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## Mayor gets her raise

### Council frames debate for election 2004

By Mary Kay Doody

The Coupeville Town Council unanimously approved a raise for Mayor Nancy Conard Tuesday evening, but not without hearing opposition from some members of the public.

And before the evening was over, councilmembers agreed, they'd defined what will likely be an important campaign issue in the 2004 mayoral election campaign.

"We may be talking about changing our form of government," said Coupeville resident Jack McPherson, who served

as mayor several years ago. "At the very least, it calls for a public hearing."

Coupeville resident Diane Desek-Piazzon agreed with many of McPherson's cautionary comments, saying she was concerned about future elected officials.

"The cast of characters is very competent now," she said. But, she and others remarked, incompetent candidates could run for election in the future, possibly mainly because of the pay attached to the job of mayor.

"We're lucky to have a mayor who chooses to go beyond the call of duty," said town councilmember Bob Clay. "This is a way for us to pay for that."

"We've had a bargain for six years. That's why we can afford this," said councilmember Donna Keeler. "I've been after Nancy

to do this for two years."

The council approved Conard's request for an annual salary of \$26,200 for doing the work which would otherwise be done by a hired city administrator working half time.

Acknowledging that not all mayors or mayoral candidates would be qualified or inclined to do that much administrative work, the council also approved an alternate salary of \$1,000 per month for a future mayor who may opt to do little or more than the eight hours of work per week required by state law. Such a mayor could hire a city administrator to do the work Conard has chosen to do in the six years she's been in office. Conard is in the middle of her second four-year term.

That measure passed 4-1 with councilmember Phil Williamson against doubling the current \$500 allowance.

## 'Wanderest' reunion

A somewhat impromptu Vane family reunion was held in Coupeville December 8-9th at the Judge Still house, or better known to family members as "Wanderest."

The idea of the reunion was sparked by the news of the pending sale of the historic home and at the suggestion of Marilyn Sherman Clay, who held the lease on the historic home through December 2001.

This was the first time any family members had the opportunity to visit or revisit the homestead since the time of the Captain's death in 1954 and the eventual sale.

Although according to the Vane sisters much of the interior of the home has been remodeled over the past almost 50 years, many areas including most of the exterior have remained the same over as when they lived there.

Attendees included the children of Captain Lynn P. and Bernice Vane: Ivy Vane Williams of Tacoma and

Marjorie Vane Carpentier of Port Townsend. Other Vane family descendants attending were children of Marjorie Vane Carpentier: David and Michele Carpentier and daughter Jenelle of Camano Island; William Carpentier of Port Townsend; Mark and Dorothy Westlund and children Aletha and Sean of Port Townsend; Rick and Ellen Carpentier and daughter Leah of Edmonds; Tim Carpentier; Virginia Carpentier of Port Hadlock and Paul and Julie Carpentier of Bellingham.

Others attending were daughter of Arthur Vane, Linda Vane and her husband Michael Scarey, along with daughters Lindsey and Marie of Seattle. Also at the reunion were children of Eunice Vane Wilson: Jerry and Nancy Wilson, along with son Mathew and wife Courtney of the San Juan Islands; Janice Wilson Ford and husband Larrie; and June Wilson Mazdra and husband Marty along with son Brandon, all of Coupeville.



Dennis Connolly Photo

## Hospital expansion under way

The Whidbey General Hospital foundation this week presented WGH with \$141,000 for the new 'Quiet Room,' seen under construction above. From left to right are hospital CFO Doug Bishop, construction superintendent Ben Thompson of Dawson Construction, Inc. and hospital CEO Scott Rhine. Expansion of the hospital is well under way.

## The Horace Holbrook House

Interesting houses seem to attract interesting people, and this is certainly true of the periwinkle blue and white house on Alexander Street built by the son of the pioneer sea captain Richard Holbrook, this charming farmhouse sheltered several generations of the Holbrook family before passing into other hands and then into those of present owner Jeanne Carrington.

Horace Holbrook was born in the log cabin his father had built in Coveland, the first Island County

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

seat, near San de Fuca. Holbrook was a carpenter and shipbuilder who built and owned two or three launches which he piloted through the waters of the Sound. Part owner of the

Coupeville Mill Company, where he was plant engineer, he also supervised the construction of boats at the Lovejoy Mill — both mills alongside the Coupeville docks — and was a self-taught steam engineer. Several of his boats were built in one of the three board and batten outbuildings near his house.

Holbrook's sister, Molly Frances, left Coupeville for the brighter lights of Boston and New York, attending Oberlin College and the Emerson

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## Early days of Coupeville's Firehall

By Bob Hancock

In 1946, the Coupeville Fire Department had two fire trucks: a 1923 Packard and a 1925 Packard with a front-end water pump. Both had the back seat taken off and replaced by a flat bed with hoses, nozzles, etc.

The town and the fire department both decided a new truck would be nice, so we called for bids. The town council, Captain Lynn P. Vane, Gilbert Olsen and I accepted a bid for a 1946 Chevrolet for \$1,850.

We had a front-end water pump, siren and a bed for hoses, etc. and had a total for truck and all gear of \$3,100 in it.

At that time there was no insurance for firemen and no 25 pounds of gear to wear such as boots, coats, hats, etc. We wore whatever we had on and put



Bob Hancock. Mary Kay Doody Photo

out fires any which way we could.

The old firehall on Alexander Street had the two Packards below and a fireman meeting room upstairs.

Mr. Hancock is a fourth-generation Coupeville resident. He served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Coupeville Fire Department 1941-1948.

## Coupeville Festival board elected

The Coupeville Festival Association last week elected a slate of officers and one additional board member for two-year terms. This group will govern the organization through the 39th and 40th Historic Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festivals, this August and next.

Benye Weber was elected to a second two-year term as president. Phyllis Cadwallader, treasurer, was also re-elected. Mary Young has joined the board as secretary, while Margaret Johnson was elected as a board member at large.

Sue Wotton was previously appointed by the board to fill the last year of the board position left va-

cant with the passing of Ken Jampsa. Jim Sebastian is in the last year of his term as a board member at large.

In anticipation of this year's festival, President Weber called for volunteers to work on it.

Especially needed is a volunteer office manager to preside over the Association's new Front Street headquarters. Also needed are volunteers for the parking, publicity, and operations committees.

Any one with an interest in becoming involved with the Festival is encouraged to contact any board member or attend regular membership meetings, which will commence

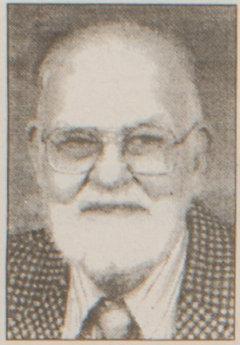
with a May 21 gathering. Board meetings are also open to interested parties; the next is scheduled for 6 p.m. Feb. 4 at Penn Cove Pizza, Pasta, and More.

