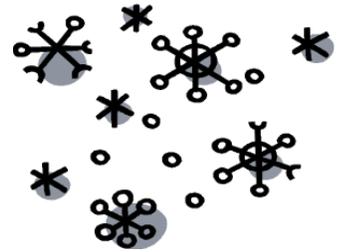




VOLUNTEER HOSPICE OF CLALLAM COUNTY

# HOSPICE HAPPENINGS



Compassionate care for the terminally ill, their caregivers and their families

Serving our community since 1978

**Fall 2019– Winter 2020**



Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County is a 501(c)3 non-profit charitable organization, whose service area stretches from Diamond Point to Joyce.

The mission of Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County is to provide physical, emotional and spiritual support to terminally ill patients and their families with free around the clock registered nursing availability and trained volunteers.

This support enables patients to live out their final days as fully and comfortably as possible. Ongoing grief support services are also offered to the families and anyone in the community who has experienced the death of a loved one.

Since its inception in 1978, all services have been provided free of charge to patients and their families; VHOCC does not bill any government agency for its services.

## VHOCC during 2019

As we near the end of 2019, we, at VHOCC, have a lot to be grateful for and excited about.

In our 41<sup>st</sup> year of serving our community, we are providing palliative and hospice care to an average of 130 patients a month, which is an all-time high. We are looking to expand our nursing team to meet the growing need of care. Please email Bette Wood, Patient Care Manager, at [bette.w@vhocc.org](mailto:bette.w@vhocc.org) if you know of someone who would like to join our team.

In October, we welcomed our new Executive Director, Dr. JooRi Jun. The need for someone to take the helm has been underscored in recent years with the tremendous growth we experienced. Dr. Jun will work closely with the board to lead and guide the organization into its next chapter of growth, allowing for staff to focus on what they do best.

We are thrilled to report that we have moved into our new offices! Purchasing a space that is sufficient for our needs was made possible by a generous donation in 2015 from an anonymous donor who anticipated our need for a larger space and made it a condition of their donation. In addition, a grant from Mangan Fund, generous contributions of time by volunteers, and in-kind donations made renovations possible. Our new space can house a larger nursing team, an expanding volunteer base, enhanced community education and bereavement programs, and an ever-growing medical equipment lending closet. Please come visit us in our new space at the corner of East 8<sup>th</sup> and Race if you haven't already!

All this was made possible by your generous support, allowing us to meet the growing needs of the community. We cherish the opportunity to continue to make an impact. Great things are occurring at VHOCC because of your support. However you support us, please know you make a difference in the lives of those in our community.

## Board of Directors

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## Nursing Staff

*Patient Care Manager*  
Bette Wood, RN

*Assistant Patient Care Manager*  
Molly Wallace, RN, BSN

Trish Buckingham, RN  
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## Administrative Staff

*Executive Director*  
JooRi Jun, ND

*Volunteer Services Manager*  
Astrid Raffinpeyloz, MA

*Office Services Manager*  
Lyn Gilbert

## Volunteer of the Month

September Polly Sarsfield  
October Ken Hansen  
November John Matson  
December Holiday Luncheon &  
Annual General Meeting

**WE CAN DO WHAT WE DO BECAUSE OF YOU**

## A message from Dr. JooRi Jun, Executive Director

Dear VHOCC Community,



*Photo credit: Jesse Major, PDN*

I feel incredibly privileged and blessed to have the opportunity to serve as VHOCC's new Executive Director. When I first learned about VHOCC, I was immediately drawn to its heart-centered and unique mission and knew I wanted to become a part of it. As a naturopathic physician and spiritual care provider, I am passionate about serving those who are at the end of life and providing support to their families. It is beautiful and sacred work. It is an honor to provide leadership to staff and work with VHOCC's board of directors to continue Rose Crumb's founding vision and enhance VHOCC's service to the community.

Since I have started, every day, I am astounded by the sheer number of volunteers and the hours they put in to help us run VHOCC. I am humbled by the nurses who come to this work as part of their calling. I am grateful to be working with a highly dedicated board and a talented administrative team.

I want to thank those who have welcomed me to VHOCC, and I look forward to meeting more of the donors, volunteers, and community members who have placed their confidence in us and in our work. VHOCC depends on your support to continue to make an impact in our community. We will strive to be better each day and look forward to working with you.

