

# THE GIPSON GUIDE

The Carl Gipson Center is Everett's hub to connect with others, engage in healthy activities, and thrive.

Seniors (50+) are welcome during all operating hours, and the Center also serves veterans, individuals with disabilities, underserved communities, youth, immigrants and families.

Members under 50 years old are welcome to participate from 2-5:00PM, M-Th, and on Saturdays from 8:30am - 3:00pm



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voaww.org/gipson-center  
Open M-Th 8:30am-5:00pm | Sat 8:30am-3pm

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# Membership

The Carl Gipson Center offers two types of Memberships:

- ▶ **Regular: \$50/year**  
Includes amenities, most activities, and an annual one-on-one Wellness Coaching session
- ▶ **All-Access: \$12/month; \$132/year if paid in full**  
Includes Group Exercise classes, Table Tennis, one-on-one quarterly Wellness Coaching, rental discounts and more

Free guest passes are available for all members, with 3 passes for Regular Members and 6 passes for All Access Members per year.

Youth Members must be accompanied by an adult (18+) at all times. For more information on cost & activities, visit Member Services or see "Membership Rates" resource.



## Amenities & Offerings

- Daily lunch provided by Homage (may require fee depending on income): M-Th | 11:30AM
- 8-piece adaptive cardio equipment & free weights
- Game & puzzle room
- Lending library
- Free WiFi
- Free coffee & tea until noon each day
- Parking tag offered with membership
- Carl's Cafe is open each Tuesday selling specialty beverages offering a different complimentary treat to go with your drink.



## Trips

The Gipson Center offers trips to nearby and far-off destinations, such as the Schack Arts Center, Village Theatre, Pike Place Market, or Tulalip Resort and Outlet Mall.

## Gipson Speaker Series

On Mondays at lunch, September-June, we host speakers from throughout our community, such as elected officials; civic, nonprofit & business leaders; candidates for office; and experts in subjects important to our community.

## Room & Venue Rentals

We offer over 20,000 ft sq of unique space and seven different rooms for rent, including our spacious Cascade View dining hall with a stage, kitchen, and maximum capacity of 400. See website for rates and host your next event at the Gipson Center!

# Exercise & Movement

## Forever Fit

This low-impact class incorporates cardio, strength training, and balance work to provide total body conditioning. Chairs are provided for balance assistance. Join the fun and improve balance!

- M, T, W & Th | 9:30-10:15AM | Cascade View

## Chair Yoga by Karen

Increase flexibility, balance and range of motion as you move through a series of seated and standing yoga poses. Taught by Karen Hatcher. Chair support is utilized.

- M & W | 8:30-9:15AM | Cascade View

## Chair Yoga by Cora

Increase flexibility, balance and range of motion as you move through a series of seated and standing yoga poses. Chair support is utilized. Taught by Cora Koffski.

- T & Th | 10:30-11:15AM | Cascade View

## Strength & Stretch

Join Cora to improve strength, balance and flexibility.

- M & W | 10:30-11:15AM | Cascade View



## Table Tennis

Enjoy great company and a little friendly competition with table tennis! Improve your coordination, balance, and speed while playing on one of five professional tables.

- M, W: 9AM-2:00PM, Sat 9AM-3PM | Mt. Baker + Mt. St. Helens

## Learn to Clog Dance - Beginner

Learn the basic steps in this introduction to clogging class! Clogging combines folk dancing, tap dancing, line dancing and Irish step.

- Sat | 11:00AM-12:00PM | Mt. Rainier

## Clog Dance - Intermediate

Clogging combines folk dancing, tap dancing, line dancing and Irish step. Dancing is performed to folk, bluegrass, country western, pop and vintage R&B music.

- M | 10:00-11:30AM | Mt. Rainier / Sat | 10:00-11:00AM | Mt. Rainier

## Hula Dance

Imagine energizing island breezes as you dance the hula with experienced and novice dancers.

- Th | 1:00-2:00PM | Mt. Rainier

## Barre Class

All levels welcome! Increase flexibility, agility and muscle endurance in this low impact class.

- T & TH | 8:30-9:15AM | Cascade View



# Classes, Clubs & Games

## Ceramics

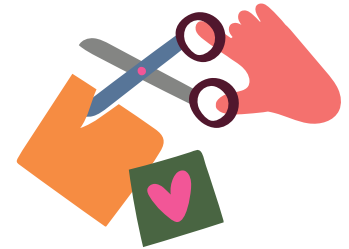
Create art and practical pieces, along with new friendships.

- T | 12:30-2:30PM | Mt. Adams

## Craft Group

Stop by for a craft project! All materials provided by instructor Judy Lewis

- 2nd and 4th Sa | 10:00-11:30AM | Mt. Adams



## Cribbage

Play card game in which each player tries to form various counting combinations of cards

- T | 9:30-11:00AM | Game & Puzzle Room

## Duplicate Bridge

Engage your memory and concentration while enjoying social interaction!

- W | 10:30AM-3:00PM | Mt. Rainier

## Hand & Foot Canasta

Come have fun flexing your memory and concentration!

- T & Th | 9:30AM-3:00PM | Table Near Game Room



## Knit & Crochet

Create your unique piece of art and practical items!

- T & Th | 10:00AM-1:00PM | Table Near Game Room

## Bone Health Support Group

Retired nurse Elaine Henderson will be leading discussions about how to prevent fractures and maintain strong bones as you age.

- 2nd & 4th Th | 12:00PM-1:15PM | Mt. Adams

## Party Bridge

Exercise your memory and concentration while engaging in friendly game play. Party Bridge does not require a partner.

- Th | 12:00PM-3:00PM | Mt. Baker

## Woodcarving

Carve out a little time to help wood reveal its secrets.

