# Harstine Islander 2012

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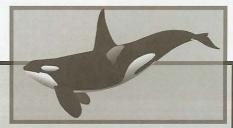
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There is a pleasure in the pathless woods, There is a rapture on the lonely shore, There is society, where none intrudes, By the deep sea, and music in its roar: I love not man the less, but Nature more.

~George Gordon, Lord Byron, Childe Harold's Pilgrimage



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Did you know.... the Harstine Island Community Hall is listed on the Mason County list of Historical Places?





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## Honored Citizens - 2011



## Citizen of the Year BILL BURROWS

Bill was a very effective past president of the Community Club. He organized the Harstine Island Community Club website and got the Island calendar going again. Bill is the kind of person who assumes a task and completes it with total

competence. He's a wizard at setting up electronic equipment for our meetings. Bill also works to protect our tidelands and environment. Thanks Bill... you are a worthy Citizen of the Year!



### LYNN FISH

Lynn volunteers his time to the community and we are blessed to have him! He is a major contributor to the bi-weekly Senior Lunch aka Damon's Diner (pg. 5). The Pioneer Food Bank also benefits from his helping hands. Lynn is one of the first to arrive at our yearly At Home in the HICC Kitchen Apple Squeeze and doesn't stop until cleanup is done. Big thanks Lynn!



### SANDY MURPHY

In 2010 Sandy proposed and accomplished one of the most challenging tasks ever at the Community Club - the brick pavilion around the flagpole. She is very active at our monthly meetings and at Women's Club. She's always a willing and accomplished hostess for Island events and gatherings. In addition to her Community Club participation she supports her husband in his volunteer work with Habitat For Humanity. Thanks Sandy for your devotion to community!

### SAM EDGIN

Sam was awarded Honored Citizen posthumously. He was a past Community Club president and a very outgoing guy. Sam became an auctioneer and when he retired here to the Island he volunteered his time and talent to many fundraising activities. He was a past president of Pioneer Kiwanis and also a Kiwanis district governor.



## Grange #568 Harstine Island

Contact: Mike Burdick 427-1559

#### **WASHINGTON STATE GRANGE**

The Grange (officially the National Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry) is an American organization of farmers that was founded by Oliver H. Kelley in 1867; it spread across the U.S. and Canada, and is still active.

http://www.wa-grange.org





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## HICC Financial Report 2011

**BEGINNING BALANCES:** 

Savings: \$5,680

Checking: <u>6,111</u>
TOTAL: \$8.942

**ENDING BALANCES:** 

\$ 5,685 9,854

\$15,539

#### 2011 INCOME

#### 2011 EXPENSES

Membership Dues	\$6,075 25%	Administration	\$1,243 5%
Donations	4,470 18%	<b>Building Maintenance</b>	7,375 32%
Fundraisers	4,805 20%	<b>Fundraiser Expenses</b>	874 4%
Hall Rental	3,990 16%	Utilities	5,161 22%
Insurance Contrib	1,500 6%	Insurance	4,353 19%
Newsletter Ads	960 4%	Newsletter	1,686 7%
Misc. Income	1,035 4%	Hall Supplies	694 3%
Sponsored Events	1,780 7%	Sponsored Events	1,781 8%

TOTALS: \$24,615 \$23,167



## PESKY POUNDS?

T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) can help you banish 'em!

This fun, supportive and educational group meets every Monday morning at 9 a.m. - Harstine Island Community Club. For info: Carol @ 427-0889

HE WHO STUFFETH .. PUFFETH!



You Can Help the Harstine Community... Be Prepared...

Contact: Nick Neuerberg 427-5521 The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the class-room and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

People who go through CERT training have a better understanding of the potential threats to their home, workplace and community and can take the right steps to lessen the effects of these hazards on themselves, their homes or workplace. If a disaster happens that overwhelms local response capability, CERT members can apply the training learned in the classroom and during exercises to give critical support to their family, loved ones, neighbors or associates in their immediate area until help arrives. When help does arrive, CERTs provide useful information to responders and support their efforts, as directed, at the disaster site. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that improve the safety of the community.

# Harstine Island Women's Club Established 1916

Contact: Patti Chapman 426-8112

http://shelton.site11.com

## - Sport Your Island Pride -

Show off your association with Harstine Island - sweatshirts, visors, t-shirts, fleece vests, denim shirts and mugs. The Women's Club has a wide variety of logo goods.

#### - HOLIDAY HOUSE -

A perfect way to to start your Holiday

shopping - Saturday after
Thanksgiving at the
Community Hall and
Fire Station.
Hand-crafted items
galore!

