

Candidates for Dungeness River Nature Center
Board of Directors July 2025 – June 2028

Scott Burgett



When I first visited the Dungeness River Nature Center a little more than two years ago, I felt a connection between myself, my consciousness of nature, and the Center that was rather remarkable. Shortly afterwards I began volunteering with the Center.

The DRNC has provided many opportunities where my desires for learning and teaching about our surrounding natural environment are being further channeled. I'm increasingly inspired at the Center by the many people I meet, greet, and assist and those who operate the Center that share similar motivations to connect with, learn from, and

conscientiously preserve our surrounding beautiful environment.

With continuing desires and abilities to meaningfully contribute, I am seeking a position as a member of the Dungeness River Nature Center Board of Directors.

Education background: BS Computer Information Systems, Seattle City University; MBA Management of Information Systems, Seattle City University; Certificate of Construction Management, University of Washington, Seattle

Career Background: Military Service - U.S. Air Force; Data technology industry services and management; Residential construction services and management

Additional Volunteering: Treasurer, Montlake Community Club, Seattle; Secretary/Treasurer, Olympic Straits Community Association, Dungeness; Vice President, Olympic Straits Community Association, Dungeness; DarkSky International Advocacy Alliance

Other interests include: cooking, reading, guitar, birding, baseball

Cynthia P. Golledge



The DRNC is a special place, and the Board plays a vital role in making the Center a successful and thriving organization. I believe that civic duty is important, and the Center's mission resonates deeply with me. The Center (and the Refuge) are where I want to give back now that I am retired.

My PhD is in Experimental Psychology with a focus in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. In addition to teaching, my experience includes 30+ years of committee work at the departmental, institutional, and state levels. I've chaired numerous committees and subcommittees, including program reviews, and I've participated in institutional strategic planning and state-wide curriculum alignment. My training and experience also include survey design and data analysis. I am hoping these skills would be useful to the Board in achieving its goals.

I started volunteering for the Center in 2023, and have assisted during Sequim festivals and Nature Mart. In February I joined the Grants Team and GO Committee, and then became the Grants Team Coordinator as we actively search for funding opportunities for the Center.

I enjoy working at the Front Desk, and I also enjoy restoring native habitat, which I am currently doing on my own property.

Tom Mix



I want to serve on the Board because I identify with the mission and vision of the River Center.

I graduated from Pennsylvania State University in 1967 with a Bachelor of Science in Engineering Mechanics. I worked at Boeing first as a junior engineer on the SST and retired in 1998 managing a Commercial airplane manufacturing assembly organization.

For the past 3 years I have served on the River Center Board of Directors and authored Railroad Bridge Park's Forest Stewardship Plan. I desire to be reelected and continue my service to the Center.

I volunteer with several different groups: Back Country Horsemen, Washington Trails Association Assistant Crew Leader, CCFD# - CERT Search and Rescue team, Peninsula Trails Coalition volunteer helping maintain the ODT/OAT, and recently retired as USFS Region 6 Saw Program Regional Program Instructor Chain and Crosscut Saws. I initiated the Sequim Community Foundation now known as Olympic View Community Foundation.

Currently I am compiling the next issue of the Clallam Parks 10-year Master Plan 2026-2036 and Forest Stewardship Plans for four Clallam County parks.

Annette Nesse



I am running for re-election to the River Center Board of Directors to offer continuity of leadership for an organization that continues to grow and positively impact our local community.

I earned a Bachelor of Science from Washington State University in 1979 and a Master of Public Administration in 1998. I retired from Tribal governmental administration with 32 years of service to the Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe, 22 of those as Chief Operations Officer. While employed I was the appointed Tribal representative to the Board and chaired the Executive Committee. I also serve on the Olympic View Community Foundation Board and am a founding member of the Peninsula Junior Rodeo Association.

With a leave of absence last summer, I accepted the role of Interim Director for the DRNC. I returned to the Board in February 2025 and currently chair the Building Advisory Committee, the Golf Tournament sub-committee and participate on the Governance Committee and the GO Committee (events sub-committee and the grants sub-committee).

I thoroughly enjoy the outdoors, especially on horseback, sharing activities with my family (4 amazing grandkids), golfing, knitting, and spending time at our place in Central Washington.

Thank you for considering me for re-election to the DRNC Board!

Tim Shank



I think I have skills and experience to help the River Center survive and thrive in a challenging time. I can't think of a more unique and wonderful community to support.

I spent 25 years in marketing for large companies, so seeing a need and convincing others to help is almost second nature. I believe in giving back to my community, so being a volunteer is very important to me. I was District Chairman with the Greater Los Angeles Council of the Boy Scouts, so I know how to lead when there is need, do more with ever-smaller budgets, and to work effectively with volunteers.

I'm an Exhibit Host, I also support Marketing and Communication efforts for the DRNC, I'm on the Green Crab Team at the Dungeness Spit, I am a member of the Nature Mart Committee and the GO Committee, I have found use for odd skills to trouble-shoot technical systems in the Exhibit Room, and I help to maintain the salmon tank there.

In my spare time, I volunteer as a race marshal and trail adopter for the Olympic Discovery Trail, I keep bees, I am walking the length of the ODT, and I try the patience of the Master Gardeners.