



April Watson Named 2023 Royal Lady

Red Cross honors regional community heroes during Red Cross Month celebration in March

Northwest Region residents advance legacy of Clara Barton, one of most honored women in US history.

By BARBARA WASHBURN
Correspondent
Leavenworth is in her blood!

Our small Alpine village, the gem of the valley, is most certainly an echo of April Watson. She lights up when she speaks about our town, explaining how she feels so honored to live in a place simply everyone seems to love.

She laughed when I asked if she finds it a challenge to put on a Dirndl, the authentic Bavarian dress with the endless number of buttons. "I have worn them for around thirty years; basically, grew up in them", she explains. She even has an umbrella with an Edelweiss design on it and is ready for all weather conditions once she starts to get rolling with her many parade appearances. She is thrilled to have been selected as the 60th Royal Lady for our local Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival Association. After all, she is part of a family profoundly involved in the festivities.

April's grandmother-in-law, Pauline Watson; her mother-in-law Nancy Watson, and Aunt Cindy Hassinger, have all been former Royal Ladies. "I treasure how the group of Royal Ladies stick together and help each other out," she smiles. "They are a team of wonderful women".

April is all about Leavenworth having lived here most of her life. Elementary school was not easy for April since her family moved between Leavenworth and Snohomish/Marysville a lot, due to her father's work as a logger. She mostly went to school in Marysville until moving back to Leavenworth in 1989, which was the summer of her sophomore year. She lived with her aunt and uncle, working at Bavarian Burger Werks, graduating from Cascade High school in 1992, and attended Wenatchee Valley College to get her AA which she received in June of 1995.



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April met her husband Lynno Watson, a Leavenworth resident, in October of 92. After he proposed exactly a year later, they were married in June of 1994. At that time, she was still going to college and working part time for a gift shop in town. The couple had their first son Tyler in 1995. April finished her AA and worked a couple of part time retail jobs. In 1996 she started working for Farmers Insurance here in Leavenworth as a customer service representative. In 1997 they had their second son Jaxon, and

unfortunately lost their caregiver for their boys one year later. Her father-in-law, Lynn Watson, offered her a manager's position at the family business Alpen Haus Gifts.

Having a flexible work schedule has always been key to April since her priority was raising her two sons, who both now live in Chelan County themselves. Therefore, this was the perfect solution since she could have more flexibility, building her work schedule around the boys' schedules. "I was able to be home with them before and after

school and be there for them so they could play football, basketball and baseball over the years," April explains. "I managed the shop for almost 22 years." She is now on a new path as a Central WA Sales Rep. for DandyLines LLC, and also works part time at two shops in town. This surely keeps her love for retail and working in Leavenworth alive. Her involvement with the community is very substantial with the Royal Bavarians. Together with her husband they have traveled all over the Northwest to other festivals supporting the Washington State Autumn Leaf Association and walk and dance in parades with the float and being ambassadors for Leavenworth in the Northwest Festival Hosting circuit. She has also donated her time helping to set up for the hosting weekend for our Washington State Autumn Leaf parade weekend.

April's hobbies and interests are all about family and community. She delights in traveling and cooking, trying out new recipes. She and Lynno enjoy spending time in Leavenworth, walking downtown listening to live music and enjoying all the great restaurants and shopping our small village has to offer.

April will be a very busy lady, planning to attend various parades between May and September this year. As scheduled, she will be featured on our Leavenworth Autumn Leaf Float for the Apple Blossom parade in Wenatchee; the Lilac Festival Parade in Spokane; New Westminster Hyak Festival Association, B.C.; the Portland Rose Festival in Oregon; the Marysville Strawberry Festival Parade; Cashmere Founders' Days Parade; Olympia's Capitol Lakefair; Seattle Seafair; Penticton's, B.C Peach Festival and of course our local Maifest Procession and the Autumn Leaf Festival Parade in September. She will be escorted to events by her husband, Lynno and her companion and Aunt Cindy Hassinger, former Royal Lady of 2017.

Help can't wait when emergencies strike-whether it's for the family huddled on the street after a home fire, the patient needing a blood transfusion, or the military member deployed during a family crisis. In these dire moments, Red Cross volunteers, blood donors and supporters provide relief and hope, helping to ensure that their neighbors never face these and countless other crises alone.

This March, the Northwest Region of the American Red Cross is honoring those who make its mission possible during the 80th annual American Red Cross Month celebration- a national tradition that began in 1943 when President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued the first Red Cross Month proclamation.

"When help can't wait during emergencies, people here in Washington state rally together to provide relief and hope for neighbors in need," said Dan Wirth, Interim CEO for the Red Cross Northwest Region. "This humanitarian spirit is at the heart of our community, and we are proud to honor all those who make our mission possible during this year's Red Cross Month celebration. You can join in their commitment by donating, volunteering, giving blood, or taking a lifesaving skills course."

Participate in Red Cross Month by visiting redcross.org to make a financial donation, give blood, become a volunteer, or take a class in lifesaving skills. On March 22, you can also join our annual Red Cross Giving Day campaign by donating at redcross.org/givingday to help provide shelter, food, relief items, emotional support and other assistance for people affected by disasters big and small.

Continuing Clara Barton's lifesaving legacy

Today's Red Cross volunteers, blood donors and supporters are advancing the lifesaving legacy of Clara Barton - one of the most honored women in U.S. history, who founded the American Red Cross more than 140 years ago. Her vision to prevent and alleviate human suffering has never wavered: generation after generation, people have come together to adapt this timeless mission for their communities' most urgent needs.

Prevent a blood shortage

When volunteer blood donors lend an arm this March, they'll help keep the blood supply from dropping this spring. All who come to give blood, platelets or plasma in March will receive a \$10 Visa® Prepaid Card by email.* Plus, they'll be automatically entered for a chance to win a \$3,000 Visa Prepaid Card - which could help toward expenses like gas or groceries. There will be five lucky winners.*

Upcoming blood donation opportunities March 1-31

Cashmere: March 23, from 10-3 p.m., Cashmere High School, 329 Tigner Rd.

About the American Red Cross: The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members, and their families. The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or CruzRojaAmericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

Leavenworth City Council explores switching to groundwater



Justin Pardini
Reporter

The Leavenworth City Council gathered on January 28 for their regular biweekly meeting. The council sought to discuss multiple topics relating to approvals needed in different departments. The Ecology

Office of Columbia River/Icicle Work Group was granted \$582,000 to mainly cover the water source replacement study. The priority is to explore the possibility of transferring the water rights to groundwater in the form of a well. This grant allows for research and tests to be conducted in order to understand the reality of the situation and will ultimately prove useful to determine a finding for the study at hand. A new position of assistant parks division supervisor was approved for the parks department in order to help maintain the flow of employees and ensure a well maintained department.

