

The Samish ShoreLines

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From the SICC Board President:

March is a month of transitions—daylight savings starts on the 10th, spring officially arrives on the 19th, the first flowers are beginning to bloom. Many social events are scheduled at the SICC throughout the next few months, so come on out and join your neighbors. Introduce yourself to people you've not yet met. If you have an idea for a presentation you'd like to offer or something you'd like to see, send a message to one of the board members. *Amy Pattee Colvin*

Guidelines for using the **Samish Neighbors Email Group** were recently distributed. This group is a great way to communicate about the activities on the island as well as get up-to-date information on roads, weather, and what's for sale or free! If you didn't receive these guidelines, go to <https://samishisland.net/> for information.

Celebrate

Winter Light Photo Celebration- Sunday, March 3
Many thanks to the

photographers who signed up so this event can happen! Please come to the Community Center from **6:30 – 8:30 pm** to see how the world is viewed from a variety of perspectives and view the images taken by your neighbors. Enjoy social time with your neighbors and vote for the photo to be featured on the cover of the 2025 island directory. *Bring your favorite dessert and beverage to share.*

Winter/Spring Concert Series begins this month. SICC is hosting a series of three concerts on the third Sundays in March, April, and May. Individual concert price is \$30; all 3 concerts for \$70. **March 17th – 3 pm – Pearl Django** (Gypsy Jazz). More information at <https://samishisland.net>



For a quick list of **upcoming events**, check out the SICC website's home page! samishisland.net

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 distributed to the Samish Neighbors list serve.

Edgewater Garden Club meets on **Thursday, March 28th** at the Community Center; Coffee/refreshments and visiting start at 10 am followed by announcements at 10:30. The program, **Noxious Weeds & Poisonous Hemlock – What to do?** presented by **Madelyn Loy**, Skagit County Noxious Weed Coordinator, begins at 10:45. Learn about some of our area's noxious weeds and how to use cost-effective and environmentally friendly methods to "weed them out." Samish Island items are available for sale. All are welcome.

Did you know???? The Garden Club is responsible for maintaining the landscaping at the Firehall. You may have noticed some damage to the mailbox surround. The Garden Club thanks **Eric Riedel** volunteering to repair the retaining wall around the mailbox. Job well done!

Arts Festival Committee. Vendor applications for the 2024 Arts Festival (July 27th) are going out to previous vendors. The forms are also available on the SICC website. If you or someone you know are interested, please submit an application. Deadline is May 1st. The next meeting of the committee is Wednesday, **March 13th** at 4 pm at the Community Center.

From the Samish Island Fire Chief

There is an abundance of sandbags at the east end of Blue Heron Rd. for anyone that could use them. Help yourselves to all that you could use. These were bagged by the Skagit Valley College baseball team and a 4H club as a service to our community. We appreciate all those that helped prepare for the king tide events. *Mike Collins*

Samish Island Acres Community Garden begins



the season on **March 7th** with its first Work Day, 10 am – noon. The garden (which grows produce for local food banks) is located at the end of Blue Heron

Road and is supported by volunteers and financial donations. Questions? lindaclarson@msn.com.

ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

The **Samish Island Community Center** is available for rent. Check out “community rentals” at samishisland.net. Islander’s rate is \$100. Contact Kathleen at 206.713.6181 or <https://samishisland.net/hall-rental/hall-rental-request-form/>

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

Samish Island Memorial Chapel – 9806 SI Rd. Sunday School Classes at 9:45 am; worship at 11 am. Please Join Us on **Easter Sunday March 31st @ the Community Center**. Sunrise service 8:00 am followed by breakfast. Worship Service 11:00 am All are welcome!
Pastor Jim Cannon.

LaConner Daffodil Festival happens every March. For information, check out www.visitskagitvalley.com/la-conner-daffodil-festival/.



Raptor Walk at the Samish Island Conservation Area, led by Sue Cottrell on **Sunday, March 10th, 9-11 am**. RSVP at www.skagitlandtrust.org/event.aspx?eventid=771

Skagit County Master Gardeners present a free “Know & Grow: Support Your Plants” (Wire Cage Building) on Tuesday, **March 19th at 1 pm** at the NWREC Sakuma Auditorium (16650 State Route 536; Mount Vernon). All are welcome.

Samish Island Camp Work Week - Saturday, **April 20** - Sunday, **April 28**. For more information, contact camp manager, Christine Campbell (360.510.5724) or Bill Campbell (253.709.8444).

Camp Fire Samish & Camp Kirby invite you to join us for our **Annual Auction** at Camp Kirby at 4:30 pm on **April 27th**! This year, we will be hosting not only our silent & live auctions but a buffet dinner and a dessert dash too! You can learn all the details and get your tickets at <http://auctria.events/campkirby>.

The **great blue heron nesting season** is beginning – you are asked to watch for nesting activity and contact **Stacy at Skagit Land Trust** (stacyd@skagitlandtrust.org) and let her know where you saw the heron flying, what direction it was flying, and where, by chance, it may have landed. Please include your phone number in your email.



Daylight Savings Time Begins on March 10th – Change clocks

ADS & SERVICES

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

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Island-based Energy Solutions Project offers a full spectrum of home energy evaluations. Contact Steve: **360-720-4378**.or energysolutionsproject.org.

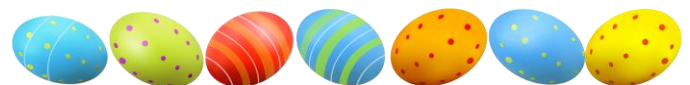
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Home Improvements and Repairs. Expert carpentry, tile work, and quality painting. Great island references. Call **Dave: 360.630.0293**.

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**.

Samish Eco Cleaning - local cleaning service dedicated to providing spotless and eco-conscious cleaning and organizational services your home, community and environment. **Marren Baye, 360.927.5592** or samishcocleaning@gmail.com

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: samishshorelines@gmail.com by the **Friday, March 29th**.

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