

The Samish ShoreLines

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From the SICC Board President:

July is a busy month on Samish Island! Attending these events is a wonderful way to get to know islanders you haven't yet met or spend time with islanders you know but don't see often. Check out the SICC website: <https://samishisland.net>.

See you around the island, Amy Pattee Colvin



Bingo Time! Friday, July 3rd, 3-6pm - Community Center on Blue Heron Road. \$1.00/game, 10 games. Bingo cards and daubers

provided. Bring \$1 bills, snacks and beverage - Coffee and Cake provided. Win fun prizes!

SAMISH ISLAND MARCHING BAND PRACTICE: Friday, July 3rd at 7 pm in SICC parking lot. ALL are welcome.

Saturday, July 4th – Parade begins at 1 pm. Participants will assemble at the east end of Blue Heron Road. Thanks to **Andrea Ratfield & Brad Martell**, parking will be available in the field. All personal vehicles must clear the intersection of Roney Road and Blue Heron Road by 12:30 pm.



From the Fire Chief: Please keep a charged hose nearby when lighting off fireworks. Even with the recent rain, grass can catch fire and really take off. Also, as summer call volume increases, please be conscious of the siren when it wails - we're coming. Samish Island firefighters often use 4-way blinkers to identify ourselves as we head to the station. Anything you can do to safely expedite that response is appreciated. **Tom Miller**

A Whale of a BBQ – Sunday, July 19, 4 pm at the Community Center, to recognize ALL who gave their time, talent, and/or resources for the respectful removal of the deceased fin whale from North Beach in May. The group that coordinated the whale removal is providing/ barbecuing a selection of meats and seafood and providing a variety of beverages. You are welcome to bring a side dish, though it is not required. A short presentation will recognize the volunteers who made this happen and disclose the funding resolution.

SICC MAILING ADDRESS CHANGE: As of July 15th, SICC will be using our street address (11292 Blue Heron Rd, Bow, WA 98232) for all mail (no PO Box). A most appreciative thank you goes to **Eric Riedel** and **Dave Weitzel** for the new mailbox installation.



Save the Date: The **All-Island Yard Sale is Saturday, July 11th!** This annual event is a wonderful way to clear your closets and meet your neighbors. Limited indoor space available at SICC. The \$10 entry fee covers

promotion, route maps, and your very own returnable Pink Flamingo. **Registration deadline is July 3rd** - <https://samishisland.net/2026-all-island-yard-sale/>.

GREEN CRAB INFO: To learn more about invasive European green crab and what you can do to help stop their spread, all ages are invited to a **FREE** molt search workshop on **Thursday, July 2nd at 6pm at the Community Center**. Dress for the weather; bring your own bucket and/or set of inexpensive calipers. If you can, install the MyCoast app on your smartphone (free for [iOS](#) and [Android](#)) and create an account before the workshop so that you can log your searches. More info, contact **Jen Coslor** at jencoslor@gmail.com or **360.708.5317**.



This year's ARTS FESTIVAL Featured Artist is Michelle O'Connor. Her medium is upcycled denim – her creations are both lovely and practical. Plan to join in this traditional island event – **10 am – 4 pm on Saturday, July 25th**. There are still volunteer slots to be filled. Check out samishisland.net for options.

Cook-off Winners. The Fun Stuff Committee sponsored a Chili & Chowder Cook-off in June. 10 cooks participated. The winners were: **Brent Coble** for "Brent's Beef and 5-Bean Chili" and **Cindy & Joe Ferrario** for "Chicken and Corn Chowder." In addition to the "official" winners, **everyone** was a winner – it was a blast! There's already talk about next year....

THANKS to Garry Heinrich for the great whale presentation and to **Jan Jones** for sharing her stories about Mary Scott. (June was a busy month!)

Other July Events at the Community Center:

- **Monday, July 1, 7-9 pm – SI Book Club**
- **Mondays at 10 am at SICC – YOGA** – All levels welcome.
- **Monday, July 13, 10:30 am - Cars & Trucks & Coffee**
- **Fridays, July 3, 17 & 31 – Fiber Circle, 10:30 am – noon**

ACTIVITIES & EVENTS

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**.

Vacation Bible School at Samish Island Memorial Chapel is July 6-10, 9:30-11:30 AM. This year's theme is *Junkyard Redemption*, and there will be fun crafts, STEM activities, songs, and stories for all kids, ages 4+. VBS is free! Come any or all days. Register in-person or online at <https://samishislandmemorialchapel.org/vbs>. For questions, call or text **Jen** at **360.708.5317**.

Ice Cream in the Park - June 16th, 1-3 pm by the playground. Thanks to the **Salkeld's** for providing this fun summer tradition.



JULY MUSIC EVENT: The **Samish Island Community Center** and **Terramar Brewing** are co-sponsoring a fun evening community event on **Thursday, July 16 from 5 – 7 pm**, featuring the sounds of Samish Islander, **Monica Fiorito** and the **Puppy Wranglers**. The **Puppy Wranglers**, with Monica's timeless vocals, and supported by a selection of top-notch musicians, will bring their signature blend of Americana, folk, and roots-inspired music to Terramar's outdoor stage, in Bow. Plan now to join the fun and enjoy a summer evening of lawn games and music with community friends and family. Terramar will be offering \$1.00 off on beer, soda, or cider for Samish Islanders. Don't forget your ID with your address.

Skagit Land Trust Upcoming Activities: *Please go to skagitlandtrust.org for more information and to sign up!*

- July 7th – “Woof Walks” with Skagit Land Trust @ Cumberland Creek Conservation Area
- July 24th & July 31st – SLT Trail Maintenance Work Parties @ Marblemount Conservation Area

Summer Activities for all ages at Padilla Bay Reserve: Check out: [Padilla Bay Reserve - Washington State Department of Ecology](#)

The Samish Island Community Center is available for rent. Check out “community rentals” at samishisland.net. Islander's rate is \$100. Contact **Kerrie** at **425.750.8879**.

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.

ADS & SERVICES

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

Graphic design, branding, and websites made by humans. Get in touch with **Kayla**: kayla@cascadia-creative.com or **508.523.3241**

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**.

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**.

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

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

Open art studio. Call or text **Claudia** at **206.387.5292**. When the sign is out (weekends mostly) drop-in is ok, 9382 Marshall Road.

Notary services available on island: Contact **Denice Rochelle**: **206.769.1214**, email SeattleAvenue@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**.

Island-based Energy Solutions Project offers a full spectrum of home energy evaluations. Contact **Steve**: **360.720.4378** or energysolutionsproject.org.

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 Wednesday, July 29th to: samishshorelines@gmail.com.

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