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# Leavenworth International Accordion Annual Celebration begins on Thursday



# Payroll tax for longterm care program starts July 1



State Representative 12th Legislative District

The WA Cares Fund, a new state-run, long-term care insurance program, will begin payroll deductions on July 1. Originally set to take effect in January 2022, the Legislature voted to delay the payroll tax by 18 months. For those eligible, WA Cares provides up to \$36,500 for nursing care and other services.

The cost: Most workers in Washington, including part-time and temporary workers, will pay up to 58 cents on every \$100 of their earnings for this new program. That means, for example, someone making \$50,000 per year the new tax will pay \$24.17 monthly or \$290 yearly.

Background: In 2019, the Long-Term Care Act, House Bill 1087, was approved by the majority party and signed into law by the governor. Republicans voted "no" on this measure for several reasons, including its deep unpopularity with voters.

Nearly 63% of Washington voters said the long-term care payroll tax should be repealed with Advisory Vote No. 20 in 2019.

What about exemptions? Two deadlines in 2021 and 2022, set in state law, were offered for those looking to opt out of the program. If you purchased a qualifying long-term care insurance plan by November 1, 2021, and applied for a permanent exemption from the WA Cares Fund, you are not subject to the new payroll tax.

• The deadline for applying for this exemption was December 31, 2022.

Leavenworth Accordian Celebration Group playing for the crowd at the Gazebo during one of the four-day events. This year's events are June 22-25.

# **Boats, Helicopters, and Bicycles, Oh My! Cascade Medical Free Community Health & Safety Fair**

BY CLINT STRAND

Director of Public Relations

Can safety be fun? This weekend, the answer will be "yes."

Cascade Medical holds its Second Annual Community Health & Safety Fair at Alpine Lakes Elementary Saturday, June 24, from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Aisha Houghton is a Clinical Social Worker at Cascade Medical, and one of the organizers for this year's event. She said, "It's important for kids and families to head into the summer set up for success. We have so many great options for outdoor adventure, but just as many ways for that adventure to go sideways if you aren't prepared and careful. This Health & Safety Fair is a way to give folks that information in a way that's fun." The kids aren't just going to walk away with information, either. "If you're playing on the water or on wheels, it's important to be protected. That means life jackets and helmets," said Cascade Director of Continuous Quality Development Rachel Avery, another event organizer. "We want to make sure every family member having fun has what they need to be safe - that's why we're giving away life jackets and bike helmets during the event. That giveaway was a big success last year, and parents were so thankful." The Community Health & Safety Fair effort is benefiting from lots of local partnerships, as well. In addition to an ambulance and Mobile Clinic from Cascade Medical, the Chelan County Sheriff's office will send along their Marine Patrol boat and Deputies to talk about water safety, Chelan





SUBMITTED PHOTO

Health & Safety Fair - clockwise from left, CEO Diane Blake, EMT Lester Stoltz, Lab Tech Katie Larsen, Paramedic Erin Adams

County Fire District 3 will be there with a fire truck, experts will be onsite for free car seat safety checks, and Cascade Medical, along with Evergreen Mountain Bike Alliance, will have a "bike safety rodeo" course kids can ride if they bring their bicycles. In addition, both LifeFlight and Airlift Northwest will have helicopters onsite folks can check out, along with opportunities for families to subscribe to their services. "Many folks don't know that most health insurance plans don't actually cover airlift services.

If you need to get airlifted to Seattle, Spokane, or elsewhere, they may be on the hook for all costs unless they pay for an annual subscription," said Cascade Director of Public Relations Clint Strand. "The subscription costs are comparatively small - less than \$100 per year. It's a small price to pay compared to a potential five-figure bill if you need to use that service and you're not covered. This will give community members a chance to make sure they're covered with both entities in the unfortunate instance

SUBMITTED PHOTO

Bike rodeo - Corey Rubinfeld, PA-C, and Aisha Houghton, **Clinical Social Worker** 

> they need to be airlifted to another part of the region."

> "Organizing an event like the Community Health & Safety Fair is a great opportunity to feel appreciation for so much," said Cascade Medical CEO Diane Blake. "Gratitude for all of our community partners, who were so enthusiastic about the opportunity to be a part of this for a second straight year, for so many of our team who will volunteer their time to make this a success, and for the community we're honored to serve."

- Although some people could take advantage of this exemption, many others couldn't find a private plan in time, and countless others simply didn't know about the new payroll tax.
- The Long-Term Services and Supports Trust Commission makes recommendations regarding criteria for determining who is a qualified individual, minimum provider qualifications, service payment maximums, actions needed to maintain Trust solvency and monitoring of agency expenses.
- Beyond the private insurance exemption, there are a few, very limited, exemptions that exist in state law:
- Live outside of Washington state.
- Are the spouse or registered domestic partner of an active-duty service member of the U.S. armed forces.
- Have non-immigrant work visas.
- Are veterans with a 70% serviceconnected disability rating or higher.

#### More on the Long-Term Care Act

When the program was originally debated, members of my caucus repeatedly offered amendments to further open exemptions for those unable to meet the deadlines listed above, which were rejected by the majority party. If denied an exemption, this program will force those who want nothing to do with it to pay the payroll tax. It's unfair to lock Washingtonians into a state-run program with no further options.

As a legislator, I understand the Washington State Long-Term Care Act aims to provide a public long-

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### Salmon sculpture ceremony at Wenatchee River Institute

SUBMITTED PHOTO This is the stolen salmon



SUBMITTED BY RANDEE ZERGER

A ceremony of the new salmon sculpture will take place with the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and the Wenatchee River Institute on Tuesday, June 27 at 6 p.m., beginning in WRI's Red Barn in Leavenworth.

At 6 p.m. in the Red Barn, Indigenous artist, Swede W. Albert will describe the art piece, his process, his business, and what the salmon means to him and his culture. Swede is from the 12 Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in Omak,

Washington. He is a direct descendant of the p'squosa people. His business, Salvage Artistry, creates artwork using recycled and salvaged objects and materials.

Following Swede's presentation, community members will walk to the location of the new salmon sculpture near Barn Beach. There, a ceremony and blessing with members of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and Salmon Chief, Darnell Sam, will be performed. All are welcome to join. All are invited to stay for a community social following the event.

Please note that this salmon sculpture is the second sculpture commissioned by WRI from Swede Albert. The first sculpture was, unfortunately, stolen in February and has not been recovered. To stay on this journey to foster a closer connection with the p'squosa people, WRI commissioned a bigger, heavier sculpture. The new sculpture will be installed near its original location. It will be monitored at all times with cameras and will be placed on a more secure base. For more information, visit wenatcheeriverinstitute.org/.



#### Community



### Grandma's **Deviled Eggs**

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We just had sandwiches for lunch. Grandpa was back down at the shop and Grandma, and I were watching TV in the living room. The conversation turned to sauces for sandwiches. I'll just say this up front, mustard isn't a favorite sauce around here.

"Mustard is good on liver." Grandma said, "Grandpa

doesn't like mustard at all." She paused, thinking for a moment then continued, "he didn't know I always use mustard with egg yolks." She grinned. "Remember when I worked downtown? Your Dad made me dinner and decided to make deviled eggs to go with it. I came home after work to a nice dinner. He even had my wine poured for me." She smiled, "it was so sweet of him. Except he told me the deviled eggs didn't taste

right." Her eyes started to sparkle, "and he couldn't get them to set up-right. He didn't cut them right."

