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Shelton will run again for county job

By Mary Kay Doody

Mike Shelton will run for another term as Island County Commissioner for District 2, Central and South Whidbey Island.

The South Whidbey Republican said he is proud of what he's accomplished in his first term and that there are changes in local government it will take another four years to make.

He and District 2 Commissioner Mac McDowell point to the economic stability of county government they've effected by trimming spending and putting money into a reserve fund to avoid having to lay workers off in lean years.

And even though a state Growth Management Appeals Board is threatening sanctions because the county has not met its deadlines for

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Donita Clausen photo

Hooping it up for the Wolves

As the Coupeville High School boys basketball team moved up in the standings last week, school spirit began reaching a new high as these guys gave the shirts off their backs to show their support for the home team. From left to right are Isaiah Penrod, Brandon Reedy, John Massengale, Lance Friswold, Jomo Bowman and Aaron Henderson. The Wolves faced Lynden Christian last night. To read about the Wolves, please turn to page 7 of this week's issue of The Coupeville Examiner.

Students rally so the show can go on

Drama students performing 'Dino'

It is the play that almost wasn't.

Not because it tackles some very serious and important issues, but because the drama club needed a new advisor at the last minute.

"Dino," a drama about a 17-year-old boy just out of reform school after serving four years, will be performed at 7 p.m. tonight and Saturday in the performing arts center at Coupeville High School.

In the play, the title character is returning to a very verbally abusive home, said new drama advisor Judi Marti. And "Dino" has a 13-year-old brother "who wants to grow up to be just like him."

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A new vision



Donita Clausen photo

On a recent blustery day, New Coupeville Festival Association President Joan Fisher stands near the trail leading to Town Park from downtown.

Coupeville's John Schisel, of John Schisel Construction, was re-elected festival vice president for this year. Other officers elected at the festival association's annual meeting last month are secretary Benye Weber, secretary, and Anne Marie Mortenson, treasurer.

Elected as members at large on the board of directors are Bob Cadwallader, Silvia Turkington and Kim Vance.

Established in 1964, the Coupeville Festival Association puts on the Coupeville Arts and Crafts Festival the second weekend of August. The festival draws more than 20,000 people each year. Net proceeds from the event are returned to the community in the form of grants for beautification or other projects.

This year, the association may commission an artist to design the festival posters and T-shirts.

Shuttles would get people to park

By Mary Kay Doody

As the Coupeville Festival Association's new president, Joan Fisher is looking at improving access between downtown and Town Park during the annual Arts & Crafts Festival.

The park's traditional access was blocked the past two years by new property owners who don't want festival-goers using a waterfront path that the town believed was public property, but which the owners assert is their private property.

That's why Fisher envisions shuttle vans traveling a well-marked route between Coupeville High School, downtown festival venues and up the hill to Town Park, where food vendors, entertainment and children's activities will be concentrated.

"We were concerned that nobody miss the opportunity to get to the park easily," Fisher said. In fact, the association will have a new position

this year, a volunteer park coordinator, to ensure this happens.

The festival association plans to publicize the shuttles widely, and provide more children's activities and musical entertainment in the Town Park, Fisher said.

Fisher took over the gavel from Coupeville Festival Association President Don Wodjenski last month and is organizing volunteers.

A volunteer herself last year, Fisher said she learned the ropes by watching Wodjenski at work and helping wherever she could.

"I shadowed him," she said.

Fisher is a biochemist with her own business making lures for agricultural pests by using pheromones, hormones that attract the insects to traps lined with sort of a high-tech fly-paper.

Fisher said she is thrilled to be living in Coupeville. She and her husband Dave moved to Whidbey Island from Salinas, Calif. in 1994.

Volunteers sought to help with annual festival

Coupeville Festival Association President Joan Fisher is looking for volunteers to work in the following areas:

Entertainment; publicity; operations; children's activities, chaired by Deb Sherman; food booths; wine-tasting; art gallery; hospitality; the new volunteer coordination meeting, chaired by Mary Jo Isenmann and Lyn McDowell; and the office committee, headed by Joyce Claus.

To learn about the festival or to volunteer for one of the many jobs that make it all happen, plan to attend the next general festival association membership meeting, 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 19, at Cam-Bey Apartments, across North Main Street from Whidbey General Hospital.

'Friends' form to preserve natural beauty of Whidbey

By Mary Kay Doody

You hear people complaining that Whidbey Island is losing too much of the natural beauty and assets people come here to appreciate.

A group has formed to do more than complain. The Friends of Whidbey Island is taking action.

Friends of Whidbey Island is organizing as a non-profit corporation, and will hold its first general meeting next month.

"We do hope to capture the interest of all those people who care about the future of the island," co-founder Jim Howe said. "There are concerns all up and down the island. I get calls from people who wish they could do something."

Howe said the group wants "to build a stronger community, to pull people together, to feel 'island ownership.' We want to celebrate Whidbey Island, not ruin it. We want to defend it against all comers."

Howe is a retired National Park Service planner. He said the group is interested in "the intelligent use of our island and its natural assets for the long-term benefit of all."

"It is a positive approach to growth and community based on our concern for the quality of life and the opportunities that will be here for our children," according to the group's literature. "This is the highest form of thrift—the prevention of waste and despoilment while preserving, improving, renewing the quality and usefulness of all our resources."



Jim Howe

character.

"If this happens, the foundation for much of the economy will be lost along with the reasons people visit Whidbey Island and desire to live here," they say in the "Friends" brochure. "Friends of Whidbey Island are dedicated to the proposition that this island will retain its special qualities and remain a jewel in the inland sea of Puget Sound."

As a non-profit, volunteer citizens organization, the group seeks support from concerned residents and visitors. Dues for membership are \$10 for students, \$5 for individual or family membership, \$50 for support membership and \$100 for sustaining membership.

Other founders, who met Jan. 6 at the Central Whidbey Fire and Rescue station on Race Road, include Oak Harbor educator, writer and activist Trudy Sundberg and Tom Clendenin, a retired Army Infantry officer and publisher. Others are Greenbank residents Christie O'Donnell, Keith Bowers and Tom and Page Baenen, and Coupeville residents Lyla Snover, Bob and Joan Lappin, Rob Harbour, Gary and Diane Piazzon and Don Wodjenski.

■ For more information write the Friends of Whidbey Island at P.O. Box 70, Freeland, WA 98249.

Shelton reelected network chairman

Island County Commissioner Mike Shelton was reelected last week for one year as chairman of the North Sound Regional Support Network board of directors.

This will be Shelton's second term as chairman. The chairman is subject to the board's mandates and responsible for the supervision and direction of the network's business affairs. Shelton will also execute all contracts authorized by the board and will preside over support network board meetings.

The regional support network board of directors is responsible for contracting of mental health services throughout Island, Snohomish, Skagit, San Juan and Whatcom counties.

The network board meets 1:30 p.m. the fourth Thursday of each month in the Skagit Valley College board room in Mount Vernon.

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adopting a comprehensive plan and regulations as required by the state Growth Management Act, Shelton insists he's not against managing growth.

