

November 2025 - January 2026

ABOUT SENIOR SERVICES FOR SOUTH SOUND

Founded in 1973, Senior Services for South Sound has been dedicated to supporting seniors in our community for over 50 years! Our mission is simple: Improving the quality of life for people as they age.

TRIPS & TOURS POLICIES

- Trips & Tours are open to everyone 18 and older.
- Individuals requiring special assistance must provide their own caregiver.
- If you require accommodations such as use of a mobility device or service animal, please notify the Trips & Tours office when you register for a trip. Some trips are not appropriate for mobility devices. See the Activity Level Guide on page 4 and 5 to learn more about our trip ratings.
- Pets are not allowed on trips, but trained service animals are welcome. Please let our staff know at time of registration if you will be bringing a trained service animal with you.
- Trips & Tours is a fragrance free organization. We appreciate your cooperation.
- Senior Services reserves the right to change the schedule and/or components of a trip without notice.
- All trip participants must have emergency contact and medical waiver forms on file prior to trip departure. Trip leaders will have forms available at points of departure.
- The Trips & Tours staff act only as agents for trips and shall not be held responsible for any accidents, loss, or injuries that may occur. All passengers are covered by common carrier insurance. Trips & Tours does not accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalties.
- Senior Services reserves the right to refuse any person as a tour participant and expel anyone whose conduct is incompatible with the well-being of the group.

PAYMENTS, REFUNDS AND CANCELLATIONS

Your full payment and/or deposit reserves your reservation and constitutes acceptance of our program terms and policies. Deposits and travel certificates are non-refundable. Reservations may be made online at southsoundseniors.org, by phone at 360.586.6181 Ext 126, or in person at the Trips & Tours office in the Olympia Center.

Additional payment, refund and cancellation terms:

Day trips:

- \$20 non-refundable deposit to register
- Payment in full due 14 days prior to trip
- Cancellations 0-13 days prior no refund
- Cancellations 14+ days prior full refund, minus \$20 deposit

OTHER CANCELLATIONS

On rare occasions, trips may need to be canceled due to weather and road conditions, poor air quality, or other unforeseen circumstances. The safety of our travelers is our top priority. If a trip is cancelled by Senior Services, a full refund will be issued within four weeks.

TRIP DEPARTURES

Olympia Senior Center: 222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia

Lacey Community Center: 6729 Pacific Ave SE, Lacey – turn right at the roundabout and bear right into the parking lot. The Senior Services bus will pick you up near the bathrooms, not in front of the Virgil Clarkson Lacey Senior Center.

Please arrive 15 minutes prior to trip departure time. All trips depart on time, drivers will not wait for latecomers.

ACTIVITY LEVEL GUIDE

Each trip has an Activity Level rating to help you choose one that matches your comfort and ability. This ensures a safe, enjoyable experience for everyone. Please contact us if you have questions or need help choosing a trip that is best suited for you. If you require accommodations such as the use of a mobility device or service animal, please notify the Trips & Tours office at time of registration.



Physical:

Moderate mobility required with low physical impact

Distance:

Continuous walking up to 1/4 miles or 1-2 city blocks within 20 minutes

Terrain:

Mostly paved, smooth surfaces

Stairs:

5-7 stairs

Standing:

Up to 30 minutes without seated breaks

Rest breaks:

Additional rest breaks will be available when possible

Bus boarding:

2-3 times, multi-stair entry

Assistive Mobility Devices:

May be suitable but participants should inquire in advance of making a reservation.



Physical:

Good mobility required with moderate physical impact

Distance:

Continuous walking up to 1/2 miles or 4-6 city blocks within 20 minutes

Terrain:

Usually paved smooth surfaces, but possibly some uneven and unpaved surfaces

Stairs:

1 - 2 flights of stairs and possible additional steps

Standing:

Up to 30 minutes without seated breaks

Rest breaks:

Limited and possibly inconsistent

Bus boarding:

2-4 times, multi-stair entry

Assistive Mobility Devices:

Unlikely suitable; please inquire before making a reservation.

