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Waste Loop Works Toward Innovative Solutions to Waste Issues



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Colin Sternagel, Liam Elio and Heleene Tambat sort through commercial waste from Leavenworth during the Waste Loop audit. The waste was sorted into categories and weighed to calculate percentages in each category.



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A group of Waste Loop employees, board members and volunteers help sort through commercial waste from Leavenworth during the Waste Loop audit. The waste was sorted into categories and weighed to calculate percentages in each category.



Marlene Farrell
Correspondent

The mission of the nonprofit Waste Loop is to transform local waste streams into sustainable resources and to inspire innovative solutions to local waste and recycle challenges. The organization was born in 2019 out of a living room discussion amongst concerned friends. Recycling wasn't totally lacking, but more could be done.

Previously, another group, Leavenworth Recycles, helped the city establish a contract with Waste Management for residential areas which included single stream recycling. In 2019 glass was struck from the acceptable list of recyclables, and Ariahna Jones, other concerned citizens and members of the now dormant Leavenworth Recycles started Waste Loop to work toward a fix for glass

and also to help businesses reduce their environmental impact.

Solutions don't come easy. The downtown core is challenging. Pick up of recyclables requires navigating narrow alleyways and the hauling fees can be cost prohibitive. One entity, like Waste Management, can't do it all because solutions need to be tailored to each business. "We need to find the best fit for everyone," said Jones, now the part-time executive director of Waste Loop. "We look for opportunities for partnership."

Waste Loop runs the city's Leavenworth Recycling Center at 216 14th Street, where residents can bring their single stream recycling (plastic, aluminum, tin and paper), corrugated cardboard and glass. Each goes to a different processor: Spokane for the single stream recyclables, Wenatchee for the cardboard and Seattle for the glass.

For about two years, Waste Loop also crushed some of the glass. They inherited a glass crusher from Sleeping Lady, and produced industrial "cullet," similar to what was produced by Methow Recycles, which Jones recognizes as a regional leader. After a while, both groups found there wasn't much of a market

for the cullet. Thus, local glass crushing is temporarily on hold.

A current focus for the organization is organics, which includes yard and food waste. This spring, Waste Loop conducted an organic waste characterization study for the city, building on the initial study done by a consultancy in 2019. A Department of Ecology grant funded the study. Waste Loop members and volunteers spent two days sorting and characterizing a total of 2500 pounds of the city's commercial waste. "On average, 50% of the waste was organic materials and 17% was glass," said Jones. "The city pays \$200,000 just in hauling fees, so it could easily save half of that if these types of waste were diverted. That money could be used for infrastructure and education."

A closer look at the garbage from a few downtown restaurants revealed that, for these businesses, 84% was organic materials. This information helped Waste Loop develop a feasibility study for the city about organic waste drop off and pick up logistics.

Jones explained they hope to work with nearby Winton Manufacturing Compost Works, which is, by serendipity, gearing up its operations

for commercial composting. This sort of composting can handle meat, dairy and bones because of the process involves grinding and higher heat to make a nutrient rich soil-like material. This is also helpful given this region is in the apple maggot quarantine zone, so all organic waste has to be handled locally.

Waste Loop also has ambitions to help Cascade School District (CSD) finally establish a robust recycling infrastructure. Now paper recycling falls as a burden onto motivated students and staff to make sure it gets to the one collection bin behind IRMS. Little progress could be made during the challenges of the pandemic. However, CSD has made environmental sustainability part of its new strategic framework, so Jones is hopeful that Waste Loop and CSD can work toward single stream recycling and composting.

Waste Loop depends on donations, sponsorship and grants, including one from the Icicle Fund, to cover operational costs.

"At Waste Loop, we want to be the resource to help businesses and organizations take steps toward zero waste," said Jones. "We're willing to do the dirty work."



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This pile of plastic bags represents one category of items sorted for an audit of one Leavenworth restaurant.

Recycling is available for drop off at the Leavenworth Recycling Center

Where: 216 14th Street, across from the Community Cupboard
When: Wednesdays, 4:30-6:30pm, and Saturdays, 11am-3pm.

What:

1. Single Stream – mixed paper, aluminum, tin cans and plastic bottles. Recyclables need to be clean, dry and empty.
2. Cardboard – flattened, corrugated
3. Glass – free of plastic labels, plastic rings and foil
4. Yard waste is accepted from City of Leavenworth residents only. This waste includes leaves, pine needles, limbs cut to less than 4 feet and paper lawn bags.

For more information, go to: www.wasteloop.org

Confluence Health Cancels Contract with Premera

ERIN MULLINS

Reporter

Confluence Health recently announced that they will not renew their contract with Premera Blue Cross. Effective February 1, 2022 Confluence Health will no longer be an in-network provider for patients who have Premera, Lifewise, and Blue Cross insurance plans. Other plans that are affected include Regence Blue Shield and Uniform Medical Plan.

Andrew Canning, Director of Marketing and Communications at Confluence Health said that the decision not to renew the contract will affect about 36,000 patients in Chelan, Douglas, Okanogan and Grant counties.

According to Dr. Doug Wilson, CEO-elect of Confluence Health, the rates that Premera were willing to provide as reimbursement were so low that they would not allow Confluence to continue providing medical services for everyone in the long term.

"We were worried that we would eventually have to look at trimming down services and that means people in this region would not have access to the kind of good medical care that they really deserve," he said.

On April 23, Confluence Health notified Premera that it would not renew its current contract. Wilson said that the rates that Premera was willing to provide were much different than what other commercial insurers are paying and the differential reimbursement did not seem fair.

