



# Short Wave

San Juan Island National Historical Park

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## THIS WEEK: JUNE 13-19, 2011 Special Programs

**Celebrating the San Juan Historical Society's 50th Anniversary** — Park staff recreate military and civilian life during the island's early pioneer period and time of joint occupation. Activities include blacksmithing, coopering, weaving, needlework and exhibitions of military equipment and skills. **Noon to 4 p.m., Saturday, June 18, San Juan Historical Museum, Friday Harbor.**



## Remember: A fed fox is a dead fox

The foxes found on San Juan Island are all red fox even though you may find them in shades of gray, orange, and even blonde. While they can be a delight to watch, they have learned that humans often mean a free meal. Unfortunately, a fed fox may condemn it to be a dead fox.



The feeding of the foxes in San Juan Island National Historic Park has become an

issue. The feeding of any wildlife on National Park lands is illegal and dangerous to you as well as the animal. Eventually fed foxes come to rely solely on the food handouts they receive and come winter, when all the food-baring tourists have left, those foxes starve to death. Additionally, foxes fed by humans learn to frequent roads and parking lots which increase the likelihood of them being run over by a motorist.

Please do your part – don't feed the foxes and report violators to park staff.

## Golden paintbrush blooms on prairie

Golden paintbrush (at right) was in bloom on the prairie this spring after being re-established last year by park staff. Once abundant in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia, it's currently listed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) as endangered, and is found in fewer than 11 populations in



Washington and Canada, largely due to habitat destruction and fire suppression. -

## Young spotted in eagles nest

At least two eaglets have been sighted in a nest located along the Frazer-Homestead trail at American Camp park north of Cattle Point Road. Ask park rangers or volunteers for assistance in spotting the nest. they will bring along a bird scope. Please do not leave the trail to get a better look.

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