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Moderately Difficult

Physical:

Good mobility required with moderate to high physical impact

Distance:

Continuous hiking up to 1 mile or walking up to 8-10 city blocks within 25 minutes

Terrain:

Likely uneven and unpaved surfaces

Stairs:

3 flights of stairs

Standing:

Up to 60 minutes without seated breaks

Rest breaks:

Limited and inconsistent

Bus boardina:

3-5 times, multi-stair entry

Assistive Mobility Devices:

Unlikely suitable; please inquire before making a reservation.



Physical:

Excellent mobility required with high physical impact

Distance:

Continuous hiking up to 2 miles or walking up to 16 city blocks within 30-60 minutes

Terrain:

Likely uneven and unpaved surfaces

Stairs:

3-4 flights of stairs

Standing:

60 or more minutes without seated breaks

Rest breaks:

I imited and inconsistent

Bus boarding:

3-5 times, multi-stair entry

Assistive Mobility Devices:

Unlikely suitable; please inquire before making a reservation.



Wednesday, November 5

#42550

PRICE:

\$69 Members \$89 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 8:30 am Lacey 9:00 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN: 3:30 pm

FEW SPOTS LEFT!

This trip is a wonderful opportunity to shop and gain inspiration for your home. Don't miss out on this fun experience!

With almost 400,000 sq ft of shopping space and a 600 seat restaurant, IKEA is more than just a store ...it's an experience. You'll have lots of time to browse the shopping center at your own pace and have a delicious lunch at the IKEA Swedish cafe.





Friday, November 7

#42558

PRICE:

\$69 Members \$89 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, event admission fees and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:30 am <u>Lacey 10</u>:00 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

4:30 pm

Step into the holiday spirit at this beloved vintage market filled with festive charm!

Located at the King County Expo Center in Enumclaw, this annual market is brimming with antiques, farmhouse décor, handcrafted gifts, and seasonal treasures. With 80+ booths of vendors and plenty of holiday cheer, it's the perfect way to shop local and find unique gifts for everyone on your list.

We'll start our shopping day with lunch together at a local restaurant.





Wednesday, November 12

#42553

PRICE:

\$139 Members \$159 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, all class fees and materials, museum admission and tour, and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:30 am Lacey 10:00 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

5:30 pm

MODERATE

Experience the wonder of glassmaking at the Museum of Glass!

After a guided tour of the exhibits, learn the art of glass fusing in a hands-on workshop with Museum instructors. Working with flat sheets of glass and decorative elements, you'll design and assemble a 4x4 glass tile. Your piece will then be fired in an electric kiln, transforming it into a smooth, solid work of art to keep. After creating our unique pieces of glass art at the museum, we'll walk 4-5 blocks to a local pub for lunch together.

We have tables reserved at a local pub.



PRICE:

\$99 Members \$119 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, admissions and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:00 am Lacey 9:30 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

4:30 pm

Modeled after the traditional outdoor Christmas markets found in the Nordic countries, this community celebration at the gorgeous National Nordic Museum in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle features all the fun and goodies associated with the Nordic holidays, with a Pacific Northwest twist!

Along with the Nordic Christmas market, there will be live entertainment in the Valhalla Beer Hall and throughout the Julefest grounds. Food vendors will be on site for an opportunity to try Nordic delicacies at your leisure for lunch. This event takes place indoors and outside of the museum, so dress for the weather if you want the full festival experience.



*Food and beverages will be available at the event. You are responsible for paying for your own meal.



Thursday, December 4

#42555

PRICE:

\$79 Members \$99 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, festival admission and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 10:30 am Lacey 11:00 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

4:00 pm

The 37TH annual Victorian Country Christmas Festival at the Washington State Fairgrounds is always a delightful experience for all.