Negotiations about the contract dispute started well before April, Wilson said. Since then, he said they have had several meetings in an attempt to come to an agreement but haven't made any significant progress.

Courtney Wallace, spokesperson for Premera Blue Cross, said in an email that Premera is paying its fair share.

"The truth is that Confluence is

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Doug Wilson MD



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Recreation

The Washington Outdoors Report

The Trail Less Traveled

By JOHN KRUSE

Thanks to the covid pandemic people are recreating outdoors like never before and one of the most popular activities for outdoors enthusiasts whether they be novices or veterans is hiking! While some don't mind crowded trails, many of us hike into the wilderness to enjoy the solitude the experience can give us. With that in mind, here's some ideas for hikes this summer that will get you away from those crowds.

Hike Mid-Week – This one's a no-brainer. Hiking Monday through Thursday you are going to find a lot less folks on the trail than the weekend. Getting an early morning start can help as well, especially if you want to beat the summer heat.

Backpack In And Stay The Night – The vast majority of hikers are day hikers. With that in mind consider an overnight trip. Load up your backpack and hit the trail in the late afternoon when most hikers are returning (or have returned) back to the trailhead. Even if you don't backpack in a long way, you'll likely enjoy an evening of solitude at a forested campsite but if you really want to leave the crowds behind, go on a multi-day trip. Just stay off trails like the Pacific Crest Trail, which tends to be very crowded these days. Speaking of which....

Avoid The Marquee Hiking Destinations – Let's face it, some of our trails are being loved to death. Exhibit A – The Enchantments south of Leavenworth in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness. Demand

for overnight permits is off the charts and every day of the week (all the way through September) you'll find completely full parking lots at trailheads and no ability to park outside of them without getting ticketed or towed.

This situation is not limited to the Enchantments; other popular hiking destinations include Lake Valhalla, Heather Lake and Pete Lake in the Central Cascades, Silver Falls west of Entiat, Barclay Lake and Lake 22 west of the Cascade Crest and the Horsethief Butte Trail in the Columbia River Gorge. These are just a few of the perennially crowded hiking trails in our state, though most are not nearly as crowded on any random day as just about any trail you'll find in Mount Rainier or Olympic National Park.

Less Flashy Destinations – Try looking for destinations that fly under the radar. Trails that follow streams instead of heading to lakes are often less crowded. Ingalls Creek off the Blewett Pass Highway and the Icicle Creek Trail at the very end of the Icicle River Road are both trails I've enjoyed many times while only seeing a few fellow hikers each time.

Other Public Lands – Another option is to consider hikes outside of our national forests and wilderness areas. There are a number of trails on bureau of land management land in Eastern Washington worth exploring, and also on several national wildlife refuges. Trails found at the Toppenish, Turnbull, Columbia and Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuges offer not only

uncrowded experiences in the summer, but also the chance to see lots of wildlife. Another option to consider are our state wildlife areas. Managed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, they are often crowded during hunting season but in the summer many of them are empty of any visitors and like the national wildlife refuges, offer great chances to experience solitude and wildlife.

Be Mindful of Closures – Do keep in mind all state wildlife areas are only open during the day because of fire danger and no shooting or smoking (outside of your vehicle) is allowed. A reminder as well that all Washington Department of Natural Resource lands east of the Cascade crest are closed until further notice due to high fire danger. The Umatilla National Forest in Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon also remains closed to all access as well for the same reason. When those areas reopen though, they will definitely be worth exploring.

Be Prepared – Last but not least, be prepared to help not only yourself, but some of the enthusiastic but completely unprepared people who are giving hiking a go for the first time. In addition to carrying the "ten essentials" for wilderness survival, you might want to bring along a few extra first aid supplies and water too. You just might run across someone who needs them.

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The trail along Ingalls Creek off the Blewett Pass Highway

PHOTO BY JOHN KRUSE

Dam Discovery Center Sets Date for Grand Re-Opening

SUBMITTED BY EDEN WENOKUR

Chelan County PUD's Discovery Center will debut new exhibits and expanded space to provide education and entertainment along the Columbia River

Wenatchee, WA. - After years of planning and an 18-month closure for renovations, the Rocky Reach Dam Discovery Center will open Saturday, August 28. With a new year-round schedule, guests can expect new interactive exhibits, expanded installation space, a new second floor deck to view the dam and Columbia River, and more.

This is the first major remodel for the Discovery Center, a source of education and entertainment built along the Columbia River and Rocky Reach Dam, since Chelan PUD opened the center in the 1960s. The multi-million-dollar redesign includes a roof extension that shelters new outside displays, viewing areas to see into the dam's fish ladder system, educational mini-theaters, and multiple interactive displays for kids and families to explore.

"The Discovery Center is so much more than a place to stop and get a map," says Debbie Gallaheer, Visitor Services Manager for the



The old steam wheel is now a video game

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Chelan County PUD. "It will be one of the premier educational opportunities on the Columbia River. It's an opportunity for families to learn about the incredible area and its history -and have fun doing it!"

Gallaheer adds there is no charge to visit the Discovery Center, the exhibits, and Rocky Reach Park.

The August 28 reopening celebration is free to attend and will have tours, treats, entertainment in Rocky Reach Park, and an awards ceremony for the Discovery Center Elementary Poetry Contest being held in celebration of the opening.

For more details, visit www.chelanpud.org/VisitRockyReach.

