The Samish ShoreLines

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give thanks

From the SICC Board President:

Happy November! I hope everyone had a spooktacular Halloween! Remember to change your clocks on Sunday, November 2nd. As the daylight hours wane and twilight extends, please remember to wear reflective clothing and a headlight if necessary as you walk or run on Samish Island. Drivers, please be particularly aware of deer on the road as well as people and pets. We have some great events planned in the last couple of months of this year! We'd love to see you there. For a complete list of upcoming events, check out our website: https://samishisland.net/. Also, if you're not already on the Samish Neighbors community email group, join us. It is a great way to keep up with what's happening on the island. You'll find instructions here: https://samishisland.net/email-group/.

See you around the island! Amy Pattee Colvin



Tide Presentation: Samish Island Resilient Access Committee members Steve Hopley and Dan McShane will make a presentation discussing the celestial forces creating tides, tide predicting, and storm surge predicting for Samish Island

with a look at the historical record and what's in store for us this winter. **Monday, November 3, at 6:00 pm** at the Community Center. (Tide calendars and Samish Island calendars will be for sale).

Sand Bag Time: In preparation for the 23 King tides forecast for 2026, SICC has arranged for sand to be delivered to the east end of Blue Heron Road on November 3rd. The Firefighters are donating the bags and a local 4-H group will begin bagging the sand on November 11. You can help them on the 11th, fill your own bags, or donate to the 4-H group in gratitude!



Tamara Ingram for coordinating the Island's Halloween party......
Kerrie Salkeld for organizing the door-to-door trick/treaters on Halloween nightMary Kay Richter for leading the SICC focus sessions..... Garden Club members for the fall clean up of the Firehall Garden.

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 does not meet in November, (or December), but we hope you will join us for the Holiday Kickoff on December 6th, 10am-1pm at the Community Center. Make a mailbox swag or buy a premade one (\$20). Island-logo merchandise, 2026 tide calendars and 2026 Samish Island calendars will be for sale; vendors of arts and crafts will sell their wares. Enjoy holiday goodies and hot spiced cider while visiting with your neighbors. ALL are welcome.

Please save the date for the Samish Island Community HOLIDAY PARTY, Saturday, December 20 at 7pm. As always, EVERYONE is



welcome! It's not too soon to be thinking about how you can help out: Live entertainment (no recordings please and no longer than 5 min), volunteer to set up, clean up, bring treats or serve beverages. Please call **Susanne Kuykendall (360) 391-1375)** or email

susie.taylor1@gmail.com to volunteer time or talents. Festivities start at the Community of Christ Church on Scott Road with the SI Sitting Band at 6:30 and the program kicks off at 7:00. This is always a fun community event.

Samish Island 'Sitting Band' Members - please join us to perform at the Island Christmas Program on Saturday, December 20. Please be at the Community of Christ Hall at 6pm, we will play from 6:30-7:00 pm in the rotunda. We will play an assortment of carols and the music will be provided. If anyone would like to join the Band, or get copies of the music ahead of time, please call, text, or email Gail Hopley at 360.708.5460 or gaildhopley@gmail.com).



Fire Chief's Corner

As the Island grows, SIFD is encountering more gates and locked doors. Security is great, but these things slow our response. Knox Boxes are a secure, county-

approved way to make your gate code or door key available to the fire department when you're unable to let us in. Think of them as a combination of a key under the mat and a bank vault. Knox Boxes aren't cheap, but neither are gates or front doors which, in an emergency, can require forcible entry. The Local Vendor, Patriot Fire Protection, can be reached at (253) 926-2290. *Tom Miller, Fire Chief*

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 **Pegi Powers**; 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. **Pastor Jim Cannon.**

Election Day

Tuesday, November 4th. Ballots are due at 8 pm. Please exercise your right to vote!

B-I-N-G-O!!! Let's gather for some bingo fun on the Friday after Thanksgiving, (Nov 28th, 3-6pm at SICC). \$1 per game. Winner each game. Raffle items to increase the fun! All are welcome!





Area food banks need our help!

Community Action of Skagit County (330 Pacific Pl, MV) serves all the food banks. If you want to help out a smaller one, there are 2 in La Conner. (Sunrise and Helping Hands). Your donations of food and money will help many of our neighbors. Volunteers are

also welcome. THANK YOU

Skagit Land Trust's Winter Speaker Series kick off (on Zoom) November 13th at 6pm with "Soul of the Skagit: Stories of Conservation and Connectedness." Awardwinning author and photographer Christian Murillo will share stories and images from his 2023 book *Soul of the Skagit*, which explores the topics of climate change, conservation, and interconnectedness in the Skagit River Watershed. To register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/soul-of-the-skagit-with-christian-murillo-tickets-1790072929319

Introduction to Raptors of Northwest Washington Join Sue Cottrell for an introduction to the 15 diurnal raptor species seen in northwest Washington. Through photos and discussion, she will help you learn the field marks and behaviors to look for when trying to find and identify these birds. Sue has over-30 years of experience trapping and banding raptors with the Falcon Research Group.

Thursday, December 4, 7 pm at SICC.



Sunday, November 2nd. Set your clocks back 1 hour.

ADS & SERVICES

Want a fun, motivational morning dedicated to your next steps? Join the Vision Board Workshop, Nov. 9th. This blend of mindset, movement, and creative worktime helps you reprogram your inner focus—gain unshakeable clarity about your dreams and have the confidence to go for them! Amy Colvin (bit.ly/47JRFcN).

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

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

Looking to improve your landscaping? I can help with garden installation, planning, fence work, drainage, and irrigation systems. Darby Blake, 206.669.8422.

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

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

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

Mortgage Broker - Buying a home? Refinancing for a better rate? Taking cash out of your equity? Do it with low rates and a smooth, stress-free process. Contact: Alex Stahley at 206.488.6882

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 by Friday, November 28th to:samishshorelines@gmail.com.

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