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# **First-ever Chelan County Rodeo Queen crowned**

### **By QUINN PROPST** Ward Media Staff Reporter

has crowned their first ever Chelan the Washington State High School County Rodeo Queen, 20-year-old Rodeo Association. Austyn Robinson.

because she has a cute personality," said Kristen Mattson, a member of the Chelan County Fair Board and the Chelan County Rodeo Queen Committee. "I think she's gonna be fun to work with. Her personality is really magnetic when you're around her, and she's just really fun.'

"At the pageant, everyone (the fair board and queen committee) is really excited about this next year and having her as our rodeo queen," Mattson said.

Robinson is a Cashmere High School 2022 graduate and the daughter of Nick and Casey Hollenbeck and Ryan and Leslie Robinson. She lives on a small family farm in Prosser and works as a barista at the Prosser Memorial Hospital.

Robinson feels honored and excited to serve as the first Chelan County Rodeo Queen, she said.

and meet new people and get to experience all these experiences," she said.

"I think it's just a great way to get out there and be an ambassador for our rodeo and invite people to come and see us because we'll be making so many appearances at other rodeos, and it brings people to us," Robinson said. "And I just love promoting the rodeo itself and answering questions that people may have when they don't quite understand what's going on."

Both rodeos and rodeo queens are something her family is quite familiar with. Robinson's mom and aunts have all been rodeo queens. One aunt was can serve as a good role model for all been rodeo queens. One aunt was Miss Rodeo Washington 2012.

"My family's always been involved wanted to continue that legacy," sport I've always loved so I've always wanted to represent." When not working, Robinson is experience with our community.' often riding her two horses Roany and Cookie. She plans to pursue a scheduled for Sept. 5-8. degree in Equine Dentistry.

FFA. She has been riding horses for as long as she can remember and has competed in barrel racing. She CASHMERE - Chelan County Fair even competed in barrel racing in

Robinson was crowned at the "I think she'll make a good Queen Nov. 12 pageant, where prospective queens competed in several segments including personal interviews, horsemanship skills, modeling presentations, speech delivery, and impromptu questions.

Organizers hope to make the pageant an annual event, showcasing and honoring local young women with an enthusiasm to compete for the title.

"Our rodeo is now sanctioned with the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association or PRCA, so we are hopeful that having a rodeo queen out promoting our rodeo at other events will draw more attention to the Chelan County Fair and Rodeo," Mattson said.

The 2024 queen will be presented with a variety of awards, sponsored items, and royalty accessories to be worn during the year of her reign. She will participate in a year of community events, public speaking, "I'm just excited to get out there parades, luncheons, and rodeos while serving as a goodwill ambassador for the Chelan County Fair and Rodeo.

In the past, the Chelan County Fair had two local young people, known as Ambassadors, who represented the fair at speaking engagements before and during the annual fair. However, in 2024, the Ambassador positions will be reduced from two to one. The Rodeo Queen and Ambassador will work together to promote the fair and rodeo.

Mattson hopes the new queen shares her knowledge with the community to help people better little girls.

"Rodeo has always felt like family in rodeo queen programs, and I just to me," she said. "Everyone who I've met through rodeo have become good Robinson said. "And I just love the friends; they are always willing to family aspect of the rodeo. It's just a lend a helping hand when needed. My hope is the rodeo queen is a conduit for sharing that rodeo family and



### **Controversial MFTE Passes:**

A tool in the toolbox for some, the wrong tool for others **By Taylor Caldwell** 

Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - The contentious Multi-Family Tax Exemption (MFTE) passed in a 4-3 vote at the City Council Meeting Tuesday night. About half of the roughly 40 residents in attendance voiced their opinions during the public hearing, revealing a split of opinion reflected in the City Council.

MFTE was originally created in 1995 to use a tax exemption for developers to "incentivize residential development in urban centers, designated as 'residential targeted areas,' for Washington's largest cities," according to the Washington State Department of Commerce. Due to its success, the state expanded its scope to all cities in 2021.

Leavenworth would use MFTE to incentivize developers to build affordable housing. In Tuesday night's meeting, MFTE was widely referred to as a 'tool in the toolbox' that could be used to give the city more leverage with developers.

"This is not about using that tool today. It's about being able to consider it as an option [in the future]," said Mayor Carl J. Florea, who was passionately in favor of the exemption.

"I don't think this plan is perfect, but we need tools. We can't just keep trying the same thing over and over and expecting different results. We don't have anything else in our toolbox that offers this," added City Council Member Anne Hessburg in support.

Many community members were also in favor of the exemption, and reinforced the need for more housing

the volleyball program, 4-H and ward.media.

At CHS Robinson was active in Quinn Propst: 509-731-3590 or quinn@

COURTESY OF AMBER COOK

The 2024 Chelan County Fair is Cashmere graduate Austyn Robinson, 20, is Chelan County Fair's first Rodeo Queen. Robinson was crowned at the Nov. 12 pageant where prospective queens competed in several segments including personal interviews, horsemanship skills, modeling presentations, speech delivery, and impromptu questions.

# Alpine Lakes Students are recovering after pandemic, but one grade was affected more than others

### **By Taylor Caldwell** Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - Students of Alpine Lakes Elementary are bouncing back from the pandemic at higher rates than the rest of the state, according to test results. However, current fourth graders have been slower to bounce back than their peers in the grades above and below them, especially in reading.

At the Cascade School District Board meeting Nov. 13, Alpine Lakes Principal Kenny Renner-Singer presented test results from the state's 2022-2023 Smart Balance Assessment in the spring.

"We knocked it out of the park in mathematics," said Renner-Singer. At Alpine Lakes, 58.2 percent of fifth graders, 75 percent of fourth graders. and 62.3 percent of third graders all met state standards for math. State totals were quite lower, with 40.9 percent of the state's fifth graders, 48.2 percent of fourth graders, and 50.3 percent of third graders meeting standards

For English Language Arts (ELA),

graders, 77.4 percent of fourth graders, and 50 percent of third graders met standards. State totals showed 52.5 percent of fifth graders, 49 percent of fourth graders, and 47.7 percent of third graders met standards. Fifth graders were also tested in science, with Alpine Lakes having 67 percent success, compared to the state's 50.9 percent success.

While fourth and fifth grades performed 16 to 27 percent better than the state in math and ELA, third graders only performed 12 percent better in math, and 3 percent better in ELA. "I attribute those reading scores to the impact of COVID," said Renner-Singer.

"This is the class that I think is most impacted by the school shutdown," said Principal Emily Ross of Peshastin-Dryden Elementary. Now fourth graders in the 2023-2024 school year, these students hadn't even finished Kindergarten when the pandemic started. While the grades ahead of them had a couple years of learning and school structure to fall back on, these students were

Alpine Lakes 68.9 percent of fifth having to learn basic foundational skills without much experience of a school routine.

Although both reading and math percentages were lower than other grades, Ross attributed the higher performance in math to the straightforwardness of basic numeracy. It was easier for parents to help kids with math than it was reading.

'You can look on your fingers and you can show that there's a five and people understand generally, when you take away one, you can put down a finger and that's four, and it's a shared understanding," said Ross. Reading however, requires a phonemic awareness that isn't as common. "If the teacher is asking a student to spell a C-V-C word [consonant-vowel-consonant], that's a term that we use all the time in school that we can really get indepth with our students on. In order to have a parent get to that level of supporting their child at home, it requires a lot of background knowledge that not everyone has,' said Ross.

The other challenge of reading was the responsiveness that's required. In the classroom, the teacher listens to the student read and provides immediate feedback when they mispronounce a word. "Since students were having to record themselves and wait for the teacher to listen and respond, it didn't have the same effectiveness," said Ross. Even holding a pencil incorrectly was something that could be missed on Zoom.

On top of this, when kids returned to school, a lot of their brain power was being diverted to relearning social interaction. "If you're not used to playing with a group of kids and you're all of a sudden allowed to, part of your brain is going to be thinking about how you're doing this. It's not going to be as automatic while you're still trying to get that 'a' sound in class," said Ross.

Despite the challenges, Ross said students that were able to maintain a quiet and consistent workspace at home were able to still find success.

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in the area.

"We don't even know if developers will even do this because construction costs are so high right now. This might incentivize them," said resident Suzi Lane.

Travis McMaster, recently elected for City Council, expressed that the consideration for MFTE was "right on time.

While many cities in Washington state have adopted MFTE, including Wenatchee, some community members expressed concerns over the uncertainty of it working in Leavenworth.

"I don't think for a community this small, it would be the same as a larger community like Wenatchee," said resident Polly McIntyre.

McIntyre described Leavenworth as being a guinea pig for small towns adopting MFTE. A few others agreed, including resident Curt Haire, who suggested it might be the wrong tool.

'We don't want a hammer where we need a screwdriver," said Haire.

Uncertainty of the outcome was a strong sentiment for both those for and against MFTE. City Council Member Zeke Reister called for more public discussions on the matter, while Council Member Marco Aurilio said he wanted to see more due diligence done.

Mayor Florea pushed back, reminding members and the public that under the MFTE plan, the City Council will still have the power to approve projects and analyze their impact on a case-by-case basis.

'If you pass this, there's nothing to discuss until a project comes up," said Mayor Florea.

"I'm all for it," said City Council Member Jason Lundgren, "When the opportunity comes, I think it's going

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### Community

## Get your event in the spotlight with Ward Media!

If you have an exciting event to share, email Reporter Quinn Propst at quinn@ward.media. We'll showcase the five most captivating events of the week, giving your event the recognition it deserves. Even if your event isn't among the top five, it will still be added to our events calendar and featured online. Don't miss this chance to make your event shine!

### **Christmas** Craft Bazaar

Alpine Lakes Elementary School in Leavenworth will host the Christmas Craft Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Village of Lights: Christmastown

The city of Leavenworth will turn on the Christmas lights starting on Thanksgiving Day Thursday, Nov. 23. Starting on Friday Nov. 24 there will be gazebo entertainment including choirs, bands, carolers, visits from Santa every weekend and fun activities in the Leavenworth Festhalle.

"Every winter, Leavenworth celebrates with over half a million Christmas lights, music and entertainment, holiday characters for your photo ops, carolers, kids' activities, roasting chestnuts, Santa photos and so much more," the event page states. For more information visit leavenworth.org.

### Holiday Concert: 'Merry Christmas from Leavenworth"

The Leavenworth Chamber will host a free holiday concert "Merry Christmas from Leavenworth" on Saturday, Nov. 25 from 7-8 p.m. at the Leavenworth Festhalle.

"Start your holiday season off and join us for a heartful holiday concert featuring all local talent as they perform together and individually and finish the night with a stunning rendition of "Merry Christmas from Leavenworth" the original song written by local artist Eric Link," the event page states.

### **Holiday Harp Concert**

The Leavenworth Community Methodist Church will host harpist Bronn Journey on Wednesday, Nov. 29 from 7 - 8 p.m.

**THINGS TO DO** "This is a great way to begin and enrich your holiday season," the event page states. "The talented harpist, Bronn Journey, will be sharing his gifts of holiday music. This is a concert for all ages. Tickets are \$35 and may be purchased at the door or through email at treasurer@ leavenworthumc.org.

### Leavenworth museum celebrates community award

The Greater Leavenworth Museum is offering free admission to residents within the Cascade school district through the end of the year.

