FALL REGISTRATION OPENS AUGUST 16
A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

At the beginning of the year, PenMet Parks made a commitment to continue our focus on collaboration, listening, and learning from our community. Your input guides how we prioritize and deliver park and recreation opportunities to enhance the quality of life in this beautiful place where we live, work, and play. We have kept that commitment and engaged in conversation with you. I am sincerely grateful for your time and for the thoughtful consideration you have provided this year during workshops, open houses, community meetings, steering committee meetings, survey responses, and comments on our website and social media. Through these interactions, we have learned from you how PenMet Parks can be a leader in promoting health and well-being in a thriving community.

As a result of your feedback, we have added more programs for seniors, special populations, and teens. We have elevated the quality of our four-season recreational youth sports leagues and introduced more free community events like summer concerts in the park and a trunk-or-treat this fall. We are investing in capital facilities like renovating the beloved Rosedale Hall to improve accessibility and replace aged systems as well as improving access to saltwater recreation at the DeMolay Sandspit. Construction on the new indoor Community Recreation Center begins this summer. We are listening.

Our work is not done. Looking ahead, the District will adopt its Parks, Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan this fall. The PROS Plan, guided by your input, is the physical manifestation of our strategic plan and will act as the blueprint to advance your park and recreation priorities over the next several years. This fall, District residents will be asked to vote on renewing the expiring levy that was last approved in 2017. If approved, additional funds would be used to enhance access to park and recreation opportunities consistent with the priorities identified by our community through open forums and surveys.

This park and recreation guide is filled with opportunities to get involved with your park system. Read on to learn more about programs, parks, and important District updates. Financial assistance is available for all ages. As always, we welcome your feedback and are committed to continuing the dialogue. See you at the park!

Sincerely,

Ally Bujacich, Executive Director
In the November 7 general election, PenMet Parks will ask District residents to vote on a renewal of the park and recreation levy.

The levy is not a new request but restores the tax rate of $.75 per $1,000 of assessed property value that voters last approved in 2017.

If assessed values increase an average of 2.5% per year, the levy could provide over $17 million of additional funds over six years. Funds would allow PenMet Parks to increase access to parks and recreation opportunities, like hiking and walking trails, open space, saltwater beaches, and programs for all ages.

Renewing the levy would provide funding to maintain, improve, and acquire high-quality parks and park facilities, expanding access to:

- Trails and open spaces.
- Saltwater beaches and recreation.
- Parkland amenities and activities.
- Programs for all, including seniors, adults, vulnerable populations, and youth.

Learn more: https://penmetparks.org/levy-renewal/
INTRODUCTION TO WATERCOLOR
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Fee $40/month
Tuesdays, 11 AM-12:30 PM
If you’ve ever wanted to try watercolor painting, this class is the perfect place to start. Learn the fundamentals of watercolor painting, including choosing the right materials, mixing colors, and using different brush techniques. Even if you’ve never picked up a paintbrush before, you’ll be able to create beautiful watercolor paintings. Materials provided. Bring your creativity and a willingness to learn.

SO YOU’VE ALWAYS WANTED TO TRY - ART!
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Fee $249
Wednesdays 10/4-11/8, 2-4PM
Discover the joy of artistic exploration. Each week we’ll try a different art medium. We’ll start with the basics of design, and move through a range of mediums which may include drawing, photography, collage, acrylics, watercolor, even flower arranging and mosaic. We provide all the necessary supplies.

MOSAIC ART
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 18+
Join local artist Barbara Henderson in creating decorative mosaic art using glass, beads, and a variety of mosaic techniques. Suitable for beginners and intermediate artists, this course offers step-by-step instructions and a featured project to showcase your creativity. All materials provided.

SUNSET MOSAIC
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 18+ • Fee $55
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PENDANTS
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 18+ • Fee $50
ID# 6018 11/4 1-4 PM Sa

SENIOR BOWLING MEETUP
Ocean5 • Ages 55+ • Fee $5
Thursdays, 3-4:30 PM
This fun-filled meetup is designed for seniors who want to socialize, stay active, and enjoy some friendly competition. Everyone is welcome to participate; no experience is required. Get ready to strike up new friendships while knocking down some pins! Shoes and equipment provided.

SENIOR TRIP
Meet at Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Fee $35
Friday, 9/15, 1-5 PM
Take an artistic field trip to explore the Gig Harbor area’s Open Studio Tour -- leave the driving to us. Discover our vibrant art community showcasing a variety of mediums. Interact with local artists, experience their creative process, and gain insight into their inspiration. Transportation provided by PenMet Parks.

FIRST FRIDAY SENIOR SOCIALS
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Free
First Fridays, 11 AM-12:30 PM
Join us for interactive sessions with a variety of knowledgeable speakers on topics related to healthy and happy aging. We’ll cover books written by local authors, Medicare and Social Security updates, enhanced travel resources, memoir writing tips, and much more. Refreshments will be served. Bring your friends.