Two brand new Nissan Frontier pickup trucks were approved for purchase to help the parks and water departments. Each department will receive one truck. Finally, the local event company, Gather, was approved to come to a professional services agreement, allowing them to continue renting the Festhalle for their company. Mayor Florea also led a discussion of the housing crisis in town, stating that there is optimism for solutions in the coming months to increase sales tax by two cents on lodging. He also spoke of Leavenworth being the number three city in the state of Washington in generating

lodging tax, even surpassing Seattle in that category. There is support from multiple lodging groups for this notion, and there is a mutual agreement the increase would not affect the guests nor keep them from visiting the city. Christie Voos announced she will be leaving her work with the council, but will stay part of communications until a new person fills the empty position. She is well praised by her colleagues for her work, and will be missed within the council. The Leavenworth City Council will reconvene on March 14 for their biweekly study session and meeting.

Knowledge Bowl Team heads to State again



Marlene Farrell
Correspondent

The Cascade High School Knowledge Bowl team will fight to maintain their title of state 1A champion when they compete at the state competition on March 11 held at Wenatchee High School.

Regionals took place on February 15, also at Wenatchee High School. Although each school could only send one team, Cascade's program is so strong that all three of its top teams



PHOTO BY MARLENE FARRELL

Four of the CHS Knowledge Bowl teammates, from left, Ava Schmidt, Evan Butruille, Haakon Scheibler and Quentin Farrell, get ready for a round during the regional competition. Not pictured, Adrian Renner-Singer and Antonio Aurilio.

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2023 Upper Valley Empty Bowls Gala and Artist Bowl Auction

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Candice Ann: The Ocean



Dan McConnell: Rainbow Barbra



Cordi Bradburn: Lil' Rascals (3 raccoons)



Mara Bohman: Blue Bear-y



Scot Brower: Maple (wooden bowl)



Momi Palmieri: Wry Bred (4 mugs)



Teri Zimmerman: Dipper and Friend



Amber Zimmerman: Interdependence (glass bowl with orcas/salmon)



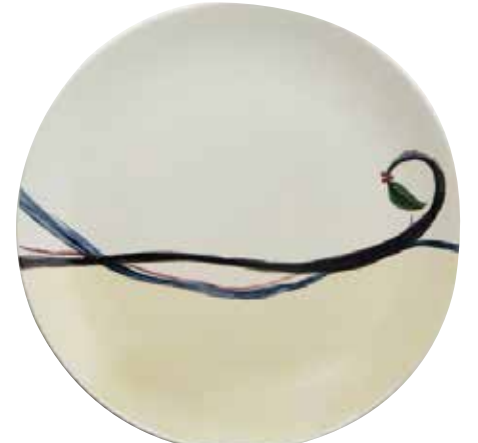
Catey Luna: Glacier Lillies



Lori Aylesworth: Out the Icicle



Sarah Horowitz: Sakura (geometric flowers)



Tamara Belgacem: Earth-Wind-Fire



Teara Dillon: Good Vibrations (roller skates)



Marina Darlington: Fleurs



Gro Buer: Summer Longing (red poppy with leaves)



Brooke Ivey: Summer Longing (stylized elk in forest)



Linda Claeson: Octopus in the Deep



Jane Lee: Downy Woodpecker Wonder



Amanda Gibbs: Butterflies (Monarch on branch)



Diane Priebe: Moonlight Magic

SUBMITTED BY DIANE PRIEBE

For the past 23 years, the Upper Valley Empty Bowls Festival has been a fusion of feeding the hungry, promoting the arts and celebrating community. The event brings talented artists, local restaurants, and the community together to share a simple meal of donated soup and bread. Proceeds from ticket sales

and artist bowl auction are a substantial source of funding for the Community Cupboard Food Bank, a program of Upper Valley MEND (Meeting Each Need with Dignity). A key part of the Upper Valley Empty Bowls Festival is the Artist Bowl Auction. From 8 a.m. March 13 through 10 p.m. March 22, twenty bowls and platters designed and created by local artists and potters will be

available for bidding online at the Upper Valley Empty Bowls website www.uvemptybowls.org. Each bowl is a work of art, from its' creation at the hands of skillful potters, to the hours of time it takes to painstakingly hand paint the designs, and then the final careful firing of the masterpieces. Each bowl is also available for immediate purchase with a "buy it now" price. Most of the bowls

are ceramic serving bowls or platters thrown by local potters, but there is also a wood turned bowl by Scot Brower, an etched glass bowl by Teri Zimmerman, four handmade mugs by Momi Palmieri and many other colorful works of art featuring birds, plants, and local landscapes. While the contributions of the artists' time and talent are sizeable, so too is the financial impact

of the auction of their bowls. The money raised by the artist bowl auction is a significant portion of the total Empty Bowls profit, each year raising more than \$7,000 for the Community Cupboard. \$1,000 of the proceeds also supports small art grants that benefit local youth. The auction bowls are also on display now in the Leavenworth shop windows of Benchmark

Jewelers, Der Sportsmann, Inside & Out, Icicle Ridge Winery, Ganz Klasse!, Icicle Brewing Company, Jubilee Global Gifts, Posy Handpicked Goods and the Plant Ally. They will also be featured at the March 23 Soup Supper at the Leavenworth Festhalle, so that the community may view the finished bowls as everyone gathers to celebrate and eat together.

Knowledge Bowl

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have finished highly at the preliminary meets.

The "A Team" at Regionals was made up of seniors Haakon Scheibler, captain, Evan Butruille and Quentin Farrell, as well as junior Adrian Renner-Singer and freshman Ava Schmidt. Senior Antonio Aurilio is the final team member who will be at state.

In Knowledge Bowl, teams are tested, head-to-head against two other teams per round, with questions that range widely—topics in science, math, literature, history, geography, and current events. The first team to buzz

in and answer correctly gets the point, and if the first team gets it wrong, other teams have a chance to try. Beyond knowledge, to do well, it also takes confidence in one's knowledge and an ability to speculate where a question is heading because a team can buzz in before the question is fully asked.

The Cascade team has displayed skill by dominating at every competition of the season. The top team membership varied a bit from competition to competition, with the exception of Scheibler, who is, by far, the points leader. An example of his ability was when he quickly gave the list of assassinated U.S. presidents in chronological order. How

many people can come up with, "Lincoln, Garfield, McKinley and Kennedy" in a few seconds?

Scheibler and the other teammates can't help but smile when they gain a point on a particularly obscure subject, such as the Thirty Years' War ending with the Peace of Westphalia.

Scheibler's ability has led him to consider being on Jeopardy someday. "I do want to be on Jeopardy. There is a lot of overlap, but they are in very different formats. I've always liked to learn about lots of different things, so it was a natural progression for me to enjoy different trivia competitions to put that knowledge to use."

All the same, it's a team sport, and each team member contributes answers in their areas of expertise, and the team often confers about a strong guess, because no points are lost for an incorrect answer.

Four team members participate in each round, so the others hang out in the wings, ready to sub in, either halfway through a round or at the beginning of another round. Each round has fifty questions, and there are three oral rounds and one written round.

In the written round of the fifty multiple-choice questions over six pages, the CHS team strategy is each person answers one page, and then they swap pages, so by the end everyone

has seen all the pages and they have a few minutes to discuss the toughest questions.

