



THE CENTER NEWS

A Monthly Publication of Shipley Center - April 2026

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Saturday, April 18, 2026
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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!

LEO'S CAFÉ

A LITTLE CAFÉ WITH A LOTTA LOVE

BREAKFAST

(SERVED 9-11am.)

Mix and Match to Create You Own Breakfast Combo

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BREAKFAST SANDWICH

PASTRIES & MUFFINS

LUNCH

SOUP

SANDWICHES

WRAPS

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COME SEE OUR FULL MENU INCLUDING DAILY SPECIALS WITH A NICE VARIETY OF COFFEE AND TEA DRINKS AS WELL AS CHEF KATHRYN'S SPECIAL ELIXIRS.

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**Leo's Café
Closures**

We don't like to see you disappointed, so please keep in mind that Leo's Café is closed every Friday.

Leo's is also closed once a month on the Thursday before a major event.

Unforeseen closures are announced on flyers on our entry doors.

You are always welcome to call the office to be sure Leo's is open to serve you on any given day.

360-683-6806

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For Advertising rates and info, contact programs@shipleycenter.org

Community Announcements



They're back for their 2026 season and on a roll!

Plan to attend their Open House

Saturday, April 11 11:00-2:00

Dungeness River Parking Lot

**Rides, Demonstrations,
and Fun for the Whole Family!**

More info at sequimwheelers.com

WOW! WORKING ON WELLNESS

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

KSQM Radio Station 91.5 FM

April 8, 2026 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM

“The Secret Life of Your Skin: Hormones, Healing, Aging and the Science of Younger Looking Skin”

Speaker: Dr. Agnieszka
Olympic Area Agency on Aging

The April meeting of the Sequim Diabetes Support Group

will be held at Shipley Center in the Art Room
Wednesday, April 1, 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 May 6, 2026.

Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County

SEQUIM – VHOCC is offering a six-week workshop titled

“Healing Grief with Images, Words, and Sound”

1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesdays, April 8 through May 13,

at a location in Sequim to be given
at the time of registration.

Participants will use a variety of art mediums,
writing, and sound (music, nature sounds, singing bowls)
to help process grief.

Supplies will be provided.

The workshop is free, but registration is required.
To register or for more information, call 360-452-1511
or email office@vhocc.org

**National Federation of the Blind
Clallam County will meet April 13 at 1:30 in
the community room of Radio Station KSQM.
KSQM is at 609 W. Washington in Sequim.**

**This month we will welcome
Senator Mike Chapman to report on issues
important to seniors who have
blindness and low vision.**

**Whole Foods Plant Based Potluck Group
meets 2nd Thursdays at 11:30 in our Front Room.**

Thursday, April 9

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.

GRIEF AND WELLNESS SUPPORT GROUP

Led by Debbie McIntyre

TUESDAYS AT 2:00

**In the Shipley Center
Art Room**

All are welcome.



Personal help with
your Medicare
questions.

1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 10:00 to 12:00.
No charge. No appointment needed.

**MICHAEL SMITH, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Mission Statement Refreshed!

As we get closer to the big move to our new location later this year, it is a time to reflect and refresh our commitment to what we do. We recently looked into redefining what we do by stating it more clearly and succinctly in a new Mission Statement for Shipley Center.

Some Mission Statements are short and really get to the point. I spent my teen years in Loma Linda California, home of Loma Linda University Medical Center. Their mission statement was just four words, “To Make Man Whole.” But it turns out that is not the shortest. Coca-Cola’s used to be just three words, “Refresh the World.” And one of Apple’s taglines is just two words, “Think Different.”

Since I started here at Shipley (then, Sequim Senior Center) 21 years ago, we’ve had only two Mission Statements. The first one was good but, at 47 words, it was not snappy, and was just plain too long. It not only said what we did, but it went into a lot of detail about how and why we did it, and described the people we served in more detail than needed. The second one, that we’ve had since the 2013 renaming of the Center in honor of benefactor, Leo Shipley, was better. It was shorter, about half as long at 24 words, but not short enough for most people to memorize. It told what we did—yes—but we felt we could do even better.

Board Director, Linda Strohm, headed up an ad hoc committee that included Renee Millar, Margaret Cox, Reba Renner, and yours truly. We came up with and tossed around various ideas and ran them by local branding and communication consultant, Laurel Black, to further “wordsmith” it. The final version was then presented and approved unanimously by your Board of Directors on March 11.