SECOND FRIDAY STITCH & CHAT
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Free
Second Fridays, 9/8-12/8, 11 AM-12:30 PM
Bring your current stitchery project - knitting, crocheting, embroidery, mending, and hand sewing - for a fun and productive session. Refreshments will be served. Invite a friend to join!

THIRD FRIDAY GAMES GALORE
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Free
Third Fridays, 9/15-12/15, 11 AM-12:30 PM
Enjoy a wide variety of card and board games on the third Friday of each month. We’ll host Bingo, Bunco, trivia, and yard games on a rotating basis. Invite your friends - the more the merrier!

SAIL: STAY ACTIVE & INDEPENDENT FOR LIFE
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Fee $20
Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1:30-2:30 PM
This is a strength, balance, and fitness class for adults wishing to stay active and independent and reduce fall risks. The focus of this class is on having fun while exercising with music, chairs, and light weights.
TAI CHI - BEGINNER
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 18+ • Fee $20
Tai Chi promotes health and relaxation through a series of flowing, gentle movements. Classes will offer easy-to-follow warm-up exercises and the teaching of principles and sequences through a series of flowing, gentle movements. There will be a focus on breathing, posture, and fluid movement. Students will learn a ten-movement form serving as an introduction to Tai Chi. No experience is necessary. John, Angela, and Peggy are a team of collaborative instructors with over many of experience as students and leaders of Yang style Tai Chi.

Mondays 5:30-6:30 PM
ID# 6076 September
ID# 6077 October
ID# 6078 November
ID# 6079 December

Wednesdays 10:45-11:45 AM
ID# 6072 September
ID# 6073 October
ID# 6074 November
ID# 6075 December

TAI CHI - INTERMEDIATE
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 21+ • Fee $20
Wednesdays, 12-1 PM
Build on the skills and practices learned in Tai Chi Beginner. This class is recommended for those with previous experience and familiarity with the basic principles and movements of Tai Chi.

ID# 6068 September
ID# 6069 October
ID# 6070 November
ID# 6071 December

GENTLE YOGA (HATHA STRETCH)
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Fee $20
Tuesdays, 3-3:45 PM
Hatha Yoga guides participants through gentle stretching in an inclusive setting. Develop strength, flexibility, and mindful promotion of the connection between movement and breath. This class is for mixed-level participants and will include some modifications using chair-based poses.

ID# 6050 September
ID# 6051 October
ID# 6052 November
ID# 6053 December

HATHA FLOW YOGA
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 18+ • Fee $20
Thursdays, 3-3:45 PM
Hatha Flow Yoga combines traditional poses with fluid movement and breath awareness. Participants are guided through gentle stretching, focused balance poses, and fluid pose transitions. Recommended for persons comfortable with a mixture of standing and sitting. All levels are welcome.

ID# 6063 September
ID# 6064 October
ID# 6065 November
ID# 6085 December

WALKING CLUBS
Various Locations • Ages 18+ • Fee $10
STROLLING WITH PENMET PARKS 🚶‍♂️
Thursdays, 9/14-10/19, 9 AM
Experience the joy of walking and forge meaningful connections. We welcome everyone, from parents with children to seniors. Whether you walk with a stroller, a wheelchair, or a walker, our program welcomes all. Children are free to participate and must be accompanied by a caregiver.

LEISURELY WALKERS 🚶‍♂️🚶‍♀️
Tuesdays, 9/12-10/17, 9 AM
Join us as we create a community of nature enthusiasts who appreciate the beauty of slow-paced exploration. This program is designed for those who enjoy a more relaxed pace while exploring the great outdoors.

ACTIVE WALKERS 🚶‍♂️🚶‍♀️🏃‍♂️
Thursdays, 9/14-10/19, 8 AM
Embark on invigorating journeys through nature at a comfortable and engaging pace. If you’re looking to add a touch of adventure to your outdoor experience while maintaining a moderate level of activity, this program is perfect for you.

LYNNFIT
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 18+ • Fee $50
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:15-10:15 AM
LynnFit is a one-hour cardio dance, muscle toning, and stretch class. Each class combines elements of fun cardio dance, kickboxing, calisthenics, Pilates, and yoga. We provide mats, hand weights, small Pilates balls, and stretchy bands for this class. You can bring your own if you prefer. Three classes are offered each week.

ID# 5985 September
ID# 5986 October
ID# 5987 November
ID# 5988 December

LYNNFIT LITE
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 55+ • Fee $45
Tuesday, Thursday, 9:15-10:05 AM
This 50-minute functional fitness class for active seniors combines a low-impact, moderate cardio workout, and a standing or seated muscle toning segment.