"With 2023the Washington Governor's Smart Communities award recipients being announced last week, the Greater Leavenworth Museum has chosen to celebrate the City of Leavenworth being a recipient of the Judges Merit Award (recognizing communities successes in more than one of the judged categories)," the event page states. "Nearly

THIS WEEK

60 years after Project L.I.F.E. developed the community plan to transform our flailing town into a Bavarian village, residents can enjoy complimentary admission to the museum through the end of 2023 to learn about, or fresh their memories of, this town's unique history."

The museum is open daily from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

# **Expanded advanced learning** opportunities in Cascade School District

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The Flipperellas: from left to right, Vaughan Eccles, Lily Hansen, Phoebe Gibbs, Charlie Ricketts, and Eliane Pope pose with their costumes and set pieces following their flipped fairy tale performance at Destination Imagination 2023.

### **By Marlene Farrell** Special to Ward Media

LEAVENWORTH - At Icicle River Middle School (IRMS), Alpine Lakes Elementary (ALPS) and Peshastin Dryden Elementary (PD), the Highly Capable Program (HiCap) has recently grown into a considerable opportunity for students who qualify for the program. The IRMS Advanced Learning program is offered as an exploratory class option for each grade, and students attend every other day with teacher Jodie Tremberth. The ALPS and PD HiCap programs both have one multi-grade class per week led by Tyler Cox, Cascade School District (CSD) school psychologist and the Highly Capable Program coordinator. "I'm really proud of what our district has done in terms of HiCap programming in recent years," said Cox. "When I started working here six years ago, there were no specific HiCap class offerings. Now, we have HiCap classes from grades K-8." James Swanson, IRMS

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From left to right, Kyler Cooper, Edison Fritz, Alan Romero Garcia, and Henry Camburn pose with their golf ball roller coaster following their Destination Imagination 2023 team challenge performance.

principal and HiCap Director, explained how the district is setting a new standard for these services, saying, "We searched across the state to find organized programs for HiCap students that involve components other than simply advancement in academics. We did not find any and are really proud of the programs we are creating in the Cascade School District.' HiCap students are those who possess capacities, including but not limited to, an ability to learn deeply with high retention, capacity for increased level of abstraction and complexity, ability to draw novel connections and innovate, and a capacity for intense concentration.



MARLENE FARRELL/FOR WARD MEDIA From left to right, Van Stokes, Alan Romero, and Everitt Duffield finish construction of their bridge for a bridge building challenge in the IRMS sixth grade Advanced Learning class.

and 5, so students who aren't design a balsa structure that nominated for the program would support the greatest don't get missed. Anyone, load possible using the least including teachers, parents, amount of materials. There and community members, were many design constraints can nominate students for in terms of dimensions and materials. Additionally, as evaluation at any time.



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From left to right, sixth graders Simon Fok, Cedar Tremberth, and Noah Jerome display their bridge and their accountant's balance sheet for the bridge building challenge in the IRMS Advanced Learning class.

> about their bridge including how much weight it could bear and where on the structure the point of failure would occur.

> The goal of the project was actually less about bridge building and more about the

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How students are selected for HiCap follows very specific steps, given the program is supported by state funds.

"A big step for our program in recent years has involved implementing a highly equitable eligibility process,' explained Cox. "Our cognitive assessment, the NNAT-3, is entirely nonverbal and culturally equitable. We universally screen grades 1

"Other HiCap programs often use assessments like the CogAT test, which rely heavily on language ability," he continued. "While not intentional, this often leads to a lack of cultural and linguistic diversity in HiCap programs. Since moving to the NNAT-3 and implementing universal screening, we've seen our demographics become significantly more diverse."

In Tremberth's Advanced Learning classes (open to HiCap students and those considered advanced learners) at IRMS, students took a deep dive into bridge building projects this fall. In small groups, students formed "companies" challenged to

students learned and could articulate, they could not use gussets or laminations for extra support.

Constructing a bridge that is a balance of strength and efficiency sounds challenging enough, but these students were simulating a full project bid, so they had to divide up roles-project management, engineering and accountingand start with concept sketches that were adjusted into a final design. The students then sketched a full-scale technical drawing of their design, created a parts list and budget and started building.

On the final day of construction, Tremberth asked the class to make predictions

reflective process, where students grapple with problem solving and decision making and then think about their strengths and weaknesses and how they could improve in the future. Some students, for instance, would rather jump in and start building, but this project required planning and deliberation to keep the "costs" down. Some might prefer to follow their own ideas, and yet, to succeed, students needed to practice collaboration and compromise.

Exploring students' executive functioning skills such as paying attention, organizing and planning,

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### Wednesday

- Children and Youth Program, 6:30-8 p.m., 4th-12th grade, Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene, 509-548-5292.
- Alpine Water District, meets at the Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue, 1 p.m. Contact Anne Mueller, 425-238-3935. Senior Center, Lunch, noon, \$8 per meal. RSVP 509-548-6666.
- Ukulele Circle, 5:30- 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get sheet music.
- Cascade Medical Board, 4th Wednesday of every month (with a couple exceptions), September 27,
- October 25, November 15, and December 20, 5:30 p.m.

### Thursday

- Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce, 8 a.m. Call Chamber, 509-548-5807. Everyone is invited to attend as a guest. Email Troy@leavenworth.org for meeting information. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)
- Leavenworth Lions Club, For more info. President Steve Alford, 509-548-4505, or email leavenworthlionsclubwa@gmail.com

Peshastin Community Council meeting, 7 p.m. Peshastin Memorial Hall. (2nd Thurs.)

Caregiver Support Group, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Cashmere. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)

### Friday

Veteran Service Office, For information contact Tony Sandoval, 509-664-6801 or email:

tony.Sandoval@co.chelan.wa.us

- Leavenworth Rotary Club, In person at Kristall's Restaurant at Noon. Call President Mahala Murphy-Martin, 206-227-1576, for more information.
- Senior Center: Bingo 6 p.m. Call 509-548-6666. Facebook & website: leavenworthseniors@gmail.com

### Monday

- Upper Valley Free Clinic, open every Monday to evaluate urgent health needs. Downstairs at Cascade Medical, 6:30 -8:00 p.m. Call UVMEND, 509-548-0408 for more information.
- Leavenworth Mosquito District board meeting, 7 p.m. via ZOOM link posted at https://leavenworthmosquitocontrol. org/activity-calendar.html or contact Jenny 509-548-5904 (1st and 3rd Mon.)
- Cascade School board meetings, 7 p.m., Agenda can be found at https://www.cascadesd.org/Page/166. (2nd & 4th Mon.)
- Chelan Douglas Republican Women, Monthly meeting and luncheon 1st Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday). \$21. for lunch, \$8. for sitting only. 11 a.m. check in starts, noon for meeting and speaker. Wenatchee Convention Center 121 N. Wenatchee Ave. For information and reservations, please call, Angela Dye, President, 509-668-1105 (1st Mon.)

### Tuesday

- Peshastin Water District, 5:30 p.m. For meeting location, contact Steve Keene, 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)
- Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts Meeting Current meeting time is 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or
- levi.ipid@nwi.net (2nd Tues.) Cascade Education Foundation, Contact: CEF@cascade.org
- LWSC Alpine Committee, 7 p.m., Ski Hill Lodge. Call 509-548-5477. (1st. Tues.)
- Leavenworth Masons, 7:30 a.m., Zarthan Lodge No. 148, Leavenworth Senior Center upstairs.
- www.leaveworthmasons.org. (1st Tues.)
- Cascade Garden Club, 1 p.m., at a member's home or other venue. Call President Claudia, 509-662-7706. (3rd Tues.). The Chalon County Comptony District #2 (Poshastin) mosts
- The Chelan County Cemetery District #2 (Peshastin) meets monthly at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)
- Senior Center, Exercise, 11 a.m-Noon. Tues & Thurs. 509-548-6666. Facebook & Website:
- leavenworthseniors@gmail.com
- Music, call Steve, 509-548-7048. (1st and 3rd Tues.)

Greater Leavenworth Museum board meeting 5-7 p.m. E



# Chicken and Noodles plus Dumplings

One chicken carcass

1 small onion diced

2 to 4 oz noodles

**Dumpling Dough** 

1 cup flour

1/4 tsp salt

1-3 carrots, chopped

1 tsp baking powder

1/3 to 1/2 cup water or milk

Put the chicken carcass in a

pan or a crockpot with 4 to 6

turn down to a simmer. Sim-

falls off the bones. Let cool

cups water. Bring to a boil then

mer the carcass until the meat

then remove the meat from the

bones and discard the bones.

Measure to make sure there

are at least four cups of liquid

broth. If not add water to make

up the difference. To the meat

and broth, add the salt veggies,

celery, onion, carrots and sim-

mer until the carrots are almost

done. Bring to a boil and add

the noodles. (If the broth is not

bubbling the noodles will turn

to goo.) Make sure the meat,

broth and veggies are at least

the noodles. Turn up the heat

and bring to a boil. While wait-

dumplings. Depending on the

to be added. 5 to 8 minutes

after adding the noodles add

ing for the liquid to boil, mix the

humidity, more water may need

at a fast simmer before adding

4 to 6 cups water

1-4 ribs celery

• 1/2 tsp salt

Aunt Cece and Uncle Larry came over this last week. Whenever they come, we eat Aunt Cece's favorite foods like chicken and noodles. Years ago, Grandma found out that Aunt Cece likes chicken and noodles with dumplings on top. At Thanksgiving we make broth out of the leftover turkey carcass. Grandma adds veggies to the broth, brings it to a simmer while I make homemade noodles for the pot then when the time is right, she adds dumplings and it makes the best day after Thanksgiving meal.

Before Cece and Larry came over, I was rearranging my freezer to fit cheese bricks (on sale for half the regular price so I got four and froze three of the 32 oz bricks) and left a whole frozen chicken out by mistake so we had to eat it. We had crockpot baked chicken but being as Grandma, Grandpa and I don't have the appetite of young folk any longer there was still lots of meat left on the bones of that baked bird so Grandma made broth out of it. When we heard Larry and Cece were coming over Grandma decided to make chicken and noodles plus dumplings. She must figure it's an excellent time to prime our taste buds for the main event of the day after Thanksgiving when we make broth out of the turkey carcass and all the left overs go into the pot for Turkey and Noodles plus Dumpling as the finale of our Thanksgiving celebration before everyone heads back to their homes far away.

## Chelan County Sheriff's Report

This report is compiled from records provided by the Chelan County Sheriff's Office and RiverCom. The publisher cannot certify the complete accuracy of the information provided.

### November 10

- 08:44 Harassment/ Threat, 328 Tumwater Dr.
- 10:19 Public Assist, 10486 Ski Hill Dr.
- 12:16 Welfare Check, 940 US Hwy. 2, Mike West Real Estate
- 15:00 Traffic Offense, Beaver Valley Rd. MP 18, Plain 20:37 Agency Assist, 11645
- North Rd., Amtrak Icicle Station 21:47 Suspicious Circum-
- stance, 721 Commercial St. 22:13 Trespassing, 817 Commercial St.