"It's indeed a formidable task and one that should not have been undertaken," Shelton said of the county's planning effort to comply with the law. Rather, Shelton said, the state should have two growth laws, one for urban counties like



Donita Clausen photo

Students at Coupeville Elementary form a large circle to illustrate the word of the month, "collaboration."

Coupeville Elementary word is 'collaboration'

Coupeville Elementary School's social skills word for February is "collaboration."

Students will illustrate the word by working cooperatively and through their volunteer efforts.

One of those volunteer efforts is the Reading Partners Program in which fourth grade classrooms

pair with first grade classrooms to share reading skills, offer chances for practice in reading aloud and support the fact that reading is important.

Another aspect of Reading Partners has some volunteer fifth graders giving up a recess a week to help with the basic skills classroom.

King, Pierce and Snohomish counties, and one for fast-growing rural counties.

Shelton announced his candidacy last Thursday, and so far is unopposed.

McDowell, an Oak Harbor Republican also up for election this year, has an opponent in Lynne Wilcox, who announced last week that she'll run against him for the District 2 Commissioner job. She, too, is an Oak Harbor Republican.

No Democrats have entered the race for commissioner, and Paul Fournier, chairman of the Island County Democratic Central Committee, said it's been hard getting anyone interested because the board of elected freeholders may succeed in getting voters to throw out the traditional three-commissioner form of government.

DINO: Coupeville High School drama students rally so the show can go on

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Much of the play is set at a community youth center and tackles many serious issues and situations.

Because the original drama instructor, had to drop out for health reasons, the play was canceled more than once, Marti said. And because there was difficulty finding a replacement, Marti said she decided to see if she could help.

The work the students did to get the play ready was phenomenal, she said. The cast and crew practiced six days a week after she became advisor.

"I am so impressed," said Marti. "This cast is just awesome—it's

going to be just awesome."

The cast includes Kim Burnett, Josh Butela, Jeff Bass, Jodi Burlington, Doug Boling, Aaron Henderson, Nate Dufour, Courtney Jones, Leslie McDougall, Karen Maier, Laura Valdastris, Robert

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Vets helping to curb dog, cat overpopulation

For a limited time, Whidbey Animal Improvement Foundation and all Whidbey Island veterinarians are offering substantial discounts to some pet owners starting Feb. 27.

Veterinarians, humane societies, legislators and thousands of others signed on to stop pet overpopulation.

To help stem the increasing animal population, people are urged to have their cats and dogs spayed or neutered. Or, if your animal is already altered, end a donation marked "Spay Day USA" to WAIF, P.O. Box 1108, Coupeville, WA 98239.

School honor roll students announced for 1st semester

Coupeville Middle SDchool, and Coupeville High School recently announced their honor rolls for the first semester of the 1995-96 school year. The names of students who earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average (gpa) are in bold type. To qualify for the honor roll a student must have a gpa of 3.0 or better.

Middle School

Grade 6: Vanessa M. Ames, Noelle E. Bare, **Clark P. Bishop**, Jennifer N. Brown, Scott P. Brown, Brian P. Cannon, Jennifer L. Connolly, David B. Cummins, Mariah R. Dahl, Allison De Wispelaere, Amanda L. Dyer, **Bethany E. Eichler**, Ashley R. Ellsworth, Cory A. Evans, Angela E. Fallert, Robert L. Fasolo, Victoria M. Garner, Alicia Goodin, Amanda M. Hamann, Emily M. Hancock, Bryson A. Hansen, Kyle J. Harris, **Matthew C. Harvey**, Elan S. Henderson, Christopher Johnson, Courtney A. Jorgenson, Bianca M. Juras, Peter J. Kelley, Sean P. Kelly, Benjamin T. Kortlever, Jamie R. Kostek, Jessica R. Kuehne, Amber Lomax, Katy M. McClymont, James A. Meek, Justin J. Morrow, Mindy M. Munkres, Timothy M. Myers, Brian A. Nowak, Arlen J. Pringle, Patricia Proctor, Shelby F. Quinn, Tabitha Roemish, Allison M. Roethlie, Brian F. Roundy, Randi L. Roybal, Caleb E. Sattler, Shannon L. Schulz, Nicholas C. Short, Mary E. Solis, Tracy N. Taylor, Tiana T. Townsell, Roshelle E. Vance, Mali Vande Werthorst, Heather C. Waite, Lynn C. Whittaker, Donna K. Winn, Andrew C. Winsberg, Christopher Wynkoop and Erica D. Young.

Grade 7: Bethany J. Bardwell, Jesse E. Barker, **Patrick W. Bennett**, Jessica L. Bergdoll, Tyrell L. Blouin, Eric N. Cannon, Matthew A. Churchwell, Emily R. Clark, Vanessa Cleary-Plantz, Melanie D. Coleburn, Nicole M. Crandall, Nicole P. DeGryse, Patrick M. Donnellon, Narisa D. Dudonsky, Kandace N. Dunnagan, Ian Erwin, Michael R. Frost, **Penny A. Griggs**, Trevor F. Hale, **Erick K. Harada**, Sarah J. Harlin, Maria A. Harshorn, **Jacob J. Henderson**, Emily A. Horr, Marci A. Horton, Shannon M. Hutchinson, **Sean A. Janssen**, **Tristin A. Lindsey**, Evan L. Parker, Amanda N. Renken, Jessica R. Reynolds, Noah U. Roehl, Caden M. Russell, Lindsey M. Schmidgall, **Nicole J. Shelly**, Craig J. Shurtleff, Orianna Simmons-Otness, Jamie C. Townsden, Cameron B. Wiggins, Luke Wiley, Corynn J. Yoderian, **Emily A. Young**, **Laura A. Young**, **Michele J. Zettle**.

Grade 8: Corey D. Allison, Melissa C. Baker, Bartholomew T. Barnes, Blake F. Bell, Andrew R. Benson, Richard C. Bowler, Melinda A. Burrow, Tiffany A. Campbell, Summer T. Chapin, Veronica Chodorowski, Autumn P. Cook, Joseph S. Donnellon, Paul A. Downen, **Erin B. Eichler**, April M. Ellsworth, Aaron M. Elsey, Carl E. Engle, Jason R. Fisher, **Matthew R. Frost**, **Jarin M. Gonzalez**, Leah B. Harrison, Richard B. Harshorn, Travis E. Hooker, Jessica L. Johnson, Jason K. Joiner, Caesar J. Korteum, Amahra Leaman, Tina M. Lyness, Tony P. Marti, **Michelle N. Martin**, Allie B. McCullough, **Katherine K. McGee**, Michael E. Meyer, Miles A. Monteleone,

Linnane R. O'Connor, Lindsey A. Olsen, Chris C. Olson, Tariq O. Omar, David M. Penrod, Christopher J. Perigo, Jaime T. Rasmussen, Pamela M. Robinett, Amanda E. Rodda, **Emily A. Rodriguey**, Justin R. Rothboeck, Jessica S. Roundy, Daniel K. Sattler, Paul M. Shurtleff, Bobby J. Simmons, Janae G. Socha, Rachelle L. Solomon, Ian A. Stone, Jessica M. Sullivan, **Joanna L. Thome**, Sunni S. Toczko, David R. Torres, Leslie Jane E. Vance, **Danielle N. Vracin**, Kellen F. Ward, David A. Widdison and Suzanne M. Zustiak.