"What do you mean?" I asked, I didn't know there was a wrong way to cut eggs. "You know? The eggs didn't lay flat with the yolk filling on top, they just flopped over on their side." Then I understood. He'd cut the egg crosswise instead of lengthwise. It is hard for an egg to stay upright on its pointy end when cut across the round middle, but it lays naturally on its side when cut across the oval from pointy end back. I chuckled, imagining my dad trying to balance those boiled and peeled eggs filled with volk-mayo sauce on a saucer for his sweet-heart. And to top it all off, those deviled eggs didn't taste right. "That's when I had to tell him I used mustard to make the eggs taste so good." she said. "He started to like mustard?" I asked. She shrugged, "kind of. With eggs. He still prefers ketchup. And you know, his special sauce."

#### **Grandma's Deviled** Eggs

- 4 (or more) boiled eggs, peeled
- Dusting of paprika (optional) Yolk sauce made from boiled eggs Basic Yolk Sauce:
- 4 (or more) yolks from boiled eggs
- 4 (or more) level teaspoons mayonnaise pinch of dried powder (or
- squirt of liquid prepared) mustard
- Salt & Pepper to taste Dribble of pickle juice or vinegar (optional)

Cut peeled boiled eggs lengthwise so the two halves are oval and lay flat when opened up and laid on their un-cut surfaces. Carefully, to keep the egg white intact, scoop out the yolk and put it into a small (cereal) bowl. Set the boiled egg whites aside on a pretty serving plate then make Basic Yolk Sauce. To the boiled egg yolks add 1 level teaspoon of mayonnaise per yolk and the mustard. Smash the yolks together with the mustard and mayonnaise until it is smooth. If the sauce is too thick add a dribble of pickle juice or vinegar or more mayo or even water (these are your deviled eggs-make them how you want to make them). Taste; add salt & pepper; taste again; when you are satisfied spoon the sauce into the waiting egg whites on the pretty serving plate. Garnish with a sprinkle of paprika and serve to Grandpa.

Note: This basic yolk sauce can be used as a dressing for almost any starch salad like potato salad, pasta salad, cold grain salads. I even use it on lettuce salad when I have it available. Egg yolk contains huge nutritional benefits especially if the hens are allowed to eat yard bugs. For paprika substitutes I like ground achiote powder, dried ranch dressing herbs, a pinch of dried parsley. Almost every herb & spice goes with eggs.

Note 2: Grandpa Truman's Sauce = 1 part ketchup + 1

#### part mayonnaise

About the author: In 2000 Michele Priddy left the work force to become a stay-athome 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.

# Local nonprofits awarded \$65,000 in consulting grants

#### SUBMITTED BY JENNIFER DODGE

The Community Foundation of NCW in partnership with Icicle Fund, Thriving Together NCW, and Methow Valley Fund, has awarded \$65,000 in Strategic Consulting Grants to 13 nonprofits across the NCW region. The grants provide nonprofits with a consultant to help guide them through their organizational strategies and planning goals for long-term growth and sustainability.

"We know how challenging it can be as nonprofits to find the time, money, and human resources to work with a consultant on strategy and planning work" said Claire Oatey, director of community

grants for the Community Foundation. "Organizations are working hard to keep up with the needs of our communities. This funder collaborative gives local nonprofits an opportunity to invest in themselves, including their resiliency and effectiveness, which we know will ultimately benefit all of us and make our region stronger." Since 2008, the Community

Foundation of NCW has been partnering with the Icicle Fund through the Nonprofit Practices Institute (NPI) - a collaborative effort to offer affordable and accessible capacity-building and training opportunities. Last year, NPI piloted the Strategic Consulting Grant, which was a success for those

organizations who received direct consulting.

"We have seen the prior recipients of this grant take great leaps in growth and sustainability

as a result of this program" said Christine Morgan, executive director of the Icicle Fund. "The Icicle Fund is pleased to partner with the Community Foundation of NCW and Thriving Together NCW to help strengthen another 13 organizations in our community."

Recently, the Foundation began partnering with Thriving Together NCW, another

organization that offers funding and opportunities to build communities.

"We recognize that having access to fulfilling jobs meaningful with work is crucial for the development thriving of communities which is why we are grateful for the opportunity to collaborate on this initiative" said Thriving Together NCW. "We know these grants will help our nonprofit partners to be better equipped to achieve their goals and we look forward to celebrating their

There will be one more opportunity for Strategic Consulting Grants in February 2024. For more information, https://cfncw.org/ visit strategicconsultinggrant.

- Strategic Consulting Grant Recipients
- C6 to Farm
- CAFE: The Community for the Advancement of Family Education
- Chelan Valley Housing
- Trust Chelan Douglas CASA
  - Ground Common **Community Housing Trust**
- Friends of the Pool (Twisp)
- Leavenworth Community Farmers Market
- Methow Conservancy
- Our Valley Our Future

Room One

- TREAD (Trails, Recreation, Education, Advocacy, and Development)
- Wenatchee Pride
- Wenatchee Valley Humane Society

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.

# 2023 Session Recap: Legislature approves budgets and makes adjustments to police pursuit and drug possession laws

successes.'



Hawkins

#### The Legislature adjourned

**Operating budget (\$69.8** billion)

The operating budget funds the day-to-day operations of the state, including early learning, K-12 education, higher education, health and human services, criminal justice, natural resources, courts, and other areas. As with any budget or other large-scale

transportation system, including the maintenance and preservation of roads, bridges, and ferries. Most of the budget funds previously approved road projects based on construction schedules. It also funds the state transportation agencies and commissions. Last session, the state approved the 16-year, \$16.9 billion "Move Ahead Washington" package, primarily for preservation and maintenance of the existing system and for large-scale transportation projects. The package included \$85 million for Wenatchee's Confluence Parkway but the funding schedule as undetermined. This session, we successfully scheduled the project's funding based on our preferred timeline. This was one of my top priorities in order to maximize the federal grant dollars the project was awarded. The approved 2023-25 budget schedules the \$85 million for Confluence Parkway over the next three transportation budget cycles: \$28 million (2023-25), \$47 million (2025-27), and \$10 million (2027-29).

funds the construction and maintenance of state buildings, public school matching grants, higher education facilities, public lands, state parks, and other assets. In recent years, the 12th District team has been able to generate big wins for our region through this budget, including the replacement of key infrastructure following tragic wildfires, the expansion of outdoor recreation opportunities that improve our economy and quality of life, and enhancements to key community response systems. Our legislative team has been able to successfully secure many facility and infrastructure investments. The 2023-25 capital budget included many projects beneficial to our region, including funding for the future Wenatchee Valley YMCA, Wenatchee Valley Museum & Cultural Center improvements, Paul Thomas Field at Wenatchee Valley College, and new Alcohol and Drug Treatment Facility in Wenatchee, Army National Guard facility, Chelan Community Center, Chelan Food Bank, among other important projects.

session, other significant bills were approved. These include adjustments to education, energy, agriculture, law and justice, environment, firearms, childcare, human services, healthcare, and higher education laws. Two of the most notable bills approved were related to police pursuits and drug possession:

Police Pursuits: Senate Bill 5352 As a matter of longstanding authority, law enforcement officers were allowed to engage in vehicular pursuits under a "reasonable suspicion" standard. During the 2019 legislative session, one involving multiple changes to police practices, the threshold for vehicular pursuits was raised to a "probable cause" standard, which I did not support. This change created many challenges for communities throughout the state. The law was changed back this session to "reasonable suspicion" for pursuits involving a violent offense, sex offense, vehicular assault or driving under the influence. Drug Possession: Senate Bill 5536 The State Supreme Court struck down Washington's felony drug possession law in its 2021 Blake Decision. To temporarily clarify matters related to drug possession, the Legislature

enacted a short-term fix, making drug possession a misdemeanor, which expires in July. After much debate this year, including a one-day Special Session on May 16, the Legislature approved a new law to replace the short-term bill, including accountability measures and treatment options. This new law is designed to assist people

its session in Olympia on April 23 on schedule. The 105-day session was a busy time for me as I continued as the Senate Early Learning and K-12 Education Committee's ranking member. This session was particularly busy for education committee leaders due to continued school issues involving learning loss. special education investments and transportation funding. The Legislature approved all three budgets for the 2023-25 biennium, which begins on July 1, 2023. The operating budget (\$69.8 billion), transportation budget (\$13.5 billion), and capital budget (\$9 billion) were finalized on the final days of the session after much negotiation. I voted against the operating budget but for the transportation and capital budgets.

legislation, there are always things to like and things not to like. Despite the COVID pandemic, state revenues have still been positive, although less growth is anticipated in the coming years. Estimated revenues are expected to significantly slow over the next four years. The final approved operating budget is projected to spend \$69.8 billion total during the 2023-25 biennium. I have concerns about the sustainability of the overall state budget as future revenues slow. The 2023-25 operating budget was approved on the final day of session.

