

THE CENTER NEWS

A Monthly Publication of Shipley Center - November 2025



About our luncheons:

Seating is limited and we usually sell out.

Please purchase your tickets early so you are not disappointed. Seating is also planned. Let us know who you would like to sit with or that you are interested in meeting new folks. No need to arrive early.



INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY: If Sequim school district is closed, Shipley Center is closed. Please see page 10 for other details.

SHIPLEY CENTER HOLIDAY BAZAAR 2025

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

NOVEMBER 7-8 FROM 9:00-3:00

CREATIVITY ABOUNDS! PLEASE STOP BY.





Debbie Patterson, Trips & Tours Coordinator

Office hours: 9 to 1 Monday-Friday



Shipley Center Trips: 360-683-5883

trips@shipleycenter.org

New! 2026 River Cruises

Mayflower Cruises & Tours: Tulip Time on Jewels of the Rhine-April 6-22 Premier World Discovery: Holland Windmills & Tulips River Cruise-April 20-29 Wonders of the Blue Danube-October 10-19

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Best of Greece: 10 Days and 9 Nights. May 22-30, 2026 on the Celebrity Infinity.



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Leo's Café with Chef Kathryn Kitts

Please note our new schedule! 'A Little Café with a Lotta' Love'

Serving breakfast and lunch, Leo's Café is open 9:00 until 2:00 Monday through Thursday. We look forward to serving you!



Holiday Feasts are Coming!

We hope you will join us as Leo's Café Chef, Kathryn Kitts, and so many dedicated volunteers prepare delightful feasts for this holiday season.

Our Thanksgiving Luncheon will be on Friday, November 21 with two seatings.

Please join us at 12:30 or 2:30 for this event.

Tickets will be available beginning Tuesday, November 4.

Members are \$18 and non-members are \$24 for this event.

Our Christmas Luncheon will be on Friday, December 19 with two seatings, also at 12:30 or 2:30 for this event.

Tickets will be available beginning Tuesday, November 25.

Members are \$18 and non-members are \$24 for this event.

Menus are available on page 1 and page 6.



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Community Announcements



SHIBA IS HERE TO ANSWER YOUR MEDICARE QUESTIONS

MEDICARE OPEN ENROLLMENT RUNS THROUGH DECEMBER 7, 2025 SHIBA representatives are available at Shipley Center

from 9:00-12:00 on these dates: November 4, 18, and December 2. This service is free. NO Appointments. You may drop in.

WOW! WORKING ON WELLNESS

*****THE FORUM****

KSQM Radio Station 91.5 FM

November 12, 2025, 2:00-3:00pm

"Health Care Economics: The Challenges & Possible Solutions"

Speaker: Eric Lewis Sequim Free Clinic Board President The October meeting of the

Sequim Diabetes Support Group will be held at Shipley Center in the Front Room Wednesday, November 5, 10am-11am.

A general meeting with very helpful information, the event is open to the public and free.

Any contributions are given to Shipley Center for the use of the space.

Next month's meeting is December 3.



Led by Debbie McIntyre TUESDAYS AT 2:00 In our Art Room

GRIEF AND WELLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

National Federation of the Blind Clallam County Chapter

will meet on November 10 at 12:30 at KSQM Radio station. We will have a representative of the Sequim Police Department to speak about safety of blind and low vision people walking in Sequim.



Whole Food Plant-Based Support Group

Meets at 12:30pm on the 2nd Thursday of the month.

See you November 13 for "A Thankful Body."

Suggestions for a Thanksgiving menu to enjoy the healthful impact of a WFPB meal while boosting nutrient intake and avoiding the post-meal coma.

Pot Luck starts at 12:30pm.
Don't know what to bring?
No worries. Call Alanna: 360-912-2067
Members \$2. Non Members \$4.

Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County VOLUNTEER HOSPICE ORIENTATION (Nov. 4 & 6)

SEQUIM – Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County (VHOCC) is hosting in-person volunteer orientations for those interested in learning more about or volunteering with the organization.

The first session is scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 4, at 11 a.m. at a location in Sequim to be disclosed at the time of registration. A second orientation will be held Nov. 5, at VHOCC offices, 829 E. 8th St., PA., also at 11 a.m. Registration for both sessions is required.