The Historic Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival Association is a non-profit, all volunteer organization. All proceeds of the festival further the arts (especially involving children) and preserving and enhancing the historic, small-town character of central Whidbey Island. The 39th Historic Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival is slated for Aug. 10-11, 2002. The organization's website is [www.coupevilleartsandcraftsfestival.org](http://www.coupevilleartsandcraftsfestival.org).



## OBITUARIES

## Walter R. Sewell



Long-time Coupeville resident Walter R. Sewell, 83, passed away Saturday, Jan. 5, 2002 in Coupeville.

Walt was a long standing member of the Masonic Lodge in Coupeville, an honorary founder of the B.P.O. Elks Lodge in Kodiak, Alaska, a World War II veteran, member of the American Legion and a well-liked and respected member of the community.

He and his wife, Margaret, known as Peggy, also deceased, moved into their home in Coupeville 40 years ago.

Walt worked in Civil Service for many years, while Peggy ran an antique shop, first in a building on Coupeville's waterfront and later out of the house next door to their residence on North Main Street. Peggy was known for the long walks she took around town visiting other antique shops, yard sales and the beach.

She was an avid collector of things from her many trips to exotic places.

Walt and Peggy were married for 49 happy years before she preceded

him in death.

Walt is survived by one brother, many nephews and nieces and their families. Walt will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

There will be a service held in Walt and Peggy's memory at the Masonic Lodge on Main Street in Coupeville at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002. Everyone is welcome. For more information please call 679-2355.

## Robert Albert Larson

Robert Albert Larson, 83, a Whidbey Island resident for over 50 years, died at the home of his daughter on Jan. 9, 2002 after bravely battling cancer for nearly a year and a half.

Bob was born and raised in Bremerton. He attended Bremerton High where he developed his natural talents as an athlete. After graduation in 1937, he worked as a machinist apprentice and played minor league baseball.

During World War II he commanded a Bomb Disposal Unit and was promoted to the rank of 1st Lieutenant. He was very proud of the fact that he never lost one of his men.

After the war, Bob attended the University of Washington where he was a captain of the baseball team, lettering all four years. There, he met and later married his wife Patty. He graduated in 1947, and began his career as a teacher. Shortly thereafter Bob became a father and he moved his family to

Lagoon Point on Whidbey Island.

During his years as an educator, he taught a myriad of high school subjects. Marine Biology and P.E. were two of his favorites. As a coach he amassed an impressive record during his career by capturing several state championships in baseball, football, and tennis. With Bob's help, many of his students were able to obtain scholarships to colleges that they might not otherwise have been able to attend. He coached both boys and girls tennis in a time when women's sports were often overlooked.

His teaching job led him to several locales: Orting, Monroe, Coupeville, and Darrington. He made such an impression on his students that many of his students continued to stay in touch, decades after his retirement.

Over the years tennis became Bob's real passion. He was a devoted father and involved grandfather, who introduced both his daughter and granddaughters to the wonderful sport. Bob's leisure hours were also spent fishing and enjoying the great outdoors. He was a conservationist long before it became a popular cause. Bob was a community leader and vocal advocate for the protection of the environment.

He was a man of integrity and a very caring and giving individual.

He leaves behind his daughter Robin Hildebrand and her husband Bruce, granddaughters Jana and Heather Hildebrand of Bellevue, and his sister Dorothy Spillane of Seattle, who will miss him dearly.

Services were held Jan. 19, 2002 Whidbey Island Naval Air Station Chapel. Please send remembrances to The American Cancer society at 1-800-ACS-2345.

## Rico Alejandro Ekberg

Rico Alejandro Ekberg, 26, of Oak Harbor, died in Seattle at Harborview Medical Center on Jan. 14, 2002, as a result of burns received in a house fire.

Mr. Ekberg was born in Harrodsburg, Kentucky, on Oct. 16, 1975. He lived on Orcas Island, and in Carlsbad, Calif., before coming to Whidbey Island in 1994. He attended St. Mary's Catholic Church in Coupeville.

Rico is survived by his mother, Karen Ekberg of Coupeville, and by two children, Cedric and Cicara Ekberg of Oak Harbor. Also surviving are two sisters, Ramona Peterson and Michelle Dade, both of Spokane; seven brothers, Daniel Ekberg of San Dimas, Calif., Rocky Ekberg of Shoreline, Jordan, Dana, Joshua and Clarence Ekberg, all of Coupeville and Jake Ekberg (D.J. Sims) of Seattle; aunts and uncles, Richard and Patricia Hall of Vancouver, Wash. and Annette and Bill Dwyer of Seattle; and two cousins, Kerry and Debbie Hall of Seattle.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 26, 2002 at St. Mary's Catholic Church, the Rev. John J. O'Leary, celebrant. Inurnment will be private.

Arrangements and cremation were under direction of Burley Funeral Chapel.

## BIRTHS

The following births took place at Whidbey General Hospital:

**Mattason Alana Collatz Gildersleeve**, a girl, 6 lbs 12 oz, born Jan. 15, 2002 to Jason Gildersleeve and Mackenzie Straub of Clinton.

**Kobe Ke-Ahi Balora**, a boy, 8 lbs 10 oz, born Jan. 15, 2002 to Albert Balora and Tina Drake-Calkins of Freeland.

## DEATHS

The following deaths occurred in Island County:

**Herbert Balverde**, 57, Oak Harbor died Dec. 31, 2001.

**Walter Albrechtsen** (aka Wulf Valdemar), 91, Clinton, died Jan. 4, 2002.

**Francis Flynn**, 90, Oak Harbor, died Jan. 9, 2002.

**David Chabot**, 70, Camano, died Jan. 10, 2002.

**William Cavens**, 88, Oak Harbor, died Jan. 10, 2002.

**Gena Miranda**, 86, Oak Harbor, died Jan. 12, 2002.

**Betty Prentice**, 78, Langley, died Jan. 17, 2002.

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POLICE BLOTTER

The Coupeville Marshal's Office responded to the following:

**Monday, Jan. 14**  
**12:47 p.m.** Motor vehicle accident on NE Birch Street. No one injured.  
**7:10 p.m.** Medical call, NE Birch Street. Reporting party requests a subject be transferred to the hospital. The subject is a mental health patient and is currently having audio and visual hallucinations.  
**11:12 p.m.** Access control alarm has gone off twice in the Law & Justice building.

**Tuesday, Jan. 15**  
**6:44 a.m.** Caller from Missouri and requests a check on his dad, who lives on NW 6th Street. Reporting party has been calling him all morning and there is no answer. He last spoke to him yesterday. There are no known health problems. He would like a call back from either his dad or law enforcement.  
**11:20 a.m.** Request officer respond to a location on N. Main Street to pick up and transport a subject to Whidbey General Hospital. The subject is suffering from psychotic delusions; not being a problem at this time.

