

## NCW Media Inc. Completes Sale of Five Local Newspapers to Ward Media LLC

NCW Media Inc., a prominent media company in North Central Washington, has finalized the sale of its five well-established local newspapers to Ward Media LLC, owned by Terry Ward and Amy Yaley. The newspapers involved in the transaction include the Leavenworth Echo, Cashmere Valley Record, Lake Chelan Mirror, Quad City Herald, and the Wenatchee Business Journal.

The acquisition marks a strategic move for both companies, aligning with their shared commitment to quality journalism and community engagement. NCW Media Inc. has been a significant player in the regional media landscape for over two decades, providing trusted news coverage and in-depth reporting on local events and issues. The sale of these newspapers to Ward Media LLC is seen as a step to ensure the continued vitality and growth of these publications.

“We are excited to entrust these cherished community newspapers to Ward Media LLC,” said Carol Forhan, President of NCW Media. “Terry Ward and Amy Yaley have a proven track record of dedication to journalism and a strong understanding of the unique needs of local communities. We believe this transition will not only sustain the legacy of these newspapers but also enhance their future prospects.”

Terry Ward and Amy Yaley, owners of Ward Media LLC, bring a wealth of experience in the media industry. Ward has held leadership positions in various media companies, focusing on bolstering community-centric journalism and providing local businesses with innovative marketing strategies. At the same time, Yaley has an extensive background in sales, marketing, events, and promotions.

“We are honored to take on the responsibility of carrying forward the journalistic tradition that these newspapers embody,” Terry Ward stated. “We aim to maintain the

high journalistic standards set by NCW Media and, simultaneously, explore innovative ways to engage with our readers and serve the local communities.”

Amy Yaley added, “The nature of the media landscape requires an adaptable approach, and we are committed to staying ahead of the curve. By combining our expertise, we aim to deliver a seamless integration of traditional and digital media that caters to the evolving needs of our readers and advertisers alike.”

As part of the transition, Ward Media intends to retain the existing staff members of the acquired newspapers, ensuring continuity in reporting and marketing expertise. Readers can expect to find the same credible news coverage that these newspapers have provided over the years.

NCW Media and Ward Media are committed to making the transition seamless for readers, advertisers, and staff.

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*About Terry Ward and Amy Yaley*  
Terry Ward, a seasoned veteran of the media industry, boasts an extensive publishing background, having held pivotal roles in major US media corporations and Washington’s largest local media company. Amy Yaley is a sales and marketing authority with a diverse history encompassing global and local companies, equipping her to navigate the intricate global market while appreciating the nuances of local businesses. Together, Terry and Amy are resolute in their commitment to providing intensely local news coverage and innovative marketing solutions to North Central Washington’s communities.



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## \$1.1 million awarded to mix of public, community housing projects

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**WENATCHEE** - A mix of municipal projects and new affordable housing projects will share in \$1.1 million from the Cascade Public Infrastructure Fund this year.

On Monday, August 7, Chelan County commissioners awarded \$1,120,754 to six projects, which range from infrastructural improvements at the Cashmere Mill Site business park to upgrades at an apartment complex in Leavenworth that provides affordable workforce housing.

Now in its third year, the grant program, or CPIF, was created to help finance public projects that facilitate the creation or retention of businesses and jobs or permanently affordable housing opportunities in the county. Managed by the Chelan County Economic Services department, the CPIF awarded nearly \$589,200 to five local agencies in 2021. Last year, commissioners awarded \$923,200 to four agencies.

“With each year, these monies are making a greater impact in our community,” said Ron Criddlebaugh, Chelan County Economic Services

director. “In three years, we will have invested more than \$2.6 million into a variety of projects that will either create or retain jobs or create more affordable housing, two top priorities for Chelan County.”

The projects awarded 2023 CPIF grant dollars are:

- Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority: \$244,600 for infrastructural improvements to the Cashmere Mill Site, a port-owned property. The improvements, which include waterline, stormwater drainage system and road improvements, are necessary to attract new businesses to the business park.
- Chelan County: \$30,000 for a facility assessment of Ohme Gardens, the Wenatchee River County Park and the Chelan County Fair and Expo Center. The assessment will help determine priority needs to ensure the county-owned facilities remain open to the public and continue to generate economic activity.
- City of Entiat: \$350,000 to complete a general sewer plan and waste water treatment plant engineering report. The report

will identify recommended improvements to the city’s system to prepare for projected residential and commercial growth.

- City of Wenatchee: \$65,000 for the relocation of a sewer mainline that will support redevelopment efforts in the north Wenatchee area.
- Common Ground Housing Trust: \$231,154 for the development and installation of infrastructure that will support the construction of eight attainable housing units, or cottages, on 9th Street in Wenatchee.
- Upper Valley MEND: \$200,000 for improvements to a 31-unit rental housing project in Leavenworth that focuses on affordable workforce housing.

The grant project is funded by existing revenues from the sales-and-use tax for public facilities in rural counties, also called the Rural Counties Tax. The CPIF Advisory Committee reviewed and scored all applications and submitted its recommendations to the Chelan County Board of Commissioners for final decision making.

## Link Transit begins construction on Leavenworth roundabout

**Partnership with City of Leavenworth and WSDOT will improve transit and traffic flow**

On August 6, construction of a new traffic roundabout at the intersection of US 2 and Icicle Road in Leavenworth kicked off. This is the culmination of more than 18 months in planning and coordination with the City of Leavenworth and WSDOT. When completed, the project will improve traffic flow through this heavily traveled corridor and provide Link Transit buses with a place to turn around at the west end of town.

For many years, Link buses used the Icicle Qwik Stop to turn around. However, with consistently high customer traffic and an abundance of snow in winter 2023, the owners asked Link Transit to discontinue use of the property. “This has long been a problematic location for us to maneuver a 40’ bus through”, said Gabby Walker, Link’s Operations Manager. “With an abundance of customer traffic through there, including RV’s, boats and pedestrians, it was not an ideal situation for our operators.” Once completed, the new roundabout will include a passenger boarding location on US 2 just east of the intersection, helping restore access to the west side of Leavenworth. Construction costs are estimated to be \$2,793,365. Link Transit is paying for this project and will be reimbursed by the City

of Leavenworth for about \$250,000. The primary contractor is KCRI LLC, and construction is expected to be completed by late September 2023. WSDOT identified this as an important project for traffic control in the April 2020 US 2 Upper Wenatchee Valley Transportation Corridor Study, a joint study conducted by the Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council and WSDOT. Planning and construction could not be started until funding was obtained, potentially years away. With the loss of its turnaround, Link Transit needed a more immediate solution. The roundabout on US Highway 2 and Icicle Road will provide a safe turnaround for Route 22 and ensure continuation of this route operating between Leavenworth and Wenatchee. It will also make the intersection safer for pedestrians and vehicles as traffic on the west end of Leavenworth is expected to increase with the new Leavenworth Adventure Park now open to the public. The changes will also help mitigate the traffic along this corridor during seasonal and festival travel, and slow the traffic coming into Leavenworth, allowing a safer left turn from Icicle Road onto US 2.

Construction and traffic updates can be found at <https://wsdot.com/Travel/Real-time/Map/orhttps://www.linktransit.com>

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# SENIOR FOCUS

*A Guide to Healthy Living For Seniors and Others*

## 3 Items That Can Help You Elevate Your Morning Routine

**(StatePoint)** A great morning routine makes getting out of bed more pleasant and sets the tone for a successful, happy day. Whether you are a morning lark or a night owl, check out these items that can help you start your days on the right foot.

**1. The perfect cup of coffee:** Most people think they are satisfied with their morning cup of coffee, that is, until they try Nextmug, a smart, self-heating mug that keeps beverages warm (130 degrees F), hot (140 degrees F) or piping hot, (150 degrees F) depending on the setting selected. Lab testing has shown that liquid in a standard ceramic mug loses 52% of its heat over a two-hour period. Nextmug loses no heat over that same time frame, making it possible to savor coffee or tea for as long as it takes to drink it. If you have ever resorted to microwaving a forgotten morning brew, which can turn even the best drink bitter, or have simply slugged it down tepid, you will appreciate this sleek, ergonomic, easy-to-use mug. Plus, its optional

spill-resistant lid means that you can take your cup of joe throughout the home or office, on the back deck, or wherever you would most enjoy it. For more information, visit <https://nextmug.com/>.