### November 11

- 01:22 Suspicious Circumstance, 8590 Pine St., Peshastin
- 02:58 Malicious Mischief, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway 09:52 Non-injury Accident, 8579 High St., Peshastin
  - astin Icicle Rd. MP 3

- 10402 Chumstick Hwy. 16:33 Suspicious Circumstance, 12510 Ingalls Cree
- stance, 12510 Ingalls Creek Rd., Peshastin 17:05 Suspicious Circum-
- stance, Chumstick Hwy. MP 12 20:47 Suspicious Circum-
- stance, 10 block Avalanche Ln., Lake Wenatchee

### November 14

- 08:34 Public Assist, 3300 US Hwy. 97, Peshastin
- 09:12 Alarm, 843 Front St., Edelweiss
- 10:23 Hazard, Beaver Valley Rd. MP 15. Plain
- 10:54 Diversion, 36 Fall Creek
- Ln., Lake Wenatchee 16:19 Welfare Check, 8th and
- Front Streets 17:32 Traffic Offense, US Hwy.
- 2 MP 101 18:41 Non-injury Accident,
  - d. MP 3
    - 50 US Market

the dumplings, dropping by spoonful, onto the boiling broth and meat. The liquid must be boiling when the dumplings are added, or like the noodles, they will turn to goo. Once all the dumplings have been added, let simmer for ten minutes without the lid on the pan then put the lid on the pot, turn the heat to medium and let the dumplings simmer and steam for another 12-15 minutes. Don't lift the lid for those 12-15 minutes or the steam will escape, the dumplings will chill and end up cooked unevenly because it takes time to reheat the environment under the lid and resume cooking. Once the dumplings are done, fill a bowl and enjoy.

**Choices:** Use a turkey carcass, double all the ingredients and serve as the day after Thanksgiving main event like our family does or cut the recipe in half using a couple cans of chicken broth, some deli turkey and the veggies in the fridge. Leave out the noodles or the dumplings and serve as chicken & noodles or chicken & dumplings. Pause before adding noodles or dumplings and freeze the broth and veggies for a fine soup at a later date.

About the author: In 2000 Michele Priddy left the work *force to become a stay-at-home* mother and wife. Being a one-income family in today's society meant she had to learn to budget quickly. Food became a priority early because she wanted the children to have the best nutrition she could offer them even on a budget. She taught cooking classes at various churches in her community on "How to stretch the food dollar with simple ingredients". Michelle has put her kitchen strategies, stories and recipes in booklets, her church newsletter and in her hometown newspaper, The Goldendale Sentinel. We hope you will enjoy her strategies, stories, and recipes.

Kodiaks Schedule							
G	IRLS BASKETBALL						
Nov. 28:	Cascade vs. Sultan, Away at 5 p.m.						
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Nov. 28:	Cascade vs. Sultan, Away at 6:45 p.m.						
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Nov. 30:	Cle Elum-Roslyn Jamboree, Away at 5 p.m.						

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### Meeting Schedules For AA, Alanon, Celebrate Recovery

### AA Meetings:

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**Renewed Celebrate Recovery**, Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene. 111 Ski Hill Drive. Come experience God's grace for all of life's hurts, habits and hang-ups. For more information: CelebrateRecoveryLCN@ gmail.com or 509- 596-1510.

- 11:41 Public Assist, 11645 North Rd., Amtrak Icicle Station
- 13:37 Noise Complaint, 103 Prospect St.
- 16:19 Harassment/ Threat, 13647 Chumstick Hwy.
- 17:18 Domestic Disturbance, Fir and Pine Streets
- 19:34 Traffic Offense, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway
- 20:35 DUI, Ski Hill Dr. and Prospect St.
- 21:02 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, Derby Canyon Rd. MP 3, Peshastin

### November 12

- 02:52 Domestic Disturbance, 190 US Hwy. 2, Der Ritterhof 07:35 Property, 1300 Commercial St.
- 14:16 Trespassing, 405 US Hwy. 2, Howard Johnson

### November 13

12:01 Scam, 22494 Chiwawa Loop Rd., Lake Wenatchee 15:10 Harassment/ Threat, 8590 Pine St., Peshastin



21:31 Traffic Offense, 1250 US Hwy. 2, McDonald's 23:28 Agency Assist, 320 Park Ave.

13:46 Traffic Offense, 1245 US

17:30 Hazard, SR 207 MP 2,

06:42 Alarm, 12661 Shore St.

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stance, 7375 Icicle Rd.,

Sleeping Lady Mountain

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hicle, 300 block Evans St.

7100 block Icicle Rd.

16:54 Public Assist, 22744

14:56 Unknown-injury Accident,

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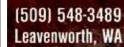
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# Opinion

# **A** Time for **Gratitude** and Reflection

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the crisp autumn air envelops us and the leaves paint a vivid mosaic of reds, oranges, and yellows, our hearts and homes prepare for a cherished tradition: Thanksgiving. This quintessentially American holiday serves as a reminder to pause amidst life's hustle and bustle, embracing gratitude, unity, and the spirit of giving.

Originating from the historical harvest feast shared between the Pilgrims and Native Americans in 1621, Thanksgiving has evolved into a mosaic of traditions. It's a day when families and friends gather around tables laden with a cornucopia of culinary delights, from succulent roasted turkeys to pumpkin pies adorned with dollops of whipped cream.

Beyond the feast lies the heart of Thanksgiving — the expression of gratitude. In a world often bustling with noise and distractions, this day beckons us to reflect on our blessings. It's a moment to appreciate the warmth of loved ones' laughter, the embrace of cherished friendships, and the simple joys that enrich our lives.

Yet. Thanksgiving is not merely about counting blessings; it's about sharing them. It's a time to extend a hand to those less fortunate. embodying the true essence of community. Whether through volunteering at local shelters, donating to food banks, or offering support to a neighbor

in need, this holiday calls us to demonstrate compassion generosity.

In recent years, the celebration of Thanksgiving has evolved in response to changing times. Families scattered across the country often reunite through virtual gatherings, utilizing technology to bridge distances and share in

and

the spirit of togetherness. This year, as we gather

once more, let us not only revel in the delectable aromas wafting from the kitchen but also in the conversations that unite us. Let's remember to acknowledge the richness found in our diverse tapestry of cultures, beliefs, and traditions that make this nation so vibrant.

As the holiday season commences, Thanksgiving serves as the prelude, fostering a sense of appreciation and setting the stage for the coming festivities. It prompts us to reflect not only on the abundance of our tables but also on the richness of our lives.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, let us carry the values of gratitude, compassion, and unity beyond this day, making every day an opportunity to express thanks and extend kindness to all.

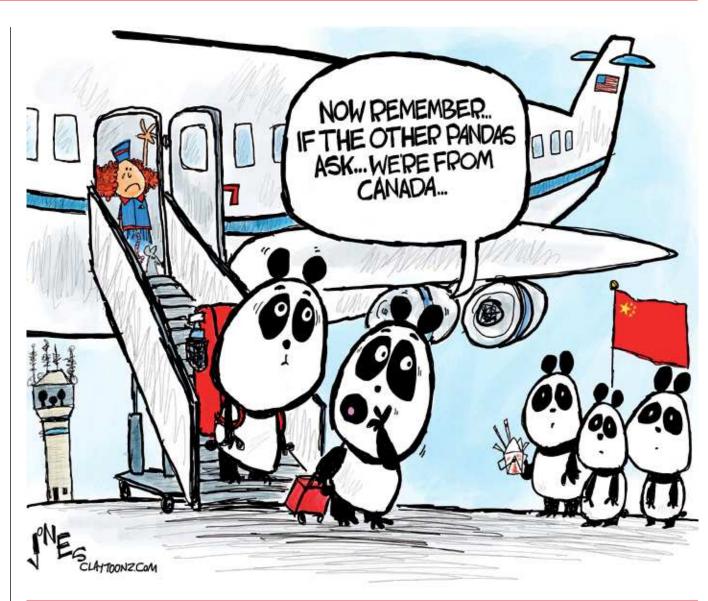
May this Thanksgiving be a tapestry woven with love, gratitude, and cherished moments, creating lasting memories that resonate throughout the year.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

### **100 Years Ago This Month:** Historical events from November 1923

he month of November has been home to many historical events over the years. Here's a look at

war dead in which various nationalist groups, including Nazis, marched. · Despite being terminally



### **OUR VIEW**

# **Report unveils local** journalism's crisis and rays of hope The Leavenworth Echo calls for community aid

n the annals of our nation's deprivation and a lack of their unique business relies on the robust support of high-speed broadband, hurdles—the struggle to the community it serves. media, the year 2023 Local businesses play a has unveiled a complex further isolating them from attain sustainability plagues many, with advertising tapestry, woven with threads reliable information sources. pivotal role in bolstering our This stark divide exacerbates revenue decline imperiling of promise and threads of local news landscape. Their their survival. The dearth existing societal fissures, despair for local journalism. commitment to advertising Recent revelations from the exacerbating political of reliable internet access, in our publications not only polarization, civic apathy, especially in non-urban areas, Medill Local News Initiative promotes their services but compounds the challenges at Northwestern University and the proliferation of online also sustains the lifeblood of delineate a stark reality: while misinformation. faced by digital ventures. The Leavenworth Echo. We The 2023 report on The State In this backdrop, the urge businesses to consider glimmers of hope emerge of Local News, meticulously indispensable role of local with philanthropic pledges investing in local advertising, and innovative models, the curated by the Medill Local journalism in fostering recognizing the pivotal role it fabric of local news outlets News Initiative, outlines the informed communities and plays in fostering an informed resilient democracies looms continues to fray, imperiling disparities engulfing our and connected community. our communities' cohesion nation. Shockingly, more large. It underscores the Moreover, residents hold and democratic ethos. than half of U.S. counties the power to fortify our local pressing need for collective Amidst the shadows, lack or possess limited action from policymakers, news outlets. Subscribing to philanthropists, industry rays of hope shone through access to credible local news The Leavenworth Echo is a tangible means of supporting in the form of substantial sources—be it print, digital, or leaders, and community broadcast. The dire statistics philanthropic commitmentsmembers invested in fortifying credible, community-driven vital pledges totaling \$500 our local news ecosystem. include 204 counties devoid journalism. Your subscription Simultaneously, of any local news outlet and The Medill Local News directly contributes to the million. Initiative's comprehensive governmental considerations sustenance of reliable local 1,562 counties dependent on to bridge digital divides and a solitary remaining source, report, complemented by news, ensuring its continuity for years to come. fortify journalistic integrity with 228 on the precipice of interactive maps revealing the intricate local news provided a beacon of optimism. losing this lifeline. Furthermore, citizens can Notably, select news outlets The decline in newspapers, landscapes across states, significantly contribute by patronizing businesses that showcased at a rate surpassing two serves as a clarion call. It promising business models, hinting highlights the pivotal role of per week since 2005, has advertise in The Leavenworth at potential resurgence in obliterated nearly 2,900 local journalism, invoking Echo. By consciously choosing beleaguered regions. newspapers and two-thirds of a sense of responsibility to shop locally, you reinforce However, this ray of within us all to safeguard this newspaper journalists—43,000 the symbiotic relationship hope was eclipsed by an positions-during the cornerstone of our societal between our vibrant unremitting decline in the same period. This decay, fabric. local businesses and the number of local news sources. particularly in metropolitan sustenance of a robust local Call to Action: The disconcerting projection areas, compounds the crisis, news ecosystem. **Supporting The** Together, anticipates the loss of a third leaving large swaths of through residents stranded without efforts and of the country's newspapers Leavenworth Echo concerted since 2005 by the year's end, as access to essential community unwavering support, we can the expansion of alternative critical news. this fortify our local news and, in Amidst Alternative local news juncture, The Leavenworth local news entities trails the turn, fortify the very essence vanishing traditional sources. entities—comprising digital Echo stands as a testament to of our community's vitality start-ups, ethnic media. Communities bereft of the importance of communityand resilience.

some that helped to shape the world in November 1923.