**Wednesday, Jan. 16**  
**12:12 p.m.** Report of 5 female juveniles, all approximately 15 years old, who just went into the woods behind an apartment complex on N. Main Street. Reporting party states they do not live at the complex.  
**2:23 p.m.** Bad check written to a business on S. Main Street.  
**2:46 p.m.** A female subject at Town

Hall would like to speak with an officer regarding a ticket.  
**3:34 p.m.** Person locked out of vehicle on S. Main Street.

**Thursday, Jan. 17**  
**10:37 a.m.** A male adult is being transported to the hospital and it is requested that law enforcement stand by as the subject is being restrained.  
**5:59 p.m.** Reporting party on NE Otis & NE 6th Streets reports a male subject in a red 1965 Ford Mustang was in front of her and the subject turned and squealed his tires causing a rock to hit her windshield.  
**8:13 p.m.** Assisted sheriff's department on a call for a 28 year old female on Rickover Drive threatening suicide, yelling in the background. Reporting party advises they are trying to hold her down. Subject is on Prozac.

**10:03 p.m.** One male adult on NW Front Street was arrested for assaulting the owner's son.  
**10:40 p.m.** Request for Coupeville police officer return to the hospital to assist the reserve officer.  
**11:02 p.m.** Motion alarm tripped in the control room for the Law and Justice Center.  
**11:49 p.m.** Alarm in the Law and Justice Center, unknown location.

**Friday, Jan. 18**  
**10:43 a.m.** Reporting party advises an elderly female having difficulty driving southbound on Highway 20. She is now attempting to park on N. Main Street.  
**12:54 p.m.** Accident between a Pepsi truck and a vehicle on N. Main Street. No one injured.

**11:31 p.m.** Caller on NE 6th Street advises a subject next door possibly has a broken leg. A neighbor came over and told him to call for an ambulance. One male adult was arrested for domestic violence.

**Saturday, Jan. 19**  
**7:51 a.m.** Unsecured door reported on N. Main Street.  
**9:47 a.m.** One male adult was arrested on NE 7th Street on suspicion of driving with his license suspended or revoked.  
**12:21 p.m.** Two-car fender-bender in a parking lot on NE 3rd Street. No one injured.  
**1:12 p.m.** Caller advised of construction work that will close down one lane of NE 6th Street between N. Main Street & NE Center Street today.  
**4:33 p.m.** Coupeville unit requested to respond to a location on S. Main Street regarding a Rottweiler in the back of a truck.

**5:07 p.m.** An agency requested a check of children at a location on NE 6th Street, where a domestic assault occurred last night.  
**9:19 p.m.** Coupeville officer respond to the hospital to meet reporting party at the admitting entrance. Reporting party needs to serve papers at a residence.  
**11:34 p.m.** Possible residential burglary, N. Main Street. Reporting party is calling from a pay phone at the Country Store and is waiting in a maroon 1982 Olds for contact. Reporting party went to residence on N. Main Street, opened the door and heard loud noise coming from the kitchen area.

Betty Arnold bequest helps museum

The Island County Historical Society Museum this month received a \$33,340.86 bequest from the estate of the late Gertrude A. Hose, better known to island residents as Betty. The former Betty Arnold, daughter of Elizabeth and Bert Arnold, and granddaughter of island pioneer Alanson Warner Arnold, placed no restrictions on the bequest, according to the museum's executive director Gabrielle Thurman. Betty graduated from Coupeville High School, moved to Alaska before

World War II and returned to Washington, to live in the Federal Way area of Seattle in 1949. Over the years, Betty gave many valuable items to the museum's permanent collection. Museum volunteers remember her as a "wonderful person" and a strong supporter of the historical society. Thurman said the museum accepts her gift with deep appreciation and "with a strong determination to insure that Betty's faith in the museum is well justified."

Art sought for senator's office

If you are a professional artist from the 10th Legislative District, Sen. Mary Margaret Haugen, D-Camano Island, would like to display your work. Haugen is seeking submissions for a rotating art show in her high-visibility Olympia office. If selected, she said, the art will be seen by elected officials, constituents, and representatives of organizations, government agencies and businesses. To be considered, artists may submit a portfolio that includes photographs of their work and a resumé or exhibition list. Qualifying artists must





live in the 10th district. Application materials may be sent to Sen. Mary Margaret Haugen, P.O. Box 40410, Olympia WA 98504-0410. Include the words "Attention: Art Show" on the outside of the envelope.

Advocates work for rights of mentally ill

Several consumer advocates from Island County and the Skagit Valley area met recently with local legislators in Olympia in a fight to maintain funding for services and treatment for people with mental illness. The advocates are members of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI), Washington chapter. "We know our legislators are faced with some difficult decisions in this extremely tight budget year. As advocates for those with mental illnesses, we must remind our elected officials that short-term savings and cuts to the mental health treatment system will end up costing all of us more in the long run," said Tom Richardson, president of NAMI Washington. "Balancing the budget on the backs of the most poor and vulnerable people in our society should not be an option." The Island and Skagit delegations met with Sen. Mary Margaret Haugen and Representatives Barry Sehlin and Kelly Barlean, from the 10th legislative district.

Insurance parity for children under 18 and continued work toward mental health coverage for all are among the group's requests of the 2002 Legislature. Other requests include adequate access to mental health treatment, including funding for treatment programs and psychotropic medications including newer "atypical" medications which, when combined with community services, can prevent expensive hospitalization and incarceration of mentally ill patients. "Children and adults with brain illnesses continue to be stigmatized, denied treatment, made to suffer indignity and humiliation and are often pushed to the side of the road," said Richardson. "NAMI advocates are dedicated and will continue to work for early diagnosis and better treatment and services for everyone who has a mental illness."

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Last Quarter  
New Moon



February 21<sup>st</sup>    January 28<sup>th</sup>    February 4<sup>th</sup>    February 12<sup>th</sup>

WHIDBEY WEATHER SUMMARY Jan. 7-Jan. 13, 2002					
Location	Source: Island County WSU Cooperative Extension		Rainfall (in.)	2001 to date	Last Year
	High Temp	Low Temp			
Polnell Point	48	31	.45	.70	1.71
NAS Whidbey	48	30	.28	.73	1.09
West Beach	47	34	.66	1.27	1.25
Fort Casey	48	34	.65	1.00	1.58
Admirals Cove	43	28	.76	1.20	2.23
Teronda West	44	33	.64	1.24	1.71
Bay View	48	30	1.02	3.38	2.02

Ecology speeds up water work

Armed with increased funding and flexibility in the law, the state Department of Ecology said it issued water-right decisions in 2001 at nearly double the rate of the previous five years. The department processed about 100 applications for new water rights, and 262 modifications to existing water rights. During the previous five years, the department averaged only about 120 water-right change decisions a year. Ecology Director Tom Fitzsimons cites increased funding and greater flexibility in the law as the reasons his agency is starting to reduce the backlog of water-right applications.