#### **Transportation budget** (\$13.5 billion)

The transportation budget funds the construction and maintenance of the state

#### Capital budget (\$9.0 billion)

The state capital budget

#### **Major legislation** approved

In addition to the passage of all three budgets this

struggling with personal drug use while also providing penalties for people who refuse treatment.

#### Looking ahead to next session

The state Legislature meets annually every January. With the three budgets approved for the 2023-2025 biennium and the drug possession law updated, lawmakers will not likely meet again in session until January 2024. The makeup of the legislature will be the same as all 98 House members and all 49 senators will be returning for the second year of the state biennium. If you have any questions about this session, please contact me at senatorbradhawkins.org.





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The state operating budget's size has increased greatly in recent years. The 2013-15 budget authorized \$33.9 billion in state spending. The budget approved this session for the 2023-25 biennium is \$69.8 billion. I could not support the budget approved as I have concerns about the level of state financial reserves and its overall sustainability.



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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

Any non-profit 501(c)-(3) group, person(s).

🖢 Must provide: full name, city, phone number.

 ${}^{igsim}$  Items pertaining to local events that are free or minimum charge.

- 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.

#### 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 informa-
- tion. (1st & 3rd Thurs.) Leavenworth Lions Club, For more info. President Steve Alford, 509-548-4505, or 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.) Senior Center: Exercise: 11 a.m.- noon. 509-548-6666. Music, call Steve, 509-548-7048. 1 p.m., (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 Kristalls at Noon, email wordenmike@yahoo.com or call 509-238-3925 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 (1st and 3rd Mondays), 7 p.m. via ZOOM link posted at https:// leavenworthmosquitocontrol.org/activity-calendar.html or contact Jenny 509-548-5904
- 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 holi-day). \$21. for lunch, \$8. for sitting only. 11 a.m. check in starts, noon for meeting and speaker. Wenatchee Conven-tion 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 Medical Board Meeting, 9 a.m. Call Cascade
- Medical, 509-548-5815. (4th 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.leaveworthma-

### Leavenworth

#### Lions Club Breakfast in the Park

The Leavenworth Lions Club Breakfast every 2nd and 4th Saturday in June through September. Come enjoy hearty all you can eat breakfast of pancakes, eggs, and sausage from 7-11 a.m. in Lions Club Park.

#### Summer activities at the Libraries

"Find your Voice" by participating in the Summer Library Program at any of NCW Libraries. Storytimes at Leavenworth Library on Tuesday mornings. 10:15 a.m. for Babies, 11am for Preschoolers.

Movie Crafternoon at the Peshastin Library on Tuesday, June 27 at 4 p.m. Watch a familyfriendly movie on the big screen and paint a seashell.

Mariachi: Música and Cultura! Free concert on Wednesday, June 28 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Lions Club Park. Join Mariachi Noroeste for traditional music and culture for all ages in Spanish and English. ¡Música y Cultura! Concierto gratuito el miércoles 28 de junio de 5:30 a 6:30 p.m. en

el parque Lions Club. Únase al Mariachi Noroeste para escuchar música y cultura tradicional para todas las edades en español e inglés. Si tiene preguntas, llame a la biblioteca al 509-548-7921.

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Chamber Music Concert in the Library on Wednesday, July 5 from 4:30-5:30 p.m. Enjoy fun musical stories and learn about instruments with the library and young artists from Icicle Creek Center for the Arts. Free, for all ages. Questions? Call the Leavenworth Library at 509-548-7923 or the Peshastin Library at 509-548-7921. Si tiene preguntas, llame a la biblioteca al 509-548-7921

Wenatchee Hwy., Lake

10190 Chumstick Hwy.

06:52 Suspicious Circumstance,

10:11 Property, Leavenworth area

10:28 Trespassing, 10195 Titus Rd.,

**Icicle River Middle School** 

17:01 Theft, 116 River Bend Dr.,

17:36 Weapons Violation, 3411

20:41 Suspicious Circumstance,

20:44 Extra Patrol, 211 W. Whitman

00:41 Suspicious Circumstance,

10788 US Hwy. 2, Peshastin

08:10 Suspicious Circumstance,

20:00 Suspicious Circumstance,

143 Amas Pl., Peshastin

22:53 Juvenile Problem, 100

**Enchantment Park Way** 

05:19 Alarm, 829 Front St.

08:12 Theft, 320 Birch St.

MP 104, Peshastin

Ln., Peshastin

Wenatchee Hwy.

11:45 Disturbance, Lions Club Park

11:47 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 2

12:15 Traffic Offense, Chumstick

Hwy., and Eagle Creek Rd.

12:46 Public Assist, 3408 Ingalls

17:02 Suspicious Circumstance,

17:59 Public Assist, 22744 Lake

18:58 911-call, 8917 lcicle Rd.

19:05 Trespassing, 19115 Beaver

15191 Chumstick Hwy.

Park Ave., and Mine St.

06:11 Agency Assist, 456 Hinthorne

Ingalls Ln., Peshastin

8912 Motel Rd.

Wenatchee

MP 11

MP 3

St.

Ln.

June 15

June 14

Safeway



#### 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.

03:44 Suspicious Circumstance,

08:20 Harassment/ Threat, 225

Central Ave., Osborn Elementary

June 11

611 Cedar St.

#### June 9

- 01:17 Traffic Offense, 11425 North Rd. 09:02 Agency Assist, SR 207 MP 2, Lake Wenatchee
- 11:39 Public Assist, 8475 Larson Rd., Peshastin
- 12:32 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 2 MP 97
- 17:57 Alarm, 10461 Stemm Rd., Smallwood's, Peshastin
- 19:31 Traffic Offense, US Hwy. 97 MP 183, Peshastin
- 20:05 Traffic Offense, 200 block Evans St.
- 20:20 Public Assist, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway
- 21:34 Suspicious Circumstance, 330 Prospect St.
- 23:54 Weapons Violation, 22583 Alpine Hills Rd., Lake Wenatchee

#### June 10

Hwy.

- June 12 08:56 Burglary, 10125 Chumstick 00:07 Attempt to Locate/ Contact,
- 09:34 Theft, 336 Birch St.
- 12:15 Non-injury Accident, US Hwy. 2 and River Bend Dr.
- 12:21 Extra Patrols, Beaver Valley Rd. MP 15, Plain
- 13:31 Animal Problem, 1117 Front St., Wanderlust
- 13:42 Assault, 221 8th St., Ducks and Drakes
- 14:51 Property, 700 US Hwy. 2, City of Leavenworth
- 16:23 911-call, 10395 Chumstick Hwv.
- 17:39 Traffic Offense, 9000 block Icicle Rd.
- 17:51 Harassment/ Threat, Front, and 9th Sts.
- 18:52 Animal Problem, 311 US Hwy. 2
- 19:33 Suspicious Circumstance, 15263 N. Shore Dr., YMCA Camp, Lake Wenatchee

08:23 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway 15:16 Hazard, Chumstick Hwy. 11:47 Unknown-injury Accident, US Hwy. 2, and 9th St. 16:07 Hazard, Chumstick Hwy.