ID# 5981 September
ID# 5982 October
ID# 5983 November
ID# 5984 December

More information on video classes and a monthly combo pass is available on our website.
### SPECIALIZED RECREATION

#### THE HARBOR SOCIAL CLUB

**Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 15+**

Designed for young adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, all physical abilities are welcome. Each week we will move our bodies by dancing, walking/rolling, or on a scavenger hunt. Be creative at crafting while maintaining friendships. Join us on September 14 to kick off the season with a tropical-themed dance party at the Volunteer Vern Pavilion.

**Thursdays • Fee $5**

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#### THERAPEUTIC DRUMMING & MUSIC

**Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 13+**

Occupational therapist Denise Tremblay adapts music, movement, and creative activities to promote fun with friends in this group. Music is a natural mood elevator, and drumming can have a positive effect on the cardio, muscular, and sensory nervous systems. Parents and caregivers are welcome to join in the fun! Sign up for the four-class session or by individual dates.

**Tuesdays • 3:30-4:30 PM • Fee $45**

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#### PIERCE COUNTY MASTER GARDNERS

The Demonstration Garden at Sehmel Homestead Park is open year-round on Wednesdays 9-11:30 AM and April-September on Saturdays 10 AM-2 PM. For more information visit [https://extension.wsu.edu/pierce/gig-harbor-demonstration-garden/](https://extension.wsu.edu/pierce/gig-harbor-demonstration-garden/)

**Urban Meadows Garden Talk with Raylee McKinley**

Saturday, September 9, 10-11 AM

#### PARK LOCATIONS

- **Sehmel Homestead Park**
  10123 78th Ave NW

- **Sunrise Beach Park**
  10015 Sunrise Beach Dr NW

- **McCormick Forest Park**
  10301 Bujacich Rd NW

- **Rotary Bark Park**
  10100 Bujacich Rd

- **Rosedale Park and Hall**
  8205 86th Ave NW

- **Hales Pass Park**
  3507 Ray Nash Dr NW

- **Harbor Family Park**
  6620 32nd St NW

- **Tacoma DeMolay Sandspit**
  53 Bella Bella Drive, Fox Island

- **Madrona Links Golf Course**
  3604 22nd Ave NW

- **Narrows Park**
  1502 Lucille Pkwy NW

- **Tubby’s Trail Dog Park**
  1701 14th Ave NW

- **Fox Island Fishing Pier**
  1453 Ozette Drive, Fox Island

- **Community Recreation Center / Mini Golf** (In Progress)
  2416 14th Ave NW
**SWIM NIGHT**
Peninsula High School • Ages 12-18 • Fee $5
Saturday, 10/28, 7-9 PM
Teenagers can come together to enjoy a night of swimming, socializing, and fun. There will be activities and games, as well as music and light snacks. Registration required.
ID# 5867

**LASER TAG LEAGUE**
Ocean5 • Ages 12-16 • Fee $75
Wednesdays, 10/4-11/8, 4:30-5:30 PM
Teams will compete head-to-head over this session to find out who is the ultimate laser tag team.
ID# 5844

**NEW! ADULTING 101 WORKSHOPS**
Ages 12-18
Adulting 101 is a comprehensive series collaborating with local subject matter experts to help teens with the skills needed for their transition into adulthood. Registration required.

**TABLE TOP CLUB**
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 12-16 • Fee $75
Thursdays, 10/5-11/2, 4:30-6:30 PM
Join us for an immersive Dungeons & Dragons experience. Create your character and embark on a magical journey. Unleash your imagination and have fun in this hit fantasy role-playing game! All skill levels welcome.
ID# 5890

**FRIENDSGIVING MURDER MYSTERY**
Community Recreation Center • Ages 12-18 • Fee $10
Friday, 11/17, 7-9 PM
Step into the shoes of detectives and unravel a captivating murder case while enjoying a festive Friendsgiving celebration. Dinner provided. Feel free to dress in your best party attire. Registration required.
ID# 5868

**TEENS GOT TALENT NIGHT**
Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 12-18 • Fee $5
Friday, 12/29, 7-9 PM
Young performers showcase their talent through live music and entertainment. Have fun performing karaoke or lip syncing to your favorite song. Light snacks and drinks provided. Registration required.
ID# 5869

**SAFE AT HOME (SUPER SITTERS INTRO)**
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 8-12 • Fee $40
Saturday, 11/18, 2-4 PM
Learn how to be responsible and safe in any situation. We will cover family communication, first aid, internet, gun, phone, and door safety.
ID# 5971

**BASICS OF INVESTING**
Arletta Schoolhouse • Fee $5
Saturday, 11/18, 10 AM-12 PM
Gain the knowledge and tools to make informed investment decisions, understand different investment options, and set a strong foundation for building wealth over time. Through interactive activities, case studies, and discussions, gain valuable insights and develop skills to shape their financial future.
ID# 5871

**INTERVIEWING SKILLS**
Community Recreation Center • Fee $5
Saturday, 12/16, 10 AM-12 PM
This workshop aims to empower teenagers and boost their confidence when facing job interviews, college admission interviews, or any other interview scenarios they may encounter in their lives.
ID# 5872

**CLOTHING CARE**
Community Recreation Center • Fee $5
Saturday, 12/16, 10 AM-12 PM
Learn essential skills to keep your clothes looking their best. Whether you want to sew on a button, remove stubborn stains, or handle basic clothing care and repairs, this workshop has you covered!
ID# 5873

Join local middle and high school students volunteering with PenMet Parks to help plan and execute events and other recreation opportunities for local teens. This is a great way to connect with other teens, get volunteer hours, and gain leadership experience.

