

The Samish ShoreLines

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From the SICC Board President:

It feels like summer is winding down as leaves change color and apples are ready for harvest. It was fantastic to see the community gathering together for SICC-sponsored Blues on the Bluff, our outdoor concert, which offered wonderful music and a chance for neighbors to visit with one another throughout the evening. We have more great events coming up through the fall and winter, and we hope to see you there! For a complete list, check out <https://samishisland.net/>. For 2027, the SICC board has a few openings. If you'd like to get involved in your community by being a board member, we'd love to hear from you! Get in touch with any current board member to express your interest.

See you around the island, Am y Pattee Colvin



Annual SICC Salmon BBQ, Sunday, September 13th from 5 to 7pm at the Community Center. Local salmon will be prepared. Please bring a dish to share, from savory to sweet, and your own beverage to enjoy.

Water and coffee will be provided. There will be outdoor games (weather permitting) for all ages. Hope to see you there.

SICC Fun Stuff Committee

From the Fire Chief: The Spokane fires have folks hyperaware of the dangers of wildfires. By maintaining vegetation, clearing combustible materials, and keeping roofs and gutters free of debris you make your home and community more fire resistant and help firefighters operate more safely. I'm working to bring a FireWise representative to talk to our community in the next month or so, but in the meantime, you can visit FireWise.org for more information.

Tom Miller

NOTE: The Board of Fire Commissioners of Skagit County Fire Protection District No. 5 has placed a property tax levy proposition on the November 3, 2026 General Election ballot. If approved by voters, the levy would increase the district's regular property tax rate to fund apparatus replacement, facility maintenance, and rising operating costs for the fire district. For more information, go to www.skagitfire5.org and click on "levy information."



Edgewater Garden Club begins a new program year on **Thursday, September 24th**. We gather at 10 am for goodies and conversation; announcements at 10:30, followed by the program: **Mushrooms & Fungi – From the edible to garden art**, presented by **Fred Rhoades**, Retired WWU Professor and academic mycologist. (NOTE – you can bring any mushroom you would like help identifying to the meeting). Directories for the coming year will be available (dues of \$20/household must be paid by September 4th to get your name included). Samish Island merchandise (hats, visors, towels, napkins, tote bags, license plate holders, and mugs) are available at this and every meeting of the Garden Club. You don't have to be a dues-paying member to attend. **All are welcome!**



Samish Island Acres Community Garden, located at the east end of Blue Heron Road, grows produce for area food banks. As you harvest your own gardens and fruit trees, please consider bringing any excess to us on Thursdays, before 11 am and we will gladly deliver it to the Food Distribution Center. Want to help with operations? Volunteers are always welcome and financial donations can be mailed to SI Acres, PO Box 334, Bow, WA. **Thank you for your support.**

State-Wide Burn Ban continues through the month of September. It's still VERY DRY out there – be careful!



Other September Events at the Community Center

- Wednesday, **Sept 2**, 7-9 pm – **SI Book Club**. *Lula Dean's Little Library of Banned Books* by Kirsten Miller.
- Mondays (**Sept 7, 21, & 28**) at 10 am at SICC – **YOGA** – All levels welcome.
- Monday, **September 14**, 10:30 am - **Cars & Trucks & Coffee**
- Fridays, **Sept 11 & 25** – **Fiber Circle**, 10:30 am – noon
- Thursday, **Sept 27** – **SICC Board meeting**, 7 pm.

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**.

Final Ice Cream in the Park – Tuesday, September 1st, 1-3 pm by the playground. Thanks to the Salkeld's for providing this fun summer tradition.

Music in the Park @ Swift Center (Sedro-Woolley) will feature the **Skagit Symphony** on Saturday, September 12th, 5:30 – 8 pm. The music is free; local food trucks and vendors plus a beer garden. More information at **Music in the Park - Port of Skagit**



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

- **September 24**– Yudwasta Big Rock Park Walks
- **October 3** – “Life in the Wild” with Chris Morgan at Mount Vernon Library Commons.

The **Skagit County Historical Museum**’s featured exhibit is **Where Our Food Comes From: Honoring the Farmworkers and Farmers of Skagit County**. Located at 501 South 4th, La Conner, the museum is open Thursday through Sunday, 11 am – 4 pm. Its permanent exhibits and book store are also worth the trip.



SLOW DOWN – School is back in session. Watch for walkers and bikers of ALL ages, as the daylight wanes. Reflective vests are available to islanders for free from SICC – you can get one at any Garden Club meeting.

Did you know? Over 1 billion birds are killed in collisions with glass each year? For ideas on how to decrease this, check out: https://www.stopbirdcollisions.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/BCPA_Infographic_Night-1.jpg

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

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**

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**.

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

Open art studio Fr. Sat. Sun: Sept. 10 am-6 pm; ,Oct. 10am-5pm or by calling **206.387.5292**. Many styles. Holiday pricing. 9382 Marshall rd. ClaudiaRosskuhn.com; claudia.rk@iCloud.com

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 Monday, September 28th to: samishshorelines@gmail.com.

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