Getting to know our
Board of Directors 2015-16

One of the most important positions in a nonprofit organization is its board of directors. These individuals have a tremendous responsibility to ensure the long-term success of the organization.

Senior Services’ Board of Directors has 14 members who are elected to serve three year terms up to nine years in total. They are the key individuals who collectively help drive our mission: To promote independence, preserve dignity and enhance the quality of life through the provision of services for older adults and people with disabilities.

It’s our privilege to introduce this exceptional group of individuals who log countless hours of volunteer time to make this community a better place for seniors, people with disabilities and those who care for them.

James Lee, MD. – Board President
Dr. Lee is facility medical director at the Everett Clinic Mill Creek. His expertise in gerontology, care coordination, palliative care and quality of care brings a unique perspective to the board and the organization. Dr. Lee joined the board in 2013 because, “I have seen firsthand how Senior Services improves the quality of life for older adults. The agency’s mission matches the goals of the Everett Clinic in meeting the needs of our community.”

He previously served on the Board of Director at the Everett Clinic.

Rick Ressegue – Board Vice-President
A lifelong resident of Snohomish County, Rick brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to Senior Services’ board of directors. Rick is the Manager of the Lynnwood Commercial Banking center for Umpqua Bank and has been in the banking industry for over 40 years. He joined Senior Services board in 2011 because he believes that everyone – from children to elders – should have the opportunity to thrive in a community that promotes growth, opportunity, quality of life and help for each other.

Char Pike, RN – Board Secretary
Char is Director of Nursing with Providence Hospital’s Transitional Care Services (Everett) and has worked in senior care for 25 years. As a caregiver for a family member, Char has been involved in a variety of community services including the Lake Stevens Fire Department, Everett Kiwanis and Volunteers of America. “I feel very blessed to have been given many opportunities to help and be involved in this community.”

Julie Bogue-Garza – Board Treasurer
Julie joined Senior Services board in 2013. As a human resources executive, Julie has devoted her career to empowering people to maximize their talents in the areas in which they are most passionate. As an extension to this, Julie joined the board because of her passion for giving back to those who have given so greatly to all of us. The beauty of providing services that give peace of mind, independence and respect to seniors and people with disabilities is that we thrive as a community.

Marilyn Boe
Marilyn is the Vice President and Branch Manager for HomeStreet Bank in Everett and joined Senior Services board in 2012. Her interest in safe and affordable housing through programs like Minor Home Repair inspired her to take a more active role in supporting and contributing to these efforts. She is also a great advocate by providing information about Senior Services’ programs to customers who need assistance.

Van Dinh-Kuno (photo not available)
As the executive director of Refugee & Immigrant Services Northwest, Van runs the most visible and comprehensive agency serving refugees and immigrants. She also serves on numerous task forces and boards including Providence Hospital, United Way and the Diversity Advisory Board for the City of Everett. Van is a valuable resource to human service organizations, educational institutions and law enforcement.

Van LeSesne
Pam retired from the U.S. Navy as a captain and currently serves on the Everett School Board. She is actively involved in a variety of civic and educational activities in Snohomish County and joined Senior Services board in 2011. Pam is passionate about maintaining a community in which older adults and people with disabilities have the resources they need to live with independence and dignity.

Don Whitfield
As the former President and CEO of Whitfields United Insurance, Don is now Senior Vice President of Leavitt Northwest. In addition to the Senior Services board, he serves as a member of the the YMCA of Snohomish County Board of Trustees, is president of Marysville Rotary, and is a longtime active member of the Marysville United Methodist Church.

Amy Drewel
Amy is the founder and owner of Mosaic Insurance. She comes from a family that is deeply rooted in human services in Snohomish County. Amy joined the board in 2011 because she feels it is her duty to make sure that this community doesn’t forget about some of the most vulnerable populations and their needs.

Donnetta Walser
As a former Mayor of Monroe, Donnetta has significant experience working on community issues including transportation and affordable housing. Donnetta joined the board in 2010 because she believes that uncertain economic times combined with increasing needs as “baby boomers” age will strain our resources. She can think of no better way to serve than to help meet those needs.

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Don Leach
A Senior Financial Advisor with D. A. Davidson and Company in Everett, Dan’s background in business administration and finance bring great value to the board of directors. Dan joined the board in 2012 because he believes that in order to build a strong community, we must address the issues facing a growing population of vulnerable older adults and people with disabilities.

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Dottie Piasecki
Dottie joined Senior Services board in 2010 after retiring from Providence Regional Medical Center where she was director of public affairs and executive director of the Providence General Foundation. Dottie joined the board because Senior Services provides a wide variety of programs that the enhance lives, restore hope and preserve the dignity of seniors and the disabled throughout the region.

Reid Shockey
As President of Shockey Planning Group, Reid has provided multi-disciplinary environmental and planning services throughout Washington State for nearly four decades. Reid joined the board of Senior Services in 2008 because he is proud to serve an organization that does so much for those honored seniors who, by themselves, may not have the essential resources they need in their golden years.

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Carrie Zambrano
Carrie has 17 years in the health care insurance industry and is currently the director of ASO (administrative services only) for Regence Blue Shield. Carrie joined the board in early 2013 because she believes that what we can learn from seniors and people with disabilities will enrich our lives. As the primary caregiver for her elderly parents, she understands the importance of indepen-