

# The Samish ShoreLines

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### *From the SICC Board President:*

March is a month of transitions—daylight savings starts on the 8th, and spring officially arrives on the 20th. Many social and informational events and activities are scheduled at the Community Center over the next few months, so come on out, join your neighbors, and introduce yourself to people you haven't yet met. If you have ideas for community events you'd like to facilitate or see happen, let us know! A full list of upcoming events is at [www.samishisland.net](http://www.samishisland.net).

*See you around the island, Amy Pattee Colvin*



**Sunday, March 8th, 3 – 5 pm** at the Community Center. Pearl Django is a jazz group established in 1994 in Tacoma and melds the music of Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli with American Swing. They play traditional jazz classics and original compositions, and are among the most highly regarded gypsy jazz groups working today. <http://www.pearldjango.com/>. Purchase your tickets at <https://samishisland.net/purchase-concert-tickets/>

The SICC “Fun Stuff” Committee kicked off their “every third Sunday activity” in February with a very fun game night on the 15th. A good time was held by all. So much so, that "game night" will be repeated on **Friday nights, 5-7 pm - March 6th, April 3rd and May 1st.**

**March 15th, 5-7 pm – Wine Tasting Program & Potluck.** Featuring Skagit Valley Food Co-op's recently introduced private label wines. More details on this fun event soon.

The SICC History Committee has also been busy. Come hear stories of Samish Island history with a panel of speakers from our neighborhood! **Sunday, March 22, 3:30 - 5:30 pm** at the Community Center. Join us!

**Edgewater Garden Club** meets **Thursday, March 26th.** We gather at 10 am for coffee and conversation. The meeting starts at 10:30 with announcements, followed by the program, “Plant Propagation,” presented by **Laurie Johnson and Jessamyn Tuttle, Skagit County Master Gardeners.** Laurie and Jessamyn always have fun talking about making more plants from what we have in our yards or what we like in someone else's yard. Samish Island logo items will be sold. **ALL are welcome.**

**Arts Festival Committee. Vendor applications** for the **2026 Arts Festival (July 25th)** 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 by **May 1st.**

**Samish Island Acres Community Garden** is located at the east end of Blue Heron Road. We grow produce for area food banks. The seeds have been ordered and work in the garden will begin soon. If you are interested in being a part of this important work (or have questions), please contact **Linda** ([lindaclarson@msn.com](mailto:lindaclarson@msn.com)) or 360.770.7550.

The **Samish Island Book Club** meets one evening a month at the SICC hall for riveting and respectful discussion on a book determined by group vote.



Members are interested in a wide range of genres from contemporary fiction to memoirs and non-fiction. If you'd like to join the group, please reach out to **Kayla** ([a.connotation@gmail.com](mailto:a.connotation@gmail.com)) and **Wendy** ([wjsedlacek@gmail.com](mailto:wjsedlacek@gmail.com)).

**Congratulations!** Island resident **Bob Pavia** was one of nine community members appointed to the newly created Skagit County Climate Impact Advisory Committee (CIAC).

**Passages:** Helen Jones, who graced us with last year's field of poppies on Samish Island Road, passed away February 3, 2025. (click to read obituary).

## ACTIVITIES/EVENTS

The Samish Island Community Center is available for rent. Check out “community rentals” at [samishisland.net](http://samishisland.net). Islander’s rate is \$100. Contact Kerrie at 425.750.8879 or <https://samishisland.net/hall-rental/hall-rental-request-form/>

**Community of Christ** - 11507 Scott Rd. Worship at 11 am, alternate Sundays. All are welcome. **Jane Worlund**, Island Contact; **Brad Martell**, SI Campground Retreat Center Director.

**Samish Island Memorial Chapel** – 9806 SI Rd. Sunday School Classes at 9:45 am; worship at 11 am. **Pastor Jim Cannon**.

**Skagit Land Trust’s March Activities:** *For more info and to sign up for these events:* [www.skagitlandtrust.org](http://www.skagitlandtrust.org)

--**Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30 pm**, Online Speaker Series - panel of speakers focused on wildfire prevention and emergency preparedness.

--**Friday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 9am-12pm**. Work day at the Day Creek Forest site.

--**Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:30–7:30pm**. Annual Meeting for SLT members and their guests, at the Mount Vernon Library Commons, with Betsy Peabody and Bill Dewey, speaking on ocean acidification. Registration is required.

--**Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 10am – 1pm**, Work day at our Miles Property on Samish Island.

### More Music in March:

--**Cantabile Chamber Choir, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm** at McIntyre Hall, Mount Vernon.

--- **Skagit Community Band, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm** at Maple Hall, LaConner and **March 15, 3 pm** at Westminster Presbyterian Church, Anacortes

--- **Skagit Symphony, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 pm** at McIntyre Hall, Mount Vernon.



**Community Yoga.** Stretch your body • move gently • relax your mind • enjoy community. **Mondays, March 9, 16, 23, 30, (10 – 11 am)** at the Community Center. This is a relaxed, welcoming class—drop in when you can.

Print copies of the **ShoreLines** are available at the Community Center. Electronic copies are posted the first of each month at [www.samishisland.net](http://www.samishisland.net) and distributed to the Samish Neighbors list serve.



**Daylight Savings Time Begins on March 8<sup>th</sup>** – Change clocks by “springing ahead 1 hour.”

## ADS & SERVICES

**Cottage for rent;** starting April 1, 2026. 2 bedroom; heat, water and garbage included. Call **360.708.3380**.

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

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

**Massage appointments** available in your own home with **Kris Layman:** text **651.343.4932** or email [krlaymandhi@gmail.com](mailto:krlaymandhi@gmail.com).

**Rent a space** for your car or 14' boat; available on Samish Island. If interested and would like to know the details, please call **360.202.7038**.

**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 [energysolutionsproject.org](http://energysolutionsproject.org).

**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](mailto:SeattleAvenue@gmail.com).

**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 Sunday, **March 29<sup>th</sup>** to: [samishshorelines@gmail.com](mailto:samishshorelines@gmail.com).*

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