

GOING PLACES

*****Looking for a day trip? Think about going...**

*****OUT OF WHATCOM COUNTY*****

****To Skagit County to view the flower fields.**

****To the Breazeale Interpretive Center**, 10441 Bayview-Edison Road, Mt. Vernon walking trails, touch and feel pools, and special preschool programs (be sure to pre-register for these). (360) 428-1558

****To the Vancouver Zoological Gardens**, 5048 264th St., Aldergrove, B.C., Canada (604) 856-6825 www.gvzoo.org

****To the aquarium**— in Vancouver enjoy all of Stanley Park and don't miss the train ride.

****In Seattle**, there is much to do and see along the whole length of the waterfront. You can ride the cable cars from the Seattle Center to Pioneer Square with frequent stops along the waterfront.

****To Woodland Park Zoo**, 5500 Phinney North, Seattle (206) 684-4800

****To the Point Defiance Zoo** to meet a polar bear. On the way visit Little Miss Muffet at the Storyland close to the zoo. (253) 591-5335 www.pdza.org

****To the Seattle Center**— Year round enjoy or visit the Pacific Science Center, Children's Museum, Seattle Children's Theater. All located near the Center House. During the summer visit the mid-way and enjoy the "street" entertainment. (206) 443-2001 www.pasci.org

****Take Highway 20 up to the Baker Lake area.**

****Dino Town**, 53840 Trans Canada Highway, Rosedale, B.C., Canada (604) 794-3733. www.dinotown.com Mintar Gardens in the same area provides a day of play and picnicking.

****NW Trek near Puyallup**, (360) 832-6116 or (360) 847-1901

****Ferry Ride to the San Juan Islands.** Leaves from the Anacortes ferry dock. For directions and schedule, go to www.wsdot.wa.gov/ferries.

****The Outback Farm**, Arlington—go sought on I-5 until Exit 208; at stop sign turn left and follow signs; 360-403-7474, www.christmastreesandros.com. A farm where you get to pet and feed kangaroos, wallabies, lemurs, and several other animals. You might even get to hold a baby kangaroo.

*****IN WHATCOM COUNTY*****

****Brown Bag Concerts**—*Bellingham Public Library Lawn*, 210 Central, (360) 676-6860. Concerts are held every Friday throughout the summer at noon. Go early or stay late and check out a book or two from the Children's library.

****City Bus Tour.** Ideal stopping places are animal viewing at *Clark Feed and Seed*, 1326 Railroad, (360) 733-8330 and *Hohl Feed and Seed Co.*, 1322 Railroad Ave., (360) 734-0300. Window shopping at *Bellis Fair Mall* is fun too.

****Evenings In The Park Concerts**, *Bellingham Parks*. Locations and times listed in the Summer Leisure guide.

****Fish Hatcheries**-*Whatcom Falls Park*, (360) 676-2138 or *the Maritime Heritage Center*, 1600 C St., (360) 676-6806.

Both have picnic facilities and play equipment.

****Marine Life Center**, 1801 Roeder Ave., (360) 671-2431. Displays include a small marine life tank, aquariums, and a touch tank.

****Parks With Playgrounds** (Phone the Bellingham Parks and Recreation office for directions (360) 676-6985).

Bloedel Donovan	Boulevard	Broadway
Carl Lobe	Cornwall	Elizabeth
Fairhaven	Forest and Cedar	Franklin
Fouts	Highland Heights	Lake Padden
Ridgemont	Roosevelt	Saint Clair
Shuksan Meadows	Sunnyland Mem.	Whatcom Falls

*****IN BELLINGHAM*** (continued)**

****All-Comers Track Meet**, Mondays, 6:00 p.m., June through August, Civic Stadium. Minor fee. Track events for all ages.

****Arne Hanna Aquatic Center**, 647-pool.

****Farmer's Market**, Saturdays 10:00 a.m., Chestnut & Railroad

****Ink Spot Art Studio for Kids**, 3815 Bakerview, spur #1, (360) 676-4111, www.inkspotstudio.org. This is a large art studio where children are free to explore and experiment with all types of art materials. Open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday (call for specific times). Children will get messy!

****Tide Pools**, Boulevard Park, Pleasant Cove Boat Launch, Larrabee State Park

****Toddler Time**, 2214 Electric, (360) 676-76686. Tuesdays and Thursdays 10:00-11:30 a.m. Children ages 3 and under can play at Bloedel Donovan Multi-purpose building. Parent attendance required. No fee.

****Walks and Hikes** (See the Bellingham Parks and Recreation Trail Guide, 3424 Guide Meridian, (360) 676-6985)

Sehome Hill Arboretum

Lake Padden

Fragrance Lake

Cornwall Park

Interurban Trail

Whatcom Falls Park

Sculpture tour at WWU

Civic Field

****Whatcom County Children's Museum**, 227 Prospect St., (360) 733-8769. Interactive displays offer educational experiences for children of all ages. Admission fee.

*****WITHIN WHATCOM COUNTY*****

****Birch Bay**, Blaine, WA. Enjoy the flat, shallow beach which is ideal for wading and sand play.

****Hovander Homestead Park**, Ferndale, WA, (360) 384-3444. Talk with the animals, have a picnic, walk to the herbal garden and explore the boardwalk.

****Lake Whatcom Steam Railway**, Hwy. 9 and N.P. Rd., Wickersham, WA, (360) 595-2218. Summer: Train runs on Tuesday and Saturday. There is a special Easter and Christmas schedule.

****Mount Baker Ski Area**. Winter-play in the snow at Picture Lake. Summer-summer sledding, viewing wildflowers and picking huckleberries in September.

****Preschool Story Time**, Bellingham Public Library, 210 Central, (360) 676-6864. Wednesdays for ages 3 1/2 to 5. Also: Community Food Co-op, Everson Library, Lynden Library, and Sumas Library.

****Jungle Playland**, 1.3 miles NE—2121 E. College Way, Mt. Vernon. Similar to Tube Time. Fee.