At just 12 words, our new Mission Statement not only gives us a new way to say what we do, but it also ties in very nicely with the tagline in our logo: *Friendship * Recreation * Education*. The new Mission Statement (Drumroll please!) for Shipley Center is . . .

Helping adults thrive through social, health and fitness activities and lifelong learning.

Social Activities are a way to find **Friendship**, the first word in our tagline. **Health and Fitness** refer to **Recreation**, the second word, and **Lifelong Learning** is all about **Education**, our final tagline item.

The word “**thrive**” was thought to have special meaning for this season of our lives and so it was brought into the Mission Statement, because who doesn’t want to thrive in every way possible?

So, when people ask you, “What does Shipley Center do?” You can start by sharing these 12 words, and then elaborate, of course, about why *you* love Shipley Center!

Thank you, as always, for your support – **Together We Thrive!**

Michael

**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!"

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBERS!**

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Together, our **M**embers **G**iving **M**onthly donors provide over \$1500 a month, or over \$18,000 per year, in support of Shipley Center's mission to serve seniors.

You can join them in making a real difference in an affordable way!

How much? Some donors decide to give \$30 per month, or a dollar a day. Gifts range from \$10 to \$250 per month.

Please let us know what amount works for you.

How do I join?

To join the "MGM Club" just call or visit with Executive Director Michael Smith or get an MGM Club enrollment card at the front desk.

Your faithful support is truly appreciated.

In Loving Memory

Annie Clark	Linda Townsley
Dale Nichols	Mary Vie
Douglas Bruce Rothwell	

\$\$\$ Shipley Investing Class \$\$\$

The Investing Class 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.

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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.



¿HABLAS ESPAÑOL? 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 francais 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!



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

Cribbage
 Led by David Squier
Tuesdays 11:00 to 1:00
 In the Front Room



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

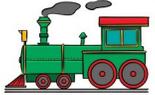
BINGO
 Games start at 12:15 on Thursdays.
 Come early to purchase your cards. Members \$1/Non-members \$2. Bingo Cards are just 50 cents each. 15 games, and we also have a Potluck. BIG Money on the last Blackout. Play Responsibly!



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



HAND and FOOT
Fridays 9:00-11:00
 in the Classroom



Ante up! Join the Shiple Center Poker Group FRIDAYS at 11:30 In the Classroom There's room for you at the table!






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

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



We have NEW activities.
Please see pages 17 & 18

Book Club
HEALTHY U

Personal Safety/Self Defense
Rockin' to the Oldies

Line Dancing on Fridays!

April Schedule

NO Line Dance April 3

Beginner 2 ONLY at 12:30-2:00

April 10, 17, 24



Chair Ballet

Mondays at 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



Come join Beth Glick for ZUMBA GOLD

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

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.

No Easy Sretch in April!



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



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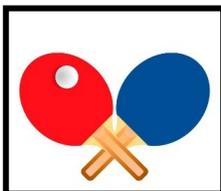
Steve Arstad and Scotty Wells

10:00 on Tuesdays in the Main Room



Ping Pong

NEW TIME: 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



Ukelele 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



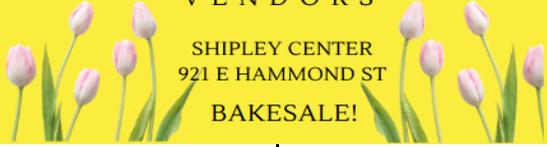
BASIC MEDITATION CLASS via ZOOM! Friday Mornings at 9:30

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

For more information call
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APRIL 2026-WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
<p>PLEASE BRING YOURSELF, YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS TO OUR ANNUAL</p> <h2>Spring Hing Bazaar</h2> <p>Saturday, April 18, 2026 9-3</p> <p>FUN AND FABULOUS VENDORS</p> <p>SHIPLEY CENTER 921 E HAMMOND ST BAKESALE!</p> 		<p>1</p> <p>9:00-Balance Class 10:00-Diabetes Support Group 10:00-Exercise is Fun 10:00-Tai Chi Chaun 11:15-Zumba Gold 12:00-Bridge 1:00-Mahjong 1:30-EZ Yoga 3:30-Ping Pong</p>	<p>2 LEO'S IS CLOSED</p> <p>9:30-Spanish Conversation 10:00-Euchre 12:15-Bingo 1:00-Scrabble 2:30- IL Carosello Italiano 3:30-NO Ping Pong</p>	<p>3 LEO'S IS CLOSED</p> <p>9:00-NO Balance Class 9:00-Hand and Foot 9:30-Chair Qi Gong 9:30-Fiber Arts 9:30-Meditation (Zoom) 10:30-NO Line Dance (High Beginner) 11:00-Zumba Gold 11:30-Poker 12:30-NO Line Dance (Beginner 2) 1:30-EZ Yoga 2:15-NO Line Dance (Beginner 1) 2:30-French Class</p>
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	<p>COME PAINT WITH US!</p>	<p>MONDAYS 9:00-12:00 Water Media Drop-in In the Art Room</p>	<p>TUESDAYS 10:00-12:00 Meet and Paint In the Art Room</p>	<p>TUESDAYS 1:00-4:00 North Olympic Watercolorists In the Front Room</p>
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No Line Dance Social in April. See you in May!