**Sheriff/Fire/EMS** 

- 12:31 Welfare Check, 18130 W. Dardanelles Rd., Lake
- Wenatchee 13:17 Animal Problem, Leaven-
- worth Waterfront Park 18:58 Property, Commercial and
- 8th Streets 19:51 911-call, 379 Rapids Ln.
- 20:33 911-call, 100 Enchantment Park Way 20:49 Search and Rescue, En-

chantments, Lake Wenatchee

6700 Campbell Rd., Peshastin

09:38 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle,

10773 US Hwy. 2, Peshastin

10:55 Suspicious Circumstance,

11:22 Suspicious Circumstance.

18150 Camp 12 Rd., Plain

12:08 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 97

12:21 Non-injury Accident, Com-

14:08 Theft, 19085 Butcher Creek

chantments, Lake Wenatchee

21:56 Non-injury Accident, 190 US

mercial and 10th Streets

15:31 Search and Rescue, En-

16:24 Unknown-injury Accident,

Rd., Lake Wenatchee

Snow Lakes trailhead

MP 178. Peshastin

02:27 Unknown-injury Accident,

08:05 911-call, 690 US Hwy. 2,

Chumstick Hwy. MP 4

Linderhof Motel

22:06 Attempt to Locate/ Contact,

Dragontail Peak

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sons.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

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Peshastin Public Library. Located at 8396 Main St., Peshastin. Call: 509-548-7821 or 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 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.
- Please note that if your organization changes dates, or hours please send us your updates to reporter@leavenworthecho. com or call 509-548-5286. Otherwise we are not responsible for any misinformation.

#### MEETING 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.

20:14 Trespassing, 935 Front St.,

St.

Icicle Brewing 21:43 Welfare Check, 330 Prospect

#### Hwy. 2, Der Ritterhof

- June 13

Chumstick Hwy. MP 1

06:00 Alarm, 23379 Lake

Valley Rd., Plain 20:44 Traffic Offense, Anderson Canyon, and North Road, Peshastin

### Veteran-led disaster response nonprofit **Team Rubicon supports disaster** mitigation efforts in Chelan County

SUBMITTED BY FELICIA HEATON

LEAVENWORTH - Veteran-led nonprofit global disaster response organization Team Rubicon has deployed more than 50 volunteers from around the Pacific Northwest to Chelan Country for a ten-day operation to reduce the risk and impact of wildfires in the region.

This is the second time Greyshirts, our skilled volunteers, have deployed to the area. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has identified Chelan County as the highest priority in Washington state for wildfire fuel mitigation work so we're eager to continue the work in coming years.

Incident Commander Bill Blair has participated in many wildfire response and mitigation efforts around the West Coast.

"Greyshirts are trained to respond to disaster, and we've seen how devastating wildfire can be to a community. It can take years to recover. That's why we're passionate about prevention," said Blair. "Our trained sawyers and crews get out there with chainsaws and grit to clear the brush, and the dead or down trees that fuel fires. If we can make people and their property safer, we've accomplished our mission."

The operation is a joint effort between Team Rubicon, Cascadia Conservation District, American Red Cross, Chelan County Fire District, Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue, and Wenatchee Institute. River Visit teamrubiconusa.org to donate and find more information.

About Team Rubicon: Team Rubicon is a veteran-led

humanitarian organization that serves global communities before, during, and after disasters and crises. Founded following the Haiti earthquake in 2010, the organization has grown to more than 160,000 volunteers across the United States and has launched over 1,100 operations domestically and internationally. To drive equity across disaster and humanitarian services, Team Rubicon focuses on three areas of impact: disasterservicesfrom mitigation to immediate response to recovery; rebuild *services- maintaining the* fabric of communities through resilient building methods; and international servicesproviding emergent and surge medical services, WASH, and disaster risk reduction. Visit teamrubiconusa.org for more information.



- **Housing Committee, Public** Safety Committee, Finance **Committee:** No meetings, reports are in Council packets. police and fire representatives speak at the beginning of the meeting. (4th Tues.)
- City Council Study **Session:** 5:30 p.m. City Hall Council
- Meeting: 7 p.m., City Hall in Council Chambers, and Zoom. (2nd & 4th Tues.)
- **Planning Commission: 7** p.m., Council Chambers and Zoom. (1st Wed.)

 PRSA Meetings: 3 p.m., City Hall Conference Room (Upstairs) (2nd Wed.), every other month ( May, July, Sept., Nov., Jan., and Mar.).

- Design Review Board: 3 p.m., meets in the Council Chambers and on Zoom. (2nd & 4th Wed.)
- Parking Advisory Committee: 4 p.m., meet In the City Hall Conference Room and on Zoom. (3rd Thurs.)



# OBITUARY Verne L. Lietz

### June 22, 1923 - June 9, 2023

this life on 9 June, at 99 years old at the home of his daughter and son-inlaw, Susan and Bob Cole of Stanwood, WA. Born June 22, 1923, in Minneapolis Minnesota to Irving and Felicia Lietz, he survived the Great Depression which greatly influenced his entire lifetime. Saving money, fixing anything that could be fixed, and making do were all part of his makeup. He left home at 17 to live in Tacoma, Washington with his aunt Lestie and her family. He graduated from Stadium High School in Tacoma in 1941 and after graduation enlisted in the US Army Air Force in 1942 as a Private and served in World War II in India as a machine gun repairman. After WWII, he received a degree in gunsmithing at Trinidad State Junior College, Colorado, and spent 4 years as a traveling gunsmith working out of a converted school bus (along with his horse and his dog Gizmo). He also succumbed to the call of the wild blue yonder and started taking pilot lessons. He then re-enlisted in the US Air Force for pilot training in Texas. Soon after gaining his wings, he married Helen Andrew in Minneapolis in 1951. They lived in Texas and in Colorado where they were blessed with daughter Susan Helen (Cole) and where Verne served as a flying instructor in the T-28 "Texan" during the Korean War. They were then transferred to Kaufbeuren AFB in Germany where Verne served as a Commissary Officer and Verne and Helen had their second daughter, Marilynn Kay. Next stationed at Little Rock AFB, Verne commuted via private plane to college

Verne Laurenz Lietz left to gain his Bachelor of Arts in Education. The girls were joined by baby brother Terry Irving. Verne dug a bomb shelter in the back yard during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Moving next to Dover AFB in Dover, Delaware, the family enjoyed watching the B-52s taking off on alerts from the back of the old Ford Taurus station wagon. In Dover and later at Minot AFB, Verne served as an Armament-Maintenance Electronic Supervisor for a wing of B-52s and KC-135s. In Minot the Lietz family made the front page of the Minot newspaper after saving Terry and Verne (who jumped in to save him) from drowning after falling through the ice on the Darling River while ice fishing. After retiring from the USAF in 1966 as a Major, Verne finished his Master's degree in Education from the University of Maryland while the family lived in a pasture in the truck camper! Settling in Peshastin, Washington he joined the faculty of Leavenworth High School where he taught history, social studies, journalism, and aircraft construction from 1968 to 1982. His classes built a Volkswagenpowered two place RAND KR-2 (Experimental Aircraft). He was President of the Wenatchee Area Chapter of the Experimental Aircraft Association. He also operated a gun repair and sales shop out of their home in Peshastin and ferried airplanes to Alaska. A lifelong hunter and fisherman, he enjoyed numerous trips to Alaska's wilderness to include one of his favorites -Scum Lake, Canada. He did fish spotting for commercial fishermen with son Terry. He also made the news in 1979 by flying the smallest plane