One day in 1916,
Bessie Hitchcock
invited the
neighborhood ladies
to her home at Ballow
for an afternoon of
sewing and news
exchanging....

## - Scholarships -

Each year the Women's Club awards scholarships to Harstine Island residents graduating, or having graduated, from a Mason County High School (or having obtained a GED). Scholarships are available for academic, vocational, or continuing education. Scholarships awarded to graduating high school seniors

are presented at their respective high school's Awards Ceremony.



## - Memorial Lunches -

When someone from the island passes on, the women provide a memorial lunch at the Community Hall. It's a service that allows the family to grieve as well as feel the sense of community the Island

provides.

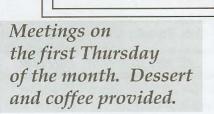
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## - Kids' Carnival -

The second Saturday in August is always a fun family day at the Community Hall. Young people and adults work together to make this a special day. There are games, clowns and prizes.

A great activity for





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children and grandchildren!



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Pennies become dollars and dollars multiply to benefit local organizations. Nick Neuerberg is

benefit local organizations. Nick Neuerberg is carrying on the Bud Glaser aluminum recycling and charitable giving program.

Pitch In!!





If you've attended Senior Lunch you know how wonderful it always is! If you've never attended... why not?!

Senior Lunch was the brain child of Damon LaJune. He wanted to provide older Islanders an opportunity to regularly get together, visit, play games and have a good meal together. The first Senior Lunch was in October of 1997. Attendees were Jeannie & Wayne Swimm, John Cooper and Damon & Barbara LaJune. That first Senior Lunch has now grown into an event looked forward to and frequently attended by over one hundred 50+ eager diners! Lunch is served every other Wednesday beginning promptly at noon. The cost is a mere \$3.00 per person and you'll love every moment of visiting and eating a guaranteed scrumptious meal!

HOW IS SENIOR LUNCH ACCOMPLISHED? With a LOT of diligent work and love for this Island! The dedicated core group puts a lot of thought into the menu - and over the years they have learned what our favorites are. Once the menu for a meal is set, the shopping for supplies starts. At a cost of only \$3.00 per plate the shoppers have to work hard to find the best quality and price. Dessert baking happens at home - as does salad prep. The cooking often begins the night before and finishes up just in time for the lunch bell to ring!

These amazing people put in a lot of thought and work to serve these great meals. Asked about it they will all say, "It's really not like work! We have a great time together and enjoy every moment of it." The only thanks they want is to see our happy faces enjoying ourselves.

IF YOU HAVEN'T ATTENDED SENIOR LUNCH...
YOU'RE MISSING A WONDERFUL TIME AND MEAL!





the HICC has a large lending library? Books are donated for the reading enjoyment of members and returned after reading. Hardbacks, paperbacks & reference. ENJOY!

