

### The Senior Center and Nutrition Program

are programs of Skagit County Public Health, in partnership with the City of

Mount Vernon.

Mon—Fri 8am –4pm 1401 Cleveland Ave. Mount Vernon, WA 98273 360-416-1585

www.skagitcounty.net/ seniorcenters

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## MOUNT VERNON SENIOR CENTER APRIL 2025

Easter Lunch will be on Thurs. Apr 17th at noon.

Please sign up ahead at the front desk. We will be having special entertainment and the Jolly Time Dance will follow.



SPRING Dance here with SKAGIT SWINGS BAND

LIVE BIG BAND MUSIC
FRIDAY, APRIL 4, 7-9PM. Bring your
Dancing Friends



#### EXERCISE, FITNESS, AND WELL-BEING

<u>YOGA FOR EVERY BODY</u>—Fun and Gentle-No prior Yoga necessary. Bring your own mat. FRIDAYS AT 11AM. Taught by Pam Granston. Suggested Donation \$10 per class. Chairs used also for more fitness work!

SKAGIT COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE HERE on the 1st Thursday EVERY MONTH FROM 10:30-1:30PM to give information on medical topics.

EXERCISE CLASS!!! Mondays at 10am and Fridays at 10am Low impact cardio and strength, and stretching! Donation Come check it out!

<u>CREATIVE HEALING– TUESDAYS 2PM</u> Jan Coffey and Lydia Sterling are offering an amazing opportunity to learn about connecting mind, body, and spirit in healing. Explore alternative and creative healing, Reiki, Healing Touch, Tapping, Acupressure, Chakra Balance, Reflexology, Reconnection, and more.

**FOOTCARE**—3rd Thursday each month. CALL FOR APPT. 360-416-1585.

<u>CHAIR YOGA</u>—Mondays at 2:45 and Wednesdays at 1:30. Great for Strength and Balance! Donations welcomed!

<u>TAI CHI for STRENGTH AND BALANCE</u> Mondays 1:30 with Margo Cunningham and Thursdays 9:00AM with Camille Drotts These classes are Sun-Style Tai Chi emphasizing learning to connect your mind to your body through movement using Tai Chi principles, and becoming aware of your balance starting at your feet up to your head making gravity your friend over time.

#### NORTH CASCADES TAI CHI - Sensei/Sifu Larry

Tuesdays 1:15 Tai Chi Weapons

Tuesdays 2:15pm Traditional Yang,

Wedsnesdays 2:45 WuHao, Thursdays 10:15 Sun Family Style,

Thursdays 11:15 Free open beginner Tai Chi class.



"Your time is limited, so don't waste it living someone else's life. Don't be trapped by dogma—which is living with the results of other people's thinking." —Steve Jobs



#### **GAMES/FUN/TOPICS**

NEW: Are you interested in playing Poker? Let us know in the office.



<u>NEW!!</u> Trivia Game—Come join the fun on the 2nd Thurs of each month here at 1pm.

<u>CARDS AND GAMES!</u> TUESDAYS @ 10am and Fri@ 12:30 PM. Mahjong, Canasta, Hand and Foot...WEDNESDAYS afternoon 1pm is Mexican Train, NEW POKER FOR FUN Weds at 1pm.

**CHESS** Wednesdays at 2pm. ALL LEVELS WELCOME

**PINOCHLE** Meets every Friday at 12:30.

**<u>BINGO!!!!!</u>** EVERY Monday EXCEPT THE 3RD MONDAY at 1pm. 5\$ for 5 cards!! Callers wanted!!

<u>IMPROV GROUP</u> Meeting here on the 3rd Sunday monthly at 1:30-4pm. Improv is a fun way to play as an adult! NO ACTING OR PERFORMING! Improv helps with creativity, spontaneity, and collaborative skills. Taught by Jeff Smith and Margo Cunningham Donations welcome.

<u>WRITER'S GROUP</u> For Children's Lit meets 1st and 5TH Weds at 11am. Led by Margo Cunningham.

<u>ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP</u>— Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 2:30pm. This group is for caregivers to help them develop a support system, exchange practical information on challenges, coping skills, and learn about local resources.

<u>SHIBA REPRESENTATIVE HERE</u>—EVERY Thursday for appointments. Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors are trained volunteers who can help sift through Medicare and Health insurance issues for you. Call to schedule an appointment.

