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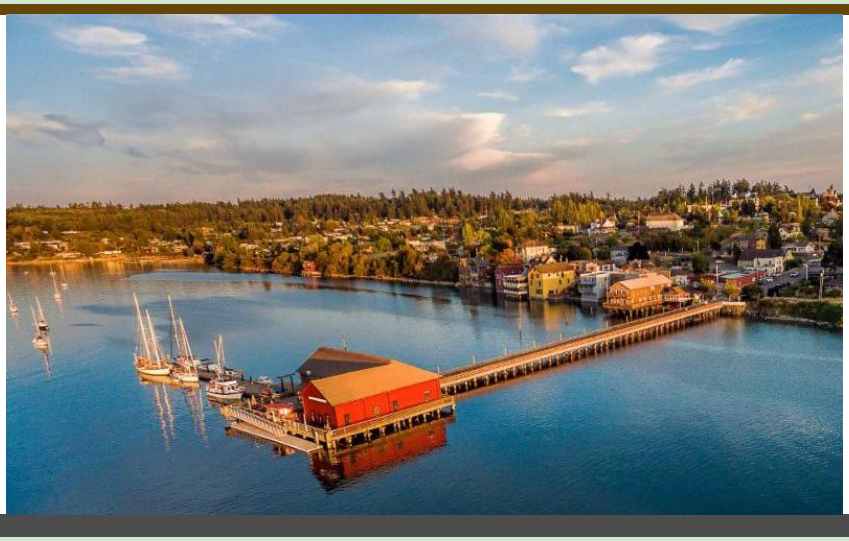
News for March 2024



Whidbey Community News



Calling All Gardeners!

Share Seeds, Learn & Connect!

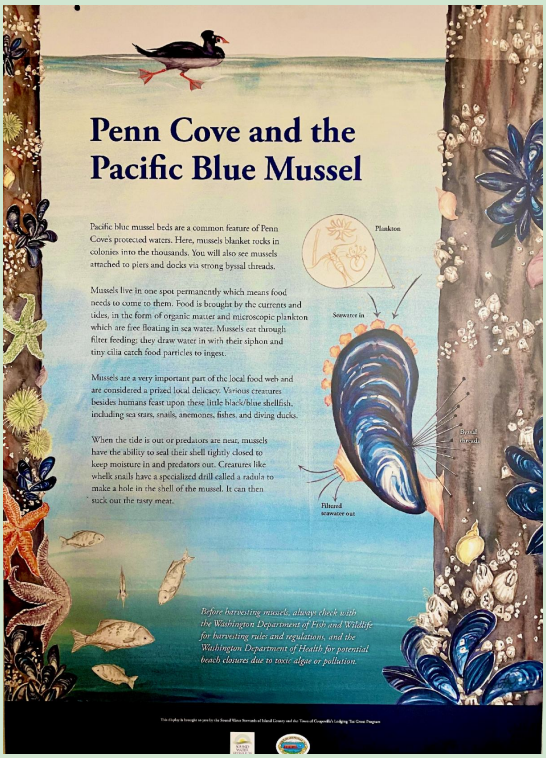
Sat, March 24, 11-3

Whidbey Island Grower's Assoc is teaming up with Heavy Nettle Collective for a community-supported seed swap.

Featuring educational booths to help with your garden questions from WICD and Heavy Nettle Collective. Black Girl Country Living offers breath work and meditation sessions. Additional groups include: WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program, WSU Extension, and Whidbey Island School Gardens.

Vendors include: *Arrows Aim* soil bar & propagation demo, *Celerity Cycles* bicycle repair, *Chef in the Black Bandana* street food, *Frosty's Fine Edges* tool sharpening.

The Heavy Nettle collective is a new group of dedicated farmers and organizers navigating equitable food access, community resiliency, and heritage farmland preservation to ensure Whidbey's future as a vibrant and just community.



Penn Cove Musselfest
Sat & Sun, March 2-3

Celebrate the bold, briny + blue world of our famous Penn Cove mussels!

We will be facilitating boat rides from the Coupeville Wharf dock to tour the mussel rafts in Penn Cove.

Sailings take place on the half-hour:
Saturday 10:30 – 4:30
Sunday 10:30 – 3:30

Be sure to check out the information stations in the Wharf lobby to learn more about mussels. They're an important part of our marine ecosystem.

Learn more about the boat tours, music schedule, and other event activities:

Penn Cove Mussel Fest

Beaver Tales Coffee Roasting Coming to the Coupeville Wharf

Exciting change at the Coupeville Wharf! The local native-owned company Beaver Tales is the new tenant in the cafe space (formerly The Cove).

