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## Nov. 7 election candidates face off

By Hayley Day  
Reporter

On Tuesday, Oct. 3, islanders probed local candidates at a forum on the Nov. 7 election presented by the League of Women Voters of the San Juans.

Fourteen races are on San Juan Island and three in the Town of Friday Harbor, though races appear on ballots based on voters' precincts. Due to timing, four races were selected for the forum. Ballots are mailed on Oct. 17 and due by Tuesday, Nov. 7.

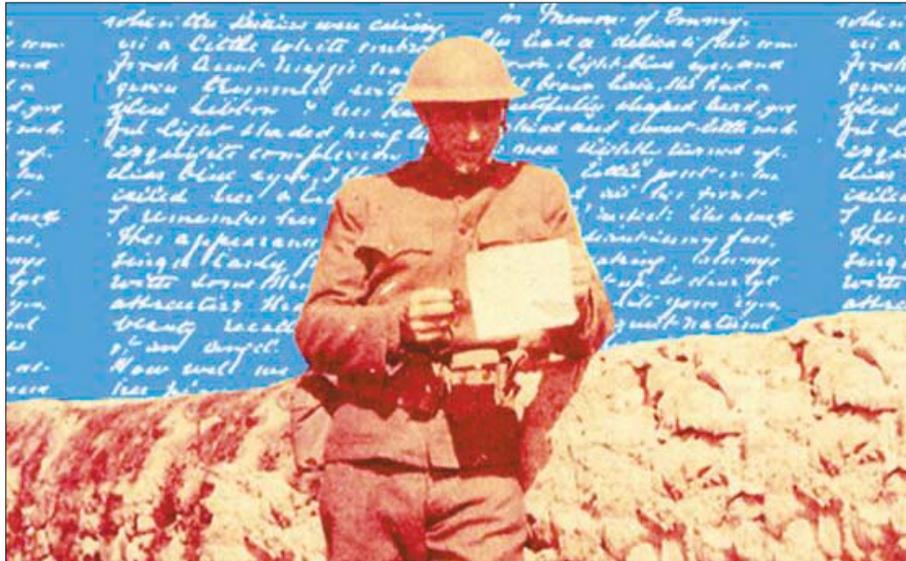
## SJC Public Hospital District 1

Anna Lisa Lindstrum and John T. Manning are running for San Juan County Public Hospital District 1 Commissioner 2. The position is nonpartisan, with a six-year term, and can earn \$114 per meeting. This race will be on every San Juan Island ballot.

The winner of this seat will replace current Commissioner Barbara Sharp. Commissioner Michael Edwards' seat is also open and Peg LeBlanc was running unopposed for that nonpartisan position but recently announced she dropped out; her name will still appear on ballots. The position also has a six-year term that can earn \$114 per meeting. (For more information, turn to page 2.)

Lindstrum was the general manager of the local restaurant Duck Soup for 10 years, and recently returned to the position

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Contributed image

Island artist Peggy Sue McRae produced the above piece titled "Letters," which includes notes from local soldiers.

## WWI remembered in photos

By Hayley Day  
Reporter

It's 1917 and suit-clad, wide-eyed boys, sit on the steps of the San Juan County Courthouse, in preparation to fight in what was known as the Great War.

That's the scene in the first of six photos lining the Bait Shop's walls, in a Friday Harbor walkway known as the breezeway between Spring Street and Sunshine Alley. The first installation of this outdoor gallery commemorates this year's 100th anniversary of America's involvement in World War I. The exhibit "We Gave All That We Could," was hung by town officials in September.

"It's a good way to tell the story and spread it along the entire length of the breezeway," said Town of Friday Harbor Administrator Duncan Wilson.

Nearly five million American soldiers served in WWI, including 124 from San Juan's pastoral islands, 16 of which are captured in that first image.

The photos — taken between 1917 and 1919 — were collected from the San Juan Island Historical Museum and the American Legion Post 163 to give a local glimpse of a global war.

The timeline depicts images like island Red Cross

volunteers collecting supplies, soldiers reading letters from home and, lastly, the nine who did not return. Each photo includes a description, gathered from local research like an essay about the county's WWI experience by local Lynn Weber-Roochvarg.