About Rocky Reach Discovery Center
Rocky Reach Discovery Center is located seven miles north of Wenatchee on Highway 97A on the west side of Chelan County PUD's Rocky Reach Dam. There is ample parking for guests, including RVs and buses, and room to roam in the park at 5000 State Hwy 97A, Wenatchee, WA 98801.



Improved view of the fish ladder and Columbia River from the new observation deck

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OBITUARY

Francis (Frank) Thomas Calapristi

December 5, 1932-
August 1, 2021

Francis (Frank) Thomas Calapristi, was born into Heaven on Sunday, August 1, 2021, in the presence of his family and loved ones. He was born in Philadelphia on December 5, 1932 to Francesco and Nicolina (Degregorio) Calapristi and was the youngest child of their large first-generation Italian family. Frank played music ever since his feet dangled from the bench of the family's piano. In high school, he won regional awards in the Northeastern US as a gifted pianist. His father introduced him to the accordion and Frank advanced to become the consummate accordion player.

Frank attended Upper Darby High School where he met the love of his life Loretta Callegari whom he married in 1954. After graduating from Pennsylvania Military College in 1955, his Army officer commission brought Frank and Loretta to Fort Benning, GA. Following his Army service, Frank and Loretta returned to Philadelphia, where he began his career in the Aerospace industry. At General Electric, Frank worked on the Mercury, Gemini, and Apollo space missions, in addition to numerous satellite programs. While in Philadelphia Frank

joined the Durning String Band Mimmers organization and participated in multiple New Year's Day parades. His career provided the entire family memorable experiences in places as varied as Picayune, MS, Valley Forge, PA, Seminole, FL, and the Pacific Northwest. Frank and Loretta shared their love of travel with their children and took family summer vacations that covered most of the United States. In their later years Frank and Loretta enjoyed international travel to Mexico, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Tunisia, Denmark, Spain, and France.

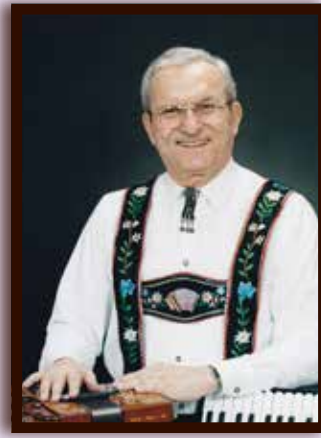
Frank was blessed with love twice in his life. After Loretta's passing in 2014, he met Nancy Cottle. They enjoyed a thriving social life that included Saturday night dances, thrift shopping and many other adventures. These included trips to Alaska, Greece, and Italy (where he once even entertained Romans with his piano playing at a local restaurant).

Frank started visiting Leavenworth in the 1980's to attend art workshops and paint the beautiful landscapes and natural subjects in the region. Upon retirement from the Hanford site after 20 years in 1996, he began his second act as

a professional musician for another 25 years. He was passionate about promoting Leavenworth and its Bavarian image. He chaired the Leavenworth Accordion Festival and Autumn Fest and loved being an active board member in Projekt Bayern. He was known to many as the strolling accordion player on Front Street and provided entertainment at local restaurants. Frank most recently entertained guests at the Enzian Hotel and appeared in countless private and public events throughout the region. He will be dearly missed.

Frank was a dedicated member of the Our Lady of Snows Catholic Church, where he served as a fourth-degree knight with the Knights of Columbus. He is survived by sons, Frank (Becky) Calapristi, Gus (Vicki) Calapristi; daughters, Colette (Jeff) Casey, Barbara Calapristi (Ted) Jordan. Grandchildren include Jenny Calapristi, Tony Calapristi, Beth (John) Stevenson, Jackie Calapristi, Et Aliae (Chauncey Casey), Katherine Casey, Olivia Casey, Wyatt Jordan, Sophia Jordan, and great grandchild Harrison Calapristi. Frank is also survived by his loving companion Nancy Cottle.

Words cannot express how much all of us will miss him,



but we know he is rejoicing in a heavenly reunion with Loretta, his parents and brothers, sister, and friends. We know he is happy and at peace. We Love You!

Visitation will be held at Jones & Jones-Betts in Wenatchee on Thursday, August 19 at 4 p.m. with recitation of the Holy Rosary. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Friday, August 20 at 1 p.m. at St. Joseph's Catholic Parish in Wenatchee (Reception to follow). Concluding Service and Interment will be held Saturday, August 21, 2021, 1 p.m. at Sunset Gardens Cemetery in Richland WA. (Reception to follow).

Visit Jones & Jones-Betts of Wenatchee for additional details. <https://www.jonesjonesbetts.com/obituaries/Francis-Frank-Calapristi/#/ServicesEvents>

New Pastor at Plain Community Church



Pastor Chico Goff with his wife Jennie and three of his five children, Lauren, Ashley, and Morgan in front of Plain Community Church.

ERIN MULLINS
Reporter

Chico Goff is the new pastor at Plain Community Church. He said that he moved to Plain with his wife Jennie Goff and started as their pastor on June 1. The process to become the pastor for the church started in February of 2020 when he saw an advertisement online for the position.

At the time, Goff was living in the San Diego area and was the executive director of a 140 acre camp with 252 cabin beds and retreat site called Greek Oak Ranch in Vista, California, where he had worked since 2016.

As executive director of Great Oak Ranch, Goff said that he did a lot of administration, making sure the bills got paid, and raising money. He decided that he wanted to be more involved in people's individual lives and that is why he looked to get involved with a local church.

