



THE CENTER NEWS

A Monthly Publication of Shipley Center - October 2026

Join us at Shipley Center
as we celebrate

OKTOBERFEST

Friday, October 16, 2026
at 1:00 pm

Members \$20
Non-members \$25
Tickets on sale for members October 1
and non-members October 2

MENU
Red Cabbage Salad
with Pretzel Crustini
Currant Glazed Pork Tenderloin
Sauerkraut
Potato Pancakes
German Chocolate Cake

THANK YOU SPONSOR: Ridgeline Homecare Cooperative



HOLIDAY BAZAAR

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 6TH AND 7TH
9:00-3:00

SHIPLEY CENTER
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SEQUIM, WA

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UNIQUE ITEMS

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Shipley Center Trips: 360-683-5883

trips@shipleycenter.org

PREMIER

Sierra Nevada Rail Journey: December 2026

Treasures of Ireland: April 2027

Fantastic Florida, Grand Canyons

COLLETTE TRAVEL

Christmas on the Danube: December 2027

The Plains of Africa with an optional 5-night Tanzania tour: October 2027

Croatia, Amish Adventure, Christmas Markets

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**We are open
Monday-Thursday
9am to 2pm
Dine in or take out!**

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!

Kudos to our Creative Bakers!

Our homemade pie raffle is a fun part of our special event luncheons, and our bazaars are blessed with an amazing array of beautiful cookies.

Here are the generous members who make this possible:

***Kathy Bare
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***Our pie raffles and bazaar
bake sales raised over \$1500
in the last year.***

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Submissions may be sent to: newsletter@shipleycenter.org. All submissions are subject to editing.

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Dear Members, It's Board Election time! We have five excellent candidates running this year. Please read their candidate statements and find your yellow ballot enclosed in this issue. Thank you for your membership and involvement in Shipley Center!

2026 Board Candidate Statements, for 3-yr. terms beginning 1/1/2027,
Sequim Senior Services, d/b/a Shipley Center. Please choose 3 to vote for.
(In odd years candidates are listed in Z to A order, in even years, A to Z order)

RICHARD CHABOT



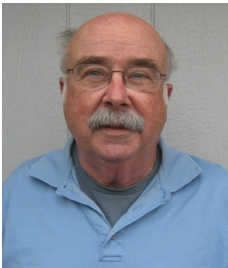
My wife and I have lived in Sequim for two wonderful years. My past includes decades of teaching behavioral sciences at university level, overseeing the resettlement of refugees in Hawai'i, and working/teaching all through Asia. While I love getting out to hike the Olympics and Cascades, my skills include a lot of sit-down work. Even in retirement I have been writing lesson plans for university courses, evaluating programs to assure that goals and objectives are being met, and regularly teaching online courses for a university in California. I've been very happy teaching Tai Chi and chair Qi Gong classes at the Shipley Center and would welcome the chance to expand my participation as a member of the board. As a board member my focus will be on what our region offers our seniors and how the Center can expand services by utilizing the unique resources that surround us.

COLLEEN LENIHAN

My personal connection to Shipley Center began by supporting my mother who comes to participate in the fiber arts group. I have come to love the meaningful connections she has here. In addition, I have volunteered to help in various capacities and have come to appreciate the mission and value of Shipley Center to the members. I believe I have a strong professional background that would serve to support all aspects of the Center. As a founder and director of a Montessori school I have been responsible for building the annual budget, setting staff compensation, controlling costs, and ensuring long-term financial health. Later I accepted the directorship of another school and was responsible to ownership much as a non-profit director works within board oversight. I have been responsible for assessment and planning, program development, staff training, collaboration, problem solving, and creating engaging but safe environments-all grounded in courtesy, kindness, tolerance, and respect. The same values I see and would want to support at Shipley Center.



TOM MARSHALL



I am Charles (Tom) Marshall and completing the term of another board member for the last year, US Army 1972 to 1976. Former private practice dentist 1976 to 2003 in California, then public health dentist and former Federally Qualified Health Clinic Director in six counties. Moved to Washington in 1999 to be near aging parents while I was at the clinic in Neah Bay for eleven years. Finally retired December 2025 after working in a practice in Port Hadlock. I have had experience in administration and obtaining grants for organizations. I finally have more time to give back and am starting next month for WAG in Sequim walking dogs and helping with needs there. Hope to continue with the Senior Center especially as we are moving into the new building.

