



Welcome to October!

As the leaves change and autumn settles in, October brings plenty of updates to share. Explore the latest office news and upcoming events below.



Upcoming Office Closures

Our office will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, in honor of Veterans Day. We will also be closed on November 26 and 27 as we celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday.

Thank you for your understanding.

If you have an urgent matter outside of our office hours, please call the office at 253-756-2000 and listen to the prompts to be connected to our 24-hour client service line. Please remember coverage cannot be bound or changed by voicemail or email.



Best of Pierce County



We are thrilled and proud to share that **Pilkey Hopping & Ekberg** has been recognized as the **#1 Best Insurance Agency in The News Tribune's Best of Pierce County 2026!**

This achievement would not have been possible without the incredible dedication of our team. Every day, our employees go above and beyond to provide exceptional service, build lasting relationships, and support our clients and community. We are deeply grateful for their hard work, professionalism, and commitment to excellence.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who voted for us and to all of our clients for your continued trust, support, and business. We're honored to be part of this community and thankful for the opportunity to serve you.

To our team, our clients, and everyone who cast a vote, thank you for being part of our success. We couldn't have done it without you!

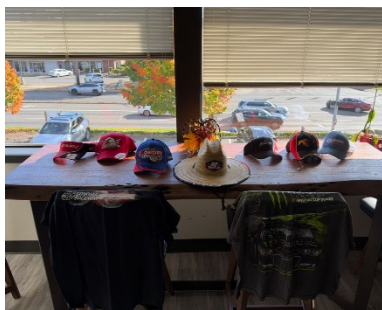


Walking Challenge

Our walking challenge is still going strong! Each week, we combine everyone's miles to "walk across the country," making stops at destinations along our route. The miles keep adding up, and we've officially reached NASCAR at Phoenix! To celebrate, we put our racing skills to the test with toy car races and wrapped things up with an awards ceremony honoring our speediest competitors. We even had a special visit from PHE legend Jamie Williams, who kicked off the races and brought plenty of NASCAR swag to share.

Congratulations to the 2026 PHE Grand Prix winners: Parker in 1st place, Reid in 2nd place, and Beth in 3rd place!

Next up on our journey is El Paso, Texas. With only a few stops left, we're getting closer and closer to our final destination: Miami!



PHE GRAND PRIX		
1. Mike	4:6.17	
2. Ron	50.02	
3. Ben	1:10.99	
4. Andrea	1:20.74	
5. Carlos	1:31.01	
6. Lisa	1:41.95	
7. Holly	1:48.43	Last 1:00.00
8. Baine	1:56.49	
9. Shalene	2:15.29	
10. Isabella	2:46.25	
11. Whitney	2:49.65	



Non Profit of the Quarter

This quarter, we're proud to spotlight the **YMCA of Pierce and Kitsap Counties** — an organization dedicated to strengthening our communities and helping people of all ages reach their full potential.

The YMCA creates opportunities for people to learn, grow, connect, and thrive through programs focused on youth development, healthy living, and community support. From childcare and youth programs to fitness, wellness, and community initiatives, the YMCA provides resources and a welcoming place for people and families to build stronger, healthier lives.

Their work goes beyond individual programs. By bringing people together and supporting the needs of local families, the YMCA helps build stronger, more connected communities across Pierce and Kitsap Counties.

We're proud to recognize the YMCA of Pierce and Kitsap Counties for the meaningful impact they make in our community, and we encourage you to learn more about their programs and ways to get involved.



Coverage Corner



Whitney E. Thompson
*Personal Lines
Department Manager*

The Hidden Value of Routine Roof Maintenance

Regular roof maintenance is an important, yet often overlooked, aspect of protecting your home *and* your insurance coverage. Over time, debris, weather exposure, and natural wear can weaken roofing materials, leading to leaks, structural damage, and costly repairs. Insurance providers require homeowners to take reasonable steps to maintain their property. Neglecting routine upkeep can sometimes result in non-renewals, higher premiums, and in some cases denied claims. By scheduling periodic inspections and addressing minor issues early, homeowners can extend the life of their roof and demonstrate responsible maintenance to insurers.

Moss removal is especially critical in regions like ours with damp climates, as moss can trap moisture against the roof surface, accelerating deterioration of shingles and underlayment. Proactive moss control, through safe removal and preventive treatments, not only preserves the structural integrity and appearance of your roof but also helps ensure your policy remains valid.

While it may seem cost-effective to handle roof maintenance yourself, working at heights can present serious safety risks, and without a trained professional's expertise, early signs of

damage may be overlooked. Professional roofing companies have the training, equipment, and experience to safely inspect your roof, identify hidden damage, and help prevent expensive repairs down the road. Investing in routine professional maintenance today can save significant expense and stress down the line, while keeping your home protected and compliant with insurance expectations.



Upcoming Events in the Community



Lacamas Valley Ranch Trick or Treat & Market

Saturday, October 17, 10:30 AM- 4:00 PM

Come out to the ranch this weekend for fall fun, trick or treating, local vendors, farm animals, and so much more! Proceeds go directly to support their elderly horse sanctuary and community education programs.



Women United Comedy Night

*October 29, Doors 8:00 PM, Show 9:00PM
Nate Jackson's Super Funny Comedy Club*

Get ready for an evening of comedy featuring five funny ladies who are sure to keep you laughing! Every ticket sold supports United Way of Pierce County and their efforts to help local families achieve stability and move beyond poverty.



PHE Birthdays & Anniversaries

**Jessica Clark***Benefits Department Manager*

This month, Jessica celebrates her birthday and 9 years with PHE! Thank you, Jessica, for your leadership, dedication, positivity, and all the great memories over the years. We are grateful for everything you do and lucky to have you. Wishing you a wonderful birthday filled with joy, relaxation, and celebration!

**Parker Caillouet***Personal Lines Tech*

Happy Birthday to the amazing Parker! We are so appreciative of all the hard work and fun that you bring to the Personal Lines team. Wishing you a fantastic birthday full of laughter, cake, excitement, and all the things that you love. Enjoy your day!



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 mail you a \$10 Starbucks gift card. We also match this with a gift to our non profit of the quarter!

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