The Current

News for October 2025

FALL ON WHIDBEY ISLAND

Practically Magic!

Locals know fall is a beautiful time of year on Whidbey Island. Hike Greenbank Farm's trails for expansive water + mountain views. Stroll through the educational gardens to see what's in bloom for late season pollinators. Enjoy a wine + cheese picnic before the rains arrive.

At the Coupeville Wharf, the air is clear + crisp. Resident Orcas can make an appearance any time of the year! Walk the pier, rent a kayak. There's warm cafe drinks and shopping.

We have many great shops at both the Greenbank Farm + Coupeville Wharf – it's not too early to get a head start on holiday shopping.

Wharf photo: Jack Penland







Thank You Old Spots Bistro!

We say goodbye this month to Greenbank Farm's long-time cafe Old Spots Bistro.

Owner Mike is moving on to do conservation work on the island. We're grateful to him + his crew for nourishing us for so many years!

Stay tuned for into about what's coming to the cafe space. For any inquiries, please email: executivedirector@portofcoupeville.org

*Note:*Greenbank Farm Wine Shop will continute to offer Whidbey Pies!

October Events at Greenbank Farm

Produced By Saratoga Orchestra
+ Greenbank Farm Wine Shop



OktoberFest
Sat, Oct 4

Saratoga Orchestra presents Oktoberfest.

Proceeds benefit educational music programs

New this year: Weiner Dog Races! Race registrations are full, but they'll be fun to watch.

Oktoberfest Info



Live Music
Greenbank Farm Barn
Fri, Oct 17

The Greenbank Farm Wine Shop presents an evening of music with the Grateful Dead tribute band Dead Guise!

Music Info & Tickets

Island County Historical Society Gala
Tickets + Info



Coupeville Halloween Events



October 23 – 26



Beaver Tales Coffee presents an

Town of Coupeville

•Practically Magic Movie Nights
•Ales & Apothecary Brew Garden
•Torchlight Parade & Street Dance
• Great Coupeville Pumpkin Race
• Witch Scavenger Hunt

Tickets + Info

evening of mystery, masks, and revelations on the Coupeville Wharf.

Tickets for this Halloween night event include a 3-course appetizer menu and non-alcoholic beverages to enjoy as the mystery unfolds.

Tickets + Info

DECEMBER HOLIDAY CHEER
Greenbank Farm

The annual Greenbank Farm Holiday Gift Markets return on the first three weekends in December!
Save the dates to shop for unique gifts that support local businesses





Artisan Vendors

If you're an entrepreneur with handmade gift items, you can submit a vendor application for one Dec weekend here:

Holiday Market Vendor App

Sponsor Holiday Markets
We welcome business partners to help us bring this festive, month-long event to our community. For info on sponsor benefits and/or questions, please email Mary: adminassistant@portofcoupeville.org

Greenbank Farm Harvest Faire Round-Up

Thanks to everyone who attended and helped make the Harvest Faire a big success!
Congrats to winners of the egg race + pie eating contests





Special thanks to Whidbey Pies for their annual pie donation for the popular Harvest Faire pie eating contest!



Port of Coupeville Economic Development

Where Are They Now?

The Port of Coupeville's mission includes economic development. Over the year's, we've helped incubate many small businesses.

When Coupeville's food bank **Gifts from the Heart** opened in 2002, it operated out of a closet at Greenbank Farm. Volunteers distributed bags of donated food to hungry people around town.

In May 2025, Gifts from the Heart opened a beautiful new, $1 million food bank building on Terry Road, near the Prairie Center Market.

"It's the end result of hopes, dreams and fundraising that the food bank has had for years," says a volunteer.



(Photo by David Welton) Nestled in Langley Village, Artworks Gallery displays a variety of art made with different media

Celebrating its 20th anniversary this year, **Artworks Gallery** was one of the first business tenants at Greenbank Farm. It's owned and operated by local artists.

A few years ago, Artworks Gallery opened a new location in Langley Village. The gallery offers a variety of art using different media, from basketry to ceramics to watercolor. A total of 22 artists are currently part of the co-op.



photo by David Welton via Whidbey News Times



In May, the **Rob Schouten Gallery** celebrated its 17th anniversary. The first 9 years, the gallery was located at Greenbank Farm. During the early years, the gallery was able to build its artist base and clientele. In 2017, they moved to a beautiful building in downtown Langley. Rob is an artist himself, and still has his studio at Greenbank Farm!

Event Calendar

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, October 4, Noon – 6:00
Oktoberfest
Greenbank Farm

Wed, October 8, 10:00
Port of Coupeville Commission Meeting
To participate, see instructions above.

Fri, Oct 17, 5:00
Dead Guise Music
Greenbank Farm

Wed, October 22, 1:00
Port of Coupeville Commission Meeting
To participate, see instructions above.

Fri, October 31, 6:00 – 9:00
Murder on the Wharf
Beaver Tales Coffee

Three Weekends in December
Holiday Gift Markets
Greenbank Farm

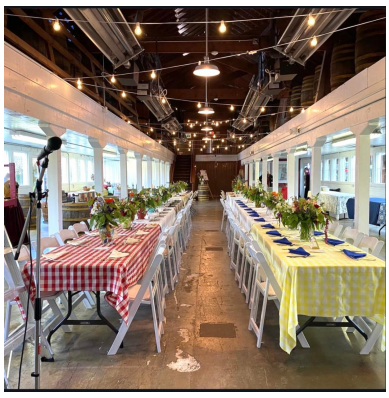
Sat & Sun, Dec 6-7
Holiday Market 10:00 – 5:00
Santa Arrives by Firetruck 3:00
Tractor Lights 4:00
Greenbank Farm

Stay updated on all of our upcoming

Rent Greenbank Farm Barn

We are taking reservations for holiday events and 2026. Find more info here:

Farm Venue Info



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