**2. A closer shave:** Men can say goodbye to nicks and patchy facial hair. Offering a close shave, even on a dense beard, Braun's Series 9 Pro Electric Shaver features sensors that adjust power to beard density, and a precision switch to capture tricky hair. Because its built-in sonic technology yields a more efficient shave, and its docking station automatically charges and cleans the razor, you'll be giving yourself the gift of more time for yourself in the morning.

**3. Music and podcasts on-the-go:** Add entertainment and motivation to morning workouts with comfortable, durable headphones. Just be sure to consider your needs when selecting the right pair. Whereas bone conduction headphones offer the safety of being able to hear surrounding sounds, which is great for

morning jogs and commutes, air conduction offers the best shock-free comfort. Finally, in-ear style headphones can isolate outside noise when it's desired, such as at the gym. The X9-pro, allows users to switch between these three modes. It's also completely waterproof and Bluetooth-connected, so you can listen to your favorite jams and podcasts, even when swimming laps at the pool. And thanks to its 32G storage, you won't get bored with his listening options.

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## Living with COPD? How to Navigate Palliative and Hospice Care

**(StatePoint)** Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is also referred to as emphysema or chronic bronchitis and makes it hard to breathe. During every stage of the disease, starting when a person is first diagnosed, different supportive care options are available that can improve quality of life, including palliative and hospice care.

It's important for families affected by COPD to have a plan in place regarding these care options. Having trusted tools and information can make getting the conversation started with healthcare providers easier.

That's why the American Lung Association, in partnership with Embassy Health, has launched a new campaign to educate patients and families about the benefits and differences of palliative and hospice care.

### Palliative Care

Palliative care provides specialized medical care for people living with a chronic or serious illness. Surprisingly to many patients, it's appropriate at any stage of COPD. Early delivery of palliative care has the potential to reduce unnecessary hospital admissions and the use of health services. In fact, it's never too soon after a COPD diagnosis to ask a healthcare provider about adding in palliative care.

The intent of palliative

care for those living with COPD is to improve their condition, manage symptoms and address their wishes and treatment goals. These services are often provided by a team of palliative care specialist doctors and nurses, social workers, nutritionists and spiritual advisers, and can take place in the home, a hospital, outpatient clinic, assisted living facility, nursing home or palliative care center.

### Hospice Care

When curative treatment options stop working, it's often referred to as end-stage or advanced COPD. This can be an extremely difficult time for patients and families, and a time where they need to make difficult decisions.

One treatment option for advanced COPD is hospice care. Hospice care focuses on bringing comfort and relief to a person with life-limiting COPD who has opted to no longer seek curative treatment. The goal is to consider the patient's overall wellbeing and improve the quality of their life.

While many worry it's too soon to start talking about hospice care, many patients discover that it comprises much more than end-of-life care. When Carolynne, who has COPD, was hospitalized due to a severe exacerbation of the disease in November 2022, her healthcare team was especially concerned about her future and suggested hospice care. As she learned more, she began

to understand that hospice encompasses supportive in-home care that could help prevent hospitalizations with another COPD flare-up. Carolynne's hospice care includes assistance with showers and medication, weekly nurse check-ins, chaplain visits, and in-home healthcare so that she doesn't have to travel to numerous medical appointments. This level of support has allowed her to focus her time and energy on her family and her favorite hobby, baking.

"I am living at home, and I can do as I please and hospice is helping me do it," Carolynne says. "It's just a different style of living; you are living with help."

Hospice care is delivered by a multidisciplinary team that can consist of nurses, doctors, social workers, spiritual advisors, and trained volunteers. Everyone works together with the patient and their caregivers to provide medical, emotional, and spiritual support. An approach to care, not a place, hospice can be offered in the home, a care center, hospital, assisted living facility or hospice center for more information about COPD care options, visit [Lung.org/copd-plan](http://Lung.org/copd-plan).

For the 12.5 million people in the United States living with COPD and their families, having reliable information about supportive care options can mean fewer hospitalizations and a better quality of life.

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# SENIOR FOCUS

*A Guide to Healthy Living For Seniors and Others*

## 4 top tips for upgrading your health and wellness routine

**(BPT)** - For many, the longer days, warmer temperatures, and blooming flowers of spring and summer bring a renewed sense of energy and motivation to paint the garage or freshen up the garden. However, it is also the perfect time of the year to devote your energy to personal health and wellness improvement projects.

To prepare for the warmer seasons ahead, Dr. Leah Joseph, a board-certified primary care physician at Teladoc Health, the world's largest telehealth company, shares her top tips for upgrading health and wellness routines.

### Tidy up your sleep schedule

People tend to appreciate the longer days of spring and summer. But more early morning sunshine, along with life's other distractions, can wreak havoc on sleep schedules.

Joseph recommends that people prioritize getting seven to nine hours of sleep a night and stresses that consistency is the key to reaping the rewards of a good night's rest. "Establishing a sleep schedule that conditions your body to go to sleep and wake up at the same time each day, including weekends, helps your body get into a natural rhythm," she says. "To get into a routine, try setting a bedtime alert on your phone or placing a note next to your TV to remind you of your bedtime."

And when interruptions and sleepless nights do happen, people shouldn't dwell on it because the stress can make it even harder to get back into a sleep rhythm. Joseph recommends accepting the interruption as a temporary



lapse and trying again for better sleep the next night.

### Dig into your diet

More sun and rising temperatures make it easier to find fresh, in-season fruits and vegetables, staples of a healthy diet. Eating plenty of whole foods, including vegetables and fruits, can lower blood pressure, lower the risk of heart disease and stroke, help with digestion problems, and have a positive effect on blood sugar, which can help keep appetites under control. "Focus on what you can control around healthy eating choices and learn to adapt to things outside of your power," suggests Joseph. "Look for chances to add color to your plate with fruits and veggies and cook with fresh ingredients when you can."

In addition to support from your primary care physician,

registered nutritionists and dietitians can help design a healthy eating strategy with the right mix of whole foods. In many cases, meeting with dietary experts can be done easily and conveniently online.

### Take it outside

Joseph says one of the most important things you can do for your overall health is to prioritize getting enough physical activity. Getting daily exercise doesn't have to be intense or complicated. Taking a quick walk around the neighborhood or local park can have significant benefits for everyone, no matter an individual's fitness level.

"If you can, find a partner to help keep you motivated to move," recommends Joseph. "Ask friends and family to work out with you and make it unique to you. They'll help you stay on track, and you'll have

more fun doing it." She advises that there's no one-size-fits-all approach to exercise, and that people need to try different activities until they find at least one that they enjoy enough to engage in regularly.

### Pick up with your primary care provider

It is always easier to stay on top of health goals and priorities with an expert by your side. Your primary care provider (PCP) can help navigate every aspect of health and wellness, from a new health goal to a new health diagnosis.

Scheduling an appointment with a PCP is the best way to stay on top of health needs. Regular check-ins are key to disease prevention, controlling common chronic diseases, mental wellness and coordinating testing and specialist care, when it's needed.

"Too often, I see that people wait to see a doctor until there is an issue or an emergency," commented Joseph. "With regular visits, I can establish relationships with my patients and help them identify any potential concerns early and often. It saves a lot of time and pain down the road."

While it may seem time-consuming to schedule and attend regular appointments, new digital tools - like virtual care - are making it easier than ever to check in with a PCP, wherever and whenever is convenient for you. Plus, companies like Teladoc Health offer access to primary care, chronic care, dermatology, nutrition services and more, all from one place, to help you seamlessly keep up with every aspect of your health.

## Furry Friends Can Cause Distracted Driving. Here's How to Stay Safe



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**(StatePoint)** Summer Road trip season is heating up. Whether your vacation plans include national parks, sandy beaches, or major metropolises, you may be thinking of bringing the entire family along, even your four-legged companions.

While we love having them near, dogs aren't always safe passengers. A recent poll commissioned by Selective Insurance, a leading home, auto and business insurance carrier, found that in the past 12 months, dogs caused a majority of drivers to be distracted on U.S. roadways.