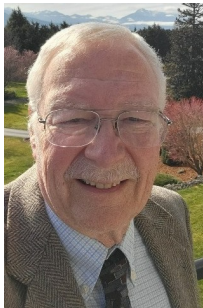
DEBBIE MCINTYRE

I'm Debbie McIntyre and I am applying for a position on the Shipley Board. I have been a member of the Center since September 2022. I attended "Hooked on Fishing" with my husband for many months. Also, I have attended many Health and Fitness talks. I have always had a curious and creative mind that assists me with facilitating the "Grief and Wellness" group on Tuesdays, the "Spanish Group" on Thursdays and I sing with "Shipley Senior Singers" every Friday. I'm a life long learner and I enjoy working with the staff and group participants. I believe the position on the Board would further my interest in being a resource for those who are grieving or in need of a listening ear and an empathetic heart.



CANDIDATE STATEMENTS CONTINUE on PAGE 5.

RICHARD SNOW



I would like this opportunity to thank the Shipley Center for considering me to serve on the Shipley Center Board of Directors.

In April of 2016 I retired from Puget Sound Naval Shipyard and Immediate Maintenance Facility headquartered in Kitsap County with satellite facilities in Everett, San Diego, and Guam. It was my pleasure and privilege to serve in many roles over my 28 years with PSNS and IMF, culminating in my final eight years serving as Senior Financial Administrator and Training Coordinator for the Production Engineering and Facilities Division. Prior to that I served for 22 years on active-duty supporting fleet and global logistics, retiring in 1986 as a Naval Supply Corps Officer.

Although the Shipley Center has a very different mission, it's important in serving the Sequim community and beyond is vital in encouraging and supporting adults to participate in and enjoy the benefits of social, health, fitness, and educational classes and programs. These opportunities contribute directly to improve each individual's quality of life and personal fulfillment. I will welcome the

opportunity to offer my personal and professional experience and knowledge to support all current and future plans and programs that uphold the inspiring reputation the Shipley Center has acquired since its founding in 1971. Thank you again for your consideration.

Rick Snow

MEMBERS: Please find your ballot enclosed in this newsletter. It is canary yellow in color. Please mark 3 names and return by mail or in person by our 2:00pm Oct. 23 Annual Membership Meeting for your votes to be counted.

THE Albert Haller FOUNDATION *Est. 1992*

Albert Haller, successful logging entrepreneur and philanthropist, left a legacy that has been supporting community causes in Clallam County for over 30 years.

The Albert Haller Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization, would appreciate your contributions and estate gifts to continue this important work. Please go to www.alberthallerfoundation.org to learn more.

You may also contact Alan Millet, attorney, at 360-683-1119

"Shipley Center is grateful to the Albert Haller Foundation for their \$60,500 in grants to help us renovate our new location!"

New Members

Karen Adams	Lori Nielsen
Julia Alexander-Shantalova	Kevern Paul
Lois Anstrom	Donald Peck
Dean Black	Jaymee Peck
Suzie Bliven	Lori Powell
Bill Burkland	Judy Russell
Tonia Caduff	Walter Santschi
David Cloutier	Debra Saunders-Smith
Carlos Diaz	Vass Shantalov
Lyell Fox	Val Siemion
Sally Halvorsen	Sandra Stromme
George Kuhrts	Lisa Travis
Debbie Long	Lorna VanderZander
Randy Long	Alex Vishtak
Laurie McColl	Diane Wernett
Birgit Moenig	Cat Xander



In Loving Memory



Marsha Chowning
Eckart Mildenstein
Robbie Varney

Community Announcements



Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County

Presents: “Tea to Die For”

An informal discussion of any topic related to death and dying.

Monday, October 12, 2026

**4:00 pm at KSQM Building
609 W. Washington St., Sequim**
Information and Registration

360-452-1511

DON'T MISS

BEFORE YOU CLICK IT: Scam Safety for Everyday Technology

Damien Alexander, Shipley Center's IT Engineer
Thursday, October 1, at 10:00 in our Front Room

CLALLAM READY SEQUIM: Thursday, October 22, at 9:30
See page 13.

GET YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW

Shannon Summers presents her app for storing your important end-of-life documents securely and easily.

She is providing this free of charge to all who attend this presentation. See page 18.