High School

Grade 9: Christina Alessandra, Andrew P. Baker, Devon N. Barron, Molly V. Bentley, Amy M. Biller, Matthew B. Brown, Adam L. Brudigam, Paul D. Canfield, Sandra L. Chittim, Elizabeth M. Cross, Lylal A. Dahl, Jesse C. Dolan, Shawn L. Evard, Kathleen L. Good, Benjamin J. Hancock, Oliver V. Hansen, Clancy A. Harris, Larissa M. Hooker, Kandice M. Kalar, Gavin Keohane, Thalassa M. Kraushaar, Caspian Kuschnerreit, Theresa M. La Lanne, Bryce W. Lindsey, Lindsay C. Lyons, Daniel W. Maret, James P. Marti, **Megan A. Miller**, Anthony M. Moore, Jana O. Olson, Amber A. Quinn, Melinda S. Randall, Jeremy S. Ratcliff, Pasqual B. Rivera, **Erin R. Sattler**, Jordan J. Schisel, Colby A. Smith, **Diana L. Stedina**, Jennifer M. Tarleton, Erika S. Taylor, J. 'C.J.' Thomas, Phillip L. Vaughan, Maureen Wetmore, **Eric O. Wiley** and Jacqueline M. Zettle.

Grade 10: Jaime M. Bancroft, Jeff H. Bass, Azali M. Bowman, Joshua D. Butela, Morgan C. Cannon, Dennis J. Deakin, Paul R. Donnellon, Dalene J. Frazier, Annie J. Harvey, Matthew Hawkins, Aaron J. Henderson, **Ahnna K. Johnson**, Scott L. Johnston, Courtney J. Jones, Hilary A. Korteum, Melissa J. La Lanne, Christian J. Lyness, Karen M. Maier, William B. Marti, Whitney B. McCullough, Leslie S. McDougall, Tyson A. Moler, Andilee M. Murphy, Ann M. Pettit, Jennifer L. Pettit, Marika J. Richards, Daniel O. Russell, Scott E. Stuurmans, **Noelle A. Thomas**, Christian A. Townsden, Damon A. Vracin, Kimberly R. Warder, Robert E. West and Greg A. White.

Grade 11: Brian C. Baker, Allyson L. Barker, "Marnie" L. Bartelson, Theodore R. Benson, Joey R. Biller, J. "Douglas" Boling, Jodie Burlington, Jessica A. Clark, Windy D. Eilers, Bonnie J. Engle, Lorianne Friswold, Melanie R. Frost, Donald J. Hamilton, Hailey Anne G. Keger, Rachel G. McIntyre, Darece D. McLean, Jennifer A. Meyer, **Sarah T. Miller**, Richard Morris, Jr., Nathaniel T. Ratcliff, **Jenny R. Rothboeck**, Amber R. Schmidt, Jason E. Sechrest, Nikki E. White and **Emily A. Wodjenski**.

Grade 12: Tamara L. Allmer, Charles P. Andrade, Jeremy L. Bartelson, Vanessa R. Bodley, Galen S. Brett, Matthew E. Bryner, Katherine T. Cuenco, Suzette L. Davis, Keith B. Dunnagan, Jennifer L. Eelkema, Lark K. Eelkema, **Sarah N. Engle**, Lori M. Fredericks, Mika E. Hosek, Joshua C. Laws, Chevon G. Logsdon, Rebecca L. Lyons, John I. Massengale, Isaiah M. Penrod, Wilbur R. Purdue, Brandon M. Reedy, Raymond M. Shelly, Charles K. Smith, Nicholas O. Vracin, Cody D. West, Courtney M. White and Leah T. Whittaker.

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Teens graduate from state Police Explorer Academy

Two local teens recently completed training at the Washington Law Enforcement Explorer Association's Police Explorer Academy.

Coupeville resident John David Clements, 16, and Oak Harbor resident Mathew Dortch, 17, said they felt graduating from the academy was a major accomplishment, said their supervisor, Island County Deputy Sheriff M. A. Birchfield.

Birchfield said he noticed marked improvement in the men's attitudes, work ethics and motiva-



John David Clements, left, and Mathew Dortch recently completed law enforcement training.

tion since attending three days of training Dec. 26-29 at Camp Murray, on Fort Lewis Army Base in Tacoma.

Sheriff Owen Burt will present the

pair at a formal dress inspection and family night Feb. 27, at 7 p.m. in the courthouse annex in Coupeville.

The para-military boot camp-style academy is patterned after the Washington State Law Enforcement Academy, said Birchfield. It emphasizes strict discipline and attention to detail, as well as team work, scholastics, police procedures and police science. Explorers take 40 hours of classes, and have to pass a battery of tests.

Instructors and supervisors are regular and reserve police officers and deputies from across the state, from Spokane to Bellingham. So are academy cadets from all over the state. The academy is funded by the Washington Law Enforcement Explorer Association.

Presentation looks at Ft. Casey

Terry Buchanan's book on the history of Fort Casey isn't published, but you can still discover the interesting facts he has compiled during a special presentation next week.

Buchanan will talk about Fort Casey and its role in the coastal defense of Washington State and the United States.

Buchanan will also share some of his collection of thousands of historical photos of Fort Casey dating to the late 1890s.

His research includes personal interviews with former soldiers who were at Fort Casey during World War I and WWII and information collected from federal military archives.

Buchanan's presentation is free and open to all who want to attend. It starts at 7 p.m. March 7 at Fire



Photo courtesy of Spindrift Magazine

In this historical photo, you can see the wharf at Fort Casey. The Army barracks in the photo no longer exist, but the wharf itself is still recognizable east of the Keystone ferry landing, though now collapsed.

District No. 5's station at 215 E. Race Rd. south of Coupeville.

For more information, call the

Island County/WSU Beach Watchers & Waste Warriors at 679-7391 or 321-5111, extension 391.

McPherson, Layson wed in Coupeville

Nancy A. Layson of Parkland and Neil C. McPherson of Coupeville were married Jan. 8, 1996 at the groom's family home in Coupeville, the historic Glenwood Hotel.

The ceremony was attended by family and friends and was performed by the groom's mother, Island and San Juan counties Superior Court Judge Joan McPherson.

The bride wore ecru lace and was attended by Molly M. McPherson, friend of the bride and sister of the

groom. Best man was Scott Rosenkranz, formerly of Coupeville, a childhood friend of the groom.

The Victorian home was decorated throughout with white and pink floral garden bouquets. The couple was toasted at a champagne reception immediately following the ceremony.

Neil and Nancy McPherson met during their first year at Seattle Pacific University of Law. Both graduated from law school in 1995 and

were sworn in to the Washington State Bar as attorneys last October.

