The Samish ShoreLines

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From the SICC Board President:

Happy November! I hope everyone had a spooktacular Halloween! As the season changes, daylight hours wane and twilight extends; please consider wearing reflective clothing and a headlight when walking or running on Samish Island. Drivers, please be especially 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/.

See you around the island, ***Amy Pattee Colvin***

If you missed it, the **Firewise Presentation** from last month can be found on the Samish Island YouTube channel: **https://youtu.be/VNs_h5hFkyw.**

SICC 2027 Board Elections: Open Seats & Timeline

Serving on the board is a wonderful way to contribute to our community. Open positions, timeline, and recent bylaw updates regarding elections can be found here: https://samishisland.net/about-sicc/. Information has also been sent via Samish Neighbors. The Annual Meeting will be held on January 31, 2027.

The **Samish Island History Committee** invites you to join us for another presentation by **Theresa Trebon: The Point Elliott Treaty: An Overview. Sunday, November 29, 4–6 pm at SICC.** *Cookies will be provided!*

Kerrie Salkeld for organizing the door-to-door trick/treaters on Halloween night.

Garden Club members for the fall clean up of the Firehall Garden.

Other November Events at the Community Center

- Wednesday, **November 4,** 7-9 pm - **SI Book Club.** *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek.* To join, please contact Kayla at: a.connotation@gmail.com.
- Fridays, **November 6 & 20 – Fiber Circle,** 10:30 am – noon
- Friday, **November 6 – Game Night,** 6-8 pm
- Sunday, **November 15 – Luminaria Workshop & Potluck,** 5-7 pm. Watch for more details.

Edgewater Garden Club does not meet in November, (or December), but we hope you will join us for the **Holiday Kickoff on Saturday, December 5th, 10am-2pm at the Community Center.** Make a mailbox swag or buy a premade one ($20). Island-logo merchandise and **2027 tide calendars** will be for sale; vendors of arts and crafts will sell their wares. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Cookie exchange (watch for more info) and Photos with Santa! (pets welcome). Enjoy holiday goodies and hot spiced cider while visiting with your neighbors. **ALL are welcome.**

Save the date: **Samish Island Community HOLIDAY PROGRAM, Saturday, December 19th at 7pm at Community of Christ on Scott Road.** How can you participate? Volunteer to help with set up/clean up, bring treats, serve beverages, offer your talent (live entertainment, 5 minutes or less). Please call **Susanne Kuykendall (360. 391.1375**) or email **susie.taylor1@gmail.com** to volunteer time and/or talents. This is always a fun community event. As always**, EVERYONE is welcome!**

Samish Island 'Sitting Band' Members – old & new: plan on being at the Community of Christ rotunda and ready to play by **6 pm on Sat, Dec 19th –** music provided. Call, text, or email **Gail Hopley at 360.708.5460 or gaildhopley@gmail.com)** if you have any questions or want music in advance!

The SICC has purchased sand again this year to assist our beachfront neighbors and protect our community property ahead of winter storms and king tides. **Sandbagging Details: Wed, Nov 11th, 10:00 am** at the east end of Blue Heron Road. Burlap sandbags provided by our local fire department. If you prefer longer-lasting woven poly bags, you are welcome to bring your own to fill. Andrea Ratfield has kindly offered to organize her 4-H group to help bag sand and assist with delivery for neighbors who need a hand. (A special thank-you to Steven Dahl of Skagit Aggregates for generously donating the delivery cost). To support these efforts, donations are welcome—either directly to Andrea for the 4-H youth or to the SICC to help offset the cost of the sand via samishisland.net/donations/. **Note: King Tides are forecast to begin on November 25th.**

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.**

Deposit your ballot in a Drop Box by 8 pm on **Tuesday, November 3rd.** Check your ballot status at www.vote.wa.gov.

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

- **Saturdays, Nov 14th and Nov 21st , 9am – noon.** Tree Planting Work Parties**.**
- **Thursday November 19th at 6pm.** Winter online speaker series : **"The March Point Heronry: A Bird's Eye View"** with Anne Winkes and Stacy Dahl.

North Cascades Concert Band: Fri, Nov 20 (7:30 pm at Whatcom Comm. College), **Sat, Nov 21** (7:30 pm at Byrnes PAC, Arlington), **Sun, Nov 22** (3 pm at McIntyre Hall). Details at Schedule - North Cascades Concert Band.

The Rise and Fall of the Great Skagit Valley Pea Industry" - How Skagit Valley Fed the World and Built a Region. This free event, presented by the Burlington Historical Society, is offered at the Burlington Public Library (820 E. Washington Avenue) on **Saturday, November 21st, 1-4 pm.**

The **5th annual gathering of the proteins** to stock the Food Pantry will be **November 21st**, the Saturday before Thanksgiving, from **10 to noon** at the **Samish Firehall**.

It's time for another BINGO session at the Community Center: **Friday after Thanksgiving, (Nov 27th, 3-6pm at SICC)**. $1 per card – multiple cards available! Winner each game. Raffle items to increase the fun! All are welcome!

Samish Island Acres Community Garden had another record-breaking year, delivering **more than 6800 pounds** of fruits and vegetables to the Food Distribution Center. **Thanks for all your support.**

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.

Sunday, November 1st. Set your clocks back 1 hour.

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**

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.**

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

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

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

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**.

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

Dragonfly Herbal Salves, made on Samish Island. Lavender, Comfrey, Dandelion Skincare, Balm of Gilead, Wormwood & Honeysuckle. $10/4 oz jar. Pain Relief Salve $15. **Demery 206.412.3276.**

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

For Rent: 1-2 person cottage; open woodlands & water view. No pets. $1750 a month. Call/text: **360.770.6644**

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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