The Teen Advisory Committee meets Wednesdays at 4:30 PM, twice a month at the PenMet Parks offices.
STEM CLASSES

JUNIOR ROBOTICS

Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 6-10 • Fee $96
Wednesdays, 11/1-12/13, 6-7 PM

Bricks 4 Kidz® robotics bridges the physical world and the virtual world of computers and programming software, providing a hands-on learning experience. All students take home a custom mini-figure.

ID# 5972

MOVIE MAKING USING SCRATCH 3

Community Recreation Center • Ages 7-14 • Fee $128
Mondays, 10/23-12/11, 6-7 PM

Learn or practice coding in a fun, innovative way by making a movie. Join Bricks 4 Kidz® in this class to learn to build an epic movie using the #1 children's programming language on the planet, Scratch. Students will make a take-home minifigure and then turn it into a virtual character for their very own custom LEGO® movie-style animation. Beginner-friendly but previous experience is welcome.

ID# 5973

SCHOOL’S OUT WORKSHOP

Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 6-12 • Fee $45
Monday, 10/9, 10 AM-1 PM

School is out for teacher in-service day, so join us for building fun. At this 3-hour Bricks 4 Kidz® workshop, we'll build a variety of motorized models, creative characters, artistic mosaics, crafts, and activities. Please bring a lunch and a water bottle. All students take home a custom mini-figure.

ID# 5974

PARENTS’ NIGHT OUT

Need to get some shopping done? Or maybe have a good book you’ve been wanting to catch up on? Spend a little time on yourself while the kids have fun with the Snapology staff. These workshops include pizza, snacks, and beverages.

ID# 5982

CASTLES & KINGDOMS

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $96
Thursdays, 11/2-12/14, 4:15-5:15 PM

Escape and play in the world of magic, fairytales, and royalty. In this Snapology® program, students will use LEGO® bricks to design their medieval fantasies while also bringing real history to life. Your student will build their historical understanding of the unique elements that make the medieval period such a fascinating point in human history.

ID# 5931

RESPONSBIVE ROBOTICS

Community Recreation Center • Ages 7-12 • Fee $96
Thursdays, 11/2-12/14, 5:30-6:30 PM

In this Snapology program, students will develop their thinking skills by playing with modular cubes known as Cubelets®. Every way your student snaps the magnetic cubes together creates a unique robot to solve challenges. They will work in teams to figure out how to create energy-efficient lighthouses, racer bots, maze solvers, and more.

ID# 5933

ROBOT CHALLENGE

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 7-14 • Fee $96
Thursdays, 9/21-10/26, 5:30-6:30 PM

Students will create a robot to save a town in a natural disaster. In Snapology®’s Robot Challenge, the students will construct a robot using LEGO® bricks to perform tasks. From clearing roads of debris to moving a tree off of a house, students will learn techniques similar to those used by engineers and scientists in the development of disaster relief robots.

ID# 5932

SUPERHEROES

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $96
Thursdays, 9/21-10/26, 4:15-5:15 PM

To the Batcave, superhero fans! Design your superhero, create your adventure, and build epic battle scenes using LEGO® bricks at Snapology® Superheroes. Create your fantasy world of superheroes and supervillains, straight out of the pages of DC and Marvel comic books. You might even unleash some of your superpowers!

ID# 5930

NINJAS & SPINNERS

Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 5-12 • Fee $65 • Saturday, 9/16, 4-8 PM

Enjoy your night out while Snapology® immerses the kids into the world of Ninjas. Through creative building using LEGO® bricks, students will learn about the history, culture, skills, and tactics of Ninja warriors, play Ninjago-themed spinning games, and even build a spinner to take home.

ID# 5892

POKEMANIA!

Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 5-12 • Fee $65 • Saturday, 12/9, 4-8 PM

In this workshop, students will explore the Pokémon world and practice their Pokémon training skills. Through creative building using LEGO® bricks, students will practice teamwork, communication, creativity, problem-solving, and planning as they build their increasingly complex world of Pokémon.

ID# 5891
**KIDS’ NIGHT OUT**

Enjoy the night off and leave the kids to us! This program features a new theme each month and is filled with fun activities, pizza dinner, and a movie. All activities are Saturdays, 5-9 PM.