The bride is employed by Richard Jensen & Associates in Tacoma. The groom is with Diamaco Construction, Inc., headquartered in Kirkland.

The bride is the daughter of Joseph and Fujiko Gratchner of Tacoma. The groom is the son of Jack and Joan McPherson of Coupeville.

The newlyweds reside in Parkland, Wash.

Haugen bill would allow combining of sewer, water districts

A bill sponsored by state Sen. Mary Margaret Haugen would allow the combining of separate water and sewer districts by spelling out a single set of rules for both.

Water and sewer districts are

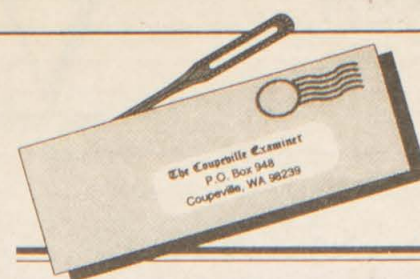
currently governed by a separate set of laws.

"This proposed merger would greatly simplify the laws of water and sewer districts and encourage them to consolidate," Haugen said.

Haugen is chairwoman of the

Senate Government Operations Committee.

Substitute Senate Bill 6091 won unanimous Senate approval in January and is awaiting House action.



Business Notes

Rita's Rainbow celebrates first anniversary

Rita's Rainbow Thrift & Gift, 302-1/2 North Main St., in Coupeville, celebrated its first anniversary on Valentine's Day.

In a fitting gesture, owner Rita Kuller gave out chocolates to customers during the day.

To describe her eclectic business, Kuller said she uses a word "everybody says I shouldn't use—'stuff.'"

Kuller said she has "a little bit of everything in a small space."

And, she said, "it's 100 percent clean and in great condition stuff."

In addition to her thrift and gift shop, Kuller also offers FrugalFax service.

Phone for Rita's Rainbow is 678-7101 and fax is 678-2922.

Nold back from buying trip to sunny Arizona

Frank "Lee" Nold, proprietor of Jewelry by Lee, returned recently from an extended buying trip to Tucson, Ariz. The weather, he said, was cooperative, with temperatures

pushing 80 degrees each day.

Each year, in early February, Tucson hosts the world's largest gem, mineral and jewelry show. More than 4,000 suppliers present their wares and more than 100,000 buyers from the U.S. and overseas arrive each day to see and buy new items.

Nold said his "finds" include new sterling silver charms, a line of hand-made copper pins and earrings with inlaid stones and new types of glass beads.

Jewelry by Lee is at 901 Grace Street in Coupeville.

Marketing basics focus of small business workshop

Coupeville bed and breakfast owner Don Storer will talk about the basics of marketing at a workshop 6-9 p.m. March 6.

The presentation will include discussion of low-cost promotion and identity development.

Skagit Valley College's Small Business Resource Center is sponsoring the workshop. It will be held at the Whidbey Campus in Oak Harbor.

Cost is \$20. For information and to register, call 679-5319 or 428-1298.

Art center still taking students for March Needleworks workshops

Registrations are still being accepted for some Needleworks workshops, March 14-17.

The workshops are offered by the Coupeville Arts Center.

Workshops available are doll making, handmade paper, knitting, Fearless Beadwork, Japanese Art Quilt and machine appliqué. These workshops, held at Fort Casey Conference Center, feature nationally-known instructors.

Coming beginning level classes still available are tapestry, weaving, wood carving, book making, doll making and wax resist with Francy Blumhagen.

On Saturday, March 16, the public is invited to hear Joyce J. Scott speak on "The Scott/Caldwell Tradition: Three Generations of African-American Artists."

The keynote address, instructor show and student show and sale starts at 7 p.m. at the Camp Casey Conference Center, Auditorium A.

For a catalog with descriptions of these and other classes in painting and photography, contact the Coupeville Arts Center, Box 171



Joyce J. Scott

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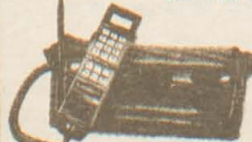
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EDITORIAL

Get involved in your party's caucus March 5

March 5, voters who identify themselves with either of the major political parties will gather at caucuses to develop planks for the party platforms and vote for delegates to the Island County Democratic and Republican conventions.

It's an chance to get in on the process of self-government at the most basic level, and voters who have never been to a political caucus should give it a try. Especially anyone who feels disenfranchised in from the process of nominating and electing delegate and candidates.

Here's where and when each party will conduct its caucuses, and what's expected to happen at them.

Republican caucuses in the Central Whidbey area will be at various locations, at 8 P.M., Tuesday, March 5. Republicans in Admiralty, Central, Coupeville 1 and 2, Coveland, Prairie and San de Fuca precincts will meet in the commissioners' hearing room, in the basement of the Island County Courthouse Annex at the corner of 6th and Main in Coupeville.

Those in the Greenbank and Lagoon Point precincts will meet at the Greenbank Progressive Club.

Republicans in the precincts of Penn Cove, Scenic Heights and Westview will meet at Oak Harbor High School, as will Oak Harbor and other North Whidbey precincts.

Freeland Republicans will meet in the cafeteria of South Whidbey Middle School. Those in Austin, Bush Point and Double Bluff will meet at the South Whidbey Senior Center in Bayview.

George Crampton, chairman of the Island County Republican Central Committee, said each of the 62 precincts will have its own caucus, even though several may meet at a single location. They will propose resolutions, he said. Resolutions passed at the caucus level are the basic items that may become part of the platforms at county, state and national party levels. They will elect delegates to the county convention, which will be April 6. Participants in the county convention may be elected as delegates to the state convention. Delegates at the state convention will elect half of the state's delegates to the national convention based on candidate preference. The remaining half will be apportioned at the state convention based on the outcome of the Presidential primary election March 26.

The Democrats will hold their caucuses the same evening, March 5, at 8 p.m. Those in the precincts of Coveland, Coupeville 1 and 2, Central, Prairie, Admiralty and Greenbank will meet at the Coupeville United Methodist Church.

Democrats in all precincts north of Penn Cove, except Coveland, will meet at Hillcrest Elementary School, 8792 800th Ave. W., Oak Harbor. All precincts south of Greenbank will meet at the Intermediate School, 5380 Maxwellton Road, Langley.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Water concerns are nothing new here

Editor,

I have been reading, with great interest, the articles in the paper regarding the Central Whidbey water supply. The two in the Feb. 16 issue on "Trying to Balance Water Budget" and "Take Action Now to Keep Water Flowing," have moved me to write this letter.

It concerns action taken in either the summer of 1969 or 1970 by a group of women on Whidbey who called themselves the "The W.W.W." (Whidbey Women for Water) who met with the Island County Commissioners to seek action regarding water quality. It was pointed out to the commissioners that the present anticipated growth of the county necessitated planning. At that time there was a possibility for the county to join with the U.S. Navy to upgrade the water line from Anacortes to Oak Harbor from a four-inch to a 10-inch line. We sought that action to bring that line down the island.