- Industrialist Gustav Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach signs an agreement with the French government while imprisoned on November 1. The agreement establishes conditions under which miners working for Krupp would resume work. Despite the agreement, Krupp remains imprisoned for two more weeks.
- Silent film actress Margaret Gibson is arrested on federal blackmail and extortion charges on November 2. The charges are later dropped, though Gibson's ties to blackmail did not end there. Gibson's 1964 deathbed confession to the murder of film director William Desmond Taylor in 1922 is suspected to be related to the blackmail scandals that Gibson had been linked to at the time of her arrest.
- The New York Renaissance play their first game on November 3. Often referred to as "The Rens," the team is the first all-Black professional basketball team.
- On November 4, Adolf Hitler abandons a plan to kidnap Bavarian leaders and declare a revolution after seeing a significant police presence at a memorial ceremony for

ill with kidney disease, heavyweight boxer Bill Miske upsets Bill Brennan with a fourth round knockout on November 7. Miske was aware of his illness, and even fought despite not being able to train for the fight. The bout was the last of Miske's career, and the boxer succumbed to his illness on January 1, 1924. The Beer Hall Putsch begins on November 8. Hitler and more than 600 Nazi Party Storm Troopers surround a large beer hall where Bavaria State Commissioner Gustav Ritter von Kahr is making a speech. Hitler announces the Bavarian government is deposed, though he is ultimately found hiding in an attic on November 11 and arrested for high treason.

- The new flag of the Soviet Union is adopted on November 12. The flag remains largely the same until the dissolution of the Soviet Union in 1991.
- November • On 14. Germany suspends payment of its reparations stemming from World War I, claiming France and Belgium had violated terms of the Treaty of Versailles.
- · The entire crew aboard the American schooner

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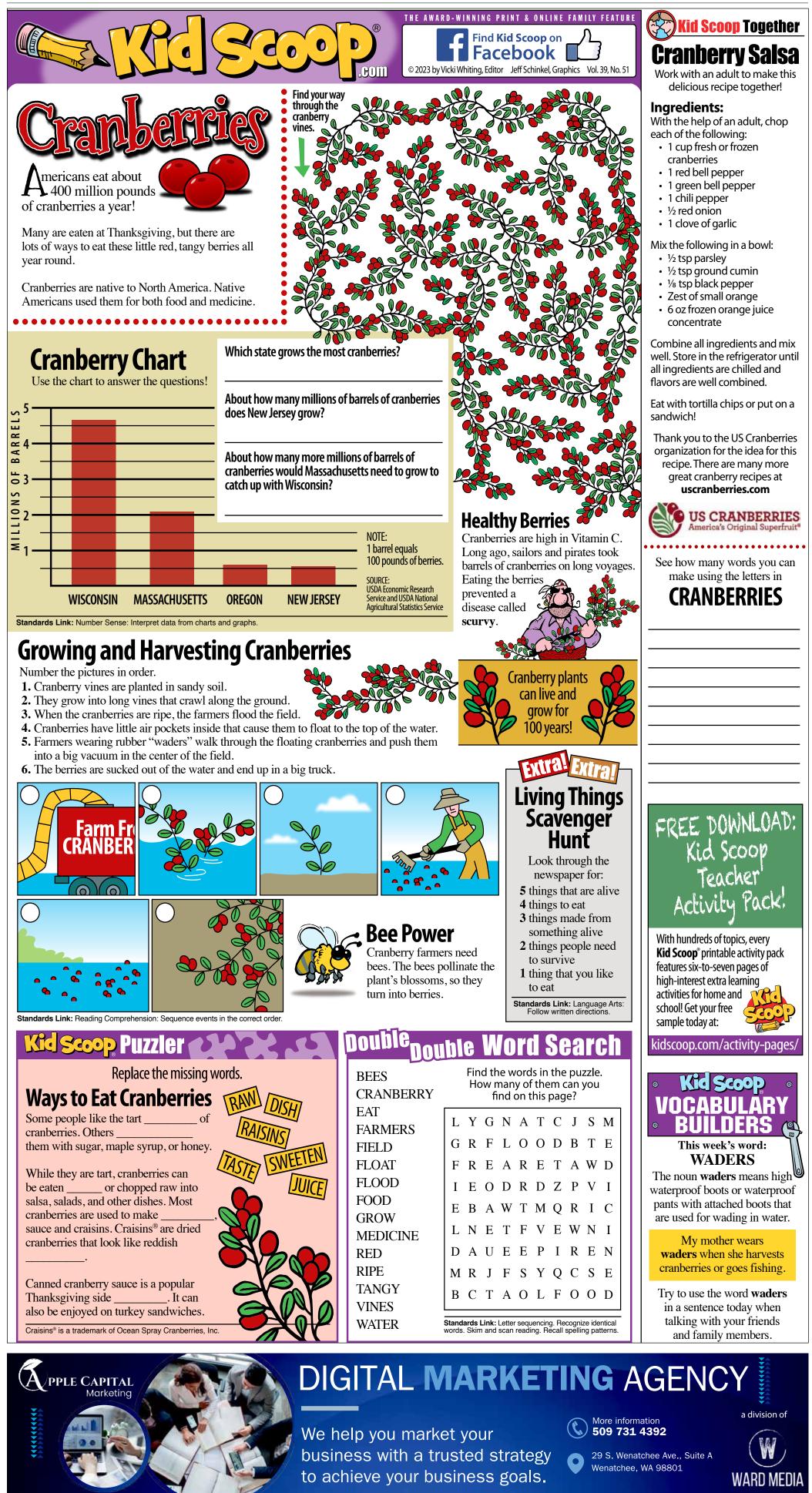
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**Public Notices** 

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### **Public Notices**

CITY OF LEAVENWORTH On the 14th day of October, 2023 the City Council of the City of Leavenworth, Washington passed the following ordinances. A summary of the contents provides as follows: Ordinance 1682: An ordinance of the City of Leavenworth, WA, adopting new LMC Chapter 3.41 Exemption Multi-Family Tax Program.

Ordinance 1683: An ordinance of City of Leavenworth, the Washington amending LMC section 18.52.120 Conditional Use Permits - Bed and Breakfast. Ordinance 1684: An Ordinance of Leavenworth, November 15, 22, 29, 2023. #6665 the City of

### Public Notices

Superior Court of Washington for Chelan County In the matter of the estate of Marie Louise Davis, Deceased. No. 23-4-00387-04 **Notice To Creditors** (RCW 11.40.030)

The persons named below have beginning at 6:00 PM at City Hall appointed been as co-administrators of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be otherwise barred by any applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the coadministrators or their attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the co-administrators served OF

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this time frame, the claim is forever barred. RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Publication: First Date of November 15, 2023. JACK N. DAVIS and KATHRYN L. HENDRY, Co-Administrators Attorney for the Co-Administrators: Joseph C. Brown, Jr., WSBA# 17991 Address for Mailing or Service: J.C. Brown Law Office, PLLC 200 Aplets Way, P.O. Box 384 Cashmere, WA 98815 (509) 782-1111 Court of probate proceeding and cause number: Chelan County Superior Court,

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or virtually (information below), to receive and consider public comments on possible revisions to the Zoning Code regarding Off-Street Parking in Business, Commercial and Industrial Zones (CMC 17.54). A copy of the proposed Zoning Code revisions for Off-Street Parking is available by contacting City Hall. To Join the Meeting Go To: https://zoom.us Meeting ID: 882 719 9871 Passcode: 788276 Audio Only: PH# 1-(253)-215-8782 DATE DNS ISSUED: November 22, 2023 SEPA REVIEW: The City of Cashmere has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required except as otherwise provided in under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). The project file is available for review online at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Ave. Cashmere, WA 98815. This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and the comment period will end on December 6, 2023 CITY CONTACT: Written comment can be sent to the attention the Director of **Operations Steve Croci at** Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street, WA 98815 Cashmere or steve@cityofcashmere.org or by calling 509-782-3513 prior to the Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on November 22, 2023. #6742

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Washington, which IS an ordinance authorizing the regular property tax levy and is authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2024 tax year. A full copy of these ordinances are available at Leavenworth City Hall or will be mailed to you upon your request to Andrea Fischer, City Clerk, City of Leavenworth, PO Box 287. Leavenworth. WA 98826 Published in the Leavenworth Echo/ Cashmere Valley Record on November 22, 2023. #6748

### MFTE

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to be something that is really thought through.' One of the biggest concerns over MFTE however, was where the financial burden would land, and how much it would cost.

Under the exemption, the tax obligation would be shifted onto other property taxpayers to offset the loss. However, the exact number of how much more each property taxpayer would take on is impossible to say due to a number of variables. To reference an example given by the city at the MFTE Public Forum, a \$400,000 home within city limits would pay about \$31 more in taxes for

### 100 years ago

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Grace N. Pendleton is killed when the ship breaks up in a gale on the North Sea on November 18. Crewmembers are seen clinging to the remains of the ship, but rescue teams are unable to reach them.

Oklahoma Governor Jack C. Walton is convicted of corruption and abuse of power charges on November 19. Walton is the first Governor in Oklahoma history to be removed from office.

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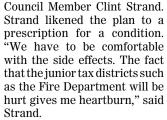
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"I think it's invasive to reach into a tax payer's pocket and burden them with cost," said City Council Member Sharon Waters

when Additionally, taxing districts such as the fire and hospital districts are calculating their levy capacity, they could miss out on the revenue from the new construction value that would otherwise be included. These districts wouldn't exactly be losing money, but they would not see that revenue until the end of the 12 or 20 year MFTE period.

"First responders will have less money to respond to more people," said City

- African American inventor Garrett Morgan is granted a patent for his threeposition traffic light on November 20. The light
- remains in use today. After 40 days of not eating, Irish Republican intelligence Army officer Andy O'Sullivan dies on November 22 at Mountjoy Prison in Dublin. O'Sullivan's death comes one day after fellow hunger striker Denny Barry died at a separate prison.
- The Army-Navy football game, played before 66,000 fans at the Polo Grounds



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After long deliberation, Mayor Florea encouraged a motion to vote, and the room fell silent. Although seemingly reluctant, Reister finally made the move for a motion, and Lundgren seconded. Those who voted to adopt MFTE were Lundgren, Hessburg, Reister, and Aurilio. Waters, Lak, and Strand voted against it.

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> in New York City on November 24, ends in a 0-0 tie.

- The first and thus far only National Football League game in which a team finishes with exactly four points is played on November 25. The Racine Legion of Racine, Wisconsin, overcome a 2-0 halftime deficit to defeat the Chicago Cardinals 10-4.
- The German film "The Little Napoleon" is released on November 29, marking the film debut of Marlene Dietrich. TF23B484

### Community

# Finding Finnegan hopes to make the perfect dog, owner match



Finding Finnegan is a new nonprofit dog rescue serving North Central Washington. Currently the rescue has some 4.5 month old heeler puppies available for adoption.

### **By QUINN PROPST** Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE - Finding Finnegan is a nonprofit dog rescue started in the summer of 2023 to help fill the need as many shelters and rescues in North Central Washington are overflowing.

The rescue is new and small and nearly a one-man show, or rather a one-woman operation. Though founder and president Kate Escalera does have the help of some good friends.

Escalera is a single mom who works two jobs and runs the rescue out of her home. She is doing her best to help as many puppies as she can without getting burnt out, she said. So,

Learning

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managing emotions, flexible

thinking and reflecting,

is a focus of HiCap. As Cox

explained, "The class gives students the ability to go

'above and beyond' what

is typically done in school.

Rather than just learning the layers of the atmosphere [at

ALPS], for example, we'll be

sending a balloon up to see it for ourselves! In terms of

day-to-day structure, students

aren't (with a few exceptions)

sitting in desks or working on

paperwork. They're moving

around, building, collaborating,

and socializing with their

she hopes that people will be patient with her.