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## LETTERS

### Redirection...It's about time

Editor,

Thank you, Greenbank Farm Board of Directors, for sticking your necks out and making a decision that is not universally very popular. I wish I could say I was on the board when that decision was made. Early on, when we first acquired the farm, my vision was to have a farm occupied by masses of island volunteers, stepping forward to make this farm a success.

What a disappointment when many of the early duties were filled by paid employees. I felt like I was in the way when I tried to help.

What a disappointment when, instead of local merchandise, much of the "memorabilia" sold at the farm came from China or Indonesia.

It's about time to get back to some of the original dreams, where the farm with the addition of a coffee shop becomes a gathering place for islanders, north and south, where the farm is a showcase for island artists and island products, where the farm with its organic certification becomes a demonstration and experimental site for different types of farm-grown products.

It's about time for all of us locals to volunteer a small amount of time (two or four hours a day, week or month) to make the Greenbank Farm what we had envisioned five years ago. I'll do my hours. How about you?

I know it's easy to find fault with just about anything, but now's the time to become "doers" . . . not "undoers" or just "be'ers." If we want to see success, then WE have to get in there and make things happen. Don't blame anyone else. It's OUR farm.

Recently I read a resolution which fits the farm: "Resolve to stay brutally optimistic."

I hope to see all you optimists at the farm!!

Vern Olsen  
Greenbank

### Greenbank resident supports school levy

Editor,

On February 5, 2002, the residents of Coupeville will be asked to vote on the Coupeville School District Maintenance and Operations levy. I would urge all registered voters to vote "yes" on this levy. Coupeville schools offer a great education to the children of the Coupeville area and it is important to maintain our continued support for our students.

I encourage any voter that has concerns or questions about this levy to contact the district office or Superintendent Suzanne Bond. I know they would be happy to answer any questions.

We have an educational program at Coupeville schools that continues to show improvement each year and with your support by voting "yes" to this levy we will be able to continue offering our students the education they deserve.

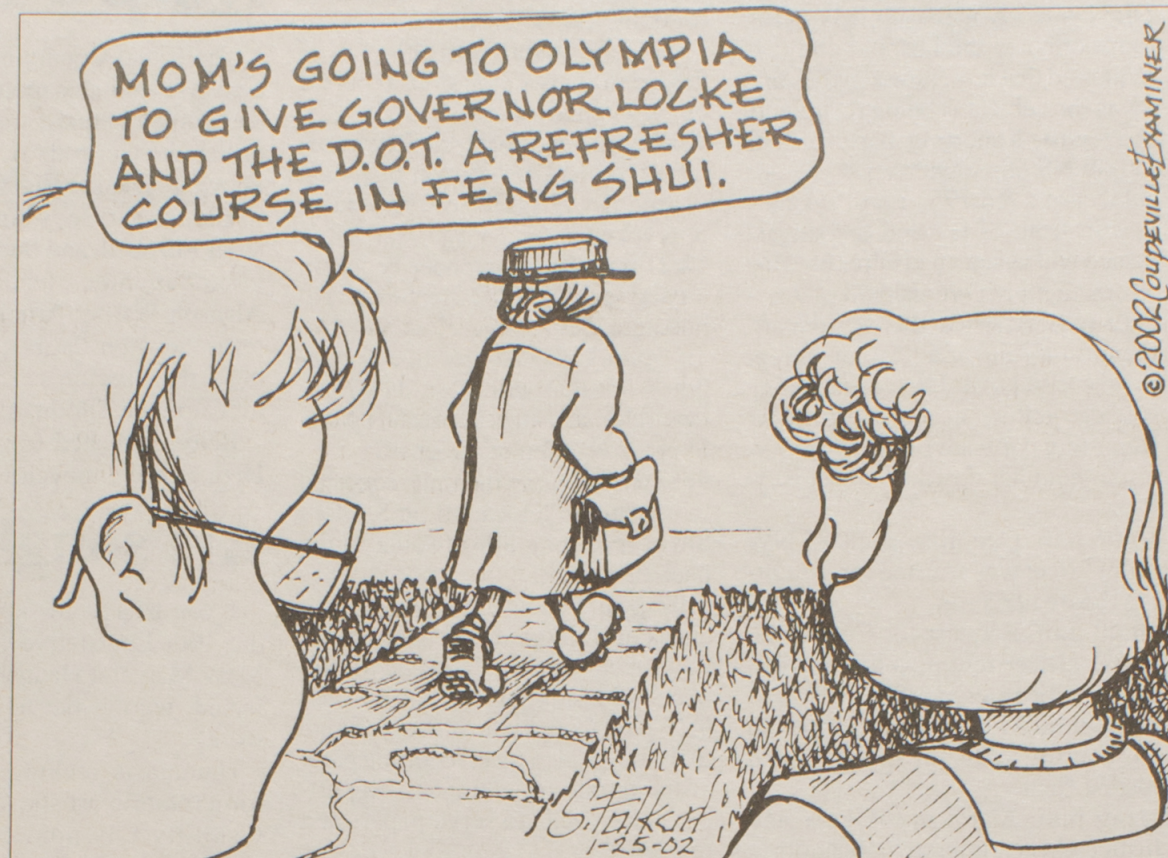
Kevin Jorgenson  
Greenbank

### Uphold our educational standards

Editor,

We encourage everyone to vote yes on the Coupeville School Levy coming up on February 5th. These funds will simply replace the existing levy and constitute no increase over prior funding.

Over the past few months, our people and our



nation have been called upon to respond, as we never have before. Our ability to make this response is based on our level of education, our motivation and our sense responsibility. It is important that the coming generation not be punished by a lowering of our education standards due to the lack of money. Instead we should support and do the very best we can to further educate our young folks so they will be prepared for whatever the future holds for them.

John and Irene Carr  
Coupeville

### Keep Disabled Veterans rolling

Editor,

Through the dedication of volunteers and individual donors who are concerned for the welfare of veterans, your work has paid off. We now have gone from a six-passenger van to a 15-passenger van to transport veterans to and from the VA Medical Center.

Transportation services started on the 14th of September 1998 and continue to operate as scheduled. We have pick up points at the Seaplane Base, Oak Harbor Safeway parking lot, Anacortes Park-n-Ride, Burlington (COSTCO area) Park-n-Ride, Arlington, Marysville and Everett. Approximate pick-up times will be given when scheduling your ride. We must leave the VA Hospital between 1:30 and 2 p.m. at the latest so veterans are requested to arrange their appointments between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. This will allow adequate time for the van to reach Seattle in time for the first appointment and return back to Whidbey at a reasonable time in the afternoon.

To schedule a ride on the van it will be necessary to call, or contact in person, the DAV office at 257-4801 72 hours prior to your scheduled appointment. If you have an appointment letter from the VA, we request you bring it with you for confirmation. Appointments have to be confirmed. The van is capable of carrying 12 passengers comfortably so please confirm your appointment as early as possible. Regrettably we cannot transport wheelchair bound patients.