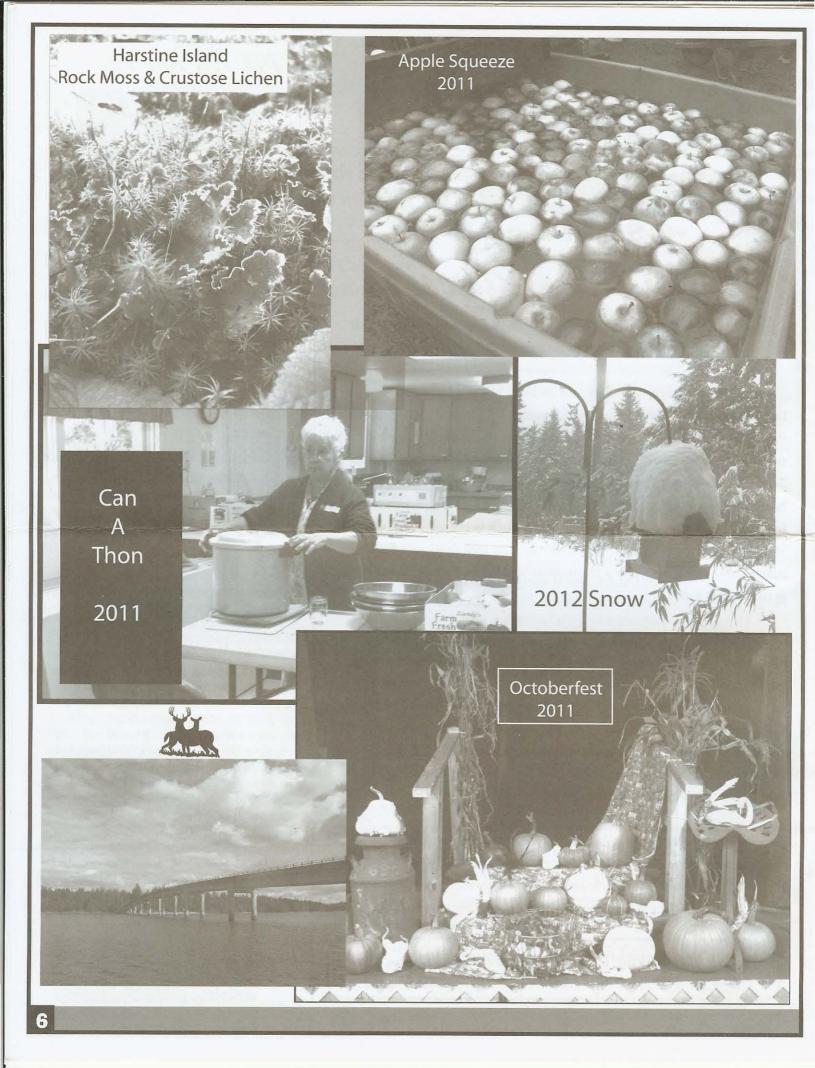
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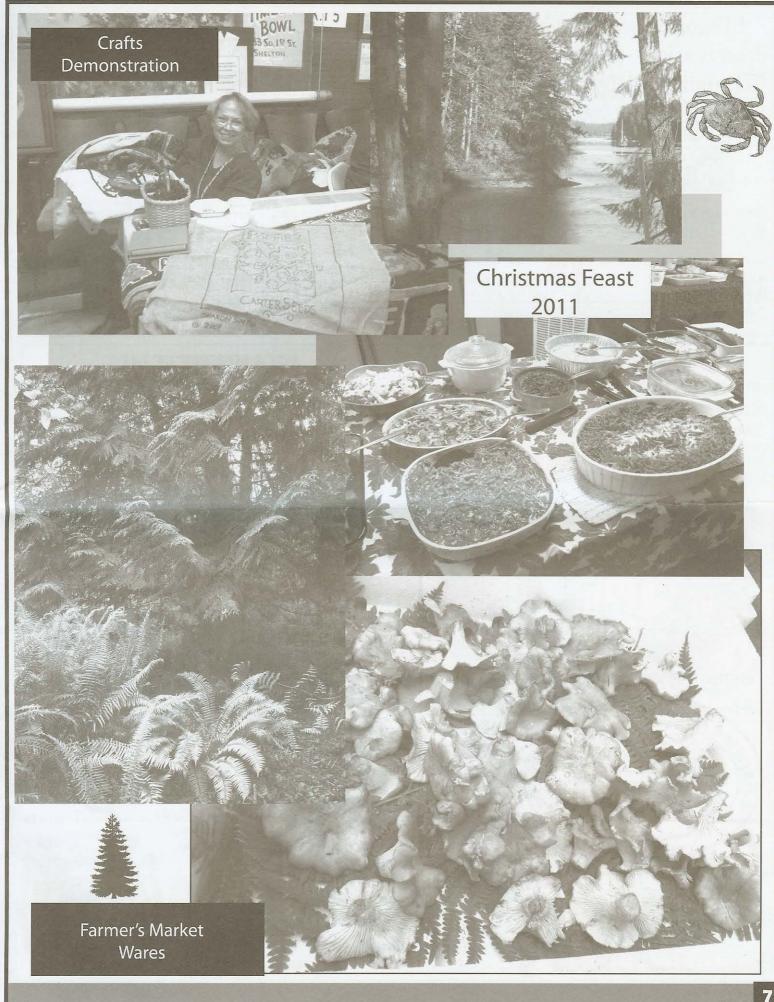
Every morning when you get up, you get up, you begin a new story. Sometimes those stories are shared, like when a grandfather perches his grandchild on his knee to spin yarns of his childhood. Sometimes stories are held close and dear to the heart. Stories can be told with words. Stories can be told with pictures. Lovers can speak volumes with a mere glance. But the most vibrant and touching story is often that which is told with music. Harstine Island Community Choir invites you

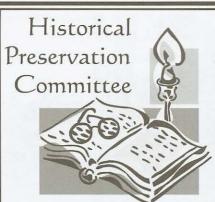
to join them May 18, 19 and 20 for a concert featuring a unique collection of musical stories. So.. join us at 7 pm May 18 at United Methodist Church in Shelton, at 3 pm May 19 at St. Hugh's Episcopal Church in Allyn, or at 3 pm May 20 at the Choir's home venue - Harstine Island Community Hall - for a rousing collection of musical stories in wildly different styles.

