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Look What's Going On!

ALL MONTH!

Have a Healthy Heart Game Win awesome prizes!

New! Friday, 3rd; 12:30PM First Program Committee Meeting

Saturday, 4th: 5:00PM TRIP: Pier Into the Night

Friday, 10th; 12:30PM MOVIE & SUNDAES: Roman Holiday

Valentine's Day, 14th

10:30-12:00 Lipsology with Jilly Eddy Wear Red for our Valentine's Party Special prizes for those in red 12:00 Delicious lunch by Jackie Champagne and strawberries 12:30 Live Music with Andy Burnett

New! Thursday, 16th; 8:30AM Swimming @ Metro Parks

Friday, 17th; 12:00PM Birthday Lunch

Tuesday, 21st; 9:30AM Knitting Group Goes Shopping

Wednesday, 22nd; 10:30AM Foot Care

Thursday, 23rd; 12:00PM PotLuck

Friday, 24th; 12:30PM MOVIE & S'MORES: Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

Tuesday, 28th; 10:30AM Wondrium Discussion Group: How Blood Pressure Works with Lana Thigpen



Food Bank News By Brett

Food Insecurity is the limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate and safe foods for individuals and families.

In the next few months, our Food Bank will be focusing on 1 or

2 items to help keep our shelves stocked.

In February we are looking for *Canned Tuna and Jars of Peanut Butter*.

Canned tuna is a healthful food rich in protein

and contains many vitamins and minerals such



as B-Complex vitamins, Vitamins A and D as well as iron, selenium and phosphorus. Tuna also contains healthy omega 3 essential fatty acids DHA and EPA.



Peanut butter is rich in heart-healthy fats and is a good source of protein, which can be helpful for vegetarians looking to include more protein in

their diets. A 2-tablespoon serving of peanut butter contains up to 8 grams of protein and 2 to 3 grams of fiber

In 2022 The KPCS Food Bank had over

13 thousand visits from our neighbors looking for help with food insecurity.

Did you know?

KPCS offers free Blood Pressure Checks Stop by to have yours checked It's worth 5 points! Friday, 17th; 11:30

Make Heart Health Part of Your Self-Care Routine

Devoting a little time every day to care for yourself can go a long way toward protecting the health of your heart. Simple self-care, such as taking a moment to de-stress, giving yourself time to move more, preparing healthier meals, and not cheating on sleep can all benefit your heart.

And that's a good thing, because heart disease is largely preventable and focusing on improving your heart health has never been more important. Heart disease is a leading cause of death for women and men in the United States, and many Americans remain at risk of getting it, according to the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI). People with poor cardiovascular health are also at increased risk of severe illness from COVID-19.

"Studies show self-care routines, such as taking a daily walk and keeping doctor's appointments, help us keep our blood pressure in the healthy range and reduce our risk of heart disease and stroke," said David Goff, M.D., NHLBI's director of cardiovascular sciences.

It may be easier than you think to "put your heart" into your daily routine. Each Sunday, look at your week's schedule and carve out 30 minutes daily for heart-healthy practices. Take an online yoga class, prepare a heart-healthy recipe, schedule your bedtime to get at least seven hours of sleep, or make a medication checklist. Then seek out support from others, even if it's online or via a phone call, to help you stick to your goals.

Here are few self-care tips to try every day to make your heart a priority:

Self-Care Sunday

Find a moment of serenity every Sunday. Spend some quality time on yourself.

Mindful Monday

Be mindful about your health and regularly monitor your blood pressure or blood sugar if needed. Keep an eye on your weight to make sure it stays within or moves toward a healthy range. Being aware of your health status is a key to making positive change.



Tasty Tuesday

Choose how you want to approach eating healthier. Start small by pepping up your meals with a fresh herb or spice as a salt substitute. Get adventurous and prepare a simple, new, heart-healthy recipe. Or go big by trying a different way of eating, such as the Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) eating plan, which is scientifically proven to lower blood pressure. DASH is flexible and balanced, and it includes plenty of fruits and vegetables, fish, poultry, lean meats, beans, nuts, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products.