State is run a little differently, with preliminary elimination rounds in the morning, and semifinals and a championship round in the afternoon.

"There is always extremely strong competition at state," said Knowledge Bowl coach and science teacher Dayle Massey. "We took first place last year, but it required winning a tiebreaker in the semifinals and a come from behind win by one point in the finals."

Scheibler said that Cascade probably has a similar practice schedule to other schools, and a similar knowledge base. "In my opinion, the biggest difference

between just having a lot of knowledge and actively being good at Knowledge Bowl is the ability to predict where a question is going, and ring in early," he said. "At State the teams that make it to the afternoon probably could get 75% or more of the questions right if given unlimited time, so ringing in earlier and reading the questions is necessary to beat the best teams."

Farrell was optimistic. "We have pretty good chances to win. We have a solid team. We had a hard time figuring out who would go because there are so many team members that could go to state and do well if we were allowed to send more than one team."

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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.

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. email President Anita Wilkie at 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 wardenmike@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 Terri 509-393-8271 for more information.
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, Meetings now at Highlander Golf Club, 2920 Eighth St. S. E. East Wenatchee. Please, RSVP if you want to have lunch. Check-in begins at 11 a.m., and the meeting will begin at Noon. Call Ellie: 425-319-9869. (1st Mon.,monthly).

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 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Tony Jantzer, cell, 509-433-4064, or 509-782-2561 or tony.iid.pid@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.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

NCW Libraries

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Leavenworth Public Library. Located at 700 Hwy. 2, Call 509-548-7923 or online Leavenworth@ncwlibraries.org Open on Tues., 10-5, Wed., 11-7, Thurs., 10-7, Fri., 10-5 Sat., 10-2. Closed Sun. and Mon.
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. 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.

Downtown Steering Committee, 10:00 a.m. (4th Tues.)
Parking Advisory Committee, meets 3 p.m., at City Hall in the conference room and on zoom. (1st Thurs.)
Housing Committee, 3:30 p.m. (4th Tues.)
Public Safety Committee, 4:30 p.m. (4th Tues.)
Finance Committee, 5:15 p.m. (4th Tues.)

City Council Evening Meeting, 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. At City Hall in Council Chambers (1st Floor) and via zoom.
Design Review Board 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month at 3 p.m.
City Council Study Session 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 p.m.
 ALL are at City Hall in the Conference Room (2nd Floor) and via zoom.

Leavenworth

Upper Valley scholarship for women returning to higher education

Applications are now being accepted for the Upper Valley Scholarship supported by P.E.O. Chapter JF, Leavenworth, WA. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist women in need of financial help in returning to higher education at an accredited university, college, or technical school in the State of Washington. This needs-based scholarship must be used for school expenses and will be paid directly to the school. Applications must be received for consideration by April 30, 2023. Scholarship funds will be available by the Fall of 2023 and be sent directly to the school financial department upon confirmation of enrollment. Women applicants must be seeking further higher education at either the undergraduate or graduate level and meet the following criteria: Applicant must be age 30 or above and

reside in Chelan or Douglas County, WA. Applicants must be currently enrolled in or returning to a higher education program after a two-year or more absence. The colleges, universities, or technical schools where applicants have been accepted must be fully accredited and within the State of Washington, however, out-of-state on-line accredited schools, are acceptable. Applicants may re-submit applications each year until they complete their programs of study.
 Women interested in applying for the scholarship may receive more detailed information concerning the application process, as well as request the application forms by sending an email to the Scholarship Committee at the following address: peoleavenworth@nwi.net

Leavenworth Library hosts Women's History displays

Leavenworth Public Library is displaying interactive information this month on women's history, with Susan Butruille and Judy Derpack.

Learn about women's contributions to science, voting rights, portraits, biographies and more. View a special study curriculum, a doll collection of suffragists, a Smithsonian poster exhibit called "BECAUSE OF HER STORY", coloring pages, crafts, and books. 509-548-7923. Leavenworth@NCWLibraries.org

Upper Valley MEND's Annual business meeting

The meeting is March 21 at 3:30 by Zoom or in-person at 347 Division Street. Zoom link is available on MEND's website on the event calendar at uvmen.org/events-calendar.
 At the annual business meeting, we'll share about 2022 and the progress that was made in MEND's programs, including food, wellness, economic security, and housing. We'll discuss where MEND is going in 2023 and beyond. It's a great time to get up to date on the latest with Upper Valley MEND and you can vote in person for new and renewing board members.

Sheriff/Fire/EMS
 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.

Feb. 24
 07:29 Public Assist, 1402 Commercial St.
 09:35 Graffiti, 900 Front St., Motteler Building
 12:02 Harassment/ Threat, 250 Prospect St.
 14:16 Diversion, 100 Ward Strasse
 16:22 Civil Dispute, 13907 US Hwy. 2
 16:26 Civil Dispute, 13909 US Hwy. 2
 17:59 Public Assist, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy., Lake Wenatchee

Dr., Peshastin
 17:50 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, 330 Leonard Ln., Plain
 20:26 Traffic Offense, US Hwy. 2, and River Bend Dr.
 21:03 Alarm, 913 Front St., South
 22:38 Harassment/ Threat, 7660 Icicle Rd.

Feb. 28
 15:42 Welfare Check, US Hwy. 2, and River Bend Dr.
 17:27 Hazard, Chumstick Hwy. MP 12
 19:12 Harassment/ Threat, 71 Cowin Ln.

Mar. 1
 09:16 Suspicious Circumstance, 819 Front St.
 10:42 Diversion, 700 US Hwy. 2
 12:09 Alarm, 11724 River Bend Dr., Marson and Marson
 15:06 Diversion, 11492 US Hwy. 2
 20:37 Diversion, 9926 School St., Peshastin

Mar. 2
 03:49 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 97 MP 175, Peshastin
 07:36 Civil Dispute, 12290 Meacham Rd., Plain
 16:36 Runaway, 263 Mine St.
 18:01 Traffic Offense, 185 US Hwy. 2, Fairbridge Inn
 22:13 911-call, 301 Ward Strasse, Hampton Inn & Suites

Feb. 25
 No report available.

