

# Friends of the Forest

Dedicated to the preservation of the Anacortes Community Forest Lands through education, outreach & stewardship

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#### **WAYS TO GIVE**

Our work depends on a healthy mix of funding sources. All contributions to our group are tax deductible. Please consider the following options for financial contribution to our organization.

#### 1. Active Membership

Dues are due in January! There are different categories of membership to suit your preference. Any contributions to our group above your membership level are greatly appreciated. See our membership form on the back page.

#### 2. Individual Contributions

We greatly appreciate any contributions to help support our education and outreach program. You can make these in honor or in memory.

#### 3. Friends of the Forest Endowment Fund

We have an endowment fund established with the Skagit Community Foundation. The purpose of this fund is to create an endowment that will eventually provide interest income to our organization. This is an excellent option for sizeable donations to our group.

#### 4. Planned Giving

If you are making estate plans, please consider including our organization.

You may contact Denise Crowe or Jean Andrich (360-293-3725) at our office to discuss any of these options.



All are welcome at our...

**Annual Membership Meeting** 

Wednesday, February 6th 7 pm until 9 pm

The Depot (611 R Avenue, in Anacortes)

What's Happening in Heart Lake? Our special guest speaker is Dr. Robin Matthews, Director of the Institute for Watershed Studies, and a Professor at Huxley College of the Environment at Western Washington University. She will be sharing specific information about what is happening in Heart Lake, and the broader picture of freshwater quality issues in the region.

This is a great opportunity to get to know more about the Friends of the Forest and our work in service to the Anacortes Community Forest Lands. We will begin with a brief annual report and elections, and then quickly move on to our special guest presentation. Discussion and refreshments will follow.

Hope to see you there!

### Board Members up for re-election are:

Scott Gudmundsen
Denise Crowe
Nominations will be accepted from the floor.

Thank you to Karen Haines and Kara Fox for their service on our Board. Both Karen and Kara will continue to be Friends of the Forest!

Karen has served as our Treasurer for the past five years and leaves us in very good shape. During Karen's time on the Board we have grown in staff, programs and revenue. Karen has been able to put several systems in place for record keeping and organization. We appreciate the many volunteer hours Karen spent for Friends of the Forest.

Kara is leaving her position on the Board and is moving on to a new chapter in her life. We wish Kara the very best and congratulate her on her recent marriage. We appreciate Kara's knowledge of technology and her willingness to share her expertise with the Board.



An aerial view of Heart Lake.



## Crowe's Nest

#### **New Year's Greetings Friends!**

The dark days of winter are now steadily making their way to the light. I hope you will all find time to be present in the woods this season. There is deep calm and stark beauty to be felt. It is a time for rejuvenation in the forest, drinking in the water and dancing with the wind. Listen for the call notes of the chickadees and kinglets as they move together in large feeding flocks. Look for the mergansers and buffleheads seeking refuge at Heart Lake and Little Cranberry.

We too are recharging after a very full and good year. School programs, summer day camp, and community hikes were all at high capacity. Our board member, Bill Dietrich, and I taught a senior college course together this fall. We had a wonderfully successful benefit event in October, a testament to incredible volunteer and contributor efforts as well as all of the great people who came. Thank you!!! Our many partnerships continue to flourish, and we anticipate a fruitful 2013.

Our next big event is our annual meeting on February 6th (see front page), and this one is not to be missed. We have a special guest presenter, Dr. Robin Matthews, from the Institute of Watershed Studies at Huxley College of Western

Washington University. As you may know, this summer was a tough one for our beloved Heart Lake. The hybrid milfoil resumed it's out of control growth. In addition, there was a toxic bluegreen algae bloom that required recreational closure. Dr. Matthews has been studying Heart Lake for six years along with fifty other lakes in the region. She will be presenting what she knows about Heart Lake in the context of her larger work. We and city staff have been thankful for her ability to educate us about the complex interactions at play. Please come and learn more with us, and enjoy a good visit with your forest friends.

Hope to see you in the woods!



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**BOARD MEMBERS** 

# Skagit Land Trust Partnership Award presented to Friends of the Forest!

Our Board recently attended a Skagit Land Trust Luncheon in Anacortes where we were honored to receive a Conservation Partner Award for our work in service to the Anacortes Community Forest Lands. The award reads, "Through your vision and talent in connecting people with nature, the Anacortes Community Forest Lands will be protected as a place of wildlife and wonder for all generations. In recognition of your exemplary commitment to preserving our community's natural lands." Board President Andy Stewart remarked, "We thank our partner, the Skagit Land Trust for recognizing our efforts in the community. It is a pleasure working with Skagit Land Trust to preserve lands and ensure they stay in their natural state and available for public enjoyment."