Call 360-452-1511 or email reception@vhocc.org

"LIGHTS OUT"

The Olympic Peninsula Audubon Society Conservation in partnership with DarkSky Olympic Peninsula will present a slide presentation, "Lights Out," about light pollution, (the excessive or poor use of artificial light at night). Light pollution disrupts the natural patterns of wildlife, contributes to CO2 in the atmosphere, and obscures the stars in the night sky that birds use for navigation during migration.

You may attend this important presentation Thursday, November 13 at 1:00 in our Front Room.



Thankfulness . . . The Miracle Drug?

MICHAEL SMITH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Thankfulness has benefits for your mental strength, psychological well-being, and even your physical health. When life throws you challenges—and it will—focus instead on things you can still be thankful for!

Being thankful despite it all: Is it a learned behavior or a natural ability? Quality or quirk? Talent or Skill? Is thankfulness a personal character trait or a principled daily decision?

Whatever it is, if you can be thankful, no matter what, making mental or written lists of what you appreciate, you just might live longer. Try to Google "health benefits of thankfulness". You will find out from Harvard University, *Psychology Today*, WebMD, and others that those who are thankful sleep better, take better care of themselves, are happier, are less depressed, and have fewer aches and pains. In addition, by being mindful and deciding to be thankful, you develop more strength to face adversity, become happier overall, and have more positive energy to share with others.

Like a miracle drug, thankfulness is powerful and effective. It is free and does not require a prescription, deductible, or co-pay. You can give it and receive it, and either way, feel good about it. The side effects are pleasurable, and there is no harm in becoming addicted to it! You can meditate on it, share it, and when practiced regularly, forget about much of what ails you.

Ways to cue up feelings of thankfulness include reminding yourself of past, present, and future blessings. Use lists you refer back to regularly, and photos, artwork, letters, or gifts that remind you of people or places you love or appreciate. Finding even small reasons to thank others daily, whether verbally or in writing, can help train your mind along healthy pathways of gratitude.

Things I have felt thankful for recently at Shipley Center:

- 1) Getting a call from a local financial adviser letting me know that one of our dear members was sending their entire "Required Minimum Distribution" from their IRA to our building fund. By doing this as a direct transfer or "Qualified Charitable Distribution," that member will wisely save on income taxes (on top of taking the standard deduction), as well as know they are helping Shipley Center!
- 2) Sheila, a delightful member, who shared her musical talent on the piano with us at our Oktoberfest. Her enthusiasm and ability to sing in various languages and genres were inspiring.
- 3) All those who help Kathryn run our Café: the volunteers who keep the Café going during the week, AND those who put in great numbers of hours to make our social events truly memorable. And let's not forget those who help to decorate and set up and take down the tables and chairs!
 - 4) Our wonderful, caring staff members and board directors
- 5) Our "Angel Financiers" who continue to respond to the call -- coming through the door with amounts from \$10,000 to \$100,000 and more to lend to us for the building project. I am thankful that they have put their trust in us to get the job done and to be repaid from the proceeds of the sale of our current Center in the future. \$360,000 has come in so far, and I look forward to helping more of you earn up to 4% for yourself, while helping us expand our capacity to serve, to have an even wider variety of activities in our new location, furthering Shipley's goals of Friendship, Education, and Recreation!
- 6) Those who volunteer at our building site, doing whatever they can to move the process along, are especially worthy of our thanks! Every task done by volunteers saves us construction costs!
- So . . . from all of us here at Shipley Center, we are thankful for YOU, and wish YOU and your family and friends a very Happy Thanksgiving, 2025!

Playing it Safe!

New member, John Wessel has been studying and/or teaching martial arts for over 50 years and has developed a personal safety program to teach seniors ways to protect themselves when perceiving danger. Please call the office to express your

interest in this valuable self-defense class. 360-683-6806

First meeting is Thursday, November 13 at 1:00 in the Front Room

CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON MENU

Christmas wedge salad Sirloin medallions with wild rice Skewered roasted vegetables Winter berry-rhubarb crisp Sparkling Cider



OUR NEW MEMBERS!