Feb. 26
 00:15 Domestic Disturbance, 10415 Titus Rd.
 14:17 911-call, 505 US Hwy. 2, Icicle Village Resort

Feb. 27
 07:57 Burglary, 9101 Icicle Rd.
 09:19 911-call, 590 US Hwy. 2, Enzian Motor Inn
 12:25 Public Assist, 100 Block Strasse
 13:34 Non-injury Accident, 10th, and Front Streets
 14:43 911-call, 15305 Chumstick Hwy.
 15:33 Animal Problem, 8581 Ludwig Hill Rd., Peshastin
 16:28 Sex Offense, Lone Pine

Salmon Sculpture stolen from WRI Grounds

An Art piece stolen from Wenatchee River Institute (WRI) grounds along the Waterfront Park trail near Barn Beach in Leavenworth.
 WRI was proud to commission a salmon sculpture from Swede W. Albert, an emerging Indigenous artist and descendant of the p'squosa people from the 12 Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in Omak. He made the sculpture using recycled and salvaged metals. It was made to capture the essence of the salmon, an important part of the p'squosa culture and of all people in the Pacific Northwest.
 The sculpture was installed last fall. WRI was ready to celebrate the art piece with a ceremony inviting community members, the Wenatchi Advisory Group, the artist, and sculpture sponsors once the snow cleared, and the signage was finished.
 WRI Executive Director, Canuche Terranella said, "while we are saddened and disappointed by the theft, this is only a bump on the journey towards a closer connection with the p'squosa people, the original stewards of this land. We take lessons from this experience and will raise the funds to commission art like the Salmon Sculpture to share with our community."
 The sculpture was broken off its boulder base on Thursday, February 16 in the evening or night. This theft was reported to the Chelan County Sheriff. WRI still hopes that it may be returned to them and asks the community to keep an eye out for this distinctive artwork.

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SUBMITTED PHOTO. Salmon Sculpture stolen from WRI Grounds

Contact the listed organizations or events for updates.

OBITUARY

Alison C. Detjens

April 30, 1982 - February 25, 2023

Alison Christine Detjens, 40, of Moscow, ID, went to her afterlife on February 25, 2023, after a hard-fought, 19-month battle with ovarian cancer. Alison was passionate in everything she did; whether it was an argument or a community project, she never gave up on something she believed in. She possessed an incredible talent for making and keeping close friends wherever she went.

Alison was born to William (Bill) and Carol Detjens on April 30, 1982, in Chicago, IL. Alison grew up in Lisle, IL and graduated from Lisle Sr. H.S. in 2000. She went on to obtain a B.A. from Michigan State University in 2004 and an M.S. in Agriculture from Washington State University in 2016. Alison's passion for sustainable and accessible food systems began in her undergrad years, but her agricultural journey really started in Leavenworth, WA where she worked on the Gibbs' Organic Farm, owned her own gardening business, and got her first teaching job in Wenatchee. Alison always considered Leavenworth and its amazing community to be home, even after moving to the Palouse region in 2014. After completing her graduate studies, she worked as Assistant Manager at the WSU Organic Farm and later as instructor of soil and water systems and manager of the organic farm at the University of Idaho.



and traveling, especially bicycle touring, and spent time in Australia, South Africa, Ecuador, Vietnam, Bali, and Mexico. She met Clark Filip in 2014 while mountain biking in Idaho. Their paths and trails crossed until they became partners in 2017 and married in 2020 prior to the births of their twin boys.

She leaves behind husband Clark Filip and 2-year-old sons Timothy and Russell, father Bill Detjens, sister Colleen Detjens (Nathan Thomas), nephew Isaac Thomas, numerous extended family and nearly countless friends. She was predeceased by her mother (d. 2005). In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Alison's memory to The Ronald McDonald House of Spokane, WA., or the Moscow Area Mountain Bike Association (MAMBA) in Moscow, ID. A private celebration of life will be held in Leavenworth, WA. this summer. Arrangements have been entrusted to Short's Funeral Chapel of Moscow and condolences may be left at www.shortsfuneralchapel.com



Emergency Water

Well, it happened. After the windstorm took out the electricity; the light in the well house didn't come back on when the electricity came back on line; the most vulnerable pipe on the place froze; no water for four days. Being Grandma's daughter we had some cases of bottled water for drinking, a couple five gallon water jugs (designated for water when brand new) plus 20 half gallons of prepared water (see recipe below) so inflow water was alright but the outflow (sewage) was a worry since I didn't want to use up my stored water for emergencies to flush toilets unless I had to (that's a story for another day, but something to think about).

When it comes to plumbing, I am completely lost but that isn't the case for Sonny. He saw what the issue was, turned off the breaker in the well house so the water would stop gushing; stepped out of the well house to grouse a bit as he wrapped his head around the problem then

turned and asked me, "Do you have Grey's phone number?" Grey's is the local plumbing outfit.

"No, but I can get it." I replied. He grouse a bit more. "Sonny," I said, "this is the cost of home ownership." He quit grouse, stepped back into the well house took a closer look at the fractured pipe turned to me and said, "we need to go to town." I nodded and headed to the house to get the car keys. By the time I returned he'd figured out what he needed, took a picture of the broken pipe, and had sawed a piece of PVC pipe (as a reference for pipe size) to take with him.

"Do we still need Grey's number?" I asked. "I think I can fix it," he told me and he did. When we returned, I turned off the breaker in the main house to the well house because with all the water flowing I wanted to make sure there was no current to cause harm.

I went out and I tried to help but I was simply in the way in the close quarters of the well house. Eventually he handed me a flashlight and told me

to go see what was happening outside the well house door. I blinked, he nodded. "Yes mom, I can do better alone." I shrugged, took the flashlight and headed out of the well house.

Sonny finished the job then let the purple PVC primer and PVC pipe cement cure overnight. Come morning he flipped the breaker in the well house to start the pump expecting water to flow again. It didn't. The water didn't flow because I'd turned off the well breaker at the main house breaker box. Sonny figured it out pretty fast, but it did slow him down a bit. I'm sure he grouse under his breath about his over cautious mother. So now we have water again. Boy, am I glad we only lost water and still had electricity (that's a story for another day, but something to think about).

Emergency Prepared Water or Chlorinated Water

(Like hay, this should be done when sun shines in early fall then changed out every 6 months)

- 1/2 or 1-gallon jugs
 - Eye dropper
 - Tap water
 - Basic liquid bleach with 6% sodium hypochlorite
- NOT scented; NOT color safe; NOT with added cleaners.

Look under 'active ingredient' on the side of the jug it will say % sodium hypochlorite

To one gallon of tap water add 8 to 10 drops of basic liquid bleach. If using 1/2 gallon jugs add 4 to 5 drops of basic liquid bleach. Pour out and remix every 6 months.

Because it is hard to tell what bleach has in it these days, I use this water for hand washing, doing dishes, and cleaning up. I keep one case of water per person in the house in case of emergency for drinking water and use my emergency prepared water for everything else.

Note: I use the best quality jugs I can reasonably get. I like plastic because it won't break. Mine are 1/2 gallon clear used juice jugs rinsed three times with boiling water swished all around the inside surfaces of the jug immediately after they are emptied then turned upside down to drain overnight.