The commissioners told us that there were roughly 164 water districts in the area from Green Lake to Mukilteo. They stated that if these districts could be contacted and asked if they would be willing to hook up to a water line and the districts said "yes," the commissioners would work toward getting the line into Oak Harbor. The districts were all contacted and the reply was positive. The 10-inch line was brought into Oak Harbor.

Most of the above information is off the top of my head and some of the figures may be incorrect; however you could obtain the correct facts from Island County records and some information from *The Whidbey News-Times*.

Your readers may be interested in this past history. The Island County Commissioners may be interested in completing their long-range plan by putting a line into Central and South. The W.W.W.s (some of who are now dead), would be happy to see the water quality improved.

Holace I. Perry,
Seattle
(Former Coupeville resident)

Get informed about education bill

Editor's Note: The following was addressed to the Coupeville School Board:

"The tyranny of a prince in an oligarchy is not so dangerous to the public welfare as the apathy of a citizen in a democracy."

Montesquieu *The Spirit of Laws*—1748

The ideas of the French philosopher and jurist were important concepts to our founding fathers and, indeed, were instrumental in the development of our Constitution.

Jefferson, Paine, Hamilton and others less familiar to us, but of no less importance to the bold experiment created by the first representatives of the United States of America, knew full well the crucial role of an informed and active citizenry in protecting our individual rights and freedoms.

It is with these thoughts in mind that I encourage each of you to become informed with regards to Washington State's performance-based education bill and read it. You all must understand the importance of making life long decisions for our children's education should come from an educated thought process.

There is also something wrong when correspondence goes unanswered by the superintendent of schools (Ernie Bartelson). Something is wrong when a school board conducts closed meetings from public input and is without diversity of opinion among its own members.

Indeed, public education today appears to be directing the bulk of its energies toward intervention, mental health and other social services rather than developing proficiency, literacy or the tools for financial independence.

I'll let each of you know that my children's constitutional rights to their own thoughts and feelings do not stop at the public school door!!

Gary Zettle
Greenbank

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Video Review

Flick takes a hard look at the selling of sleaze

Sleaze sells.

With fast, easy money to be made, every modern-day tragedy is ripe for the picking, if you're slick enough to overcome the nagging of your conscience. Got a murder or a sex scandal to exploit? Your moment in the sun—or at least the glare of the strobe lights—awaits.

British director Nick Broomfield has made a career of exposing those who would profit from other's misfortune, and his best film remains the disturbing **Aileen Wuornos: The Selling of a Serial Killer** (1994, not rated).

Wuornos was arrested and charged with murdering seven men along a Florida interstate highway. Her case was remarkable for two reasons. First, she was proclaimed America's first female serial killer, and second, no case has attracted so many people who make the alleged killer look like the most normal person in the room.

Topping the strange-but-true cast is Arlene Prall, who adopts Wuornos, professing her deep motherly feelings for a battered and abused woman who claims she killed her victims in self-defense. Prall's deep love lasts almost until the moment she uses her new maternal status to sell off the TV and movie rights to her adopted daughter's tale.

Then there's Steven Glazer, a guitar-picking lawyer equipped with an 800 number, a pleasant if shifty nature, and practically no courtroom aptitude. You know you're in trouble when your lawyer gets you



David Svien

sent straight to death row, while composing a song about the whole sordid mess.

Last, but certainly not least, there's Tyria Moore, Wuornos's constant companion, probable assistant in murder, and Florida's number one stool pigeon.

Singing like a hyperactive bird, she blames for everything this side of the Lindbergh kidnapping, then skips away to collect a windfall for the rights to her story. However, with every cop on the case trying to sell their story as well, she better skip fast.

A collection of weirdoes and attention-seekers, they prove once again, misery loves company. Or, how does that saying go? When in the company of wolves, it's best not to be dressed up as a lamb chop?

And what of Wuornos? An angry, mistreated woman with little happiness to remember, and much violence to answer for, she comes off as the only person who can look Broomfield in the eye when he asks her a question.

She did what she did, and for that must pay, but at least she has the guts to take responsibility for her actions. In the Age of Sleaze, that makes her almost a hero.

Almost.

Author to autograph her books at Wind & Tide Bookshop Feb. 28

Novelist Jan Karon will autograph copies of her books, "At Home in Mitford" and "A Light in the Window," from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 28 at the Wind & Tide Bookshop.

"At Home in Mitford" is Karon's first novel and is set in a village in North Carolina that is similar to where she currently resides.

Karon said the characters in "Mitford" book are drawn largely from her roots in the Appalachian culture.

Karon is working on her third Mitford novel, "These High, Green Hills."



Jan Karon

Meanwhile, today Penguin books launched its "Is Your Town Like Mitford" contest. Readers can complete an entry form

and submit it with a 250-word essay on why their community is like Mitford and a photo of their town. Deadline for submissions is May 1.

The Wind & Tide Bookshop is at 1110 W. Pioneer Way in Oak Harbor.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

■ **March 20** - Island County Historical Society members and friends depart on a 7-night cruise on the Willamette, Columbia and Snake rivers. This historically rich trip aboard a "state of the art" sternwheeler explores the history of the real West, Oregon Trail, Lewis & Clark's epic journey, era of steamboats and cowboy and Native American cultures. For information, call Sandra Plush at the museum, 678-3310 or Joanne Starr at Freeland Travel, 331-5595 or 1-800-682-5824.

CLASSES

■ **Feb. 24** - Safe Sitter Part II at Whidbey General Hospital 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Cost is \$25.

Barbara Perrin will teach advanced techniques for babysitting to youths 11-16. Includes first aid and infant/child CPR. 678-5151 or 321-5151, ext. 4005 to register.

■ **Feb. 26** - Warm Winter Vegetarian Soups & Stews 7-9 p.m. at Whidbey General. Fee is \$12. "Building" better hearty and healthy vegetarian soups and stews and how to turn soup into a meal. Taught by Charlene Suzuki, MA. Call 678-5151 or 321-5151, ext. 4005 to register.

■ **Feb. 27** - Kids in Danger/Adults in the Dark: Inhalant abuse. Adults-only class is FREE, but preregistration is required. 7-9 p.m. at Whidbey General. Learn dangers of inhalants, signs, symptoms of abuse and where to get help. Taught by pharmacist Tom O'Leary, with personal testimony by Pauline O'Neill. 678-5151, or 321-5151, ext. 4005 to register.

■ **Feb. 28** - Damage Assessment training in Freeland 6-9:30 p.m. Prepare to help in your community by training as a Red Cross volunteer. Training is free, but reservations are required as class size is limited. Call Dave Patrick at 321-5676.

■ **Feb. 29** - Sexual Harassment: What is it? 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Whidbey General. Fee is \$5. Learn legal definition, words, phrases, conduct and nonverbal communication that can be sexually harassing. Learn your legal rights as a victim and legal responsibilities of an employer. Taught by Val Stafford, CADA director. To register, call 678-5151 or 321-5151, ext. 4005.

■ **Feb. 29** - Shelter Operations training through the American Red Cross in Freeland 6-9:30 p.m. Free. For information and reservations, call Dave Patrick at 321-5676.