- Th | 1:00-3:00PM | Mt. St. Helens



## Genealogy Club

Interested in the story of your ancestors? Learn & practice research techniques.

- 1st Wed of Month | 1:00-2:30PM | Mt. Olympus

## Project Linus

We provide handmade blankets for children in hospitals, domestic violence centers, in foster care.

- 2nd Tu | 11:30AM-2:30PM | Mt. Rainier



# Bingo & Entertainment

## Bingo | Open to public |

Come and join the fun! We have raffles, prizes, and new specials each session. Prices and payouts may vary.

- 1st and 3rd M | 12:30PM-3:00PM | Cascade View



# Personal Services

## Wellness Coaching

Members may sign up for 45-minute Wellness Coaching: Regular Members: once/year; All-Access Members: quarterly. By appt.

## Mental Health Access

In-person mental health support is offered to Snohomish county residents age 60 and over.

- Homage | 2nd & 4th Th | 9:45AM-1:45PM | To make an appointment, contact Nancy Brosemer at 425-290-1246.
- Lou Ann Carter, MSW, LICSW | 3rd Sat of the month | 9:00AM - 12:00PM | To make an appointment, visit or call the Member Services desk: 425-818-2784

## Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Medicare Advising (SHIBA)

A SHIBA expert provides objective, one-on-one assistance with health insurance benefits.

- 2nd & 4th W | 10:00AM-12:00PM | Mt. Olympus, schedule at Member Services desk

## Snohomish County Housing Stability Program

- Mondays | 9:00AM-10:30AM | Lobby

## Tech Help – Phones, Tablets and Laptops

- Jim Hagglund | 1st & 3rd Th | 10:30AM-12:30AM | Mt. Olympus

## Chaplain Skip Gipson

- 2nd & 4th Tu | 9:00AM-1:00PM | Lobby

## PIM Savvy | Free Tax Prep Help

- Mondays 9-5PM 2/3/25-4/14/25 | CGC Alcove



## Inclusion Jam Project

Connecting the generations through music. Come jam with this welcoming group. All ages & skill levels welcomed. Participants encouraged to bring their own instruments.

- Sat | 10:00AM-12:00PM  
Cascade View
- (Does not meet 1st Saturday of month)



# Conversation, Fellowship & Support

## AA

AA is an international fellowship of individuals supporting each other to maintain sobriety.

- Tu | 1:00-2:00PM | Mt. Olympus

## Al-Anon

This meeting is for anyone worried about a loved one struggling with addiction.

- Tu | 11:00AM-12:00PM | Mt. Olympus

## Alzheimer's Association Care Giver Support Group

Join us to discuss the challenges and experiences related to caring for someone with Alzheimer's.

- 1st and 2nd Sa | 10:00am-12:00PM | Mt. Olympus

## Black Elders Community Outreach Group by Homage

Join this community for fun and activities each Tuesday.

- Tu | 10:00AM-1:00PM | Mt. Baker

## Current Issue Discussion Group

Join a respectful discussion and exchange of ideas.

- 1st & 3rd Th | 1:00-2:30PM | Mt. Adams

## Snohomish County Brain Injury Support Group

Have you suffered a traumatic brain injury? Join for support.

- 2nd Sa | 1:30-3:00PM | Mt. Adams

## Together In Grief | Grief Support Group

4th Sat | 10:00AM-12:00PM | Mt. Olympus

## Memory Cafe

Join a social gathering for people with memory loss, Alzheimer's or related dementias and their caregivers or loved ones. We'll have a variety of activities such as art, music, and holiday celebrations.

- 4th Mon | 12:30-2PM | Mt Adams



# Annual Events

## Gipson Volunteer & Donor Appreciation Dinner

- 4th Thursday of October | 5:00 - 6:30PM | Cascade View



## Veterans Day USO Dance

- Veterans Day | Cascade View

## Everett Firefighters Association Thanksgiving Feast

- Sunday Before Thanksgiving | Meal Serving Times Vary

## Wintertide Celebration at the Gipson Center

- 2nd Saturday in December | Schedule TBA



## Everett Police Officers Association Holiday Feast

- 2nd Sunday in December | Meal Serving Times Vary

## MLK Jr. Rally, led by Snohomish County Black Heritage Committee

- MLK Jr Day; third Monday in January

## Spring Tea

- 3rd Saturday in May

## Red, White & Blue BBQ

- Last Wednesday of June

## 4th of July Parade

- Look out for more info in the Gazette



# Community Programs



## Everett Public Schools Transitions Class

Gaining Ownership of Adult Lives, or "GOAL," is a program for 18–21-year-old students with special needs, designed to be a link between high school and adult life. Contact Terri McAllister | [tmcalister@everettsd.org](mailto:tmcalister@everettsd.org) | 425-428-6672



## Talk Time: Conversational English Practice

Open to all adults learning English as a Second Language. Over a cup of coffee or tea, practice English with volunteers each Friday from 9:30-11AM.

Free | No Membership required.

# Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are the heart of the Carl Gipson Center community. Consider giving back through one of these opportunities:

- Activity, Class, or Club Leader
- Bingo Volunteer
- Member Services Volunteer: afternoon shifts.
- Facility Volunteer: assisting with projects & maintenance



Interested? Visit [volunteer.voaww.org/](http://volunteer.voaww.org/) to learn more or connect with Operations Director Gul Subaykan. All volunteers must complete volunteer registration and background check prior to volunteering.



## Questions?

For Up-To-Date Activity, Event, Volunteer & Membership Info, connect with Membership & Hospitality Specialist [Igallo@voaww.org](mailto:Igallo@voaww.org) | 425-818-2784

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