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## Whale of a proposal

By Howard Garrett

Since January a female orphan orca calf has taken up residence in Puget Sound. Less than two years old and hundreds of miles away from home, this 11-foot-long baby killer whale has been identified by Canadian researchers as A73, from the Northern Resident orca community. Locally she has been called "Little Orphan Annie."

There are indications that her health may be failing. What follows is a proposal sent last week to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to generate support for an approach that involves empathy and companionship, rather than the suggested emergency room medical treatment plan.

At a public meeting March 4 in West Seattle to find a solution, the overall public sentiment expressed was that capture and transport to a tank are not acceptable options. There is widespread skepticism that she would ever be released if sent to any aquarium.

Letting the calf die is also not an acceptable option, and since the trend of the vets' comments was toward captivity for rehabilitation, there is a stalemate.

Rather than relying on the medical model for our diagnosis and treatment plan, why not look at a social model, and intervene accordingly?

That would mean looking at her social problem: she's a lonely orphan orca...now at least 400 miles from her

## Analysis

family and unable to keep up with them without her mother or a surrogate to pull her along in their slipstream.

Somehow A73 wandered down to Puget Sound and found a productive fishing hole, and camped out. She's starving for company, literally, with a worsening skin condition and an inadequate diet.

Jim McBain, Sea World's head vet, said her persistent rubbing on driftwood is not to scratch her sloughing skin but because she misses the tactile company of her mother.

She clearly wants company. When Ken Balcomb, director of the Center for Whale Research, was out with her she came to him and biologist Mark Sears.

Perhaps they could be authorized by NMFS to keep her company. They could go out daily weather permitting, and bring pool toys or just lie there on rubber rafts and scratch her back if that's what she wants. I expect she would devise all sorts of games to play with them, and would generally be thrilled to have the attention of some compassionate beings.

This option would leave open the possibility, providing she stays healthy and grows normally for another five months or so, to follow her human companions back up to Johnstone Strait next summer, where her pod typically shows up in July and August.

Cost of the entire operation would be small. The natural history of the species and lessons from captivity indicate that the most effective, economical and politically acceptable way to take care of this lonely orca is the low-key, social intervention option.

Greenbank residents Garrett and Susan Berta founded and operate the Orca Network, [www.orcanetwork.org](http://www.orcanetwork.org).



Bill and Renee Smith's farmhouse stands in the middle of Ebey's Prairie.

Dennis Connolly Photo

## Big house on the prairie

John Gould House

This is "the big house on the prairie," this sturdy, no-nonsense farmhouse, with the beautiful barn and outbuildings flanking it and gardens of flowers and vegetables neatly planted all around. From its tall windows one can watch freighters plying the waters of the Strait of Juan de Fuca, the snowcapped Olympics, and the encircling acres of the Smith Farm, named for the pioneer family who has tilled these fields and lived in this house in the heart of Ebey's Prairie for over eight decades.

It is fitting that this house, built on a sandy rise, sits in the heart of Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve. It is, after all, where the Reserve really started. Within a heartbeat of being subdivided and lost forever, these fertile acres were the first to be saved, thanks to the Smith family selling its development rights to the National Park Service after a bill passed Congress creating the only reserve of its

kind in America.

Now this house, with its barn and outbuildings, its spacious fields, will remain in the future as they are today, refreshing our eyes and our spirits.

**Ancestral Walls**  
by  
**Sally Hayton-Keeva**

In the beginning, there was only a small, rough house on the sandy rise, built by Eason Ebey on what was then the Isaac N. Ebey Donation Land Claim of 641 acres. This cabin was built sometime after 1850 and was demolished in 1896 when gold-seeker, farmer and entrepreneur John Gould bought the property and built his grand house on the same sandy rise. He named the farm Willowood after the willows growing in profu-

sion on what was then a much wetter prairie. (Farmers later tilled the prairie with the help of Chinese laborers, draining the swamps.)

The farm was leased out to Ed and Agnes Jenne until they bought a farm at the edge of the prairie and built their own grand house. After John Gould's death, various relatives lived in the house until it passed from the family's hands.

In 1919, Georgia Knight and Harry Smith married and bought Willowood with money from a large inheritance Georgia had received. From that time, Smiths have been born and have died in the house, have warmed themselves by the woodstove in the kitchen, have eaten together in the large dining room, have slept in its six bedrooms, read in its spacious parlors, surveyed their fields from the tall windows.

There have not been many changes to the house over the years. Georgia added the bay window to the south facade in about 1925, and the porch on the north facade was enclosed in 1972, with another porch added in 1982. The farm passed through family hands through the years, with Bill and Renee Smith purchasing the property in 1972. They moved in with their baby daughter Georgie, and their son Charles was born seven years later.

Georgie was a toddler when her mother cleaned from an old horse trough hundreds of bricks with which

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## CADA hosts luncheon workshop

Citizens Against Domestic and Sexual Abuse (CADA) recognizes that hairdressers, cosmetologists, nail technicians and massage therapists are interested in their clients, well-being and are experienced listeners. These professionals can play an important role in a coordinated community response to domestic violence and sexual abuse.

CADA is pleased to invite hairdressers, cosmetologists, nail technicians, and massage therapists to an exclusive, free luncheon on Monday, March 25, 2002, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club.

The program will include a mini-workshop on how these professionals can help a client who is a victim of abuse, the dynamics of healthy vs. unhealthy relationships and where victims can turn for support. Attendees will receive free awareness materials for display and distribution at

## Interviews for schools chief set

By Mary Kay Doody

After meeting with former Coupeville School District Superintendent Dick Smith, surveying the community and conducting focus groups with school staff, students and community members, the Coupeville School Board this week invited applications from candidates for the district's next superintendent.

Smith, the board's consultant, assured a gathering at the Coupeville Recreation Hall last Wednesday that a firm requirement will be that the new superintendent live within the Coupeville School District.

Supt. Suzanne Bond is retiring after six years at the helm of the district, and 30 years in education. The board wants the new superintendent to begin work here July 1.

