



HELLO!

Welcome August!

We are excited our 2024 Summer is off to such a great start! We have been busy enjoying picnics, golf, and warm weather activities in and outside of the office making the days fly by.

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LEGACY OF LEADERSHIP

Meet Carissa Milligan

Pilkey Hopping and Ekberg's
Commercial Lines Account Manager,



Carissa Milligan, currently serves as the Immediate Past Commodore at the Tacoma Yacht Club. Her journey started as Rear Commodore, then progressed to Vice Commodore, Commodore, and now she holds the position of Immediate Past Commodore. Carissa is the second female commodore in the 139-year history of the Tacoma Yacht Club. She finds joy in connecting with fellow members and exploring different Yacht Clubs around Puget Sound. Carissa is the proud owner of a 1989 35-foot Ponderosa Sundeck named Salty Life. While she dreams of retiring one day and owning a larger boat to travel to North Alaska, for now, she is content heading to the San Juan Islands.

Carissa's husband Mike, and Carissa in her Commodore Uniform.



Mike and Carissa on their boat, Salty Life.

Carissa, Mike, and their dog Arrow.



PHE TEE TIME

Employee Golf Tournament at Highlands

What a fantastic way to start the summer than by grabbing our golf clubs and heading to the golf course. After a half day of work at the office,



Evan Kirkegaard posing with the PHE bench at Highlands.

all the PHE staff gathered at Highlands Golf Course for a round of golf. It was a perfect blend of tee time and team bonding, where employees of all skill levels competed for the annual PHE trophy.



From right: Second row: Reid Ekberg, Courtney Eckstein, Beverly Williams, Maria Johnson, Carissa Milligan, Laci Moyer, Lina Morones, Melanie Rice, Evan Kirkegaard, and John Baird. Front row: Debbie Grant, Jessica Clark, Jamie Williams, Shawn McClain, Linda Mattos, Calvin Williams, William Coulton, and Sarah Wilson.



Will Coulton, Shawn McClain, Courtney Eckstein, and Sarah Wilson.



2024 trophy winners: Carissa Milligan, Melanie Rice, Reid Ekberg, Jessica Clark.



John Baird, Evan Kirkegaard, Laci Moyer and Maria Johnson.



WARM WEATHER
FESTIVITIES

Lunch in the Park

PHE hosted a fabulous park picnic for our awesome team and their loved ones. In the shade of the trees at Tacoma's Kandle Park, laughter filled the air, making it a real feast

for the soul. The weather was perfect for our annual cornhole tournament, making this a perfect day for a picnic among friends and family. Massive thanks to Gayle Orth Catering for the scrumptious box lunches that fueled our fun-filled picnic!



Jessica Clarks adorable children, twins Palmer and Piper.



Shawn McClain and retired PHE Commercial Lines Manager Donna Haynes.



Maria Johnson and Laci Moyer.



NON PROFIT
OF THE QUARTER

PHE is pleased to support United Way of Pierce County as the Non-Profit of the Quarter.



Our Vision: A just, equitable and inclusive Pierce County community where everyone has access to opportunities and the resources needed to thrive and achieve their highest potential.

Our Mission: We mobilize and unite the caring power of Pierce County to tackle our community's toughest challenges to improve lives in measurable and lasting ways.

In a heartwarming display of community spirit, PHE recently partnered with the United Way of Pierce County to assemble 2,500 snack packs in record time. With the help of dedicated volunteers, this initiative aims to combat food insecurity and support local families during the summer months. Food insecurity remains a pressing concern, affecting one in four children in Pierce County. By assembling these snack packs, the community takes a proactive step toward alleviating hunger. The effort extends beyond mere sustenance; it's a testament to the power of collective action and compassion.



Patrick Griffin, Lina Morones, and Jamie Williams, join volunteers from all over the county, to assemble snack packs. Thank you to the WA State Fair and Event's Center for hosting the event.



Volunteers join hands as the last snack pack is loaded onto the truck.



Shawn McClain, Bailie Grahn, and Jamie William assembled soup kits to combat hunger, shout out to Black Fleet Brewing Taproom and Kitchen for hosting the event.



CELEBRATE WITH US!

People are what make PHE a great place to be! We have some wonderful team members celebrating Anniversaries in August



Jessie McKenzie
Commercial Lines
Producer/Account Manager

Jessie, an account executive for PHE's Commercial Lines Department, celebrates her 6th year with PHE in August. She transitioned from personal lines to claims before settling in to Commercial Lines. With expertise in management and professional liability, she enjoys the dynamic nature of her current role. Outside of work, she enjoys tandem biking with her husband and resides in a log home near Roy. She is blessed with two adult sons and one grand-puppy.



Evan Kirkegaard
Personal Lines Account
Manager

Evan will be celebrating his 3rd year working at PHE. Prior to joining the agency, Evan worked in the auto claims division with an insurance company for almost five years. Evan lives in Tacoma with his partner, Mariah, and their healthy chonk of a Shih Tzu named Mr. Darcy. In his downtime, Evan enjoys reading, movies, video games, torturing himself on his Peloton, and spending as much time with Mariah and Mr. Darcy as much as possible.



Bailie Grahn
Commercial Lines Account
Manager

Over the summer, Bailie has been embracing her love for adventure by participating in Ragnar races and traveling to various destinations. Her passion for running and exploration reflects her dedication and curiosity in everything she does. We're grateful for Bailie's energy and commitment, both at work and in life. Here's to many more fantastic years ahead!



Promoting Health & Wellness

Our team prioritizes self-care and promotes it among others too. Wellness plays a significant role in our day-to-day activities, staying active and engaging with our community are key components of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.





Maria Johnson, Courtney Eckstein, and Shawn McClain.

Melanie Rice, Carissa Mulligan, Jessica Clark, and Laci Moyer.



Lina Morones after winning tea in a sun tea jar and enjoying the sunshine at the PHE open.



Jamie Williams' Granddaughters both received medals when they went to Cheer Camp.



Courtney Eckstein's daughter Eleanor at basketball camp.

REFERRAL  PROGRAM

Our referral program is one way we say thank you for trusting us enough to recommend PHE to your family and friends.

For every qualifying referral we receive, which consists of a new customer requesting a quote, we will email you a \$10 Starbucks gift card. We also match this with a gift to our non profit of the quarter which is Elements of Education!

Click [here](#) to request a quote!

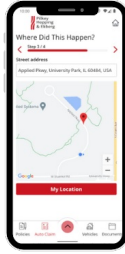


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