The cafe opens this month, and is planning for an official Grand Opening during the Penn Cove Water Festival on Sat, May 18th.

Plans for the wharf space include adding a cultural center to honor native heritage. Stay tuned for more details in the coming months.

Wharf Dog Paddle & Pantry
We're also welcoming a new business to the historic Meat Market building on Front St., which has most recently been Collections Boutique. Welcome to our new tenant Wharf Dog Paddle & Pantry!

Wharf Dog currently operates the kayak rental from the wharf, and will be opening an office and store that provides grab-and-go goods and basic boater necessities. We'll report more on this business in our April newsletter.

Read more about the new businesses in this article:

Whidbey News Times Article

Port of Coupeville News

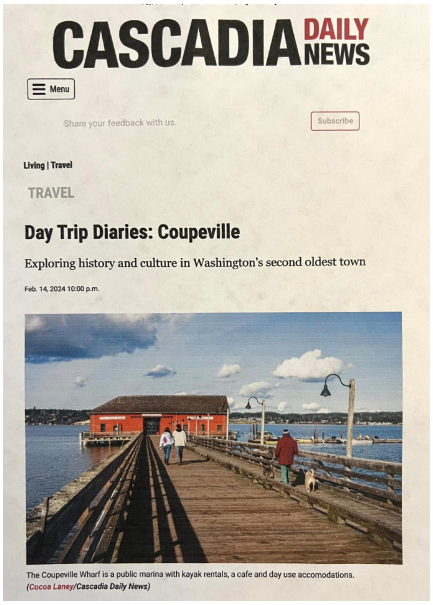
What People Are Saying
Coupeville In the News

ICYMI -- The Bellingham-based *Cascadia Daily News* did a nice article about Coupeville. It includes profiles of local businesses.

"Nestled along Penn Cove on Whidbey Island, Coupeville was laid out in the 1850s and is the second oldest town in Washington. On the surface, its historic waterfront might seem like a place stuck in time — but Coupeville's community is vibrant, artistic and surprisingly intergenerational."

Read more at link below:

Day Trip Diaries: Coupeville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TRAVEL

Day Trip Diaries: Coupeville

Exploring history and culture in Washington's second oldest town

Feb. 14, 2024 10:00 p.m.

The Coupeville Wharf is a public marina with kayak rentals, a cafe and day use accomodations.
(Cocoa Laney/Cascadia Daily News)

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Tour Greenbank Farm's Educational Gardens

Spring planting season is just around the corner! If you're looking for garden design and plant inspiration, you can tour the Greenbank Farm's educational gardens. Learn about native plants, tour the prairie demo garden. There's also information on composting, bird watching, and wetlands.



Greenbank Farm

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GREENBANK FARM
EDUCATIONAL GARDENS



Greenbank Farm Barn C Commercial Space For Rent

Interested in joining the amazing community of tenants at historic Greenbank Farm?

The retail space #103 in Barn C is for lease. It's an 860 square foot commercial space that includes both a front and back door entry. It also has a private restroom.

For more information and/or to schedule an appointment to tour the space, please email executivedirector@portofcoupeville.org.

Upcoming Events

Port of Coupeville Board Meetings
Zoom Conference Call. For instructions on participating, visit the Port website here: ***https://portoc.org/commission-meetings/meeting-agendas/***

Sat & Sun, March 2-3
Penn Cove Musselfest + Boat Tours
Coupeville Wharf

Rent Greenbank Farm Barn
Accepting 2024 Reservations

Greenbank Farm's historic barn offers an affordable and welcoming venue for special events, weddings, meetings, and classes.

Rental Info

Wed, March 13, 10:00
Port of Coupeville Commission Meeting
To participate, see instructions above.

Sat, March 16, 9:00 - 3:00
WICD Native Plant Pick-Up
Greenbank Farm

Sat, Match 24, 11:00 - 3:00
Great Whidbey Seed Swap
Greenbank Farm

Wed, March 27, 1:00
Port of Coupeville Commission Meeting
To participate, see instructions above.

Sat, April 20
Earth Day

Sat, April 26, 9:00 - 5:00
Greenbank Garden Club Plant Sale
Greenbank Farm

Sunday, May 12, 10:00 - 4:00
Mother's Day Market - Save the Date!
Greenbank Farm

Stay updated on all of our upcoming events by checking our ***events calendar***.

Rent Greenbank Farm

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Find out more



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