Candidate qualifications the district is looking for in a new superintendent include "strong personal values — integrity, courage, honesty, respect, a heart for kids, and a sense of humor." The successful candidate will also: continue to focus the district on improving student learning and character development, and be willing to make a long-term commitment to Coupeville.

Semifinalist interviews of six candidates will be held April 23, and finalist interviews for the top three candidates will be April 30, May 1 and May 2.

The board, headed by President Mitchell Howard, is looking for a person who will "continue to lead education reform efforts under the district's Strategic Plan."

An attractive brochure inviting qualified educators to apply sports a color photograph of Ebey's Landing and Prairie, and Perego's Lagoon and Bluff as seen from Hill Road. Copies are available in the district office.

## Teams forming for Cancer 'Relay'

It's time to start gathering your teams for North Whidbey's 15th Annual "Relay for Life" to benefit the Island Unit of the American Cancer Society.

The first team captains/representatives meeting will be held in the North Whidbey Middle School Cafeteria at 6:30 p.m., Thursday March 21, with pizza provided by Papa John's. Enter through the double doors facing Izett Street. All old and new team representatives, as well as anyone interested in forming a relay team, are invited and encouraged to attend.

The overnight event itself will run

from 6:40 p.m. on Friday, June 8 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 9. After several years at Whidbey Island Naval Air station, the Relay is moving back to the North Whidbey Middle School Track because of base security concerns.

"The Relay for Life is as much awareness raiser as fund raiser," said Yvonne Musgrove, event co-chair. "Many of the participants have themselves been cured of cancer."

But the cure doesn't come cheap. Co-chair Myrna Wilson added, "We want to beat last year's record total of \$58,310."

## Comedy show to help kids

Scott Meyer, Debbie Wooten, Jerry Corley, Kermit Holiday and Chris Alpine are set to headline the "Komics to benefit Kids" Comedy Show on March 22nd at 8 p.m. at the Oak Harbor Elks Lodge.

A similar show with a different set of comedians is slated for March 23 at the South Whidbey High School auditorium. Both events are benefits for children on Whidbey Island through the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation. Chris Alpine, one of the professional comedians donating his time through the local Comedy West agency who organizes the Komics events throughout the country, has

appeared on "An Evening at the Improv," "Star Search," "Showtime's Comedy Club Network," "Comic Strip Live," and MTV.

Tickets for the Oak Harbor show must be purchased in advance, and are available at The Daily Grind and Wind & Tide in Oak Harbor, Coupeville Pharmacy and Videoville/Miriam's in Coupeville, Flowers By The Bay in Freeland, Langley Chamber of Commerce, and CyberCafe Bookstore and Hallmark in Clinton. Tickets for the show in Langley can be purchased at the door. Tickets for either event cost \$15, and all proceeds benefit children's programs on Whidbey Island.



## OBITUARIES

## Vera Stuart Martin

Vera Stuart Martin, 75, passed away March 5, 2002 in Coupeville, Wash.

She was born April 4, 1926 in Denver, Colo. to Alfred McCorrison and Jessamine (Gilbert) Stuart. As a young child, she moved to Calif.

Vera attended Dorsey High School and Los Angeles Community College, where she met Robert A. Martin. She and Robert were married in Los Angeles on June 22, 1944. Vera studied at San Francisco Medical Center, where she developed a life-long interest in public health nursing.

Vera moved to the Los Angeles area with her husband. They moved on to Merced, Calif. and in 1959 settled in Santa Barbara. Vera was a homemaker, but spent time working as a rehab specialist. She was an active member of Planned Parenthood and the League of Women Voters.

The Martins moved to Whidbey

Island after 29 enjoyable years in Santa Barbara. Vera and Robert built a home in the Ledgewood Beach area. She continued her work with Planned Parenthood and the League of Women Voters. She took great pleasure in the company of friends and neighbors and in the sights of Puget Sound.

Mrs. Martin is survived by her husband, Robert Arthur Martin at the family home, Coupeville; and by three children: Pamela Alison Martin of Bellevue, Wash., Teri Martin Albert (Mark) of North Bend, Ore. and Douglas Alan Martin (Linda) of Isla Vista, Calif. Nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also survive.

Mrs. Martin requested no formal funeral services be conducted. Cremation was held with private family inurnment to follow at a later date. Remembrances are suggested to the Oak Harbor chapter of Planned Parenthood. Arrangements are under the direction of Burley Funeral Chapel, Oak Harbor, Washington. This obituary can be seen online at <http://burley.plan4ever.com/obituaries>.

## William B. Morach

Funeral services for William B. Morach were March 9, 2002 at Burley Funeral Chapel in Oak Harbor. Chaplain Wayne Stiles of Skagit Hospice and Whidbey Island Lodge No. 15, F&AM, officiated. Full military honors followed under direction of Whidbey Island Naval Air Station Honor Guard. Cremation with burial at sea will follow at a later date.

Born Billy Jones on Sept. 14, 1933, Bill was adopted by Albert and Josephine Morach at the age of 13. He graduated from Queen Anne High School, Seattle, in 1951 and enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1952.

Mr. Morach's military tour included duty stations in Memphis, Tenn., Port Lyautey, Morocco, Rota, Spain, the Philippines and Guam.

He was married to Inez May Benson Dec. 23, 1966 in Seattle, Wash.

Mr. Morach retired from the Navy in 1975 as an ATCS (E-8). In March of 1977, Bill began a second career with Grumann Aerospace, serving as a Field Service Representative. His career with

Grumann required further travels, including an extended trip to Japan and time on many aircraft carriers.

Bill was involved with Cub Scouts, Fleet Reserve Association 97 of Oak Harbor, he was a 35-year member of Whidbey Island Lodge No. 15 F&AM of Coupeville, where he served as Master of the Lodge in 1977, DeMolay and the Anochords Barber-shop Chorus.

Mr. Morach is survived by Inez, his wife of 35 years, son Steve of Mt. Vernon, Wash.; son Bill and daughter-in-law Julie of Costa Mesa, Calif.; brother Jim Agnew and his wife Marita of Vancouver, Wash.; mother-in-law Edith Benson of Mt. Vernon; brother-in-law George Benson and his wife Sandy of Tacoma; sister-in-law Helen Clemons of Mt. Vernon; sister-in-law Margaret Smith and husband Bob of Port Susan, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were under direction of Burley Funeral Chapel. Memorials may be made to Skagit Hospice or Habitat for Humanity of Whidbey Island. This obituary may be seen on line at <http://burley.plan4ever.com/obituaries>.