This annual festival boasts more than 500 vendors, live stage shows, gourmet food and a winter wine garden. It's all set against a fantastic backdrop made to recreate a Victorian-era shopping experience. You'll have plenty of time to browse all the unique vendors and sample the delicious snacks and food from the myriad of food concessionaires.

*Food and beverages will be available at the event. You are responsible for paying for your own meal.





Tuesday, December 9

#42556

PRICE:

\$59 Members \$79 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, holiday light tour admission and snack

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 3:00 pm Lacey 3:30 pm

APPROXIMATE RETURN: 8:00 pm

Everyone loves holiday lights!
Fantasy Lights at Spanaway Park features nearly 300 elaborate displays of thousands of sparkling lights and digital displays, all set to a customized holiday soundtrack. The beautiful drive along Spanaway Lake has become a memorable Pacific Northwest holiday tradition.

We'll stop for an early supper before the holiday light show. We have tables reserved at a McNamara's Irish Pub.





Thursday, December 11

#42557

PRICE:

\$209 Members \$229 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, theater admission and fees, and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:00 am Lacey 9:30 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

6:00 pm

Feel the thrill of Disney's awardwinning musical as it comes alive on stage at Seattle's historic Paramount Theatre. With breathtaking costumes, stunning puppetry and the unforgettable music of Elton John and Tim Rice, The Lion King is a Broadway experience like no other.

We'll have lunch together at the nostalgic Poodle Dog Restaurant on our way up to Seattle.





Sunday, December 14

#42559

PRICE:

\$79 Members \$99 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, private buffet lunch, all admissions and fees, and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Lacey 10:30 am Olympia 11:00 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

5:00 pm

Celebrate the holiday season close to home with a day of festive charm.

Our outing begins at the Capitol Campus, where the Legislative Building is beautifully adorned for the season and a grand Christmas tree shines in the rotunda. We'll gather for a private luncheon at the elegant Octapas Café, then be swept up in the joyous sounds of the Capital City Chorus in concert at the Capital HS Performing Arts Center. This enchanting holiday experience is a perfect way to enjoy the season within our own community.

The meal and a soft drink is included in our private dining experience.

MODERATE

*Additional beverages will be available for purchase.



RESIN ART EXPERIENCE

Thursday, January 15

#42601

PRICE:

\$149 Members \$169 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, workshop fees and materials, and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:00 am Lacey 9:30 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

4:30 pm

Join us for a creative afternoon, where you'll learn how to craft your own unique colorful resin suncatcher—perfect for adding a touch of sparkle to your window at home. In this fun and interactive workshop, an experienced instructor will guide us through the resin crafting process step by step, providing a variety of colors and materials. After class, we'll have lunch together and, if time allows, stop by a local art store to browse for inspiration and supplies.

We have tables reserved at a local restaurant.





Wednesday, January 21

#42602

PRICE:

\$79 Members \$99 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, planetarium admission and fees, and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:30 am Lacey 10:00 am

APPROXIMATE
RETURN:
3:00 pm

Join us on an adventure into the cosmos. Our journey through the universe happens at the Pierce College Science dome, a digital planetarium that is the only one of its kind in the South Puget Sound region. At this immersive and interactive theater, we'll learn about the size and scale of the universe. After an informative presentation at the Dome, we'll have lunch together at a local restaurant.

We have tables reserved at a local restaurant.





Wednesday, January 28

#42603

PRICE:

\$129 Members \$149 General Public

INCLUDED:

Transportation, trip planning, all museum admissions and tour fees, and snack.

DEPARTURE:

Olympia 9:00 am Lacey: 9:30 am

APPROXIMATE RETURN:

4:00 pm

Step back in time as we explore the elegance and innovation of America's Gilded Age. Our day begins at the WW Seymour Botanical Conservatory, where lush plants thrive inside a striking glass conservatory dating back to 1908. From there, we'll walk approximately 6 blocks to the McMenamins Elks Temple, a beautifully restored landmark built at the close of the Gilded Age. After lunch together, we'll head to the Washington State History Museum for a docent-led tour, highlighting the culture and artistry of the Gilded Age era.