"That's probably one of the biggest issues with the rescue community right now, is that these last couple years have been so intense," she said. "There have been so many dogs dumped, surrendered, returned for any number of reasons. And rescue shelters, everyone's absolutely overwhelmed, and we are all doing the best we can, but there's only so much we can do."

Escalera started fostering dogs for the Humane Society in 2018 and then expanded to helping area shelters.

"Every now and then, someone would get a hold of me and be like, 'Hey, we hear you're the dog lady, you know,

peers. It's very much student-

led; they have the latitude to

decide what format of work/

activity will lead to the desired

As Cox indicated, the ALPS

HiCap students are laying the

groundwork for a weather

balloon that they will launch in

"The plan is to launch a

scientific weather balloon to

roughly 100,000-plus feet and

hopefully retrieve it. These

weather balloons are typically

filled with helium and, as

the pressure decreases with

altitude, grow significantly

in size before bursting in

the upper atmosphere. They

generally carry a satellite

goal/outcome."

the spring.

we need a private foster, or we need help with this or that'," she said. "So I started doing that as well, and my family kept encouraging me like, 'hey, just, you know, do your own thing'."

Then in June, she received a call that someone was selling puppies out of the back of their car at the Wenatchee Target, and the puppies looked like they were in bad shape.

"I ran up there, and I called everybody I could think of to see if they had room, and everybody said no, they didn't have any room," she said. "They didn't know what to do. They didn't have the resources. But you know, whatever I decided to do, they'd support me, and I said, Okay, well fine,

communicator to transmit data

to us on the ground, a scientific

GPS receiver, small camera,

and whatever experiments

the students may wish to send

up. Students will be using a

computer application that

can predict the landing zone

given the wind and weather on

students are preparing for a

Destination Imagination (DI)

competition, which will be held

in Richland in March. "One

team is doing the technical

challenge, 'Pinball Heroes,'

and the other is doing the fine

arts challenge, 'In Motion,""

said Cox. DI challenges develop skills similar to

In the meantime, the ALPS

launch dav."

I'm gonna take them, I'm gonna figure it out as I go."

Not long after that incident, a friend helped Escalera file the paperwork to make Finding

Finnegan an official 501 C3 nonprofit. "We are (so new), we still have the new puppy smell," she said.

The name for the rescue came from Escalera's mom.

"One of the dogs, one of the puppies that I fostered a couple years ago," Escalera said. "My parents ended up adopting, and his name is Finnegan. And my mom has always said you know you are amazing with fostering, but you have this talent with knowing when a dog and a human are going to connect,

what Tremberth's bridge

building challenge does for

middle schoolers, but within

a framework that allows

students to compete against

other schools from around the

interference from adults,"

added Cox. "We can

facilitate the execution of

ideas the students have,

such as providing requested

materials, but we can't make

suggestions or offer solutions.

Everything that's presented

at the tournament comes from

the minds and efforts of the

students. It's amazing to see

what they come up with!"

Superintendent

"DI also emphasizes no

state.

and they're gonna match even before the humans realize they need this dog. And my parents were not looking for another dog, and I said oh, that's fine, well, just hold him for a minute and let me, you know, help me socialize him, and of course, my dad never put him down. And so my mom was like, you know, it's about making sure everybody can find their own Finnegan, and then, there we went." Because the shelter is new and operates out of her home, she can take a maximum of eight

dogs and can only accommodate puppies at this time. Finding Finnegan can always

use donations, Escalera said. "Obviously, we go through toys pretty quickly and training

Edou connected the revamping of the program to the district's mission, saying, "Continuous Student Development' means meeting students where they are and helping them develop the skills and attributes they

need to achieve their dreams. "We have been working hard on systematizing our processes for identifying and serving highly capable students, so that we can help students reach their full potential. It can be easy to overlook the social emotional support that highly capable students often require, and it has been exciting to deeply consider our entire process from top to bottom."

Tracey from top to bottom."

treats," she said. "And when I have puppies, we absolutely could use volunteers."

Other big items of need that people don't necessarily think of are potty pads, paper towels, cleaning products, and laundry detergent.

But just as important, or perhaps even more so, are volunteers to walk, socialize, and play with the puppies.

"That would be probably the biggest gift that we could possibly get," she said.

Finding Finnegan is on Facebook and Instagram, and the website is findingfinnegan. com. Escalera asks that anyone interested in donating or volunteering contact her via email at kate@findingfinnegan. com.

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### Students

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Yet this wasn't feasible for many students, creating a gap.

Alpine Lakes is working to lessen that gap. Its comprehensive intervention program uses assessment data to pinpoint where students are still struggling, then works with individuals on different strategies to improve those skills. "We're showing growth," said Renner-Singer. The school is also focusing on student's soft skills. "Just learning how to be in the same room and same space with each other as humans has been a challenge coming out of the pandemic," said Renner-Singer. Through the district's improvement plan, Alpines Lakes is teaching social and emotional skills using art, outdoor learning, and its Character Strong program. "Our goal is every student to have the skills and knowledge necessary to be successful," said Renner-Singer.

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# Washington Outdoors Report

### **Black Friday Fishing**

### By JOHN KRUSE Special to Ward Media

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The day after Thanksgiving, commonly known as Black Friday, has been associated for decades with shopping for great deals at retail stores for the holidays. In recent years though, the Washington

- Klickitat County Rowland
  Lewis County Fort Borst Park Pond and South Lewis
- Park Pond and South Lewis County Park PondPierce County – American
- and Tanwax • Snohomish County – Ballinger, Blackmans, Gissburg Ponds South, Silver and Type
- Silver and Tye • Thurston County – Black, Lawrence, Long, Munn,
- Island (3,750 rainbow trout) • Pit Lake in Rock Island (2,000 trout)
- Roses Lake near Manson (20,253 rainbow trout)
- Davis Lake in Ferry County (250 jumbo-sized trout)
- Rotary Lake in Yakima County (135 jumbo trout)

If you are wondering how to catch these stocked trout there are several tried and



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Department of Fish and Wildlife has promoted a different Black Friday activity, trout fishing!

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife stocks a number of lowland lakes in November, open on a year-round basis, with big trout weighing one to two pounds and measuring at least 14-inches long. Many of these lakes are located in Western Washington. Here is a list of the 23 lakes stocked with these jumbo-sized trout:

- Clark County Battle Ground and Klineline
- Cowlitz County Kress
- Island County CranberryKing County Beaver and
- Green

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Yakima County – Elton Pond North

In addition to these lakes stocked with big trout, several lakes in Eastern Washington were stocked with fry in recent years that should offer good fishing on Black Friday. These lakes include Hatch Lake in Stevens County; Fourth of July Lake in Lincoln/Adams counties; and Hog Canyon in Spokane County.

But wait, there's more! Several other lakes have received plants of catchable sized trout in the last few weeks. These stocked lakes are:

- Putters Pond in Rock Island (5,750 trout)
- Big Bow Lake in Rock

true methods. If you are in a boat, you can troll a streamer, steering the boat in an Spattern. You can also troll a Mack's Lure Wedding Ring spinner, tipped with a worm, behind a dodger. Fishing from shore many anglers will fish Berkley Powerbait off the bottom while others will cast spinners.

The bottom line? Get away from the crowds at the big box stores and go fishing instead. It promises to be a fun outing and perhaps the beginning of a new holiday tradition.

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Faith Kruse fishing for fall trout at Putters Pond in Rock Island

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# The Wenatchee Nutcracker prepares suite for the sweet

**By KATIE LINDERT** Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE The \_ Wenatchee Valley Symphony Orchestra and Fabulous Feet Wenatchee have teamed up for another production of The Wenatchee Nutcracker, a collaboration that has been in effect since 2013 but is part of a decades old regional tradition.

Ballet Theatre Northwest founder. Joan Shelton-Mason. staged annual productions of "The Nutcracker" for many years before her passing. She taught dance for over 60 years, and is often credited with having brought ballet to the Wenatchee Valley.

The Wenatchee Nutcracker

has carried on this treasured tradition since its inception in 2007. This year's production features student performers ranging in ages 4-18, with 91 dancers overall. There are additionally 12 adult volunteer performers who hold both acting and dancing roles.

There are many iterations of "The Nutcracker" ballets often performing variations to a set choreography. That said, Fabulous Feet Wenatchee's own instructors and choreographers are credited with the original choreography found in productions of The Wenatchee Nutcracker.

Feet studio Fabulous Owner and Director, Tracy Trotter, and Co-Director and Instructor. Melissa Miller Port, constructed the original concept for this year's production.

Annual auditions for The Wenatchee Nutcracker are open to the community, not solely Fabulous Feet students, though most are involved. All who want to participate are welcome, with auditions held typically in July and primarily serving to help in designating roles.

Rehearsals begin in September. Performers meet every week up until opening, with student rehearsals held on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For any large scene work, dancers are broken up into groups and then slowly

integrated together until they can cohesively perform through the entire show.

All other additional preparations begin in September. The sets for The Wenatchee Nutcracker are reused annually and maintained by their staff at the studio and the Numerica Performing Arts Center. Costumes are kept on hand, and altered to fit new students each year with the help of many volunteers.

The Wenatchee Nutcracker has a wardrobe of close to 300 costumes due to the volume of students they have, some of the older students playing 2-5 roles. Their youngest students are angels and the mice, and as they age take on more and more additional roles.

Some of the characters students may play include the Snow Queen, snow princesses, icicles, flurries, snowflakes, and demi-snowflakes (students on the younger end who are

not quite old enough to be snowflakes, demi-snowflakes are skilled midway between point and flat). Snowflakes dance on point.

Co-Director Tracy Trotter is Mother Ginger and has been playing this role since The Wenatchee Nutcracker began. This year's production will see the exciting addition of two new characters, Mother Ginger's sisters, Ms. Cinnamon and Ms. Nutmeg. Additionally, this version of the Nutcracker will feature a Lead Angel who descends from the Christmas tree.

The addition of characters are not the only new elements audience members may have to look forward to this year. Katie Spurbeck-Perez, Office Manager, Instructor, and first ever Clara for The Wenatchee Nutcracker shares, "We're really excited for another good year, and we're going to have new enhancements for the tree that grows during the battle

scene as well, so we're really just excited about everything.'

For a sneak preview of what magic The Wenatchee Nutcracker brings us this season, they will be performing an excerpt from the ballet as part of Holiday Spice, a review featuring a variety of regional talents at the Numerica Performing Arts Center on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

Dates for The Wenatchee Nutcracker are Dec. 7, 8 and 9 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 9 and 10 at 2 p.m., performances held at the Numerica Performing Arts Center located at 123 N. Wenatchee Ave. Wenatchee. WA 98801. Performances are 90 minutes.

All ticket sales are through the Numerica Performing Arts Center. Tickets can either be purchased in person or by calling the NPAC box office at (509) 663-ARTS.

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# Eagle Scout Installs Life Jacket Loaner Station in Cashmere

**By Taylor Caldwell** Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE River recreation on the Wenatchee River will be a little safer next summer, thanks to a newly installed life jacket loaner station next to the boat ramp in Cashmere's Riverside Park.

The installment is all thanks to Wenatchee High senior Will Kolk, who chose to contribute it for his Eagle Scout Service Project. "It's like a final test of your leadership, and it gives you a chance to show off what you learned by benefiting the community in an important way," said Kolk.