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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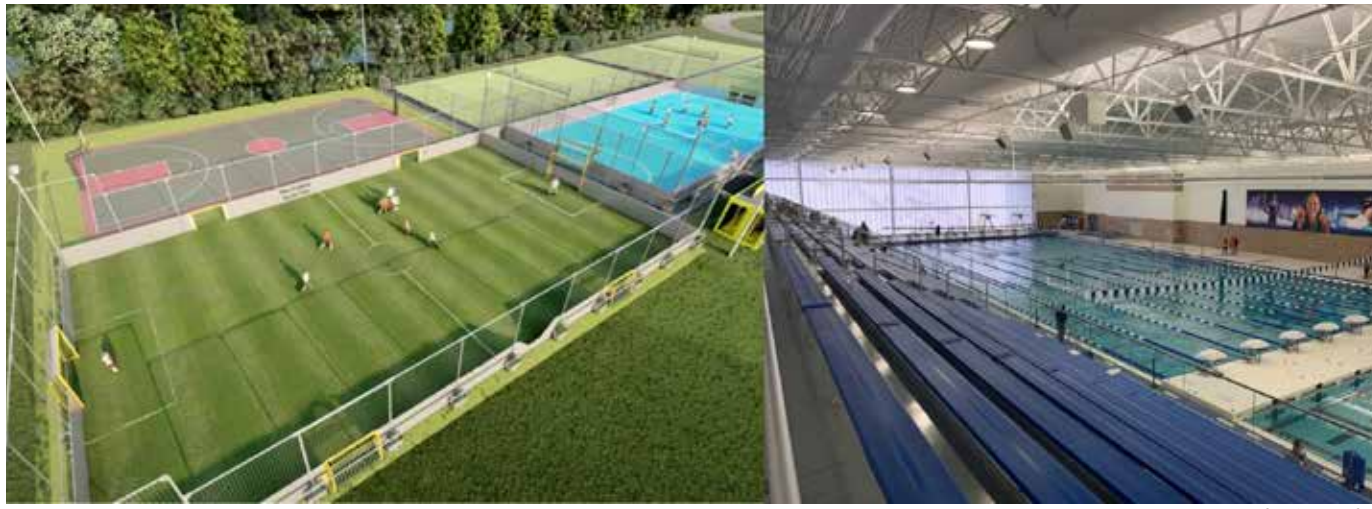
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Hawkins' Regional Sports Complex bill approved by Senate



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COMMUNITY VOICES
Brad Hawkins

OLYMPIA — After successfully advancing through three Senate committees this session, Senate Bill 5001, sponsored by Sen. Brad Hawkins, has been approved unanimously by the Washington State Senate. “This bill would give us the option of forming a second Public Facilities District, which would provide our region with a legal structure for both financing and governance,” said Hawkins. He added, “If we can advance this bill through the rest of the process, we will have the ability to construct and operate a regional sports complex, if that is what our community leaders and voters decide to do.” Senate Bill 5001 would amend the existing Public Facilities District statute to allow communities in the region to form a second district and ultimately seek voters to approve a regional sports complex.

Hawkins hosted several meetings last fall with local mayors, county commissioners, regional port, chamber, community leaders, and swimming groups. Stakeholders are interested in potentially locating any project in the Wenatchi Landing area near East Wenatchee, 283 acres of regionally accessible land near the Odabashian Bridge.

Hawkins believes development of a facility in Wenatchi Landing would help meet an aquatic and recreational need in the region while also serving as a catalyst development project, potentially leading to significant economic activities in that area, including hotels, restaurants, and retail shopping.

The Chelan-Douglas Regional Port Authority is currently administering a feasibility study to analyze the project and its economic benefits. The study group is comprised of numerous local officials and is chaired by East Wenatchee Mayor Jerrilea Crawford.

Brad Hawkins is our 12th District state senator representing North Central Washington in Olympia. Contact info: 360-786-7622 or brad.hawkins@leg.wa.gov.

National Poison Prevention month

In the United States, help for a poisoning emergency is a toll-free phone call away. In 2021, someone in the United States called a Poison Control center every 15 seconds. In 2021, 55 U.S. Poison Centers responded to over 2 million human poisonings. Over 90% of poisonings occurred at home, 75% were unintentional, and 41% involved children 5 years of age or younger.

Before a national toll-free phone number was established, poison control centers used local telephone numbers plus a state or region-wide toll-free phone number. In 2002, a national toll-free hotline was introduced, connecting callers to the nearest poison center. That same phone number is used today: 1-800-222-1222.

When working the night shift at my local hospital in the early 1980s, one of my responsibilities was answering the red poison control phone (yes, it really was red!). The phone sat inside a small glassed-in booth in our basement-level pharmacy. During the week, a trained information specialist handled incoming calls and did poison prevention outreach. After 5pm, the emergency room staff answered incoming calls during evening hours. At 11pm, the phone was switched back to the red phone in the pharmacy, and the night shift pharmacist answered it.

The pharmacists answering the phone were trained to identify the source of

the exposure and look up the instructions required for managing the event. Responsible for collecting information on each call, we documented the needed details on a “bubble sheet” scanned into a national database, much like a mail-in voting ballot.

Back then, a microfiche reader helped us find the information needed to rapidly identify the offending substance and instruct callers on the most appropriate treatment. Rapid access to this vital information helped prevent additional and more expensive care at a hospital or urgent care center. Today’s Poison Centers access this essential data online.

According to a report by the Lewin Group to determine the value of poison control services, every \$1 spent on poison center services saves approximately \$13 by decreasing direct medical costs from avoiding a visit to the ER, having a shorter stay in the hospital, or experiencing fewer lost workdays.

Every year, the third week of March is National Poison Prevention Week, one of the longest continuous health and safety programs in the United States. It’s also one of the most cost-effective: today’s 55 poison centers around the country save over \$1.8 billion yearly in reduced direct medical costs, lost work, and productivity.

According to the American Association of Poison Control

Centers, poisoning is the leading cause of unintentional injury-related deaths and the third leading cause of unintended hospitalizations.

In 1992, Yakima Valley Memorial Hospital was one of 4 hospitals in Washington State hosting a poison center, with St. Luke’s Hospital in Spokane, Mary Bridge Children’s Hospital in Tacoma, and Children’s Hospital in Seattle as the other Poison centers. Due to funding issues, later that year, the Washington State legislature voted to consolidate the 4 centers into one, and by 1995 the transition to the current Washington Poison Center was complete.

Many Poison centers were initially established to inform and support pediatricians and emergency room physicians faced with child poisonings, such as swallowing a toxic household chemical or prescription medication.

One of the most visible campaigns to warn children about dangerous substances is the lime green face of Mr. Yuk.

Mr. Yuk was created in 1971 by the Pittsburgh Poison Center, based at Children’s Hospital in Pittsburgh. In the early 1970s, the Poison Center wanted to use a symbol to warn children of dangerous substances that should NOT be eaten.

For adults, a skull and crossbones are warning symbols. But most children see a skull over an “X” made up of crossed bones and think



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Dr. Louise

about pirates and adventure. Several professional sports teams even use a skull and crossbones for their logo.

The Pittsburgh Poison Center sought a symbol that would make a child not want to play or interact with the container it was attached to. They showed 3 different characters to groups of young children: a red stop sign, a black skull and crossbones, and a green frowning circular face.

The children weren’t scared off by the skull with the crossed bones or by the red stop sign. They DID avoid playing with the container with a green frowning face. When asked why, one child said it looked “Yukky,” and Mr. Yuk was born.

In 1973, the Poison Center at Children’s Hospital in Seattle was the first outside of Pittsburgh to adopt Mr. Yuk as its poison warning symbol.

Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy, is a 44-year veteran of pharmacology and author of Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely. Get clear answers to your medication questions at her website and blog, TheMedicationInsider.com. ©2023 Louise Achey

WVC Foundation seeks nominations for 2023 Distinguished Alumni Award

The Wenatchee Valley College Foundation is accepting nominations for the 2023 WVC Distinguished Alumni Award. Nominations must be submitted online by March 30, 2023.

Established in 1975, the purpose of the WVC Distinguished Alumni Award is to recognize an alum who has:

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- made significant contributions to their community on a local, state, national or international level, and
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To qualify for this award, the nominee must have attended WVC for a year or longer. A group of alumni may also be considered for the award, but

all members must be alumni. Self-nominations are also permitted. Nominations can be submitted online at wvc.edu/Awards.

In 2022, Darrell Dickeson received the award for his service to WVC as a donor and interim director of the WVC Foundation and as a community leader.

Recent recipients also include Eastmont High School

educator Jaime Ramirez (2020), NCW Libraries Executive Director Barbara Walters (2019), regional entrepreneur Malachi Salcido (2018) and City of Wenatchee Human Resources Director Kari Page (2017).

Rachel Evey, foundation executive director, 509-682-6415 Libby Siebens, community relations executive director, 509-682-6436 (Mon.-Thurs.)

Year of the Apple High School Student Art Contest

Wenatchee - The Washington Apple Education Foundation (WAEF) invites all current high school students in the following counties to participate in the 21st Annual Year of the Apple Art Contest: Adams, Chelan, Douglas, Okanogan, Grant, Benton, Franklin, Kittitas, Yakima, and Walla Walla. The Washington apple-themed

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Submit Artwork to: Washington Apple Education Foundation C/O Art Contest 2900 Euclid Avenue Wenatchee, WA. 98801. Deadline of May 1, 2023

The Washington Apple Education Foundation (WAEF)

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Blue Bird President and GM Retires

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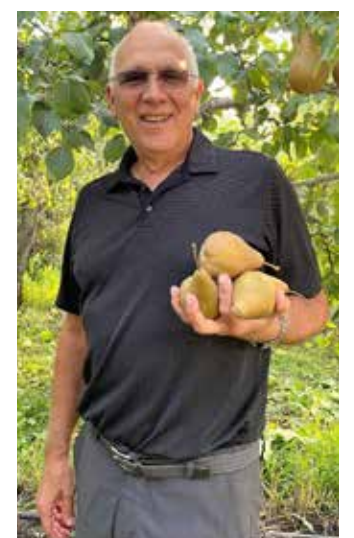
family the best of luck in their new adventures.

Blue Bird, Inc. Board of Directors announces the retirement of our esteemed President and General Manager, Ron Gonsalves. His last working day with the company was February 28, 2023.

Ron has been integral to our company for the last 24 years. His numerous accomplishments and contributions will always be valued and remembered. Blue Bird’s Board of Directors, Growers, and Industry honor his hard work, commitment, and dedication. Ron will be greatly missed. We appreciate his long tenure as the head of this organization as an esteemed leader and a wonderful person.

On behalf of your Board of Directors and everyone within the Blue Bird Organization, I wish him, Laura, and their

Richard Smithson, Chairman of the Board of Directors Blue Bird, Inc



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GM and President Ron Gonsalves retires

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CHELAN COUNTY
In the Matter of the Estate of IAN C. DUNN, Deceased. No. 23-4-00072-04
PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030
The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of:
(1) Thirty days after the personal representative served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.
Date of First Publication: **March 8, 2023**
Personal Representative: Carolyn E. Dunn
Attorney for the Personal Representative: **Russell J. Speidel**
Address for Mailing or Service: Speidel Bentsen LLP 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881 Wenatchee, WA 98807-0881
Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Chelan County Superior Court Cause No. 23-4-00072-04
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Attorneys for Personal Representative: **SPEIDEL BENTSEN LLP**
By: **RUSSELL J. SPEIDEL**
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- Cleaning and internal CCTV inspection of approximately 13,000 lf of 8"-15" wastewater pipelines
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- Installation of 3 wastewater manholes to replace existing cleanouts including excavation, bedding and backfill
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Obtaining the Bidding Documents The BIDDING DOCUMENTS may be examined at the Issuing Office: 1. Varela Engineering & Management, 601 W. Mallon Ave., Suite A, Spokane, WA 99201

2. Visit <https://hosted.onlineplanservice.com/Project/191>.

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For additional information regarding this project, contact Mark Johnson, P.E. at Varela Engineering & Management at mjohnson@varela-engr.com

Instructions to Bidders

For other requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders and other documents that are included in the Bidding Documents.

American Iron and Steel Section 746 of Title VII of the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and Construction Materials.

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR LINCOLN COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate No. 224 000010 22 of COLLEEN ANN TITCOMB, Deceased.

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

The Personal Representative named below has been appointed as Personal Representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the Decedent that arose before the Decedent's death must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the Personal Representative or the Personal Representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Clerk of this Court. The claim must be presented within the later of (1) Thirty days after the Personal Representative served or mailed the Notice to the Creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and RCW 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the Decedent's probate and non-probate assets.

Date of First Publication: February 22, 2023

Personal Representative: Cheryl A. Schibel Attorney for P.R.: Mark DeWulf

Address for Mailing or Service: McGuire, DeWulf, Kragt & Johnson, P.S. 9 E. First St., P.O. Box 457

Odessa, Washington 99159 Cheryl A. Schibel Personal Representative

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SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CHELAN COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of RICHARD H. SIEGERT, Deceased. No. 23-4-00071-04

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS RCW 11.40.030

The personal representative named below has been appointed as personal representative of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the personal representative or the personal representative's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the Court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of:

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Date of First Publication: March 1, 2023

Personal Representative: James R. Newhouse, Jr. Attorney for the Personal Representative: David J. Bentsen

Address for Mailing or Service: Speidel Bentsen LLP 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881

Wenatchee, WA 98807-0881 Court of Probate Proceedings and Cause Number: Chelan County Superior Court Cause No. 23-4-00071-04

JAMES R. NEWHOUSE, JR. Personal Representative

Attorneys for Personal Representative: SPEIDEL BENTSEN LLP By: DAVID J. BENTSEN

WSBA No. 42107 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881

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Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Hearing Examiner for the City of Leavenworth will hold a Public Hearing to consider and make decision on a Conditional Use Permit Application. Hearing will be held at 10:00 am, Friday, April 21, 2023 at 10:00 am, online via Zoom, Meeting ID: 983 9049 9351, Passcode: 044614; Or the call-in phone number: 1-253-215-8782.