(a Smith Mini Biplane) on a solo trip back from Álaska. A prolific writer, his articles about flying and gunsmithing were published in Flying Magazine and American Rifleman magazine among others. Verne was a very involved father for his era. Every weekend the family went fishing, hunting, or boating, often camping out in remote areas. His sense of humor was legend... from wearing a sheet and scaring the kids by jumping out of a bush, skits, and songs around a campfire with his best friend, cousin Ken Jorgenson, to dropping rolls of toilet paper from his plane on the Leavenworth School Board during the teacher's strike! He took each of his kids on a major trip in their ROTC into the U.S. Army high school years: Susan to Japan, Marilynn to S. Korea, and Terry to India. He delighted in building snow igloos, doing wood crafts and painting with his grandchildren: Douglas, Bonnie, Lynette, and Scott Cole. Verne owned many single engine airplanes in his lifetime, crashing four with only minor injuries. He was based at the Cashmere Airport where he had several hangers and developed many friendships. His longdistance trips were epic, as were his misadventures. The family definitely would list the Christmas trip to Minnesota from Arkansas where bad weather had Helen and the girls continuing by train and Verne ending up in trees with the airplane pieces fitting into a trailer. And if he got

lost, he would fly low to read town signs on water towers. And his tossing down his notebook in disgust when he and Terry managed to miss Durham, NC and ended up over the Atlantic Ocean! Verne was also legendary for napping and on his last solo flight he fell asleep while piloting on a return from a hunting trip in Montana and "landed" the plane in a soft field. He strongly believed in the value of an education and passed that on to his children, who all graduated from college and had good (and encouraged) careers: Susan in Health Information Management, Marilynn in Communications with Signal Corp., and Terry in aeronautics becoming a commercial pilot, now a Captain for American Airlines. Verne was so proud to pin Marilynn's Colonel eagle on, even if she was Army instead of Air Force and now seriously outranked him! Verne was preceded in death by his granddaughter Bonnie (1989), and wife of 64 years Helen (2016). Besides his children and grandchildren, he is survived by his great-granddaughter Juliana Sullivan. There will be no memorial service and his ashes will be spread by the family via private plane. Please feel free to donate to your local Food Bank or animal rescue association in his name.

#### **Rep. Mike Steele**

#### Continued from page A1

term care insurance program to residents. However, I have several concerns about the viability and effectiveness of the program.

First, the Long-Term Care Act imposes a state mandatory payroll tax for current and future workers, without exemptions, including those who may not require long-term care in the future or already have private long-term care insurance. This approach places an additional burden on individuals, especially lowincome workers, who may struggle to afford the tax.

Second, the benefits provided by the Long-Term Care Act are extremely limited and may not adequately cover the costs associated with long-term care services. The maximum benefit of \$36,500 is wholly inadequate and may give a false sense of security about future long-term needs. This could leave individuals and families with significant outof-pocket expenses, defeating the purpose of having longterm care insurance in the first place.

Additionally, the Long-Term Care Act does not provide flexibility for individuals to choose their preferred long-term care services or providers. It establishes a one-size-fits-all approach, limiting the freedom of choice for residents. This lack of flexibility may not align with the unique needs and preferences of individuals and their families, leading to problems with the quality and type of care received.

And finally, and most importantly, the implementation of the Long-Term Care Act raises serious concerns about the sustainability and financial viability of the program. The act's funding mechanism relies solely on payroll taxes, which may not be sufficient to sustain the program in the long run. This could result in increased taxes or reduced benefits in the future, further burdening taxpayers and undermining the effectiveness of the program. In the coming session, I expect several more efforts to amend this program.

### **State Fire Marshal's office** urges residents to consider home fire sprinklers

#### SUBMITTED BY GREGORY BARUSO

Deputy State Fire Marshal

**Olympia** – The Washington State Fire Marshal's Office urges residents to consider installing fire sprinkler systems in their homes. Studies show that over 80% of fire deaths occur in the home and because of newer home construction methods and the wide use of synthetic materials used in furnishings, today's modern homes now burn faster and hotter.

A fire in your home can grow quickly and become deadly in two minutes or less. On the average it takes 8-10 minutes for firefighters to arrive once dispatched.

Home fire sprinkler systems respond quickly when a fire starts and begin spraying water on the fire while it's still small. A single fire sprinkler

head activation can control or put out a fire with 1/10 of the water that would be used by fire department hoses, which is 10 times more than what a fire sprinkler system uses. This keeps heat, flames, toxic gases, and smoke from spreading rapidly throughout your home and gives your family the time to get outside safely.

Home fire sprinklers can be installed in new or existing homes and many systems are virtually maintenance free guarding your home from the dangers of fire. Simply put, residential fire sprinklers save lives. Protect what you value the most. If you are remodeling or building a new home, ask your contractor or builder to install home fire sprinklers. For additional information, contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at (360) 596-3929.



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#### **TO PLACE INFORMATION IN THE CHURCH GUIDE CALL 509-548-5286**

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**CASHMERE BAPTIST CHURCH** 103 Aplets Way • 509-782-2869 Sunday School, all ages, 9 a.m. Worship 10 a.m. Bible Study, Wed., 6.30 p.m. Pastor Bob Bauer Find us on Facebook at Cashmere Baptist Church



#### **CASHMERE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

213 S. Division • 509-782-3811 In-person Service, Sunday, 11 a.m. until further notice. Pastor Lilia Felicitas-Malana cashmerecommunitychurch@gmail.com

#### CHRIST CENTER

Sunday Worship Service at 10 am Lead Pastor Steve Haney 5800 Kimber Rd., Cashmere 509-295-8006 christcentercashmere.com



**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH**  509-860-0736 401 Elberta Ave., Morning Prayer or Holy Eucharist. Services,10 a.m. Pastor Rob Gohl

ST. JAMES EPISCOPAL CHURCH • 509-860-0736 222 Cottage Ave., Morning Prayer or Holy Eucharist. Services, 9:00 a.m. Pastor Rob Gohl

#### DRYDEN

DRYDEN COMMUNITY CHURCH Hwy 2 at Dryden Ave. • 509-782-2935 Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m. **Pastor Steve Bergland** 

> MID-VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH 8345 Stine Hill Rd. • 509-782-2616 Worship Service, 10 a.m., Sunday School, 9 a.m. Pastor Mike Moore www.midvalley baptist.org

#### LEAVENWORTH

**CASCADE MOUNTAIN BIBLE CHURCH** Office: 509-548-4331 11025 Chumstick Hwy. Please join us Sunday mornings 9 a.m., Sunday School 10:30 a.m., Worship Service

**CORNERSTONE CHURCH** Leavenworth Grange Hall 621 Front St. info@cornerstoneleavenworth.com Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.



LEAVENWORTH COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 418 Evans Street • 509-548-5619 10 a.m.Sunday Service, Pastor Jo Dene Romeijn-Stout Leavenworthumc.org leavenworthumc@outlook.com

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS 10170 Titus Rd. (across from middle school) Church: 509-548-7667 Meetings: Sunday - 10 a.m.

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> LEAVENWORTH CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE 111 Ski Hill Drive • 509-548-5292 Sunday Worship 9 a.m. Lead Pastor: Greg Appleby Youth Pastor Paige Derossett Worship Pastor-Jacob Mitchell www.LCN.org

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#### PESHASTIN

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#### Community

# **Cascade School District Celebrates Dwight Remick on the Cusp of His Retirement**



Dwight Remick, the Executive Director of Finance and Operations at Cascade School District (CSD), is retiring after a long and accomplished career. Minnesota born and Montana raised, Remick earned his Bachelor's degree in public accounting from Gonzaga University (and later a Master's in Education Administration) and took his first job as Business Manager in 1989 for the Newport School District north of Spokane. He held the top finance roles and one stint as superintendent in Newport, Ritzville, Othello and, coming to North Central Washington, he at first served both Cascade and Cashmere School Districts. "When Cascade passed the construction bonds, [former superintendent] Bill Motsenbocker requested that I consider working for Cascade because of the magnitude of the projects, and so I became the Executive Director of

Finance and Operations for Cascade," Remick said.

