

# ORCAS NEWS

Orcas Business Park Newsletter



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### **Valentines Day**

#### **Seattle Wholesale Growers**

**Market** is usually closed to the public except on Fridays from 10am to noon. However Valentines Day is a special occasion! They will be open to the public Thursday February 14th from 10 am to noon! Stop by and get some fresh flowers for a loved one.

#### **Conscious Eatery discount for Orcas Business Park tenants**

**ORCAS10 is available for any Orcas Business Park**

**Tenant/Employee** - 10% off you can order online at

[www.consciouseatery.org](http://www.consciouseatery.org), or through their Conscious Eatery app.

#### **Tenant Spotlight**

**Studio 65** is a full-service commercial design and consultancy firm specializing in senior living. They offer a suite of services tailored to their client's needs from interior design to model staging to move management. **Housewarming** (a branch of Studio 65) helps homeowners, businesses, and realtors design, stage/photograph, and organize homes and offices throughout King and Snohomish Counties. Their **LifeSpace Move Management** team has worked with hundreds of families and dozens of senior communities, each one with a special story with unique needs that require effective design solutions and seamless project management. *Karen Pfeiffer Bush, CEO, founded the company in 2005* as a compliment to her real estate business. The company grew quickly and new divisions and services organically developed over the years. Whether their clients are homeowners who are preparing their homes for the real estate market, seniors who are downsizing and moving to retirement communities or large corporations with multiple

retirement communities around the country, they offer personal, customized service and a collaborative approach. There are many specialists at Housewarming and Studio 65 and what makes them all very special is how much they love what they do!

Did you know? – *Valentines Day.....*

- Approximately 150 million Valentine's Day cards are exchanged annually, making Valentine's Day the second most popular card-sending holiday after Christmas.
- History's first valentine was written in perhaps one of the most unromantic places conceivable: a prison. Charles, Duke of Orleans wrote the love letter to his second wife at the age of 21 while captured at the Battle of Agincourt. As a prisoner for more than 20 years, he would never see his valentine's reaction to the poem he penned to her in the early 15th century.
- Some trace Valentine's Day origins to a Christian effort to replace a pagan fertility festival that has been dated as far back as the 6th century B.C. During the festival of Lupercalia, Roman priests would sacrifice goats and dogs and use their blood-soaked hides to slap women on the streets, as a fertility blessing. According to legend, women would later put their names in an urn and be selected to be paired with a man for a year.
- The Valentine's Day tradition of giving a box of candy was started in the 19th century by Richard Cadbury, a scion of a British chocolate manufacturing family. With a new technique recently established at the company to create more varieties of chocolate, Cadbury pounced on the opportunity to sell the chocolates as part of the beloved holiday.
- The iconic chalky heart-shaped candies that have been passed out lovingly every Valentine's Day started out as lozenges. According to the Food Business News, pharmacist and inventor Oliver Chase created a machine that would quickly create the lozenges before switching to using the machine to create candy—later known as Necco Wafers. Chase's brother came up with the idea to print messages on the candy in 1866, and the candies got their heart shape in 1901, appealing specifically to Valentine's Day sweethearts. Unfortunately, in 2019, the Sweetheart brand of conversation hearts was suspended for a year as the candy's new owner, Spangler Candy Co., needed time to make a supply of the hearts for Valentine's. The former makers of the candy, the New England Confectionary Co., went out of business.