## Arnell I. Johnson

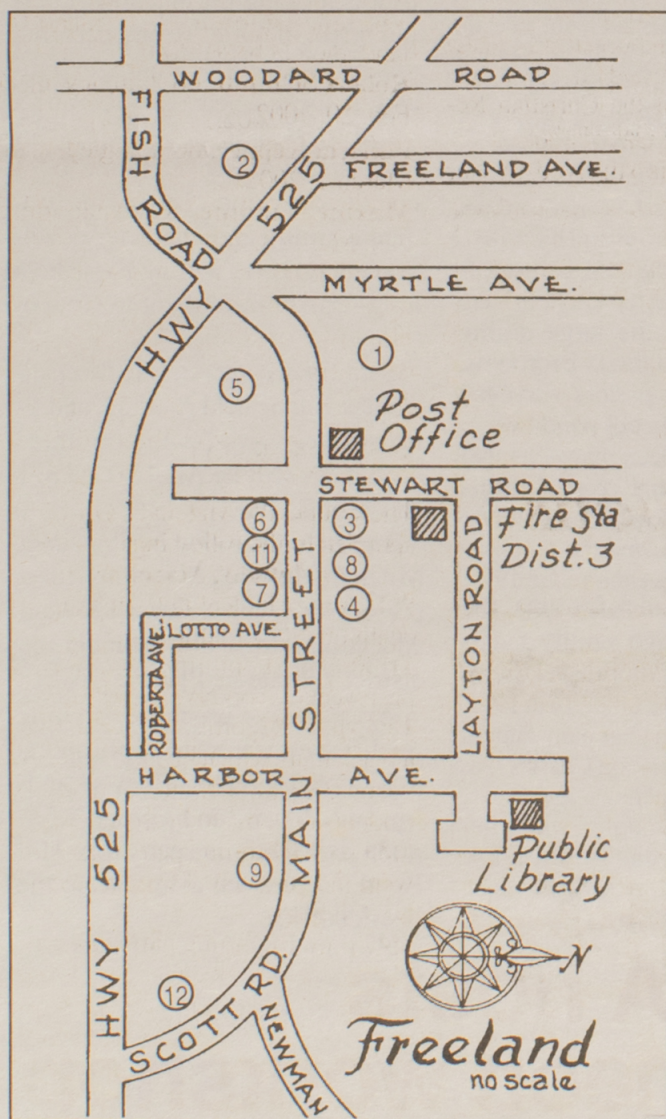


Arnell I. Johnson, 96, passed away March 10, 2002, in Anacortes. Arnell was born Dec. 14, 1905, in Lakota, North Dakota, to

Scandinavian parents Peter and Sophie Johnson. His early years were spent in a sod house on the family homestead. His family later homesteaded in Saskatchewan, Canada, where his early education began. At around age nine, Arnell, his younger sister Helen and his mother moved west and eventually settled in Mukilteo, Wash. He attended Everett High School, but at age 15, his mother passed away leaving Arnell to provide for his sister and himself. He took a year off from school and worked a variety of jobs. After graduating from Everett High School, he and a friend decided to

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go to Alberta, buy a team of horses and work the threshing season. At the end of the season, he traveled to Saskatchewan and married Adla Wangen and they moved back to Mukilteo. He worked in a sawmill and longshored until he had enough money to go to the University of Washington. He tried his hand at logging but that career ended after an unfortunate accident when a log rolled over him and he spent several weeks in hospital and months recovering. He continued his education at Western Washington College and after graduating moved to Skagit County and began a successful 38-year career as Principal and teacher at Fidalgo Elementary School, retiring in 1970. He was an accomplished carpenter and spent his summers working that trade. He was a lifetime member of the Carpenter's Union.

He enjoyed working with youth and

served many years as a 4-H Leader, Boy Scout leader and a Red Cross swim instructor. He was devoted to serving his community and in recognition received The Washington Education Association Educator-Citizen of the Year award in 1968, and the Skagit County Liberty Bell award in 1973. He served as President of the North Cross State Highway Association, Skagit County Planning Commission Chairman from inception in 1961 through 1975, Chairman of Anacortes Hospital District No.2, 68-year member and Master of Summit Park Grange, Master of Pomona Grange, 44-year member and chairman of Vasa Lodge Solidaritet #396, District Master for District 13 Vasa, and president of the Anacortes Chamber of Commerce. He actively served the Washington State Good Road Association, Anacortes Kiwanis, Anacortes and Coupeville Lions Clubs and the Skagit County Fair Board where he served many years as treasurer.

On June 15, 1975, Arnell married Sylvia Bliven at Coupeville, Wash., and lived near Coupeville until moving to Chandler's Square in Anacortes in December, 2000. Arnell's and Sylvia's adventurous spirits took them to Norway, Finland, Hong Kong and on long trips within the United States meeting new friends along the way.

Arnell is survived by his wife Sylvia; daughters and sons-in-law Alene and Walt Mueller and Sylvia and Cliff McKee; step-sons and daughters-in-law William and Dorothy Bliven and Raymond and Linda Bliven; five grandchildren and their spouses, Steve Mueller, Janell and Dan Albrect, Laura and Scott Broadway, Kristi and Troy Lang, and Darren and Kathy Klinger; 13 great-grandchildren, Brad and Brenna Mueller, Josh, Joel and Anja Albrecht, Kevin Broadway, Alex, Keith, Eric, Taylor, Kyle and Dalton Klinger, and Trinity Lang; sister Helen and many cousins, nieces and nephews. His wife Adla, his parents and two sisters predeceased him.

All friends and family are invited to share in a Celebration of Arnell's Life on Saturday, March 16, 2002, at the Summit Park Grange Hall, at 2 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations may be made to Vasa Lodge NW District 13 Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 574, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, or to a favorite charity.

Arrangements are in the care of Evans Funeral Chapel, Anacortes, Wash.