Maureen Ardron & Mark Millet Larry Barnes

Joyce & Thomas Burgin

Wendy Daley Mary Dalgleish Angela Dohey & Carl Menconi

Olene Brame

Chris & Tim English

Kim Fallon

Gerald & Margot Gardner

David Kicklighter

Robert Kiellison & Carol Medlicott

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Vickie Lynn Pam McClure

Catherine McKinney &

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Randall Reed

Margaret & Paul Santos Allen & Penny Soares Catherine McKinnev &

Beth Walker

Daphne & Richard Walters

Mary Webber June Whitten **Judith Williams** WELCOME!

A message from the Benefit Sale Co-chairs Angela Jeziorski and Renee Millar

We would like to say "THANK YOU!" to three groups of volunteers who made this year's sale a tremendous \$67,000 success!

First: A huge thank-you to our Core Volunteer Members who spent hundreds of hours gathering, sorting, pricing and organizing all of the items we sold. Ray Bentsen, Brian Davis, Cheryl Hamilton, Karen Hanson, Angela Jeziorski, Shirley Ledbetter, Richard Mansell, Greg Millar, Renee Millar, Daniel White, Jean Wolfe, and Rebecca Zander.

Second: Another huge thank-you to the Jefferson County 4-H family, Annabelle, Maggie, and Amber Miller. One of their missions is to do community service. This family put in over 100 volunteer hours. It is inspiring to have these young ladies work so hard to help our sale be a success.



Third: A final thank-you to all the member volunteers who helped the core volunteers on the sale days: Rena Blank, Lillian Chapman, Elaine Churchill, Margaret Cox, Beth Hemple, Deb Hudson, Sandie Kiehl, Jeani Penn, Karen Rose, Marion Rutledge, Diane Schonians, Patty Snyder, and Pat Urso.

Dennis Westeren

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"IL Carosello Italiano"
An Interactive and engaging class on daily conversations while speaking Italian.
Thursdays 2:30-4:00 in the Art Room.





Spanish Class meets Thursdays 9:30-11:00 in the Art Room.



Interested in Readers Theatre?

Join Ted Brown for table reads (no memorizing) of plays, old and new.

Reading stories, poems, and other writing from participants adds to the fun!

Mondays at 12:00 in the Front Room.

Mahjong

New to Mahjong?

Call Diane Whitaker to arrange for lessons: 360-775-6150

Ready to play Mahjong? Join in every Wednesday from 1:00-4:00 in the Classroom.



Bridge

Wednesdays 12:00-3:30 In our Front Room Call Earl Karich: 360-582-7917

2nd & 4th Saturdays 6:30-9:00

Call Diana Smith: 360-775-5126



Games start at 12:15 on Thursdays.

Come early to purchase your cards.

Members \$1/ Non-members \$2.

Bingo Cards are just 50 cents each.

15 games, and we also have a Potluck.

BIG Money on the last Blackout.

Play Responsibly!

Would you like to play POKER?

Please call the office at 360-683-6806, if you are interested in joining this activity!
Fridays at 11:30 in the Classroom.





EUCHRE Every Thursday 10:00-12:00 in the Classroom Just show up for fun and laughter!

Cribbage

Led by David Squier



Tuesdays 11:00 to 1:00
In the Front Room

S_1 C_3 R_1 A_1 B_3 B_3 L_1 E_1

Join us every Thursday in the Classroom at 1:00!

PINOCHLE

Led by Vicki Kingsolver
Tuesdays at 1:00 in the Classroom



MEXICAN TRAIN

Mondays at 10:00 in the Classroom Just show up and have fun with us! 360-683-6806





Fridays 9:00-11:00 in the Classroom



FOR SHIPLEY CENTER MEMBERS ONLY! Computer Clinic on Mondays, 1 to 3pm.

Help with computers, tablets, smartphones and general technology questions. **PC and Mac.**Donations made in the office to Shipley Center in appreciation for computer help are welcomed.

"Exercise is Fun!" with Barb Paschal Education, Aerobics, & Stretching to Music!

Tuesdays 11:30-12:30 in our Main Room Thursdays 9:30-10:30 in our Front Room

15 minutes of health education on a variety of topics
30 minutes of easy and effective aerobics
15 minutes of quiet stretching exercises
Wear comfortable shoes and bring a yoga mat!

Line Dancing on Fridays!

10:30 to 12:15—High Beginners 12:30 to 2:00—Beginners 2:15 to 3:30—Basic Beginners



TAI CHI CHUAN

Join Richard Chabot for this classic practice.