Through common goals, The Friends of the Forest, Skagit Land Trust and The City of Anacortes have enjoyed a long working relationship. Each partner has a different role but the affiliation grew from efforts to legally preserve the ACFL





through the Conservation Easement Program. Our three entities started working together in 1992 when Skagit Land Trust formed. The Friends of the Forest formed several years prior with a dedication to the care, protection and enjoyment of the ACFL. The Friends were instrumental in a campaign to halt logging while creating the CEP program to provide supplemental management income. The City owns and maintains the ACFL, Skagit Land Trust holds conservation easements on the protected acres of the forest and ensures that they are preserved forever for their intended use. The Friends of the Forest provide forest education and stewardship programs for all ages in the community.

Molly Doran, executive director of Skagit Land Trust, says of Friends' role, "There are community forests in many towns and cities across the United States but few as large as the ACFL and few as well loved. The Friends of the Anacortes Community Forest Lands ensure that love of this forest is passed on from generation to generation. They educate us about the forest and its care, they encourage us to hike and recreate there, and they help our children know the forest in ways that will make them the future stewards of this beautiful place."

The ACFL is a model for community initiated conservation, environmental education, stewardship and multiple use success. On the West Coast only the City of Portland, Oregon has a community forest larger than ours at approximately 5,000 acres. With our population growing, it will take an ongoing and exceptional commitment at all levels to keep our forest healthy. We believe that education is the best hope for sustaining long term forest health. We look forward to our continued relationship with Skagit Land Trust and The City of Anacortes and our common effort to maintain a healthy forest for future generations to enjoy.

By Jean Ford Andrich

## In the Woods with Ranger Dave . . . by Dave Oicles

#### The Eyes and Ears of the Forest Lands

One of the wonderful things about having the Anacortes Community Forest Lands for our enjoyment is the personal care and respect that many of the forest users have toward these lands. Folks have donated thousands of dollars to help put the land into protective conservation through the CEP (Conservation Easement Program). Others have donated hundreds of hours of volunteer time helping to remove nonnative invasive plants or conduct trail repairs during "work parties." On a weekly basis, Park Staff receives phone calls or emails letting us know of downed trees blocking trails or other maintenance issues that have been noticed. It is these extra eyes and ears out on the trails that help Park Staff plan the daily maintenance of the trails and forest.

Another important aspect of enjoying the forest lands is to report anything that seems out of the ordinary. For example, if you are driving down Heart Lake Road and observe a vehicle unloading yard waste or other



trash please call 911 and report this crime. Illegal trash and yard waste dumping at our trailheads and wooded road ways have increased in recent years, leaving a mess and at times hazardous materials for Park Staff to clean up. Another problem that you may see is natural resource damage. This could be in the form of someone building an illegal trail, cutting down trees, removing plants or plant parts, or damaging tree branches along the lakes. If you hear or see trail building occurring in the ACFL, and there is not a Park Staff member on site, please call the Parks Dept or 911 so it can be investigated. Thousands of dollars have been lost this year alone by illegal resource damage, in the form of lost trees, ferns, salal, and wildlife habitat. Continue to be the eyes and ears of the ACFL

and report any suspicious activity to help protect our wonderful Anacortes Community Forest Lands.

Also, just as a side note, the seasonal motorcycle closure is now in effect for all trails in the ACFL until April 1<sup>st</sup>. Motorcycle riding during the wet winter months can create resource damage on our trails, so if you see or hear a motorcycle out in the ACFL between November 1<sup>st</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>, please call the Parks Department at 299-1918 or call Ranger Dave direct at 661-3554 so we can respond and resolve the issue.

#### **ACFL Reflections on 2012**

Weather-wise, the beginning of 2012 was similar to 2011, with a very wet spring and summer with mild temperatures. As a result, the wetlands and watersheds surrounding the wetlands stayed charged with water lasting well into the summer season. Many seasonal creeks remained flowing all summer and lake levels did not drop much until the fall. It was the fall weather that was much different than 2011, with a period of about 82 days in a row of sunshine in September and October. Summer arrived in Anacortes! This stretch of dry weather finally began to dry out grasses, create dust on the trails, and increase the wildland fire danger. A very small wildland fire did occur on October 6<sup>th</sup> along trail 118. Shortly afterwards, the fall rains began and snuffed out any possible fire danger level for the remainder of the year.