Cornelia J. 'Connie' Boer

Graveside funeral services for Cornelia J. "Connie" Boer were held Thursday, March 14, 2002 at Sunnyside Cemetery, Coupeville. Memorial services followed at the Christian Reformed Church in Oak Harbor, with Pastor Harold Veldman officiating.

Connie Boer died at Careage of Whidbey, Coupeville, on March 10, 2002 at the age of 80. She was born Dec. 20, 1921 in Baldwin, Wisconsin to Simon and Cornelia (Velkamp) Dykstra. At the age of two, Connie and her parents traveled to China, where her family served as missionaries. Connie spent most of her youth growing up in China and she developed a life-long love for the country and its people. She returned to Grand Rapids, Michigan to complete high school.

Connie attended Calvin College in Grand Rapids, receiving her bachelor's degree in education. She taught sixth grade for one year. On June 29, 1945, she married Edward Boer in Grand Rapids. She transferred to Kalamazoo, Mich., where she spent six months teaching kindergarten.

Ed Boer was a pastor in the Christian Reformed Church. The Boers served churches across the country, including Kalamazoo and Lamont, Mich., Milwaukee, Wisc., North Haledon, N.J., Muskegon, Mich. and in 1968 traveled to Brigham City, Utah. Connie was employed for several years as a social worker and volunteer coordinator at a nursing facility in Brigham City. The Boers remained in Brigham City until retirement in July of 1985.

The Boer family had visited Connie's sister in Oak Harbor on several occasions and with retirement, decided to make Whidbey Island their permanent home. Connie loved music and was pianist and organist in many of the churches she and Ed served. She was a member of the Christian Reformed Church of Oak Harbor.

Connie Boer is survived by her

husband of 56 years, Pastor Ed Boer at the family home, Coupeville. She is survived by five children, David Boer (Nona) of Spring Lake, Mich.; Stephen Boer and James Boer, both of Coupeville; Laurel VanderMeulen (David) of Englewood, Colo., and Mark Boer of Denver, Colo.

She is survived by four sisters, Jean Muir of Anacortes, Wash.; Dorothy Kass of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Evelyn Ferrier of Oak Harbor, Wash. and Sylvia Gabrielse of Pittsburgh, Pa. Eight grandchildren also survive; Edward Boer of Nashville, Tenn.; Angela Boer of Chicago, Ill.; Michelle Boer and Jessica Boer, both of Spring Lake, Mich.; Jed and Matt VanderMeulen, both of Englewood, Colo. and Andrew and Katie Boer of Everett, Wash.

Memorials may be made to the Christian Reformed Church Sound System Fund. Funeral arrangements were under the direction of Burley Funeral Chapel, Oak Harbor. This obituary may be seen on-line at <http://burley.plan4ever.com>.

BIRTHS

The following births took place at Whidbey General Hospital:

**Kate Elizabeth Swires**, a girl, 8 lbs 10 oz, born March 5, 2002 to Michael and Dina Swires of Langley.  
**Marcus Elliott Glenn**, a boy, 8 lbs 4 oz, born March 6, 2002 to David and Nicole Glenn of Oak Harbor.  
**Jazmyne Maree Broussard**, a girl, 7 lbs 12 oz, born March 8, 2002 to Matthew Bullock and Patricia Broussard of Oak Harbor.

DEATHS

The following deaths occurred in Island County:

**Virginia Atkinson**, 69, Camano Island, died Feb. 20, 2002.  
**Robert Schmidt**, 66, Langley, died Feb. 20, 2002.  
**Patricia Kepner**, 66, Langley, died March 1, 2002.  
**Maxine Vandine**, 89, Anacortes, died March 3, 2002.  
**Vera Martin**, 75, Coupeville, died March 5, 2002.  
**Harold Gewald**, 80, Coupeville, died March 5, 2002.

POLICE BLOTTER

The Coupeville Marshal's Office responded to the following:

**Monday, March 4**

**9:23 a.m.** Medical call, unattended death on NE Summit Loop.  
**11:30 a.m.** Shoplifting occurred this past weekend on NW Front Street.  
**12:43 p.m.** Reporting party states that a black male with a black beanie is at the bus stop on S. Main Street asking students to come to his hotel room.  
**2:33 p.m.** Reporting party states they were just threatened by a subject on NE 6th Street.  
**2:47 p.m.** Reporting party states the black male is back on S. Main Street.  
**4:45 p.m.** Caller on S. Main Street requests contact in the office regarding an 11-year-old girl who has not been picked-up yet.  
**10:54 p.m.** Report of a possible DUI (driving under the influence) southbound from Boon Road and Highway 20. Vehicle has crossed the centerline several times.

**Tuesday, March 5**

**8:15 a.m.** Reporting party's son's backpack was stolen last night from the high school.  
**11:15 a.m.** Another report of shoplifting occurring this past weekend on NW Front Street.

**Wednesday, March 6**

**12:59 p.m.** Person locked out of vehicle on N. Main Street.  
**2:48 p.m.** Report of a fire in a dumpster for cardboard on S. Main Street.

**Thursday, March 7**

**8:46 a.m.** Reporting party on NE Birch Street called reporting a smoking fire alarm; no flames or fire visible.  
**9:58 a.m.** A disabled white van was reported blocking the roadway on Ebey Road just off the highway.

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WHIDBEY WEATHER SUMMARY Mar. 4-Mar. 10 2002					
Source: Island County WSU Cooperative Extension					
Location	High Temp	Low Temp	Rainfall (in.)	2001 to date	Last Year
Polnell Point	52	27	.15	3.93	3.86
NAS Whidbey	52	22	.09	3.53	3.16
West Beach	55	24	.24	4.89	3.18
Fort Casey	64	28	.28	4.09	3.91
Admirals Cove	54	22	.32	4.70	4.47
Teronda West	53	24	.35	5.39	4.18
Bay View	52	24	.72	8.21	4.91

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## GUEST COMMENTARY

# Arts Center making comeback

By Roberta Piercy

The Coupeville Arts Center (CAC) experienced some severe setbacks in September 2001. We found we were not immune to the generally backsliding economy. Additionally, our executive director abruptly resigned and a serious financial crisis reached its peak. Drastic measures were required, so staff was reduced to minimal levels and a volunteer interim management team was appointed by the Board to serve in place of a paid director.