Wednesdays at 10:00
In our Main Room

Come join Beth Glick for ZUMBA GOLD

Monday & Wednesday at 11:00





Have YOU tried YOGA?

EZ Yoga

Wednesdays and Fridays at 1:30 \$3 Members \$6 Non-members

Ping Pong

Tuesdays 1:00-2:30
Wednesdays/Thursdays 3:30-5:00
Sundays 1:30-3:00
All levels of skill welcome!





Ukelele Play and Sing Mondays, 1:00-3:00
In our Main Room

Fiber Arts

Tuesdays in our Front Room at 9:30 Fridays in the Art Room at 9:30



SENIOR SINGERS

Senior Singers bring cheer to a different long-term care home every Friday afternoon. The faces "light up" and the people sing along to favorites of bygone eras at Avamere,

Sequim Health &
Rehabilitation, and memory
care communities, Dungeness
Courte and The Cottages.
YOU are invited to join them.
Call Jan Maxwell to find out
more & meet the group at their
next "gig!"
406-200-4304





Hula Tuesdays 2:00 - 3:30 In the Dance Hall

Members \$3, Non-members \$6
Please call Sandi Lazzaro for information.
360-809-3390

The gentle art of TAI JI led by
Steve Arstad and Scotty Wells
10:00 on Tuesdays in the Main Room





Easy Stretching with Keoki

This is a full-body stretch followed by guided relaxation.

This floor activity requires a yoga mat. A blanket is also recommended.

Mondays at 2:30 in the Front Room.

Book Sharing! Led by Barb Paschal

Come with the name and author of a good book you would recommend to others ... and in a few sentences share why you found it to be a "good read."

Come listen to others in the group share their ideas about what books they have been reading and meet new friends along the way!

This group meets the first Thursday of the month.

1:00 to 2:00 in the Art Room.

BASIC MEDITATION CLASS via ZOOM!

Friday Mornings at 9:30

A basic guided meditation class led by Jean Kipper. Sponsored by *Dungeness Courte Memory Care*, No class fee is required.

For more information call 360-683-6806



NOVEMBER 2025-WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MON | TUE | WED | THUR | FRI



Shipley Center's Bad Weather Closure Policy

During these winter months we want to remind you about our Bad Weather Closure Policy.

It is always best to be prepared!

If Sequim School District says **NO SCHOOL on their website**, <u>www.sequimschools.org</u> then Shipley Center will be **CLOSED for the ENTIRE DAY.**

They will usually have this posted before 7:30am as a banner at top of their site or as a "pop up" announcement.

Note: Depending on conditions, we may ALSO be closed on some School **LATE START** days—

Call the Center after 8:30 am to check or go to our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ShipleyCenter

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9:00-Balance Class 9:00-Water Media Drop-in 10:00-Mexican Train 11:00-Zumba Gold 12:00-Readers Theatre 1:00-Ukulele 1:00-Computer Clinic 2:30-Easy Stretch

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9:00-SHIBA
9:30-Fiber Arts
10:00-Meet and Paint
10:00-Tai Ji
11:00-Cribbage
11:30-Exercise is Fun
1:00-N.O.W.
1:00-Ping Pong
1:00-Pinochle
2:00-Grief and
Wellness Group
2:00-Hula

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9:00-Balance Class
10:00-Diabetes Support
Group
10:00-Tai Chi Chaun
11:15-Zumba Gold
12:00-Bridge
1:00-Mahjong
1:30-EZ Yoga
3:30-Ping Pong

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9:30-Exercise is Fun 9:30-Spanish Class 10:00-Euchre 12:15-Bingo 1:00-Book Share 1:00-Healthy U "Microbiome 101" 1:00-Scrabble 2:30- IL Carosello Italiano 3:30-NO Ping Pong

7 Holiday Bazaar

9:00-NO Balance Class 9:00-Hand and Foot 9:30-NO Chair Qi Gong 9:30-Fiber Arts 9:30-Meditation (Zoom) 10:30-NO Line Dance (High-Beginner) 11:00-NO Zumba Gold 11:30-Poker 12:30-NO Line Dance (Beginner) 1:30-NO EZ Yoga 2:15-NO Line Dance

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9:00-Balance Class
9:00-Water Media
Drop-in
10:00-Mexican Train
11:00-NO Zumba Gold
12:00-Readers
Theatre
1:00-Ukulele
1:00-Computer Clinic
2:30-Easy Stretch
6:00-Line Dance Social



SHIPLEY CENTER IS CLOSED TO HONOR OUR VETERANS ON THIS DAY.

