



# Willapa Community Network Newsletter

June, 2016

## Our Vision

Our vision is a thriving, connected, community achieved through enhanced leveraging of resources and services in north Pacific County.

## Our Mission

Our mission is to support an inclusive community network that encourages communication and collaboration among service providers, business, and volunteers, to enhance quality of life in north Pacific County.

## Next Meeting:

WCN meets on the first Wednesday of each month—all are invited to attend.

11:00 am—1:00 pm  
Willapa Harbor Hospital  
Cedar Conference Room

## New Immunization Requirements

The Washington State Department of Health has announced a change for the 2016/17 school year. It will now be a requirement for all students attending school to have at least two doses of varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. If a person gets chickenpox it causes a rash, itching, fever, and tiredness. It can further lead to severe skin infections, scars, pneumonia, brain damage, or death. By getting immunized it can prevent the person from developing shingles in later years. Shingles can be very painful. It is also a requirement that all students entering the sixth grade get a dose of tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (TDaP) vaccine. The TDaP vaccine is recommended every 10 years. You may need to get it sooner than 10 years if you get a bad wound that may become infected.



Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine is another recommended but not required vaccination for teens. This is the vaccine protects against nine types of the HPV virus, which causes 90 percent of cervical cancers and 90 percent of genital warts. Three doses of HPV vaccine are recommended for everyone between the ages 11 – 26.

Meningococcal (meningitis) vaccine protects against four types of a bacteria that cause meningitis (swelling of the covering of the brain and spinal cord). All 11 – 18 year olds should get this vaccine. Adults at high risk of getting the disease, such as college freshmen who live in dorms, should also get it.

If you or your student need to get one of these immunizations, call your medical provider or the health department for an appointment. Washington State is a free vaccine state. Vaccines are available to everyone under the age of 19 free of charge. The office may charge an office visit but not for the vaccine. If you have questions, please call the health department at 875-9343.

## Summer Drawing Classes

The Willapa Heritage Foundation will sponsor a series of free drawing classes



for teens this summer on July 12, 13, 19 and 20 at the Raymond and South Bend Timberland Libraries. Local artist Greg Bjordal will teach middle and high school teens the fundamentals of drawing. The classes are progressive; attending all is recommended but not necessary. All supplies will be provided. For more information, please contact South Bend Timberland library at 875-5532.

## Grays Harbor College EDventures: Kayak Tour of Willapa River

On Saturday, June 11th, join a guided tour down the Willapa River with Willapa Paddle Adventures owner Baylee Layman. Located in Historic Downtown Raymond, Willapa Paddle Adventures is a perfect destination to enjoy the beauty of the Willapa River! Don't own a Kayak? NO problem! Kayaks and a snack provided! Meet at 105 3rd Street in Raymond, across the street from the kayak dock. Time TBD depending on the tide schedule. Cost: \$52.50. Sign up online at <http://www.ghc.edu/content/continuing-education>



# Pacific County Resiliency Corps is recruiting!

Pacific County Resiliency Corps Team is seeking AmeriCorps Members for the '16-'17 service term. During a 10.5 month term, starting September 1, 2016, members are placed in various youth-serving organizations in



# AMERICORPS

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Pacific County will help reduce adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and increase resiliency of our community's youth. Duties vary by service site, but may include presenting healthy activities, educational opportunities, strong interventions, parenting education, financial literacy, family engagement, youth mentoring, tutoring, career exploration, and more. Members receive a monthly stipend of \$1,195, health coverage, AmeriCorps training, site specific training, childcare (if eligible), and an educational award of \$5,775 (upon completion of service) that can be used to pay back qualifying loans. Members can look forward to gaining valuable experience in human and social services, leadership, networking, community organizing, etc.

**To Apply:** Please send your resume and a cover letter that indicates which site(s) you're interested in serving at to Becky Fischer at [fischerb@willapabh.org](mailto:fischerb@willapabh.org). Or find more information at [www.pacificcountyouth.org](http://www.pacificcountyouth.org). Positions contingent on funding.

## Thank You from WHMA Food Bank

"I want to thank every individual and business that contributed towards our benefit auction this year. Our net on the event was \$4,032 and it helps us keep a variety of food on our shelves. Yesterday's purchase of can milk, soup, margarine and canned fruit was \$563 and that is for 6-7 weeks only. Your contributions certainly help, Thank You!!" -Bonnie Ryan, WHMA Food Bank.



## High In Plain Sight: Current Alcohol, Drug, and Concealment Trends and Identifiers

Sponsored by ESD 113/True North, Officer Jermaine Galloway will be facilitating a workshop for law enforcement, educators, prevention providers, coalition members, probation officers, school administration, treatment counselors, and parents. You will learn about current trends in:

- Alcohol and drug clothing, logos and stickers
- Signs and Symptoms
- Alcohol and drug concealment methods and containers
- Drug paraphernalia (marijuana concentrates, dabbing)
- Drug related music and groups
- New technology, youth party tendencies & party games
  - Social networking sites
  - Synthetic & OTC drugs



June 16, 2016  
9am-3:30pm  
Naselle Lutheran Church  
308 Knappton Rd

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(360)875-9343

## South Bend Timberland Library Receives \$4,500 in Grants

The South Bend Timberland Library is pleased to announce it has received a \$3,500 National Science Foundation Rural Gateways grant from the Califa Library Group to provide science-based programs for adults.

The programs funded by the grant are essentially "book club meets science café." Attendees read a popular book selection, then to come to the library for an event in which they discuss the book, and then watch and discuss short videos featuring author interviews and information about the scientific ideas touched on in the books. Among the titles to be discussed are:

- Jean Auel, *The Land of Painted Caves*,
- T.C. Boyle, *When the Killing's Done*
- Clive Cussler, *Arctic Drift*
- Erik Larson, *Thunderstruck*

The South Bend Timberland Library is one of 110 libraries participating in the program nationwide.

The South Bend Timberland Library also recently received a grant of \$1000 from the Pacific County 4-H Leaders Council to start a robotics program at the library. The library has purchased 18 Ozobots, tiny line following robots that can be programmed both with a computer and by drawing color codes with markers. After debuting the new Ozobots at the Pacific County Fair in August, the library will begin presenting monthly robotics events for kids and teens starting this fall.

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