Our tremendous Coupeville community rallied with a local auction to raise funds, which was successful financially, as well as fun.

A unique opportunity arose to lease part of our building to Whidbey General Hospital for a year, thus providing additional cash infusion, and a local citizen extended us a short-term loan.

We are making changes to Coupeville

Arts Center to make ourselves more financially sound and to continue to provide quality educational programs at competitive prices. The CAC website, at [www.coupevillearts.org](http://www.coupevillearts.org), has been maintained and will continue to be the most current source of class information. A printed class supplement is now being prepared for 2002 activities. This will take the place of an annual catalog and will be used to advertise course offerings by mail to those who have attended classes at CAC previously, as well as answer inquiries for course information. The office is staffed regularly, part-time. If you call or e-mail the office at [cac@whidbey.net](mailto:cac@whidbey.net) when staff is not available, your calls and e-mails will be returned promptly.

Thank you for your patience as we tighten up and redefine our organization. We will continue to strive to provide unique learning opportunities to serve artists and craftspeople. We would like to ask you to

help the Coupeville Arts Center get through this tough time and continue its tradition of excellence and provide a peaceful, rural safe haven where the creative spirit may flourish.

Please consider membership now and at the highest possible level. By becoming a member of the Coupeville Arts Center you will help us keep the Arts Center alive. You'll be able to take a class at a reduced rate and attend a host of special arts events. Additionally, please consider sharing the healing gift of art in the form of a tax-deductible gift membership for a friend or loved one. We are counting on your help.

We hope you will join us today, and help sustain a year-round visual arts experience right here on magnificent Whidbey Island.

*Roberta Piercy is the office manager for the Coupeville Arts Center.*

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## LETTERS

*Dave Anderson, we miss you*  
Editor,

I read in a local paper about Kelly Barlean and Barry Sehlin's "No" votes for lowering the yes vote percentage for passing a school levy from 60 percent to 50 percent. Knowing that the house vote failed by just one vote, and knowing Dave Anderson's voting record on schools, I'm sure, if he had been our Rep, his "Yes" vote would have been the difference between passage and failure in Olympia.

The voting of Barlean and Sehlin guarantees that no votes of just 40 percent of the people will continue to deny money for kids throughout the state of Washington. Where's our right of one person, one vote? All parents, educators and students ought to be disgusted with the way these two voted last week.

We are now finding police, fire, school and health programs negatively affected by the passage of another Tim Eyman initiative which only needed 50 percent approval at the polls to pass.

However, when we need to vote on more monies to better educate our children, we have to approve such a measure with a 60 percent or more voter approval.

Maybe we will have to make changes at the polls in November. For shame, Barry and Kelly!

**Vern Olsen  
Greenbank**

## Emergency Alert System is missing a local link

Editor,

Did you have a problem leaving Whidbey Island on Thursday morning, March 7th? How did you find out about State Highway 20 being closed — or didn't you? For that matter, how about you folks coming into Island County? We have only a limited ability to be directly informed, by our county, of any emergency information, such as earthquake info, bridge or road damage/closure, hazardous material spills, forestland fires, and tidal waves or manmade disasters, by our county, city, and other local governmental municipalities.

Why should I worry, you might ask yourself?

Have you heard of the "Emergency Alert System" (EAS)? It is a system currently in use by most municipalities, states, and the federal government. It ties together those governmental agencies through designated television and radio stations, throughout our country, to inform their residents about emergency information.

KWDB, the voice of Whidbey Island, 1110AM, is one of those designated radio stations for this system and for our area. They are



currently connected to NOAA, the State of Washington, and the federal government but not to our local county, city, or fire districts, EXCEPT by telephone, via the state office of Emergency Management. This telephone call from local officials to State Emergency Management can cause unnecessary delay in getting the alert sent. We are the only Central Puget Sound County that is not connected to this automatic system; it is only through a telephone call, by the county Emergency Services, to the state offices that emergency information can be disseminated through our local radio station. In fact, out of 39 counties in the State of Washington, four or five counties, including Island County, are not fully connected to the system and rely solely on State Emergency Management to issue the alert.

I have tried, for the past year, to get the system equipment, which is currently stored by the county, installed in a "24/7 facility," that is, a manned dispatch center that operates 24 hours a day and seven days a week. The only facility in Island County that meets this requirement is the ICOM center, or what you know as "where your '911 calls' are answered." Island County municipalities, i.e. cities and towns, fire districts, and the county itself, provides funds for this facility's operation.

You, too, provide funding for the 911 center through various taxes — check your phone bill! I have spoken with a county commissioner, a town mayor, a police chief, and some fire commissioners to get this system installed and operating as required by state and federal

agencies. It apparently has fallen on deaf ears as nothing has been accomplished thus far. Some of these folks that I spoke with are even on the board of directors of ICOM; operation of the EAS would benefit each of their organizations as well as the public.

As it was explained to me, one problem is "since the maintenance on the 911 system is under contract, nobody but the contractor has access to the tower and will not allow anyone to install antennas and wiring." Also, in the past, the supervisor of ICOM was against installing the equipment and being responsible for its upkeep and operation.

Is this how our local government functions in their daily work? Is it a matter of dollars or is it a "my turf" problem? It really doesn't make any difference! It is a federal and state requirement and it would certainly benefit every resident of Island County and the surrounding area. In addition, if the system connection were made a contract requirement for the cable TV companies that provide service to the island, the EAS system would be more complete, that is, it could reach more people in an actual emergency.

It would behoove each one of you to contact the municipality and fire district officials serving your residential area and demand that the system become operational. The dollars needed to install and test this equipment are minimal, as the radio station KWDB has offered to donate their time and effort to help accomplish this task!

**Dick Johnson  
Oak Harbor**



## Now rede this

You remember the Yonek twins, Reagan and Riley. We talked about them in late 1999 when they visited the Farmer's Market at the Greenbank Farm with their parents, Jeffrey and Jody. Jody had her hands full with an active pair of six-month old babies and Jeffrey, who practiced corporate law part time off island, was a busy daddy on his days off.