NO SHIBA SUPPORT AVAILABLE TODAY.

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9:00-Balance Class 10:00-Investment 10:00-Tai Chi Chaun 11:15-NO Zumba Gold 12:00-Bridge 1:00-Mahjong 1:30-EZ Yoga 3:30-Ping Pong

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9:30-Exercise is Fun
9:30-Sewing
9:30-Spanish Class
10:00-Euchre
12:15-Bingo
12:30- Whole Foods
Plant Based Group
1:00-Healthy U
1:00-Personal Safety/
Self-defense
1:00-Scrabble
2:30-IL Carosello
Italiano
3:30-Ping Pong

14 Leo's is Closed!

(Basic Beginner)

9:00-Balance Class
9:00-Hand and Foot
9:30-Chair Qi Gong
9:30-Fiber Arts
9:30-Meditation (Zoom)
10:30-Line Dance
(High-Beginner)
11:00-NO Zumba Gold
11:30-Poker
12:30-Line Dance
(Beginner)
1:30-EZ Yoga
2:15-Line Dance
(Basic Beginner)

November 2025-WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MON TUE WED THUR FRI 17 18 19 **20** LEO'S IS CLOSED 21 Thanksgiving Luncheon 9:00-SHIBA 9:00-Balance Class 9:00-Balance Class 9:30-Exercise is Fun 9:00-NO Balance Class 9:00-Singles Breakfast 10:00-Tai Chi Chaun 9:00-Water Media 9:30-Sewina 9:00-Hand and Foot at Leo's 9:30-Spanish Class 11:15-NO Zumba Gold Drop-in 9:30-Chair Qi Gong 9:30-Fiber Arts 10:00-Euchre 11:00-Mexican Train 12:00-Bridge 9:30-Fiber Arts 10:00-Meet and Paint 10:00-NO VETS Coffee 10:00-Zumba Gold 1:00-Mahjong 9:30-Meditation 10:00-Tai Ji 12:15-Bingo 10:30-NO Line Dance 11:00-Cribbage 12:00-Readers 1:30-EZ Yoga (High-Beginner) 11:30-Exercise is Fun 1:00-Healthy U Theatre 3:30-Ping Pong 11:00-Zumba Gold 1:00-N.O.W. Advances in 1:00-Ukulele 11:30-Poker 1:00-Pina Pona **Dermatology** 1:00-Computer Clinic 1:00-Pinochle 12:30-NO Line Dance 1:00-Scrabble 2:30-Easy Stretch (Beginner) 2:00-Grief and 2:30-IL Carosello 1:30-EZ Yoga **Wellness Group** 2:15-NO Line Dance 2:00-Hula Italiano (Basic Beginner) 24 25 28 26 27 9:00-Balance Class 9:30-Fiber Arts 9:00-Balance Class 9:00-Water Media 10:00-Meet and Paint 10:00-Investment 10:00-Tai Ji Drop-in 10:00-Tai Chi Chaun 11:00-Cribbage 10:00-Mexican Train 11:15-NO Zumba Gold 11:30-Exercise is Fun 11:00-Zumba Gold 12:00-Bridge 1:00-N.O.W. 12:00-Readers 1:00-Mahjong 1:00-Ping Pong Theatre 1:30-EZ Yoga 1:00-Pinochle 1:00-Ukulele 3:30-Ping Pong 2:00-Grief and 1:00-Computer Clinic **Wellness Group** 2:30-Easy Stretch 2:00-Hula Shipley Center is Closed!



COME PAINT WITH US! MONDAYS 9:00-12:00 Water Media Drop-in In the Art Room TUESDAYS 10:00-12:00 Meet and Paint In the Art Room TUESDAYS
1:00-4:00
North Olympic
Watercolorists
In the Front Room

THE NOVEMBER LINE DANCE SOCIAL IS MONDAY THE 10TH AT 6:00.