"We're all familiar with the battlefield stories of WWI, but we also wanted to show that people experienced the war in profound ways at home," said Sandy Strehlou, historic preservation coordinator for the Town of Friday Harbor. "The war affected everyone, from children to adults."

According to photo descriptions, at home, islanders knitted covers for amputated limbs and children searched for moss to use as bandage absorbents. The nation, the descriptions continued, lost 2.5 percent of its servicemen, Washington lost 2.75 percent, but the county's small population of 3,600 lost 7.3 percent.

The text notes that the county presumably erected the first WWI monument in the state — Memorial Park. The tribute, in the roundabout on Front Street, commemorates local lives lost, about three years after a cease-fire was reconciled in 1918. Armistice Day came about a year after the U.S. entered the war.

Strehlou and the Friday Harbor Arts Commission

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## County to update public records requests

By Hayley Day  
Reporter

Changes to requesting public records at the state level are impacting the county's procedures.

On July 23, Washington legislators passed two bills to alter the state's Public Records Act, including charging for additional types of copies. Currently, the county does not charge for email attachments or electronic and scanned copies. Fees will be set after a public hearing on the local changes on Tuesday, Oct. 24.

The draft of the fees maintains the county's current practice of \$.15 per printed page, then adds \$.10 per scanned records, \$.05 for every four email attachments and \$.10 per gigabyte of electronic documents.

According to a legal advice document, See RECORDS, Page 3

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# Syringe spotted, overdose occurrence, tyke in traffic, Friday Harbor fight | San Juan County Sheriff's Log

The sheriff's office responded to the following calls:

- Sept. 27**
- An Orcas deputy investigated a theft.
  - A Lopez deputy spoke with a Friday Harbor resident regarding an automobile accident on Lopez. The reporting party said the driver backed into his surveying equipment and damaged it. The driver agreed to pay for repairs.
  - A deputy in Friday Harbor disposed of a found syringe.
  - A Friday Harbor juvenile was in possession of drug paraphernalia and nicotine. The matter was referred to juvenile court.
  - An Orcas deputy stopped a car for failing to stop at a stop sign on North Beach Road. The driver was issued a citation for driving with a suspended license and given a warning for not stopping at the sign.
  - A deputy in Friday Harbor responded to an apparent overdose patient. The patient was treated by emergency medical services and then transported to the hospital for further treatment.
  - A vessel was issued a citation for mooring at the Westsound county dock overnight.

- Sept. 28**
- A Friday Harbor citizen reported a no-contact order violation. She saw a man and girl together, with a no contact order between them, twice.
  - A Friday Harbor resident reported issues with his neighbors dogs barking during the night. The neighbor was contacted and he said his dogs bark at deer and foxes, keeping them away from his farm. The noise ordinance was explained to him and said he would keep the dogs quiet.
- Sept 29**
- A Lopez deputy was dispatched to an early morning single-vehicle collision. The driver, a Lopez woman was given a citation for driving without a valid operator license.
  - An Orcas deputy responded to an animal bite. The animal and its location was not known.
  - Orcas deputies made contact with a male subject who was wanted by San Juan County and the state's department of correction. The subject was placed in custody and transported to the sheriff's office.
  - Friday Harbor deputies responded to a woman running in

- traffic with her baby. The woman was contacted in the street, arrested, transported to the emergency room and then booked into jail. The baby was examined and turned over to a relative. Child Protective Services staff was notified.
- Sept. 30**
- An Orcas deputy responded to a welfare check at an Eastsound residence. The deputy found that the subject was fine and not in need of any medical treatment.
  - A San Juan deputy assisted the aid unit with a female that was acting odd.
  - A Lopez deputy issued a driver a citation for going 45 mph in a 25 mph zone on Fisherman Bay Road.
  - A deputy in Friday Harbor received a report of a fight. There was no evidence that anyone was assaulted.
  - A Lopez Island deputy was sent to a local business on a 911 hang up call. Upon arrival, the deputy found no problem at the business.
- Oct. 1**
- A vessel was issued a citation for overnight mooring at the Westsound county dock and