Life's pretty much the same today except that the twins are now three and even more active. Sunday, Reagan was giggling with a friend as they ran around Harrington Hall at St. Mary's Church and Riley was on his knees at a table munching on a doughnut and having a serious discussion with his dad.

Jeffrey said their mom was teaching the twins their prayers and that every morning at breakfast, he encouraged them to join him in the Pledge of Allegiance. "One morning, even before 9/11," he said, "I stopped in the middle and they kept right on going. I was amazed!"

He said the only word Riley finds hard to pronounce is "America."

This I had to hear! I asked Riley if he'd say it for me and without missing a beat, he turned, and looking me in the eye, gave his lickety-split, word for word, Pledge of Allegiance right to the end, "With liberty and justice for all. Amen."

The "Amen" startled me for a moment — until I realized that Riley was right! Think about it: "out of the mouths of babes" is still true.

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Digging in dumpsters for valuables is a strange hobby, but when Stephanie Reid was living in Sierra Madre, California with her mom, the late Mary Struthers, it was a common occurrence at the Salvation Army Thrift Store where Mary kept the books and dispatched the trucks for pick-ups.



### THIS & THAT

By Irene Mueller

Everyone who worked there knew that the Captain gave no instructions to the sorting crews, so anything they saw no value in they just tossed. The dumpsters were kept in an old warehouse behind the Thrift Store and that's where Stephanie, who walked to the west end of Colorado Boulevard from Pasadena City College, and Mary spent their lunch hours.

Stephanie said they found wonderful things; beautiful old jewelry, opera glasses, leather bound books, and on and on. "I'd take them in and show the sorters what they'd thrown out," she said, "and they'd just shrug."

One of the books is a jewel itself. Printed phonetically — that is, in an alphabet which admits the sounds of words being accurately expressed. To have each word spell exactly as it sounded, it was necessary to add 16 "wholly new"

letters to our alphabet; none of the 16 are on my keyboard. The idea was to "render the education of the poorer classes possible, by making the art of reading pleasant and easy to acquire."

The book, copyright 1849, is the "Ferst Fonetic Edishun," by Alecs J. Elis of "Jon Bunyan's Pilgrimz Progres." The phonetic spelling gives "difficult reading" a whole new meaning — it's nothing like the good old phonics that was taught in schools before the 60s.

Try this one. "Tw becüm relíjus iz a virtu bi hwot menz soéver a man becümz so."

Stephanie said she tried to read the book, but worried that it would "cripple" her for other reading.

She loved to go to the Thrift Store for another reason, too. Housed in the old Pasadena Theatre, it was wrapped in history. She spent many hours under the Theatre with spiders and cockroaches looking for the tunnel leading to the Old Green Hotel where the elite stayed in days gone by. During bad weather, the tunnel became a walkway for the wealthy on their way to the theatre.

Stephanie later learned that the tunnel had been sealed off long ago. No matter, she grew up reading Nancy Drew books, and had enjoyed the adventure.

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Don't miss the Annual Spring Plant Sale at Greenbank's Meerkerk Rhododendron Gardens March 16 and 17, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In celebration of St. Patrick's Day, visitors wearing GREEN to the plant sale receive a free gift!

## Fun found at library

There are plenty of activities for people of all ages going on at the Coupeville Library.

Preschool storytime is at 9:30 a.m. on March 15 and March 22. Come and enjoy fun stories, music and activities, and learn a new word in sign language each week.



### CHECK IT OUT

By Leslie Franzen

Between 2-5 p.m. the same days, Internet Surf School provides a basic introduction to the Internet, covering browser functions, the Sno-Isle Library System homepage, and using search engines.

At 6:30 p.m. on Monday, March 18, people of all ages are invited to attend *An American Beauty* from "Chicken Soup for the Gardener's

Soul." Join us for an informative evening with Whidbey Island writer and gardener, Arlene West House as she shares her short story from this best-selling series. Arlene will share the process of writing and publishing her story and what her plans are for the future. This program is not just for gardeners, but for anyone who admires writing and growing things! Funding is provided by Friends of the Coupeville Library.

Tuesday, March 19 at 7 p.m., Adult "Playing Cat and Mouse!" is an introductory class on finding information using the Sno-Isle Catalog and on-line databases. Preregister by calling 360-678-4911.

Wednesday, March 20 at 2:30 p.m., children age 5 and up and preschoolers if accompanied by an adult, are invited to participate in "What's So Funny?" featuring crazy, zany stories, songs, jokes and skits. Make a crazy craft to take home. Come dressed in a crazy way—clothes may be inside out, backwards, or maybe even pajamas!

## ANCESTRAL

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they replaced the west wall in the kitchen. Bill and Renee together cleaned the chalky calcimine paint from the interior walls and removed the lath and plaster from the brick fireplaces which grace the parlors and bedrooms. (One of the two parlors has been made into a bedroom.) They pulled up the carpeting and refinished the lovely fir floors. Bill installed two wide, period doors to separate the parlor/living room from the entrance foyer, with its fir staircase and beautifully carved balustrade leading to the second floor.

Since the house was built on such a sturdy stone foundation, and because it had been so well cared for through the years, there was not a lot more to do other than live in it.

"This is a hardworking old house," Renee observed. "An honest farmhouse." While it has its portico and its pilasters, its cornices and brackets,

it lacks the gingerbread so dear to the hearts of Victorian homebuilders. The Smith family, however likes their house's forthright, plain exterior so symbolic of the hardworking, plain-spoken farmers who have lived for over a hundred years within its walls.

Georgie, who grew up in the house, married attorney Charles Arndt five years ago in the garden. They are presently remodeling the old granary so that they can continue to live on the family's land. Georgie, who has a degree in journalism, grows organic vegetables in the garden which she sells at the local farmers' market. Brother Charles is a scholar of Chinese language and culture. Though he often travels to the distant East, and now works in Beijing, he always comes back home to the prairie.

In these days, when it is such a challenge for family farms to survive, let alone prosper, it is inspiring to see the hardworking Smiths and their hardworking house keeping the past alive for us.

