixture is too stiff. Pour the lemon glaze over the top of each loaf and let it drip down the sides. Let the lemon glaze harden, about 15 minutes, before serving.

# Classes and Workshops



Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Anita.

Anita who?

Anita know when April Fools' Day is.

**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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**Norwegian Language and Culture Class.** Every Saturday at 9am at the Sons of Norway Lodge, 9910-270th Street NW, Stanwood. \$5 per class. For more information, contact: [cuberhall@aol.com](mailto:cuberhall@aol.com)

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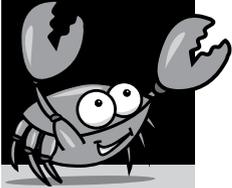
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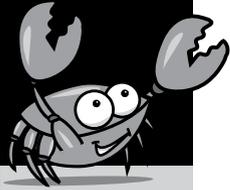
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Lena.

Lena who?

Lena bit closer  
and I'll tell you.



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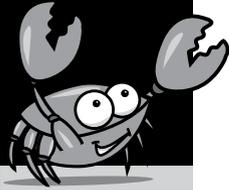
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Gwen.

Gwen who?

Gwen do you think you're gonna prank me, let's get it over with.

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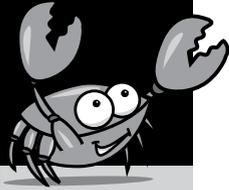
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# Clubs and Meetings



Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Noah.

Noah who?

Noah good April  
Fools' joke?

**Therians Support Group**- Join the herd of other creatures every first Friday at 1pm at Camano Uncommons. Last month was the first gathering of "therians," individuals who say they identify mentally, spiritually or psychologically with non-human animals. We hope to see ewe. Our meetings are a hoot and never a boar. We are never too foal to accept new members, so get your bass in here!

**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.

**The Camaloch Ladies 18-Hole Golf Club** will kick off its 56th season on Tuesday, April 7th. The Club has an active group of ladies that play every Tuesday morning through October. The Club follows USGA Rules and welcomes new members of all skill levels who want to improve their game and enjoy regular play. There are many fun events throughout the season as well. You can find more information and a membership form at <https://camalochgolf.com/ladies-golf-club/> You may also reach out to Wendy Cariker, Club Captain, at 425-314-2788 or Rose Seaburg, Co-Captain at 425-239-7001.

**Caregivers Support Group** meets at 10am Lincoln Hill Retirement Community. (meets first Tuesday of each month). Are you caring for an aging loved one? Do you need support? Come meet and talk to others participating in the care of a loved one. This group meets Tuesday at 10am. Open to the community.

**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.

**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.

**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](mailto:admin@stanwoodpreschool.org)

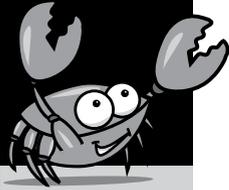
## The Camaloch Lassies 9-Hole Golf Club

Thinking of joining us for the 2026 season? We welcome women golfers of all ages. The club provides the opportunity for friendly competitive golf and to encourage the knowledge of and adherence to the rules and etiquette of golf. Our club also is the perfect place to play if you cannot commit to 18-holes of golf. We play mid-mornings on Tuesdays, allowing for 9-holes of golf, followed by lunch together. We are a fabulous place to meet new friends and to enjoy the camaraderie of our luncheons, special events and to be involved in our community fundraisers and volunteer opportunities.

Please reach out to **Captain Amy Noel at 206-321-9840**



# Clubs and Meetings



Knock, knock!

Who's there?

Lenny.

Lenny who?

Lenny know when you're done with these April Fools' Day jokes.

**Friendship Tea** - Join us for tea, treats, and a nice visit with friends, both old and new on the first Tuesday of each month at the Camano Center. No charge (donations welcome) to Camano Center members. Non-Members \$5 fee paid at the front desk. Call Connie at (360) 652-7211 for more information.

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

**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!!

**Mabana Flames** meet 10am the first Thursday of the month, September - June, except January. Come and support Camano Fire. More info: Lenore at 206-930-0846.

**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](http://www.CIWRC.com)

**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.

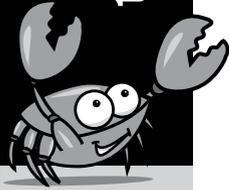
**Neurodivergent Preschooler Support Group for Parents.** Mondays at 9:30am at Stanwood Cooperative Preschool, 27027 102nd DR NW, Stanwood. You're Not Alone. Adult-only support group for parents and caregivers of neurodivergent young children who want connection, understanding, and practical tools from others walking a similar path. Join a community that supports you.