SUNDAYS

PING PONG 1:30-3:00 STRAIT WHEELERS Square Dancing 4:30-6:30 The **Sequim Accordion Social** will be held Sunday, Nov 9, 2025, 1:30-4:00pm at Shipley Center, 921 E. Hammond St.

Join fellow accordion players and enthusiasts for an afternoon of music and dancing.

The gifted Jakob Bean will be our featured player. \$5.00 suggested donation at door.

Snacks and coffee will be provided.

This will be the last social of 2025.



SATURDAYS

BRIDGE 2ND and 4TH Saturdays 6:30-9:00

here at Shipley Center.



Spotlight on Richard Chabot!

By Margaret Cox

A friend of mine suggested I Spotlight a recent activity leader at Shipley Center, **Richard Chabot**, who was, at that time, co-leading the Wednesday *Tai Ji* class. Since then, he branched out on his own to lead the *Chair Qi Gong* group on Fridays at 9:30. AND, this month, Richard begins a *Tai Chi Chuan* class, Wednesdays at 10:00. (See information on p. 13.)

I was interested in experiencing what goes on in a Chair Qi Gong class, so after my Balance class on a Friday, I joined Richard's group. Expecting to be bored, "just sitting while doing arm movements," I was pleasantly surprised at how quickly the time went by, and how much better I felt after the class!

Early Years: Richard was born, the second of four siblings, in North Carolina, his family moving to California shortly thereafter. He spent his boyhood school days in the Sacramento area, graduating from Sacramento High School. He says his family never did much, and to make life more exciting, he joined the Boy Scouts so that he could go to the mountains to camp and hike.

After graduation, it was off to Cal State Chico, where Richard earned a degree in anthropology. One summer, he took a low-paying job repairing bicycles in New Orleans, just for the experience of being in a new, vibrant place!

Off to the Work World: With his new degree, Richard couldn't find a job, so he went to Juneau, where he worked at The Prospector Hotel (that is no longer there) as a janitor. Then, back to Chico where he studied carpentry. He might have continued in that line of work if not for being offered the opportunity to go to Taiwan to study Chinese language and culture. This was to change the trajectory of his life forever! He stayed an additional year to teach English; then he attended the University of Hawai'i (UH) to earn an MA degree in Asian Studies.

Richard continued to study and learn all across the Pacific and Asia. After two years studying in Hawai'i, he taught English in mainland China, returned to Hawai'i to obtain his MS and PhD in Sociology, and oversaw refugee resettlement programs at an immigrant services center in Honolulu. There, he met Marina, who became his wife. The couple moved to the Philippines for a year so Richard could meet all of Marina's family there in Bulacan Province, just north of Manilla. They'll be visiting again in February.

While Marina went on to obtain her MS in Demography, the statistical study of human populations at the London School of Economics, Richard returned to California to oversee the Community Studies Program at Humphreys University, a small private university in Stockton, CA. He remained there for almost 30 years. Upon attaining her degree, Marina worked at UC San Francisco as a data tech for the Department of Health.

Interest in Asian Martial Arts: Richard had experienced jujitsu and judo during his college years, and during his time in Taiwan, he participated in kung fu and tai chi. In the early 2000s, he took up taekwondo, but a knee injury brought him back to the calmer tai ji. He is eager to share his knowledge with others

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Love of Hiking: Remember the Boy Scouts and hiking? Well, that was just the beginning of Richard's love of the outdoors! From the early 1970s, he and groups of friends regularly hiked the mountains of California and Washington: the Sierras, the Cascades, the Olympics. Fortunately, his wife shares his passion, and they hike somewhere every weekend, even in local parks, for a couple of miles! He gives Marina credit for his healthy lifestyle: "I would be much lazier without her. She forces me to eat salads and get out to walk." (Personally, I don't think there's too much force needed there!)

In fact, by the time you read this, Marina and Richard will have returned from a two-week hiking tour of Chile, Argentina, and Patagonia. They should have some wonderful tales to tell!

Coming to Sequim: When Richard retired, where to now? He was no stranger to Sequim, having hiked a lot in the area in the 1970s and visiting his sister, who has lived here for twenty-five years. (She is the wife of Father Bob Rhodes, the recently retired Priest of St. Luke's Episcopal Church!) Even back in the '70s, hiking on the Peninsula, he "knew Sequim was a special place." He convinced Marina . . . and they arrived here *just last year*! With their son practicing law in San Francisco, and with the beauty and depth of the Olympics surrounding them, they feel they "have truly found their paradise."