The study, conducted online by The Harris Poll, found that of licensed drivers who recently (over the last 12 months) drove with their dogs, 91% admitted to interacting with them while driving, including interactions requiring the driver to take their hands off the wheel or eyes off the road, and 48% acknowledged that they are more distracted when their dog is in the vehicle than when it is not.

"We love our dogs. However, some of their behaviors in the car, such as sitting on drivers' laps, jumping between seats, or sticking their heads out the window, divert drivers' attention from operating a vehicle," said Scott Smith, vice president and director of Safety Management at Selective Insurance. "To help keep our roads safe, drivers need to minimize distractions. That means our beloved pet passengers should be restrained in the back seat, and if they need tending, drivers should first pull over to a safe place."

Some of the more hazardous behaviors that drivers engaged in while recently on the road with their dog include giving them food/treats/water (36%), taking a photo/video of their dog (27%) or holding them in place (23%) while driving. In addition, 40% of drivers who have ever driven with their dog confessed to various reckless driving behaviors as a direct result of having their dog in the vehicle, including swerving out of the lane (11%) and hard braking (13%).

This summer, as you head

out with your dog on journeys near and far, help minimize driving distractions in your vehicle with these tips from Selective Insurance:

- Have your dog ride in the back seat and consider using a partition between the front and back seats.
- Use a dog seatbelt, safety harness or anchored crate to prevent distractions and provide your dog with some protection if there is an accident. A significant 70% of licensed drivers who recently drove with their dogs say their dogs were unrestrained in the vehicle. Yet, 82% of drivers who recently drove with their dogs agree that having an unrestrained dog in a moving vehicle can distract the driver. Not using a restraint is risky and could put you in violation of the law. Some states have animal restraint laws for vehicles to help keep drivers safe and focused. However, only 24% of licensed drivers who recently drove with their dogs say they are very familiar with such laws in their state. That's compared to 34% who say they didn't know these laws existed.
- Plan ahead and identify rest stops along your route so you and your dog can take a break. If you need to make an unplanned stop, avoid the side of the road, and instead look for a quiet parking lot. Use these occasions to give your dog food, a little exercise and most importantly in summer, plenty of water.

For additional survey findings, along with tips to keep roadways safe and K-9 companions secure, visit [Selective.com](https://www.selective.com). For survey methodology, visit [selective.com](https://www.selective.com).

"More pets in homes, especially with the introduction of the pandemic puppy, means more Americans than ever may be hitting the roads with their pooch on road trips this summer. Drivers should understand the risks associated with taking them along for the ride," said Smith.

## 1 in 4 Americans don't understand retirement planning but are willing to start learning online, new survey says

**(BPT)** - Will I be able to retire? How much do I need to save? What if I outlive those savings? Questions like these are common across America's current working population. Whether Gen X, Millennial or Gen Z worker populations, they each have hopes for a financially secure retirement, despite current economic uncertainty.

When it comes to retirement, research shows 70% of Americans plan to but are unsure they will really be able to, according to a recent Prudential survey. Having enough savings is a primary concern for almost half (40%) of Americans who are not confident they can retire. Concerns such as this may cause people to continue to work as they age - be it full time in their career or part time in a less demanding position.

### Financial knowledge needed

This lack of confidence is coupled with a lack of financial knowledge. Just over 1 in 4 respondents (26%)

said they do not have a strong understanding of what to do when it comes to retirement planning, and over half (59%) do not have a 401(k) account, one of the primary savings vehicles for retirement. Of those who do, 21% are unsure of how much money is currently in their account.

Captured in the survey, which polled 2,000 working adults across generations this spring, was a strong desire to retire and openness to receiving professional advice, yet a general uncertainty about how to begin. Fortunately, online tools are becoming more widely available, and some provide important insights that can bridge the retirement planning gap.

### Online retirement insights

If you feel anxious about retirement and are confused about where to start, you are not alone. The survey found that among those who expressed confusion about retirement planning or are worried about being behind,

most (65%) said they are open and willing to use digital tools. Because of their convenience, digital tools may be a smart option for people looking to take the first step in their retirement planning journey, but they aren't one size fits all.

One free online option is Prudential Stages for Retirement, a platform that offers a personalized digital experience with access to a team of financial advisors. By answering a few questions, the platform provides customers with a "Retirement Confidence" score and shows them the ways in which they are strong in their retirement preparedness as well as where they may need to adjust to get closer to their goal. Users can also access a retirement calculator to see just how much they need to save to achieve their individual vision for retirement.

### A human touch in retirement planning

Even as online tools help bridge the retirement confidence gap, the survey

shows that most people still want access to a financial advisor - even if they aren't physically in the room with them. A whopping 94% of all respondents say they are interested in receiving advice from a financial expert in some manner.

On Prudential Stages for Retirement, people of all age ranges, levels of wealth and retirement preparedness have one-click access to an advisor, virtually or in-person, if desired. There is no minimum savings required to access an advisor, so everyone can ask questions to help them gain more confidence in their retirement planning choices.

### Getting started

While most working people across generations have retirement as a goal, many don't know what to do to plan appropriately. Online retirement planning tools like those from Prudential can be an effective first step in gaining knowledge and boosting confidence that retirement dreams will become reality.

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mixture. Mix well. Chill dough then roll into one inch balls. Place 2 inches apart on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 375° for 8 to 10 minutes or until set and surface cracks. Cool on wire rack. Enjoy with milk or coffee or ice cream... or whatever is available.

Choices: Grandma doubles the recipe so she can freeze some for Grandpa's late-night snacks. To freeze simply put in a zip-loc bag and use within 3 months. If a fancier cookie is required, prior to baking, roll the 1-inch ball of ginger snap cookie dough in granulated sugar before placing on the cookie sheet 2 inches apart.

**About the author:** In 2000 Michele Priddy left the workforce 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. You can contact the Leavenworth Echo at Reporter@leavenworthecho.com or Michelle's email: mykitchenstrategies@gmail.com if you have any questions or comments.



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## Ginger Snaps

Grandma started making ginger snaps this morning before Grandpa and I got up. (She does her baking early in the day during the summer months so she's not warming up the kitchen in the heat of the day.) Due to Grandpa and me it's taken her two days to get the job done. She asked me three days ago to get the heavy mixer out and put it on the counter before I went to bed. I forgot. Then one day ago, she asked Grandpa and me to get the heavy mixer out and put it on the counter before we went to bed. We both forgot.

Yesterday morning we got up, she looked at both of us, "I guess nobody wants cookies around here." Her tone was completely calm and totally devoid of accusation. I don't know how she does it; in those moments I'm totally incapable of keeping accusation out of my tone but somehow, she does it. Last night before we went to bed, Grandpa remembered to remind me, and I got the mixer onto the counter. I got up this morning, hoping to smell cookies and immediately got worried because I couldn't smell any. I bounced up the stairs of the basement apartment praying all was well, even though I knew something wasn't because when Grandma says she's going to do something her word is good. When I got to the top of the stairs, she was sitting in her easy chair leaning back watching TV. She said, with a shake of her head, "I don't have enough flour to make cookies. I didn't want to wake you up getting it."

I gave a sigh of relief and glanced at the counter. All the ingredients for making

ginger snaps, including the index card with the recipe on it, were clustered around the heavy mixer waiting to be incorporated into a delicious mix then baked into morsels to tickle our taste buds. "I'll get you some flour." I said and headed to the downstairs pantry, grabbed a plastic gallon jug of flour (we buy 50 lb. bags of flour then put it into plastic gallon jugs for ease of use) and took it upstairs to her. Grandma spent the next three hours making and baking ginger snaps. I glanced at the three by five-inch green index card where the recipe was written in black ink. I noticed what looked like the tracings of a hand. I looked at Grandma with a question in my eyes. "Oh, that's Tammy's hand." I raised my eyebrows, "that's a recipe from Mary. Remember the kids? Tammy wanted me to trace her hand on that card while I waited for her mom to find the recipe to give me." I nodded, grinning, remembering when Tammy was small enough that her handprint would fit on a green three by five index card. She is a tall adult now... last I heard she'd just had surgery for a college injury while playing volleyball and was recovering nicely.