Thursday, October 29, at 9:30 in our Front Room

The October meeting of the
Sequim Diabetes Support Group

will be held at Shipley Center in the Art Room
Wednesday, October 7, 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 November 4, 2026.

VETERANS COFFEE SOCIAL

Usually the 1st Thursday of each month at 10:00 In the Shipley Center Library, we take a break in October so that Vets may attend the “Stand Down 2026” event in Port Angeles.

Go to www.voicesforveterans.org
or call Levi: 360-797-1791
for more information.



GRIEF AND WELLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Led by Debbie McIntyre

TUESDAYS AT 2:00

In the Shipley Center
Art Room

All are welcome.

WOW! WORKING ON WELLNESS

*****THE FORUM*****

October 14, 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM
KSQM FM (91.5) Radio Station

“Domestic Violence Awareness and Prevention”

**Presented by Daryl Trowbridge: Victim Advocate
and Healthy Relationship
Education Coach**



QUINCESS VALLEY HEALTH & WELLNESS CLINIC
THE SEQUIM FREE CLINIC
A Beacon of Health A Beacon of Hope

**Whole Foods Plant Based Potluck Group
meets 2nd Thursday at 11:30 in our Front Room.
Thursday, October 8.**

All are welcome: beginners and seasoned plant-based-diet people. Curious about plant-based diets? Please join us.

We are learning together!

Don't know what to bring? No worries.
Showing up is the most important step.

Call Chuck: 425-503-2929 or

Wendy: 360-463-6355 with any questions.



Medicare
Help



OPEN ENROLLMENT!

October 20

November 3, 17

December 1

**9:00-12:00 at Shipley Center
No charge. No appointment needed.**

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Chris & Rich Snow
Linda Strohm
Ryoko Toyama
Ann & Scott Wells
June Whitten
Cat & Larry Xander



Hula

Tuesdays 2:00 - 3:30

In the Dance Hall

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

PERSONAL SAFETY/SELF DEFENSE



Led by Retired Police Officer
Ken Phillips
Is on hiatus for several weeks.



Watch the calendar for
the restart date!

Line Dance on Fridays!

10:30-12:15 High Beginner

12:30-2:00 Beginner 2

2:15-3:30 Beginner 1*

*Please watch the calendar for cancellations.



Chair Ballet Mondays

9:00 in our Front Room

Join Bayley Johnson to relive childhood dreams and build strength and grace. This 55-minute class is adapted for those with mobility and balance issues.

We will begin each class in a chair and advance to simple steps.
You will leave feeling poised and empowered!



ZUMBA GOLD

Mondays and Fridays at 11:00
Wednesdays at 11:15

*Please watch the calendar for cancellations.

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 our Front Room



Chair Qi Gong

For Balance, Flexibility &
Mindful Focus

FRIDAYS AT 9:30 IN OUR FRONT ROOM

Led by Richard Chabot



Have YOU tried YOGA?

EZ Yoga

Wednesdays and Fridays at 1:30

\$3 Members \$6 Non-members



The gentle art of TAI JI

led by

Steve Arstad and Scotty Wells

10:00 on Tuesdays in the Main Room

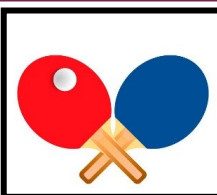
Ping Pong

Tuesdays 12:00-1:30

Wednesdays/Thursdays 3:30-5:00

Sundays 1:30-3:00

All levels of skill welcome!



TAI CHI CHUAN

Join Richard Chabot for this
classic practice.

Wednesdays at 10:00

In our Main Room



Ukulele Play and Sing
Mondays 1:00-3:00
In the Main Room

Fiber Arts

Tuesdays in our Front Room at 9:30

Fridays in the Art Room at 9:30



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



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



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



Interested in Readers Theatre?

Join the Rainshadow Readers, reading
plays, stories, poems and original writing
from participants. Scripts are also
rehearsed for presentations at local
senior living communities. (No memorization required!)

Mondays at 12:00 in the Front Room.

Cours de Français

with Susan Zarit

FRIDAYS AT 2:30

In our Art 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.



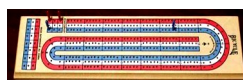
EUCHRE
Every Thursday
10:00-12:00 in the Classroom
Just show up for
fun and laughter!