The majority of Goff's career of 24 years has been spent as a pastor. He started working in the church when he was 22 and became a college pastor in his late twenties. He then founded Mission Hills Church and helped the church grow

from 30 to 1400 people. After 16 years as a pastor at Mission Hills Church, he decided to leave ministry to work with homeless families. Goff worked briefly with Solutions for Change to help homeless families before moving onto work at Great Oak Ranch.

Goff decided to leave his job at Greak Oak Ranch in order to leave the chaos of California and get back into ministry. Goff's five children are all adults and out of the house so he said that he was able to consider something different. Goff said that his wife loves the Pacific Northwest and that factored into their decision to come to Plain.

Because of coronavirus, Plain Community Church's search for candidates began virtually. Goff said that he went through a series of Zoom interviews with different people and committees in the church. Sixty-seven candidates applied and Goff was the last one to apply. After narrowing down candidates, a select few were invited to Plain for face to face interviews.

Goff said that he went to Plain

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Local and Regional News

Leavenworth Short Term Rental Agreements

By ERIN MULLINS

Reporter

The news of a new short term rental agreement passed by the Chelan County Board of Commissioners on July 27, 2021 left many wondering about the future of short term rentals. However, the City of Leavenworth already adopted their own short term rental code long before this was passed.

“The only thing [the new code] does is confirms that we basically are able to keep them out of our urban growth areas,” said Carl Florea, Mayor of Leavenworth.

On January 24, 2017 the Leavenworth City Council adopted a new Bed and Breakfast Ordinance which affirmed the prohibition of entire dwellings as vacation

rentals. The ordinance legalized short term rentals when the property owner lives on-site, obtains needed permits like a business license, and collects necessary taxes.

Florea said that the council initially adopted a short term rental code in 1987 but clarified and strengthened the code in 2017. Florea said that the ordinance was made to try to find a balance between the interests of short term rentals and other renters. However, the code is open to revision by the council.

“If it became a problem, then I think they would, you know, re-examine that,” he said.

Leavenworth Municipal Code allows for Bed and Breakfasts, which mean the owner lives on site throughout the visitors stay. Detached units with rooms and accessory dwelling

units are allowed to be a part of the Bed and Breakfast. Accessory dwellings can be a maximum of 1,200 square feet.

To establish a Bed and Breakfast, property owners must apply for and meet conditions for a conditional use permit. Requirements for Bed and Breakfasts include off-street parking, a residential appearance of the building and annual inspections.

Other requirements include a maximum of two people per bedroom, a written management plan with 24/7 contact information and an affidavit certifying that the property owner will comply with all of the provisions of the code. The hearing examiner can impose other conditions, if found necessary for the best interests of the surrounding area. Overnight rentals without

an owner are only allowed in commercial zones of Leavenworth like above Enchantment Park, Florea said. The city’s short term rental restrictions apply only to Leavenworth proper.

However, the newly published Chelan County short term rental code does not allow for short term rentals in the Peshastin Urban Growth Area. The code allows for a 6% maximum share of short-term rentals in Lake Wenatchee and Unincorporated Urban Growth Areas.

Although they are illegal, short term rentals have existed in Leavenworth. The system for disciplining illegal short term rentals is a complaint system, Florea said. If the city gets a complaint from a citizen about an illegal short term rental, they will follow up and investigate. The complaint system has been successful, and the city does not currently receive a lot of complaints about illegal rentals, Florea said.

“We got a lot of those complaints upfront. But over time it’s kind of settled down and it just still happens, but not nearly as often,” he said. The first step the city takes

to address illegal rentals is to contact the owner and issue a verbal warning, Florea said. The next step is a written notice. If there is still a problem after that, the penalties kick in.

The first fine is \$250 and later fines escalate to \$1,000 and then to \$1,500. If the rental still does not shut down, the owners could be fined \$250 per day, but Florea said that has never happened.

The property owner is responsible for problems that licensed Bed and Breakfasts cause, Florea said. Since the owner lives on property, Bed and Breakfasts typically do not receive the same complaints that illegal rentals do, Florea said.

It is estimated that short term rentals in the Leavenworth area take up over 15% of the housing stock, Florea said. The goal is to reduce the numbers of short term rentals to the 6% cap, he said. When those units are sold, they will not be allowed to be short term rentals until the total number of short term rentals is brought down to the 6% cap.

“We are impacted because every home that’s a short term rental,” Florea said,

“even though it’s out in the county and it’s not within the city limits, it’s still within the Leavenworth area. And it takes a house away from somebody who could be a permanent resident. When you do that you raise housing costs for people that do want to reside here.”

Florea said that he knows of a man who lived in a cul-de-sac with five homes where it was legal to convert the houses to short term rentals. The cul-de-sac used to have family gatherings and block parties, but the other houses were sold one by one and converted to short term rentals with parties every weekend.

The short term rentals destroyed the neighborhood, Florea said. Short term rentals, he said, are not compatible with a neighborhood and belong in commercial areas. Florea said that while the commissioners did the best they could to compromise with a difficult problem, the Chelan County code should have limited short term rental use further.

“I think the county should have done the same thing. They should have designated some areas that were for commercial ventures, or whatever,” he said.

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.