### Aunt Mary's Ginger Snaps

- ¾ cup butter • 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg • ¼ cup molasses
- 2 cups flour • 2 tsp. baking soda • ¼ tsp. salt
- 1 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. cloves • 1 tsp. ginger

Mix butter and sugar in bowl until it is creamed together. Add egg and molasses and beat well. Sift the remaining six dry ingredients together. Gradually add to creamed

# Community Foundation Accepting Applications for Grant Programs

SUBMITTED BY JENNIFER DOLGE

The Community Foundation of NCW is now accepting applications for its Regional Impact Grant (RIG) and Woods Family Music and Arts Grant.

The RIG is an annual grant program open to nonprofit organizations and public agencies that address community needs in Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties (excluding the Methow Valley). Organizations that are 501(c)(3) public charities headquartered in these counties are eligible and encouraged to apply for unrestricted, core operating support. Government agencies (excluding schools), tribal agencies, faith-based organizations, fiscally sponsored programs, or a 501(c)(3) public charity serving

the region but headquartered outside of NCW are eligible for funding to support specific programs or projects that meet our Grant Guidelines and Policies.

The funding request, \$6,000-\$14,000, is determined by the budget size of the organization. The Foundation strives to award a balanced number of grants across budget sizes based on the total funding available and the number of applications received per budget range.

The Woods Family Music & Arts Grant is open to 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations, or fiscally sponsored programs, and public schools in Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties, excluding the Methow Valley. Up to \$5,000 is available to support initiatives such as equitable access to arts and culture for youth,

expand and increase access to underrepresented audiences, programs that celebrate the rich and diverse culture of NCW, and operating support for high-quality art programs.

The deadline for the RIG is September 15. The deadline for the Woods Grant is September 30. Learn more and apply online at [www.cfnw.org/grants](http://www.cfnw.org/grants).

*The Community Foundation of North Central Washington's mission is to grow, protect, and connect charitable gifts in support of strong communities throughout Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties. Established in 1986, the Community Foundation manages \$130 million in assets through 600+ individual funds and has awarded over \$55 million in grants and scholarships.*

# Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue deploys cameras to detect and monitor wildfires

SUBMITTED BY DAVID WALKER

Partnering with UC San Diego, digitalpath.net, AlertWest, and Wenatchee based Localtel Communications, Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue deployed two wildfire detection cameras this week near Nason Creek and Lake Wenatchee.

The Pan-Tilt-Zoom Cameras are mounted in strategic locations to monitor and detect wildfires. Using AI technology to provide early detection that can give emergency responders more time to respond and take necessary actions.

The cameras are monitored 24/7 ensuring that any fire outbreak is detected promptly.

The camera network's usefulness expands beyond wildfires. Recently live feeds on a similar camera were used to monitor the record-breaking Sierra Nevada snowpack, statewide flooding, landslide

hazards and road conditions.

The detection cameras fit well in the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Strategy by enhancing community wildfire resiliency, forest health monitoring, public outreach, as well as providing crucial early situational awareness for aggressive fire response.

The Lake Wenatchee area is designated as one of the highest fire-threatened regions in the country. These cameras will significantly enable firefighters and first responders to maintain an enhanced level of situational awareness for years to come.

Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue hopes to install several more cameras over the next few years and hopes that other agencies across Washington State see the value and install their own cameras to the AlertWashington system.

The cameras can be viewed by the public at [alertwashington.live](http://alertwashington.live).

Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue is an all-hazards rural fire protection district in Central Washington State serving 3500 residents and a robust recreational and tourism industry. LWFR is responsible for wildfire response to over 100 square miles around the greater Lake Wenatchee and Plain Communities.

*ALERTWest/ALERTWashington is a Public Safety Organization involving University, State, Federal, & Private entities all focused on working to reduce wildfire risks by rapidly expanding our all-hazard detection cameras across the Western U.S. Their mission is to use a model of collaborative coverage to keep people and the environment safe by developing technology to stay ahead of wildfires. Installation of the cameras was funded by our local Auxiliary members.*

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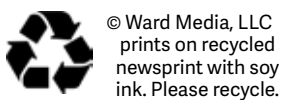
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**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**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), August 23, 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.)**  
**The Wenatchee Valley Doll Club, 11:30 a.m. Call Yvonne, 509-663-7991. (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.)**  
**Greater Leavenworth Museum board meeting 3-5 p.m. Everyone is invited as a guest contact: Matt@leavenworthmuseum.org for meeting information. (2nd 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 Kristalls at Noon. Call President Mahala Murphy-Martin, 1-206-227-1576, 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.leavenworthmasons.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 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.)**

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**Peshastin Public Library, Located at 8396 Main St., Peshastin. Call: 509-548-7821 or [Peshastin@ncwlibraries.org](mailto:Peshastin@ncwlibraries.org) Open Tues., 10-1:30; and 2:30-7, Wed., 10-2, and 2:30-7, Thurs., and Fri., 1-5:30 and Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Closed Sun. and Mon.**

**Other events**

**The Greater Leavenworth Museum, formerly known as the Upper Valley Museum. Now open daily 11-4. Check their Facebook page or website at <http://www.leavenworthmuseum.org> for updates and information.**  
**Leavenworth Fish Hatchery, 509-548-7641. Trails and grounds are open every day to the public. Please park outside the gate. All animals must be on a leash.**  
**Note: Some meetings or events may be rescheduled due to holidays or other closures. Please call and check with that organization listed.**  
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**MEETINGS SCHEDULES FOR AA, ALANON, CELEBRATE RECOVERY**

**AA Meetings:**  
 Call for the Zoom link to Leavenworth AA meetings: 541-480-8946  
 Call for the Zoom link to Leavenworth AlAnon meetings: 509-548-7939  
 509-548-1627, 548-4522, 664-6469, 206-719-3379  
 Sunday 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
 Tuesday, 7 p.m., Light in the Valley, 8455 Main Street, Peshastin  
 Wednesday, 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
 Thursday, 1 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
 Friday, 7 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church, 222 Cottage Ave.  
**Alanon Meetings, Call 509-548-7939**  
**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.**

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**BEER & BOTS Adult STEM Night**

STEM night, Thursday, August 17, 6-8 p.m. at Wenatchee River Institute's Red Barn with NCW Libraries STEM Librarian. Embrace your inner scientist, quench your thirst for knowledge, and toast to new friendships at our adult STEM program. 509-548-7923 or [Leavenworth@ncwlibraries.org](mailto:Leavenworth@ncwlibraries.org)

**Good News for All Alumni**

From Peshastin-Dryden School District, Peshastin School District, Dryden School District, Leavenworth School District and Cascade School District. Effective immediately, access to all school annuals is online. On the internet, go to Cascade School District Homepage, click on District Information, click on More, then (alphabetically) History/Yearbooks. Selection can then be made on any of

the listed (years) yearbooks. If you notice specific years are missing online, it is because an annual for that year could not be found. There are also some leftover yearbooks of various years if you are interested. If you have questions or concerns, contact Sandy Houston, 509-670-5521.

**Leavenworth Library**

Art show for Brian Strickland from Aug. 15- Sept. 22. Brian was inspired to do art ever since he was 6 years old watching Bob Ross on TV. Over the years he has explored art in many forms including oil painting, chalks, music, poetry writing and culinary art. He served on the Anacortes Art commission and this year he started Wenatchee River Studio.

**The Leavenworth Alphorns**

Are hosting this summer's 2nd Beginner's Circle on Saturday August 19 at 10 a.m. at Lions Club Park. All ages are welcome however RSVPs

are required so that we can provide you with a horn. Please text Janet Mano at 253-225-1587 if you would like to try playing an Alphorn.

**G.O.O.F.Y. Gathering of Old Fogies**

The yearly gathering of classmates of Leavenworth High School will be September 6, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Walla Walla Point Park, Shelter #2. Please bring a main dish, salad, or dessert. Coffee and water will be provided. Potluck will be served at noon. Contact Helen Rayfield at 509-888-5892.

**Cascadia Conservation District regular board meeting**

Will be held on Friday, August 18, at 1:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at our new office space on 1350 McKittrick St. More information and instructions will be available on our web site at [cascadiacd.org](http://cascadiacd.org) or by calling the District at 509-436-1601.



The sheriff's report is compiled from public records as provided by the Chelan County Sheriff's Office. The publisher cannot certify the complete accuracy of the information provided.