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**Coupeville Foursquare Church**  
105 N. Broadway, Coupeville  
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Tuesday - Intercessory Prayer at 7 p.m.  
Wednesday - Family Night at 6:30 p.m.  
Pastor Garrett Arnold 678-6692

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**Coupeville Community Bible Church**  
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## Business Briefs

### Flea Market is back

The Flea Market held inside the 1904 barn at Greenbank Farm is back again for St. Pat's weekend from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday, March 16 and 17. Treasures from trunks, attics and storage, antiques, collectibles and used goods for reuse along with surplus inventory and new handcrafted items will be for sale. Kettle corn and other food will be available. The leprechauns have something for everyone! The barn is filled for this market. To sign up for the next Flea Market call Issy or Dory at 678-7700 or 222-3151.

### All invited to EDC

The Island District Economic Development Council's annual membership dinner meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 21 at the Oak Harbor Yacht Club.

Guest speaker is William Dillingham, Senior Economist. Cost for the dinner and program is \$25. All interested persons invited to attend. Call EDC at 678-6889 or toll free at (888) 506-7999 for reservations.

### Dividend declared

The Board of Directors of Pacific

Northwest Bancorp announced last week that a cash dividend of 14 cents per share will be paid on April 10 to shareholders of record as of March 15, 2002. Pacific Northwest Bancorp has consistently paid cash dividends since going public in July of 1991.

Pacific Northwest Bancorp is a bank holding company, operating 55 financial centers through its commercial bank subsidiary, Pacific Northwest Bank.

### China City to move

Yuet Ha Liu, Kwok Yang Ng and Yee Nam Ng, doing business as China City, LLC, plan to move their China City Restaurant and Lounge from 510 Cascade Way in Langley to 1804 E. Scott Road in Freeland, according to their application with the Washington State Liquor Control Board. Their application is for restaurant and lounge sales of spirits, beer and wine. Anyone wishing to support or oppose this application should contact the board at (360)664-1600.

### License assumption

Hyung Bae Ahn and Byung Ga Kwak have applied to the Washington State Liquor Control Board for

assumption of the liquor license issued to Kun Su Yang and Chong Bok Yang, dba Kyoto Japanese Restaurant, 9041 90th NW, Oak Harbor. The license is for sale of beer and wine in the restaurant. Anyone wishing to support or oppose this application should contact the board at (360)664-1600.

## Help from tobacco quit line

The Washington State Department of Health has launched a new Web site to help tobacco users quit. It's called *quitline.com*.

The site provides information about the benefits of quitting and gives people a glimpse into what happens when they call the quit line at 1-877-270 STOP.

*Quitline.com* features a sample of what a call to the quit line is like, facts about how quitting smoking improves your health right away, and information about the cessation specialists who provide help to people who want to quit using tobacco.

People who visit *quitline.com* also can read personal stories from former tobacco users who called the quit line for help.

## Seminar on raising livestock responsibly on a small farm

On Saturday, March 16, at the Coupeville Middle School, the WSU Livestock Advisors will offer a full day of classes on how to raise livestock responsibly on a small farm.

Starting at 8:30 a.m., presentations

will be made on safely composting animal manures, keeping pastures healthy and productive, controlling weeds on and around your property, and managing storm water run-off to minimize mud.

While geared toward the management of farms five acres or less in size, the information is useful for anyone raising livestock.

At 11 a.m. the program will be broken up into two "tracks."

One will focus on prevention, recognition, and treatment of lameness in horses, led by Dr. Ken Leisher of Mount Vernon Veterinary Hospital, and farrier Gordon Goss of Monroe.

The other "track" will feature speakers sharing experiences raising poultry and sheep, and natural, hormone-free pigs and beef, covering the basics of expenses, physical needs, start-up requirements, nutritional needs and health care management.

Bring a brown bag lunch and take advantage of the lunch break to browse through display.

Cost is \$12 at the door, \$10 if you pre-register. For more information, call (360)679-7327, 321-5111, ext. 7327, or (360) 678-4177.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### FRIDAY, MARCH 15

■ **Preschool Storytime** at the Coupeville Library, with fun stories, music and activities for ages 2 - 5. Learn a new word in sign language. 9:30 a.m.

■ **Stroke Support Group Meeting**, 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Conference Room A at Whidbey General Hospital. 678-7619.

■ **Youth Dance Night**, ages 14 to 20, 8 p.m. to midnight (no entry after 10 p.m.). Enter through Pizza Factory at Ken's Korner, Clinton. Entry \$5. 360-341-1282. By Island Dance.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 16

■ **Whidbey Audubon Field Trip**, half day to Dugualla Bay and North Whidbey. Meet 9 a.m. Oak Harbor City Beach by the jet plane. Leader is Sandy Shields, 675-9585.

■ **Beach Litter Clean Up** at Double Bluff beach, 10 a.m. to noon. Safety equipment provided for you or your group. 360-678-4100 or [cmay@whidbey.net](mailto:cmay@whidbey.net).

■ **Flea Market at the Greenbank Farm**, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the historic 1904 barn.

■ **Sons of Norway**, Whidbey Island Nordic Lodge, meet 10 a.m. at Coupeville Recreation Hall, corner Coveland and Alexander. Coffee, cookies and fellowship follow the business meeting.

■ **Polio Support Group**, 1 p.m. at Whidbey General Hospital, Meeting Room A (lower level, park in rear). Jill Reed will speak on T'ai Chi, for exercise without muscle damage.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 17

■ **Adult Children of Alcoholics**, support group meeting. 2-3 p.m. Whidbey General Hospital Conference Room A, or 7-8 p.m., Coupeville United Methodist Church, downstairs. 678-4599 or [carole@coupeville.net](mailto:carole@coupeville.net).

### MONDAY, MARCH 18

■ **Internet Surf School**, a basic introduction to using the Internet in Sno-Isle libraries. 6:30 p.m. at the Coupeville Li-

brary. Free, pre-registration required at 678-4911.

