

The Samish ShoreLines

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From the President:

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR Thursday, October

21st at 10:21 am. This will be the first test of our tsunami warning signal on Blue Heron

Road with the actual signal sounds that would be heard during a real warning. Normally the monthly test will be Westminster chimes heard on the first Monday of each month at noon, but on **October 21st it will be the real thing, so be prepared.**

This is part of the GREAT WASHINGTON SHAKEOUT earthquake preparedness program. A copy of a flyer from Emergency Management is attached to this ShoreLines issue with a short check list and how to get more information about this annual test of our systems for earthquake readiness.

As part of preparing our hall for rentals after the COVID shutdown, we have installed three beautiful fans with lights to help with air circulation. Along with the sconces installed just before our shutdown, these create great “mood” lighting for evening events. They also work well with the current overhead lighting for a bright, well-lit room. Upgraded furnace filters have been installed for additional safety. Users of the hall need to follow all COVID guidelines and recommendations, including the use of masks at all times unless actively eating.

I hope you have been able to enjoy the beautiful weather we’ve been having. If that includes walking our roadways, please be very careful, watch for cars and wear a safety vest or brightly colored clothing. I have noticed many walkers wearing dark clothing which makes it more difficult to be seen, so watch out for the walkers!

We are keeping our fingers crossed that everyone does the right thing to get COVID and its variants back under control so we can safely once again have our December gatherings including the Garden Club Holiday Kickoff and the Christmas Holiday program. Please do your part and encourage your friends and relatives to do the same.

Linda Knapp-Strobel



JOIN US! The **Edgewater Garden Club** will meet on Thursday, **October 28th** at the Community Center. We gather at 10 for coffee and conversation. The meeting begins at 10:30. Samish Island resident and Master Gardener Alison Hitchcock will present the program on **Vertebrate Pest Control in the Home Garden & Landscape**. Learn how to identify damage and mitigate the effects of these garden pests. Masks are required. **ALL are welcome!**

Samish Island Acres Community Garden –

Our season is almost over and it has been a record-breaker. Thanks to all who contributed time, money, and produce to help us deliver **3,336 pounds** of food to the Skagit County Food Distribution Center which serves 14 area food banks! We’ll continue to deliver fall fruits into October. **THANK YOU ALL!**



Rain Year Totals. Our island record-keeper recorded **33.12 inches** of precipitation for the Rain Year ending 09.11.21, compared to 38.83 inches in the previous year. Thank you, **Robert Lord** for keeping us updated during the year.

Transitions: We have received news of the deaths of former Samish Island residents: **Peggy Schall** (in southern California), **Susan Hendrick**, and **Marge Dunnington**.

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

ACTIVITIES

The Samish Island Community Center is available for rent, following covid protocols. Check out “community rentals” at samishisland.net. Islander’s rate is \$100.

Community of Christ - 11507 Scott Rd. No in-person services. **Jane Worlund** – co-pastor.

Samish Island Memorial Chapel – 9608 SI Rd.
Indoor worship at 11:00 am. PLEASE WEAR MASKS.
All are welcome!



Halloween Trick-or-Treat. The CDC has not yet announced its guidelines on Halloween, so for now due to the variant and to attempt to keep everyone safe as possible, the plans are that it be contactless like

last year. Clearly mark your candy and leave it outside your home. To see the kids and their costumes, set your candy station up in a place you can watch from inside. Last year was an amazing success and everyone really got into decorating and dressing up. I encourage all to get into the spirit! Thank you all for participating and making Halloween here on the island special for the kids. If you want to participate, please send your address to **Kerrie Salkeld** (dksalkeld@wavecable.com) by Monday October 25th.

Camp Kirby News. Camptoberfest brats & brews event is **Friday, October 1st!** We'll have indoor and outdoor space available for you to enjoy, along with plenty of food and drinks. \$20 suggested donation at the door.....**Saturday, October 9th** from 10AM-4PM is our fall work party. We will be working at Camp to clean up and prepare for the coming months and would love more volunteers!

Artists Tour – Friday, October 15, on Samish Island and in Edison. This is a unique opportunity to join four of Skagit Valley's most beloved artists, for an exclusive and personal tour of their studios. **3 tickets left** - \$175 each. All proceeds benefit the Skagit Land Trust. For more information or to purchase a ticket; please contact **Debbie Ensey**, debbiee@skagitlandtrust.org

ADS & SERVICES



Seasonal Samish

Island Cards are now available! <https://samishislandcards.com/> Click on image and see all offerings in that category. 15% discount for 20 or more cards. Free local delivery. Questions: kittybluhm@wavecable.com

Knives Sharpened: \$2 per blade. Will pick up and deliver on Samish Island. Make cutting easier and safer! Call **Strand** at **360-766-4081**

Coastal Interior Design. Providing expert and affordable help with color, tile, lighting and home furnishings. Specializing in Comfortable Island Homes. **Debbie Ensey, 360-757-8771**

Dustin Whaley, outdoor handyman/helper.

Available for small scale tree trimming/removal, hedge trimming services, gutter cleaning, etc. **425-309-0405.**

For fresh organic produce, check out **Colony Creek Farmstand**, at the end of Flynn Rd in Blanchard. Open Saturday and Sunday, 10:00 - 4:00.

Vacation Rentals. Check out local guest houses available through AirBNB and VRBO. Go to samishisland.net for a listing.

Miscellaneous services: Clothes alterations, house cleaning, gardening, elders/baby/house/pet sitting and other temporary jobs. Contact **Windy** at **425-309-9999** or ccisnotit@hotmail.com



Please submit items for the next *ShoreLines* to: *The Samish ShoreLines, S.I.C.C., P.O. Box 268, Bow, WA 98238* by the **Saturday, October 29th deadline.**
Email: samishshorelines@gmail.com.

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