And, of course, the Choir always welcomes new members no matter what their skill level or experience. For more information contact the choir's artistic director, Elizabeth Berndt, at 432-9940. Visit us on the web at:

www.harstinechoir.org







The HICC HPC (Historical Preservation Committee) was formed in October 2011 with the goal of investigating and collecting information about the Hall for our 2014 Centennial Project. We are partnering the Grange to plan the 100 year celebration in October 2014.

We are asking all Islanders who have old records, photographs or any other info about the Hall's history to please contact Sandy Murphy at 427-1327. Or please come to Island functions to "share" your piece(s) of Hall history with any of the HPC committee members.

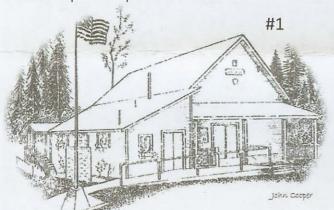
We have many exciting things coming up: a time capsule with items from each HICC club to be opened in 25 years; "2012~2014 Coffee Table Book" filled with Hall events, "Community Club Minutes: Now & Then Book" Art Auction, as well as CDs - Dvds and calendars.

Join the experience, sit down and write a story about the Hall (we will transcribe it for you), look through your pictures of old events held at the Hall, reminisce and SHARE your piece(s) of Hall history NOW to become a part of our 2014 Centennial Project: "Today~Tomorrow~Forever".

Sandy Murphy - Chair HICC HPC Committee Members - Bill Burrows, Shelleen & Mark Mathews, Gary Benz, Mike Burdick

### **NEW HICC LOGOS!!**

In 2012 the Harstine Island Community Club celebrates 98 years - and celebrates with two official logos. Our printed correspondance will feature #1 - produced products will feature #2.



HARSTINE ISLAND COMMUNITY CLUB



Designs were submitted by the Community and selected by the Members.



## NOT A MEMBER OF THE HARSTINE ISLAND COMMUNITY CLUB??

Harstine Island is a truly special environment and the Harstine Island Community Club has a long and important history!

still

Membership is only \$15.00 per adult !! Even if you don't attend Island functions you can show your support for the Island Community by becoming a member and keep the history going!



Contact: Jim Anderson 427-8701

Membership is open to all who are interested in gardening and gardens.

Meetings often focus on gardening issues, speakers, and destination garden visits.



Every BAT needs a place to call "home!"



Come for the apple cider, entertainment, food, craft demonstrations and FUN!

## Harstine Island Farmer's Market

Est. XXXX

The Saturday Farmer's Market provides an opportunity for local farmers and artisans to sell their wares.

HICC organizations also have tables where visitors can purchase items that help support the Community Club.

Open to anyone on Island or off with homegrown vegetables, fruits, plants, handmade or handcrafted items.

Also represented are community

2012 Schedule Saturdays - June 2 to Oct. 13 10 a.m. to Noon

service organizations.

## Harstine Island

## Garden Club

Established 1988

The Garden Club's Mission is to maintain the grounds of the Community Hall and other public spaces on the Island. The club also contributes to the maintenance of the Community Hall and serves as an environmental resource for all.



The Garden Club offers classes like the Can-A-Thon.

## NO GARDEN IS WITHOUT TURNIPS:

- 1. Turnip for meetings
- 2. Turnip for service
- 3. Turnip to help one another





Pertinent Updates from local law enforcement



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## Important Information &

## Harstine Island Community Club

Contact: Jeff Roberge, 432-0710

Programs: Shelleen Mathews, 427-4466

Monthly meetings held on the second Friday of each month.

Happy hour and Potluck @ 6pm. Meeting @ 7pm

### Garden Club & Farmers Market

Contact: Jim Anderson, 427-8701

Second Thursday @ 7 pm

Farmers Market: Saturdays - June 2 through October 13

### Grange #568

Contact: Mike Burdick, 427-1559

Third Friday: Potluck @ 6:30pm. Meeting @ 7:30pm

## Harstine Community Choir

Contact: Elizabeth Berndt, 432-9940

Sundays: 4-6 pm

## All Island Eyes Network

Harstine Neighborhood Watch

harstineneighborhoodwatch@gmail.com

#### Senior Lunch

Contact: Barbara LaJune, 426-0494

Every other Wednesday @ Noon

#### Theater Club

Contact: Lorna Hink, 426-8823

Last Monday: Potluck @ 6:30pm. Meeting @ 7pm

#### Women's Club

Contact: Patti Chapman, 426-8112

First Thursday: Brown bag lunch (Dessert & coffee provided)