Cribbage

Led by David Squier

Tuesdays 11:00 to 1:00

In the Front Room



Bridge

Wednesdays 12:00-3:30

In our Front Room

Please call Earl Karich to express your
interest: 360-582-7917

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

Please call Diana Smith: 360-775-5126

S C R A B B L E

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

PINOCHLE

Led by Vicki Kingsolver

Tuesdays at 1:00 in the Classroom



**NEW
TIME!**



Games start at 12:00 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!

MEXICAN TRAIN

Mondays at 10:00 in the Classroom

Just show up and have fun with us!

360-683-6806



**Hand
and
Foot**



HAND AND FOOT

Fridays

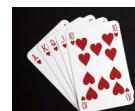
9:00-11:00
in the Classroom



Ante up!

Join the Shipley Center Poker Group

FRIDAYS at 11:30
In the Classroom
There's room for you at the table!



OCTOBER 2026-WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
 Tickets for our Oktoberfest Luncheon go on sale Thursday, October 1 for members. Please see the front cover of this newsletter for details.			1 9:30-Spanish Conversation 10:00-Euchre 10:00- NO Vet's Coffee 10:00-SCAM SAFETY 11:30-Exercise is Fun 12:00-Bingo 1:00-Scrabble 2:30- ILCarosello Italiano 2:30- NO Personal Safety 3:30-Ping Pong	2 LEO'S IS CLOSED 9:00-Balance Class 9:00-Hand and Foot 9:30- NO Chair Qi Gong 9:30-Fiber Arts 9:30-Meditation (Zoom) 10:30-Line Dance (High Beginner) 11:00-Zumba Gold 11:30-Poker 12:30-Line Dance (Beginner 2) 1:30-EZ Yoga 2:15-Line Dance (Beginner 1) 2:30-French Class
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**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

NO LINE DANCE SOCIAL IN OCTOBER. SEE YOU IN NOVEMBER!



SUNDAYS

PING PONG

1:30-3:00



Next Accordion Social!

**ShIPLEY Center 921 E. Hammond St.
Sunday, November 8, 2026, at 1:30.**

Join fellow accordion players and enthusiasts for an afternoon of music and dancing. Our featured player, Jacob Bean, plays a wonderful variety of music including Swiss, Norwegian, folk, polka, and waltzes.

\$5.00 suggested donation at the door.
Snacks and coffee provided.

SATURDAYS

BRIDGE

2nd and 4th

Saturdays

6:30-9:00



Spotlight on David Conrad

By Margaret Cox

Ever on the lookout for someone who will be featured as my next “Spotlight” person, I ask around. While talking to Michael Smith, our Executive Director, he immediately came up with David Conrad, a valued volunteer at the new Shipley Center being constructed at the old JCPenney building. I called Duane Cobb, our man-on-site, asking to speak to David about wanting to interview him. “Hmmm . . . I dunno about that; he’s needed around here. How long will it take?” After a brief pause, “Yes, of course you can; he definitely deserves that honor.” So, meet this month’s volunteer extraordinaire!

Early Years: David was born the tenth of thirteen children in the German Catholic community of St. Paul, Iowa, a farming area of about 100 inhabitants, much the same populations as it is today! His father—and the children as they came along—worked the 250 acres, growing vegetables and raising pork and beef and dairy cattle. Mother kept busy raising children . . . and chickens, for their eggs and meat. A forty-foot wall of shelves in the basement of their home held hundreds of jars of fruits and vegetables, products of her hard work!

David has fond memories of growing up there, the sense of community amongst all the people on the family farms in the area; they all looked after each other.



Enough of the Farm! Not sure what he wanted to do after graduating from high school, David knew, “I wasn’t going to be married to cows for my life!” It was during the Viet Nam era so, rather than waiting for the inevitable draft notice, David enlisted in the Air Force, becoming an aircraft mechanic. He served four years, with two tours of duty, in Guam and Okinawa.

Back to the Farm . . . and on to a Career! After his four-year hitch in the Air Force, David returned to his home area, working on a cousin’s farm until he was hired by TWA. He worked with that company, twenty years as an airplane mechanic; ten years as a shop supervisor. For ten years after leaving TWA, David worked at the Land O-Lakes co-op chemical plant in St. Joseph, MO, where they manufactured chemicals for agriculture. David found it to be a more interesting job than what he was doing at TWA; a nice change.

David and Mary: It was fun to hear the story of David and Mary, and how they got together!