SUNDAYS

PING PONG

1:30-3:00

Accordion Social!
 Shipley Center 921 E. Hammond St.
 The next Sequim Accordion Social will be held
 Sunday, May 17, 2026, at 1:30.

This is a week later than usual, due to Mother's Day. Join fellow accordion players and enthusiasts for an afternoon of music and dancing. John Giuliani, always a crowd favorite, will be our featured player. \$5.00 suggested donation at door. Snacks and coffee provided.

SATURDAYS

BRIDGE

2nd and 4th
Saturdays

6:30-9:00



Spotlight on Nina Everitt

By Margaret Cox

You may wonder how I determine who to “Spotlight” each month. Well, some are friends of mine, some are in Shipley activities I participate in, and some are referred to me by others. (I’ve also had a couple who have self-referred themselves . . . which you can certainly do, too!)

This month’s featured person is Nina Everitt, a participant in Beth Glick’s Zumba Gold exercise class, who was referred to me by Beth, who thought she would “be a great candidate for the ‘Spotlight’” . . . and Nina certainly was, as you will soon find out!

Early Years: Nina, an only child, was born and brought up in Danbury, Connecticut. As it turned out, most of her relatives lived on farms along the Connecticut/New York border, and “the city girl” fondly recalls the wonderful times she spent out in the country!

Early on, Nina was interested in art, winning prizes for her drawings and paintings at the Connecticut State Fair when she was only ten years old!

On to College: After graduating from Danbury High School, she attended the University of Connecticut, where she lived in a dorm for four years. Because she changed majors from biology to art, she had to attend an additional semester, living as a guest of the photography professor and his wife, because her father refused to pay for more than 4 years! She graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

She met her husband, Paul Kraucunas the first week of college. He was drafted into the Army almost as soon as they graduated, so they quickly got married and moved to Fort Knox, Kentucky. When he was sent to Vietnam, Nina went off to “the big city” as a textile designer in New York City.

Off to Australia! When Nina’s husband returned from his tour of duty in the early ‘70s, he was met with society’s derision and was unable to find a job. Responding to a newspaper ad for jobs in Australia, providing free passage and living in a hostel until employed, the couple took off! With Paul’s job as a civil engineer for the state of New South Wales, they lived in Sydney, Newcastle, and Hawks Nest. Nina was able to get a job as a Creative Director at an advertising agency. Their first son was born there.

As Nina jokes, “We went to Australia with two suitcases each . . . and came back with a kid and I won’t tell you how many suitcases!”

While they loved living there, after her son was born, Nina felt a pull to return home. A child needed a relationship with grandparents and other relatives.

Problems! When they returned to the States, they found that five years abroad now made it impossible to get credit or buy a home; they had no US credit history! So, they had to move in with Paul’s mother until they could establish themselves financially. Interestingly, the only credit card they could get was a gas card! And, they worked their way up from there.

Life After Motherhood: Now with two sons, Nina was determined to be a stay-at-home-Mom until her boys were in sixth grade. By then, the family had moved to Northern Virginia.

She worked in the Washington, D.C. area, creating technical illustrations, animated DVDs and marketing materials for several large corporations. Her last position there was for Northrup Grumman, designing and maintaining a corporate website for AWIPS (Advanced Weather Interactive Processing System).



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While this took up half her work time, the other half was spent working on proposals, an interesting part of her job that took her to Hawaii and several other US states. When her oldest son left for college, she returned to school in the evenings to earn a Master’s Degree in Visual Information Technology from George Mason University, close to Washington DC.