According to a report done by the Wenatchee World, 33 people died on the Wenatchee River from 2019 - 1994, and only five of them were confirmed wearing life jackets. Since 2019, four more deaths have been recorded by American Whitewater's accident database. While one was due to underlying health conditions, the other three were attributed to not wearing a life jacket.

Kolk rafts on the Wenatchee in the summer, and was aware of the river's death toll on unprepared river users. When he got a call from his dad's

friend in Cashmere about the opportunity to provide life jackets, he jumped on it. "I thought it would make an impact and hopefully curb those deaths," said Kolk.

Life jacket loaner stations are all over Washington state, including Leavenworth and Wenatchee, but this will be the first to exist in Cashmere.

The project took Kolk about 55 hours to complete. He started on the basic designs last spring, then brought his idea to the City of Cashmere for approval. "It's been something the city has been talking about for awhile...It's something that the rafting community, the river-using community wanted, so it was good," said Steve Croci, Director of Operations for the City of Cashmere.

While the approval came easy, fundraising was another story. "I had a GoFundMe online and I promoted it to raise money. That took the longest. It was really hard to get funding for that. I applied to multiple grants, but those got rejected," said Kolk. His greatest expenses were lumber and graphic design for the sign.

Once the sign was ready, Kolk involved his troop in the assembly. "That's where the leadership comes from. You have to demonstrate your leadership skills and that includes bringing the whole troop out. You kind of give them direction and guidance and they help you through it. because it's kind of like a team project...I provided food, we had a good time, we built the sign. It was a team effort for that one," Kolk said.

includes The sign information in both English and Spanish about river awareness and appropriate life jacket use. A chain hangs below for life jackets to rest on. Kolk collected fourteen life jackets from various sources, with sizes ranging for fouryear-olds to full-grown adults. The city will put them out in the spring, and will replenish the stock as they wear.

"It will bring awareness to people and give an opportunity to grab a life jacket, have it and hopefully wear it...If it saves one life that's awesome, or if it just brings awareness to a bunch of others, that's awesome." said Croci.

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The final scene in Act 1 of The Wenatchee Nutcracker's 2022 Production, "The Land of Snow"







COURTESY OF WILL KOLK

Boy Scout Troop Seven of Wenatchee stands proudly in front of the new life jacket loaner station in Cashmere. Will Kolk led the installation for his Eagle Scout project.

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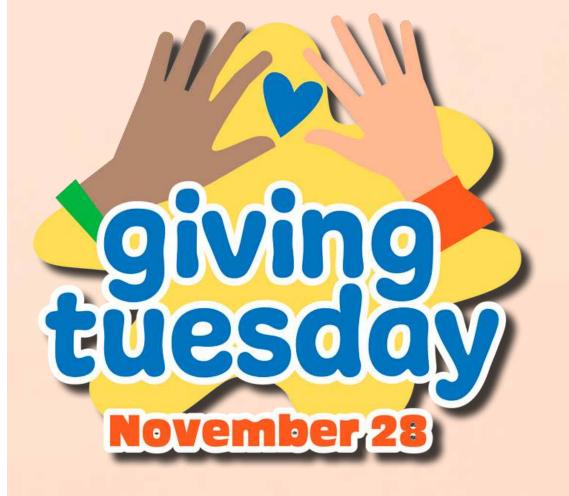
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# A global movement spreading hope and generosity

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# **Giving back strengthens** our community's foundation

s we enter the season of gratitude and goodwill, it's with great pleasure that we unveil this special section dedicated to Giving Tuesday-an opportunity for us all to make a meaningful impact in our community.

At Ward Media, we firmly believe in the power of collective generosity and the profound difference it can make. As the Publisher of community newspapers across the region, our commitment to our readership goes beyond delivering news; it extends to fostering a thriving, supportive environment for all.

Today, we unite in celebration of Giving Tuesday—a day dedicated to giving back, supporting local causes, and uplifting the organizations that form the bedrock of our community. It's a day that transcends mere donations; it's a testament to our shared values, a symbol of our unity, and a catalyst for positive change.

The significance of giving back cannot be overstated. It is a tangible expression of our

solidarity, an embodiment of our empathy, and a testament to our commitment to building a stronger, more vibrant community. As we showcase some of the nonprofits in our area, their remarkable initiatives, and the incredible people behind them, we hope to inspire each and every one of you to join us in this noble endeavor.

Whether it's a small gesture of kindness, a donation of time, resources, or support for a cause close to your heart, remember that every contribution-no matter the size-matters. Together, our actions ripple outward, creating waves of positivity and empowerment that reverberate across our neighborhoods and beyond.

In the spirit of Giving Tuesday, let us come together, united in purpose, and extend a helping hand to

in

those

need. Let us embrace the joy of giving and share in the fulfillment that comes from making a difference in the lives of others.

We invite you to immerse vourself in the stories within these pages, to be inspired, and to embark on your own journey of giving. Let us stand as a beacon of compassion and solidarity, nurturing a community where generosity knows no bounds.

Thank you for joining us on this extraordinary day

of giving and for being an integral part of the fabric that makes our community truly exceptional. With heartfelt appreciation, Terry Ward, Publisher

The link between volunteering and academic performance

here are many reasons for parents to encourage children who express an interest in volunteering. Volunteering is a social activity that can help children develop their social and networking skills, and many parents credit volunteering with instilling a sense of perspective in their children that they might not have gained had they not been exposed to people from different backgrounds.

Volunteering also has been linked to stronger academic performance. The Corporation for National and Community Service reports that students who indicate they're doing better in school are more likely to be volunteers than students who report doing less well. The broadened exposure to people and places that students may otherwise not encounter without volunteering also can benefit them in the classroom, helping them more readily identify with cultures and societies they're studying.

College applicants with volunteering experience also may set themselves apart in the increasingly competitive application process. Though a 2019 Pew Research study reported that most schools admit more than two-thirds of their applicants, that figure is significantly lower at many of the more highly rated institutions in the United States. For example, Stanford University (4.3 percent) and Harvard University (4.9 percent) recently reported acceptance rates below 5 percent.

Though volunteering alone won't help applicants gain acceptance to such competitive institutions, it can serve as a strong résumé builder and be even more effective if it also produces the previously noted improvements in academic performance.

# How to start an employee volunteer program

passion for volun- Choose a cause to teering is commendable. Some indi-

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volunteer programs at work

nearby parks. If a company has

resource departments or the want to support local efforts produces plastic products may greater sense of the scope of employees who are starting that focus on conservation in not mesh with volunteer groups the venture. that have negative things to

viduals are so excited about the prospects of giving back that they may want to recruit more people to help. Such individuals may find that their place of employment is a great place to spearhead volunteer recruitment efforts.

Companies are diverse, but they also tend to attract individuals, like-minded which can make it easier to recruit potential volunteers. Business owners or human resources personnel looking to strengthen relationships among employees and give back to their communities can consider beginning volunteer programs at work. Here are some tips to begin this journey.

While national nonprofits are worthy of support, employees may be more excited about partnering with local initiatives. Human

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can poll workers on which causes to stand behind. For example, a company that produces outdoor recreation clothing and equipment might



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a strong stance on education, gear volunteerism around providing supplies for students or improving technological resources in schools.

### **Involve leadership**

It's important to get the backing and approval of company leaders before starting a volunteer group. Since you may be using company resources and infringing on some company time, make sure that higher-ups are supportive. They also may be able to let organizers know whether a certain cause is complementary to the company mission or if it infringes on their mission. For example, a company that

say about plastic products.

### **Start recruiting** volunteers

Reach out to employees and spell out the program's mission during your recruitment efforts. This may be a task that the human resources department can help with. If the company has a department that organizes employee engagement activities, then that group would be a valuable resource as well.

It is also important to think about where volunteers may fit in. Assigning jobs and figuring out how many volunteers and man-hours will be required to complete tasks can provide a

### Establish when volunteerism will take place

It's best to have ground rules about how much of the employer-supported volunteer work will occur after hours. Some companies may be amenable to having a certain pocket of time taken from the work day, such as establishing Early Dismissal Fridays for volunteers. Employees can base their participation on how it will affect their schedules.

Establishing a volunteer program at work can be a great way to get involved and build strong relationships within the community.



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nity. We are starting our membership drive for 2024 and our dues are only \$12.00 per person. Donations are always appreciated.

We are also looking for volunteers for our thrift shop. This



could be an opportunity for kids from the schools to earn credit for community service.

As a non-profit organization, we offer many services to the community, some of which is loaning out medical equipment. We also run a monthly commodity program for Community Action. Hot meals are served three days a week serviced by OCTN. The OCTN bus runs 3 days a week locally and to Wenatchee on Thursday.

Come join us – it's a great way to serve our communities! 109 S. Bridge Street, Brewster | 509-689-2815

## **Chelan Valley** Community Nurse

The Chelan Valley Community Nurse is a free, grass roots program dedicated to assisting our Chelan Valley seniors and others who are frail or vulnerable, to keep them safely in their homes. CVCN offers in-home Blood Pressure checks, Medication and Treatment Education, especially post hospital discharge, and Management Assistance with new or chronic conditions. CVCN also provides referrals to Physicians, **Community Resources and Support Services for both Clients** and their Families. Our services offer relief and support for family members as well, who live outside our valley and who are unable to physically assess and attend their loved ones. The Chelan Valley Community Nurse Program is FREE to anyone living within the Lake Chelan Valley and is funded entirely by Donations and Grants. We do not require Physician Orders, Insurance or payment. We depend upon the generosity of Donors for revenue and Your Support is Deeply Appreciated!

### For information or to refer yourself, a neighbor or a loved one, please call 509-679-9059 or 509-393-1450. We are here to assist you and those you care about.

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Leavenworth Summer Theater is kicking off its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season of Theater Under the Stars



Be a part of the magic with your donation!



Leavenworth Summer Theater began as the vision of John and Susan Wagner and Bill Weis in 1994. Today, LST welcomes dozens of local and traveling actors and musicians each summer.

Great talent and a terrific outdoor location come together to create something truly magical. Today, Leavenworth Summer Theater is the largest theater between Seattle and Spokane, with more than 20,000 people expected each summer.

Local families have made it a memorable tradition. Join in the fun!





Women make up the greatest percentage of volunteers. The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics says women currently volunteer roughly 6 percent more than men. What types of jobs might volunteers be doing? Fundraising for an event is the most common type of volunteer job in the United States. This is followed by tutoring or teaching; collecting, preparing, distributing or serving food; general labor; professional or management assistance; and coaching, refereeing or supervising sports teams.

# Celebrating **30 Years of Theater Magic** Leavenworth Summer Theater on Giving Tuesday

s the holiday season approaches, our hearts are filled with gratitude, and what better way to channel that spirit than by supporting the arts? This Giving Tuesday, we are thrilled to share the story of Leavenworth Summer Theater, a nonprofit organization embarking on its 30th-anniversary season of enchanting theater under the stars.

Founded in 1994 by John and Susan Wagner and Bill Weis, Leavenworth Summer Theater has grown to become the largest theater between Seattle and Spokane. Our commitment to providing family-friendly outdoor musical experiences

in the picturesque foothills surrounding Leavenworth has garnered the love and support of more than 20,000 patrons each summer.

This upcoming season promises to be extra special as we showcase Disney's Beauty and the Beast and continue the beloved Leavenworth family tradition of The Sound of Music, both performed at the breathtaking Ski Hill Amphitheater. With show dates in July and August, we invite you to join us for an unforgettable evening filled with laughter, music, and the magic of live theater.

What sets us apart is not just our captivating productions but also the sense

of community we foster. Each summer, we welcome 50-70 actors and musicians, some of whom hail from local areas, while others travel from across the nation to be part of our theatrical family.

