

# The Samish Shore Lines

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## *President's message*

Valentine's Day approaching always makes me think of what fills my heart. Our new fireplace in the community hall makes me aware of what a group of caring people can do together: thank you! Our annual meeting and board elections brings my attention to how much past board members have done: thank you, Nurith St. Pierre, for serving this year on the board; thank you, Eileen Smith Moreland, for your many years and contributions to the board and our community. And to our current board and newly elected secretary, Pam Irwin: thank you for stepping up to support this organization.

We now have mesh reflective safety vests available for anyone who wants one. There may be more people that need them than want them! Please consider how difficult it is for drivers to see you, even if you are wearing a headlamp. Please wear safety vests while walking or running, if not for you, for your neighbors. Available at garden club meetings and potlucks.



What fills your heart with gratitude this season? Share it with your neighbor! Thank you for being a part of my community, *Thais*

Editors note: Thanks to all who contributed to the new fireplace insert in memory of Chuck Davis. It warms the space (and the heart) and looks great!

**Skagit Land Trust Annual Auction** is March 10<sup>th</sup> from 5-9 pm at the WA Walton Event Center at the Swinomish Lodge, 12885 Casino Drive, Anacortes. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to [www.skagitlandtrust.org](http://www.skagitlandtrust.org).

Celebrate with **Camp Fire Samish & Camp Kirby** at the 12th Annual Birthday Dinner & Auction on Saturday, **March 24** at the Swinomish Casino & Lodge. Tickets are available now; call [\(360\) 733-5710](tel:3607335710). For more info, check out [www.campfiresamishcouncil.org/annual-auction](http://www.campfiresamishcouncil.org/annual-auction).

**Edgewater Garden Club** invites you to their meeting on Thursday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>, beginning at 10 am with coffee/treats. Kim Binczewski, Managing Director of WSU's Bread Lab at the Port of Skagit, will provide a glimpse of "*What's Up at the Bread Lab?*" We will learn about their unique work breeding and developing grains that are poised to create positive changes to food systems across the planet, starting in the Skagit Valley. We will also get a snapshot of the developing grains related business, research and investment locating in our valley as a result of the Bread Lab. (NOTE: Samish Island items are for sale at every Garden Club meeting; safety/walking reflective vests available at no charge). All are welcome.

**Samish Island Acres Community Garden** welcomes new members. Located at the end of Blue Heron Road, this garden provides produce for its members, although the majority goes to the Food Distribution Center which supplies our area food banks. Membership is \$25/year (individual) and \$50/year (household). We're planning what to plant – come join us at our next meeting on Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Potluck at 6:30; meeting begins at 7 pm at the Community of Christ on Scott Road. Questions: contact Cheryl Willis at ([cheryljuno@aol.com](mailto:cheryljuno@aol.com)).

**Samish Island Arts Festival** Committee has started planning for its 22<sup>nd</sup> annual event on **July 28<sup>th</sup>**. New committee members are always welcome. Next meeting: **Thursday, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm** at the Community Hall on Blue Heron Road. If you don't want to join the committee, start thinking about how you might like to volunteer this year!

**Samish Island Herony Update.** Our local herony, a nesting place for Great Blue Herons for several decades, was abandoned in 2017. For an update on what is happening, go to [samishisland.net](http://samishisland.net) for the recent report from Skagit Land Trust.

Print copies of the **ShoreLines** are available at the Community Club. Electronic copies are available the first of each month at [www.samishisland.net](http://www.samishisland.net).

## ACTIVITIES

**The Samish Island Community Hall** is available for rent throughout the year. Islander's rate is \$75. Call **Eileen**, 360.766.8202.

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### Community of Christ

11507 Scott Rd  
10 am Church School; 11 am Worship Service  
Pastor **Glen Fishel**. Everyone is welcome.

### Samish Island Memorial Chapel

9608 Samish Island Road  
9:45 Sunday School; 11:00 a.m. Worship Service.  
All are welcome! Pastor **Dave McAllister**

**Yoga Classes** meet at the Community of Christ each Tues. from 9:30 - 11:00. Please bring a yoga pad. For more information, contact Liz Bart at [lizbart@wavecable.com](mailto:lizbart@wavecable.com).

**Samish Island Qigong Classes** - Wednesdays, 9-10 am. (10641 Samish Island Rd.) Call/text **Amy** at 425-503-8886; [colvin.ap@gmail.com](mailto:colvin.ap@gmail.com); No experience necessary. \$10 drop in fee.

**Free Program** at Padilla Bay Research Reserve (10441 Bayview Edison Road) on Sat., Feb 17<sup>th</sup>: **Climate Change and Forests**, Dr. David Peterson speaking. For more info: [nativegarden@fidalgo.net](mailto:nativegarden@fidalgo.net)

**Skagit Community Band Concerts:** Fri, Feb 9<sup>th</sup> at Maple Hall (LaConner) at 7:30 pm and Sun, Feb 11<sup>th</sup> at Brodniak Hall (Anacortes) at 3 pm. Concerts are free (donations accepted). For more information [SkagitCommunityBand.org](http://SkagitCommunityBand.org).

**3<sup>rd</sup> annual DASSH 5k** (Doing a Sprint for Samish Health), sponsored by Skagit Conservation Education Alliance (SCEA), **Sat, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** at Allen Elementary School to raise awareness of the importance of clean water in the Samish Watershed. Register: [www.databarevents.com/dassh](http://www.databarevents.com/dassh)

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Please submit items for the next Shore Lines to: The Samish Shorelines, S.I. Community Center, P.O. Box 268, Bow, WA 98238 by the Monday, **Feb 26th deadline**. Call **Charlene** 360-420-0243 or email: [samishshorelines@gmail.com](mailto:samishshorelines@gmail.com)

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