July 30	August 3	August 4
07:39 Assault, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway	00:37 Welfare Check, 20752 Chiwawa Loop Rd.	06:06 Trespass, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway
08:02 Suspicious, 18895 Alpine Acres Rd., Plain	12:28 Welfare Check, 8703 Alice Ave. #2, Dryden	09:45 Attempt to Locate, Stuart Lake Trail
08:36 Welfare Check, 1250 U.S. Hwy. 2, McDonalds	14:06 Agency Assist, 77 Fox Hollow Rd.	10:05 Attempt to Locate, Stuart Lake Trail
10:22 Parking/Abandon 615 Birch St.	14:17 Extra Patrol, 7550 U.S. Hwy. 97	12:57 Accident No Injury, 960 U.S. Hwy. 2
10:37 Public Assist, 7226 North Dryden Rd., Dryden	16:41 Trespass, 585 U.S. Hwy. 2, Leavenworth	16:19 Fraud/ Forgery, 414 Ash St.
11:18 Property, Downtown Leavenworth	17:04 Hazard, 9962 School St., Peshastin	16:50 Juvenile Problem, Blackbird Island
11:48 Welfare Check. U.S. Hwy. 2 & Alpensee Strasse.	17:33 Accident Injury, 213 14th St., Hot Yoga	22:12 Property, 1329 U.S. Hwy. 2, Dan's Food Market
13:49 Attempt to Locate, 11551 U.S. Hwy. 2	17:39 911, 585 U.S. Hwy. 2	23:39 Welfare Check, 185 U.S. Hwy. 2, Fairbridge Inn
14:22 Parking/Abandon, Cedar Brae Rd. & SR 207, Lake Wenatchee	18:57 Property, 920 U.S. Hwy. 2, Union 76	
15:39 Search and Rescue, Mount Stuart		
16:41 Theft, 721 Commercial St., Blackbird Island		
17:20 Animal Problem, 116 River Bend Dr., Safeway		
17:23 Traffic Offense, Chumstick Hwy. MP 1		
17:39 Fraud/Forgery, 3346 Allen Ln., Peshastin		
19:03 Theft, 116 River Bend Dr.		
19:15 Theft, 201 Riverside Dr.		
20:50 Malicious Mischief, 58 Norling Ln.		
21:59 Search and Rescue, Snow Lakes		
22:00 911, 11113 Chumstick Hwy.		
August 1		
11:22 Harass/Threat, 256 Whitman St.		
11:25 Harass/Threat, 3657 Cottonwood Ln.		
16:18 Agency Assist, 9073 U.S. Hwy. 2		
16:27 Welfare Check, 617 U.S. Hwy. 2		
16:33 Disturbance, 636 Front St. Vicontis		
17:06 Public Assist, 351 Fields Point Rd.		
17:25 Alarm, 9020 Icicle Rd.		
19:18 Burglary, 303 Whitman St.		
19:25 Animal Problem, 8905 Deadman Hill Rd.		
August 2		
00:13 911, 90 A Mill St.		
00:16 Attempt to Locate, Stuart Lake Trail		
01:40 DUI, 90 A Mill St.		
09:43 Parking/Abandon Icicle Rd. MP 8		
10:41 Property, 185 U.S. Hwy. 2.		
13:24 Accident Injury, Chumstick Hwy. & North Rd.		
13:35 Suspicious, 3199 Allen Ln., Peshastin		
15:24 Property, 50 U.S. Hwy. 2, Icicle Village		
16:39 Miscellaneous, 18130 Sunland Dr.		
17:55 Disturbance, 12708 U.S. Hwy. 2, Heidelberg		
20:54 Civil, 19045 Gill Creek Rd., Lake Wenatchee		
August 5		
08:19 Animal Problem, 3333 Hansel Ln, Peshastin		
10:40 Diversion, 11610 Eagle Creek Rd.		
10:47 Off Road Vehicle, 14193 Chiwawa Loop Rd.		
14:30 Noise, 3863 Old Blewett Rd., Peshastin		
16:35 Drugs, 1329 U.S. Hwy. 2, Dan's Food Market		
16:50 Public Assist, 22744 Lake Wenatchee Hwy.		
17:11 Animal Problem, 10461 Stemm Rd.		
18:02 Prowler, 22728 Brown Rd., Lake Wenatchee		
20:41 Accident No Injury, 239 Prospect St. #A		
22:37 Noise, 10460 Fox Rd.		

Leavenworth Oktoberfest Markt Is Not Your Typical Oktoberfest!

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We understand there has been some confusion regarding the Leavenworth Oktoberfest this year...We want to make it very clear that this is not a “normal” Oktoberfest. This year will be the Oktoberfest Markt it is a “street fair vibe” only. Food and Vendor booths will be placed in our normal footprint. There is no scheduled entertainment, shuttles, or beer. Our intention with the Vendor Market is to give a “Hand Up” to so many of the small business owners and artisans who have struggled so much over the last year and half.

Back in March the Leavenworth Oktoberfest

was Officially Cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. After a lot of deliberation, the Oktoberfest team felt that anything less than the authentic Oktoberfest Celebration normally thrown would be a disservice to all our loyal attendees. At that time, there were still so many COVID-19 guidelines that were affecting our entertainment, food service, dance floors, singing, social distancing and the list goes on. Our main focus was to protect our patrons from losings their deposits for accommodations and travel expenses.

We are also unsure of the future of the “Leavenworth Oktoberfest”. The new City Administration is seeking a new kind of partnership for a marquee event in October 2022.

They have decided that the 23-year-old, World recognized “Leavenworth Oktoberfest” is no longer working for the City of Leavenworth. Projekt Bayern who owns and operates the Leavenworth Oktoberfest has always worked in conjunction with the City Administration in the past. Any complaints or criticism was always handled above and beyond. Projekt Bayern’s goal each year was to promote and protect the city and its residents, but also deliver a First-Class event for the Tourists coming to our beautiful city.