One of David’s sisters had brought her roommate, Mary, home from business college in Davenport, IA, to meet her brother, Jim. Turned out, she liked David better! That was just the start of their following-each-other-around several states.

Now working in Denver with *another* of David’s sisters, Mary and David met up again and “hit it off”. David then was transferred to Los Angeles for five years. Guess who was working in that city? Mary!

Mary moved to Kansas City; David was transferred there. At this point, they came to the conclusion, “Hey, let’s get married!” That they did, on 9/11/1978 . . . and they celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last month.

Can’t Get Away from the Farm! Mary found a “little house on the prairie” in Dearborn, MO. There, on 70 partially-wooded acres, they developed their “hobby farm,” where they raised chickens, sheep, beef cattle (didn’t have to milk those!) It was there, their three children were born and grew up, all three graduating from the University of Missouri.

Their first daughter, husband, and two children (now 11 and 8) live in West Seattle. Their second daughter and husband are landscape architects living in Los Osos, CA after living in China for a period of time. Their youngest, a son, and his wife live in Alexandria, Va. He is an Air Force Lt. Colonel, currently stationed at the Pentagon.

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Coming to Sequim: “If we’re going to have grandkids, I want to be where *they* are,” stated Mary. So, the couple “tested” Seattle, but found it “too rainy.” They tried the Oregon coast, to be half-way between their Seattle and California kids. That didn’t work out; so, on a friend’s suggestion, they came to Sequim. That must have worked because they’ve been here now for nine years!

Outside of Shipley Center activities, there are visits with the grandkids both here and in Seattle. They are involved with their church and do a lot of gardening at their home. Having a lot of apple trees bearing more apples than they can use, there’s a free apple stand at their roadway for anyone to take. David enjoys helping out neighbors and going crabbing.

Their planned 25th anniversary celebration was thwarted by the nine-eleven attacks; so, they are going all out for their 50th, with a European cruise—happening this month—from Hungary to Germany. We wish you a Happy 50th Anniversary cruise, David and Mary!

Shipley Center Involvement: David has always been a person who has to keep busy, doing something! After helping a buddy build a big barn here in Sequim, what could he do next to “use my hands and be productive?”

Mary suggested he try Shipley Center. Just as I did twenty years ago, David came in, filled out the application, and was put immediately to work. (In my case, it was as a front-desk volunteer!)

Duane Cobb, our leading man-on-the job at the JCPenney site, was so glad to have David as his assistant, being able to do almost anything mechanical, electrical or electronic . . . and then some!

David started about eighteen months ago early in the **destruction** phase, volunteering regularly 9:00-3:30, five days a week. (Sounds like a regular job to me . . . but he’s a total volunteer!) He says, “I enjoy the work; Duane’s a lot of fun to work with.” I am sure Duane would say the same of David!



Dave at work and play!

Thank you, David, for your many volunteer hours for Shipley Center! Your efforts help keep construction costs down, saving us wages and benefits for a paid person working in that position. Know that you are appreciated!

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- **Cost: Free and open to the public**



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2nd Thursday at 9:30

In our Front Room

Thursday, October 8: Mobility, Strength and Fall Prevention:

Preventing Falls before They Happen.

Crystal is Chief Care Navigator for Unity Path Health Navigation Partners. She joins us at Shipley Center to educate and support us in practices of healthy aging.

Sherryl Chandley-Brown

Presents:

Separating Brain Myths from Brain Facts

3rd Thursday at 10:00

In our Front Room

Thursday, October 15: Stress, the Nervous System, and Brain Health.

In this interactive workshop we will explore how the nervous system influences brain health and practice simple tools to help the brain feel calmer.

Sherryl is a Board Certified Integrative Nutrition Health Coach

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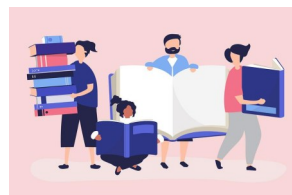
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4th Tuesday

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Thursday, October 29th
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Are you ready for a little October humor? Here goes . . . Why did the apple pie cross the road? It saw a fork up ahead!!! Lots of fun days to celebrate this beautiful fall month, like International Day of Older Persons, World Vegetarian Day and International Coffee Day, all on the 1st! October 4th is National Taco Day, the 17th is National Pasta Day, and the 28th is National Chocolate Day (never met a chocolate I didn't like)! Get out and enjoy the weather in our wonderful part of the world – get together with friends and take a trip on the Shipley Fun Bus!