Wellness Wednesday

Don't waffle on your wellness. Move more, eat a fruit or vegetable you've never tried, make a plan to quit smoking or vaping, or learn the signs of a heart attack or stroke. You could be having a heart attack if you have chest and upper body pain or discomfort, shortness of breath, cold sweats, nausea, or lightheadedness. You might be having a stroke if you have numbness in the face, arm, or leg; confusion; trouble talking or seeing; dizziness; or a severe headache.

Treat Yourself Thursday

Treats can be healthy. Try making a dessert with fresh fruit and yogurt. Then stretch your imagination beyond food. Host a family dance party, take a few minutes to sit still and meditate, go for a long walk, or watch a funny show. Laughter is healthy. Whatever you do, find a way to spend some quality time on yourself.

Follow Friday

Follow inspiring people and pages on social media, or text a friend to help you stick to your self-care goals. Remember to take care of your mental health, too. Two of the main hurdles to self-care are depression and a lack of confidence, according to a study published in the *Journal of the American Heart Association.* If your mental health gets between you and your fabulous self, take action to show your heart some love. Reach out to family and friends for support, or talk to a qualified mental health provider.

Selfie Saturday

Inspire others to take care of their own hearts. Talk about your self-care routine with loved ones or share a selfie on your social media platforms. Having social support and personal networks can make it easier to get regular physical activity, eat nutritious foods, reach a healthy weight, and quit smoking.

Learn more about heart health and heart-healthy activities in your community, and see what others are doing for their heart health, at <u>nhlbi.nih.gov/ourhearts</u> or follow #OurHearts on social media.

Join us for an informative production of **Understanding Your Vital Signs: How Blood Pressure Works** by Wondrium (formerly Great Courses).

High blood pressure , or hypertension, is known as a "silent killer". It can be a common, underlying risk factor for developing several fatal health issues. Join neurophysiologist and medical educator Dr. Cara Sandholdt to learn what your blood pressure measures, what is normal, and why it matters.

Tuesday, 28th; 10:45AM

Let's Talk Wellness

Lessons with my visit with Mortality: By Bobbi

Palliative Care and Hospice. Those are some really SCARY words for most of us, I suspect. I was not ready when Dan was being introduced to the subject and going through his journey into death. We didn't understand how Palliative Care and Hospice works.

I now realize what an uphill struggle it can be to introduce the subject to families who are terrified of losing their loved one. Even when treatments will not give any semblance of well being, or may diminish quality for their remaining days, many fall into the trap of doing everything possible to keep their person alive.

There are many reasons why we aren't familiar with, or have a wrong idea, of what palliative and hospice care entails. I definitely had the idea that hospice was this dark scary place to go and die. I had no concept of what palliative care was. Handing me a pamphlet, alongside the information about chemotherapy, guaranteed it did not get read. We were totally ignorant and scared. No one sat us down and asked us questions that could eventually lead us to what might work best for Dan. I so wish they had done that for him, and me.

Since Dan's death, I have been reading what many would say are morbid books about death and dying. Ironically, I have found comfort in other people's stories. Especially those that consider experiencing terminal illness into death while teaming palliative and hospice care ALONG SIDE of medical treatment. I didn't know that was an option

How loving and personalized this care can be with the right team of people working together with the patient, family, and their doctor. This approach focuses on what "well-being" might look like for a terminally ill person during this time. It can start early on and continue as needed and desired.

The three books are: *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande, *With the End in Mind* by Kathryn Mannix and *Making the Rounds With Osca*r by David Rosa.

FOOT CARE February 22nd Please call to make an appointment No cost, but donations to purchase supplies are always welcome

News From the Front Office

Do you have a special collection of something? We have a display case for you to share it. Take a look at the space and bring your collection in to Peggy. We will usually keep it for at least 2 weeks to a month.

Lunchtime: If you come in and sit in the Community Room at lunchtime, the servers assume you are there for lunch and not just coffee. If you have not signed up ahead of time, please tell the server you did not sign up. If the kitchen has plenty, she will get you a plate. It is only right that everyone gets served who preregistered. Thank you for your cooperation.