Currently we are actively working on a proposal for 2022 and will continue to keep you informed on our website at www.LeavenworthOktoberfest.com and Facebook page with any updates.

New Pastor

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for two face to face interviews at different times and he preached at the church and they voted on him. Everyday as a pastor is different. Goff spends Mondays studying and getting ready for the Sunday sermon.

On Tuesday, Goff said that he meets with staff members or church members in the afternoon. He finishes the sermon on Wednesday and does counseling in the afternoons. He does most of his meetings with church members on Thursdays.

Goff said that he tries to take Friday off with his wife. However, that doesn’t always happen. He said that sometimes people still come by the parsonage on Fridays to chat, get a question answered or get advice. On Saturday, he polishes the sermon and does other things for the church. Sunday, of course, is church.

“I love helping people,” Goff said. “And the way I would say it is I really love the messy

middle of life. I love just helping people through that. Everybody has difficulties, and everybody needs some advice once in a while, some help getting through a tough spot.”

Plain Community Church is a reflection of the valley, Goff said. The church is home to retired folks, families with children, single adults, and part time residents. It has a small youth group for children in middle school and high school. Recently, the church hosted Vacation Bible Camp.

Over 80 kids attended for five days in a row, Goff said. The church served over 750 meals during the course of the camp. When every child was picked up at the end of the day, they got a free meal for dinner.

Community is part of what factored into Goff’s decision to come to Plain. In a follow up email, he said that attending a small church in the valley that supports orphans in Africa, sponsors VBS for the community and gives away food to those in need attracted him to Plain Community Church. “Jennie and I wanted to make

a difference with our lives and Plain Community Church was a church that is already making a difference,” he said.

The pace of life is a lot different in Plain than in San Diego, Goff said. In San Diego, he would have 6 to 7 meetings a day and he knew what they were and how his day would go. In Plain, Goff may have something scheduled but then somebody comes by the parsonage and they need help.

“People have a little bit more time and they’re just used to stopping by and chatting when they want to chat,” he said.

Goff said that his younger children have already come up to Plain to visit several times. They call the parsonage the “summer vacation” home and enjoyed coming up to see what the valley has to offer.

What the valley has to offer is a lot of personal connection. Goff said that what he has enjoyed most about being pastor at Plain Community Church is sitting on people’s decks, eating a meal with them and getting to know them.

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'Preppers' Quietly Stock Up for the 'Perfect Storm'

ALLAN STEIN

A crippling ice storm that left Travis Maddox and thousands of other Missouri residents without power in 2007 had an “almost apocalyptic feel to it.”

“No one could move. It just shut the whole region down for two weeks. I wasn't as prepared as I thought,” said Maddox, a burly man of 43, sporting a long black beard, T-shirt, cargo pants, and baseball cap, while tending his garden.

Those two weeks made Maddox realize that being prepared—“prepping,” as it's called today—was the key to a life of self-reliance and personal freedom.

To me, the ultimate level of prepping is being self-sufficient. You're still being modern, but you're in control.

Travis Maddox, prepper

As an Eagle Scout, he never forgot the Boy Scout motto: Be prepared.

“To me, the ultimate level of prepping is being self-sufficient. You're still being modern, but you're in control,” Maddox told *The Epoch Times* on Aug. 5.

In 2009, Maddox launched his YouTube channel, “The Prepared Homestead,” which now has over 32,000 subscribers.

People, he said, are waking up to the worsening reality of supply chain disruptions and food shortages, and rapid political and social changes that all point toward “a perfect storm” just ahead.

The COVID-19 lockdowns and empty store shelves only served to heighten popular sentiment that the “old normal” is gone, he said.

“When the pandemic struck, we started seeing all this panic buying,” Maddox said. “What's really increased is the number of people that contact me. These are really personal emails. They're not crazy extremists. These are single moms, elderly people, disabled people, regular working people. They're realizing

that things are changing. They can just feel things are changing rapidly,” he said.

“The riots [of 2020] were bad. The election was bad. Now what's happening is the whole world is starting to change.”

Talk of a global political and economic “Great Reset” and vaccine passports have done little to diminish anxiety among the unvaccinated that society is about to turn its back on them. And so they and others prepare—with food, water, alternative power sources, survival gear, and plans to leave the city if possible for the relative safety of rural areas.

Along with “The Prepared Homestead,” a host of other YouTube channels cater to seasoned and beginning preppers, including “Magic Prepper” in North Dakota, “Angry Prepper” in New York City, “Alaska Prepper,” “Ice Age Farmer,” and many others.

Maddox said “The Prepared Homestead” began as a way to share basic gardening tips that grew in scope as political and economic circumstances changed.

Now he produces at least six videos per week, touching upon such controversial topics as forced vaccination, firearms confiscation, and “cultural secession”—living apart from the government and its “woke” culture—while using careful language to avoid the YouTube censors.

“A huge portion of our country is saying you've gone too far,” Maddox said. “We're seeing not just a rapid change in politics and policies and the economy, we're seeing a rapid change in the heart and soul of America.”

While many individual preppers and prepper organizations try to remain anonymous, the number of people preparing appears to be growing. In the last year alone, roughly 45 percent of Americans, or about 116 million people, said they spent money preparing for hard times or spent money stockpiling survival goods, according to *Finder.com*.