#### **Mount Vernon Senior Center Evening Activities**

Tulip Valley Gardeners

Harmony Northwest Choir Monday Evenings

Skagit Square Dancing Tuesday Evenings

Round Dancing Thursday Evenings

Washington Old Time Fiddlers Jam 2nd & 4th Friday

12 Step Recovery Meetings Call for information

Hobby Groups... Rock & Gem, Faceting, Model Railroad,

CALL US AT 360 416 1585 FOR INFORMATION ON THESE GROUPS

#### **DANCING**

<u>LINEDANCE</u> <u>BEGINNER CLASS - 10am -12 on Wed. Suggested donation \$10.</u>

**LINEDANCE** Beginners at 8:30am every Tuesday! Interm. at 9:30. Advan 10:30.

<u>JOLLY TIME DANCE</u> 1-3pm Thursdays. Apr 3 with Ann and Dean, Apr 10 with The Skippers, Apr 17 with Country Jim, Apr 24 with Marcia Kester. \$5 Cover to pay for the Bands.

<u>BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS</u>—Wednesdays at 4pm. \$10.00 per class. No partner needed.

#### SENIOR CENTER ADVISORY BOARD MEETING The 2nd Tues

BOB ROSS PAINTING CLASS -Julie Curry, a Bob Ross Certified Instructor Need

4 students to have class. juliecurry2009@hotmail.com or call the senior center for more information.

**MULTI– MEDIA PAINTING GROUP**– Meets Thursdays at 1:15. Bring your own projects and work with other artists.



**CRAFTS, CERAMICS, NEEDLEWORK** – Meets Wednesdays at 10am.

**NEW: TAPESTRY WEAVING GROUP** -Meets Tuesdays from 10 am –1pm. Come and check it out.

#### **CRAFTY CREATIONS BOUTIQUE!**

COME IN AND CHECK OUT OUR REMODELED SHOP
OPEN HERE AT THE SENIOR CENTER MONDAY—FRIDAY 10AM-3PM
ALL HANDMADE ITEMS. WONDERFUL GIFT IDEAS!







#### **Farmers' Market Benefit Cards Available**

Anacortes Senior Activity Center- Monday | May 19 | 12:30 - 1:30 PM

Burlington Senior Center- Friday | May 23 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Concrete Community Center- Tuesday | May 13 | 10:30 -11:30 AM

Mount Vernon Senior Center- Monday | May 12 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Sedro-Woolley Senior Center-Friday | May 16 | 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Cards will be available on a first come/first served basis. The Skagit County Senior Nutrition Program receives a limited number of cards for Skagit County seniors, age 60 years or older (55+ if Native American/Alaska Native), who meet certain income requirements. Each eligible person will receive up to \$80 to use at any approved Skagit County Farmers Market or Farm Store. Incomes must be below \$2,413 for individuals and \$3,261 for couples. You must be willing to fill out paperwork with your contact information and sign an affidavit saying you are eligible. For more information, contact Skagit County Public Health at (360) 416-1500.

#### **Skagit County Public Health Nurses**

Will be in the MV Senior Center the 1st Thursday of every month

April 3, 2025 10:30am - 1:30pm

Skagit Public Health visits will be transitioning to chronic health & wellness education and Blood pressure checks. All vaccines, including Covid, are to be accessed thru local pharmacies or medical clinics. We will also:

Have updated guidance materials for the upcoming respiratory infection season (COVID,

RSV, & Flu) Offer FREE Covid test kits

Monthly health topics and resources Free Condoms & sexual health education

Free Blood Pressure checks

Assist in making online appointments @ pharmacies for updated COVID, Flu, & RSV shots, and any other adult vaccines

#### CALLING FOR MUSICIANS AND ANYONE WHO LOVES MUSIC!!

Musicians / Listeners <u>Invitation</u>; please come, and join in on the <u>2nd and 4th Fridays 6:30 - 9 p.m</u> with Old Time Fiddlers Jam, with your Fiddle, Guitar, Harmonica, Bass, Mandolin, Banjolin, Banjo, your voice, or other stringed instrument; we look forward to having a good time together making music at Mount Vernon Sr.

Ctr, 1401 Cleveland Ave. <u>District</u> <u>https://wotfa.org/!!</u>

#### TRANSITION FIDALGO PRESENTS

# FIX-IT DAYS POP-UP REPAIR CAFÉS 2025

#### What

Community events focused on repairing broken items. Bring something by for our skilled volunteers to fix, mend, and sharpen.