As we prepare for this milestone season, your support on Giving Tuesday can help us continue our mission of bringing the arts to the heart of our community. Join us in celebrating 30 years of Leavenworth Summer Theater. where every ticket purchased and every donation made contributes to the magic that is live outdoor theater. Together, let's ensure that the lights on our stage continue to shine brightly for years to come.

# **The Impact of Your Contribution** Small Donations, Big Change

Giving Tuesday S approaches, it's a L time to reflect on the power of generosity and the remarkable impact that even small donations can have on creating significant change in our communities. While the idea of making a difference often seems synonymous with large sums of money, the reality is that every contribution, regardless of size, plays a vital role in shaping a brighter future.

In the realm of charitable giving, it's essential to recognize that small donations collectively contribute to a substantial force for positive change. These contributions, when combined, form a mosaic of support that can address various needs and challenges faced by local organizations and initiatives. One of the remarkable aspects of small donations is their ability to provide immediate assistance where it's needed most. Local charities and nonprofits often rely on a steady influx of modest contributions to sustain their day-to-day operations and fund essential programs. These funds may go towards providing meals for the hungry, educational resources for underserved communities, or support for those facing unexpected crises. Moreover, small donations

have a cascading effect on community engagement. When individuals contribute, they not only provide financial support but also signal to others the importance of giving back. This ripple effect creates a culture of philanthropy, inspiring more people to join the cause and amplifying the overall impact.

Consider the example of a local literacy program that aims to improve educational outcomes for children. A modest donation may provide the necessary materials for a child to participate in reading programs, setting them on a path towards academic

platforms and crowdfunding initiatives allow individuals to contribute to causes they care about with just a few clicks. This accessibility empowers people to support a variety of initiatives, breaking down barriers and enabling anyone, regardless of financial means, to make a positive impact.

As we approach Giving Tuesday, let's celebrate the incredible potential of small donations. Whether it's contributing to one of the many North Cascade local food banks, supporting a community project, or aiding a cause close to your heart. know that your generosity, no

matter the amount, is part of a

collective force that can bring

about meaningful change.

Together, let's embrace the

spirit of giving and recognize

the profound impact we can

achieve when we all contribute,

no matter how small the

success. Multiply that by numerous small donations, and suddenly, the program has the resources to expand its reach, benefiting even more children in the community.

In the digital age, the ease of making small donations has never been greater. Online



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# **Patty's Animal Rescue**

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# (Giving • Tuesday)

# **UVCares:** New Drug and Alcohol **Treatment Center Opens**

### **By UVCARES**

VCares Behavioral Health continues to provide mental health services to our community. Additionally, UVCares Behavioral Health has opened a new division of substance use disorder assessments and outpatient treatment that addresses the increasing need of drug & alcohol addiction.

### What we do and how you can help:

We average service to 46 clients per week and we have stopped 5 active suicide attempts. We are committed to serving you and our neighbors.

### **How Your Donation Helps** a Person in Need

• \$100.00 - provides an

evaluation and a treatment plan. provides

- \$500.00 treatment services. • \$1,000.00 - provides full
- treatment.

We are experiencing higher than normal costs associated with therapist fees. Your donation is needed and truly appreciated.

### **Facts About UVCares Behavioral Health**

- · A registered 501c3 nonprofit charitable organization - donations are tax deductible.
- Provides mental health assessments and counseling.
- Provides drug & alcohol addiction assessments and treatment.
- · Provides private and court-ordered services.

- Addresses barriers that include access and affordability.
- Our telehealth model offers significant convenience and privacy.
- Sliding scale & payment plans.
- State approved healthcare facility (BHA.FS.61425685). • HIPAA compliant.

### We Serve

- Children (6+)
- Adolescents Adults
- Individuals
- Couples
- Family units
- 98% live either at or below the federal poverty level.

Reach out to us at 509-300-1113 - info@uvcares.org - www. UVCares.org

**UVCares** 

**UVCares** is a nonprofit organization that delivers mental health and substance use drug and alcohol addiction healthcare while addressing barriers that include access, affordability, and community outreach.

# **How Your Donation Helps a Person in Need**

- \$100.00 provides an evaluation and a treatment plan.
- \$500.00 provides treatment services.
- provides full • \$1,000.00 treatment.

### **UVCares**

But skilled cybercriminals prey on that compassion by setting up bogus relief efforts. Such efforts may involve fake charities with names that are similar but slightly different than well-known, legitimate nonprofit organizations. Operations such as Charity Navigator make it easy to verify if a charitable organization is legitimate, and would-be donors should utilize such resources prior to making any donations.

Cyber scams come in

many different forms

n a relatively short period

of time, the internet has

changed the way people

live. Things that might have

been unimaginable as recently

as a quarter century ago are

now ingrained in daily life. For

instance, few people in the late

1990s might have imagined a

day when billions of people

across the globe would be walking around with mini-

computers capable of taking

hi-resolution photos in their

pockets. But smartphones

have long since become an

accepted and vital part of life

The internet has opened

doors to new possibilities, but

it's also left other doors open

for cybercriminals. Any home

with an internet connection

is potentially vulnerable to

internet scams. Recognition

of that fact and awareness

of the following scams can

reduce the likelihood of being

victimized by opportunistic

Human beings'

Disaster relief scams:

sense of compassion is on

full display in the aftermath

of natural disasters when

people across the globe

typically donate hundreds

of millions of dollars in

an effort to help people

whose lives have been

turned upside down by

hurricanes, wildfires, and

other devastating events.

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in the 21st century.

cybercriminals.

Phishing scams: Phishing scams are among the oldest cyber scams, but they still nab victims every day. The Federal Trade Commission warns that many phishing scams are conducted via email or text messages and inform potential victims that there is an issue with their finances. Some may say there are issues with a bank account, credit card or even a tax return. Skeptics may wonder how anyone could fall for a phishing scam in the age of two-factor authentication and other security measures. However, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that phishing scams cost victims nearly \$60 million in 2019, indicating they're

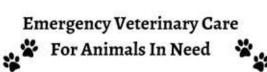
still a lucrative source of

income for cybercriminals.

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• Formjacking: Formjacking is a retail-based scam in which online shoppers' personal and financial information is stolen. In such instances, a retail website could be hacked without users' knowledge. When it comes time to purchase items they've placed in their carts, users are redirected to a fraudulent payment page, where they enter personal information, such as their credit card number, that cybercriminals then steal. When buying items online, shoppers should confirm that the URL on the payment page aligns with the retailer they're buying from. If the URL is missing even a single letter (think Amzon. com instead of Amazon. com), then chances are a formjacking scam is being operated.

Tech support scams, in which users are asked to download applications to fix an infected computer, and similar download-based fake antivirus software scams are some additional examples of cyber scams. Users are urged to be on the lookout for each of these types of scams and exercise caution whenever something doesn't seem right or authentic.



Besides offering affordable Spay and Neuter services for low-income families, Okanogan Regional Humane also helps cover the cost of emergency medical services for animals in our area



Supporters like you mean a lot to our local communities. Thank you to UVCares supporters. Your support means everything.

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Animals like Omen, a very sweet cat who was hit by a car earlier this year. The driver took Omen to a local vet and quickly realized that the surgery costs were beyond his financial reach. ORH stepped in and worked with the local vet to pay the remaining bill. Omen made a full recovery and is now living his best life in his new forever home!

Consider supporting Okanogan Regional Humane this Giving Tuesday and help us create happy endings for animals in need, like Omen. www.ok-humane.org/donate





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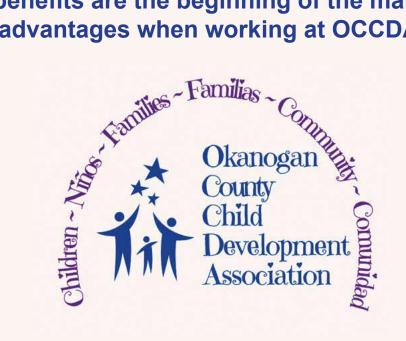


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### By Okanogan County Child Development Association

A s a Local Program Partner of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library, Okanogan County Child Development Association (OCCDA) ensures that children in the community receive books **at no cost to families**.

This program is funded solely by grants and community donations. To ensure children continue to receive these books every month, please donate to OCCDA today through Give NCW.

Enrolled children from birth to age five receive a **free**, highquality, developmentally appropriate book every month. The book is addressed directly to the child to help spark excitement in building a foundation in early literacy.

Research shows that having access to books helps

children gain early literacy skills and prepares them for kindergarten. When parents read to their children, it also provides opportunities for the parent and child to bond. We have delivered nearly 50,000 books to over 2,600 local children.

The Give NCW campaign is open on Thanksgiving Day until Dec. 31, 2023.

To donate, please visit https:// cfncw.org/givencw2023/







**Donate Today!** 



### Local Initiatives and Participation:

Communities around the world, including our own in North Central Washington, embrace Giving Tuesday

### A global movement spreading hope and generosity

R ooted in the spirit of generosity, this global phenomenon, celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, encourages individuals and communities worldwide to embrace the act of giving back.

### **Origin and History**:

Emerging in 2012 as a response to the commercialism of Black Friday and Cyber Monday, the concept of Giving Tuesday was born from a collaboration between the 92nd Street Y, a cultural and community center in New York City, and the United Nations Foundation. Fueled by the power of social media and the collective desire to make a positive impact, this initiative swiftly gained traction, transcending borders and cultures.

**Giving Tuesday:** 

### The Purpose and Impact:

Giving Tuesday serves as a beacon of hope, uniting people across the globe to support causes close to their hearts. Whether contributing funds volunteering time and expertise, or simply spreading awareness, this day empowers individuals to effect change in their communities and beyond.

to charitable organizations,

### Unwavering Support and Growth:

Over the years, the ethos of Giving Tuesday has reverberated across continents, igniting a spirit of philanthropy that knows no bounds. Organizations, corporations, and individuals join forces, amplifying the impact of their contributions to address diverse issues, from education and healthcare to environmental conservation and social justice. with enthusiasm and passion. From charitable drives and fundraising events to volunteer-led initiatives, the spirit of giving resonates deeply within our neighborhoods, enriching lives and fostering a culture of compassion.

### Looking Ahead:

As the world faces various challenges, the significance of Giving Tuesday continues to grow, reminding us of the profound impact of altruism. With each passing year, this day serves as a powerful reminder that generosity knows no bounds and that collective action can pave the way for a brighter, more compassionate world.



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clothing, and much more. As well as empowering people to improve their lives through enrichment programs, advocacy programs, mental health services, and educational opportunities. Whether you are looking to give help or get help, we are waiting for you!

TO DONATE: Send a check to: Chelan Valley Hope, P.O. Box 635, Chelan, WA. 98816 or go online: chelanvalleyhope.org/donate





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# How to make a charity a beneficiary

• iving to charity can be a rewarding endeavor that makes a difference in the lives of people in need. Many people donate throughout their lives, and some people may want to impart a more lasting legacy by continuing to support a charity even after they have passed away.

Incorporating a charity into an estate plan is a great way to continue giving after you pass away. Individuals may not know how to make charities beneficiaries in their wills. A financial planner, attorney or accountant can answer the more complex questions individuals have about naming charities as beneficiaries in a will. In the meantime, this general guide can serve as a solid foundation for individuals who want to give back in their wills.