■ **Quilters on the Rock**, 7 p.m. at Coupeville Methodist Church in the main meeting room. Debbie Crocker will show her collection of antique quilts (postponed from January). 675-5888.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

■ **Marine Resources Committee Meeting**, 4 to 6 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Freeland. Public welcome.

### THURSDAY, MARCH 21

■ **Meeting of the Board of Directors for the Greenbank Farm Management Group**, 8 a.m. in the Jim Davis House at the Farm. Public welcome.

■ **Sportsmen's Assoc. Trap Shoot**, 6 p.m. at clubhouse on Safari Road, off Hwy. 20 just south of Coupeville. Public welcome. 678-5008.

■ **Adult Children of Alcoholics**, support group meeting. 6-7 p.m., 2nd and Park Streets in Langley. 678-4599 or [carole@coupeville.net](mailto:carole@coupeville.net).

### FRIDAY, MARCH 22

■ **Daughters of the Pioneers of Washington**, meet 11:30 a.m. at The Crosswinds Restaurant, 15426 Airport Drive, Burlington. 675-4384.

■ **AARP Tax Assistance**, every Friday

from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Coupeville Library. Free, on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign in on arrival at library and bring necessary paperwork. Through April 12.

■ **Komiks to Benefit Kids**, comedy shows to benefit the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation (CAPF). First group of comedians tonight at 8 p.m. at the Elks Lodge in Oak Harbor. Second group tomorrow in Langley. Tickets \$15 through CAPF office in Freeland (331-7343) and other Island locations.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 23

■ **Fence Removal Volunteer Workday**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Au Sable Institute-Smith Prairie Reserve. Row by row, continuing to remove the old pheasant fences. Bring workgloves - hot drinks provided. 678-5586.

■ **Whidbey Audubon Field Trip-Owling**, meet 5 p.m. in Keystone Park parking lot, dressed warmly. Leader is Gary Piazzon, 678-5131.

■ **Komiks to Benefit Kids**, comedy show to benefit the Child Abuse Prevention Foundation (CAPF). 8 p.m. at South Whidbey High School. Tickets \$15 through CAPF office in Freeland (331-7343) and other Island locations.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 24

■ **Adult Children of Alcoholics**, support group meeting. 2-3 p.m. Whidbey General Hospital Conference Room A, or 7-8 p.m., Coupeville United Methodist Church, downstairs. 678-4599.

### MONDAY, MARCH 25

■ **Adult CPR Class**, 5:30 to 10 p.m. at Red Cross office in Oak Harbor. \$25. Register at 257-2096, 1-888-216-5727, or [islandredcross@whidbey.net](mailto:islandredcross@whidbey.net).

### TUESDAY, MARCH 26

■ **Whidbey Audubon Field Trip**, half day at Pass Lake, Sharp Park and other Fidalgo Island spots. Meet 9 a.m. at Oak Harbor City Beach. Leader is Don Knoke, 678-3703.

■ **Adult CPR Class**, 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Red Cross office in Oak Harbor. \$25. Register at 257-2096, 1-888-216-5727, or [islandredcross@whidbey.net](mailto:islandredcross@whidbey.net).

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

■ **Introduction to the Sno-Isle Library Catalog** and on-line databases,

at the Coupeville Library. Free, pre-registration required at 678-4911.

■ **First Aid Class**, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. at Red Cross office in Oak Harbor. \$23. Register at 257-2096, 1-888-216-5727, or [islandredcross@whidbey.net](mailto:islandredcross@whidbey.net).

### THURSDAY, MARCH 28

■ **Adult Children of Alcoholics**, support group meeting. 6-7 p.m., 2nd and Park Streets in Langley. 678-4599 or [carole@coupeville.net](mailto:carole@coupeville.net).

### FRIDAY, MARCH 29

■ **AARP Tax Assistance**, every Friday from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Coupeville Library. Free, on a first-come, first-served basis. Sign in on arrival at library and bring necessary paperwork. Through April 12.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 30

■ **Annual Easter Egg Run**, with Super Hash House Harriers, a running club. Meet 2 p.m. at north gate to Kettles area, wide spot on Hwy. 20, 1 mile south of Libbey Rd. 678-3441 or [www.whidbeyh3.com](http://www.whidbeyh3.com).



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# Late, great animator's work still 'fresh'

Chuck Jones was one of my favorite directors well before I even knew what the term meant.

One of the true titans of the animation business, Jones, who died recently at age 89, was the father of lovesick skunk Pepe le Pew, doomed carnivore Wile E. Coyote and that devious tease, the Road Runner, as well as the genius who helped shape the career of Daffy Duck and Bugs Bunny.

For a cartoon lover such as myself, he was simply The Man.

Others made comparable impacts. Tex Avery was the wild one, crafting eyeball-popping tales of madly whistling wolves and dippy dogs chasing va-va-voomy Red Riding Hoods who looked like they were outfitted by Frederick's of Hollywood.

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## REEL TIME

By David Svien

countless others, some known and many forgotten.

But for many, it was Jones who defined the Looney Tunes brand of cartoons which made Warner Brothers the titans of the industry.

His "What's Opera, Doc?" is

widely considered to be the definitive cartoon short, an astonishing mix of high art and lowdown pratfalls, as Bugs Bunny torments Elmer Fudd to the accompaniment of soaring arias.

Toss in the original animated version of "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas," much of Daffy Duck's finest moments — when he was a dithering, ego-driven wonder — and the simple, yet endless variations on classic silent comedy concocted for the endless battle between a pea-brained coyote and a smarty-pants road runner, and you have a man responsible for decades of laughs.

Many of the best Looney Tunes shorts were made in the 1940s, and yet they remain as fresh today as the day they were first drawn.

My four-year-old nephew, Ford, thinks the sight of Daffy Duck giving Porkie Pig a well-timed wedgie is the epitome of entertainment. I have to agree.

Like all great entertainers, Jones will still have an impact long after his death. His cartoons, classic art distilled into short bite-sized chunks of pure joy, will continue to play as long as there are kids to laugh at them.

Pepe le Pew will still be driven mad by skunk lust, Daffy Duck will still be a giddy, shameless showoff and Wile E. Coyote will still be falling off of cliffs when not being crushed by an army of defective Acme products.

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