

## **SENIOR VAN POLICIES AND TRIPS**

Our aim is to keep our senior trips as affordable as possible so that as many seniors as possible are able to take advantage of them. We ask a nominal donation for Mall shopping trips and day-long recreational trips. A fare is collected from those who regularly ride our van to and from the Senior Center for Mealsite and health services. This money, in addition to money from grants, enables us to pay for insurance, gas and maintenance, and needed repairs on our bus. Our van drivers are volunteers, and they also receive a small stipend. No tipping to the driver is needed. **Checks written for any of our trips should be made payable to BUCKLEY SENIOR CENTER unless otherwise posted.**

**When you register for any of our trips, it is your responsibility to pay early or on time, to come in or phone to check your status on that trip, i.e. you are going, you are on standby, the trip is going or cancelled, you are boarding at the Senior Center or are being picked up, etc. If you do not have a message machine and are unavailable when phoned, we cannot guarantee that everyone will be notified of changes.**

**\*\*Please do not combine trip payments into one check to the Senior Center for Senior Van Trips or for Charter Trips. Each envelope of money collected is given to the Senior Center Treasurer as soon as each trip is completed. Thank you.**

## **SENIOR VAN TRIPS**

**Mall shopping trips have a yellow registration sheet, and are at the Front Desk with the receptionist. Donation for these trips is paid to her, two days in advance, or on the date of registering.**

**Senior Center Van recreational day trips are on blue registration sheets, on the credenza in the dining room. Money for these trips is paid to Kay in the Office, two days in advance, or on the date of registering.**

**Please remember our van etiquette: Drop all waste paper in proper container at the front of the van, not on the floor or left on the seats (no eating or drinking beverages on the van, of course). On long day trips, please be courteous and switch seats on the return home so that no one has to ride in the rear seats all day long. Your consideration is appreciated!**

**Wednesday, March 1 – South Hill Mall + WalMart; leave 9:00 am; van donation \$5. Leave Mall at 2:00 pm.**

**Wednesday, March 8 – Dale Chihuly's Museum of Glass, Tacoma; leisurely tour through all the exhibits. A visit to the Hot Shop is a "must-see" to see the glass-blowing! There is gallery-seating for your best viewing enjoyment. Now on exhibit in the museum are "Czech Glass 1945-1980"; "Northwest Selections and Sound Organ" by Mark Zirpel; "Absence Adorned" by Karen LaMonte; and "Fire Organ 1996" by Trimpin, art made with sound. In addition to the inside of the Museum of Glass, there is the Bridge of Glass, the outdoor pools, and the Dale Chihuly art on display in the old Union Station on the Pacific Avenue entrance to the Bridge of Glass. Museum admission is \$8 seniors to be paid there. Following the museum tour, we will go to Freighthouse Square for browsing, shopping, and lunch on your own at one of the many ethnic restaurants. Leave the Center at 8:30 am; van donation is \$6.**

**Wednesday, March 15 – Culinary Art College Luncheon and Tour; South Seattle Community College in West Seattle offers three restaurants with varying lunch menus and prices (will have menus for seniors to choose from). Following lunch served by students we will have a tour by program coordinator of the grill kitchen and two pastry labs (through windows, for sanitation reasons) to watch students preparing foods**

for the menus. This college and others like it graduate the men, and women, who become the great chefs in large restaurants. This college graduated one young man from Buckley, Alex Wilson, who got employment at Seattle's Four Seasons Restaurant. Depending upon weather, the campus has a lovely arboretum for a spring walk before boarding the bus for home, or a ride through West Seattle. Leave Center at 9:00 am; van donation \$7. Please register early and make your luncheon selection.

### CHARTER TRIPS

Spaces for seniors from Buckley Senior Center have been reserved on the following charter motorcoaches (up to 45-55 passenger). Pickup will be in front of our Center. If a trip fills for the reserved number, you may sign as a "standby"; if you go, you pay the person who already paid and could not go.

**Parking instructions:** for one day or overnight, you may park in the Church parking lot two doors down on Cottage St. This leaves the Senior Center parking free for those who come here for activities and lunch. For extended trips, ask Kay in the Office for a **Parking Notification sheet**; fill out your name, make of car and license number, and dates you are away. Take completed form to the Buckley Police Station, and park your vehicle in the city lot between the Frontier Bank and Curves.

**Trip insurance:** Each charter has its own insurance company. Ask us for a copy of the plan.

**Charter Bus trips** are on **white registration sheets**, on the credenza in the dining room. Money for these trips is given to Kay in the Office, by the due date given on the trip registration sheet. **Checks are written to the Senior Center or written to the tour company.** For day trips, overnight and extended tours, payment is often required with registration one to two months in advance so that charter companies may make their reservations for the accommodations. Your cooperation is appreciated. An itinerary is usually given by the charter company in advance.

### LUCKY EAGLE CASINO:

**Thursday, March 9, 2006 (second Thursday monthly)** – Lucky Eagle Casino at Rochester. Depart from Senior Center at 8:30 am, return by 4:30 pm. Pay \$2 registration fee in the Office; get casino coupons, a chance to win in the onboard raffle of casino items, and a snack for the drive home. Pay just \$4.95 for the casino's expanded buffet luncheon. Birthday people get a complimentary buffet if you get a Players Club card at least one month in advance! Bring the birthday card if mailed to you! The Casino must have minimum of 40 on Monday before the trip to secure the charter.

### RED WIND CASINO:

**Thursday, March 23, 2006 (fourth Thursday monthly)** - Red Wind Casino; on the Yelm Hwy. between Yelm and Olympia. 35,000 sq. ft. gaming floor with 675 slots for paper tickets or Rewards card (good for 30 days). There are 24 table games plus Keno, open when Casino opens. They offer a generous Fun Book and a Senior Book week-days, and 50% off the buffet. The motorcoach will hold 55 passengers. Pay \$2 registration fee at the Center. Enjoy five hours of gaming; depart our Center at 8:30 am, return before 4:30 pm. The Casino must have minimum of 40 on Monday before the trip to secure the charter.

**PACIFIC EXPRESS CHARTER:**

April 17-22, Monday through Saturday; 6-day trip to Reno! Departure with breakfast muffins. Three nights at the Silver Legacy; optional Casino hops with cash and coupons: John Ascquagua's Nugget, Minden (Carson City area), and Reno Hilton. Silver Legacy offers \$5 cash and \$3 food coupon. We go down and back through Klamath Falls, staying at the Cimmaron, serving hot continental breakfast including biscuits and gravy and hot waffles. Prices are \$289 ppdo; \$398 single. Flyers are here. Complete itinerary two weeks before trip. Registration sheet is on the trip table.

**WE HAVE THIRTEEN PEOPLE BOARDING AT BUCKLEY SENIOR CENTER !!**

**BALANCE IS DUE TO SENIOR CENTER ON MARCH 15 !! WE MAIL TO CHARTER !!**

**ITINERARIES WILL BE MAILED TO US TWO WEEKS IN ADVANCE !! ALSO LUGGAGE TAGS !!**

**PUYALLUP SENIOR CENTER – ALASKA CRUISE - SAILING MAY 5, 2006**  
**ONE WOMAN NEEDS A COMPANION !! SEE FLYER ON OUR TRIP TABLE**

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