Hiking with family

The "New" Shipley: Richard is "excited, knowing Shipley is really expanding. Everything should be twice what it is today! Your Director has great foresight. With all the ideas everybody has, we can really make an impact on the city of Sequim."

P.S. Before leaving Richard's Chair Qi Gong class, I asked the participants if they had anything to say about the class or instructor, to speak to me after class. There was no hesitation! They ALL lined up to tell me: "wonderful," "awesome," "kind," "inspiring," "encouraging," "love moving the body, but don't have to stand." "Tell them that a group of people from Gardiner has come since the beginning. We think he's fabulous!" "We think the world of him and want him to continue." "A fun way to end the week!"

And a fun way to end this *Spotlight* about a fellow who says, "I never left school. Learning is a wonderful thing." That we should *all* be such lifelong learners!

Tai Chi Chuan Class with Richard Chabot

In this class, Richard teaches the basic moves that lie behind the art and motion of mainstream
Chinese Tai Chi Chuan. The class is broken into three parts: stretching, practicing specific moves that make up a short form, and finishing with Qi Gong breath and body awareness exercises.

Beginners are welcome as are those more practiced in the art. Every class will provide the chance to expand mind/body awareness while experiencing a time-honored art practiced by millions around the world.

Wednesdays at 10:00 in our Main Room This new activity begins November 5. Please call to express your interest. 360-683-6806

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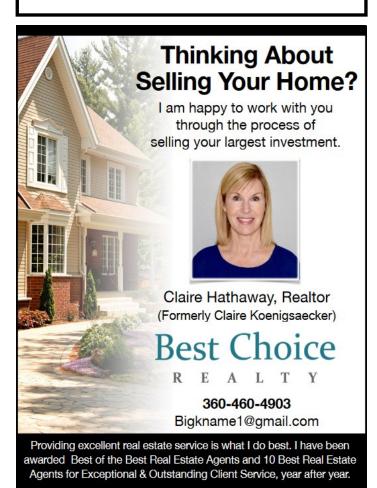


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Thursday, November 6 Sherryl Chandley-Brown Board Certified Integrative Nutrition Health Coach

Presents: "Microbiome 101"

What is it?

Where does it live in the body?

What kind of bacteria is usually found in a healthy gut?

What is dysbiosis and what causes it?

What autoimmune diseases are caused by dysbiosis?

Healthy care and feeding of your gut microbiome, including the use of prebiotics vs probiotics.

1:00 in our Front Room

Thursday, November 20 Paragon Dermatology presents

"Advances in Dermatology: Innovative Treatments for Hair Loss and Aging Skin"

1:00 in our Front Room

\$\$**Shipley Investor Group**\$\$

The Investment Group meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 10 am in the Art Room. Come join us to learn about economic and financial news. and long term diversified investment strategies suitable for your age, risk tolerance, and investment objectives. If you have questions, call Rich Snow at 360-710-6899.

Thank you for supporting Shipley Center.



Shipley Singles Where Acquaintances Become Friends!

Singles Breakfast Gatherings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. Call Bobbie Dahm at 360-477-0019 for

information and to sign up for either Tuesday. On the second Tuesday we meet at a chosen restaurant. On the fourth Tuesday we meet at Leo's Café at 9:00.

Singles Lunch Gatherings are on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Call Robert Drews at 360-670-9008 to sign up.

OUR MISSION

The mission of Shipley Center is to enrich the lives of adults through social, health and fitness activities, trips, educational classes, low-income housing opportunities, and referrals to community resources.

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The smaller white one is \$250 OBO.

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"November – the month where it feels like the world is holding its breath before the first snowflake. So basically, it's the appetizer for winter". We have some notable days ahead of us: Veterans Day, November 11th, World Kindness Day on the 13th, America Recycles Day on the 15th, and of course, our favorite day to eat all we want, Thanksgiving Day, November 27th! A gentle reminder – clocks go back one hour at 2:00 a.m. November 2nd.

<u>Silverdale Shopping, Monday, November 10th</u> - Debra will be taking us for a day of shopping, with lunch (on your own) at the Olive Garden, so get your shopping bags out and get ready to hit the pre-Christmas sales! Stops include Trader Joe's, Target, and the Kitsap Mall.