Kyong & Peggy

What's Up in the Kitchen? POT LUCK February 23rd

PLEASE NOTE: You do NOT have to bring a dish to join us for a meal on Pot Luck days. There is always more than enough.

Want to be more involved? Jackie needs a volunteer on Tuesdays, 10:00 –1:00. No experience necessary. Even one Tuesday per month makes a difference. See Jackie for information.

Birthday Lunch is always on the third Friday. This month it is February 17th. Join us for Jackie's famous Parmesan Chicken. If it's your birthday month, you will be entered to win a prize.

Let's Party! Valentines Day

Lip print reading Special Lunch Live music FEBRUARY



Please bring Peninsula Market receipts to our Center. We receive 1% of purchases!

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7 Mac & Cheese w/ Ham Carrots & Peas Fruit Dessert	SoupSandwichSauce1/2 Tuna SandwichSandwichSaladMixed VeggieFruitMandarirFruitDessertGarlic Bre		Spaghetti w/ meat sauce	
14 BBQ Chicken Loaded Baked Pota- toes Mixed Veggies Fruit Dessert	15 Beef Chili Broccoli Cornbread Fruit Dessert	<i>16</i> Chef's Salad Fruit Roll Dessert	<i>17</i> Parmesan Chicken Salad Rice Pilaf Peaches Dessert	
21 Beef Taco Salad Spanish Rice Fruit Dessert	22 Tofu Stir Fry Mixed Veggies Rice Fruit Dessert	23 Potluck	24 Chicken Pot Pie Green Beans Fruit Dessert	
28 Beef Lasagna Salad Garlic Bread Fruit Dessert		60+: Suggest 60 — : Requir	ted \$3 EACH red \$5 EACH	



Don't miss our Have a Healthy Heart Game this month (see insert)! Full of fun and prizes.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Meals are prepared Tuesday-Friday, fresh in our kitchen by our Kitchen Manager, Jackie, and her dedicated volunteers. Please call to reserve your meal.

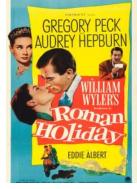
We offer these meals at a suggested donation of \$3.00 for clients over 60 years of age, \$5.00 for people under 60.

Meals are served 12:00-12:15. We will not serve meals after 12:15 unless you have called and arranged for a meal to be refrigerated for you.

The Health Department does not allow us to serve meals once their

temperature has dipped below safety temps.

FREE Movie on the Big Screen Friday, February 10; 12:30 PM



Roman Holiday

A bored and sheltered princess escapes her guardians and falls in love with an American newsman in Rome.

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Enjoy Ice Cream Sundaes with your movie



Friday, February 24 ; 12:30 PM



Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind

Much to his surprise, timid Joel Barish is shocked to discover that the love of his life, sparky Clementine, has had him erased from her memory. As a result, hurt and angry, Joel wants to pay her back in the same coin, going as far as to undergo a painless but intricate medical procedure to do the same. However, poor Joel is utterly unaware that darkness is an essential part of the light. And as the once-cherished recollections of Clementine gradually fade away, giving way to a soulless black void, something unexpected happens. Now Joel has second thoughts, toying with the idea of stopping the irreversible process. Who said ignorance is bliss?

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Enjoy Hot Chocolate & S'mores with your movie

Peninsula Community Health Services

Need a check up?



Their mobile team offers a wide range of primary care services including:

- Basic office visits
- Diagnostic studies (labs, etc.)
- Referrals when appropriate

PCHS IS DRIVEN TO SERVE YOU.

Peninsula Community Health Services (PCHS) is a patient-centered medical home that has been serving the broader peninsula for nearly 35 years!

They recently opened a new KP clinic with primary care Medical, dental, and pharmacy services @ 11901 137th Ave Ct NW.

PCHS Office	
360.377.3776	
SHIBA Line	
360.475.3095	
Website	
pchsweb.org	



Have insurance questions?

PCHS has free & confidential sessions with certified Navigators.

Their team can help with:

- Medicare (SHIBA)
- Medicaid (HealthplanFinder)
- Sliding-scale system for those paying out-of-pocket.



Insurance Navigators Fri., Feb. 17th | 11:30am - 1:30pm

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Happy New Year from Tacomaprobono Community Lawyers!