To keep this wonderful service operating, we need volunteers to drive the van. Many people have already given their valuable contribution as

a van driver and we greatly appreciate their time. If you would be interested in volunteering, we request you come to the DAV office in Building #13 on the Seaplane Base. You don't have to be a veteran, just one who cares about veterans. The necessary paperwork for submission to the VA takes approximately 45 minutes to complete. In addition you will need to provide a copy of your own personal insurance card, as proof of being insured, and a copy of your drivers license.

Please take a moment to consider volunteering for us as a van driver; don't let our hard work go unappreciated. This service is a valuable asset to our veterans who have given up so much for our country. Let us show them that we appreciate their service to this country by volunteering as a driver. We will appreciate any time you can spare. Our most heartfelt thanks to all who have volunteered their time and money to make this much needed service available to our veterans.

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Chapter #47, Oak Harbor

### Lobbying for mental health

Editor,

My brother, Rick, had suffered from a complicated case of bipolar disorder and co-occurring alcoholism all his adult life. Nine months ago at age 47, Rick died in Florida while switching to less expensive medications. Rick's sudden death inspired me to lobby in Olympia for Mental Health reform on Martin Luther King holiday.

My day started at my new Representative's office of Toby Nixon. Toby was wearing a lapel pin supporting breast cancer research. Did Toby know about the 20-25 percent mortality rate for people with bipolar disorder as compared to breast cancer's 5 percent mortality rate? I gave Rep. Nixon our Brain Disorder awareness pin. Hope he wears it next year.

Mike Rynas, The President of NAMI-Eastside — a mental health advocacy group — joined me. A published goal of Mr. Nixon is "to cut the bureaucracy and protect funding for front-line families and the most vulnerable families of the State." Who could be more vulnerable than the mentally disabled-homeless and uninsured? Yet, significant King

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

■ **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.

■ **Daughters of the Pioneers of Washington**, 11:30 a.m. luncheon meeting at Penn Cove Pizza. 675-4384.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

■ **Prairie Restoration Volunteer Workday**, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Au Sable Institute/Smith Prairie Reserve. Bring workgloves. Hot drinks provided. Call Sheilaigh, 678-5586.

■ **Adult CPR and First Aid Class**, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Red Cross Chapter office in Oak Harbor. \$35 fee. To register call 257-2096 or 1-888-216-5727 or email Barb at islandredcross @whidbey.net.

■ **Island County Amateur Radio Club meeting**, at the Race Road Fire Station, 9 a.m. coffee and donuts, 9:30 a.m. meeting and program. 11 a.m. is "VE" testing. All interested persons invited. 678-0821.

■ **Late Nite Central 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament**, for grades 6th through 9th, 7 to 10 p.m. at Coupeville High School Gym. Admission is 2 cans or boxes of food. 240-1322.

■ **Contra Dance** at Bayview Hall with "Saratoga Passage" on fiddle and rhythm piano. Dance instruction at 7 p.m., music begins at 7:30 p.m. Adults \$6, children \$3. Carpools from Coupeville and Oak Harbor available. 360-221-8430.

■ **Evening of original poetry, music and song**, performed by Whidbey's "Band of Poets." 7:30 p.m. at The Bayview Cash Store, at the corner of Bayview and Marshview Roads. Admission is by donation. 321-4535.

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

■ **The Peking Acrobats**, presented by Concerts on the Cove and the Island Arts Council. 2 p.m. at the South Whidbey High School auditorium. \$25 adults and \$10 children.

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

■ **Whidbey Audubon Field Trip**, half-day to look for the birds inhabiting the shores and wetlands of South Whidbey. Meet 9 a.m. outside the Dog House Restaurant in Langley. Leader is Don Knoke, 678-3703. The public is welcome.

■ **Infant and Child CPR Class**, 5 to 10:30 p.m. at Red Cross Chapter office in Oak Harbor. \$27 fee. To register call 257-2096 or 1-888-216-5727 or email Barb at islandredcross @whidbey.net.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

■ **Kidz Klub** for kindergarten to 5th grade, with stories, crafts and games. 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Coupeville Foursquare Church, 105 NW Broadway. Call 678-6692 for more information.

■ **Keiko, Icelandic Orcas, and the Dungeness Stranding**, presented by Orca Network. 7 p.m. at the Race Road Fire Hall. Free. 360-678-3451.

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

■ **Agricultural Best Management Practices Presentation** to explain a new ordinance that applies to properties with lakes, creeks or ponds nearby. 7 to 9 p.m. at Coupeville High School, Room 104.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1

■ **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.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

■ **Beach Litter Clean Up** at Fort Casey spit, 10 a.m. to noon. Safety equipment provided for you or your group. 360-678-4100 or cmay@whidbey.net.

■ **"Fruit Show"** opening and artists' reception, 6 to 9 p.m. at Museo, 215 First Street in Langley. Acrylics on canvas and wood, and glass. Through March 1. www.museo.cc.

■ **Late Nite Central**, "Groundhog Day" movie, for grades 6th through 9th, 7 to 10 p.m. at Coupeville High School Gym. \$25 prize could be won. 240-1322.

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

■ **Kidz Klub** for kindergarten to 5th grade, with stories, crafts and games. 6:30 to 8 p.m. at Coupeville Foursquare Church, 105 NW Broadway. Call 678-6692 for more information.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

■ **Coupeville Garden Club Meeting**, 1 p.m. at the greenhouse behind the Middle School.

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## It's the year for veterans in Island County

November 11, 2002. That's the target date set by the Island Art for Veterans for the dedication of the Island County Veterans Memorial Plaza.

The memorial, honoring past, present and future generations of the men and women who serve in our nation's armed forces, will be placed along one of the main entrance walkways of the new Law and Justice Center in Coupeville.

Paved with commemorative bricks, the area will be enclosed by a wall five feet tall, made up of a series of five bronze plaques sculpted in bas-relief depicting uniformed service personnel. The original work of art entitled "The Homecoming," is being created by award-winning artist and sculptor John Sisko, a graduate of the University of Washington and Western Washington University.

An area behind the plaques will display the American flag and the flags of others who choose to hold memorials at the site.

The original idea for the Memorial Plaza came from the national Ex Prisoners of War (ex POW) Association. However, according to Bill Ethridge, a member of that organization, "They felt that they were all getting too old to carry out the plan and they suggested that another group take over the idea and run with it." Bill, the youngest member of the group, was given seed money and sent out to make the idea work.

And he has.

Island Art for Veterans, a tax-ex-

empt, non-profit corporation, was formed with a Board of Directors including Jack McPherson, Phil Harris, Jean Hermanson, Dur Roberson and Bill Ethridge as chairman and a support committee of Island County residents. All are volunteers and more are welcome.

The cost of the project is estimated at \$150,000, but almost half of that amount has been covered by Island County's donation of land, landscaping, site preparation and future maintenance.

"Our fund drive is for \$80,000," director Jack McPherson said, "If it is so successful that we have money left over, it will go to a veterans' hospital for use in supporting individual veteran's needs."

