

**Health Care Providers Council of Pierce County**  
“Enhancing the Lives of the Seniors We Serve”



March 2009  
Newsletter

**Our next meeting is March 12, 2009 at 7:30 a.m., at Life Manor, 1609 S. Union Ave., Tacoma, WA**  
**Wonderful Full Breakfast is \$6 or Coffee is \$2      Dues are \$50 per year, per individual**

**Presidential Corner –Spring is on its Way**

At least we can all hope, right? No more snow! With one vendor fair under our belts we “march” directly into March and our second one for the year at St. Clare hospital in Lakewood on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Our thanks to Sally Nixon from Aging and Long Term Care for her presentation at our February meeting. She is always informative and interesting. Our goal is to invite the legislators to one of our meetings in the Fall, so they can hear first hand about what our seniors are going through and what we, as health care providers, have to go through to help them.

Part of being a member of HCPC is the opportunity to be on a committee that is designed to make a difference in a senior’s life or to help our organization help others. I would like to encourage all of you to sign up for the committee that suits you and get involved. You will enjoy the experience, I guarantee it. Our next meeting is March 12<sup>th</sup> and is an opportunity for you to toot your own horn as it is a networking meeting. I look forward to seeing all of you.

Until then, make a difference to someone, today.

Warmly, Melissa Martin, President, HCPC

**March Meeting Sponsor – Elder Assessment & Referral Services, Inc.**

“EARS” is a small geriatric care management company in the Puget Sound Area.

Beth Stone and Debbie Seelye are Geriatric Mental Health Specialists, who assist older adults and their loved ones in many ways, including evaluating and assessing care needs, residential placement, and providing short and long term care management. They have been in business over 10 years, and are actively involved in their community as well. They collaborate with numerous health care professionals to provide continuity of care, as well as problem-solve unique care needs older adults may have.

**St. Clare Hospital Vendor Fair**

The St. Clare Hospital Vendor Fair is fast approaching! March 10<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. -12:00 Noon, with set-up from 7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. Cost is \$75 and registration is first come, first served. Please submit your registration on Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> no earlier than 9:00 a.m.

Please note the registration for Tacoma General Fair was filled within a few minutes, so it is important to submit right away. **You will be notified if you have a table at the event. If you do not get notification it means that you do not have a table, please do not send payment.**

**Committee Sign-up**

2009 is going to be a busy year! A committee sign-up sheet will be distributed at the meeting to members. Opportunities to help out include the Alzheimer’s Conference Committee, Educational Conference Committee, Holiday Party Committee and After Hours Planning Committee. HCP success depends on our wonderful membership and volunteerism, so please sign-up to serve on a committee!

**Membership Events Calendar**

Please email any event you would like included to Carmen Helle-Doud at [carmenhelle-doud@fhshealth.org](mailto:carmenhelle-doud@fhshealth.org) by the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month. Email needs to include: name of event, date, time and location.

## Upcoming Calendar

April 9<sup>th</sup> – Speaker  
May 14<sup>th</sup> – Networking  
June 11<sup>th</sup> – Speaker  
July 9<sup>th</sup> – Networking  
August 13<sup>th</sup> – Speaker  
September 10<sup>th</sup> – Networking  
October 8<sup>th</sup> – Speaker  
November 12<sup>th</sup> – Networking  
December 10<sup>th</sup> – Holiday Party

Board meetings are held the last Thursday of the month  
8:00 a.m. at Ben Dews Restaurant  
Members Welcome

## 2009 Board Members

**President:** Melissa Martin, The Villas-Union Park  
**Vice President:** Kelly Smith, Visiting Angels  
**Secretary:** Carmen Helle-Doud, Franciscan Lifeline  
**Treasurer:** Terry Voeller, Spring Ridge Retirement

### Members-at-Large:

Tiernan Andrews, Olympic Alzheimer's Residence  
Debbie Baker, The Weatherly Inn  
Therese Brown, Woodmark at Steele Lake  
Lori Morales, Highline Medical Center  
Melinda Schultz, Gentiva Health Services

**Don't forget to pick up your material on the back table after each meeting!**

### Job Postings

To submit a job posting for the HCPC newsletter, please email a brief (less than 30 words) description to Carmen Helle-Doud at [carmenhelle-doud@fhshealth.org](mailto:carmenhelle-doud@fhshealth.org) by the 25th of the month.

Seeking a career change? Long Term Care Financial Partners insurance agents can earn six figures, residuals and dividends. Recruiting for Pacific NW and every state. Contact: [tom.brown@lctfp.net](mailto:tom.brown@lctfp.net) , 253.225.6815, [www.tvbconsulting.com](http://www.tvbconsulting.com)

Puget Sound home health is looking for a Physical Therapist to add to our team . . . We offer a \$12,000 sign-on-bonus and a gas card. To inquire further about the position please call Shannon Mays, Administrator, at (253) 581-9410

Position Available – Dietary Manager – Please contact Terry Voeller at Spring Ridge Retirement 253-474-1093.

Dir. of Sales/Mktg position at Life Care Center of Puyallup is open to applicants with exp. in ext. mktg and adm for long term care services. Send resume to Attn: Kevin Fletcher, E.D., 511 10th Ave SE, Puyallup, WA 98372. If you have questions, call Darla McQueen at (253) 278-5541.

Olympic Alzheimer's Residence has a part-time receptionist position available. Call 253-851-5306 for more information.

### 2009 Member Dues \$50

Your HCPC membership includes email updates and newsletters, opportunity to introduce yourself at networking meetings, vendor and sponsorship opportunities.

Treasurer's report is available upon request.

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