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**UNDER THE SEA**

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $45

Kids will dive into a world of sea creatures, ocean crafts, and nautical games.

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**HALLOWEEN PARTY!**

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $45

Come dressed in your costume and have fun decorating pumpkins, brewing potion experiments, and more.

- ID# 5852 10/14
- ID# 5853 10/28

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**THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY**

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $45

You’ve got the golden ticket! Kids will enter a world of silly games and candy experiments.

- ID# 5854 11/4
- ID# 5855 11/18

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**GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING**

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $50

Finish your holiday shopping as kids enjoy holiday-themed games, crafts, and gingerbread house decorating.

- ID# 5856 12/2
- ID# 5857 12/16

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**PRE-K PLAY DAY**

Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 3-5 • Fee $40

You deserve time to kick back, relax, and leave the kids to us. This monthly program allows your preschooler to explore, create, and make new friends. Each month will feature a different theme. Lunch is provided.

**UNDER THE SEA**

Saturday, 9/16, 10 AM-1 PM

Children will learn about life under the sea while making themed crafts, playing nautical games, and exploring our underwater world.

- ID# 5858

**PUMPKIN PARTY**

Saturday, 10/21, 10 AM-1 PM

Join us for this fall-themed Pre-K Playday. Come dressed in your Halloween costume and have fun decorating pumpkins, brewing potion experiments, and more.

- ID# 5859

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**BARNYARD BUDDIES**

Saturday, 11/11, 10 AM-1 PM

Your child will learn what life is like on the farm. Kids will learn about barnyard animals while participating in a peewee rodeo and other fun themed activities.

- ID# 5860

**ARCTIC ANIMALS**

Saturday, 12/30, 10 AM-1 PM

Preschoolers will play fun winter games, make an arctic craft, and learn about all the animals that live in the snow.

- ID# 5861

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**NEW! TODDLER TIME**

Arletta Schoolhouse • Ages 0-3 • Fee $5

You and your little one have the wonderful opportunity to make new friends and build lasting connections while enjoying activities that encourage exploration, sensory development, and imaginative play. This is a parent-child class, with adult participation required.

**UNDER THE SEA**

Saturday, 9/16, 8-9:30 AM

Under the Sea immerses parents and children in an enchanting exploration of the ocean through captivating stories, fun activities, and stimulating sensory play. Dive into a world of colorful marine life, rhythmic melodies, and hands-on experiences that inspire curiosity and imagination.

- ID# 5862

**PUMPKIN PARTY**

Saturday, 10/21, 8-9:30 AM

Celebrate the joy of autumn and the enchantment of pumpkins. Come prepared for a magical experience filled with pumpkin-themed activities and tons of laughter.

- ID# 5863

**BARNYARD BUDDIES**

Saturday, 11/11, 8-9:30 AM

You and your toddler will explore the world of Barnyard Buddies, where they can engage in interactive activities, learn about farm animals, and enhance their sensory exploration and fine motor skills in this exciting adventure.

- ID# 5864
WINTER CAMPS

STEM WORKSHOPS
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 6-12
Our Creative Camp series is an amazing LEGO®-filled experience. Every day is an adventure, with a variety of different LEGO® building techniques. They make friends during guided creative play and so much more during our theme of the week. Campers make and take home a custom mini-figure and photo collage of the experience.

WINTER ROBOTICS
Thursday-Friday, 12/21-12/22
In this mini-camp, students will work together to build winter-inspired robotic models using LEGO® bricks, play games with their models, modify their work to learn the basics of robotics, and create unique memories that will last much longer than just the holiday season.

POCKET BRICK MONSTERS
Fee $180
Tuesday-Friday, 12/26-12/29, 9 AM-12 PM
Is it Pikachu or Pika-brick? Guess we’ve got a giant mix-up of LEGO® Bricks, so we’re calling all LEGO® Builders and Pokemon® Trainers! Inspired by Pokemon, our Pocket Brick Monsters camp features lots of amazing LEGO® building activities from your friends at Bricks 4 Kidz.

MINING AND CRAFTING
Tuesday-Friday, 12/26-12/29
Experience the world of Minecraft® with LEGO® Bricks. Minecraft® is a game about placing blocks to build anything one can imagine. Campers will face new challenges each day, building models and crafting key elements from the popular Minecraft® game.

HOLIDAY CREATOR’S CLUB WORKSHOP
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 5-12 • Fee $65
Saturday, 12/23, 10 AM-2 PM
Drop your kids off with Snapology for one last time this year! This special workshop is designed to keep your kiddo busy with crafts they can keep for themselves or gift to a friend or loved one. From jewelry making using LEGO® bricks, slime stations, brick art, and paper crafts, we have something for everyone! This workshop will include a pizza lunch and snacks.