■ **Feb. 29 & March 7** - Touch and

Stretch: Thai Massage 7-9 p.m. at Whidbey General. \$15 per person. Thai massage is done with a partner. It consists of compression while stretching. Result is increased flexibility and energy flow. Wear loose clothing, bring mat and pillow. Taught by Nan Monk, LMP. 678-5151 or 321-5151, ext. 4005 to register.

■ **March 28** - Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder course, 5-9 p.m., Room 137, Skagit Valley College in Oak Harbor. Free, open to public, 679-1502 for information.

IN PERFORMANCE

■ **Feb. 26** - All the World's a Stage Educational Theatre presents its AIDS awareness play "Somethin' T' Think About" with a new cast. 1:30 p.m. at Coupeville Performing Arts Center. Call 678-3169.

■ **March 1** - Oak Harbor's Largest TGIF Part to Erase Those Winter Blues, 5-10 p.m. \$6 per person presale, \$7 per person at the door. Listen to Improv Quartet, Whidbey Island Jazz Band, Sea Notes Big Band and more. Free taco bar and beverages. Door prizes. Tickets at Oak Harbor Safeway, All Island Lock & Key, Ben Franklin Crafts, Woodlands Wildlife Gallery and from Kiwanis members.

■ **March 15-17** - Tickets available for Seattle Shakespeare

Festival production of Twelfth Night at the Coupeville High School Performing Arts Center. Sponsored by Concerts on the Cove. Call 678-4684.

MEETINGS

■ **Feb. 23** - Whidbey Island Chapter of the Daughters of the Pioneers meets at noon at the home of Mrs. Robert Hancock in Coupeville. Program will be a review of the life of early pioneer Samuel Hancock. Dessert will be served. For information or rides, call 678-4668 or 678-4089.

■ **Feb. 27** - American Association of University Women Whidbey Island branch meets 6:30 p.m. at fire station no. 5, 215 E. Race Rd., south of Coupeville. Group will celebrate contributions of black women to the field of music. Local artists, Valisa Brown and Edie Porter, will present the vocal-narrative program titled "Famous Black Women of Song." Program will touch on a variety of musical styles, from the haunting five note "pentatonic" melody of the field holler and call, through opera, gospel, blues, jazz, scat and folk. Membership in AAUW requires a bachelor's degree

or higher from a regionally accredited college or university. For membership information, call Joan Carlson at 678-4185 or Lou Hartley at 321-7106.

■ **Feb. 28** - American Rhododendron Society meets 7-9 p.m. at fire station no. 5, 215 Race Rd, south of Coupeville. Social hour at 7 p.m., followed by business meeting and featured speaker Dave Hammond at 7:30 p.m. Hammond will describe his extensive garden in "Hammond's Acres of Rhodies."

■ **Feb. 28** - Island County Freeholders meet 7 p.m. in the county commissioners hearing room in the courthouse annex

basement in Coupeville. ■ **March 1** - Coupeville School Awareness Forum meets 7 p.m., Fire District No. 5 station at 215 E. Race Rd., south of Coupeville. Will hold a discussion on education and the U.S. Constitution. For information call Patricia Kelley-Millenbach at 678-3945.

■ **March 6** - Mothers Against Drunk Driving meets 7 p.m. at Mitzel's American Kitchen in Oak Harbor. Topics will be memorial scholarships, third annual MADD DWI Top Cop awards banquet and election of officers. For information call 679-7916 or write: MADD, PO Box 2819, Oak Harbor, WA 98277, for a free newsletter.

■ **March 6** - Island County Freeholders meet at the Clinton Community Center at 7 p.m.

■ **March 7** - Bill Halstead of Maxwellton Valley Gardens speaks at 1 p.m. to Coupeville Garden Club at fire station at 215 Race Rd., south of Coupeville. He will talk about the flower iris and its variety of colors and shapes. For information, call Adella Heutmaker at 678-5032 or Shirley Mathieson, 678-3745. Guests and prospective members welcome.

■ **March 9** - Coupeville Farmer's Market annual business meeting, 11 a.m. at Old Morris Farm. Members will affirm plans for coming season, including weekly market, Trash & Treasure and Bake Sale on March 23 and Harvest Fest. For information, call 678-6757 after noon.

BOOK SALE

■ Oak Harbor Friends of the Library are looking for books for its Spring Book Sale May 3 and 4. Proceeds from sale go to improve Oak Harbor Library. Donations are tax deductible. Call Vern Fowler at 675-0679.

Camp Fire collects items for pregnancy care center

February has been a busy month for the Parkwood Manor Boys & Girls Camp Fire Club.

Members have been selling Camp Fire candy and working on a national youth project.

The club's 10 members, one boy and nine girls, collected 16 boxes of infant and toddler clothing, as well as bedding, diapers and toys, and delivered the items to the Inter-Island Pregnancy Care Center.

The children are learning that community means helping one another.

To learn more about the club, call Denise Ducken at 679-4237.

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Sheriff's Report

The Island County Sheriff's Office reported the following incidents in the Central Whidbey area:

Tuesday, Feb. 13

4:37 a.m. Freeland resident reported a cow in the road by the Useless Bay Golf Course.

8 a.m. Coupeville High School requested officer contact with regard to a student being harassed and possibly assaulted by another student. Town marshal's office responded.

9:10 a.m. Motorist complained her van was damaged by a piece of lumber that flew out of the back of a white Ford pickup in Freeland, traveling southbound on State highway 525.

1:23 p.m. Freeland resident reported theft of electricity by a boater who allegedly ran an electric line from her pump house to his boat, running the bill up to \$470, then leaving.

4:03 p.m. Several juveniles were reported fighting on Northeast Kinney Street.

5:14 p.m. Island Transit one of its drivers picked up a 3-year-old child running in the middle of the road near Coupeville High School. The child was taken home, to a South Main Street residence.

6:11 p.m. Third Street resident reported finding a malamute dog.

Wednesday, Feb. 14

5:20 a.m. A Libbey Road resident reported being assaulted by a man who was drinking and making noise outside the house.

12:50 p.m. Resident on Ocean Bluff Lane requested assistance getting his neighbor to stop using a backhoe in his right-of-way, causing water to flow onto his property.

1:09 p.m. A resident on El Mar Street said someone broke out the front window of her travel trailer, parked in her driveway, sometime during the night.

Thursday, Feb. 15

8:21 a.m. A sheriff's employee reported seeing a boy spitting at passing motorists from the pedestrian overpass.

8:55 a.m. Two windows were reported broken out at the Sierra clubhouse.

11:54 a.m. Vandalism was reported at a construction site on Mitchell Drive.

7:09 p.m. A citizen asked for someone to put an injured deer out of its misery near the intersection of State Highway 525 with Mutiny Bay and Bush Point roads.

Friday, Feb. 16

12:52 a.m. A man reported his Toyota pickup truck vandalized while parked outside Admirals Cove, off Highway 525.

