

# STANWOOD CAMANO NEWS

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## **Problem trees**

*A good arborist*

Dear Editor:

Since moving to the Pacific Northwest, I've learned not to use the terms, pine and evergreen, interchangeably. I've also learned there's a wide variety of tree specialists out there.

All seem to be knowledgeable in their craft. Many are honest about the need or lack thereof, of removing trees of concern, and I have tried to "spread the wealth," when it comes to hiring.

That stopped, a few years ago, when I hired Jim Fay, owner, and certified arborist, of Puget Sound Tree Care LLC on Camano Island. In addition to handling the usual, climb and lop, harness and pull, or drop and run, I watched him take a 10" caliper tree, that was leaning at a 45 degree angle, and make it skip into the ground, perfectly perpendicular to it (not once, but three times).

That, matched with a pleasant temperament, cautiousness for his employees and fair pricing, has me calling him, whenever I have a new tree concern.

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