

Christmas is a widely celebrated holiday with historical roots that extend far back and a variety of traditions observed around the world. The holiday has evolved through centuries, blending various cultural and religious practices.

The celebration of Christmas has its roots in ancient pagan winter festivals, particularly Saturnalia in Rome and Yule among Germanic peoples. These festivities marked the winter solstice, celebrating the return of longer days and the promise of spring.

The Christian celebration of Christmas commemorates the birth of Jesus Christ.

During the Middle Ages, Christmas became a time for feasting and merriment, often lasting for weeks. Carols, nativity plays, and festive meals became customary, while the exchange of gifts became more popular.

Many contemporary Christmas traditions emerged during the Victorian period. Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" popularized the spirit of generosity and goodwill associated with the holiday. Christmas trees, greeting cards, and the modern portrayal of Santa Claus gained popularity during this time.

In our small country towns, Christmas is celebrated with various events like the Lighted Christmas Parade, Holiday Bingo's, Santa's trip to our

communities, our Giving Tree, and a wonderful Main street that is adorned with festive decorations, bringing a warm and inviting atmosphere.

Families come together for festive meals, exchanging gifts, and attending religious services. Homemade treats, like cookies and pies, are shared among neighbors, fostering a sense of unity.

Christmas in a small country town often emphasizes the spirit of togetherness, with neighbors and friends coming together to celebrate the season and share goodwill.

# PE EU FIRE DEPARTMENT PRESENTS THEIR ANNUAL





Friday, December 13th

GAMES STARTING AT 6PM
PE FLL FIRE DEPARTMENT, PE FLL



Each game - 1st Trize is a Turkey 2nd prize recieves \$5

cards and raffle tickets can be purchased at the door

RAFFLE ITEMS & SNACKS

\$20 Bingo

3 cards
35 Games
Each additional
card \$0.50

THIS IS A FUNDRAISER EVENT FOR THE PE ELL FIRE DEPARTMENT

Shellfish managers with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) announced tentative days of razor clam digs at four coastal beaches from Oct. 15 through Dec. 31. All beach openings are dependent on final approval of marine toxin testing, which usually occurs about a week or less prior to the start of each digging series. Below are the tentative dates, along with low tides and beaches.

Dec 12, Thursday, 4:00 p.m.; -0.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

Dec 13, Friday, 4:50 p.m.; -1.2 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks

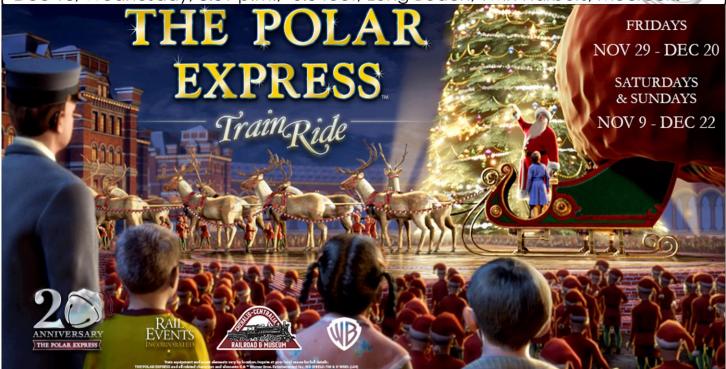
Dec 14, Saturday, 5:36 p.m.; -1.6 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks

Dec 15, Sunday, 6:21 p.m.; -1.6 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

Dec 16, Monday, 7:05 p.m.; -1.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Copalis

Dec 17, Tuesday, 7:48 p.m.; -1.1 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks

Dec 18, Wednesday, 8:31 p.m.; -0.5 feet; Long Beach, Twin Harbors, Mocrocks



## ANNUAL PARADE - SAT., DEC. 14TH, 2024





Members of the Pe Ell community and beyond have brightened 100's of children's holidays for more than 20 years through generous donations. We are asking for your help again this year. Our hope is that community members will stop by the Giving tree in our local Pe Ell Security State Bank branch and grab a tag. The gift tag will contain a child's age, gender, size, and any special wants or needs.