CUP2023-009: A Conditional Use Permit application was submitted by Jason & Hilary Lundgren (owners) on February 7, 2023, and determined complete on March 2, 2023. The owners are requesting to utilize a two-bedroom Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) as a Bed & Breakfast (B&B), pursuant to LMC 18.52.120. Also included is the request for a 1 percent deviation from the minimum lot size requirement. The project is located at 417 Ash Street, within the Residential Low-Density 6,000 (RL6) zoning district; Assessor's parcel number 241701670180. The public is encouraged to attend via Zoom and to submit written comments prior to the hearing. The comment period begins on March 8, 2023 and ends on March 22, 2023. It is a right of any person to comment on the application, receive notice of and participate in any hearings, and request a copy of the decision once made, and a statement of any appeal rights. Materials may be viewed by appointment only at City Hall, or on the City's Public Portal at <https://lwnworth.wa.permittax.com/Citizen/>; Search LUA2023-009, address, or use the interactive map.

Questions may be directed to Maggie Boles, Community Development, phone 509-548-5275 or email mboles@cityofleavenworth.com. Published in The Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on March 8, 2023. #5417

Public Notices

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON FOR THE COUNTY OF CHELAN ESTATE OF RICHARD D.

SHETLER No. 23-4-00004-04 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION

The State of Washington to the said Alyssa Marie Wilson and Lois Joann Shetler to be served by publication. You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 15th day of February, 2023, and defend the above-entitled action in the above-entitled Court, and answer the Verified TEDRA Petition for Judicial Appointment of Administrator for Probate and Non-Probate Assets, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for Administrator, Carrie Shirk, at his office below stated, and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the Petition, which has been filed with the Clerk of Chelan County Superior Court. This action asserted by Administrator, Carrie Shirk, is a Trust and Estate Dispute Result matter, to administer the probate and nonprobate assets of the Decedent, Richard D. Shetler. DATED February 2, 2023; OVERCAST LAW OFFICES; By /s/ David A. Kazemba, WSBA #48049; Attorneys for Administrator; 23 S. Wenatchee Ave, Suite 320; Wenatchee, WA 98801; (509) 663-5588

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Public Notices

The Leavenworth Mosquito Control District board will hold their first public meeting of the 2023 season on Monday March 20th at 7 p.m via ZOOM. Those wishing to attend should use this Link: <https://cascadesd-org.zoom.us/j/81509826710>

Meetings are scheduled at 7 p.m. on the first or third Mondays of each month but are often cancelled due to a lack of pressing business. For up-to-date information call Jenny Mullins at 509-548-5904. The District will begin larvicide treatments as soon as mosquito larva are found (but no earlier than March 20) continuing until October 15 at the latest. Larvicides used include Bacillus thuringiensis subspecies israelensis, Bacillus sphaericus, and methoprene. Spinosad may also be used. In addition, a paraffinic white mineral oil may be used as both a larvicide and a pupicide.

The District seeks to reduce mosquitoes through habitat reduction and larviciding. Adulticides were not used from 2007 through 2022. If an adulticide is needed, we may choose to use malathion, natural pyrethrins, piperonyl butoxide (PBO), permethrin, etofenprox, naled, prallethrin, resmethrin, and/or sumithrin. Such spraying could occur in June, July or August anywhere within the District and will be noted at our website: www.leavenworthmosquitocontrol.org.

Larvicide treatment locations are also posted at this website. Additional sites may be added as needed. More information on these pesticides is available online at npic.orst.edu/pest/mosquito/.

For additional information or to be placed on a "no Spray" list, leave a message for Manager Jennifer Mullins at 509-548-5904. Placement on the list is not a guarantee on non-treatment. The Department of Ecology Aquatic Pesticides Permit Manager may be reached at 360-407-6600 or nathan.lubliner@ecy.wa.gov

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Public Notices

Chelan County Mosquito Control District #3-Idlewild, 14193 Chiwawa Loop Rd. #8 Leavenworth, WA 98826,

is seeking coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology Aquatic Mosquito Control NPDES and State Waste Discharge General Permit. The proposed project applies to following geographical area: Government Lot 2 of Section 22,T.27N., R.17 E.W.M., platted as IDLEWILD SUMMER HOMES. AND The following described real estate situated all in the State of Washington, County of Chelan, Section 22, Township 27 N., Range 17 8., W.M.:A1 l of Plat of Fish Lake Alpine Tracts, Lots 1 - 48, recorded on August 6, 1968, Book 7 of Plats, Pages 52 and 53, together with all of Howard E. Clark Short Plat No. 3487, lots 1 - 3, recorded on February 12, 2002, in Book 17 of Short Plats, Pages 111-112, together with Chelan County Parcel Numbers 271722120100 and 271722120150.

The permit allows the discharge of a specific list of pesticides for mosquito control provided permit conditions are met, however, the pesticides anticipated for use are: Duet, which includes Prallethrin, Sumithrin and Piperonyl Butoxide (PBO). Ecology has made a SEPA determination of nonsignificance with the adoption of an existing environmental document for this proposal.

Any person desiring to present their views to Ecology regarding this application may do so in writing within thirty days of the last date of publication of this notice. Comments must be submitted to Ecology. Comments can be submitted to: Department of Ecology, Water Quality Program, Attn: Aquatic Pesticide Permit Manager, P.O. Box 47696, Olympia, WA 98504-7696. Published in The Leavenworth Echo/ Cashmere Valley Record on March 8, and 15, 2023. #5408

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22. European Economic Community
24. Playground attraction
25. "Belfast" nominee, "Shakespeare in Love" winner
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29. "Denis Villeneuve's sci-fi nominee"
31. Type of tide
32. Not so crazy
33. Extremist
34. "King Richard" nominee, once a fresh prince
36. Give an impression
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42. Shenanigan
45. Remove claws
49. Presidential election mo.
51. Waiting on the phone (2 words)
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56. Like the Incredibles
57. Backside
58. Boat track
59. Not odd
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OUTDOORS ROUNDUP

BY JOHN KRUSE

New WDFW Commissioners appointed

Governor Jay Inslee has appointed two new Fish and Wildlife Commissioners to replace outgoing commissioners Don McIsaac and Kim Thorburn. The outgoing commissioners were known to be supportive of hunting and the North American model of Conservation.

There was concern Governor Inslee was going to continue a trend of appointing commissioners who were not supportive of hunting or recreational fishing opportunities. Recent appointees torpedoed a long standing spring bear hunting season in our state despite the recommendation from WDFW staff that it go forward. Recently appointed commissioners have also made questionable statements and decisions about the Blue Mountain elk herd, which has been decimated by cougar predation.

Fortunately, the two new appointees to the commission have a solid background when it comes to sound fish and wildlife management. One of the appointees is Steve Parker. He resides in Yakima County and spent 45 years working as a fisheries biologist for the Yakama Nation.

The other appointee is Woodrow "Woody" Myers, Jr. He lives in Spokane County and worked for 40 years as an ungulate research biologist for WDFW. Like Parker, he is now a retired biologist.

Pro hunting and fishing groups such as Backcountry Hunters and Anglers as well as Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation both expressed support for the appointments of Parker and Myers to the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission.

Early season trout openers

Several lakes around Quincy, George and Pomeroy opened up for trout fishing on March 1st but some of these lakes were partially or completely covered by ice on opening day.