The business office at any school district, no matter the size, has significant yearround responsibility with rigid deadlines to keep the schools' current operations within budget and forecasting so the next school year is financially sound while providing the most benefit to students.

Remick explained the yearly work cycle, "Opening day for students is also the end of the fiscal year so every fall is like starting something new and finishing multiple projects at the same time. As the winter holidays approach, that means the arrival of the State Auditor and trying to remember everything you did (and why) for the prior year. In January, it's time to take stock of the current year and begin to develop the budget for the next year. As the school year draws to a close, there are grants for the next year to work on while finalizing and reporting on the current year grants. The summer means the formal budget process as well as making sure the facilities are refreshed and ready for the start of another year."

Remick works closely with the superintendent, all the principals, the department directors, and the school board,

providing reports, giving financial guidance and sharing information, as Remick said, "to be able to predict financial impacts of new programs and State level mandates as well as changes in day-to-day operations."

Remick considered his career very satisfying, because he was able to use financial information to help guide District management and operations. And more specifically, he said, "I've had the wonderful opportunity to be directly involved with eight different major construction projects that will have long-term impacts on three different communities. Every time I visit one of our amazing buildings here in Cascade, I am proud to know that I helped 'make it happen.""

About the people he worked with, Remick said, "Education is an area where the devotion to providing opportunities for students makes it easy to come to work because virtually everyone you work with is passionate.'

Remick's colleagues praised him for his many skills, dedication, and leadership. "Dwight has the unique ability to gain people's trust quickly. He is highly ethical, honest, and extremely bright. Dwight is a bit like EF Hutton. When he speaks, the room goes

silent and everyone listens,' said former Superintendent Bill Motsenbocker, adding. "I generally receive more credit than I deserve when the subject of bond passage and school construction is mentioned. Dwight's work behind the scenes, however, is why all three school construction projects were such a huge success."

Superintendent Tracev Edou shared, "Dwight has led the district through good times and bad, always making sure that the district is fiscally responsible. There have never been any audit findings on his watch. I would like to thank Dwight not only for his fiscal oversight and partnership, but also for his friendship. Weathering the pandemic elbow-to-elbow with Dwight made it bearable. He will be greatly missed."

Facilities Director Teresa Disher said, "I have had the honor and the privilege of working directly with Dwight for the past nine years. In that time, he has been a wonderful boss, mentor, and friend. His ability to observe obstacles and problem solve from many different points of view is something I will always admire and try to emulate. He has been an integral part of our success as a district, and he



will be missed."

With retirement, Remick is excited to travel and keep up with his large family. "I have six granddaughters and one grandson that I plan to spend as much time with as possible; the oldest of which is starting middle school in Cashmere this fall."

Well-known for his Gonzaga ties, and continuing to share his expertise, Remick said, "I have been in contact with Gonzaga to possibly do some guest lecturing in the area of school finance for their School Administration Program." On a fun note, Remick said, "Watching the Zag games are a family affair; three daughters and a son-in-law are also alumni!"



**Dwight Remick** 



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# **Cascade School District Jogathon**



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- Closed the downtown core to auto traffic and are now planning to redesign this into a permanent pedestrian plaza.
- Reclaimed Oktoberfest to have beer gardens with a smaller footprint, featuring our local breweries, and with more fun for families, more enjoyable for residents and tourists.
- Supported MEND's acquisition of the 31 Marson rentals with \$600,000 and began planning for more below-market rentals







PHOTOS BY KEVIN FARRELL

Peshastin Dryden Elementary School recently held their first jogathon, their first since 2019. In addition to running an impressive number of laps, students raised over \$20,000, more than double the school goal! Funds will be used for field trips, student activities and family nights. Top fundraising students earned the opportunity to prank their PE teacher, Isabelle Auty, bottom photo and Principal Emily Ross in the top photo. Antics included blindfolded makeup artistry, eggs, sardines, and buckets of water.

### **Governor appoints longtime Wenatchee port** commissioner to state Transportation Commission

#### JC Baldwin will begin her term on the sevenmember board on July 1

SUBMITTED BY WSDOT

**OYMPIA** - Gov. Jay Inslee has appointed Janet "JC" Baldwin of Wenatchee to fill an open seat on the Washington State Transportation Commission. Baldwin is a small business owner and longtime elected port commissioner, serving on the Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority since 2005.

Baldwin, whose six-year term starts on July 1, brings to the commission the expertise of working in the tech sector

as chief executive officer and co-founder of GTC Technical Support in Wenatchee. In addition to her experience as a business owner and elected official, Baldwin brings to the commission extensive experience in the areas of public infrastructure and economic development, amassed from service on a range of boards including the state Community Aviation Revitalization Board, the state Public Works Board and the Washington Public Ports Association Executive Committee.

Baldwin said her service with the Chelan Douglas Regional Port Authority, combined with the other roles she has served in, gives her a unique perspective and valuable insights that will support the development of statewide transportation policy. Among its responsibilities,



JC Baldwin

the commission advises the state Legislature and the governor on transportation policy matters. This summer, it will begin the work of updating the Washington State Transportation Plan, an endeavor taken on every four years. "Ports serve a critical role in

our state's economy, and the linkage between transportation and ports is undeniable," Baldwin said. "An efficient and accessible transportation system is vital to enabling the movement of freight and goods in and out of ports and will be a priority of mine as I work with my fellow commissioners in authoring the update of our

state's 20-year transportation plan."

The commission also serves as the state tolling authority, setting toll rates and ferry fares, and provides annual guidance to lawmakers on statewide funding and fiscal matters.

"I look forward to supporting the advancement of viable approaches to creating longterm, sustainable funding for transportation so that our entire statewide system is able to carry our state into the future and meet the diversified needs of our citizens," Baldwin said.

Baldwin replaces Commissioner Jerry Litt of Grant County, who served two terms on the commission for a total of 12 years. She will be one of three commissioners appointed from east of the Cascade Mountains. The other four are from the west of the mountains, per requirements in state law.

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Wednesday issues of all newspapers



