

the Samish Shore Lines

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President's message

February is here and it feels like spring is around the corner. Our January potluck and annual meeting was another smashing success. Board elections were conducted. Officers (1 year terms): Jerry Sells, President; Chuck Howell, Vice-president; Eileen Smith Moreland, Secretary; Linda Knapp-Strobel, Treasurer; and member-at-large (3 year term) Chuck Davis. Nancy Olsen and Raoul St. Pierre continue on the board as members-at-large.

Thanks to everyone who has paid their annual dues. For those who have yet to pay, \$10 dues per family, see more details in Linda's article below. The annual Samish Island Directory will be printed sometime in February.

SICC Board meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month at the Community Club, beginning at 7 pm. All Samish Island residents are welcome to attend. Potluck Dates for 2015: May 17 and September 20.

See you on the island *Jerry*

Community Dues. Thank you to the 143 families who promptly mailed their annual dues. It is not too late. Go to <http://www.samishisland.net> and print off the dues card and mail it along with your \$10 (per family) to the Samish Island Community Center address: P.O. Box 268, Bow, WA 98232. Dues pay for maintaining and improving the Community Hall, and SICC sponsored activities such as the Fourth of July Parade, publication of the *Shore Lines*, the Summer Arts Festival and the Christmas Party. If you have ideas for projects to improve our community, please bring them to your newly elected officers and board members for consideration.

The annual **Samish Island Directory** will be published in February based on dues received. There is a box to check on the dues card if you do not wish to be included in the directory.

..... *Linda Knapp-Strobel, Treasurer*

Ships and Tankers. You can find out which tankers are in our bays on an interesting real-time web site called **Live Ships Map**, <http://www.marinetraffic.com/> Many have Cherry Point as their destination.

..... *reprinted from Samish Island web site*

The **Edgewater Garden Club** will meet on **Tuesday, February 24**, at the Samish Island Community Club on Blue Heron Road. Coffee and social time will begin at 10:00 am with any club announcements at 10:30. A program on **Home Composting 101** will be presented at 10:45 by **Callie Martin**, Waste Reduction/Recycling Education Specialist. The basics of the soil food web, as well as methods to turn your garden clippings into beautiful rich fertilizer in the form of compost will be covered. We will also learn how to build a "hot" compost pile. Please join us for this informative program. All are welcome!

Note of Thanks. Long-time *Shore Lines* delivery volunteer **Marilyn Gardiner** has recently moved away from the island. Thank you so much, Marilyn. For over ten years, you cheerfully and faithfully helped get the *Shore Lines* to your friends and neighbors. We will miss you and Sunny, and we wish you well at your new home in Burlington.

Happy New Year!

*Lunar New Year,
February 19*



Sea Level Rise. Dr. John Rybczyk, from the Dept. of Environmental Science at Western Washington University, will discuss some of the possible regional effects from sea-level rise, and give examples of actions and projects that might best accommodate them, at the **Friends of Skagit Beaches Winter lecture series on Friday, February 13**. The event takes place at the Northwest Educational Services District, 1601 R Avenue in Anacortes at 7 pm. For more information, go to <http://skagitbeaches.org>.

Delivery Person Needed. The monthly *Shore Lines* newsletter is delivered by a small group of volunteers. We need someone who can deliver on Blue Heron Road. It takes about one hour per month, and can be done on foot or by car. We'll show you how to do it..... it's easy and fun! Call Nancy at 766-8111 or email nancyl@nwlink.com if you have questions. Thank you! Samish Island yoga class will meet for the

final five classes in our series on Tuesdays from **9:30 – 11 am** at the Community of Christ Church on **February 17, 24 March 3, 10 and 17**. Please bring a yoga pad or suitable mat. All abilities are welcome; I hope to see you at class, *Liz Bart*

Sunday at Community of Christ

11507 Scott Road

10 am – Church School; 11 am Worship Service
Glen Fishel, Pastor. Everyone is welcome.

The **Skagit Land Trust** conserves agricultural and forest lands, scenic open space, wetlands, shorelines and wildlife habitat, including the heron rookery on Samish Island. Their **9th Annual Have Fun, Save Land Auction & Dinner** will be held on Saturday, March 7, from 5 – 9pm at the St. Joseph Center in Mount Vernon. Enjoy appetizers, dinner by Max Dale's, silent and live auctions with hundreds of items and experiences to bid on - all in support of local natural lands. Visit skagitlandtrust.org or call [360-428-7878](tel:360-428-7878) for more information.

Got your tide calendar? The SICCC 2015 Tide Calendar is available at Blau's Oyster Co. for \$3.00.



Happy Valentine's Day

“One kind word can warm three winter months.”

— *Japanese saying*

Samish Island Memorial Chapel

9608 Samish Island Rd

9:45 am Sunday School 11 am Worship

Pastor: Dave McAllister Everyone Welcome

The **Samish Island Community Hall** is available for rent throughout the year. Islander's rate is \$75; 5 hours or less \$50. Call Eileen Andersen, 766-8202.

ADS

WANTED:

Free Varnish and/or marine paint: Any partial cans of varnish or marine paint in your garage you want to get rid of? Drop off in my driveway, 9587 Samish Is. Rd, or call Carol, 360-333-8802, and I'll come and get it.

SERVICES:

Knives sharpened: \$2 per blade. Will pick up and deliver on Samish Island. Make cutting easier and safer! Call Strand at 766.4081.

Mend+stitch: Services include custom mends, hems and alterations. Contact Iris at 420-6282.

Windy is available for **altering clothes, house cleaning, baby sitting or pet sitting** while you go out or on vacation. Reply at ccisnotit@hotmail.com or call (425)309-9999 if you need fast reply.

Mountain Mama mowing, gardening, cleanup, light hauling. 25 years on the island, no chemicals. Jan Gordon, 360-766-6359.

Island-based Energy Solutions Project offers a full spectrum of home energy evaluations. Call 766-4488 or www.energysolutionsproject.org.

Organic Aerobic Bacteria Digester to reduce/eliminate pumping the septic system, 16 oz. and Bacteria Soil Amendment for fruits, veggies and flowers. Contact Garner at 766.6043. Ekstran Enterprises, LLC.

Watch Doghouse Sitting: Planning a trip and worried about home or pets? Contact Rutheia Wyckoff at 708.0620 or rutheia@gmail.com.

Items for the next Shore Lines should be submitted to the Samish Shore Lines, S.I. Community Center, P.O. Box 268, Bow, WA 98232 in time to meet the **March 5 deadline** for submissions (first Thursday). Or e-mail to samishshorelines@gmail.com. Charlene, 630-5654.