PLANES, TRAINS, AND AUTOS/BRICK CITY
Fee $90
Thursday-Friday, 12/21-12/22, 1-4 PM
This combo-camp will combine two of Snapology’s favorite themes: transportation and cities! Campers will collaborate to plan, design and build a city that accommodates their favorite mode of transportation.

DISCOVERING DINOSAURS
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 4-6 • Fee $90
Thursday-Friday, 12/21-12/22, 9 AM-12 PM
How is a tyrannosaurus rex different from a triceratops? Your little paleontologists will explore what dinosaurs ate and when they lived while constructing their very own dinosaur model out of DUPLO® blocks. Through stories, building, and games, your little learners will be busy exploring the prehistoric world while gaining critical social and development skills.

ART WORKSHOPS
KIDS’ AFTERSCHOOL ART CLUB: TRASH TO TREASURES
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 6-11 • Fee $55
Thursdays, 11/16-12/14, 4:30-5:30 PM
Does your child love arts and crafts? Each week we will transform everyday items into works of art. During this program, your child can experiment with several different art mediums. At the end of the program, your child will have five masterpieces, just in time for the holidays!

PARENT & CHILD MOSAIC ART CLASS: HOLIDAY FLOWER POTS
Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 7+ • Fee $60
Saturday, 12/2, 1-2:30 PM
Create lasting memories this holiday season. Each flower pot comes with various colorful mosaic tiles and adhesives, so you can personalize your design. Join local artist, Barbara Henderson, in this unique experience. Class is open to parents or guardians of all types, and tickets include one adult spot and one child spot.
HARBOR GYMNASTICS

BEGINNER TUMBLING
This is a beginning tumbling class for 1st-5th grades with an emphasis on safe and proper technique. Athletes will practice forward and backward rolls, handstands, cartwheels, bridges, and more, while working on strength and flexibility.

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 6-10 • Fee $129
ID# 6026 9/17-10/29 1:15-2:10 PM Su
ID# 6027 9/19-10/24 5-5:55 PM Tu
ID# 6101 11/5-12/17 1:15-2:10 PM Su
ID# 6087 11/7-12/19 5-5:55 PM Tu

BEGINNER TUMBLING 2
This class is for 1st-5th grade students who have successfully completed Beginner Tumbling.

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 6-10 • Fee $129
ID# 6028 9/17-10/29 2:15-3:10 PM Su
ID# 6029 9/19-10/24 6-6:55 PM Tu
ID# 6102 11/5-12/17 2:15-3:10 PM Su
ID# 6086 11/7-12/19 6-6:55 PM Tu

SPOT YOUR TOT
This class is designed for the curious, active toddler. Children will practice loco-motor activities, fundamental gymnastics skills and balance while developing social skills. The adult will help guide and spot the child through activities. Safe spotting techniques will be taught.

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 2-3 • Fee $129
ID# 6031 9/17-10/29 10-10:40 AM Su
ID# 6030 9/18-10/30 10-10:40 AM M
ID# 6032 9/19-10/31 10-10:40 AM Tu
ID# 6098 11/5-12/17 10-10:40 AM Su
ID# 6093 11/6-12/18 10-10:40 AM M
ID# 6090 11/7-12/19 10-10:40 AM Tu

TINY TUMBLERS
Preschoolers will practice loco-motor activities, stationary and moving balance, bar strength and swinging, and fundamental gymnastics skills, while continuing to develop social skills. Emphasis is placed on safe and proper technique.

Volunteer Vern Pavilion • Ages 3-4 • Fee $129
ID# 6033 9/17-10/29 10:50-11:30 AM Su
ID# 6034 9/18-10/30 10:50-11:30 AM M
ID# 6035 9/18-10/31 4:10-4:50 PM M
ID# 6036 9/19-10/31 10:50-11:30 AM Tu
ID# 6099 11/5-12/17 10:50-11:30 AM Su
ID# 6094 11/6-12/18 10:50-11:30 AM M
ID# 6095 11/6-12/18 4:10-4:50 PM M

TINY TUMBLERS 2
Tiny Tumblers 2, a continuation of Tiny Tumblers, is designed for children in Pre-K and Kindergarten.

Volunteer Vern Pavilion• Ages 4-6 • Fee $129
ID# 6037 9/17-10/29 11:40 AM-12:30 PM Su
ID# 6038 9/18-10/30 5-5:50 PM M
ID# 6039 9/18-10/30 6-6:50 PM M
ID# 6100 11/5-12/17 11:40-12:30 PM Su
ID# 6096 11/6-12/18 5-5:50 PM M
ID# 6097 11/6-12/18 6-6:50 PM M

JUNIOR ALL-STARS
PenMet Parks youth sports programs provide opportunities for youth to learn, play, and grow in a safe and welcoming environment.