**August 4**

- 02:56 Suspicious Circumstance, 9076 Icicle Rd.
- 07:55 Suspicious Circumstance, 6730 Campbell Rd., Peshastin
- 09:31 Court Order Violation, 3261 Hansel Ln., Peshastin
- 09:35 Property, 12708 US Hwy. 2
- 13:04 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 2 MP 95 westbound
- 13:54 Non-injury Accident, 708 US Hwy. 2 WaFd
- 13:59 Traffic Offense, US Hwy. 2, and 9th St.
- 15:32 Property, 321 Meadow Dr.
- 16:46 Public Assist, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy., Lake Wenatchee
- 18:52 Animal Problem, 219 8th St.
- 19:28 Welfare Check, Eight Mile Lake trailhead
- 20:08 Animal Problem, 9th, and Commercial Streets
- 22:14 Welfare Check, 7550 US Hwy. 97

**August 5**

- 04:43 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 2 MP 70, Lake Wenatchee
- 07:15 Alarm, 18632 Beaver Valley Rd., Plain
- 09:53 Public Assist, Fish Lake, Lake Wenatchee
- 10:26 Littering, Beehive Reservoir boat launch
- 10:38 Theft, 9876 Mountain Home Rd.
- 12:46 Suspicious Circumstance, Ski Hill Dr., and US Hwy. 2
- 13:07 Theft, 810 US Hwy. 2, Bavarian Lodge
- 14:58 Weapons Violation, Hatchery Creek trailhead
- 17:19 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, Mount Stuart
- 17:30 Agency Assist, 285 US Hwy. 2
- 19:56 Property, 1117 Front St.
- 20:31 Agency Assist, 10555 Mayfield Canyon Rd.
- 20:39 Trespassing, 250 12th St.
- 22:01 Suspicious Circumstance, 302 Commercial St.
- 22:48 Suspicious Circumstance, 8825 Derby Canyon Rd., Peshastin
- 23:52 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, Snow Lakes Trailhead

**August 6**

- 01:27 Agency Assist, 810 US Hwy. 2, Bavarian Lodge
- 01:40 Domestic Disturbance, Sherbourne and Evans Streets
- 02:31 Trespassing, 810 US Hwy. 2, Bavarian Lodge
- 03:47 Warrant Arrest, 301 Ward Strasse
- 06:44 Hazard, River Bend Dr. and US Hwy. 2
- 09:42 Public Assist, 14400 Chiwawa Loop Rd.
- 09:56 Extra Patrols, 3200 block Allen Ln., Peshastin
- 10:40 Disturbance, 405 US Hwy.

- 2, Howard Johnson
- 11:11 Property, 90 Mill St.
- 11:41 Animal Problem, 170 US Hwy. 2
- 14:14 Agency Assist, 12790 Fish Hatchery Rd.
- 15:19 Harassment/ Threat, 1010 Main St., Barn Beach
- 15:48 Public Assist, Cloudy Peak route trail
- 17:06 Non-injury Accident, US Hwy. 2 and Sherbourne St.
- 17:53 Unknown-injury Accident, Lake Wenatchee Hwy. and Chiwawa Loop Rd., Lake Wenatchee
- 17:59 Welfare Check, 13th, and Commercial Streets
- 18:17 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, 11007 US Hwy. 2, Prey's Fruit Barn
- 19:39 Public Assist, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy., Lake Wenatchee
- 19:39 Agency Assist, 12266 Ski View Ln.
- 20:14 Trespassing, 725 Front St.
- 21:17 Suspicious Circumstance, 5611 Campbell Rd., Peshastin
- 22:06 Welfare Check, 810 US Hwy. 2, Bavarian Lodge

**August 7**

- 08:39 Trespassing, 347 Division St.
- 09:35 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, 18889 Beaver Valley Rd., Plain
- 11:57 Property, 911 Commercial St.
- 12:38 Public Assist, 20752 Chiwawa Loop Rd., Thousand Trails campground, Lake Wenatchee
- 14:13 Civil Dispute, 12413 Chumstick Hwy.
- 15:01 Vehicle Prowl, 422 S. Shore Summer Homes Rd., Lake Wenatchee
- 15:30 Welfare Check, 9600 block North Rd., Peshastin
- 18:09 Diversion, 21013 Lower Chiwawa River Rd., Plain
- 18:34 Traffic Offense, E. Leavenworth, and Dye Roads
- 19:22 Weapons Violation, 8480 Icicle Rd.
- 20:46 Traffic Offense, 7700 block E. Leavenworth Rd.
- 21:44 Traffic Offense, Leavenworth Ski Hill
- 21:49 Suicide Threat, 100 Ward Strasse
- 23:36 Animal Problem, 9193 Icicle Rd.
- 23:44 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, Snow Lakes Trailhead

**August 8**

- 02:08 Vehicle Prowl, 9501 Jeske Rd., Big Y Park n' Ride, Peshastin
- 05:23 Suspicious Circumstance, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway
- 09:40 Civil Dispute, 24607 Spur St., Plain
- 11:22 Court Order Violation, 505 Birch St.
- 12:19 Unknown-injury Accident,

- 800 US Hwy. 2
- 12:55 Harassment/ Threat, 8787 Canal Rd.
- 13:14 911-call, 309 8th St., Post Hotel
- 15:14 Noise Complaint, 201 Mine St.
- 16:16 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 9292 E. Leavenworth Rd.
- 17:07 Public Assist, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy., Lake Wenatchee
- 17:55 Welfare Check, 920 Front St., Wok About Grill
- 19:54 Traffic Offense, 2322 Kinikinnick Dr., Lake Wenatchee
- 20:10 Assault, 2534 Sumac Ln., Lake Wenatchee
- 20:21 Trespassing, 11645 North Rd., Amtrak Icicle Station
- 21:47 Agency Assist, 7911 E. Leavenworth Rd.
- 22:16 Suspicious Circumstance, 1100 block Front St.

**August 9**

- 00:17 Welfare Check, 12525 Shore St.
- 10:36 Civil Dispute, 1214 Commercial St.
- 11:15 Liquor Violation, 10144 Main St., Peshastin
- 11:55 Theft, 320 Park Ave., Mountain Meadows
- 12:06 Theft, 11734 US Hwy. 2
- 14:17 Fraud/ Forgery, 1326 Commercial St.
- 14:23 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 18130 Sunland Dr., Lake Wenatchee
- 14:36 Injury Accident, 13589 Chiwawa Loop Rd., Lake Wenatchee
- 15:03 Trespassing, 827 Front St.
- 17:33 Juvenile Problem, 10144 Main St., Peshastin
- 20:34 Traffic Offense, Bergstrasse and Ski Hill Roads
- 21:34 Domestic Disturbance, 308 Zelt Strasse, Pine Village KOA
- 22:03 Welfare Check, 1010 Main St., Barn Beach

**August 10**

- 08:09 911-call, 309 8th St., Post Hotel
- 11:15 Lewd Conduct, 20700 Club House Dr., Kahler Glen, Lake Wenatchee
- 12:01 Fraud/ Forgery, 10225 Peshastin Mill Rd., Peshastin
- 13:54 Disturbance, 694 US Hwy. 2
- 14:39 Non-injury Accident, 190 US Hwy. 2, Der Ritterhof
- 15:10 Public Assist, 14287 Chumstick Hwy.
- 17:33 Disturbance, 694 US Hwy. 2
- 18:36 Civil Dispute, 11400 US Hwy. 2
- 20:21 Domestic Disturbance, 7544 S. Lakeshore Rd., Lake Wenatchee
- 20:41 911-call, 308 Zelt Strasse, Pine Village KOA
- 22:53 Welfare Check, 87 Headwater Ln., Lake Wenatchee

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## OBITUARY

## Sharedythe Thelma Riise

December 4, 1940 - July 22, 2023, Leavenworth, WA

Sharedythe Thelma Riise, loving wife, mother, grandma, great grandma, sister, and friend; passed away on Saturday, July 22, 2023, in Leavenworth, WA., due to complications from advanced stage Parkinson's disease. She was 82 years old.

Share', as she was widely known, was born in Seattle, WA on December 4, 1940. When she was just a toddler, Share's mother, Vivian, married Herman Lehman. He was the only father she ever knew. Share' loved that man so much and she was especially proud to be his daughter. Then, in the early 1990's, Daddy, as she always called him, decided to make it official and adopted her, even though he was in his late 70's and she was in her 50's.