Kennewick Mammoth Dig: After her second husband, Tom Everitt, passed away in 2015, Nina moved to Kennewick to be close to her eldest son and grandchildren. While there, she became involved with the Kennewick Mammoth Dig. The Coyote Canyon Mammoth Site is a rare, ongoing Ice Age dig site open to the public, featuring findings like mammoth vertebrae and teeth. Some 17,500 years ago, a woolly mammoth was deposited there during Ice Age floods. Most of the mammoth bones are now removed to be studied. Nina’s job involved taking pictures through a microscope of insects, rodent teeth, and other fossils found at the site, trying to establish what other living things existed at that time.

Coming to Sequim: During the pandemic, Nina had moved to Port Ludlow with a friend; and then eighteen months ago, she decided to come to

Sequim. Why Sequim? Well, while in Kennewick, she had been introduced to *Project Linus*, a non-profit that provides handmade blankets/quilts to children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need. It turns out that the Olympic Peninsula headquarters is in W. Sequim! To finish off her quilts, she had to travel to Sequim; and now that she has moved here, it’s almost next-door! She also volunteers with the Botanical Society that takes care of the botanical garden in the center of Carrie Blake Park. “Sequim is where I’ll be staying!”

Lifelong Artist: Never neglecting her childhood interest in art, in her spare time over the years, Nina created silk screen art (serigraphs), which were awarded honors and sold by art dealers, including the *Torpedo Factory* in Washington, D.C., *Sunset River Marketplace* in Calabash, NC, and *Gallery at the Park* in Richland, WA.



A trunkful of Linus Project quilts!

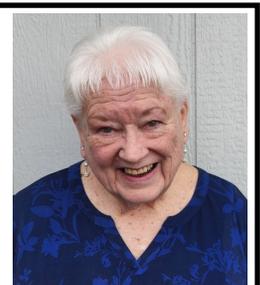
Now she enjoys working with scratchboard (engraving using sharp tools to scratch off dark ink to reveal foil beneath), colored pencils, and watercolor. She chooses these media because she likes to work in areas that are precise, “to show people beauty that they might miss otherwise.” Currently, she is concentrating on the beautiful PNW wildflowers.

ShIPLEY Center, Present and Future: So far, Nina is participating in only one activity, the Zumba Gold exercise classes. Overall, she is impressed with Shipley Center. “Everything is very quality.” She is looking forward—as we all are—to the new building. “It’s wonderful! We don’t have enough space now for all the wonderful things to do!”

Nina, we are glad you found Sequim, sharing your talents with your new community, and that you have found what a great place Shipley Center is for seniors!

Follow up to the March Spotlight!

Remember the picture of Bobbie Dahm with three friends who all scored “Bingos” (seven letter words which give the player an additional 50 points) in the same game? Well, Bobbie Dahm had a stellar day at Scrabble on Thursday, February 26 when she scored three “Bingos” in one game by herself! Her three high-score words were: feeling, moaners, and tearing. Way to go, Bobbie!





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Easter Day

Word Hunt

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JOKE	EASTER	BUTTERFLY

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Crystal Rodman, RN

Presents:

**Living Well as We Age
2nd Thursdays at 9:30
In our Front Room**

**Thursday, April 9, Crystal speaks on
“Mobility, Strength & Fall Prevention
Strong Steps: 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 Thursdays at 10:00
In our Front Room**

**Thursday, April 16, Sherryl speaks on
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April 2026

“April showers bring May flowers”. Isn’t that what we have always heard? Well, my yard is full of pretty little plant faces that have been blooming all winter so I don’t think they got the message! But it’s Spring, and there are some fun days this month. It’s not only April Fool’s day on the 1st, but did you know it’s also National Burrito Day? April 12th is National Grilled Cheese Day (with tomato soup of course!), Jelly Bean Day on the 22nd, and Arbor Day on the 24th. Let’s celebrate the coming warm weather days with a trip on the Shipley Bus!

Tulip Town & Roozengarde Tour, Friday April 17th – Have you been to the tulip farms in Mt. Vernon? I’ve been keeping an eye on the “blooms” on their website, and it looks like it will be a great time for tiptoeing through the tulips! Entrance fees and the ferry are included, and you can bring a lunch or enjoy some of the many vendor options at either garden on your own. Linda will be our driver.