Hales Pass Park • Ages 3-5 Fee $85

FLAG FOOTBALL

ID# 6043 10/3-11/14 4:30-5:30 PM Tu
ID# 6042 10/5-11/16 4:30-5:30 PM Th
ID# 6044 10/7-11/18 10-11:00 AM Sa
ID# 6045 10-11/18 11-12:00 AM Sa

SOCCER

ID# 6047 8/15-9/26 4:30-5:30 PM Tu
ID# 6046 8/17-9/28 4:30-5:30 PM Th
ID# 6048 8/19-9/30 10-11 AM Sa
ID# 6049 8/19-9/30 11 AM-12 PM Sa
**JUNIOR HIKERS**  
Various Park Locations • Ages 6-9 • Fee $35  
Saturdays, 9/23-10/28, 9-10:30 AM  
Discover and learn about the local outdoors during this program. Kids will explore a variety of local trails while learning and practicing basic outdoor safety skills. Kids will make their own walking sticks, participate in trail games, and make crafts from materials they find in nature. Hiking locations include Sehmel Homestead Park, McCormick Forest Park, Rotary Bark Park, and more.  
ID# 5875

**FLAG FOOTBALL**  
Sehmel Homestead Park • Fee $150  
PenMet Parks’ youth flag football provides opportunities for youth to learn, play, and grow in a safe and welcoming environment. Register online by grade level:  
- Kinder/1st Grade  
- 2nd/3rd Grade  
- 4th/5th Grade  
- Middle School

**SKYHAWKS BASKETBALL**  
Sehmel Homestead Park • Ages 6-8 • Fee $105  
Tuesdays, 9/12-10/10, 6:15-7:15 PM  
This skill-intensive program is designed for beginning to intermediate players. Players will learn the fundamentals of passing, shooting, ball handling, rebounding, and defense through skill-based instruction and small-sided scrimmages.  
ID# 6002

**HOOPSTERS TOTS**  
Sehmel Homestead Park • Fee $105  
Tuesdays, 9/12-10/10  
Learning basketball has never been more fun! These classes focus on dribbling, shot technique, passing, and teamwork. Adjustable hoops and appropriately-sized basketballs are used to provide the right amount of challenge.  
ID# 6000 Ages 2-3  
ID# 6001 Ages 4-5

**BASKETBALL**  
PRE-SEASON 3ON3 LEAGUE  
Harbor Ridge Middle School • Fee $100/player  
Wednesdays, 11/8-12/13  
Note your team preference when you register. Teams have 3-4 players.  
ID# 6130 4th/5th Grade 5:30-6:30 PM  
ID# 6156 Middle School 6:30-7:30 PM

PRE-SEASON SKILLS & DRILLS  
Harbor Ridge Middle School • Fee $75  
Tuesdays, 11/7-12/12  
ID# 6133 2nd-4th Grade 5:30-6:30 PM  
ID# 6134 5th-8th Grade 6:30-8 PM

**PICKLEBALL**  
Sehmel Homestead Park • Fee $105  
Fridays, 9/15-10/13  
Players will learn the rules of pickleball, and develop hand-eye coordination and proper technique. Pickleball paddles will be provided, but we encourage you to bring your own.  
ID# 6005 Ages 5-8 4:15-5:15 PM  
ID# 6006 Ages 8-12 5:30-6:30 PM

**TENNIS**  
Sehmel Homestead Park • Fee $105  
Wednesdays, 9/13-10/11  
Whether a beginner or intermediate player, improve your child’s game and help them get more enjoyment from tennis. Our tennis programs focus on skill refinement as well as practice and match play.  
ID# 6003 Ages 5-8 4:15-5:15 PM  
ID# 6004 Ages 8-12 5:30-6:30 PM

**VOLLEYBALL**  
Sehmel Homestead Park • Ages 8-12 • Fee $105  
Mondays, 9/11-10/9, 5:30-6:30 PM  
All aspects of volleyball are taught through drills and exercises that focus on bumping, setting, spiking, hitting, and serving. This program is designed for the beginning-intermediate player.  
ID# 5999
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With stunning scenery and ample amenities, each venue is unique and helps create the perfect setting to make memories that will last a lifetime.

Call 253-858-3400 or email info@penmetparks.org

VOLUNTEER VERN PAVILION
Located at Sehmel Homestead Park, this is a beautiful, heated indoor setting with 1,952 square feet of space.

**AMENITIES:** Tables and chairs are included with every rental, industrial refrigerator and food warmer, sink, restrooms, and sliding barn doors for access to the outdoors. Indoor capacity is 120.

$150 per hour • $100 per hour (non-profit) • $1,000 day rate (8 hours)

ARLETTA SCHOOLHOUSE
This historic facility is perfect for local weddings, meetings and special events. The building features access to a large covered event shelter.