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LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON 108 1st Ave South, Suite 450 Seattle, WA 98104 Trustee Sale No.: WA-22-946411-BB Title Order No.: 220581026-WA-MSW Reference Number of Deed of Trust: Instrument No. 2248477 Parcel Number(s): 49278, 282135681288 Grantor(s) for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015: ROGER STOCKDALE JOINT TENANTS, KIMBERLY STOCKDALE JOINT TENANTS Current Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust and Grantee (for Recording Purposes under RCW 65.04.015): U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCE 2 ACOUISITION TRUST Current Trustee of the Deed of Trust: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION F/K/A QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON Current Loan Mortgage Servicer of the Deed of Trust: Selene Finance, LP I. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION F/K/A QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON, the undersigned Trustee, will on 6/30/2023, at 10:00 AM At the main entrance to the Chelan County Courthouse, located at 350 Orondo St, Wenatchee, WA sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, payable in the form of credit bid or cash bid in the form of cashier's check or certified checks from federally or State chartered banks, at the time of sale the following described real property, situated in the County of CHELAN, State of Washington, to-wit: THAT PART OF TRACT NO. 37, LOW LINE DIVISION NO. 2, LAKE CHELAN LAND COMPANY'S IRRIGATED LANDS, CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 3 OF PLATS, PAGE 11, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE MOST SOUTHERLY CORNER OF SAID TRACT AND RUN NORTH 62°19' EAST ALONG THE SOUTHEAST LINE THEREOF 280 FEET TO THE MOST EASTERLY CORNER OF SAID TRACT; THENCE NORTH 37°48' WEST 166.5 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 37°48' WEST 91.1 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 62°19' WEST 234.74 FEET TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT; THENCE SOUTH 27°41' EAST 89.7 FEET; THENCE NORTH 62°19' EAST 250.75 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. More commonly known as: 258 QUETILQUASOON, MANSON, WA 98831-9667 Subject to that certain Deed of Trust dated 2/6/2007, recorded 2/9/2007, under Instrument No. 2248477 records of CHELAN County, Washington, from ROGER STOCKDALE JOINT TENANTS, KIMBERLY STOCKDALE JOINT TENANTS, as grantor(s), to TRASNATION TITLE, as original trustee, to secure an obligation in favor of WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, A FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK, as original beneficiary, the beneficial interest in which was subsequently assigned to U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST, the Beneficiary, under an assignment recorded under Auditors File Number 2573590 II. No action commenced by the Beneficiary of the Deed of Trust as referenced in RCW 61.21.030(4) is now pending to seek satisfaction of the obligation in any Court by reason of the Borrower's or Grantor's default on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust/Mortgage. III. The default(s) for which this foreclosure is made is/are as follows: Failure to pay when due the following amounts which are now in arrears: \$11,253.85. IV. The sum owing on the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust is: The principal sum of \$113,546.69, together with interest as provided in the Note from 5/1/2022 on, and such other costs, fees, and charges as are due under the Note, Deed of Trust, or other instrument secured, and as are provided by statute. V. The above-described real property will be sold to satisfy the expense of sale and the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust as provided by statute. Said sale will be made without warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances on 6/30/2023. The defaults referred to in Paragraph III must be cured by 6/19/2023 (11 days before the sale date), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, to cause a discontinuance of the sale. The sale will be discontinued and terminated if at any time before 6/19/2023 (11 days before the sale), or by other date as permitted in the Note or Deed of Trust, the default as set forth in Paragraph III is cured and the Trustee's fees and costs are paid. Payment must be in cash or with cashiers or certified checks from a State or federally chartered bank. The sale may be terminated any time after the

6/19/2023 (11 days before the sale date) and before the sale, by the Borrower or Grantor or the holder of any recorded junior lien or encumbrance by paying the principal and interest, plus costs, fees and advances, if any, made pursuant to the terms of the obligation and/or Deed of Trust, and curing all other defaults. VI. A written Notice of Default was transmitted by the Beneficiary or Trustee to the Borrower(s) and Grantor(s) by both first class and certified mail, proof of which is in the possession of the Trustee: and the Borrower and Grantor were personally served, if applicable, with said written Notice of Default or the written Notice of Default was posted in a conspicuous place on the real property described in Paragraph I above, and the Trustee has possession of proof of such service or posting. The list of recipients of the Notice of Default is listed within the Notice of requirements were completed as of 1/20/2023. VII. The Trustee whose name and address are set forth below will provide in writing to anyone requesting it, a statement of all costs and fees due at any time prior to the sale. VIII. The effect of the sale will be to deprive the Grantor and all those who hold by, through or under the Grantor of all their interest in the above-described property. IX. Anyone having any objections to this sale on any grounds whatsoever will be afforded an opportunity to be heard as to those objections if they bring a lawsuit to restrain the sale pursuant to RCW 61.24.130. Failure to bring such a lawsuit may result in a waiver of any proper grounds for invalidating the Trustee's sale, X. NOTICE TO OCCUPANTS OR TENANTS - The purchaser at the Trustee's Sale is entitled to possession of the property on the 20th day following the sale, as against the Grantor under the deed of trust (the owner) and anyone having an interest junior to the deed of trust, including occupants who are not tenants. After the 20th day following the sale the purchaser has the right to evict occupants who are not tenants by summary proceedings under Chapter 59.12 RCW. For tenant-occupied property, the purchaser shall provide a tenant with written notice in accordance with RCW 61.24.060. THIS NOTICE IS THE FINAL STEP BEFORE THE FORECLOSURE SALE OF YOUR HOME. You may be eligible for mediation. You have only 20 DAYS from the recording date of this notice to pursue mediation. DO NOT DELAY, CONTACT A HOUSING COUNSELOR OR AN ATTORNEY LICENSED IN WASHINGTON NOW to assess your situation and refer you to mediation if you are eligible and it may help you save your home. See below for safe sources of help. SEEKING ASSISTANCE Housing counselors and legal assistance may be available at little or no cost to you. If you would like assistance in determining your rights and opportunities to keep your house, you may contact the following: The statewide foreclosure hotline for assistance and referral to housing counselors recommended by the Housing Finance Commission: Toll-free: 1-877-894-HOME (1-877-894-4663) or Web site: http://www.dfi.wa.gov/consumers/homeownership/post\_purchase\_coun selors\_foreclosure.htm The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: Toll-free: 1-800-569-4287 or National Web Site: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD or for Local counseling agencies in Washington: http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/hcc/fc/index.cfm?webListAction=se arch&searchstate=WA&filterSvc=dfc The statewide civil legal aid hotline for assistance and referrals to other housing counselors and attorneys: Telephone: 1-800-606-4819 or Web site: http://nwjustice.org/what-clear Additional information provided by the Trustee: If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the noteholders rights against the real property only. The Trustee's Sale Number is WA-22-946411-BB. Dated: 2/22/2023 QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION F/K/A QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON, as Trustee By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION F/K/A QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON 108 1 st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 For questions call toll-free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee Sale Number: WA-22-946411-BB Sale Line: 916-939-0772 or Login to: http://www. gualityloan.com IDSPub #0184214 5/31/2023 6/21/2023 Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/ Leavenworth Echo on May 31, and June 21, 2023. #5384

# Tips for homeowners to improve safety and sustainability

STATEPOINT - You may not realize it, but building safety has a huge impact on our everyday lives.

According to InjuryFacts. NSC.org, about 16 out of 100 people were injured in a home or community venue in 2021. The leading causes that contribute to these injuries, such as drowning, fire smoke, and general home maintenance, can be prevented by acting ahead of time.

As the leading global source of model codes, standards and building safety solutions, the Code Council is passionate about educating homeowners on fire safety, home maintenance and sustainability practices. Here are some safety tips from the Code Council to help prevent accidents and keep your family and community safe:

**Fire Safety Tips:** • Put a smoke alarm on every level of your home, outside each sleeping area and inside every bedroom. Test each smoke alarm regularly and replace it every 10 years.

• Install home fire sprinklers. They are relatively affordable and can increase property value and lower insurance rates.

• Make an escape plan with a meeting place outside so everyone knows how to get out fast.

• Keep anything that can burn at least three feet away from portable heaters.

• Keep all items that can burn away from your home. Remember to clean leaves from your gutters and clear dead leaves and branches from shrubs and trees surrounding your home.

**Home Maintenance Tips:** 



Courtesy StatePoint Make an escape plan with a meeting place outside so everyone knows how to get out fast.

 Never overload electrical cords or power strips.

• Don't use appliances that have damaged cords.

• Formold prevention, watch for leaky pipes, condensation and wet spots, and fix sources of moisture problems as soon as possible.

• Keep in mind that there are several materials and items that should never be flushed down the toilet, including medication, disposable wipes, coffee grounds and more.

 To prevent your pipes from freezing in the winter, drain water from the swimming pool and water sprinkler supply lines following the manufacturers or installer's directions.

 Make sure all pedestrian gates in the barrier fence of vour swimming pool are selfclosing and self-latching.

According to the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions, the average U.S. family can spend \$2,000 a year on energy bills. This means that reducing your home energy use is the single most effective way to save money and reduce your home's contribution to greenhouse gasses. The Code Council recognizes that for many people, it's unclear where to start, and suggests the following tips to help communities forge a path forward.

#### Energy and Sustainability Tips:

• Install water-saving shower heads and low-flow faucet aerators and use your water meter to check for hidden water leaks. These steps can improve water conservation• To prevent stormwater runoff pollution, never dump anything down storm drains.