Most people think of beneficiaries as loved ones, but a beneficiary can be any person or entity one chooses to leave money to, including nonprofit organizations. It's relatively the same process to name a charity as a beneficiary as it is an individual. According to the resource Trust & Will, first identify the charity that will be supported, including getting its Employer Identification Number or Taxpayer Identification Number. Next, determine which type of gift to make, which may be a predetermined financial contribution, a gift of property, or other assets like stocks. For large donations like real estate or cars, it may be best to contact the charity in advance

to ensure they are able to accept such gifts. Finally, be sure to include your wishes in an estate plan. A qualified attorney can help clients draft a will that spells out their wishes in detail.

Keep in mind that charities also can be named as beneficiaries on life insurance policies or individual retirement accounts. They also can be listed on bank accounts. Again, people are urged to discuss all options with estate planners to ensure their plans fully reflect their wishes.

When naming a charity as a beneficiary, it can be wise to inform family members and other beneficiaries so no one is caught off guard upon your death. This way the charitable gift is not held up by delays in executing the will.

# **Signs of charitable fraud**

▼ iving to charity is a selfless endeavor J that's vital to the survival of countless nonprofit organizations across the globe. Without the generosity of donors, many charitable organizations would cease to exist, leaving the people they help vulnerable to illness and financial hardship.

Fraud may be the furthest thing from donors' minds, but it's something charitable individuals must be aware of as they consider donating to charity. According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, charity fraud increases during the holiday season, when many people embrace the spirit of giving and seek to make end-of-year tax deductible gifts to their favorite charities.

The FBI also warns that charity scams are common after disasters or tragedies, including pandemics. The Federal Trade Commission noted in September 2020 that Americans had lost more than \$145 million to charity fraud

the first six months of the pandemic.

One measure all prospective donors should take is to learn the signs of charitable fraud. Many charity scams target seniors, but no one is entirely safe from charity fraud. AARP" notes that the following are some warning signs of charity fraud.

Pressure to give: Reputable charities do not pressure prospective donors into giving. A strong, trustworthy charity will accept donations whenever donors choose to make them. Legitimate operations like the American Red Cross may heighten their solicitations after natural disasters, but such groups still will not try to pressure people into donating.

Thanking donors for donations they don't recall making: AARP notes that some charitable fraud perpetrators will try to convince potential victims they have already given to a cause. This is done in an effort

related to the coronavirus in to lower potential victims' resistance, giving them a false sense of security and the impression that a fraudulent operation is legitimate. If donors don't recall donating to a specific charity, chances are strong they didn't make such a donation and that the message of gratitude is merely a fishing expedition intended to reel in new victims.

Requests for cash, gift cards, or wire transfers: Cash, gifts, and wire transfers are difficult to trace, which makes it easier for perpetrators of fraud to escape the authorities. Reputable charities will welcome donations made by personal check or credit card. Perpetrators of charitable fraud prey on the vulnerability

of well-meaning donors who simply want to support a good cause. Learning to spot signs of charitable fraud can provide an added measure of protection against the criminals behind such operations.





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Will you consider financially supporting our program this holiday season? Your donation helps us grow.





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# Thinking Outside the Box in Giving: Unconventional Ways to Contribute to Causes Beyond Traditional Donations

Giving Tuesday approaches, a day dedicated to charitable acts and giving back to the community, it's an opportune time to explore unconventional ways of making a difference beyond the traditional avenues of monetary donations. While financial contributions are undoubtedly valuable, there are myriad creative and unexpected ways to support causes close to your heart. This year, let's think outside the box and discover innovative ways to contribute to meaningful change.

#### **Time and Skills** Donation:

wallet, consider giving the gift of your time and skills. Many non-profit organizations are in constant need of volunteers to support their missions. Whether you have expertise in graphic design, marketing, event planning, or simply a willingness to lend a hand, your skills can make a tangible impact. Offer to help with social media campaigns, create promotional materials, or organize fundraising events. Your time and talents can be just as valuable as a monetary donation.

#### **Micro-Volunteering**:

For those with hectic schedules, micro-volunteering Instead of reaching for your offers a convenient way

to contribute in bite-sized increments. Websites like Sparked and Catchafire connect volunteers with shortterm, online projects that can be completed in as little as 15 minutes. This allows individuals to make a meaningful impact, even during a coffee break or while waiting for a bus.

### **Donation of Goods:**

Clean out your closet or declutter your home with a purpose. Many charities accept donations of gently used clothing, household items, and even technology. Your old laptop or smartphone, for instance, could provide educational opportunities for those in need. Check with local organizations to see what specific items they are currently seeking.

#### **Educational Initiatives**:

Share your knowledge and passion by engaging in educational initiatives. Offer to host a workshop or mentorship program for individuals interested in your field of expertise. Education is a powerful tool for empowerment, and your guidance can help open doors for others.

### **Social Media Advocacy:**

Leverage the power of social media to raise awareness about causes that matter

to you. Share informative content, inspiring stories, and calls to action on platforms like Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Your online presence can help amplify the reach of organizations, sparking conversations and encouraging others to get involved.

### **Random Acts of** Kindness:

Sometimes, the simplest acts can have the most profound impact. Embrace the philosophy of random acts of kindness by surprising strangers with small gestures of goodwill. Whether it's paying for someone's coffee or leaving uplifting notes in public spaces, spreading positivity can create a ripple effect that extends far beyond the initial act.

This Giving Tuesday, let's redefine the meaning of giving by exploring unconventional ways to make a positive impact. Whether it's through volunteering your time, sharing your skills, or embracing small acts of kindness, there are countless ways to contribute to causes that matter. By thinking outside the box, we can create a culture of giving that extends beyond traditional donations and fosters a spirit of generosity that lasts throughout the year.

# **Charities that** help children

hitney Houston famously sang "the children are our future." Each generation has the potential to change the world. Even the most determined children need some helping hands in order to reach their full potential, especially if they must confront financial, medical, or other obstacles.

Charitable organizations assist individuals in various ways. Children's charities help kids in need, whether they are facing poverty, need critical medical care, come from abusive homes, or require learning assistance. The following are some of the many critical children's charities working to help youngsters reach their full potential.

Wishes: Wheels for This organization helps children of the Make-A-

Wish Foundation. Wheels Wishes facilitates for car donations that can help fund experiences for critically ill children. (www. wheelsforwishes.org)

Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood **Cancer®:** This organization was started by the parents of Alexandra "Alex" Scott, a young girl who had cancer and succumbed to the disease in 2004. The group helps raise funds for pediatric cancer research. (www. AlexsLemonade.org)

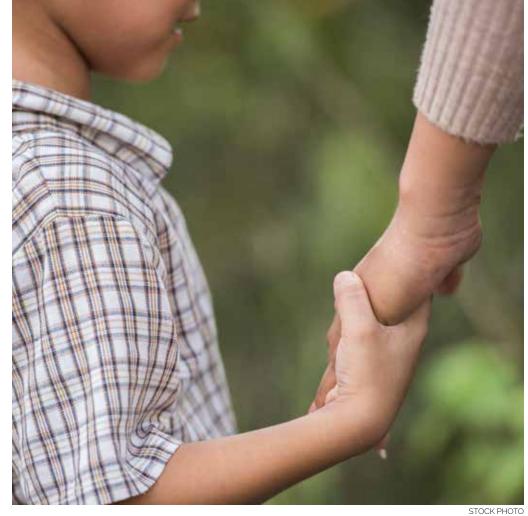
WorldVision: This group was founded in 1950 by Robert Pierce to support Christian mission services for families experiencing crises in East Asia. It is now the largest international nongovernmental organization helping impoverished children in Asia and elsewhere. (www. worldvision.org)

Save the Children®: This charity works internationally and in the United States to sponsor children experiencing abuse, physical abuse, neglect, and sexual exploitation. (www.savethechildren.org)

Imagination Library: This organization, started by country star Dolly Parton, provides free books to children from birth through age 5. While it began for kids in rural Tennessee in 1995, the charity now distributes one million books to children across the U.S. to help foster a love of reading. (https:// imaginationlibrary.com/)

St. Jude's Children's **Research Hospital:** The work at St. Judes's helps to fund research to find cures and new treatments for childhood cancers. St. Jude's also provides safe and free medical services to children with cancer. (www.stjude.org)

Locks of Love: This charity provides wigs made of real hair for children suffering from long-term medical hair loss. The wigs are made from donated ponytails to provide the highest quality hair prosthetics to financially disadvantaged children. (https://locksoflove.org)







# GIVE SOMETHING THAT Means Something

This holiday season, give the gift of comfort and hope with a donation to the American Red Cross. You can give a meaningful gift that helps people through some of life's toughest moments.

# Give now at redcross.org/northwest



**Resource Center** 

PBCRC is a Pateros based non-profit corporation that provides a location and infrastructure for community needs. Our purpose is to connect community individuals and families with critical resources through case management, client advocacy, and behavioral/mental health services.

Give NCW is an online fundraising campaign from Thanksgiving Day - December 31st that supports nonprofits in North Central Washington.





### **Pateros-Brewster Community Resource** Center

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I wish to give furry friends to kids at Seattle Children's

> Krystin, 18 leukemia

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# Making wishes: one furry friend at a time

By Make-A-Wish Alaska and Washington

As children brought their furry friends to life, it was

hen Make-A-Wish alumna Krystin Intrchoodech was in the hospital, the only people outside of her family she got to see were her nurses and doctors.

"It was very lonely," said Krystin reflecting on the seven months she spent in the hospital undergoing five rounds of life-saving treatment for leukemia.

But while there, she found comfort from an unexpected source: a fluffy, pink, Build-A-Bear teddy gifted to her by her dad and brother. It was just the companion Krystin needed to lift her spirits.

She affectionately named her furry friend Krystin Jr., and the two were inseparable. "She slept with it every night," said her mom, Ladda.

During that time, she was introduced to Make-A-Wish Alaska and Washington -the non-profit that grants wishes to local children with critical illnesses – and was told she qualified for a wish.

"I thought about all the things I could wish for and decided that I wanted to give back," she said. "I wanted every child to have a friend - something to be there for them in their time of need to comfort them."

And so, that became her wish – to give back.

For a day, the pediatric cancer units at the hospital were transformed into Build-A-Bear workshops. Large stuffing machines were set up in the family rooms of the outpatient cancer clinics. Adorable outfits and various furry friends were laid out so patients at the hospital could create a one-of-a-kind stuffed animal just for them.

Bear Builders from Build-A-Bear worked with each patient individually to stuff the bears, perform Heart Ceremonies, and stitch them up with love and care. almost as if more wishes were coming true, the power of a wish touching each person involved.

"Krystin embodies the spirit of generosity that fills the air this time of year and is vital for Make-A-Wish to continue its work," said Angela Miller, vice president, regional and volunteer pro-

grams for Make-A-Wish Alaska and Washington. "We rely on volunteer support and donations to make life-changing wishes like Krystin's possible."

In fact, the local chapter is in dire need

of volunteers who speak both English and Spanish in Chelan and Douglas counties. "Right now, we have a handful of volunteers who are singlehandedly granting all the wishes in Central and Eastern Washington."

Volunteers meet with families -- helping them through the wish-granting process, including planning their wishes.

"For anyone looking for a fun and joyful hands-on experience working directly with kids and families, this is a volunteer opportunity unlike anything else," Miller said. "When people hear the name Make-A-Wish, there is a common misconception that we have all the funding and resources we need because we are so well-known. But that's not true."

If Krystin's wish has inspired you, please visit wish.org/akwa/Krystin to learn about how you can help grant life-changing wishes like hers by donating your time as a volunteer or making a gift of cash or frequent flier miles.