Join us for a day filled with history, architecture, and beauty!

We have tables reserved at the historic Elk Lodge McMenamins.

MODERATELY DIFFICULT

Are you ready to play bingo?



With six exciting 21+ bingo nights alternating between the Virgil Clarkson Lacey Senior Center and the Olympia Senior Center, and hosted by local storyteller Elizabeth Lord, you're in for a year of laughs, prizes and unforgettable fun. Doors open at 6:00 pm, games start at 7:00 pm and it's cash only for entry, the bar, and snacks. Enjoy \$60 game payouts, \$2 Special Games tickets, a costume contest, a 50/50 raffle, and daubers available for purchase. Grab your friends and make it a bingo year to remember!

EXTENDED TRAVEL IN 2026

All Extended Travel prices include roundtrip airfare from SeaTac, hometown transfers to and from the airport, all air taxes and fees. For more information about the Extended Travel itineraries and registrations, visit, call or email the Trips & Tours office.



MACKINAC ISLAND WITH COLLETTE TOURS

April 30 — May 8, 2026

PRICE: Double Occupancy: \$4,499 per person Single Occupancy: \$5,499 per person

This classic Midwestern tour features Illinois and Michigan. Savor two incredible nights amid the luxury of the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Enjoy a horse and buggy tour of Mackinac Island. Explore the wonderful city of Chicago with a local guide. View extraordinary flowers in bloom at Holland's Tulip Time Festival. Visit historic homes and workshops of American icons.

DISCOVER BRITISH LANDSCAPES FEATURING THE ROYAL EDINBURGH MILITARY TATTOO WITH COLLETTE TOURS

August 23 — September 1, 2026

PRICE: Double Occupancy: \$5,599 per person Single Occupancy: \$6,699 per person

An adventure fit for a Shakespearean tale takes you from verdant hillsides to bustling British cities rich with culture. Experience Edinburgh's historic ambiance along the Royal Mile, visit Edinburgh Castle, and witness The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. Enjoy medieval York Minster and the castle of Conwy in Wales. See the sights of London. Sleepy villages, grassy slopes, mountainside lakes, and cities built upon layers of history — these are the landscapes of Britain.

ALBUQUERQUE BALLOON FIESTA & SANTA FE WITH PREMIER TRAVEL

October 2 - 7,2026

PRICE: Double Occupancy: \$3,849 per person Single Occupancy: \$4,799 per person

Experience the Land of Enchantment: beautiful landscapes, history and architecture. Marvel at the world's largest & most famous Albuquerque Balloon Fiesta and the morning Mass Ascension. After the iconic "High Road to Taos", enjoy a guided tour through Taos Pueblo. This Pueblo is a UNESCO World Heritage Site dating back for over 1,000 years. Enjoy a 3 night stay in historic Santa Fe, America's oldest state capital city, featuring the Santa Fe Plaza, the Palace of the Governors, and a visit to the Loretto Chapel to learn of its mysterious past.

DISCOVER AUSTRALIA'S OUTBACK TO NEW ZEALAND'S SOUTH ISLAND WITH COLLETTE TOURS

November 4 — 23, 2026

PRICE: Double Occupancy: \$9,999 per person Single Occupancy: \$12,199 per person

Venture through the natural splendor of New Zealand's Southern Alps and the stillness of Australia's rugged Outback. Delve into the underwater world of the Great Barrier Reef. Take a "Dreamtime tour" in the Outback, introducing you to Aboriginal life and culture. Tour Sydney Opera House and enjoy a delightful dinner cruise of Sydney Harbour. Cruise Milford Sound. From Alice Springs and Uluru (Ayers Rock) to snow-capped peaks and fjords, explore the diverse wonders of the lands Down Under.





Mark your calendars!

Next Showcase:

Friday, January 23

Virgil Clarkson Lacey Senior Center 2:00 - 3:30 pm





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