# Tag Pick Up November 25th December 19th

Pe Ell Security State Bank Branch Mon- Fri 11am - 12:30p & 1:30p - 4p

# Gift Drop Off

November 27th -December 20th

Witnessing the generosity of our community is truly overwhelming and a great way to enhance holiday spirit! We hope that you will be able to participate in this worthwhile event for our community youth.

If you are unable to grab a tag from the giving tree, Donations are greatly accepted in the "Giving Tree" account at the local Pe Ell Security State Bank branch. If you have any questions please contact:

Jilona Speer 360-291-3789 or 360-559-7554

or Facebook Messenger

Thank you in Advance!

# PASTA DINNER



# Pe Ell Athletics Fundraiser





## Cost

Adults: \$20.00

**Kids 10 and under: \$8.00** 



When: December 14, 2024: 2:30-5:30 pm

Where: Pe Ell School Cafeteria

Pe Ell vs Willapa Valley Boys and Girls

**Basketball Games** 



Spaghetti
Chicken Alfredo
Garlic Bread
Salad
Dessert





SANTA - SHOPPING - FOOD



Pictures With Santa

**HOSTED BY:** 





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FOR VENDOR INQUIRES EMAIL JASMINE AT YOURERACOACHING@GMAIL.COM

Free Entry







#### DEC. 14 & 15 10 AM-4 PM

The Dickens Family has returned.

Come and meet them at Fezziwig's Marketplace.

Artisans have selected their very best pieces for your shopping pleasure.

Well priced unique pieces for gifting during the holidays. Enjoy Treats with Tiny Tim and Charlie Dickens. Partake in Mrs. Cratchit's Mulled Hot Cider or

Mr. Cratchit's Royal Punch

This is a free event.

Please bring non-perishable items to the door where young Mr. Fezziwig and Mr. Scrooge will collect them for community food baskets. Don't let Mr. Scrooge give you the Bah Hum-Bug.

Contact: cosiartcenter@gmail.com



### Sunday

Bible Study 10:00 A.M. Worship 11:00 A.M. Evening Bible Study 6:00 P.M.

#### **Thursday**

Prayer Meeting 6:00 P.M.

112 Olive St, Chehalis, WA 98532



## NEW HARVEST CHURCH



134 Mauerman Rd.

Pe Ell, WA
360.523.2929

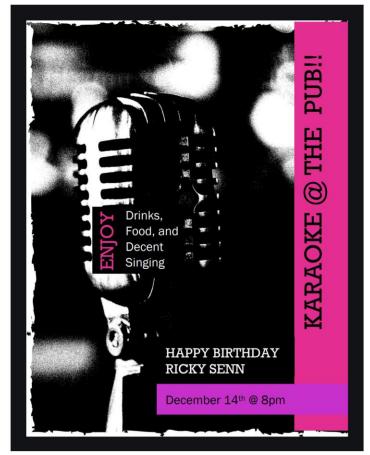
# Sunday Service at 10am with Pastor Christian DeCan

\*Childrens Church and Nursery\*

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www.mynewharvest.com

www.facebook.com/newharvestpeell





FREE ENTRANCE FOR ALL AGES

STARTS AT 10AM - 4PM Santa Pictures 12pm-3pm

Jester Auto Museum 321 Hamilton Rd. Chehalis. WA 98532







360.269.5858

360.345.1006







## HOLIDAY MARKET

WEEKENDS STARTING NOV 29TH THROUGH DECEMBER 22ND

www.Centraliafarmersmarket.org LOCATION: 2000 HAVILAND ST, CENTRALIA, WA











Saturday, December 14, 2024

9:00AM - 11:30AM

**ADNA GRANGE #417** 

123 DIECKMAN ROAD, ADNA, WA

\$6.00 - ALL AGES

PANCAKES, SCRAMBLED EGGS, SAUSAGE LINKS, DRINK, FRUIT CUP

KID'S MEAL INCLUDES A GIFT BAG, A VISIT WITH SANTA, A MAKE-AND-TAKE CRAFT, AND AN ORNAMENT TO MAKE & HANG ON SANTA'S TREE

Merry Christmas to all!





