

Resident Councils of Washington

Resident Conferences

Who are residents? We are:

- People who live in nursing homes, assisted living, adult family homes and retirement homes
- The eyes, ears and voice of our friends, roommates and family members of long-term care facilities
- Long-term care residents organized to ensure and strengthen our rights, self worth, independence and values

Conference goals:

- To give the Residents Councils of Washington Board of Directors and other residents the opportunity to plan and direct statewide conferences
- To provide us, as residents, with a forum to share our thoughts and experiences on issues and interests that affect our lives.
- To work with ombudsmen, staff and other residents in an environment that is fun and resolves potential conflicts
- To prioritize our issues of concern, educate ourselves as to creative solutions and help us step out of the box, think creatively and develop teams that have fun and can make a difference

Conferences are planned by steering committees consisting of residents, ombudsmen, activity directors, social workers, marketing directors, managers, administrators and family members of local communities. Eight are planned for 2009 - in Ellensburg, Tri-Cities and Clark, Snohomish, (Clallam and Jefferson), King, Spokane, (Mason, Thurston and Lewis), counties. These conferences are unique to each county. Residents have different priorities in different counties. The agenda usually includes resource sharing, maybe a keynote speaker, 2-3 breakout sessions followed by a wrap up, lunch and entertainment lasting about 4 hours

Conferences are free to residents. We ask for a small donation from staff and volunteers and sponsorship help from the community hosting the conference.

"Getting to Know You" Luncheons

The Board of Directors would like to get acquainted with YOU. We have been scheduling programs for county resident leaders since our first three at Providence Mt. St. Vincent (King County), Bridgeport Place Assisted Living (Pierce) and Everett Rehab (Snohomish) were so successful. We are looking for sponsors for other counties.

Resident Conferences planned for 2009

(Preliminary - details forthcoming)

(Partners in Progress - Resident Planned, Resident Centered Conferences designed to hear from resident leaders and peers, to network and problem solve.)

Generally all have been scheduled from 9:30 or 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 or 2:00 p.m.)

Ellensburg

Thursday, March 18, 2009

Time pending

Dry Creek Retirement Home

818 E Mountain View Ave.

Ellensburg, WA 98926

"Nuts and Bolts of Resident Councils"

9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Centralia

Thursday, October 8, 2009

Sharon Care Center

1509 Harrison Ave.

Centralia, WA 98531

Spokane

Friday, March 20, 2009

9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Moran Vista Senior Community

3319 E 57th Ave

Spokane, WA

"Put the Spring back into Your Step"

"Build personal, community and leisure opportunities"

Vancouver

Thursday, June 17, 2009

9:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The Quarry at Columbia Tech Center

415 SE 177th Avenue

Vancouver, WA 98683

Tri-Cities

Tuesday, July 28, 2009

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Hawthorne Court

524 N. Ely

Kennewick, WA 99337

Snohomish

Friday, August 14, 2009

place pending

Sequim

Wednesday, September 15, 2009

place pending

"Healing Power of Laughter"

King County

Wednesday, September 23, 2009

place pending