#### Why

Our mission is to give new life to broken items and divert repairable waste from the landfill.

#### How

We are dedicated to providing accessible repair services to our local community. Repairs are donation-based. All proceeds cover the operating costs of this program.

#### Mark your calendars!

#### **2025 SEASON DATES**

- (a) Anacortes Public Library
  Feb 15th 11am-4pm
- (a) Mt Vernon Library
  April 19th, 10am-3pm
- Anacortes Farmers Market

May 31st 9am-2pm June 28th 9am-2pm July 26th 9am-2pm Aug 30th 9am-2pm Sept 27th 9am-2pm



#### **APRIL 2025 ACTIVITIES**

| Monday              | Tuesday                                       | Wednesday                               | Thursday                            | Friday                       |
|---------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
|                     | 1   | 2 9:00 Ceramics                         | 3                                   | <u>4_</u> 9 CDWA             |
|                     | 8:30 Beg Line dance                           | 10:ULTRA Beg Line Dc                    | 9:00 Tai Chi for                    | 10 Exercise Cls              |
|                     | 10:00 Tapestry/Weaving                        | 11 Writers Grp Child                    | Strength                            | 11 YOGA FOR                  |
|                     | 10:30 Intermed. Line dance                    | 1 Poker For Fun                         | 9:30 SHIBA APPTS                    | EVERYBODY                    |
|                     | 10:00 Cards & Games                           | 1:30 Chair Yoga                         | 10:15&11:15 Open Sun                | 12:30 Pinochle               |
|                     | 1:15 Tai Chi Weapons                          | 2:00 Chess/ Mex Train                   | Tai Chi                             | 12:30 Cards & Games          |
|                     | 2 Creative Healing                            | 2:45 WuHao Tai Chi                      | 10:30 Health Nurse Here             | 7PM SKAGIT                   |
|                     | 2:15 Yang Tai Chi                             | 4 Ballroom Dc Lessons                   | 1 Jolly Time Dance                  | SWINGS DANCE                 |
| _                   |   |   | 1:30 Painting Group                 |                              |
| 7                   | <u>8</u>                                      | 9                                       | 10                                  | 11                           |
| 10 Exercise Cls     | 8:30 Beg Line dance                           | 9:00 Ceramics                           | 9:00 Tai Chi Strength               | 10 Exercise Cls              |
| 1 BINGO             | 10:00 Tapestry/Weaving                        | 10 ULTRA Beg Line Dc                    | 9:30 SHIBA APPTS                    | 11 YOG A FOR                 |
| 1:30 Tai Chi for    | 10:30 Intermed. Line dance                    | 10:30 Vets                              | 10:15&11:15 Open Sun<br>Tai Chi     | EVERYBODY                    |
| Strength            | 10:00 Cards & Games                           | 1 Poker for Fun                         | 1 Jolly Time Dance                  | 12:30 Pinochle               |
| 2:45 Chair Yoga     | 1:00 Advisory Bd Mtg                          | 1:30 Chair Yoga                         | 1:30 Painting Group                 | 12:30 Cards and<br>Games     |
|                     | 1:15 Tai Chi Weapons                          | 2:00 Chess/Mex Train                    | Thou i amang Group                  |                              |
|                     | 2 Creative Healing                            | 2:45 WuHao Tai Chi                      |                                     | 6:30 Old Time<br>Fiddlers    |
|                     | 2:15 Yang Tai Chi                             | 4 Ballroom Dc Lessons                   |                                     | Tiddlets                     |
| <u>14</u>           | <u>15</u>                                     | 16 9:00 Ceramics                        | 17                                  | <u>18</u>                    |
| 9 Skagit Hand Spin- | 8:30 Beg Line dance                           | 10:ULTRA Beg Line Dc                    | 8:30 Footcare                       | 9:00 CD WA                   |
| ners                | 10:30 Intermed. Line dance                    | 11 Writers Grp Child                    | 9:00 Tai Chi Strength               | 10 Exercise Cls              |
| 10 Exercise Cls     | 10:00 Tapestry/Weaving                        | 1 Poker for Fun                         | 9:30 SHIBA APPTS                    | 11 YOGA FOR                  |
| 1 BINGO             | 10:00 Cards & Games                           | 1:30 Chair Yoga                         | 10:15&11:15 Open Sun                | EVERYBODY                    |
| 1:30 Tai Chi for    | 1:15 Tai Chi Weapons                          | 2:00 Chess/Mex Train                    | Tai Chi                             | 12:30 Pinochle               |
| Strength            | 2 Creative Healing                            | 230 Alzheimers sup-                     | 12 EASTER LUNCH W/<br>ENTERTAINMENT | 12:30 Cards and              |
| 2:45 Chair Yoga     | 2:15 Yang Tai Chi                             | port Grp                                | 1:00 Jolly Time Dance               | Games                        |
| 2.43 Onali Toga     |   | 2:45 WuHao Tai Chi                      | 1:30 Painting Group                 |                              |
| 21                  | 22  | 4 Ballroom Dc Lessons                   | 24                                  | <u>25</u>                    |
|                     | 8:30 Beg Line dance                           | 9:00 Ceramics                           | 9:00 Tai Chi for Strength           | 10 Exercise Cls              |
| 10 Exercise Cls     | 10:30 Intermed. Line dance                    | 10 ULTRA Beg Line Dc                    | 9:30 SHIBA APPTS                    |                              |
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| 1:30 Tai Chi for    | 10:00 Tapestry/Weaving<br>10:00 Cards & Games | 1 Poker for Fun                         | 10:15&11:15 Open Sun<br>Tai Chi     | EVERYBODY                    |
| Strength            | 12:30 BUNCO                                   |   | 1 Jolly Time Dance                  | 12:30 Pinochle               |
| 2:45 Chair Yoga     |   | 1:30 Chair Yoga<br>2:00 Chess/Mex Train | 1:30 Painting Group                 | 12:30 Cards and<br>Games     |
|                     | 15 Tai Chi Weapons                            |   |                                     |                              |
|                     | 2 Creative Healing                            | 2:45 WuHao Tai Chi6pm                   |                                     | 6:30 pm Old<br>Time Fiddlers |
|                     | 2:15 Yang Tai Chi                             | 4 Ballroom Dc Lessons                   |                                     | Time Hadiers                 |
| 28                  | 29  | 30                                      |                                     |                              |
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| 2:45 Chair Yoga     | 15 Tai Chi Weapons                            | 1:30 Chair Yoga                         |                                     |                              |
| 2.40 Onall Tuga     | 2 Creative Healing                            | 2:00 Chess/Mex Train                    |                                     |                              |
|                     | 2:15 Yang Tai Chi                             | 2:45 WuHao Tai Chi                      |                                     |                              |
| 7                   |   | 4 Ballroom Dc Lessons                   |                                     |                              |
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#### April 2025 Menu