The Pe Ell Food Bank is OPEN on Wednesday, December 18th between 11:00 AM and Noon. Our new location is at New Harvest Church - 134 Mauerman RD. Please stop by if you are in need of a little extra assistance. The process is simple, we just need your name, number of people in your home and their ages, and the City in which you reside. That's it! We offer assistance the last Wednesday of the month between 11:00 am and Noon. We welcome your participation! Any questions, please feel free to contact: Brad Rhodes at 3608808067.

Donations can be made at any time. Call 3608808067















# LIDAY ESS-UP MEEK

SNOW DAY

DEC 16

UGLY **SWEATER**  DEC

CHRISTMAS CHARACTER! MOVIE

DEC

CHRISTMAS **PAJAMAS** 

DEC 19

Cold Moon (also called the Long Night Moon) is special and when the best times for viewing it are. December's full Moon is most commonly known as the Cold Moon—a Mohawk name that conveys the frigid conditions of this time of year when cold weather fruly begins to grip us. This full Moon has also been called the Long Night Moon (Mohican), as it rises during the "longest" nights of the year, near the December winter solstice. This name is doubly fitting because December's full Moon shines above the

Oh, the weather outside is frightful, but the Cold Moon

is so delightful! The full Moon for December appears on December 15,

2024. Learn why the full

horizon for a more extended period than most full Moons. Your chance to WIN a HAM!



Minors are welcome! Players must be 18+

# DOOR OPENS AT 5PM GAMES FROM 6PM - 8PM

Regular Bingo, 2 specials, blackout 3 cards/\$10

Cards only sold in multiples of three 50/50 - Raffle - Burgers/Dogs/Snacks

Progressive Bingo Game (after Regular Bingo)
Buy separate cards @ \$5/each; 4-card limit.
There WILL be a winner tonight!





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### artväna

### Paint N Sip!

Come and paint with Artvana at this family-friendly hot spot in Centralia! All skill levels are welcome. Your artist coach will guide you through each step of this painting and help you tap your inner creativity! We will be painting the 'Gift Truck' artwork!

Drinks are not included must be 21+ to consume alcohol this is an all-ages brewery and class.

Come relax and paint with us and discover how creativity (and beer) can help you unwind and reduce stress.

pre-registration is required. If PAINT THIS! you have any questions please reach out to

us at info@artvana.life See you at The Juice Box!

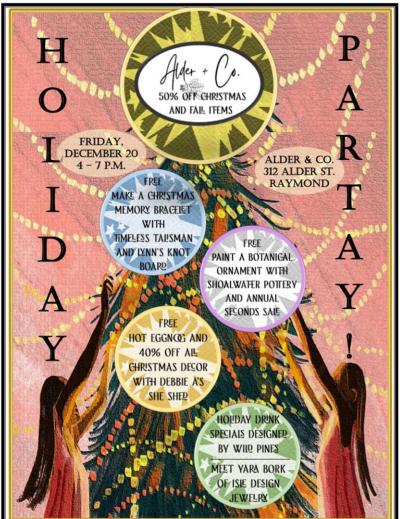


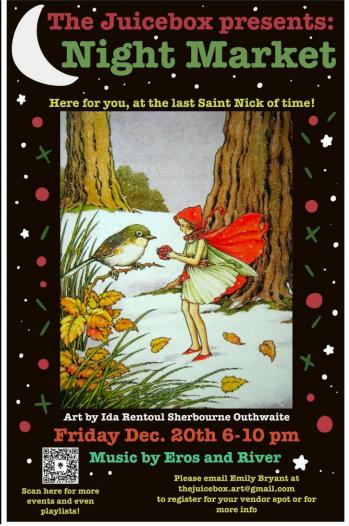
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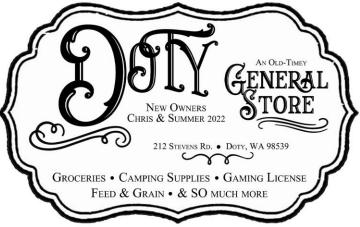










