

The Samish ShoreLines

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From the SICC Board President:

Finally, the weather appears to be in agreement that it's spring! Enjoy these warm May days! Many thanks to Fran Hansen and those who came out to help with spring cleaning at the Community Center. Keep an eye out for some great new events coming up. You can find the list on the homepage of <https://samishisland.net/>.

See you around the island!

Amy Colvin

Annual Yard Sale: The All-Island Yard Sale is **Saturday, June 24th!** This annual event is a wonderful way to clear your closets and meet your neighbors. The entry fee of \$10 covers promotion, route maps, and your very own returnable Pink Flamingo. Stay tuned for registration information.



Advanced Care Planning Workshop with Dick Stuart. Join us Sunday **May 7th, from 3:00-5:00 pm** for an informational event to help you plan for health directives for your later years in life. This presentation is filled with useful information! Join us.

Join **Skagit Land Trust at Samish Miles Conservation Area**, on **Sat., May 6th, 10:30 am – 2 pm**, for a special opportunity to see the property and help clear out a garage. Sign up at: <https://www.skagitlandtrust.org/event.aspx?eventid=745>. For more information on the Samish Island Conservation Partnership, check out <https://www.skagitlandtrust.org/>.



Friday, May 12th is Community Dinner Taco Night at 5:30 pm at the Community Center. SICC will provide fresh tortillas and salsa; bring your favorite Mexican dishes or taco fillings to share. Tom Miller and Scott Colvin will offer a brief discussion on boating safety and related technology updates.

May 14th is Mother's Day!

Best wishes to moms and all those who are "like a mother" to so many!



The **Edgewater Garden Club** will meet **Thursday, May 25th** for the annual member potluck brunch at 11 am at SI Community Center. Bring a tasty dish to share with fellow Garden Club members. There will be a brief annual business meeting, and fun program: **Your Garden Favorites!** – a show and/or tell of what you love in your garden and why (plants, tools, etc.), plus learn about other gardeners' favorites. If you have extra spring plant starts, bring them to share also. **All are welcome!**

The planning committee is busy preparing for the **25th Arts Festival on Saturday, July 29th from 10 am to 4 pm**. There are vendors of all kinds, music to entertain you when you shop or eat, great food, beer & cider, as well as a chance to connect with neighbors and friends. This is a real community effort, so please:



- Mark your calendars & plan to attend!
- Be prepared to be asked to volunteer in some way – and say "yes" if you are able.
- Spread the word to friends and neighbors.

Samish Island Acres Community Garden is hoping for a good month of May after the very cold spring we've had. Seeds/starts are ready to be planted. ALL volunteers and donations of any amount are welcome. Contact Linda (lindaclarson@msn.com) to receive notice of scheduled workdays. Mail donations to PO Box 334, Bow, WA. THANKS



The **SI Resilience Access Committee** has been busy working with the County and the Dike District on issues re Samish Island Road. Go to the SICC webpage and click on "groups & orgs" to keep up with their progress.

Print copies of the **ShoreLines** are available at the Community Center. Electronic copies are posted the first of each month at www.samishisland.net and sent out to the Samish Neighbors list serve.

ACTIVITIES

Community of Christ - 11507 Scott Rd. Worship at 11 am. Co-pastor **Jane Worlund**; Camp Manager, SI Campground & Retreat Center **Christine Campbell**.

NOTE: During camping season, the trail to Lake Freestad on the Community of Christ's Campground is **closed**. Please observe posted signage.

Samish Island Memorial Chapel – 9806 SI Rd.
Sunday School Classes at 9:45 am; worship at 11 am.
Men/Boys Breakfast & fellowship, May 27th 8 am.
Community Worship, May 28th, 11 am at Community Center. Please join us. **Jim Cannon**, pastor.



BloodWorksNW is hosting a **Pop-up Blood Drive** at Edison Lutheran Church (14201 Church Road) on **Tuesday, May 9th (10 am -- 4:00 pm) & Wednesday, May 10th (9 am – 3pm)**. To make an appointment, visit [Bloodworksnw.org](https://bloodworksnw.org) or call 800-398-7888.

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Music Opportunities in May -

- **Skagit Valley Chorale Spring Concert – May 6 & 7.** Tickets available at mcintyrehall.org or 360.416.7727.
- **North Cascades Concert Band – May 6, 7:30 pm** at Salem Lutheran Church, Mount Vernon.
- **Vox Pacifica – May 25 & 26, 7 pm** at First Congregational Church, Bellingham. For tickets, go to <https://voxpacifica.org/events/>
- **Skagit Community Band – May 26, 7:30 pm** at Maple Hall in LaConner.

The **Samish Island Community Center** is available for rent. Check out “community rentals” at samishisland.net. Islander's rate is \$100. Contact Ruth (206.963.5723) or <https://samishisland.net/hall-rental/hall-rental-request-form/>

ADS & SERVICES

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

Massage available from **Amy Colvin**. Call/text **425.503.8886** or e-mail colvin.ap@gmail.com. www.amypatteecolvin.com/samish-island-massage

Notary services available on island: Contact **Denice Rochelle: 206.769.1214** or email SeattleAvenue@gmail.com.

Violet's Vacation Visits - pet sitting, mail pick-up, plant hydration, and adult-supervised house sitting. Contact dksalkeld@wavecable.com or text/call her personal assistant Kerrie **425.750.8879**

For Lease: Lovely 2 bdrm, 2 bath home with views on large lot. Newer appliances, light and bright inside. Enjoy the serenity on this beautiful parcel. For a showing, contact: **760.845.8830**.

Need help with computer or network problems? Hardware and software issues, and education relating to Mac/Windows and Microsoft Office. Also help with home security systems. Contact **Colin Hopley** at **360.853.3673**.

Island-based Energy Solutions Project offers a full spectrum of home energy evaluations. Contact Steve: **360.766.4488** or energysolutionsproject.org.

Salty 'C' Seafood: Samish Bay oysters can be pre-ordered anytime (subject to weather or bay closure). Contact **Melissa or Amanda** at **360.775.3071**.

Vacation Rentals. Check out local guest houses available through AirBNB and VRBO. Go to <https://samishisland.net/island-lodging/> for a listing.



Please submit items for the next ShoreLines to: SICC, P.O. Box 268, Bow, WA 98238 by the Monday, May 29th deadline. Email: samishshorelines@gmail.com.

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