Anacortes (360)299-4136, Burlington (360)755-0942

Mount Vernon (360)416-1589, Sedro-Woolley (360)855-1531

| Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday   |
|--|--|--|--|--|
|  | Cheesy South-<br>west Chicken and<br>Rice served with<br>Orange Slices | Bacon Cheese-<br>burger Salad<br>served with a<br>Lemon Bar  | Swiss Steak w/ Tomatoes served with Pears  | Panko Breaded Fish served with Roasted Sweet Potatoes        |
| 7 Ham & Swiss Impossible Pie served with Green Salad   | 8 Minestrone Soup served with Tor- tellini Salad                       | 9 Chicken Fried Steak served with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy  | Teriyaki Chicken w/ Steamed Rice served with Broccoli Salad                            | Hawaiian Slider<br>Casserole served<br>with Spinach<br>Salad |
| Turkey A La<br>King served<br>with Roasted<br>Potatoes | Meatloaf served<br>with Mashed Po-<br>tatoes and Gravy                 | Baja Fish Sticks w/ Tortillas served with Cilantro Lime Slaw | 17 Easter Luncheon  Baked Ham served with Scalloped Potatoes and Blueberry Coffee Cake | Mac & Cheese w/ Kielbasa served with Pears                   |
| Meatball Chow-<br>der served with<br>Apricots          | Honey Mustard<br>Chicken served<br>with Wild Rice<br>Pilaf             | Supreme Cobb Salad served with Pickled Beets                 | Schnitzel<br>served with Hot<br>Potato Salad   | Navy Bean & Ham Soup served with Birthday Cake               |
| Home-style Chicken Bowl served with Strawberries       | Cheese Omelet<br>served with<br>Hashbrowns and<br>Kale Salad           | Turkey Crois-<br>sant served<br>with Green<br>Salad          |  |  |

Menu substitutions or changes are sometimes necessary.

Thank you for your understanding.