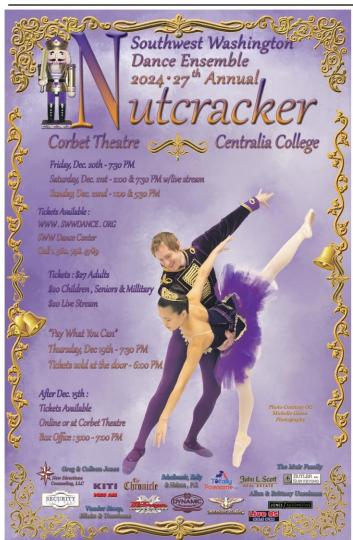


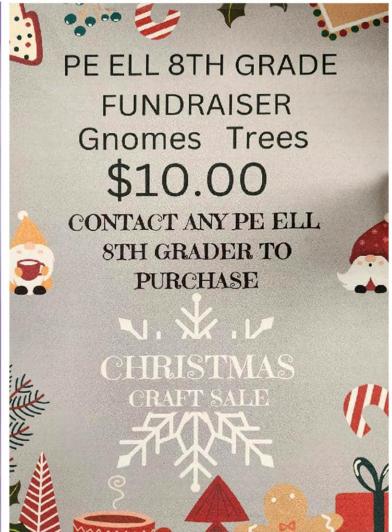
The Wes Knodel Centralia Gun & Knife Show will be held next on December 21st & 22nd, 2024. This Centralia gun show is held at South West

> Washington Fairgrounds and hosted by Wes Knodel Gun Shows. All federal and local firearm laws and ordinances must be obeyed. Contact: Kendra Alsterberg Phone: (503) 363-9564, Email: wkgsinc@gmail.com , http://wesknodelgunshows.com





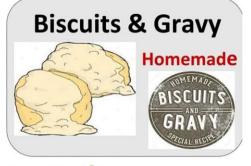




# Choices are so difficult!



Pancake Breakfast OR **Biscuits & Gravy** \$8.00



For More Information Contact: Lewis Zion - (360) 304-0779 Fred Wilson - (360) 864-4586 cowlitzprairiegrange@gmail.com 3rd Saturday of the month 7:00 am to 10:00 am

2024 Breakfast Dates December 21st

Cowlitz Prairie Grange # 737
5184 Jackson Hwy - Toledo, WA 98591 - (3 ½ miles N of Toledo on Jackson

Hwy)



IS COMING TO THE COMMUNITIES OF DOTY, DRYAD, & MESKILL

# THE DOTY STORE

WILL BE HOSTING SANTA - 212 STEVENS RD.

# Saturday December 21ST

Meet Santa - Get a Photo Bring your wishlist!

Arriving at Noon on the Fire Truck!

Come to the Doty Store and enjoy some hot chocolate and Christmas cookies





PACIFIC NW PET CENTER

**BEST PAW FORWARD** 

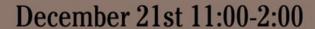




**LUNABONES BARKERY** 

Join us here at the Veterans Memorial Museum for our 1st pet adoption event!

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# Remember

<u>Dec 13th</u> Enrichment Day

Dec 14th

Athletics Pasta Dinner Fundraiser

<u>Dec 15th</u> Booster Club Meeting

<u>Dec 16th</u> Lock down Green Safety Drill

<u>Dec 18th</u> Holiday Concert

Dec 19th Hi-5 Assembly

Christmas Assembly

School Board Meeting

Last day of school for Winter Break

> Dec 23rd-Jan 3 Winter Break

> Jan 10th Enrichment Day

<u>Jan 12th</u> Booster Club Meeting

#### Booster Board Renewal!

It's renewal time for Booster Boards. The renewal fee is \$20. If you would like a Booster Board the initial cost is \$30 with an annual renewal fee of \$20. This is a great way to show support for our students. Contact Suzanne Nelson if you would like to get a board 360-520-9836. Thank you for supporting our students!

### **HS Basketball**

Dec 13

vs Valley

Dec 17

@ WSD

Dec 19

B vs Firm

G vs Rochester

Dec 27

B @ Ilwaco

Dec 28

B @ Ilwaco vs Taholah



## High School

Dec 14

@ W.F.West

**Dec 21** 

@ Mark Morris

Dec 27 & 28

@ Belfair



### Middle School

Dec 14

B- End of Year

@ Ilwaco



#### Future Youth Sports:

4-6th Boys Basketball - Register now November 4th-December 21st



Kindergarten Basketball, 4-6th Volleyball, 1st - 3rd Girls & Boys Basketball

> Get Kids Involved!