Maddox, however, said there's a big difference between prepping and “hoarding.”

“Prepping is something most people did all the time” in bygone years. “Our grandparents were preppers. I sus-



Travis Maddox, a prepper and producer of “The Prepared Homestead” on YouTube, feeds his turkeys and chickens.

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A prepper collects eggs from his chickens, which he raises at his home in Sebastopol, Calif., on March 30, 2017.

Bansemmer said that being prepared isn't about politics—it's that ‘people just need to eat.’

pect if things continue to worsen, preppers will be made to be the bad guys,” he said.

In the months following the pandemic lockdowns, online stores that serve a growing number of preppers have experienced record-breaking sales and interest in their products.

Keith Bansemmer, president of My Patriot Supply in Salt Lake City, said his business has grown exponentially amid widespread fears of a return to COVID-19 lockdowns, empty store shelves, and forced vaccinations that will limit personal freedoms.

“For those that choose not to be vaccinated, the fear is that it's going to restrict their access to certain things,” Ban-

semmer told *The Epoch Times*.

In a word—food.

“Since mid-July, we have seen a [six-fold] increase in orders and are shipping several thousand orders daily from our centers in Utah, Missouri, and Ohio,” Bansemmer said. “Americans are quietly preparing.”

Bansemmer said My Patriot Supply has provided over 1 million families in the U.S. with emergency foods, water filtration, and other survival products since the start of the pandemic in March 2020.

“We own and operate three large warehouses covering over 500,000 square feet. We spent the last year adding 10 times the additional capacity to our operations to best serve our customers during times of crisis and emergencies during spikes in orders like we are seeing now,” Bansemmer said.

“An increasing number of those new to preparing have placed orders recently. They are primarily purchasing our large food kits that average over 2,000 calories per day and last up to 25 years in storage. The most popular item right now is our 3-Month Emergency Food Kit.”

In the end, he said, being prepared isn't about politics—it's

that “people just need to eat.”

At South Carolina-based Practical Preppers, a supplier of emergency preparing supplies, President Scott Hunt said COVID is “definitely a driver of increased demand.”

“The social and political divisions are also making people nervous,” he told *The Epoch Times*.

The Texas ice storm and the Colonial pipeline ransom earlier this year “really caused people everywhere to pursue independence,” he said.

“Electrical independence is very high on everyone's list. I predict demand will outstrip supply this month or the next. Shipping difficulties play a very large role in this. Port congestion and trucking shortages are contributing to this perfect storm,” Hunt said.

As a seasoned prepper, Maddox said homesteading is the next level preparing for hard times. He lives with his wife and daughter in a family-built house tucked away in the pristine Ozarks with the goal of living off the grid.

The family raises goats, chickens, sheep, turkeys, and grows a variety of fruits and vegetables including squash, corn, and asparagus in a large garden.

American Employers Added 943,000 Jobs in July

TOM OZIMEK

America's private employers in July added 943,000 jobs—a proxy for new hires—in a sign that the U.S. economy enjoyed a solid burst of job growth as the labor market recovery continues.

The Labor Department's jobs report, released Aug. 6, shows that nonfarm payroll employment rose by 943,000 in July, topping the 850,000 jobs U.S. employers added in June.

Ahead of the release, economists' estimates varied widely—from 350,000 to as much as 1.6 million, according to a Reuters review of institutional forecasts.

Driving the uncertainty are the dynamics of the pandemic, particularly the spread of the Delta variant of the CCP virus, which the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

The [Biden] administration must reexamine their policies holding the economy back & prioritize getting Americans back to work.

Sen. Jim Risch

considers more transmissible and potentially more resistant to vaccines.

But while the resurgence in COVID-19 infections poses a risk to economic recovery, there's no sign yet of any significant impact.

“While the Delta variant has sparked a rise in COVID cases, there's scant indication this is translating to a measurable reduction in economic activity in

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A “Now Hiring” sign outside a store in San Francisco on June 3, 2021.

the U.S. so far, suggesting little meaningful impact on employment,” Bankrate senior economic analyst Mark Hamrick said in an emailed statement to *The Epoch Times*.

While economic output has fully bounced back to its pre-pandemic levels, the labor market recovery is trailing. After shedding over 22 million jobs in the first two months of the pandemic, the U.S. econo-

my has since recovered nearly 17 million jobs.

The Labor Department's jobs report also showed that the unemployment rate dropped by 0.5 percentage points to 5.4 percent in July, while the total number of unemployed persons fell by 782,000 to 8.7 million.

While these measures are down considerably from their highs at the end of the February–April 2020 recession,

they remain well above their pre-pandemic levels of 3.5 percent and 5.7 million in February 2020, the Labor Department said.

The brisk economic recovery has also driven down the number of American workers seeking unemployment benefits, which last week fell to a pandemic-era low, although the number remains historically elevated.

Initial filings for unemployment insurance, a proxy for layoffs, came in at 385,000 for the week ending July 31, a drop of 14,000 over the previous week's revised level, the Labor Department said in a statement on Aug. 5.

While the drop in initial jobless claims reflects the dynamics of a rebounding economy, the number of last week's filings is nearly twice as high as the pre-pandemic weekly average of around 220,000, suggesting the labor market still has a ways to go in its recovery.

“It was about a year ago when new claims first fell below the

1 million level for the first time after the pandemic began. In total, some 12.9 million Americans continue to receive some form of jobless assistance, which remains historically elevated,” Hamrick said.