When Share' and her siblings were young, Herman was in the U.S. Navy. The family traveled to live in Honolulu, Hawaii in the early 1950's while Herman was serving his country during the Korean War. Shortly thereafter, after coming back to Seattle, they then moved to Garden Grove, California, where Share' spent all four years of high school and graduated in 1959. She was actively involved with the school drill team and studied ballet throughout her school years. After graduating from High School, Shari' moved back to the Seattle area.

In 1962, Share' met the love of her life, a Norwegian immigrant by the name of Harald Riise. They discovered each other folk dancing at Norway Center, in Seattle. She was so head over heels in love with him that she began to study the Norwegian language, started taking ski lessons with the Boeing ski club and fully committed herself to learning everything

she could about what it was to be Norwegian. In 1964, she and Harald were married and moved to the Norwegian community of Ballard in the North Seattle area. In 1965, they moved to Norway for a year, where Shari's passion for all things Norwegian grew even more as she immersed herself in the culture and language. They made many journeys back to Norway to visit family and friends. Harald and Share' were inseparable in their marriage and they continued to dance, enjoyed hiking and skiing, and spent many weekends at their family cabin in Skykomish.

Then came the "Disco" years. They lived in the Bothell/Woodenville area for a period of ten years after having their kids, Nils-Erik, and Kirsten. In 1980, they pulled up stakes and boogied over the Cascade Mountains to Leavenworth, WA. where they had honeymooned. During that trip they fell in love with Leavenworth and its mountainous surroundings. Share' loved the feel of a small town and became very involved with "Amberleaf Theater" and the local choir group, "The Village Voices". Singing was another one of her huge passions and over the years she also became very involved with the singing and performing group, the 'Applearies', of Wenatchee.

Share' also was an avid runner. She loved to run and move her body. She began running in the 1970's and eventually built her running abilities to be able to run marathons, half marathons, and other fun runs throughout her life. She was a member of the Leavenworth Light Footer running club for many years. During the winter months, she stayed active by doing cross country and alpine skiing. She and Harald became very involved in the Leavenworth

skiing community and were long time members of the Leavenworth Winter Sports Club.

And then there were the Harley years. In the mid 1990's Share' and Harald became avid Harley Davidson riders. They were Charter members of the Wenatchee Chapter of the Harley Owners Group, and they rode their famous 1989 Heritage Soft-Tail Classic, "Odin", all over the Northwest and western United States. They also rode "Odin" to Sturgis, North Dakota a few times for the annual motorcycle gathering there. Those were some very memorable times for them. Traveling with Harald was always a wonderful experience for Share'.

Share' loved the people of her community and the town she lived in with all her heart. She was always immersing herself in community events and loved working at the hospital as a receptionist and in the galleries of downtown Leavenworth. This community involvement and her love for Leavenworth, led her to being selected as "Royal Lady of the Autumn Leaves" in 2010. Her experience as Royal Lady was one of the pinnacle experiences of her life. She and Harald got to travel to all the major parades and festivals throughout Washington State to help promote their little town of Leavenworth that they enjoyed so much. They truly embraced all that Leavenworth had to offer. Share' and Harald were always seen dancing at live music events around town by night and were often seen running, skiing, and cycling by day.

Share' will always be remembered for her big smile, love for family, love for people, and her passion for theater, singing, dancing, and traveling. She was



always singing and dancing throughout her life, which is what kept her young and vibrant. Nothing made her happier. She also loved her dogs; they were always an integral part of her life. She was always that spot of sunshine in your day whether you crossed paths with her in the grocery store or saw her on the dance floor. Her zest for life was unmatched and admired by all who knew her. She will be greatly missed.

Sharedythe Riise was preceded in death by her parents Herman and Vivian Lehman and by her husband Harald Riise. She is survived by her children Nils-Erik Riise and his wife Jana Zediker, Kirsten Kimber and her husband Jim Kimber, her sister Karla Starr, and brother Marc Lehman. She has three grandchildren, Anona Riise Haley, Mercedes Goble (Husband Thomas Goble) and Virginia Trigg. She also has two beautiful great-grandchildren, Vienna, and Annika Goble.

A big heartfelt thank you must go out to Mountain Meadows Assisted Living, in Leavenworth, for taking such good care of Sharedythe.

Memorial Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on September 8, 2023. Sleeping Lady Mountain Retreat in the Chapel Theater and Salmon Gallery. Arrangements made by Heritage Memorial Chapel. View Share's website at [www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com](http://www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com)

## OBITUARY

## Patricia A. Robineaux

April 13, 1944-April 1, 2023

Patricia A. Robineaux (Willms-Slater) 78, passed away after a short battle with cancer.

She was born in Wenatchee, WA., on April 13, 1944, and passed away in Portland, OR., on April 1, 2023

Pat attended school in East Wenatchee, WA. After graduating she married her first husband Bill (William) Willms and they raised 5 children together. Laurie (Lester) Nunn, Thesa Willms, Conni (Allen) Nunn, Toni Willms Rhorer and Brad (Corrina) Willms.

They later divorced and Pat met her second husband Denise' Robineaux and they had another child together Levi Robineaux.

Pat spent her working career as a waitress and being the best fruit packer in the local warehouses. When Levi was just a few years old her and Denise' became long haul truck drivers where they were able to see the country. She rather enjoyed being a 5'2 female truck driver. They lived in Lynnwood for a while, also in Las Vegas and later in Texas. They eventually settled down in Vancouver, WA. After the passing of her husband, Pat moved in with her sister Janice Slater, where they became two peas in a pod. They were best friends, and she thoroughly enjoyed her



life with her sister.

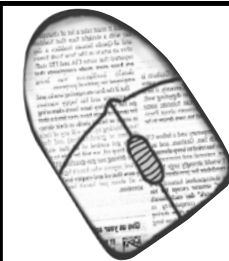
Pat had many hobbies including painting, crocheting, and making gifts with plastic canvas. She was very proud of her work, and we all looked forward to getting our handmade Christmas presents.

Pat was a very kind-, and big-hearted person, she was Mom to many more than just her biological children. She will be greatly missed.

Pat is survived by her six children, and one bonus son Brandon, 16 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren, brother Ray (Leona) Slater and her sister Janice Slater.

She preceded in death by her mom and two dads, one brother (Clem) and her husband Denise'.

There will be a memorial service held in Cashmere at her daughter Conni's home at 2:00 p.m. On Saturday, August 19, 2023. All are welcome to attend. Reach out on Facebook for address, if needed.



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OBITUARY

# Paul J. Myhre

May 18, 1939-July 1, 2023

Paul Jerome Myhre of Leavenworth died at home July 1. Born May 18, 1939, in Tacoma, he was the son of Herman J. Myhre and Alice Lucille Freelin Myhre. He attended schools in Tacoma and graduated in 1966 from Central Washington University. He taught for a time in Seattle.

He married Diane Crosetto in 1972. The couple moved to Leavenworth to make a home on acreage in Chumstick Valley, where their bundle of joy daughter Megan Kristina was born. The marriage ended in divorce

after 10 years. Paul turned to work as a contractor, specializing in remodeling and custom home design. An avid mountaineer, Paul took the Tacoma Mountaineers climbing class and joined the organization in 1958. He worked as a seasonal ranger at Mount Rainier in the 1960s, was a member of the Stevens Pass ski patrol, and led many climbs on Mount Rainier, including the new Liberty Wall route in 1968. An accomplished climber, he summited many other peaks in the Cascades, Alaska, and Canada. He enjoyed the fellowship of The Extended

Family and the Leavenworth Winter Sports group. He will be remembered by locals for his Love of the outdoors and his community.

He attended Faith Lutheran Church and was active in the community, helping establish a coffee house as a local gathering place and helping start the volunteer recycle program. He also assisted with the construction of the Leavenworth Audubon Center.

He is survived by his daughter, Megan Myhre Martin of Powder Springs, Georgia; grandsons James and Jacob Martin of Powder



Springs; brother Richard Myhre of Fort Collins, Colorado; niece Karen Hanson, Colorado, and nephew Jeff Myhre in Virginia. Arrangements were made by Jones and Jones Funeral Home. A memorial gathering will be held in Leavenworth at a time and place to be announced later.

