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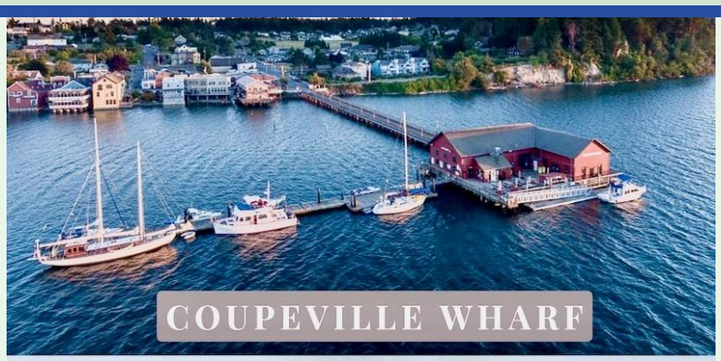

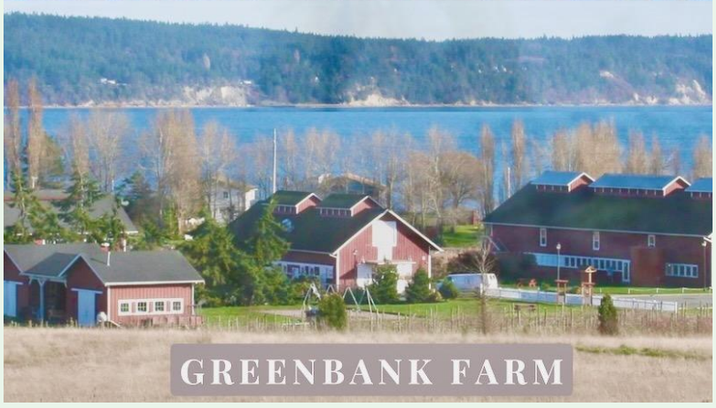

Port of Coupeville News



PENN COVE MUSSELFEST

Bold, Briny & Blue

The annual event is back and better than ever! All aboard for an exciting adventure at Penn Cove Musselfest!

Penn Cove Mussel Farm Boat Tours

Reserve your place to explore the fascinating world of mussel farming on this unique 45-minute boat tour.

The knowledgeable guides from Penn Cove Shellfish will take you on a tour of beautiful Penn Cove, sharing interesting facts about mussel farming and the local marine ecosystem. During the tour, you'll witness the mussel harvesting process up close and learn about the sustainable practices used to ensure the highest quality mussels are harvested.

Musselfest Info & Tickets

Mussel Farm Boat Tours

Coupeville Wharf

Saturday, March 8th
10:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Sunday, March 9th
10:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Tickets $20 for ages 13+;
$10 for ages 6-12;
free for ages 0-5



Coupeville Wharf 120th Anniversary

1905 – 2025

Coupeville Wharf
Celebrating 120 Years

This year marks the 120th anniversary of the historic Coupeville Wharf!

<u>Save the Date!</u>
You're invited to the anniversary party on Saturday, July 19th.

Many changes have taken place over the decades that mirror economic and cultural changes in the region.

Throughout 2025, We will commemorate some of the highlights of the Wharf's history





Sponsor the Wharf Anniversary Party

If your company would like to partner with the Port of Coupeville to help bring this festive event to our community, please email us for a list of valuable sponsor benefits:
community@portofcoupeville.org

News To Know

New Coupeville Creative Arts District

Coupeville has earned the valuable designation as a Creative Arts District. This ArtsWA program aims to grow the state's creative sector. A centerpiece of Coupeville's district is the creation of a Native American cultural

center at the wharf's Beaver Tales cafe.

April 11th
Learn about the new Creative Arts District. Meet the partners and enjoy snacks provided by Beaver Tales.

April 12th
Enjoy an afternoon of workshops and activities – and special guests.
For more information and updates, you can follow the new social media accounts:

Facebook Creative District

Instagram Creative District





New Greenbank Farm Barn Roofs

Work is underway to install new wood shingle roofs on the Farm's barns A and B. Built in 1904, repairs on these historic buildings must comply with the state's historic preservation guidelines.

Fire-rated wood shingles are an allowable building material. They can both preserve the aesthetic and historic nature of the buildings, while also providing long-term protection. Roof repair work will start this spring, stay tuned for updates.



Suva Crew!

Crew Schooner Suva

The ***Schooner Suva*** celebrates 100 years in 2025! Throughout summer sailing season, Suva docks at the Coupeville Wharf. They are now recruiting volunteers through March.

Suva's crew is all-volunteer and consists of sailors with varying levels of experience, skill, and knowledge. As a crew member, you not only learn to sail a historic

schooner, but also help promote the mission of the Whidbey Island Maritime Heritage Foundation.

Crew Information



Musselfest Posters

Each year, local artists create the Levent design for posters. Scroll down at this link to see a collection of posters over the years:
Musselfest Posters

Greenbank Garden Club Annual Plant Sale

Sat, April 26

Shop for vegetable starts, annuals and perennials, garden art – and more!

This annual fundraiser benefits the Greenbank Garden Club, they make our lives more beautiful!
Follow the Club's Facebook page for updates:

Greenbank Garden Club





Greenbank Farm 120th Birthday

Thanks to everyone who came to the Valentine's Market to enjoy birthday cake and share your love for Greenbank Farm's storied history!

Event Calendar

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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 7-8-9
Penn Cove Musselfest
Coupeville Wharf

Wed, March 12 at 10:00
Port of Coupeville Commission Meeting

To participate, see instructions above.

Sat, March 15
WICD Native Plant Sale
Greenbank Farm Barn

Wed, March 26 at 1:00
Port of Coupeville Commission Meeting
To participate, see instructions above.

Sat, April 26
Greenbank Garden Club Plant Sale
Greenbank Farm Barn

Sat, May 10
Island County Master Gardeners Plant Sale – Greenbank Farm

Sun, May 11
Mother's Day Market
Greenbank Farm

Sat, July 19th, Noon to 6:00
Wharf 120th Anniversary Party
Coupeville Wharf

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



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