Contact Pam Watson, Lewis County 4-H Youth Development Agent To see what groups are available near you. extension.wsu.edu/ lewis/4h/



Join the BSA and start your Scouting journey Find a troop close to you, or start one.



younglife.

Local Leader

Mrs. Anne McCarty

Girl Scouts



girlscouts.org/en/get-involved/ become-a-girl-scout/join-a-troop.html

### Council Meeting December 3rd, 2024 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Willey. C.M. Dodd, C.M. Nichols, C.M. Speer, C.M. Fiedler, C.M. Milanowski, Mayor Willey, Clerk/Treasurer Oster, Water/Sewer Superintendent Webster, and Attorney Unzelman. There were 2 citizens present including Commissioner Pollock.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Speer to approve the agenda with the removal of the Comprehensive plan workshop and the addition of the Interlocal Agreement with Lewis County Emergency Management. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Fiedler and seconded by C.M. Nichols to approve the minutes from the previous regular meeting and the Public Hearing on 11/26/2024. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Speer to approve Blanket Voucher #202423 for Claim #'s 21920-21933 in the amount of \$30,580.01 and Payroll #'s 21911-21919 in the amount of \$17,032.94 for a Grand Total of \$47,612.95. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Milanowski and seconded by C.M. Speer to approve the purchase orders for a case of BOD bottles from USABluebook in the amount of \$547.94 including tax & shipping and a yearly subscription to Diamond Maps in the amount of \$384.00. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M.

Dodd and seconded by C.M. Speer to approve the utility bill adjustment for Acct# 1691 waive the \$1284.00 overage for a leak in the service line. Motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS** 

**NEW BUSINESS** 

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Fiedler to pass Ordinance #590- 2025 Budget. Motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by C.M. Dodd and seconded by C.M. Milanowski to authorize Mayor Willey to sign the Interlocal Agreement with Lewis County Emergency Management. Motion passed unanimously.

\*\*Council minutes are not official until they are passed formally at the next scheduled meeting\*\*

### **COMMUNITYchatter**

#### by Kristi Keller Milanowski

KBISTI'S KORNER

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!! A big thank you to all the volunteers, led by Jilona Spear, that decorated Memorial Park and to those that donated artificial trees, lights and decorations. Many thanks to Peter and Diane Schmid for donating the big tree in the park and to Sonny Kimokeo for helping haul it and set it up. Thank you to the Dellickers for opening the Copper Cozy and hosting Santa's visit and Holiday Market and to those that participated in the Lighted Tractor Parade.

Thank you to the Blumenthal and Marinez families for decorating the Welcome to Pe Ell park.

From my home to yours, I wish each and everyone a beautiful and blessed Merry Christmas!!

Continued thanks to Mike Jensen for his daily Hwy 6 road reports.

Until the next Pe Ell Sun rises, here are a few timely words to ponder: "Keep your face always toward the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you." Walt Whitman

We begin the second half of November Happy Birthdays with Kristi Keller Milanowski, Anthony Stull, Kathy Harmon, Trenton Wooster, Brit Lusk, Jackie Fluke, Joey McCalden, Toni Taylor Blair, Mike Spear, Aurora Ducette, Britney Patrick, Ruth Bensching, Les Lusk, Steve Ratkie, Andrew Woodward, Jules Oster, Kristine Rasmussen Miller, Sophie Lou Frantz, Lee Montgomery, Carolyn "Dup" Elliott, Glenn Epling, Ashley Shepherd O'Neal, Tim Moriarty, Garrett Spear, Mac Johnson, Desta Zock Urbano, Lila Bush, Alan Claar, Josh Whaley, Joey Vetter, Layla Smith, Ella Greenwood, Brookelynn King, Carl Zock, Jackson A. Lusk, Tammy Muller, Tanner Lusk, Derrick Capps, Trisha Anderson Simcox, Jim & John Stemkoski, Luke Harris, Ryan Holmes, Suzanne Alden Nelson, Larry Petersen, Gabe Coleman, Kristin West, P.J. McCarty and Shari Bryant Fuss.

Raise a Happy Anniversary toast to Mike & Chelsea Ducette, Tommy & Lauren Perez Hoogkamer, Larry & Mary Petersen, Dan & Debbie Perkins Justice, Darrell & Susie Gutsche and Dennis & Lisa Phelps

BIRTHDAYS ANNIVERSARIES

peers to one and all

Heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Teresa Boling.

Deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Clara Berg Lusk who passed on October 6th.

Heartfelt sympathy to the family of Bob Phillips.

Deepest condolences to the family and friends of Norm Brown.



Please continue keeping Louise Powell, Mickey Taylor, Kim Evans, Brénda Longnecker, Jenn Hill, Nancy Nichols, Carole Pedersen, Phyllis Justice, Bob McGraw, Jerry Bryant, Adylynn Pilz-Harris, Mike Heartsong, Carla West, Christina Myhre, Dan Justice, Lorén Ackerman, Linda Wood, Sherry McCalden, Obadiah Ratkie, Terry & Kris Miller, Crystal Urbán Partee, Gloria Toepelt Brooks, Sammy Glenn and Darla McCov Driver in your prayers.

Please keep missing person, Joni Hutton, in your prayers

Congratulations to Dakota and Abby Russell on the birth of their beautiful baby son,

Ty Dean Russell..



Congratulations to newlyweds
Mark
Habersetzer
and
Susi
Schulte!!

# TO DO: OPEN A DEPOSIT ACCOUNT AT SECURITY STATE BANK



PE ELL BRANCH HOURS:

Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

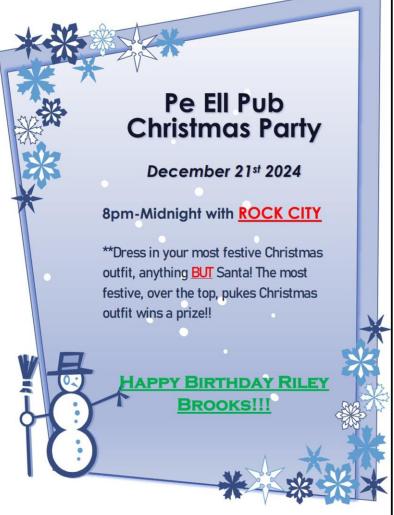
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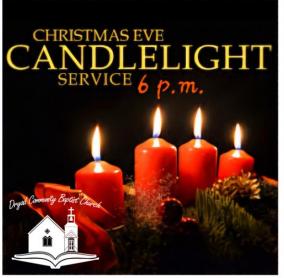
ssbwa.com - Pe Ell Branch - 360.291.2888



















With the help of our dedicated staff, we serve meals, create learning and enrichment opportunities, help our seniors with issues directly impacting their health and wellness and reach out to the community with fundraisers and other community events. Pe Ell Seniors meet at the Methodist Church for meals every Monday and Thursday. (416 1st Street S, Pe Ell) They also host a Pinochle Tournament the 3rd Thursday of the Month and would love to have you join them. Volunteers are always needed and welcome, if you would like to volunteer please visit lewiscountyseniors.org/volunteer/ to sign up.



Dec. 19th, 2024

Tournament starts at 10a Doors open by 9:30a Suggested Donation \$3-5 dollars for Seniors over 60 & \$10.69 if under 60

# Dec 16th Chili Burger WW/ Bun Fresh Veggies & Dip Peach Cobbler

Dec 23rd
Ham Steak
Funeral potatoes HM
Seasonal Vegetable
Pineapple

Dec 19th

Honey Garlic Shrimp Roasted Sweet Potato Peas & Carrots Fresh Fruit

> Dec 26th Chef's Choice

### A NUMBER TO REMEMBER

Non-Emergency Number 360.740.1105

NEXT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Dec. 17th, 2024 6 @ City Hall



SATURDAY, JANUARY 4TH DOORS OPEN AT 5PM, GAMES START AT 6PM
PE ELL VFW HALL - 411 S. 1ST ST.

50/50 RAFFLE PRIZES - FOOD - FUN

\$15 PER PERSON INCLUDES 3 BINGO CARDS 15 GAMES



THE OLD
FARMER'S
ALMANAC

Long-Range Weather Forecast for Pacific Northwest

Dec 10-14
Rainy, mild
Dec 15-22
Showers,
then sunny; mild
Dec 23-29
Rainy periods, mild

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FRIDAY 12p - 12a
SATURDAY 12p - 12a

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