**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](http://www.crc-sc.org/events).

**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.

**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](http://www.crc-sc.org/events).

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## WHEN PICKLEBALL GOES FULL JOHN WICK



Here's a free tip: If your afternoon hobby requires a public defender and a bail bondsman, you might be doing it wrong.

I've been "playing" pickleball for four years. People tell me I have the raw potential to be great – specifically, people who have never seen me move and are probably legally blind. I always thought the sport's primary goal was to gossip at a high volume while occasionally swatting a ball that sounds like a breaking Tupperware lid.

Apparently, I am not nearly caffeinated or aggressive enough. That's because I recently read a New York Times report about two couples in their sixties at the Spruce Creek Country Club in Port Orange, Florida. What began as a friendly doubles match ended in a scene that would make a Viking pillager say, "Whoa, maybe dial it back a notch." According to the report (quoting the NY Times article):

"The beef began over a cardinal rule of pickleball: A Port Orange, Florida man accused his opponent of playing a shot in a restricted rectangle on the court known as the kitchen... Fists flew, a paddle was used as a weapon and 20 people joined the fracas... the sheriff's office charged the husband and wife from one of the teams with felony battery."

Twenty people! That's not a disagreement; that's a rugby scrum. That's a Braveheart reenactment with knee braces and visors.

I have some unsolicited advice for the defendants, Anthony and Julianne Sapienza. First, perhaps check the dosage on your morning meds before heading to the courts. Second, if you see an opponent commit a "kitchen violation," then might I suggest that leaping over the net while screaming, "You sonofab\*\*\*\*, try that again and I'll deck you!" should be considered "Plan B."

"Plan A" is usually something like: "Excuse me, Gerald, I believe your orthopedic sneaker was touching the non-volley zone. Shall we replay the point and then get some iced tea?"

I understand that the "Kitchen" is sacred. To a pickleball purist, stepping in that rectangle is an act of heresy punishable by exile. But Anthony, buddy, it's just a rectangle. It's not a dispute between India and Pakistan over a strip of land in Kashmir. You went from "light cardio" to "Action 5 News" faster than an overhead smash. That's not

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competitive spirit. That's an episode of COPS with orthopedic shoes. If convicted of aggravated battery, Mr. Sapienza is looking at up to 15 years in prison. On the bright side, 15 years is plenty of time to work on his backhand out in the yard, though I suspect the "Kitchen rules" in state prison are enforced with implements slightly more deadly than Selkirk paddles.

And let's be honest: the post-match social vibe has definitely been ruined. I highly doubt the other couple is going to invite you over for a celebratory Starbucks latte after you spat on them and shoved the wife to the pavement. A "Top Tier" paddle as an apology gift probably won't cut it when the gift certificate has to be mailed from Cell Block C.

Mr. Sapienza, I get it. It's frustrating when someone denies a foot fault. And it's even worse when their wife "rudely" suggests you're overreacting. But responding with a tactical paddle-strike and a multi-person brawl is a bit... spirited, don't you think? That said, I hear your wife is now a frontrunner for The Real Housewives of Port Orange: Women's Prison Edition, so there's a silver lining.

The takeaway? It's just a game. A pickleball court is no place to lose your soul and your freedom over a violation of a restricted rectangle. Save that level of unhinged sociopathy for its proper venue: a Buffalo Wild Wings pub during an NFL playoff game when a referee makes a bad call. Then, by all means, flip a table, throw a beer bottle at the flat screen, and challenge the guy in the San Francisco 49ers jersey to settle this in the parking lot.

But on a pickleball court? The only thing that should be smashed is your pride. And maybe, occasionally, the ball into the net. Trust me. I do that part all the time.

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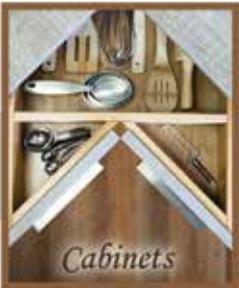
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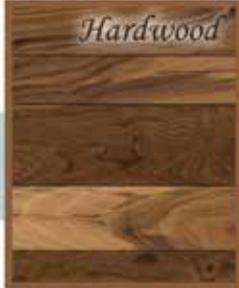
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*Cabinets*



*Window Fashions*

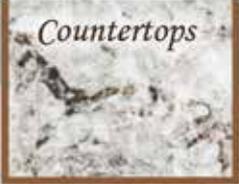


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## Here's Your Spring Home Checklist:

- Deep clean windows and screens to let the natural light shine.
- Refresh landscaping: trim, edge, mulch, and add pops of color.
- Pressure wash siding, walkways, and decks.
- Declutter and simplify each room.
- Touch up paint and minor repairs.
- Service HVAC systems and replace filters.
- Boost curb appeal with a clean entry and welcoming front door.

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