Warmly,

JooRi Jun, ND  
Executive Director  
joori.j@vhocc.org

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## THANK YOU

### for your contribution toward our offices

Bill Lindberg at Lindberg and Smith Architects  
Jim Miller and Ken Sands at Miller Construction  
Michael Bucierka, board member  
David Gilbert, board member  
Lyn Gilbert, Office Service Manager  
Ed Hopfner, honorary board member  
Trisa Katsikapes at Trisa & Co. Interior Design  
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Jason Doig at Bliemeister Wood Works  
Paula Richter, RN and Jay Richter  
Lauren Davenport, RN  
Chas Bridge, Ted Carpenter, Rosalinda Castiglioni,  
Milt Cole, Cindy Grey, Trish Holden, Van Maxwell,  
Judy Samples, Mary Sherwood, Elinor Tennyson  
All subcontractors and all other volunteers

December 1 through 31, 2019

## Radiant Light

Volunteer Hospice will host its Annual Radiant Light, an opportunity to honor your loved ones and show gratitude to Hospice.

Come by during business hours to hang a star on our tree and sign our guest book.

Donations welcome

### Volunteers' Corner



Lori Whitman Jacobs is a respite volunteer and a successful fundraiser. Here's what her rowboat, SPURT TOO, had to say about the rowing race during the Sequim Bay Yacht Club "Reach and Row for Hospice" fundraiser in September.

*My owner, Lori Whitman Jacobs, and I want to thank you for your generous donation to Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County (VHOCC). Guess it means a lot to her, although I was just along for the "ride"?! That is what it was as she rowed me in Sequim Bay totally off course! I did row over a "harbor seal" and he or she chose to follow me for some distance. The seal kept popping up by me which was pretty cool. My owner DID finally row me across the finish line. We placed last, but I certainly did not care and my owner was so pleased. She had completed her first attempt participating in Reach & Row for Hospice! Guess this meant a lot to my owner.*

*Thanks again for your generous donation to VHOCC.*

SPURT TOO



Wednesday January 1, 2020

Polar Bear Dip — 10 am

Benefitting Volunteer Hospice of Clallam County

This New Year's Day the Port Angeles Polar Bear Dip will celebrate 32 years of dipping and 8 years of fundraising for VHOCC.



Red Lion Hotel will provide hot drinks. VHOCC will offer muffins to all dippers and spectators, accept donations and round up valuable volunteers.

Our Executive Director is taking on challenges and will plunge for your donations. We invite all volunteers, staff, and community supporters to come join in on the fun and excitement. Whether as a polar bear plunger, a helper at the booth, or an enthusiastic spectator, we would love to see you there!

Need more information? **Call Dan at 360-477-2586**



Please join us for a

# Remembrance Ceremony

candle lighting · group address · refreshments  
sharing, visiting and honoring loved ones

## WHO

All are welcome – families, community members,  
past/present employees and volunteers

## WHEN

Saturday, February 8, 2020 at 2 p.m.

## WHERE

First Presbyterian Church, 139 W. 8th St, Port Angeles

[vhocc.org](http://vhocc.org)



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of Clallam County  
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## HOSPICE HUGS

Haller Foundation

Mangan Fund

Rayonier Community Fund

*Grant Awards*

Moose Lodge

Olympic Cellars Winery

Radio Control Air Show - Air Affaire

Sequim Bay Yacht Club

Reach and Row for Hospice Regatta & Rowing Race

*Community Sponsored Fundraisers*

Alder Wood Bistro

Oak Table Cafe

Swain's General Store

*Gift Certificates for Volunteer of the Month Program*

Abby Dean

*Remembrance Ceremony Poster Design*

Graduating Class of 1969

*Memorial for Deceased Classmates*

Red Lion Hotel

Swain's General Store

*Participation in Polar Bear*

United Way of Clallam County

United Way of Los Angeles

## EVENTS: INFORMATION AT 360-452-1511

Dec.1-31, 2019, Radiant Light Christmas Tree, VHOCC Office,  
Port Angeles

Dec. 10, 2019: VHOCC Holiday Luncheon & Annual General  
Meeting, Sequim

Jan. 1, 2020: Polar Bear Dip, Hollywood Beach, Port Angeles

Feb. 8, 2020: Remembrance Ceremony, First Presbyterian  
Church, 136 W. 8th Street, Port Angeles

## COMMUNITY ORIENTATION TO VOLUNTEER HOSPICE

First Thursday every month, 11 am - Noon, Sequim

Call the Volunteer Services Manager 360-775-7806 for address

First Friday every month, 10 am - 11 am

Conference Room, 829 East 8th Street, Port Angeles

## PROGRAMS: INFORMATION & REGISTER AT 360-452-1511

### Community Education & Volunteer Training Series

March 20, 2020 - April 24: in Sequim

Fall 2020: in Port Angeles

### Grief Support Groups

Sequim: Mondays, Jan. 27, 2020 - Feb. 24, 1 - 3 pm

Port Angeles: Spring 2020: Tuesdays, 2 - 3:30 pm

Drop-In Support Groups Sequim and Port Angeles  
(after completion of one of our Grief Support Groups)

"Living Alone Now" Workshops Focused on practical matters  
for those who have lost a spouse or partner. Call for dates.

One-on-One Grief Support For anyone in the community  
grieving a loss. Call for details.