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# Rev. Fr. Otto A. Koltzenburg

October 20, 1950  
- May 28, 2023

Leavenworth, Washington

The beloved Father Otto Koltzenburg passed away in his sleep of natural causes at his home in Leavenworth on Pentecost Sunday, May 28. Born in 1950 and educated

in Germany he came to the United States. As a Catholic priest he served throughout the state with a multitude of followers. A 4th degree Knight of Columbus, he developed one of the world's largest memorials to the sanctity of life. Known as a brilliant scholar, he was the author of

12 books and an expert on sainthood. He is also forever remembered as a Christian martyr having suffered persecution. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteous sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:44



## Giving multiplied with school supplies for children overseas

SUBMITTED BY LIZETTE MILLER  
*Samaritan's Purse*

**Leavenworth** - As the school year approaches, shoebox packers are making use of back-to-school prices to purchase gifts and essential items for children in need around the world. Residents in Leavenworth are collecting school supplies, along with personal care items and fun toys, to pack in shoeboxes. Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, will deliver these gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 100 countries.

For many children, access to

these simple items is essential to an education. This was the case for Justin Thomas, a shoebox recipient in Southeast Asia whose parents could not afford the supplies needed for school. Thomas remembers the specific day he received a gift-filled shoebox from Operation Christmas Child and found it filled with toys and most exciting to him, school supplies.

Growing up with hand-me-down clothes and used items, Thomas used to write with a pencil so short that he held it using a pen cap. Having an entire packet of new pencils and a pencil sharpener all his

own was a treasure to him. This simple gift made a life-changing impact for Thomas because it opened the doors for him to receive an education.

For more information, visit [samaritanaspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanaspurse.org/occ). National Collection Week is Nov. 13-20. Participants can donate \$10 per shoebox gift online through "Follow Your Box" and receive a tracking label to discover its destination. Those who prefer the convenience of online shopping can browse [samaritanaspurse.org/buildonline](http://samaritanaspurse.org/buildonline) to select gifts matched to a child's specific age and gender, then finish packing the virtual shoebox by

adding a photo and personal note of encouragement.

*Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, seeks to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world and, together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has collected and delivered more than 209 million gift-filled shoeboxes to children in more than 170 countries and territories. This year, Operation Christmas Child will celebrate its 30th year of ministry.*

## Energy efficiency incentives prove popular with customers

**WENATCHEE** - Growing interest in Chelan PUD's energy rebate program prompted a commission vote to increase funding by about \$3 million on Monday. (Starts around 00:46:20 on the board recording.)

Chelan PUD offers customers cash back on energy-efficient improvements to their home or business, including windows, insulation, lighting, or heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC). Since 2010, customers have saved nearly 25 megawatts of energy, enough to power 12,500 homes.

The benefits to customers are many: More comfort, lower electricity bills, and in some cases, increased value of their home or business. The rebate program also supports jobs and the local economy.

For every \$1 Chelan PUD pays in energy efficiency rebates, it earns about \$1.70 back by selling hydropower on the wholesale energy market. Revenues from energy sales allow customers to pay some of the lowest rates in the nation - 3.4 cents per kilowatt hour, which is about half of the cost to produce and deliver electricity.

"This is the single most visible win-win as a utility that we do for customers on an ongoing basis," Board President Randy Smith said.

In 2022, interest waned in energy efficient upgrades due to inflation and supply chain issues. At the same time, the value of hydropower increased on the energy market. In response, Chelan PUD offered higher rebate incentives.

In 2023, participation in the rebate program by residential customers nearly doubled. The cities of Cashmere and Wenatchee approached Chelan PUD

with opportunities to fund large-scale energy efficiency upgrades at two wastewater treatment plants.

"Our customers are their constituents, and if they can lower their overhead costs, they can spend those tax dollars somewhere else," said Andrew Grassell, energy development and conservation manager.

With the \$3 million budget increase, the rebate program budget is now about \$7.67 million. For more information about the energy efficiency rebate program, visit [chelanpud.org/save](http://chelanpud.org/save).

## Classes blend garden, kitchen interests

SUBMITTED BY MARCO MARTINEZ  
*WSU Extension Master Gardeners*

Classes on garden topics and ways to use your garden produce are being offered at the Celebration Lutheran Church Community Garden, 801 8th St. NE, East Wenatchee.

The Wednesday classes start at 6:30 p.m. and continue through the first week in October. The free series is offered by WSU Extension, SNAP-Ed Nutrition Program and Chelan-Douglas County Master Gardeners. The community garden is the combined effort of those programs and Celebration Lutheran Church.

**Aug. 9,** Three New Ways to Use Zucchini: Are you running out of ideas for using your zucchini? Tired of zucchini bread? Join us as we create and taste some delicious recipes you will make more than once.

**Aug. 16,** Make the Best Sauerkraut: Sauerkraut lovers will not want to miss this session. This class will teach the secrets for making and canning tasty sauerkraut.

**Aug. 30,** Grill Those Veggies: Learn three tasty and easy ways to grill your garden vegetables. Turn those common veggies into a show-stopping side dish to complement your entrée.

**Sept. 13,** Let's Make Salsa: Learn how to turn your garden bounty of tomatoes,

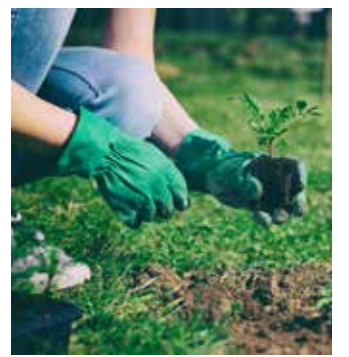
cabbage, peppers, and onions into fresh and flavorful salsas that you can serve with baked tortilla chips or pita.

**Sept. 27,** What to Do with Squash: Need new ideas for using squash? How about apple butternut soup, spaghetti squash lasagna, butternut apple crisp or tasty roasted squash? Join us to taste these recipes!

**Oct. 4,** Putting Your Garden to Bed: The gardening season is winding down quickly. Learn how to put your garden to bed for an easy start up in the spring. Discover plants you can grow and enjoy over the winter months.

Contact: Margaret Viebrock, director of WSU Extension - Chelan & Douglas Counties (509) 745-8531 Email: [viebrock@wsu.edu](mailto:viebrock@wsu.edu)

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## Taking care of your yard during a heat wave

SUBMITTED BY DEBBI MAYSTER

As temperatures rise, so should the care of your yard's lawn and landscape. However, it's important to ensure your yard is healthy before a heat wave hits.

"The healthier your grass, trees, and shrubs, the more resistant it will be to summer's extreme temperatures. Lawns, in particular, that have healthy grass leaves and deeper roots

are able to store more moisture," says Kris Kiser, President & CEO of the TurfMutt Foundation, which encourages people to care for and use their outdoor spaces.

Here are a few recommendations on protecting your yard during a heat wave from The TurfMutt Foundation.

- Put the right plant in the right place. Always select appropriate plants and grass for your climate zone. This ensures the

space is not only attractive, but also will be more likely to thrive in your microclimate, be easier to maintain, and will support pollinators and wildlife. Consider water, sunlight or shade requirements for your yard.

- Water at the right times. The best time to water the lawn and plants is in the early morning or late evening when its

cooler.

- Don't over water. It's okay to make your grass work hard for its water. With little water, grass will send its roots deeper, seeking water. The grass then does a better job of sequestering carbon and releasing oxygen. Also, most turfgrasses, and there are hundreds of species, will go brown during summer months where water is

more scarce. It will "green up" again when conditions change.

- Know what type of soil you have. The frequency and amount of water you apply to lawns and gardens vary based on its soil, clay type, organic matter and the type of plants and grass. Some soil holds water better than others; water molecules cling to fine particles of clay soil than to the coarser particles of a sandy soil.

- Cut grass long. When mowing, don't cut more than one-third of the grass height. By keeping it longer, turfgrass can develop stronger roots and a greater tolerance to heat and drought stress.
- Keep foot traffic minimal. For already stressed grass, foot traffic can cause damage. Keep people off the lawn while the heat persists.

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# WASHINGTON OUTDOORS REPORT



A wildland firefighter and a burning wildfire.