- improper display of registration decal.
- Deputies were contacted by a Friday Harbor resident who said his former employer threatened him over owed money and damaged his property.
- Lopez deputies were sent to investigate a 911 hang up call from a Lopez residence. The resident was contacted by dispatch and it was determined that the problem was with the telephone.
- A Seattle man reported finding possibly stolen property in a trash can at Spencer Spit State Park. Upon closer examination, the items were properly disposed trash.
- An Orcas deputy investigated an animal problem in the Deer Harbor area. The deputy found the animals were in good health.
- A Lopez resident reported a subject loitering on a road near their house. When contacted by a deputy, the subject was utilizing an unprotected Wi-Fi signal. The subject moved on when asked.
- A deputy responded to an area in Friday Harbor for possible drug activity. Two subjects were contacted and one was arrested on a felony warrant.

- Oct. 2**
- Orcas deputies responded to report of a domestic dispute. After all involved parties were interviewed one person was arrested for assault 4 - domestic violence.
  - A deputy responded to a motorcycle versus deer collision on Orcas. The operator received moderate injuries but was not transported to a medical care facility.
  - A deputy stopped a driver for failing to stop at a stop sign in Friday Harbor. The driver was issued a citation for driving with a license that was suspended/revoked in the third degree.
- Oct. 3**
- Lopez deputy was dispatched for a welfare check on a resident. The resident was not found to be in imminent danger to himself.
  - A San Juan deputy educated a citizen on how to handle harassment.
  - A deputy was sent to a San Juan Island residence to check on the welfare of a person.
  - An Orcas deputy cited a vessel for illegal moorage at Westsound county dock. The owner also received a \$25 fine for multiple citations.

## War

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conceptualized the exhibit's theme when the outdoor art project was first discussed earlier this year. The high-traffic area, said Strehlou, has a wall reminiscent to a gallery's space. Organizers used plastic coverings to

protect the photos — which are copies of originals — and galvanized screws to hang them.

The copies were edited to tell the story, including adding text and color, as well as enlarging them. Five were produced by local artist Chris Minney of Tif & Gif Creative and the image "Letters" by another local artist Peggy Sue McRae.

The exhibit will be displayed for three months, said Strehlou, and hopefully replaced by another, if the owners of the Bait Shop building, Jeffrey and Alice Carnevali, agree. Wilson and Strehlou thanked both for offering their property for the public art experience.

"We want to bring excitement to the space," said

Strehlou. "We want people to revisit the space again and again."

To learn more about the county's WWI experience, read Weber-Roochvarg's essay at [www.historylink.org](http://www.historylink.org) by searching for "20327," which is the essay number.

Staff photo/Hayley Day

A passer-by views the exhibit.



# Unopposed candidate withdraws from Nov. 7 race

By Cali Bagby  
General Manager

An unopposed candidate for a local race in the Nov. 7 election has withdrawn.

Peg LeBlanc, who was running for commissioner 4 for the San Juan County Public Hospital District 1, told the Journal she was no longer running. The election ballots were printed prior to her announcement, so her name will appear as a viable option to voters.

If she had withdrawn prior to the printing, LeBlanc would have required a court order to have her name removed, according to Joseph MacLean, election program specialist in the certification training program for Washington state.

As she is running unopposed, it is highly possible LeBlanc will be elected unless voters write in another candidate.

The hospital district will decide how to proceed. Pamela Hutchins, district superintendent and secretary to the board, said that if LeBlanc is elected, she can resign, and

commissioners will appoint a replacement through public interviews.

That selected commissioner would serve two years of the six-year term and the seat would go to the ballots in 2019 to start serving the following year. Public hospital district candidates are voted on in odd years, said Camolyn Armstrong, elections supervisor for the county's elections office.

The last day for candidates to withdraw from this year's general election, said Armstrong, was May 22.

LeBlanc, a marriage and family therapist in Friday Harbor, declined to comment further on this story.

For more information on the San Juan County Public Hospital District 1 candidates visit, page 8.

Check the Journal for updates.

— Hayley Day contributed to this story.

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**Witness Tree and Elwha**  
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