Departs 7:00am to approx.5:00pm

\$93/M\$98/NM

Clearwater Casino, Tuesday, April 21st – All aboard the Shipley Fun Bus for a day of gaming, lunch, and enjoying being with friends! We are now leaving at 2:30, in order to get back before dark. We must have at least 12 travelers to make this happen, so call your friends and family!

Departs 9:00am to 3:30pm

\$15 per person

Whitney Gardens, Brinnon, Monday, April 27th – Discover the beauty of this lovely 80-year-old garden and nursery with your driver, Debra. Meet the two golden retriever greeters! They are the sweetest! There are picnic tables on site, so you can bring your lunch, or there is a small restaurant nearby if you want to eat there on your own. Please let me know what you prefer. There is a \$2 entrance fee collected when you arrive. All kinds of plants are available for purchase.

Departs 9:00am to approx. 5:00pm

\$31/M\$36NM

Seaside Spring Splendor, April 29th – May 2nd – 3 days, 4 nights at the Ebb Tide Ocean Inn, right on the promenade.. Featuring the logging museum/restaurant Camp 18, Tillamook and Blue Heron creameries, a scenic coastal train ride and lots of beach time, dining and shopping in downtown Seaside! *(This trip is full but there is a waiting list available.)*

Departs TBD

\$435DBL/\$665SNG

Heronswood Garden, Saturday May 9th, - Heronswood Garden began in 1987 and comprises 15 acres. Heronswood protects a vast array of plants from around the world, with over 8,000 different varieties spread across six distinct yet integrated gardens. People depend on plants, and Heronswood seeks to inspire our community with its plant collections and charismatic landscapes. Purchased by the Port Gamble S'Klallam tribe in 2012, Heronswood now serves as a showcase for tribal culture. Lunch will be at the Point Casino following the tour. Linda Marshett will be our driver for this Spring special outing.

Departs 9:30 to approx. 4:00

\$47/M\$52/NM

Silverdale Shopping, Tuesday May 12th, - Join Debra for another fun day of shopping in exciting Silverdale! We will go to the usual places, such as the Kitsap Mall, Target, and of course Trader Joe’s. Lunch will be at the Olive Garden before heading back to Sequim.

Departs 9:30 to approx. 4:30

\$31/M\$36N/M

Clearwater Casino, Tuesday May 19th, - Once again we will be trying our luck at our favorite casino, with our new driver Margie (along with Debra). The casino is such a great place for friends to get together for some gaming, friendship and lunch, so call your buddies and family to come and join the Shipley Fun Bus! We are staying with the new schedule of heading back to Sequim at 2:30.

Departs 9:00am to 3:30pm

\$15perperson

Wolf Haven Sanctuary, Saturday, June 20th – (***This trip was postponed from February***) Wolf Haven is an internationally recognized wolf sanctuary located in Tenino, WA. They have rescued and provided a lifetime home for over 300 displaced, captive-born animals since 1982. Many of these wolves and wolfdogs come from private ownership, zoos, and roadside attractions, and have been taken in and given shelter and care by the staff at the sanctuary. This guided tour involves some walking through the sanctuary; it also includes a video at the Visitor Center. *Since May is whelping season, we might even see some wolf pups!* We will be stopping at a nearby restaurant for lunch (on your own) after the tour. Linda will be your driver.

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

\$68/M\$73/NM

Look forward to:

July 27th-30th – Portland OR – Fabulous Falls and River Cruisin' – Multnomah Falls, lunch cruise on the Portland Spirit, 3 nights 4 days at the Oxford Jensen suites. Call me now to reserve your seat!!

August 6th – Mariners vs the Tigers – digital tickets again this year. Put your name on the list right away before the bus fills up!

October – TBD - Chemainus dinner/theater featuring "Peril in the Alps", an Agatha Christie mystery. *The prices for these trips are in the works – call Trips to put your name on any of these, and I'll get the information to you asap!*

Please stop by the office anytime to check out all the trips being presented by Collette Travel and Premier World Travel. We have international and domestic trips going all year long, and there are new ones for 2027 for you to check out!!

**** **IMPORTANT INFORMATION** ****

Trips office hours have fluctuated a lot during the past few months, but I am back in the office Mon-Fri from 9:00 -1:00, or 11:00 – 3:00 (due to PT appointments). Please call or email and I will get back to you as soon as I can. (Don't be surprised to get a call with a NH phone number!) Thank you all so much for your patience while I continue to heal!

See you on the Shipley Bus!

Debbie

"April comes like an idiot, babbling and stewing flowers." – Edna St. Vincent Millay