With the new year, we have new hours and more opportunities for intake. In addition to continuing our open hours for phone intake Monday-Thursday from 10 a.m.-noon and 1-3 p.m., we are now open for in-person intake at our office:

621 Tacoma Ave S., Suite 302

Monday-Thursday, 1-3 p.m.

The most efficient way to contact us 24/7 is through the online intake form on our website,

<u>www.tacomaprobono.org</u>. You should expect to receive a call back from an intake specialist within 1-3 days after applying for help. Tacomaprobono office is open by appointment only, phones are open

Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-noon and from 1-3 p.m.

Check the Events Calendar on our website to locate a Legal Aid Pop-Up in Pierce County. You can ask questions and get connected in person. We're at KPCS every month!

Tuesday, February 14, 10:00-12:00 at KPCS

You can also check the Events Calendar on our website to locate a Legal Aid Pop-Up in Pierce County so you can ask questions and get connected in person – and we're at KPCS on the 2nd Tuesday of every month!

TACOMAPROBONO'S HOUSING JUSTICE PROJECT TENANT TIP:

Important change to Washington's Landlord-Tenant Laws about how you pay your rents:

Landlords can no longer require tenants to pay electronically.

Starting June 2022, a landlord must allow you to pay rent by personal check unless one of your rent checks bounced in the last 9 months. Landlords must also accept rent paid by cashier's check or money order.

Landlords cannot require you to make rent payments by electronic means only (for example, using an app on a mobile device or a website).

You can read this law at <u>RCW 59.18.063.</u>

Landlords may provide an accessible location on the property to pay rent (like a dropbox) and may require you to pay rent at that location as a term of a rental agreement. Be sure to read all the terms of your lease or rental agreement carefully.

If they do not provide an accessible, on-site location to pay rent, then your landlord must accept rent paid by mail.

Landlords may refuse to accept cash for rent. However, if they accept cash for rent, they must give you a written receipt.

If you request a receipt for a rent payment, your landlord must give you a receipt, whether you made your payment via cash, check, money order, or electronic payment.



Have Your Lip Prints Read!

Lip prints can talk. And Jilly Eddy, the World's first Lipsologist understands their language. Put on your lipstick, kiss paper and Jilly will tell you all kinds of things based on your kiss print. She will share such information as your energy levels, emotional or health issues, and special messages your lips have for you.

Not only will you have fun but you might also learn something meaningful and have something interesting to talk about with others.

Valentine's Day! Tuesday, 14th; 10:00-12:00

Knitting and Crochet Club

Tuesday - February 21st, 2023

Destination: Tacoma Hobby Lobby

Leaving Center at 9:30am



Let's go Shopping!!!

We are going on a Field Trip to Tacoma Hobby Lobby to find that specific yarn that you have been searching for for your next project. If interested, please sign up at the front desk. We have limited seating, so sign up early!

We'll even stop on the way back to have lunch.....



Bridge anyone?

Are you interested in learning to play Bridge? Know how to play but need some practice? Accomplished Bridge Player? We have someone who will

teach us the game but is up for a spirited game if we have four players.

Let Peggy know what level Bridge player you are so we can get something going. Call Peggy at 253-884-4440

We don't just play cards! How about a Scrabble,

Dominoes, Sequence, Dice, Checkers, Backgammon or Chess ?? Name your game!

Come on in and have a cup of coffee or cocoa and relax with us. Some days the library room is pretty noisy!

We usually start between 9:30 & 10 AM and play until lunch, but anyone can join at any time between games. KPCS hosts the 1st and 3rd weeks each month which means we provide light refreshments. We have gifts for the winners on those days.

Everyone welcome. No signup required.



Pier Into The Night with Harbor Wildwatch

Take an underwater journey of Gig Harbor Bay without getting wet. While you are warm and dry on the dock, our divers use an underwater video camera to live stream what they encounter below the surface.

Bring a chair and blankets. We will supply the hot chocolate and snacks.

Saturday, February 4th

Meet at Center at 5:00PM

We may be able to pick you up at home, please call for information.

Requested donation \$3.00