

The Samish ShoreLines

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From the President:

I hope you and your family had a very nice Thanksgiving and you are looking forward to Christmas. Check out the Garden Club's Holiday Kick-Off (see article in next column); I hope you will take advantage of this time to get together with your neighbors and get a head start on holiday festivities. While there, be sure to pick up a free safety vest for yourself (or neighbor) so we can see you when you are out walking on these dark, rainy days, and make a swag to decorate your mailbox to brighten our view while driving around the island. Unfortunately, we will once again NOT have our Holiday Party and Program as it seemed it would be too difficult to plan a safe event.



Because of ongoing COVID issues, the Board has decided we will NOT have our annual January Potluck but will hold our Annual Meeting and Election of Officers on Saturday, January 22, 2022, at 3 p.m. at our monthly Board meeting. There are two At-Large Board Member positions open and we are hoping you will step forward and volunteer for one of these positions to help guide the community center on future projects to keep our residents connected and a great place to live.

Several of the Board members have been working to update our SamishIsland.net website in order to make it easier to find information. We hope to have it functioning in January. We also hope to update our method of accepting dues/ donations, and ordering the Samish Island Directory. Be sure to watch the mail for our annual January letter to property owners on the island that will explain these changes. Happy holidays!

Linda Knapp-Strobel



THANKS to all who provided updates on road conditions and flooding news during our recent rain events. A special shout-out to Norm Hoffman from Dike and Drainage District #5 for his reporting. Check out the [Links page](#) on the Samish Island website for weather information from the weather stations on the island

JOIN US for the 6th Annual **Holiday Kick-Off** at the Community Center on Blue Heron Road on **Saturday, December 4th, from 10 am – 1 pm.** Please wear a mask. Here's what's going on:

- **Make a holiday swag** to decorate your mailbox. Do-it-yourself kits are also available. (Bring any fresh greens to the area behind the Community Center on Friday, December 3rd).
- **Shop** for holiday gifts: Samish Island items (hats, bags, aprons), plus island vendors (jewelry, linens, cards, coffee, ornaments). **2022 tide calendars** will also be available.
- **Kids Craft Table** – new this year. Fun for kids of all ages!
- **Socialize with neighbors....meet with friends, old and new!** Coffee and beverages provided.



Looking forward to seeing all the holiday lights and decorations around the island to brighten up these dark days.

Happy Holidays from the **Samish Island Fire Chief**. A good gift idea might be a blue reflective address sign for your neighbor who needs one. Blue custom 911 reflective address signs can be purchased from Amazon and other online vendors. Please stay safe this season by reducing the chance of trip hazards – limit extension cords and rugs.



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. Sunday **worship at 11:00 am**. Want prayer? Drop a note in our prayer box in front of the church and our prayer team will pray for your request.

The Samish Island Memorial Chapel **Christmas Celebration** will be held **Sunday, Dec 19th at 7pm**. Come enjoy carol singing, musical performances, a children’s play, and stories for the whole family! Cookies to follow.

Please join **Skagit Land Trust** at Samish Island Conservation Area on **Friday, December 17th**, 9 am to noon, as we work to restore native habitat, maintain the trail, and clean up the beach! RSVP at <https://www.skagitlandtrust.org/event.aspx?eventid=608>.

Camp Kirby is excited to introduce our new Maintenance Assistant, Ian, or "Shipwreck!" We're excited to have him as part of the year-round Camp Kirby staff. Check our website for info about our upcoming Day Camps on no-school days in January! www.campkirby.org

Looking for **activities for children** during the holidays? A few local ideas to consider:

- **Padilla Bay National Research Reserve** on Bayview Edison Road offers tank explore and fish feeding, plus junior ecologist activities. Check their website for the calendar.
- **Museum of Northwest Art (MONA)** in LaConner has early enrichment activities. www.monamuseum.org/event-calendar.
- **Children’s Museum of Skagit County** in Burlington has limited hours due to covid, but also has an online shopping option if you are looking for gifts for children.



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Kransekake! A traditional Scandinavian celebration cake tower. 5, 9 or 18 handmade chewy almond cookie rings create a tower with white Royal icing and candied fresh cranberries. Wheat-free authentic recipe from Norway. FREE island delivery/limited availability! Call/text: **Karn Kenaston at 206-414-8139** or e-mail NordicBakedTreats@gmail.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**

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

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

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



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

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