So, where do we come in?

Well, first, it starts with fun. Saturday, Feb. 2, the Shifty Sailors and the An-O-Chords present a concert at the Coupeville High School Performing Arts Center at 8 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the construction of the memorial. At the concert, view models of the structure, photos of the site, samples of the inscribed bricks and the gear worn and carried by service members represented by the sculpted figures.

Second, your contribution is needed. Each paving brick can be purchased for \$100 and will be inscribed with your name or the name of a loved one. Or be a Star Donor. Those individuals or companies who contribute amounts of \$1,000 or more will have a bronze brick located at the site.

Or just contribute. Any amount will help.



## THIS & THAT

By Irene Mueller

A sponsor has been found for one of the five panels. The remaining panels are available and will bear the name of the sponsor on a special brass plate.

We all know what happens when Island County people face a challenge — they meet it and win!

Pick up a brochure at The Daily Grind, Wind & Tide Bookshop, the Coupeville Pharmacy, Videoville, Great Times Espresso and Coupe's Greenbank Store. Then mail your check or money order to Island Art for Veterans, Whidbey Island Bank, Box 930 Coupeville, WA 98239. Need more information? Visit [www.islandartforveterans.org](http://www.islandartforveterans.org) or e-mail [ethridge@whidbey.net](mailto:ethridge@whidbey.net). See you at the concert!



Get out and vote for our kids on February 5. Levy dollars are needed to supplement state funding to maintain our current educational programs.



The first results following my radiation treatments are in and the word isn't bad. We won't know if they were successful until April, but we do know that nothing has changed. The cancer hasn't grown or spread, and doesn't appear to be anywhere else. The last six months haven't been easy, but your cards, phone calls and hugs have given both Gordie and me a much needed lifeline. And your prayers have kept me safe. Thank you.

## Turning over some new leaves

*We both know, you and I, that if all men were gardeners, the world at last would be at Peace.*

— Beverley Nichols

It's early in the year, which makes it a good time to "turn over a new leaf." For a long time, I had a vague idea the concept had something to do with raking. But I now believe it means a clean page or a new start, not anything that involves actual tree by-products.

However, I would propose turning over a new leaf for 2002 by combining a little bit of gardening and reading. For garden enthusiasts in our fair state, this year's Northwest Flower and Garden Show is Feb. 6-10. One of the features of the year's show will be "Tea and Beverley," an hour-long performance by actor Roy Dicks in the role of Beverley Nichols.

Who, you might ask, is Beverley Nichols? This is where you can turn over a new leaf, since picking up one of Nichols' books and introducing yourself to this charming writer could be a very worthwhile endeavor.

If he were still alive, Nichols would be about 100 years old. But he writes in a timeless fashion that people today can still enjoy. An Englishman who was a writer and a journalist, Nichols had not just a fan club but also a detractor club. Many thought he wrote "women's books," a fairly derisory statement in his time. And he had an attitude that made him some enemies.

But once you delve into one of his books, you forget personality issues and discover someone who loved plants, flowers and landscaping. I hesitate to say he loved gardening per se, because he had a faithful gardener

who did most of the work for him. He also paints a wonderful picture of country life in post-WW II England and populates his books with a host of curmudgeons and eccentrics.

Nichols is perhaps best known for his trilogy that begins with "Merry Hall," detailing his purchase of a house in the

country and his subsequent adventures in restoring it and the grounds. He follows "Merry Hall" with "Laughter on the Stairs" and "Sunlight on the Lawn."

Timber Press of Portland, Oregon reissued the series in 1998. And I was able to pick up a copy of an earlier book, "Green Grows the City" recently at a used book sale.

Nichols was a prolific writer; unfortunately, many of his books are out of print. And to define his books as gardening books is perhaps unfair, because his breadth of knowledge regarding music, art and the classics is also part of what makes reading Nichols so satisfying.

Any gray winter day could be brightened with a dose of Nichols, tea and crumpets. Dicks, a "Nichols scholar," plans to read from "Merry Hall" and other works on Feb. 7 and 8 at the garden show. Tickets are by advance purchase only, with information available at [www.gardenshow.com](http://www.gardenshow.com) or by calling 206-789-5333. So turn over a new leaf — if Nichols had his way it would probably be a camellia or chrysanthemum leaf — and introduce yourself to a fine garden writer.



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# President, Ag secretary kick off 4-H Centennial

President George W. Bush and Agriculture Secretary Ann M. Veneman joined 4-H members from Texas and the Metropolitan Washington area to officially inaugurate 4-H's 100-year anniversary at a White House meeting last Friday, Jan. 18.

"As a former member of 4-H, I know first-hand the value of this outstanding youth development program," said Veneman. "For 100 years, 4-H has provided unique opportunities for its members to learn, to grow and to work cooperatively in their communities and for their country. President Bush's continued support of 4-H and other youth development programs demonstrates this Administration's commitment to young people and to their education."

Joining the President and Secretary Veneman were 4-H members Jared Locklear of Cameron, Texas; William Jolley of Washington, DC; Molly Curran of Laytonville, MD; Sarah Piechocinski of Montgomery Village, MD; Norman Huang of Rockville, MD; and Ashley Wells of Rockville, MD.

During the meeting, 4-H presented President Bush with its highest honor, the "Partner in 4-H" award for his support of 4-H and the Texas Cooperative Extension Service while serving as Governor of Texas.

USDA has approved \$1.4 million for the National 4-H Council, the national,

private sector non-profit partner of 4-H and the Cooperative Extension System, to develop a cooperative development educational program.

The program will provide individuals with an in-depth understanding of how agribusiness related cooperatives play an important role in increasing profitability and global competitiveness for ranchers, farmers, and entrepreneurs.

"4-H has been a leader in helping youth develop leadership and technical skills in all parts of the nation," said Veneman. "These funds will contribute to 4-H's important role in providing young people with quality education and development programs."

4-H is part of the youth education branch of the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, an agency of USDA's Research, Economics and Education mission. Since its inception in 1902, 4-H has been known throughout the country for its strong programs in helping rural youth develop leadership and technical skills.

Today, 4-H has 6.8 million members who are participating in such projects as the Citizenship and Civic Education Program, Communications and Expressive Arts Program, Consumer and Family Sciences, Environmental Education and Earth Sciences, Healthy Lifestyle Education, Personal Development and Leadership, Plants and Animals, and Science and Technology.

Further information on USDA, 4-H and Rural Development can be obtained by visiting USDA's web site at <http://www.usda.gov>.

## HOLBROOK

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School of Oratory before becoming a journalist. She married a fellow writer named Pheiffer, and with him



Molly Frances Holbrook Pheiffer.

and her new nom de plume moved to California, according to Sally Race Thompson, who called her "Aunt Molly." She numbered among her acquaintances such literary luminaries as Bret Harte and Mark Twain, with who she worked on a newspaper in San Francisco.