 Change the filters in your home's heating and cooling system regularly to increase energy efficiency.

• Replace your light bulbs with LEDs, which use up to 90% less energy and last up to 25 times longer than traditional incandescent bulbs.

· Build green and design your home with materials that are easily recyclable, reusable, renewable, durable, affordable, and low maintenance.

• Build a rain garden to capture roof drainage and divert it to your garden or landscaping to recycle nonpotable water. Be sure to check your local rules on rainwater harvesting prior to installation.

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# WASHINGTON OUTDOORS REPORT

#### **Revisiting the ten** essentials

BY JOHN KRUSE

As a young Boy Scout who went on monthly hiking and camping trips, the Ten Essentials for survival was drilled into me as the items I always needed to have with me, even if I was on a day hike. In the last few years, Search and Rescue teams have become increasingly busy, in large part because novice hikers hit the trail unprepared and get in over their heads, relying on only their cell phones for help. With that in mind, revisiting the Ten Essentials seems like a good idea.

**POCKET KNIFE** – Never underestimate the many uses of a pocket knife for cutting, whittling, cleaning fish or game and more. If you want to get even more use out of a pocket knife carry a Swiss Army Knife or Leatherman Tool which gives you all sorts of tools at your disposal.

FIRST AID KIT – It's all fun and games until you fall, cut yourself or otherwise become injured. That's why a basic first aid kit is needed, especially since you will not be anywhere near a medical facility.

EXTRA CLOTHING Layered clothing is a must when out for a hike. That sunny day can cool down in a hurry when the sun goes down or even if clouds obscure the sun.

RAIN GEAR - Those clouds can turn into rain and especially in the mountains, thunder storms and rain can happen fast. That's why a lightweight rain jacket should be part of your extra clothing.

WATER BOTTLE (filled) -Hydration is key and a filled water bottle (or two) will not only be needed, but appreciated



Hiking into the wilderness

while hiking on a hot day.

FLASHLIGHT - Why would you need a flashlight for a day hike? Because sometimes things go wrong and you are stuck in the woods when the sun goes down. Fortunately, cell phones have flashlights in them but a small (and more powerful) flashlight is easy enough to carry with you.

TRAIL FOOD – It's amazing how much energy you burn hiking, especially if you are going uphill. Trail food that includes protein can give you a quick pick me up. Some of my favorites include trail mix, jerky, or protein bars.

MATCHES AND FIRE-STARTERS - If you get caught in the weather or are forced to stay in the woods overnight a fire provides both warmth, comfort and the opportunity to cook a meal. A box of waterproof matches, a lighter or a flint or carbide fire starter

are all easy to carry and worth their weight in gold.

SUN PROTECTION - Its easy to get dehydrated while on a hike or camping and not only do you want water to replenish lost fluids, but also protection from the sun. Sunburnt skin or lips are not only uncomfortable, but also a major factor in dehydration. Use sunscreen with a high SPF, lip balm and wear a hat to ward off that sunburn.

MAP AND COMPASS Orienteering is rapidly becoming a lost art but having a map of the area along with a compass can be very handy, assuming you know how to use them. It's an enjoyable skill to learn, and a reason to get out into the woods in and of itself. It's also a lifesaving skill if your smartphone battery dies or if you are out of cell range and can't access digital mapping.

**ADDITIONAL MODERN** DAY ESSENTIAL: COM-**MUNICATION** – Cell phones can give you a false sense of

hikers assuming they can just call 911 and get rescued if they need help. Unfortunately, a lot of wild places do not have cell service. A better idea is a satellite phone or a less expensive satellite messaging device that works anywhere on earth.

Speaking of communication, another essential thing to do occurs before you hit the trail. That would be telling someone where you are going, when you plan to return, and when to call the authorities if you don't arrive back at a specified time. In the event you are incapacitated or can't call for help, someone else can do it for you. Be safe out there on the trail, and don't forget the Ten Essentials.



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#### BY RHONA BARON

All that glows is not gold. On the morning of June 9, property owner Jordan McDevitt sat in council chambers, poised to take the final step with the City of Leavenworth to green light the initial phase of Alpenglow Village, a 70-lot subdivision off Ski Hill Drive.

The development will continue to transform the wide green field that lies immediately north of the Pinegrass development. In the future, Mr. McDevitt, hailing from a family whose roots run deep in our valley, plans to develop three additional parcels that will pack as many as 102 additional dwellings (single family homes, duplexes and townhomes) onto the hillside for a total of 172 new residences. If an ADU is built in addition to any of those dwellings, and the City estimates 25%, we could be looking at well over 200 new homes. Here's the quick math using the city's calculation of 2.2 persons per single residence. family Four hundred forty people may be housed at Alpenglow. Add that to the additional 600 projected to take up residence on Chumstick Hwy. at Leavenworth Meadows and the math is even simpler. Over 1,000 more people will live here, or almost equally likely, own second homes. Mr. McDevitt stressed his sensitivity to the community, declaring that he "wants to do it well."

We always appreciate when developers care about our natural spaces and wetlands, consider aesthetics, respect our infrastructure issues and of course, address affordable housing. Two of these criteria may have been given a nod by McDevitt. It remains to be seen as the development takes shape. But affordability was ignored. Infrastructure was...sidestepped.

To understand what went down, let's explore the hearing with requirements of Leavenworth's Comprehensive Plan. At the heart of the matter was a required but incomplete traffic study. That study along with a water/ sewer study will conclude this summer. To be clear, these studies are not new to the light of day. If you caught the article about Alpenglow in the Wenatchee World on March 16, you learned that the city's "Determination of Non-Significance" concerning traffic, wetlands and more came under question months ago. At that time, RC3 lobbed six pages of comments at Leavenworth's Development Services. it should come as no surprise that, at the end of the June 9 Hearing, Examiner Andy Kottkamp expressed concern about the lack of traffic study. "I want to look at that traffic study issue a little closer because it's normally here, now, at the hearing. So that whatever the city believes (we get to hear), or the public can comment on it. If there needs to be conditions, there can be, instead of just pushing it down the road." As a "party of interest" I received an email the next day from Maggie Boles, Senior Planner for the City of Leavenworth. "On June 9, 2023, the City requested the Hearing Examiner reopen the record for MS 2022-045 Alpenglow Village 3, in response to questions related to the Traffic Impact Analysis.



The request was granted, and the record has been reopened Additional indefinitely. materials will be submitted to the Hearing Examiner and parties of record will be provided with the opportunity to review and make comment on the materials prior to the rendering of a final decision." I hear the whistle blowing as the train comes into the station after another lap around the same gung-ho development loop. At the grassroots meeting last month, not a hand was raised when the eighty citizens were asked if they felt listened to in the city's development process. Yet, here is another glowing example of tuning out citizens in favor of density and development - if lack of listening to the wisdom of citizens can ever be considered lustrous. The good news is that the community will now have more opportunity to comment! As always, please feel free to visit us and leave a note at LWhistle.com. Don't forget to check out the new survey in the Echo. And note that I'm back in print every other week; plus we've updated our website. Keep on whistling. We hear you.



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process. According to the City's website, Leavenworth adopted the use of a Hearing Examiner system to "free the city council and planning commission to focus on policymaking. It also reduces the city's liability exposure ... " Putting a proposed development in front of the Hearing Examiner, an attorney, is the last step before development begins. Typically, ten days after the public hearing the Examiner makes his determination. Typically, development is approved with simple modifications.

Not this time. Comments made regarding Alpenglow were compelling enough to temporarily stop the standard 10 day turn around. Shout out to Paula Strozyk, Whistle team member, and Kirvil Skinnarland, Whistle team advisor and president of the land use watchdog group RC3. Their comments questioned compliance