Police Report

Coupeville Police responded to the following calls:

Monday, Feb. 12

4:35 p.m. Third-degree malicious mischief involving kids reportedly throwing rocks at porcelain sea gull in a front yard, damaging it. No suspects named.

Tuesday, Feb. 13

8 a.m. Fourth-degree assault at Coupeville High School. Incident occurred on Feb. 9. Two juveniles are alleged to have hit and kicked a third juvenile. Both suspects were arrested and released to parents. The victim reported no injuries.

11:30 a.m. Vicious dog complaint at Main and Terry. Animal reportedly trying to get out of fenced yard. Animal control called, owner put up wood fence to solve the problem.

4:15 p.m. Fourth-degree assault in the 300 block of Kinney St. A 14-year-old juvenile is alleged to have hit and kicked a 13-year-old juvenile. The suspect was arrested and released to parents.

Friday, Feb. 16

9 a.m. Re-investigation of a car prowling, with additional information received.

6 p.m. Located a set of keys at Cove-land and Alexander. Turned in to Coupeville property room.

Saturday, Feb. 17

6:18 p.m. Investigated harassing phone calls to Whidbey General Hospital. No suspect yet.

Student wins Soroptimist award

Jennifer Eelkema, a Coupeville High School senior, is this year's Coupeville Soroptimist Youth Citizenship Award winner. She received the \$250 award Feb. 20 at a special program meeting of the club.

Jennifer plans to use her award to help defray costs of her freshman year at Skagit Valley College where she is studying for a career in law enforcement, probably as a parole officer.

After two years at Skagit she plans to transfer to a four-year college.

Judges for this year were Island County Prosecuting Attorney Will-

iam Hawkins, Dr. Milton Steele, DC, and Rod Barnes, past president of the Coupeville Lions Club.

The Youth Citizenship Award is a Soroptimist program recognizing contributions made by young people to their homes, schools, communities, countries and the world.

Coupeville Soroptimists chose Jennifer because of her positive attitude, her commitment to school and community and the recommendations she received. She is senior class president, a member of the Honor Society and the basketball team, and a Natural Helper. She is also very active in the 4-H program.

SPORTS

How 'bout them Wolves?

Boys beat Sultan to move into tonight's tourney finals

By Chris Mazdra

The Coupeville boys basketball team managed to keep its head above water Monday night in the District Tournament in Mount Vernon.

The Wolves played against the Sultan Turks in a game deciding which team would move on in the tournament.

The final score was Coupeville 81, Sultan 65.

Coupeville junior Pete Petrov scored 27 points for the second game in a row. Teammate Michael Vaughan contributed with 18 points.

With the win against Sultan now under their belts, Coupeville was to play last night against the loser of the Lynden Christian-Kings game Tuesday.

In other league action, one of the biggest upsets was Monday when Nooksack Valley Pioneers losing to the Meridian Trojans, 60-48. With the win, Meridian ad-

Wolves finds a formidable foe in Nooksack

By Chris Mazdra

Playing in their first play-off game of the District Tournament last Friday, the Coupeville Wolves lost to the Nooksack Valley Pioneers, 70-66.

The Wolves had an 8-point lead in the first quarter, but quickly lost it as Nooksack came back again and again.

The Wolves regained the lead in the fourth quarter, but Nooksack wouldn't give up.

Two free throws by Greg White put Coupeville to within 4 and Nooksack held on.

"It was disappointing to come so close and play so well and not come away with a win," said Wolves assistant coach Bernie Upchurch.

Coupeville went on to play Sultan last Monday.

Week five youth basketball standings

The following are Week 5 standings for Central Whidbey Youth Athletic Association basketball:

Major Division (4th & 5th Grade Boys)

TEAM	WIN	LOSS
Bulls	2	3
Bullets	4	1
Lakers	3	2
76'ers	4	1

Spurs	1	4	Knicks	4	1
Rockets	1	4	Pistons	1	4

Minor Division (3th & 4th Grade Boys)

TEAM	WIN	LOSS
Sonics	4	0
Blazers	1	4
Jazz	1	4
Lakers	4	1

K-2 Division (K-2nd Grade)

TEAM	WIN	LOSS
Bulls	2	2
Knicks	4	0
Sonics	0	4
Pistons	2	2



Donita Clausen photo

Coupeville's Nick Sellgren, No. 42, scores 2 points against Northwest during the Feb. 13 game, the Wolves last game at home. The Wolves won this game, clinching the opportunity to play at districts.

New Moon



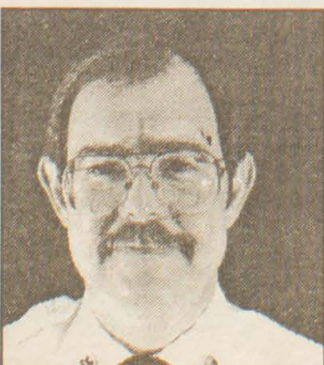
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H. Clarke Harvey

Clarke joined our fire department in 1984, became a medical first responder in 1986 and emergency medical technician in 1989. He worked his way through the ranks to become Battalion Chief 7 years ago and oversees the District's Battalion I, which encompasses the Coupeville, Morris Rd. & Race Rd. Stations.



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Obituaries

Sybil R. Carter

Funeral Mass for Sybil R. Carter was held Monday, Feb. 19, 1996 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, Coupeville, Wash. at 10 a.m. A Rosary service was held the previous evening with the Rev. Mr. Bud Door officiating. Private family inurnment will follow at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of

Burley Funeral Chapel, Oak Harbor, WA. Sybil R. Carter, 86, died at Whidbey General Hospital, Coupeville, WA on Feb. 13, 1996. She was born in Duluth, Minn. Feb. 21, 1909 to John and Melinda McCullough.

For many years, she lived in Duluth, where she was employed as a medical technician. She later moved to California and worked as a secretary for the North American Aircraft Company. In 1963 she moved to Whidbey Island.

She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Coupeville.

She is survived by her husband, Sidney G. Carter of Oak Harbor, one

niece, Maurine "Mickey" Rousseau of West Bend, Wisc., and one nephew, John McCullough of Carlisle, Penn. She was preceded in death by her parents, one sister and one brother.

David Francis Doody

David Francis Doody, J.D., died Feb. 18, 1996 in Pasadena, Calif., of heart failure at age 87. He was the kind and loving father of survivors David F.

Doody, Jr. of Pasadena, Calif. and Mary Kay Doody of Coupeville, Wash. His surviving sister, Elizabeth Schaefer, resides in Bethesda, MD.

David Francis Doody was preceded in death by his wife Catherine Nealon Doody in 1987.

A long-time resident of Santa Monica, Calif., Mr. Doody retired in 1973 as director of licensing for Hughes Aircraft Co. In Washington, D.C., where he was born, he received his engineering degree from Catholic University in 1931, and law degree from Georgetown University 1935.

He was president of the Patent Law Association of Los Angeles 1966-67.

In a private ceremony, his son and daughter will scatter his remains at sea.