Another thing in 2012 that was very similar to 2011 in the ACFL and around Anacortes was the spectacular display of fall colors along the trails and in the City of Anacortes Parks. And the colors lasted all the way into November until the first high winds of the season began the fall color descend, bringing a wonderful yellow and orange glow to many of the ACFL trails. I find it very peaceful and soothing to the soul to meander the trails in the fall when the lake crowds are gone and the cool crispiness of autumn is in the air. It is something that makes your heart smile.

Once again, hundreds of hours of volunteer time were given to the ACFL by local community volunteers to perform projects that help protect and preserve the Forest Lands and to help maintain the 52 miles of Forest trails. Projects this year included removing more non-native invasive plants and trees like Holly, Ivy, Scotch Broom, Thistle, Goat's Ear, Laurel, and Daphne, cleaning up trash along Heart Lake Road, diving for trash in Heart Lake, removing fallen trees off the trails, and repairing muddy and eroded sections of trails. My hat goes off to all who help make the ACFL a better place and to the local businesses who have donated items to help with ACFL maintenance projects. You are all rock stars in my eyes. Thank you, thank you, thank you... Ranger Dave

The Friends of the Forest is a not for profit, citizen organization dedicated to the preservation of the Anacortes Community Forest Lands through education, outreach and stewardship. We have a multi-layered education program that strives to meet the needs of all Fidalgo Island residents. Our education program includes K-12 guided school field trips, Adult/Senior hikes, All Ages hikes, Forest Discovery Day Camp, habitat restoration efforts, ethnobotany field seminars, a quarterly newsletter and our two comprehensive school district programs: Growing Wild- native plants for all 3rd graders, and Middle School Watershed Discovery for all students in 7th grade. Our community hikes are FREE and no registration is required. Please join Naturalist Denise Crowe this winter as we continue to explore and learn more about the ACFL together. For more information about our group or these hikes, please contact Denise Crowe or Jean Andrich at 293-3725. You may also visit our website www.friendsoftheacfl.org or inquire by email at info@friendsoftheacfl.org.

Hope to see you in the woods!

Please Note: These hikes focus on wildlife and human experience. Please leave your dogs at home.

#### SENIOR/ADULT HIKES

For any adult with a desire to learn more about our community forest lands through an easy hike in fine company, with a naturalist guide.

**Double Watershed Tour** Friday, January 11th

Start the New Year off right with a hike in the woods with friends! This is a gentle, one and a half mile route through varied forest and wetland habitats. Learn about the beaver that maintain these wetlands, and the winter wildfowl that we will be sure to see. Meet at the end of 32nd Street, off of D Avenue.

10:00 am until noon

Our Heart Lake hike is the perfect Valentine to give to yourself, or to share with a friend. Together, we will look for the early hints of spring. Meet at the Heart Lake parking lot.

**Heart Lake** Friday, February 8th

10:00 am until noon

Pine Ridge Loop

What treasures await in this lovely, hidden meadow? Enjoy a hike to this unique and secret spot off the beaten path. We will then continue over the ridge and orient to other trails before looping back. Meet at the base of Mt. Erie on Ray Auld Drive.

Friday, March 8th 10:00 am until noon

And now for something a little different......

ADULT FITNESS HIKE A challenging physical adventure

Friday, January 25th 1 pm until 4 pm

Join Lin, Monica and Jean for a another fast paced work out adventure on our Winter Fitness Hike! Dress in layers and prepare to cover a good amount of trail on this three hour tour of Heart and Whistle terrain. Take Friday afternoon off, bring water and a snack and meet at the Heart Lake parking lot.



#### **UPCOMING WORK PARTIES**

January 19th @ 9am: We will clean up the ivy that remains in the partially cleared areas from Rotary Park at Cap Sante. This effort will help native plants rebound and fill in for spring. Meet at the picnic shelter at the end of the paved path at Rotary Park at Cap Sante. If it snows, we will reschedule.

January 26th @ 9am: An area that we planted with trees along trail 126 needs attention to remove non-native plants around these trees to help the trees grow healthier. Let's meet at trailhead 126 at the west end of Fir Crest Blvd, off A Ave. Hope to see you there!

