

## Asset Building Coalition hosts second annual Super Saturday

SHELTON — Have financial questions you need answered?

The Asset Building Coalition of Mason County will host the second annual Super Saturday Financial Information Fair at the Shelton Timberland Regional Library, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, Feb 7.

The event is free and open to the public. Free snacks and door prizes will be given away. Information will be available regarding college student financial aid (FAFSA), home ownership options, ideas for self-employment start-up, and more.

An in-person assistor from Mason General will be available from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. for insurance sign-ups through the Washington Health Plan

Finder free of charge.

Information to bring when you enroll: Social Security number, birthdates, contact information and income and tax filing status for everyone enrolling in coverage.

Super Saturday participants include Bank On Mason, WorkSource, Peninsula Credit Union, Columbia Bank, Kitsap Credit Union, Habitat for Humanity, Enterprise for Equity, Olympic College, Volunteer Center of Mason County and Area Agency on Aging.

Free tax preparation will be available at the Shelton Timberland Regional Library from AARP on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information, contact Allison Maluchnik at 426-4999, ext. 3.

## Diabetes self-management topic of Shelton support group meeting

SHELTON — Diabetes self-management can give you a healthy, independent lifestyle that can be free of complications, when you know the secrets of maximizing your health.

Mason General Hospital & Family of Clinics' next Shelton Diabetes Support Group Meeting focuses on diabetes self-management strategies in a class entitled, "Diabetes Self-Management: Problem-Solving," from 1-2 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 19, in the Pershing Meeting Room at Mason General Hospital.

MGH nurse and diabetes educator Debbie McGinnis will lead the group, discussing what works and what

doesn't, outlining strategies and providing tips for improving your day-to-day diabetes self-management.

There will be time for questions and answers, and as always, family members/significant others are also invited to attend for the support they provide.

The Shelton Diabetes Support Group, affiliated with the American Diabetes Association, meets at MGH every third Thursday of the month from September to June.

It is free and open to people with type 1 and 2 diabetes, their friends, and family. For more information call nurse Sue Barwick at 427-7332.

## Mason County PUD remains carbon-free

SHELTON — The latest report from Washington state says it all: 99 percent of Mason PUD No. 3's electricity comes from sources that do not emit carbon.

For Mason PUD 3 customers, 88 percent of their electricity comes from hydropower, 10 percent from nuclear energy and 1 percent from wind turbines.

Only 1 percent comes from fossil fuels, meaning coal and natural gas.

Information for the report comes from the Washington state Department of Commerce's Utility Fuel Mix Report for 2014.

How does that compare with the corporate-owned utilities in Washington state? Puget Sound Energy gets 44 percent of its power from fossil fuels, Avista is just more than 52 percent, Pacific Power & Light is about 25 percent.

Our neighbor to the south, Portland General Electric, generates 61 percent of its power from coal and natural gas.

Overall, public utilities in Washington state have much cleaner energy sources than other utilities in the Pacific Northwest. Of those required to meet the state's renewable energy law, public utilities average about 5.3 percent of their power from coal and natural gas plants.

For the three large investor-owned utilities, nearly 41 percent of their power comes from coal and natural gas.



# Vote YES

## for the Pioneer School Bond on February 10, 2015

### OUR CHILDREN ARE OUR FUTURE

- ✓ A professional inspection of the 60 year old Pioneer Middle School building revealed that it is at the end of its life, resulting in high maintenance costs.
- ✓ The open campus of the Pioneer Middle School building is no longer adequate for the security of our children. The new building, with one central entrance, creates a safer environment.
- ✓ The majority of voters in the Pioneer School District support a new Pioneer Middle School. Only a few more votes are needed to reach a 60% super majority and passage.
- ✓ It is a fact: good schools help sell homes.
- ✓ The bond will add much needed additional classrooms to the Primary School.



#### We urge you to vote YES for the Pioneer School Bond!

Ab and Laura VanEtten, Arne and Elizabeth Bendt, Bill Lanning and Kathy Kent Lanning, Bob and Betty Helm, Capt. Thomas Ryan, USN Ret., Dr. M.A. Ryan, Carolyn Olsen, Sage Bookstore, Casey and Rebecca Bingham, Casey Salisbury/Mason County Sheriff, Cindy Waite, Cole Phelan, Connie Bingham, Dan and Kathy Beaudoin. Daniel and Sandy Frishman, Daniel Bendt, Debora Wallace, Fresh Start Market and Deli, Dick Parrett, Don and Susan Sumsky, Don Dahman, Northwest Power Sports, Dr. M.A. Ryan, Dudley and Ann Pinchot, Dudley and Barbara Cooney, Pickering Marine, Gary and Rose Benz, Irene Goldsby, Janis Snoey, Jim and Carol Thomas, Jim and Jan Irving, Jim and Ruth Irish, Joe and Nancy Snyder, John and Pamela Harrell, John Borgert, Shelton Land and Homes, Ken and Sandy Kramer, Kenny and Claudia Latimer, Kevin Cronquist/Prudential Realty, Kristy Buck/John L. Scott Realty, Larry and Kim Lawrence, Spencer Lake Bar and Grill, Lee Strohm, Linda Ring Erickson, Lois Omdahl, Markus Bendt, Matt and Kelly Bogh, Michael O'Day, Neil and Judith Freitas, Olympic Bakery and Deli, Pat Vincent, Phyliss J. Flemming, Richard Beckman/Richard Beckman Real Estate, Riley and Vanessa Borden, Agate Grocery, Robert McKibbin, Steve Harris, Terry Jeffries, Vince Himlie, Windermere Real Estate, Wally and Jo Ewart, Walt and Kris Hitchcock, Zack Deacon

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**Mail or drop off ballots at the following locations from January 23 to no later than 8pm sharp on February 10.**

24hr outdoor boxes

Mason County Building 1 – 411 N. 5th Shelton • Timberland Library – 710 W. Alder, Shelton  
 Port of Allyn – 18560 E. State Route 3, Allyn.

Drive-thru Access: Kamilche Fire Station #4 – 3660 SE Old Olympic Hwy  
 Timberland Library – 710 W Alder, Shelton

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