

The Samish ShoreLines

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President's message

We still have to be careful to keep each other safe – maybe more now due to moving inside, closing up our houses and buildings for the winter. I hope everyone had a good time Trick-or-Treating and I hope you all have a great Thanksgiving. There are discussions about how we can brighten this holiday season and bring some joy into our island lives – including swags and wreaths for decorating mailboxes! Our 2021 Tide Calendars are currently available at Samish Gold Seafood in Allen. We will also make Tide Calendars available on the island, probably on Thanksgiving weekend. Please anticipate an announcement on Samish Neighbors about calendars and wreaths for date, time and place.

Speaking of Samish Neighbors Email group, we must discontinue our yahoo email groups due to Yahoo policy and are moving to the Google email group. A big thanks to Eileen Andersen for all her work on our behalf to keep us all easily connected. This is very important since our Shore Lines is online and with Covid-19, we need a way to stay connected. Another change is Samish Info group will roll over into Samish Neighbors, and if you no longer want to be included, you will be able to opt out. This transition is expected by the end of November so, if you don't get your Shore Lines notification by Dec 1st please notify Eileen or one of the Board Members to follow up on your inclusion.

Skagit County should have a tsunami-warning system installed on the Community Center property by the end of November. The Emergency Management Department will produce, most likely, a virtual presentation on how the tsunami-warning signal works. Watch for an update on Samish Neighbors email and/or the Shore Lines.

Linda Strobel

Fire Chief's Corner:

Dear Neighbors: I have spoken often about preparing for an emergency by making your **house numbers** visible to Firefighters. I have also spoken about joining a group of your neighbors so you can help each other out during an emergency. This is called "**Map Your Neighborhood**". Today I want to stress the importance of preparing for a wildfire. Samish Island could one day see a wildfire that threatens your house. A program called **FireWise** can give you the tools to protect your house in wildfire Washington State DNR <https://www.dnr.wa.gov/> gives a number of suggestions to prepare a "Defensible Space" around your home. During a wildfire an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. This is a great time to invest in your fire protection.

Thank you, Mike Collins

Set clocks back one hour!

Edgewater Garden Club meetings are suspended; no start-up date has been set. Meanwhile, there are discussions about disseminating information for making wreaths or swags and there are plans to help out people that might need in-person help. This information will be posted on Samish Neighbors with a date/time/place, as the President, Linda's message mentions as well.

News from Samish Island Community Garden:

We are grateful for all those who helped at the garden this year and those who donated their own produce to area food banks. We have delivered **2748 pounds** of fruits and vegetables this year (900 pounds MORE than last year). If you want to make a year-end financial donation to this effort (for seeds and compost and trees), please send your tax-deductible gift to:

Samish Is Acres-Community Garden, PO Box 334,
Bow, WA 98232. THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR

Gratitude is the practice of noticing and being

thankful for what is valuable and meaningful to you. It's good for your mental and physical health, it can help you relax and its effects can help you stay well through the pandemic and beyond. More than ever it's tough missing family and friends during the holidays. But we can let our people know we love them and are grateful for them. Sending cards with expressions of care and love touches those who receive. Maybe you can plan future gatherings or vacations together. View this helpful <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html>



Skagit County, It's Worth Protecting: Are you interested in volunteering with **Skagit Land Trust**? Sign up as a Land Steward Aide! They have lots of exciting projects coming up at Skagit Land Trust including tree plantings, trail building, and planting maintenance! The volunteering procedures have changed a little bit this year. SLT always follows Covid-19 protocols and practices social distancing - out in the field at least 6 feet away! If you are interested, please email their Volunteer and Education Programs Manager, Stacy Dahl. stacyd@skagitlandtrust.org

Activities around the island:

Many thanks to **Craig and Kerrie Salkeld** who organized neighbors to participate in a festive and safe *Halloween* for Samish Island families!

Samish Islander in the News:

Police department's social worker has had big impact on the Community; SVH, Oct 10. Imbedded with the Mt. Vernon Police Dept. as a social worker, **Erin Von Femppe's** accomplishments are impressively listed in this article. Our heartfelt gratitude to our neighbor, **Erin!** https://www.goskagit.com/community/police-departments-social-worker-has-had-big-impact/article_6d6e3268-ea91-5618-890f-653fdf53bf25.html

Community of Christ

No services this month

Jane Worlund, Co Pastor, 360.766.6284

Samish Island Memorial Chapel

Our worship service is at its regular time (11am). Please be advised that we are unable at this time to offer Children's Sunday School during the service. In keeping with the Phase 2 mandate, we are asking people to wear masks during the service.
9608 S.I. Road **Pastor Dave McAllister**

Fundraiser for Camp Fire Samish & Camp Kirby:

Please visit our website at www.campfiresamish.org, we're hosting a virtual trivia night at **7 pm on Friday, November 13th**. It's just \$10 to register for 7 rounds with FABULOUS prizes and in partnership with our favorite Edison Brewstillery, Terramar, use the code word "Camp Fire" when you order online or in person on the 13th, and Terramar will generously donate 20% of your order total to help us inspire and empower youth!

Terramar Brewing and Distilling now has two tasting rooms and a covered patio with fire pits.

The newly opened "Speakeasy" offers seasonal craft cocktails and extended menu in a cozy, 21 and older tasting room. The Brewery Tasting room is kid friendly and dog friendly on patio.

Speakeasy: Thurs.-Sun • 3pm - 9pm

Brewery Tasting Room: Wed-Mon • 11:30 - 8p

Takeout and Delivery available online at terramarcraft.com.



Please, wear a face covering to show your community that you care about them

Ads:

Pip Squeak, founded by local moms with young children, sells fun, bright clothing; Jessica Dubek www.mypipsqueak.com

Services:

Home Improvements and Repair. Expert carpentry, tile work and quality painting. Great island references. **Call Dave**, 360.630.0293.

Debbie Emerson Landscape Design, 30 years experience and lots of local references. 360.770.3401

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

Young assistant available: Ian, who is 14 years old, is eager to help with house, office and yard projects or with plant or dog care. Contact him at 360.207.9061.

Mend + Stitch: Services include custom mends, hems and alterations. Contact **Iris 360.420.6282**

Print copies of the **Shorelines** are available at the Community Center. Electronic copies are available the first of each month at www.samishisland.net

*Next deadline is Friday, Nov. 27th: Please submit items for the next Shore Lines to: Samish Shorelines, S.I. Community Center, P.O. Box 268, Bow 98238. Call **Linda, 360.766.6600** or email: samishshorelines@gmail.com.*



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