Departs 9:00 to approx. 4:00

\$42/M\$47/NM

Afternoon High Tea, Saturday, November 15th - Dahlia Cove Studio in Port Gamble's historic (1871) Daniel B. Jackson House, serves a wonderful afternoon high tea, with all the specialty teas, sandwiches, and pastries associated with an old-fashioned English High Tea! As a bonus: shopping locally after the tea. before heading back to Sequim! If you missed out on the June 13th high tea in Victoria, this will be just as grand! Seating is limited – call Debbie in trips today to reserve your seat!

Departs 10:00am to approx. 4:00pm

\$110/M\$115/NM

<u>The Point Casino, Tuesday, November 18th</u> – Debra will once again be taking the Shipley fun bus to The Point Casino for a day of fun, food, and friends! We need at least 10 passengers to keep making this once-a-month trip happen! Note the new winter-hour times – 9:00 am to 3:30 pm.

<u>Departs 9:00am to approx.3:30pm</u>

<u>\$15 per person</u>

<u>Victorian Christmas Festival, Saturday, December 6th</u> – The 37th annual Victorian Christmas Festival in Puyallup promises to be a delightful experience for all attendees. With a blend of festive entertainment, activities, shopping—and even a wine garden!—there's something for everyone to enjoy. The Singing Nativity is particularly enchanting, offering a unique and heartwarming performance. With so much to see and do, it's no wonder that the Victorian Christmas Festival is the perfect way to kick off the holiday season!

Departs 8:00am to approx.5:00pm

\$61/M\$66/NM

IRVING BERLIN'S HOLIDAY INN, THE MUSICAL, Sunday, December 7th – Join our driver, Linda Marshett, for this classic special (remember Bing Crosby singing "White Christmas"?) held at the Tacoma Musical Playhouse for a Sunday Matinee! One of everyone's favorite musicals, this is a great way to pass a December afternoon! I need a head count <u>ASAP</u> in order to get tickets before the show. We'll be stopping for a meal (on your own) on the way back to Sequim.

Departs – TBA \$85/M\$90/NM

ZOOLIGHTS at the Point Defiance Zoo, Tacoma, Thursday, December 11th - For those of you who have been there in the past, step back into the Zoolights tradition you know and love - the zoo transformed into a colorful winter wonderland with over a million lights! Come see the giant Pacific octopus, the massive tiger face, the flame tree, and the Seahawks tree! Visit the cafe and get delicious fried apple fries topped with whipped cream, drizzled with caramel, and sip hot cocoa. This trip is not to be missed! Linda Marshett will be our driver for this Christmas experience!

Departs 2:00pm to approx. 8:30pm

\$68/M\$73/NM

<u>Clearwater Casino, Tuesday, December 16th</u> – Come and join driver Debra for one last day of Casino fun for 2025! Remember, we need at least 10 people to continue planning this trip every month, so get on the phone and call your friends!! We are running winter hours – 9:00am to 3:30pm.

<u>Departs 9:00am to 3:30pm</u>

<u>\$15 per person</u>

TRIP NOTES

PLEASE PARK IN THE GRASSY AREA ACROSS FROM THE CENTER WHEN GOING ON A TRIP, UNLESS YOU NEED TO PARK IN A HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACE. We have a lot of activities going on every day, and need to have room for people to park.

Please pay promptly when signing up for a day trip; due to the need to buy tickets earlier than usual, I will need payment asap for any of our trips. For our regional trips, a deposit will be required when you sign up.

When you see a trip in the Newsletter and it looks like you might want to go, call me, email me, or stop by the office right away! Get your name on the list! It's easier for me to take your name off than to put it on once it's full. And please keep in mind that, if you pass me in the hall and tell me to put your name on a trip, I'm likely to forget by the time I get to my office – I'm only human!

We are still looking for CDL and passenger endorsed bus drivers – if you, or someone you know, would like to be a volunteer driver, call Debbie in trips right away! Lots of perks!!

See you on the Shipley Bus!

Debbie



"In November, the smell of food is different. It is an orange smell. A squash and pumpkin smell. It tastes like cinnamon and can fill up a house in the morning, and pull everyone from bed in a fog."

Cynthia Rylant