Work Parties generally last 2 hours and severe weather may cancel them. Tools are always provided. Dress warm, bring leather gloves, boots and wear a smile. Work Party projects can be found at the City of Anacortes website at <a href="http://www.cityofanacortes.org/parks.asp">http://www.cityofanacortes.org/parks.asp</a>. Search the Parks and Recreation page under "Top Stories" for more info. Not on the web? Call 661-3554 for the latest information on ACFL Work Parties.



After completing last quarter's article, I felt that I might have to change the title since I had become so knowledgeable about our community forest lands. Luckily that won't happen, as it has been determined that I don't even know the difference between a Douglas Fir and a Western Hemlock! Many thanks to Denise for clarifying that. ©

In September, I participated in a Friends of the Forest fitness hike organized by Lin Nichols, Monica Ochs, and Jean Andrich. Somehow they managed to take the group on a 9-mile hike that was uphill and into the wind **the whole time**. Lin planned the route and admitted to having had "one beer" while doing the planning. Later she also admitted that the map might have been upside down while we were hiking. Monica led the group and never broke a sweat while strolling along at 9 mph. I didn't see much of Jean as she kept to the rear of the group. My understanding is that she was required to remove those who died during the hike so as not to block the trail. It should be obvious that everyone should try these hikes. All kidding aside, this was a great opportunity to burn about 8,000 calories and see the beauty of the forest at the same time. After the hike, I felt no guilt eating several chocolate covered peanut butter cookies from The Store.

I've been seeing a lot of trees in our forest lately that remind me of animals. On trail 211, check out the Western Red Cedar that has a shape just like a Rhino's head. Very strange. You have to use your imagination a little, but if you observe closely, you'll see the ear, eye and the bend in the tree that creates the horn. It's a huge tree, so quite fitting that it be called the Rhino Tree. It's located about halfway up the trail near Heart Lake Road.

On trail 104, just at the junction of trail 104 and 108 near Little Cranberry Lake, there is a very unusual tree with tentacles that stick out

along the ground in several directions. I call it the Squid Tree.

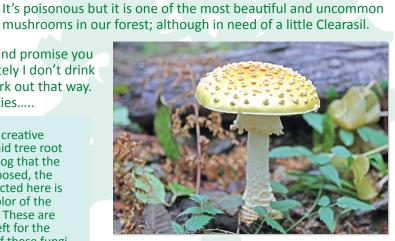
It isn't unusual to see trees with 1 or 2 large tentacles but this tree has so many of them that it stands out.

This quarter's featured mushroom is a beautiful specimen that was growing just by the side of trail 110 in the Cranberry Lake Forest Lands. It has funny little white bumps on it – perhaps mushroom acne. I wonder if there is some evolutionary reason why it would have those bumps, or is it just a teenager? Using my guidebook, this looks like a Panther Mushroom but I can't be sure.



I have been asked to plan a future fitness hike and promise you that it will be downhill the whole time. Unfortunately I don't drink beer so I will have no excuse if it doesn't really work out that way. But please join us anyway and I will bring the cookies.....

Note from Denise: I love Scott's fresh eye and the creative names for what he discovers in the forest. The squid tree root tentacles pictured here developed within a nurse log that the cedar began its life upon. As the nurse log decomposed, the roots were exposed. The Amanita mushroom depicted here is more likely A. muscaria than A. pantherina. The color of the muscaria cap ranges from pale yellow to vivid red. These are very toxic mushrooms, eerily beautiful, and best left for the forest elves. We had some spectacular showings of these fungi throughout the ACFL this fall. Can't wait for Scott's downhill fitness hike!





# THANK YOU to All Friends of the Forest 2012 Members, Contributors and Sponsors!



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#### Membership notes:

January starts the new membership year, regardless of what month you joined or renewed. To save resources, we do not send out reminder postcards.

#### Please renew or join today!

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We accept donations online. Please visit our website and go to Contribute.

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Confused on a hike location? Check out our website for links to driving directions to each hike location.

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Our regular office hours are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 1 pm and always by appointment.

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Thank you to all friends who have renewed their dues and a reminder to those who haven't sent in this year - we need it! Keeping your dues current with the Friends of the Forest is one of the best ways to Think Globally and Act Locally. On Fidalgo Island, thankfully we have the ACFL, and it needs Friends to ensure its preservation. Our Education Program depends on your support. Thank you!