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## Wildfire Prevention

By JOHN KRUSE

Common sense isn't common, negligence is all too often prolific and these two factors combine to create wildfires in our forests and across our landscapes every year. According to the National Park Service, 85 percent of wild fires are human caused. Here are some of the common ways these forest fires start.

### Leaving Campfires Un-

**attended Or Abandoned:** Robin DeMario, a Public Affairs Specialist with the Wenatchee-Okanogan National Forest, has said many times over the years that this is a very common cause of forest fires and their personnel routinely come across abandoned campfires either smoldering or burning.

I witnessed this first hand a few years ago at Camano Island State Park. The family camping next to us packed to leave and told us they had some extra

firewood at their campsite if we wanted it. I thanked them and a short time after they drove off towards home, I went to their campsite to find they had left their campfire burning merrily away, having made no effort to put it out at all. I was dumbfounded at their decision making but it made me realize Robin was right about this.

Many times, campers will pour water over a campfire and leave thinking it is out. However, you need to truly

drown that fire out. First pour water on the fire, stir it with a stick, pour more water on it, and don't leave until the embers are cold to the touch.

**Tossed Cigarettes:** If you have ever seen a wildfire start next to a road there is a good chance someone discarded a burning cigarette from their vehicle which started that fire. That's why there is a very steep fine if a law enforcement officer sees you discarding a lit cigarette from your vehicle to the tune of \$1025 or more.

**Parking A Running Vehicle In Dry Grass:** Another reason fires start near roadways is because motorists will pull off the side of a road, or drive off-road and park their running vehicle in high, dry grass or weeds. The grass can catch fire in a hurry, not only burning neighboring grasslands but also the vehicle itself in some cases. This is something that doesn't get a lot of attention, and therefore, a lot of people don't even think about the cause and effect of a hot engine in contact with dry grass on a warm summer day.

**Loose Chains Or Metal Dragging From Vehicles:** Yet another cause of roadside fire starts are chains or other metal objects being

dragged along the roadway by moving cars or trucks. Using the analogy of a flint or magnesium fire starter, if you produce enough sparks, you will eventually start a fire and unfortunately, this holds true for the sparks generated by metal objects dragged along our highways.

**Fireworks:** This one is a no-brainer but state and federal land managers haven't been able to rely on common sense and instead have to issue fireworks bans and publicize them every summer because of the obvious danger exploding and sparking fireworks produce.

**Burnpiles:** Counties commonly implement burn bans during the summer but some people still attempt to burn debris whether it be orchard wood or household items on their property. Even when it is legal to have these fires, they have to be attended to constantly, have water or other means to put the fire out and kept at a level where they can be controlled.

**Starting A Fire On A Windy Day:** When it comes to controlled burns or campfires, both can quickly get out of hand if they are lit during

windy conditions. I vividly remember the Castlerock Fire in Wenatchee back in September 1992 that burned 30 residences down in just a few hours. The fire was started by several teenagers lighting a campfire on a hill behind Castlerock Avenue on a very windy day. The campfire got out of control and in no time at all, the devastating flames raced to nearby neighborhoods and the roofs of several homes, several of them with cedar-shake roofs, were on fire.

**Arson:** Last but not least, it is a known fact arsonists are also responsible for wildfires and they can be difficult to catch. This is where you as an observant person can play a key role. If you see someone starting a fire or a vehicle leaving an area where a fire is starting, call 911 and give them a good description of the individual, the vehicle and if possible, a license plate. That call can go a long way towards stopping this person from starting future fires.

John Kruse - [www.northwesternoutdoors.com](http://www.northwesternoutdoors.com) and [www.americaoutdoorsradio.com](http://www.americaoutdoorsradio.com)

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

On behalf of the Leavenworth Rotary Club, Hands-On committee, we want to express our thanks to the partnerships that allowed us to repaint the Highway 2 wall on the East side of

Leavenworth last week. The wall was dirty, and the paint had lifted in many places, but our Fire District 3 and their Captain, Kelly O'Brian quickly came to our aid and washed the wall making it

ready for the paint. We also want to recognize the City of Leavenworth maintenance office and especially John Schons who cleared the way for us to work and provided all the materials and tools that

we needed to get the job done. We hope the residents and visitors appreciate the new look on the wall.

Gratefully,  
**Rotary Hands-On Committee**

# The #1 Affordable Housing Whistle

By RHONA BARON

Over the next month, The Whistle will offer a three-part series on the challenges of affordable housing. This week, we'll provide context. Next, we'll review the city's initiatives and analyze effectiveness. In the final column, we'll peer into the future with a quiver of options and practical solutions. We're ready to run the numbers, discuss the marketplace and provide thinking tools to foster good judgment in these confounding times.

Speaking of the marketplace, as the train leaves the station a sweeping view of the big picture emerges. Our nation operates under what is called a "mixed economy," meaning we use an economic system that features characteristics of both free market capitalism and government intervention. Your private property is to be protected, and you have a high level of economic freedom to use your capital/money as you choose.

At the same time, city, state and national governments intervene in economic activities to achieve "social aims for the public good." Some people think government interventions have gone too far. Others say not far enough as America struggles to balance competing interests. But when it comes to housing in Leavenworth, perhaps we can all agree on one thing: "the law of supply and demand."

When the price of an item (say a toaster or a house we've been interested in) increases, our desire or demand for

that item diminishes. Fewer people buy something if it gets too expensive, therefore, the "supply" of an item often goes up. Conversely, when the price drops, more toasters or houses become affordable. They are purchased, making less of them available. As we know, dwelling units in Leavenworth are in demand. And their supply is scarce.

But here's where it gets trickier when it comes to "affordable" housing. If we view dwelling units through the lens of supply and demand, we find that the price range of an "affordable" Leavenworth home or rental varies greatly between potential buyers.

What is affordable for a retiree from Seattle who sells their million-plus dollar house after leaving a good paying job is hardly the same as what's affordable for pretty much anyone currently working in Leavenworth who doesn't yet own a home. This fact is one reason we've begun to hear the term "workforce housing" coming from City Hall.

In our mixed economy the idea of affordability varies greatly.

We should note that being retired and having money to afford a place in Leavenworth is also used to ostracize people with silver streaks in their hair, along with folks who have lived here happily for many decades. However, this ageist swipe smells like stereotyping mashed up with red herring. So please plug your nose.

Leavenworth's housing situation is complicated by key factors that have nothing to do with age. Any hike to Colchuck Lake reveals how

the COVID pandemic has accelerated trends for people in their 20's, 30's and 40's to experience nature. Many also wish to relocate in rural settings. Indeed, since COVID, the dream of living in Leavenworth has become a possibility for a growing number of highly paid, remote workers and their families.

Another wealthy group chasing and cashing in on Leavenworth's limited housing inventory are vacationers buying second homes, a common trend in mountain gateway towns. Leavenworth is now experiencing FORTY PERCENT ownership of non-primary residences. That's up from 30 percent from several years ago.

Add to that geography. The village nestles against publicly owned mountains that rise straight up from town limits. Even though countless cities choose to grow as Wenatchee and East Wenatchee have done by pushing city limits outward onto buildable lands, we can't readily follow suit. And even if we could, the Leavenworth valley is so desirable that's it's virtually impossible to force prices to drop without resorting to massive high-rises. On any given day, how many people dream of moving here? Thus, Leavenworth's median prices will remain at a regional high, (\$675,000 this summer). Sadly, for most people, purchasing or even living in our community is no longer an option.

The final blow to using density for the creation of diverse, affordable housing options comes



from Leavenworth's limited infrastructure (sewer and water) and projected challenges to meet population growth. Unlike many other areas, we have additional traffic constraints. US2 is one lane in each direction with a turn lane in the middle. We already experience traffic jams when local rigs mingle onto the major vehicle corridor between the west and east sides of the Cascades. Since we can't overturn American capitalism or the law of supply and demand, the real question now involves the other side of the economic equation. Can government intervene to address housing issues for the public good? The Whistle continues to assert that what has occurred so far as a result of the mayor, council and planning commission's initiatives and code changes have not resulted in more affordability. Instead, density has increased while quality of life in our neighborhoods for people, plants and wildlife is decreasing. To quote Jane Austen, "badly done!"

We'll pick this up next time in the #2 Affordable Housing Whistle. In the meantime, we welcome all comments through our website at LWhistle.com. Keep whistling. We hear you!

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