## Community Emergency Response Training

Contact: Nick Neuerberg, 427-5521

Third Thursday @ 7pm - Station 9 (next to Community Hall)

#### TOPS #W1402

Contact: Carol Lettich, 427-0889

Mondays @ 9am

#### Pinochle Club

Contact: Barbara LaJune, 426-0494

Mixed first & third Saturday @ 7pm

Conact: Pat Ritchie, 427-0413

Women every other Tuesday @ Noon

Mason County Fire District 5 Business Line: 426-5533 Burn Ban: 427-7799



## **Dates To Remember**

#### MAY

GARDEN CLUB PLANT SALE (9 TO 2 PM) 5

20 CHOIR PERFORMANCE (3 PM)

HICC SPAGHETTI DINNER BENEFIT (5 TO 8 PM) 26

#### **IUNE**

2 FARMER'S MARKET BEGINS! (10 TO NOON) (EVERY SATURDAY THROUGH OCT. 13)

THEATER CLUB PLAY (8 PM) 29

30 THEATER CLUB PLAY (8 PM)

#### **IULY**

1 THEATER CLUB PLAY (3 PM)

#### **AUGUST**

4 WOMEN'S CLUB RUMMAGE SALE (9 TO 3 PM)

WOMEN'S CLUB KIDS CARNIVAL (11 TO 2 PM) 11

#### **SEPTEMBER**

29 HICC PIE CONTEST (11 TO NOON)

#### **OCTOBER**

HICC OCTOBERFEST (6:30 PM) 12

FARMER'S MARKET LAST DAY!! (10 TO NOON) 13

13 GARDEN CLUB APPLE SQUEEZE (9 TO 3 PM)

#### **NOVEMBER**

THANKSGIVING DINNER AT THE HALL (2 PM) 22

WOMEN'S CLUB HOLIDAY HOUSE BAZAAR 24 (10 TO 3 PM)

#### **DECEMBER**

THEATER CLUB PLAY (8 PM) 7

8 THEATER CLUB PLAY (8 PM)

THEATER CLUB PLAY (3 PM)

COMMUNITY CLUB HOLIDAY PARTY (6 PM) 14

16 CHOIR PERFORMANCE (3 PM)

21 GRANGE CHRISTMAS PARTY (6:30 PM)

25 CHRISTMAS DINNER (2 PM)

NEW YEAR'S DINNER/DANCE (8 PM)

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## The Harstine Island Community Hall

The Harstine Island Community Hall was built in 1914. The ground where the Hall is located was donated by Andrew Johnson, Hilma Wingert's father. For the lumber, the men went along the beach and fell trees that were easy to get out. August Carlson also donated trees for lumber. Jim Edgbert, Arthur Wingert, and Alan McKay used two teams of horses to haul the logs out of the woods. Then they were rafted and towed by the "Marie", owned by Raymond and John Haskell, and the "Levina", owned by Ed Cowan, to the sawmill at Taylor Bay. When the lumber was finished, it was towed back to the Island in a scow by the "Marie". Horses and a wagon were used to haul it from the bay to the location of the Hall.

The main carpenters were the Sund brothers - John, Bill and Oscar - from Stadium (near Grapeview). Islanders taking part in the building were: Lee Carlson, Ed Wilson, John Wilson, Arlo Wingert, Arthur Wingert and Paul Hitchcock. This was just for the main Hall. The dining room and kitchen were added later. Potluck picnics often went along with the work parties.

In 1916, the lean-to, consisting of dining room and kitchen, were added by Bill Sayers and helpers Tony Goetsch, Wilson, Carlson and several others. The old large black camp stove used in the kitchen for years was donated by Mark Reed of Simpson Logging Company. The kitchen was small and dark with a steep flight of steps going down the outside on the south end of the building and leading across a little stream to a couple of out-houses. There was no water in the Hall and it was lighted by gas lamps. When there was a "doings", water and wood were brought from home or borrowed from neighbors. There were many doings those good old days with people coming by boat from Agate, Stadium and Vaughn. All these dances were to raise money for the stage, sealing the kitchen and dining room, and a maple hardwood floor. The proceeds also later bought a 4 cycle gas engine light plant, which was underneath the Hall. It popped away and quite often stopped and the lights would go out, to the delight of the dancers.