**AMENITIES:** Tables, chairs, two 20x30 rooms with retractable doors, restrooms, refrigerator, sink, microwave.

$150 per hour

$100 per hour (non-profit)

$1,000 day rate (8 hours)

SHELTERS
Rosedale Park Picnic Shelter - $20 per hour • Narrows Park Picnic Shelter - $20 per hour

Sehmel Homestead Park Ole Magnuson Picnic Shelter - $40 per hour • Hales Pass Park Event Shelter - $40 per hour
COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER

The next phase of development for our new community recreation center (CRC) is here, with construction beginning this summer. The features of this 58,000 square foot recreation facility include a full-size indoor turf field, multi-sport courts, an elevated walk/jog track, community spaces, and an outdoor multipurpose lawn. As part of the project, the miniature golf course will be renovated and the Cushman Trail will be extended, resulting in a comprehensive recreation campus for our community.

To learn more visit, penmetparks.org/gig-harbor-community-recreation-center/

TACOMA DEMOLAY SANDSPIT NATURE PRESERVE

PenMet Parks is developing a master plan for the DeMolay Sandspit that addresses key needs - accessibility and how to enhance park amenities. The District will engage the community throughout this process through open community forums that will be scheduled. We welcome your input to assist in planning for the future of this nature preserve. Learn more on our website.

AQUATIC CENTER FEASIBILITY STUDY AND SENIOR SPACE FEASIBILITY STUDY

Community input has guided studies to examine developing and operating a community aquatic center and a dedicated space for seniors. PenMet Parks retained ARC Architects to determine community needs and priorities and to evaluate design, site selection, capital and operations need, and other factors. A final report, including feasibility study recommendations, will be presented to the Board of Park Commissioners later this year. Learn more on our website.

PROS PLAN

PenMet Parks is developing the 2024 Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Plan to guide the District's parks and recreation priorities over the next several years. The plan was developed based on feedback from residents, partners, and stakeholders.

PenMet Parks hosted an array of community meetings, open houses, and conducted surveys and online forums to garner public input for the PROS Plan. The goals and objectives in this plan are based on the community's vision and values and will help define the provision of parks, trails, and recreation into the future.

PenMet Parks provides parks and programs where community members can recreate, connect with nature, spend time with family and friends, meet new people, and participate in year-round programming, both indoors and outdoors. The 2024 PenMet Parks PROS Plan process will provide a sustainable approach to the allocation of resources for the next six years.

Thank you for your commitment and engagement during this important planning process.

ROSEDALE HALL RENOVATION

PenMet Parks is bringing to life the vision of a quality renovation to this treasured community center. Construction begins this fall, focusing on structural integrity, accessibility, upgraded restrooms, and replacing other aging systems in and around the building. When complete, this renovation will also feature new interior and exterior finishes, ensuring that Rosedale Hall serves our community now and for generations to come.

Visit our website for updates and information on PenMet Parks capital projects.

Join us for a groundbreaking ceremony in August!
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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Financial assistance ensures more access to PenMet Parks fee-based programs. We offer scholarships and payment plans to those in need of assistance to participate in our activities, events, and leagues.

Applications are available online, in person, or over the phone. Contact us if you have questions at scholarships@penmetparks.org.
The Kiwanis Club of Gig Harbor will collect non-perishable food and personal care items for FISH Food Bank at all events.

**FAMILY FUN FEST AND BIKE BASH**
Sehmel Homestead Park  
Sunday, August 20, 11 AM-4 PM
Our annual Family Fun Fest and Bike Bash features family-friendly entertainment, live music, food trucks, a maker's market, a bike rodeo, and street skills course. This event celebrates community and biking with fun for all. FREE admission.

**TRUNK OR TREAT**
Sehmel Homestead Park  
Friday, October 27, 5-8 PM
Don't miss out on this spooktacular event! Join PenMet and our partners for a safe and fun Trunk or Treat evening. Decorated trunks offer Halloween treats to families creating a festive community event. FREE admission.

**SCARECROW FESTIVAL**
Sehmel Homestead Park  
Saturday, October 7, 11 AM-4 PM
This special fall event has become a community tradition, featuring a pumpkin launcher, live music, family-friendly entertainment, food trucks, a maker's market, and of course the Scarecrow Contest! Featuring something for everyone, it is a memorable event for all. Free shuttle service.

**COOKIES AND COCOA WITH MR. AND MRS. CLAUS**
Sehmel Homestead Park  
Saturday, December 9, 10 AM-2 PM
Join this festive holiday gathering and take a break from your holiday hubbub with Mr. and Mrs. Claus! Capture magical moments with photos, and even share holiday wishes by sending a letter to Santa. Pre-registration is required.

**SWIM VOUCHERS**
PenMet Park District residents each receive vouchers to visit the Tom Taylor Family YMCA once per quarter. This voucher program was created because of the District’s financial contribution to the aquatic facility. They are available from PenMet Parks by calling 252-858-3400 or emailing info@PenMetParks.org.

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