Mike Schmuck is a WDFW Fisheries Biologist in Ephrata. He visited the Quincy Lakes on the opener and reported Burke Lake had some open water for fishing near the boat ramp. There was one boat in the open water and 25 shore anglers when he was there around 11 a.m. Schmuck said quite a few trout were caught from

shore and anglers averaged 2 ½ fish per angler. As for the size of the trout, Schmuck said catches ranged from 10 to 12-inch yearling fish as well as carryovers and even a couple of 21 to 22-inch trout.

Schmuck said Quincy Lake was completely frozen over. A few anglers were ice fishing but were not catching many fish. Heading south towards George, Schmuck said Caliche Lake near George was frozen but 17 anglers were fishing Martha Lake which was partially ice-free. Schmuck said the fishing was slow at Martha Lake but the trout caught were good sized, averaging 16 inches.

Other March 1 opening lakes included Lenice Lake east of Beverly which was ice free. Fly fishing anglers were catching good numbers of trout there averaging 14 inches. Meanwhile, Lake Lenore north of Soap Lake was partially unfrozen. Schmuck said one angler fishing out of a small boat marked a lot of fish but only caught (and released) three Lahontan cutthroat trout.

Heading to the Tucannon Lakes in Southeast Washington, Paul Anderson at the Last Resort near Pomeroy said that in addition to the catchable rainbow trout normally planted, jumbo size trout were stocked as well in Watson (100), Rainbow (150), Spring (100) and Blue Lake (150). Anderson said that Spring and Blue Lake were

ice free for the March 1 opener.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

THANK YOU

Lori and I would like to deeply thank our local 911 callers, EMTs, and the incredible amount of prayers and well wishes from our wonderful Leavenworth community that undoubtedly saved our lives in last month's

tragic accident on Hwy. 2. The outpouring of support from so many is humbling and reaffirms how honored we are to be part of this community. Eternally grateful.

Mike and Lori Worden.
Leavenworth

ice free for the March 1 opener. Rainbow Lake had a small amount of fishable open water available and Watson Lake was still frozen over. Anglers who stopped by or stayed at the resort reported having good success on opening day. Anderson said they do have vacancies available through the month of March. You can look into booking a stay at www.thelastresortrv.com.

Northern Pike netting schedule

Staci Lehman with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife reports, "Northern Pike suppression efforts in Long Lake (Lake Spokane), the Pend Oreille River, and Lake Roosevelt will kick off soon. This work generally takes place between March and June of each year when Northern Pike are staging to spawn.

WDFW will begin removals of Northern Pike at Lake Spokane in March, primarily in the upper half of the reservoir between the McLellan Conservation Area and Nine Mile Recreation Area. Efforts will shift to Lake Roosevelt in April as water temperatures increase. WDFW partners with the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and the Spokane Tribe of Indians on Lake Roosevelt and with

the Kalispel Tribe on the Pend Oreille River to net and remove invasive Northern Pike."

Lehman continues saying, "The Northern Pike is an apex predator with prolific spawning potential and a voracious appetite for fish, particularly soft rayed fish like trout and salmon. When introduced outside of their native range, they are capable of causing large-scale changes to fish communities, in some cases leading to elimination of entire species.

Efforts are focused on reducing impacts of invasive Northern Pike to resident fish populations and limiting the potential for downstream distribution into the anadromous zone of the Columbia River. Establishment of Northern Pike in the anadromous zone would put at risk the billions of dollars invested into the recovery of salmon and steelhead populations. More information on Northern Pike and reports on suppression efforts implemented since 2013 can be found on the WDFW website at <https://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/02382>."

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Michelle Kruse with a Lahontan Cutthroat trout at Lake Lenore

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The Time Out Whistle

BY RHONA BARON

In February I took an extra week off before coming back to present the Whistle you're reading today. I was far away for an annual visit to a best friend and a chance to get warm and gain perspective. Reentering our bustling community, I've reached some conclusions about how we can proceed in 2023.

First, The Whistle is always dedicated to listening, to representing the opinion of Leavenworth's citizens and to offering perspective when it comes to development and housing. Right now, our community remains concerned about affordability and density in our neighborhoods as well as the Mayor, Planning Commission and Council's lack of support for voter's concerns when big decisions are made.

In that spirit, here's what we're watching—and what you should do!

- The overuse of alleys for access in all neighborhoods without maintenance being planned or an emphasis placed on fixing neighborhood streets first.
- B&B numbers growing and taking ADUs out of attainable workforce housing.
- Condos, townhomes and four-plexes in every neighborhood, including single family.

- The impact of loosely planned Alpenglow development on our infrastructure.
- The lack of a sustainability plan for tourism in our rural community.
- The City continuing to use big city planning requirements for our small rural village.

Secondly, The Whistle blows loud and clear because it is generated by deep breaths taken in the belly of detailed research and fact checking. As writer, I can't say enough about the team consisting of a dozen people who have or currently work with city governance, city planning, land use, the building trades, nonprofit activism, education and law. In fact, the more I've learned from interacting with the team's intelligence and integrity compared with City Hall, the more concerned I've become about the direction our town is headed!

Right now, The Whistle is looking ahead to the next big issue. The election of council members. All but Clint Strand's and Sharon Waters' positions are up for election or reelection. The mayoral seat is also up for grabs. That means there is copious room for change brought about by residents who decide to run for office.

Since last September, The Whistle has built a strong platform regarding

neighborhoods, the need for more transparency, integrity at the City and a perspective on issues regarding affordability, infrastructure, and "urban" growth in the Upper Valley. If you are inspired by our platform and would like to run, please contact us. We can support you with excellent research and a team that loves to formulate ideas and solutions.

As for me, due to my resulting level of alarm, I've stretched my time as editor past my original commitment date. Last September when the Whistle column and website launched, I knew my work life would explode in the beginning of 2023. Here it is the beginning of March and the nonprofit arts organization I direct and produce has moved out of "low season" and is in full swing until the end of May of 2023. With regret, I'm blowing the whistle... for myself! Your columnist is in time out.

The good news is that there is a new group gaining momentum in our region.

Residents Coalition of Chelan County, or RC3, is now in position to work with residents to ensure that future growth and development in Chelan County preserves and enhances the qualities that residents value the most: our rural character, safe and friendly neighborhoods, our natural environment, and a slower pace of life. I support



the wisdom and credentials of this organization. Like the Whistle Team, they seem to be in favor of moderation that does not sacrifice quality of life in these times of unprecedented growth. Find RC3's website at coalitionofchelancounty.org or look on Facebook for their site.

In addition, the interim offer is still on for guest columns. If you have something to say, please let us know! Plus, if I can swing it, I'll pop in on occasion, backed by our Whistlers.

In closing for now, The Whistle team and I appreciate your support! We've had excellent readership and that's because of you. We can still be reached through the website at lwhistle.com. You'll still find our Whistle List of community "to do's" in place on the site and there will still be community polls posted in the Echo that reflect your concerns. Please feel free to contact us whenever you like. This column may change, and I may not be as visible, but keep whistling. We'll continue to hear you and respond!