The illness of her brother brought Molly back home to the house he had built. Tragedy had left him a widower four years before, when his wife Ada fell into the house cistern, fracturing her skull and dying instantly.

Molly continued living in the house after her brother's death, writing poetry for her friends and poetry and articles for the *Christian Science Monitor*. Upon her death, her daughter Alice Pheiffer Forrester inherited the house, filled with heirlooms and

treasured memories, living there for many years.

By 1992, the old house was showing its age and badly needed someone to repair the ravages of time and careless renters.

Jeanne Carrington had always dreamed of restoring an old house. She had also dreamed of owning a bookstore. She had taught English in California for 25 years, working in bookstores during summer vacations, and in 1992 she decided it

was time to retire and realize her dream. Along with her architect husband, she came to Whidbey and found the Holbrook House. An additional enticement was the little gabled building not far from the house's back porch.

"I think it was the chicken coop," Carrington said.



The Horace Holbrook house.

Sally Hayton-Keeva Photo

neat gables and attractive front porch half hidden in the tall pines, its thoughtful floor plan in which no space is wasted. Downstairs there is a parlor and library and large country kitchen with shiplap walls and cupboard doors hung with decorative old hinges. The original deep sink re-

mains, as does the brick dais and chimney where the woodstove once stood. The windows, curtained as are all the windows with thick white lace, look out over rooftops to the cove.

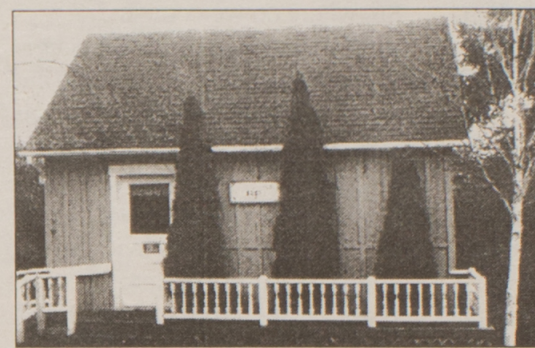
The bathroom, renovated by Carrington, has an antique claw foot tub and pedestal sink. There were six layers of wallpaper downstairs that had to be removed, and decorative moldings were restored

around the doors and windows.

Upstairs there are three bedrooms under the eaves, one of them built later over the kitchen, and a tiny bathroom was added in what had been a closet. The original cedar floors had been painted and Carrington sanded and restored them to their original gleaming beauty.

"People who go to used bookstores," Jeanne Carrington says, "are the most interesting people."

As are the people who love and cherish the homes of our pioneers.



Sally Hayton-Keeva Photo

Holbrook House of Books.

But it sure looked like a bookstore. Painting it periwinkle blue and white like the house, Carrington bought lots of used paperbacks and opened what must be the only "honor bookstore" anywhere. It's open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Bookworms can turn on the bookstore radio and read in the rocking chair and, when ready to leave, put their money in the envelope provided.

One day a man brought Carrington a big box of books but, she said, "I couldn't take them out to the shop

## LETTERS

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County homeless housing funds have recently been transferred to funding bureaucratic infrastructure. We need you Toby Nixon! Good luck!

I visited three other Representatives — Jeanne Edwards, Al O'Brien, and Cheryl Pflug — in company with other citizen lobbyists. Most legislators commiserated about the stories we told: 1) abandoned and homeless mentally ill family members, 2) sick patients going broke from lack of mental health insurance coverage, 3) patients left untreated in the streets owing to rigid, involuntary commitment laws, 4) funding so scarce one therapist must manage treatment of 500 patient-consumers!

Rep. O'Brien indicated about half of the State legislators don't even consider brain disorders of biochemical origin! It is our hope, with continued discovery of useful pharmaceuticals for the brain that ignorance will soon be replaced by enlightenment within our Legislature.

My final visit to Rep. Laura Ruderman, last year's prime sponsor for the Parity Bill, picked me up! Laura stated to a packed office: Parity is a Civil Rights issue. Yes!

My brother, Rick, died partly because he could not qualify for Medicaid in Florida (where mental health and pharmaceuticals are covered). And, individual insurance would not cover any of Rick's mental health needs. He had to switch to less expensive, less effective medications to save money. Had Rick a diseased heart, kidney, or lung he would enjoy customary and usual insurance and ready access to a specialist. As it was, without insurance and access for treatment for his diseased brain, Rick took personal care into his own hands and died.

Bob Yoder  
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**IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF ISLAND**

In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPH G. McWILLIAMS, Deceased.  
No. 02-4-00002-1  
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
RCW 11.40.030  
The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent must, before

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the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(3); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
Date of first publication: **January 25, 2002**

Personal Representative: Michael G. McWilliams  
Attorney for the Personal Representative: Dale K. Roundy  
Address for Mailing or Service: Post Office Box 1500  
506 N. Main Street  
Coupeville, WA 98239  
(Signed) Michael G. McWilliams  
(Signed) Dale K. Roundy, WSBA #5802  
Attorney for Personal Representative  
LEGAL NO. CEX-803  
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January 25, February 1 and February 8, 2002

## Legal Notice TOWN OF COUPEVILLE ORDINANCE 624

An ordinance establishing hours, duties, salary and benefits for the Mayor of the Town of Coupeville, Washington and Repealing Ordinance 577.  
Passed January 22, 2002. Full text will be mailed upon request.

## TOWN OF COUPEVILLE ORDINANCE 625

An ordinance establishing adjusted salary for the Mayor of the Town of Coupeville, Washington, for term ending December 31, 2003. Passed January 22, 2002. Full text will be mailed upon request.

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## Legal Notice PUBLIC HEARING TOWN OF COUPEVILLE ORDINANCE No. 626

A public hearing will be held on Ordinance 626 of the Town of Coupeville, Island County, Washington, adopting amendments to Title 13 of the Coupeville Town Code. Full text will be mailed upon request.

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### NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE — Morris

File No. 7037.25360/Morris, Theodore  
Grantors: Northwest Trustee Services, LLC  
Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation

Grantee: Morris, Theodore  
Notice of Trustee's Sale

Pursuant to the Revised Code of Washington 61.24, et seq.

I. On **February 1, 2002**, at 10:00 a.m. inside the main lobby of the Island County Courthouse Annex (6th Street Entrance) 6th and Main in the City of Coupeville, State of Washington, the undersigned Trustee (subject to any conditions imposed by the trustee to protect lender and borrower) will sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable at time of sale, the following described real property, situated in the County(ies) of Island, State of Washington:  
Tax Parcel ID No.: S8075-00-02014-0  
Lot 14, Block 2, Sandy Hook Yacht Club Estates, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Volume 6 of Plats, Page 67, records of Island County, Washington. Situate in the County of Island, State of Washington.