Chemainus Dinner/Theatre Featuring “Peril in the Alps,” an Agatha Christie Mystery, October 13–15 (date change) – Two nights, three days in beautiful Chemainus BC where you will stay at the Best Western Hotel and attend the Chemainus Theatre presentation of “Peril in the Alps”, an Agatha Christie mystery featuring Hercule Poirot and Captain Hastings as they tackle a kidnapping case, and a second, seemingly unrelated disappearance, that may be connected. London, Paris and the Alps all blend Christie’s signature tight-knit suspects with the frolicsome, fast paced style reminiscent of *The 39 Steps* and *The Hound of the Baskervilles*. (You will need an Enhanced Drivers License or Passport for this trip.)

Departs TBD

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Thomas Dambo Trolls: A Field Study – this fall. The forests and pathways of Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium and Northwest Trek Wildlife Park will become the stomping ground for giants! This is an immersive outdoor art experience featuring 12 towering troll sculptures hidden throughout both venues. This study encourages guests to slow down, explore the outdoors, and see the environment through a new lens. Thomas Dambo uses discarded materials and turns them into works of art. If you are a troll hunter, don't miss these two trips!

Thursday, October 22nd – Point Defiance Zoo Troll Hunt - Lunch after (on your own).

Departs TBD

\$73M/\$78NM

Thursday November 5th – Northwest Trek Wildlife Park – Lunch after (on your own)

Departs TBD

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Sunday October 25th, Heronswood Garden – Let's all go and celebrate the Fall colors at beautiful Heronswood Garden! Purchased in 2012 by the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe, it comprises 15 acres in Kitsap County. Heronswood protects a vast array of plants from around the world, with over 8,000 different varieties spread across six distinct yet integrated gardens. Lunch after (on your own)

Departs 9:30am to approx. 4:00pm

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Saturday November 7th, Port Gamble High Tea – We will be joining Janelle as she takes us to this quaint Washington town for High Tea at the Dahlia Cove Studio. Guests are encouraged to dress up as if they were going to a High Tea in England, so feel free to put on your finery and enjoy the many goodies being provided! This trip was a big hit last year, so sign up soon!

Departs TBD

\$115M/\$120NM

UPCOMING TRIPS

(Call me now for the dates, departure times and prices).

Seattle Aquarium – November – Call me to put your name on the list asap! John and Rose Sebastian will be taking us to the Aquarium, which we haven't been to in a long time! With so many new exhibits, it's bigger and better than ever!

Tacoma Playhouse – “A Christmas Story: The Musical”— This follows young Ralphie Parker on his quest for the ultimate Christmas gift—a Red Ryder BB gun. Set in 1940s Indiana, Ralphie navigates schoolyard bullies, a strict teacher, and his well-meaning but skeptical parents, all while dreaming of his perfect holiday. Alongside his quirky family and friends, Ralphie's journey is filled with humor, nostalgia, and heartfelt moments. Bursting with festive cheer, this charming musical captures the magic, mischief, and wonder of childhood at Christmastime. I am planning this now for the December 13th matinee but need to know asap how many of you would want to go!!!

Point Defiance “Zoolights” – December, TBD - Once again, we will go to the zoo for a magical night of Christmas lights, snacks and, of course, all of the Christmas displays!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

You may have noticed there is a change in our parking situation out in the grassy area where we usually park our cars when on trips. Please park on the right side, where the orange cones are.

We now have a **NO COFFEE OR SODA** policy on the bus due to the difficulty of cleaning spilled drinks after trips. We will try to remind you of this when we call with confirmation of departure time.

A few days before each trip, we call to confirm the time of departure. If there is no answer, we leave a message. Please check your voicemails before the trip! (We do our best to contact everyone, but sometimes a message has to be left.) Due to changes in departure times because of traffic etc. I will no longer put an exact time on the green sheet.

Due to the rising cost of gas, ferry prices, added taxes and fees on hotels, museums, etc., the final cost of all trips has increased. I'll continue to keep them as reasonable as possible. Thank you for your understanding.

NEW: When you call or drop by to sign up for a trip, I will need a deposit or full amount of the trip in order to put your name on the list. Until payment is received, your name will be on the waiting list. Thank you!

See you on the Shipley Bus!

Debbie

“October is crisp days and cool nights, a time to curl up around the dancing flames and sink into a good book.”— John Sinor