Births

Whidbey General Hospital
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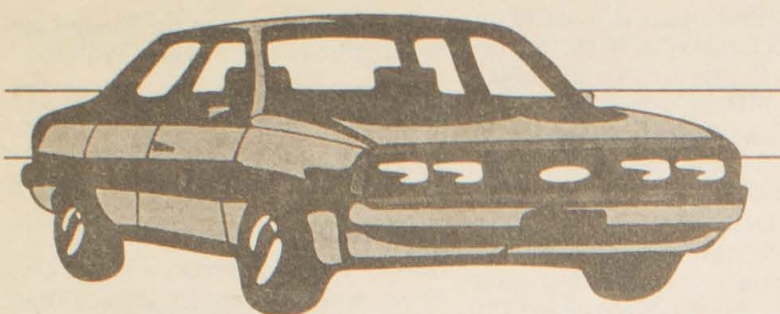
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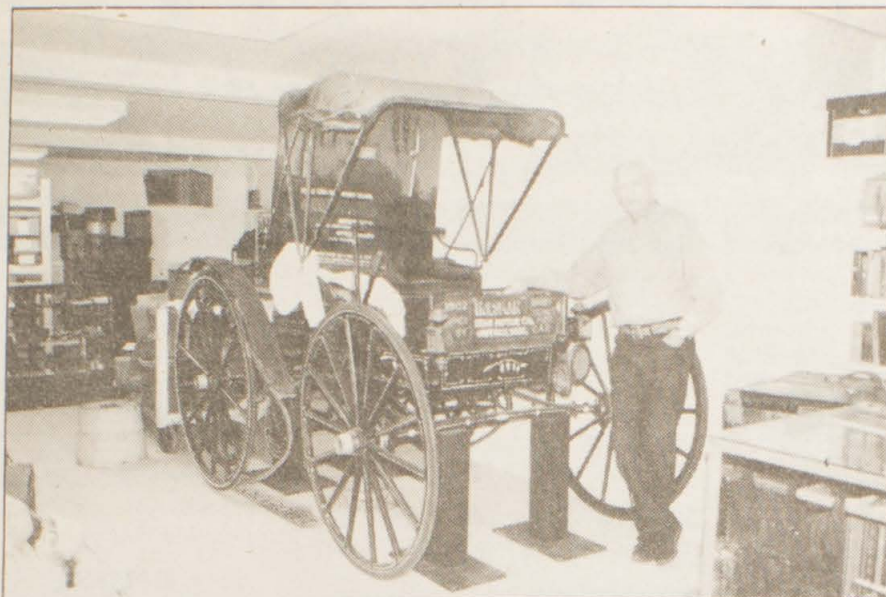
The first car on Whidbey Island was the 1902 Holsman that can be seen in the basement of the Island County Historical Society Museum in Coupeville.

It was reportedly brought to the island by a Seattle doctor, the late Carl Dean purchased from a Seattle doctor, according to the Island County Historical Society.

"It didn't have reverse gear, so people had to push it if they wanted to turn it around," said Janet Enzmann, spokesman for the historical society museum, where the high-wheel auto buggy is stored.

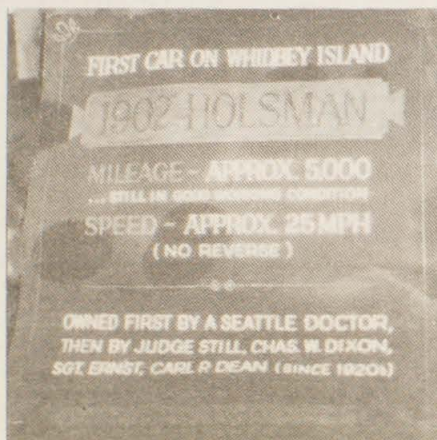
Reputed to be the first automobile on the island, it dates from 1902, and is believed to be one of only two in existence, the other being in Florida. In newspaper ads dating from 1902-1909, the car is said to have an air-cooled two-cylinder engine with rope drive.

The auto buggy was controlled by two simple hand levers, and its thin, solid rubber



Ray Davis, display coordinator for the Island County Historical Society Museum, stands by the 1902 Holsman that was Whidbey's first car. Below is the sign that appears with the museum display.

PHOTOS BY DONITA CLAUSEN



tires gave a rough ride. Called a "bone shaker," this old car's rickety giant wooden wheels had the riding comfort of four man-hole covers, according to a 1979 United Feature Syndicate report.

A brand of horseless carriage discontinued since 1910, it re-

portedly enjoyed good sales in the Midwest, and many were stored in barns after their usefulness on the farm was over.

The museum in Coupeville says its 1902 Holsman is in running condition, has about 5,000 miles on it, and was known to reach speeds as high as 25 mph. The display is dedicated to the memory of Carl Philip Dean and Vera Hancock Dean, owners of the car who displayed it at Prairie Center where Moritz Pickard had the mercantile and Dean sold autos.

Between the Seattle doctor and Dean, the Holsman's other owners were Judge Still, Charles W. Dixon and a Sgt. Ernst.

It may be time to replace tired tires

Making sure your care is fitted with the right tires and taking care of the ones you own is important to safe driving.

A qualified mechanic should periodically check your tires for uneven wear, which could be an indication of misalignment, tire and wheel unbalance or even suspension problems.

Rotating your automobile's tires every 7,000 to 10,000 miles can extend the life of your tires. Driving on roads that are rough and have potholes can cause a vehicle to go out of alignment. This could cause suspension problems and uneven tread wear.

Check to see if your steering wheel is vibrating at higher speeds. This could be a sign of tire imbalance.

To know whether to replace tires, check the wear bar indicators on the sidewall. It's time to get new tires if the tread is worn to the same height as the wear bar.

There are a variety of tires to choose from. Here are some of them:

Off-road tires offer good traction and handling in mud, snow, sand and rocks, but aren't good for pavement. These tires are frequently used on truck and sport utility vehicles.

On- and off-road tires allow use of trucks and utility vehicles for commuting and for some off-road driving.

High-performance tires let you make the most your automobile's suspension system, offering excellent handling if not the most comfortable ride.

All-season tires work well on dry and wet pavements.

With spring approaching, it's a good time to evaluate your tire needs. What tires will best serve you when it comes time to pull off the snow tires?

Talk to your mechanic about how you can get the most out of your tires.

Change your oil every 2,000 miles

To keep your car or truck running smoothly, it's recommended that you change your oil every 2,000 miles.

Your auto should have a sticker on the driver's side door jamb to remind you. If that sticker isn't there, then it's really time to change your oil.

And winter isn't over yet. It's easy to forget to keep checking that antifreeze, but it's wise to do so.

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information. Also, ask friends and neighbors about their car-buying experiences.

Decide what you can afford before even stepping foot out of the house. Set a limit and stick to it. This way, you won't end up with more car than you may need.

Do your own inspection of a vehicle that your considering buying. After you do your test, have a reliable diagnostic center or repair shop give the vehicle a thorough check up. If repairs are necessary, get a written estimate.

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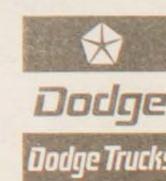
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