Commonly known as: 8216 South Whidbey Drive Clinton, WA 98236  
which is subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 12/08/97, recorded on 12/19/97, under Auditor's File No. 97 021076, records of Island County, Washington, from Theodore Morris, as his separate estate, as Grantor, to Land Title Company of Island County, as Trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of First Island Financial Corp., as Beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was assigned by First Island Financial Corp. to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, under an Assignment/Successive Assignments recorded under Auditor's File No. 97-021077.

II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Grantor's or Borrower's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust.

III. The Beneficiary alleges default of the Deed of Trust for failure to pay the following amounts now in arrears and/or other defaults:

Amount due to reinstate by 10/26/01

A. Monthly Payments \$6,974.75  
B. Late Charges \$380.07  
C. Advances \$9.00  
D. Other Arrears \$0.00  
Total Arrearage \$7,363.82

E. Trustee's Expenses (Itemization)

Trustee's Fee \$600.00  
Attorneys' Fees \$0.00  
Title Report \$687.71  
Process Service \$120.00  
Photocopies \$20.00  
Statutory Mailings \$72.00  
Recording Fees \$30.00  
Toll Calls \$15.00  
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Total Costs \$1,544.71

Total Amount Due: \$8,908.53

Other potential defaults do not involve payment to the Beneficiary. If applicable, each of these defaults must also be cured. Listed below are categories of common defaults which do not involve payment of

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money to the Beneficiary. Opposite each such listed default is a brief description of the action/documentation necessary to cure the default. The list does not exhaust all possible other defaults; any defaults identified by Beneficiary or Trustee that are not listed below must also be cured.

OTHER DEFAULT

Nonpayment of Taxes/ Assessments

Default under any senior lien

Failure to insure property against hazard

Waste

Unauthorized sale of property (Due on Sale)

IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: Principal Balance of \$169,161.92, together with interest as provided in the note or other instrument secured from 05/01/01, and such other costs and fees as are due under the Note or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute.

V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. The sale will be made without warranty, express or implied regarding title, possession, or encumbrances on February 1, 2002. The default(s) referred to in paragraph III, together with any subsequent payments, late charges, advances costs and fees thereafter due, must be cured by 01/21/02 (11 days before the sale date), to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before the close of the Trustee's business on 01/21/02 (11 days before the sale date), the default(s) as set forth in paragraph III, together with any subsequent payments, late charges, advances, costs and fees thereafter due, is/are cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. The sale may be terminated any time after 01/21/02 (11 days before the sale date), and before the sale by the Borrower, Grantor, any Guarantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encum-

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brance paying the entire balance of principal and interest secured by the Deed of Trust, plus costs, fees, and advances, if any made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust.

VI. A written notice of default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower and Grantor at the following address(es):

**NAME AND ADDRESS**

Theodore Morris  
8216 South Whidbey Drive  
Clinton, WA 98236

Jane Doe Morris,  
spouse of Theodore Morris  
8216 South Whidbey Drive  
Clinton, WA 98236

Theodore Morris  
321 Railway Street, A206  
Vancouver, BC Canada, V6A1A4

Jane Doe Morris,  
spouse of Theodore Morris  
321 Railway Street, A206  
Vancouver, BC Canada, V6A1A4

by both first class and either certified mail, return receipt requested, or registered mail on 09/05/01, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee; and on 09/08/01 Grantor and Borrower were personally served with said written notice of default or the written notice of default was posted on a conspicuous place on the real property described in paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting.

VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it a statement of all foreclosure costs and trustee's fees due at any time prior to the sale.

VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their right, title and interest in the above-described property.

IX. Anyone having any objection to the sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale.

X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS - The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants and tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants and tenants by summary proceedings under the unlawful detainer act, Chapter 59.12 RCW.

DATED: October 26, 2001

**Northwest Trustee Services, LLC, Trustee**

By **Rebecca A. Baker**  
Authorized Signature  
PO BOX 4143  
Bellevue, WA 98009-4143

Contact: **Becky Baker**

(425) 586-1900

This is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

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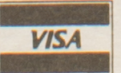

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# A pair of emotionally wringing films

Two of the best performances from last year came in nasty, hard-edged little films which few people saw.

What unites Daniel Autiel in "The Lost Son" and Brooke Smith in "Series 7" is a sense of remorseless inner drive. They may not want to be doing what they have been forced into, but they will not quit, back down or take the easy way out.

Each brandishes a gun, but both treat it almost as a distasteful extension of themselves, shoving it as far away as possible as they bark out a staccato whine of vengeance-filled bullets.

Autiel is a private eye, a former cop who left the police force under the weight of disgrace. Now he stalks the streets of a dreary city which offers little hope, staying alive on a series of low-paying cases.

When a deceptively simple missing person case spirals into a larger, more devious quagmire of child abduction and exploitation, Autiel finds himself pushed to the limits of his



## REEL TIME

By David Svien

humanity. Descending on the vermin of the world like a rumpled, nicotine-stained avenging angel, he carves out a path of redemption for himself.

While Autiel is driven by a linger-

ing morality, Smith's motor runs on a sheer self-preservation. Eight months pregnant and the defending champion of a reality show gone bonkers, she shoots first, last and always, then tries to ease her conscience.

One of the more controversial films of recent years, "Series 7" depicts a TV show where a group of strangers are given guns and a few brief instructions. Kill or be killed. Run or refuse to play, and the producers will eliminate you themselves.

Shot on video, and made to look and feel like a more visceral version of "Cops" or "Survivor," complete with prime time-ready voice-overs and manufactured plot twists, "Series 7" is a stunner.

Smith, little seen since she was the

kidnap victim in "Silence of the Lambs," is a powerhouse as a woman who stubbornly tries to remain a decent person, locking her true feelings deep inside, while relentlessly doing whatever is necessary to remain alive long enough to have her child.

Both "The Lost Son," and "Series 7" are dark, emotionally wringing films. They paint portraits of lives thrown into chaos, yet redeemed by the tormented honor of two loners who endure unbearable hardships in their long, bleak search for a greater good.

Neither film is likely to become a perennial holiday favorite, but like Aunt Edna's fermented fruitcake or the lost at of yodeling, they will rightfully garner a small band of dedicated fans.

Autiel and Smith redefine "bad to

the bone," grabbing the viewer by the collar of their shirt and slapping them around a bit. Consider it a gentle reminder films don't always have to be nice to be good.

## New on Video

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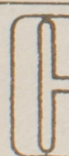


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So are the amenities at Oak Harbor Retirement Community. With room for 130 residents in private apartments, independent cottages and the Memory Care Home, OHRC also has two complete dining rooms and kitchens, multiple lounges, two beauty salons, living rooms, recreation rooms, an exercise room, movie theater and laundry facilities for residents' use.

The Community is actually three separate living environments designed to meet the differing needs of people as they age. Located adjacent to one another are an assisted living community; memory care community and independent cottages.

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"We are not an institution," Alexander adds. "This is home."

For more information about the Oak Harbor Retirement Center, visit its website at [www.oakharborretirementcommunity.com](http://www.oakharborretirementcommunity.com).



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