Some Republicans and economists have blamed generous unemployment benefits—in particular, the federal pandemic jobless compensation boost—for sidelining workers by discouraging them from taking jobs.

“With jobless claims remaining high, the administration must reexamine their policies holding the economy back & prioritize getting Americans back to work,” Sen. Jim Risch (R-Idaho) said in a statement.

American businesses posted a record 9.2 million job openings in May, faster than applicants are showing up to fill them. In the face of business hiring difficulties, some two dozen states have moved to end early their participation in the extended federal unemployment programs.

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NYC Restaurants Taken Aback by News of Vaccine Passport Requirement

PETR SVAB

NEW YORK CITY—Just as New York City restaurateurs thought they would perhaps see their way out of crushing COVID-19 restrictions and back to “normalcy,” the city’s government dealt another blow: Restaurants will now have to check customers for proof of vaccination, or themselves face fines.

In response, restaurant owners seem to have flocked to one of two positions. Some support the rule as long as it prevents more lockdowns, while others reject it as an unreasonable imposition on their already vulnerable operations.

Restaurants have been among the hardest hit by the lockdowns imposed amid the CCP virus pandemic. New York City boasted a flourishing restaurant scene in 2019, with more than 23,000 establishments and more than 300,000 employed, according to a state comptroller report.

The lockdowns slashed employment by about two-thirds in the sector in April 2020. It has been gradually recovering since, in major part depending on federal relief funding and the solidarity of their landlords. December 2020 sales were 50 to 100 percent lower than the year before for most restaurants and bars, according to a survey by the NYC Hospitality Alliance, an industry group. For two in five, sales were 90 to 100 percent lower. If the government stopped supports such as rent subsidies and the eviction ban, nearly half said they’d go out



Karla Martinez, manager of Chirp restaurant in Manhattan's Garment District in New York on Aug. 4, 2021.

of business. Only 15 percent said they wouldn't. The rest weren't sure.

The vaccine requirement, announced by Mayor Bill de Blasio on Aug. 3, would apply to both staff and customers at restaurants, bars, gyms, and entertainment venues. It may be expanded to other establishments, too, a New York City Department of Health official told The Epoch Times.

Businesses will have to ask customers for their vaccination card issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) or vaccination confirmation on the city or state phone app. The rule goes into effect on Aug. 16 and enforcement through inspec-

tions will start Sept. 13.

More than a third of New Yorkers haven't received even the first of the two doses of the vaccine, which was developed at record speed last year and rolled out through an emergency authorization before the completion of clinical trials.

It still isn't clear how the NYC requirement will work in practice, head of the alliance Andrew Rigie told The Epoch Times.

“The city announced the policy and over the coming weeks is going to develop the guidelines, so many questions still need to be answered,” he wrote via email. “We will work to inform the guidelines to make them as clear and fair

to restaurants as possible.”

Bar and restaurant owners are “very split on the issue,” he said, based on conversations the alliance has had with some of them.

“Some support it, others oppose it. All seem to agree we can't go to harsher restrictions and shutdowns again,” he said.

For Karla Martinez, manager of Chirp restaurant in Manhattan's Garment District, the rule announcement was “confusing.”

“The mayor saying one thing, the governor saying another thing, the CDC saying yet another thing,” she said.

Some people are already irked when asked to put on a mask. Asking for a vaccination

card will only exacerbate the situation, she said. “They're going to get angry.”

She wasn't even sure how to enforce the rule, noting that she doesn't have the budget to have a person stand by the door checking people's vaccination papers.

The Peruvian restaurant has been around for three years, barely surviving the lockdowns and still hanging on by a thread.

“It's still rough,” she said. “Every day, it's very uncertain for us. We don't know if tomorrow we're going to be able to open the doors.”

She's hoping the rule won't cost her customers.

“But at this point, we don't

know anything,” she said.

Mostafa Zouini, manager at nearby Cafe Aroma, said he would comply with the rule, but that it would make some customers unhappy.

“It's like going back to square one,” he said.

He recalled the backlash he received when the city told establishments to have customers put down their email addresses for contact tracing and even have their temperature checked before getting served.

“They used to get mad and leave,” he said.

Down the street, the manager at the Italian eatery Pomodoro opposed the new rule.

“It's stupid, because it's not our job to police people,” he said, identifying himself only by his last name, Liu.

He said he supports everybody getting vaccinated, but he's not in favor of turning away customers based on that.

“Whether you're not vaccinated or you're vaccinated, you're still my customer,” he said.

He expects businesses will ignore the rule rather than lose customers over it.

“People are not going to follow,” he said, suggesting it's the government's fault so many people aren't getting the shot.

A lack of incentives isn't the core issue holding people back, he said. The problem is that “there's no outreach.” The government should just focus on educating people, in his view.

“Instead, they're forcing these ridiculous laws on us,” he said.



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Pro-life activists demonstrate in front of the U.S. Supreme Court during the 47th annual March for Life in Washington on Jan. 24, 2020.

Tennessee's 48-Hour Abortion Wait Period Is Legal, Federal Appeals Court Rules

IVAN PENTCHOUKOV

A federal circuit court on Aug. 5 upheld the constitutionality of a Tennessee law that requires doctors to provide pregnant women seeking an abortion with materials about the safety of the procedure and have them wait two days before performing the procedure.

“Tennessee's 48-hour abortion waiting period is facially constitutional. The law is supported by a rational basis, and it is not a substantial obstacle to abortion for a large fraction of women seeking pre-viability abortions in Tennessee,” Circuit Court Judge Amul Thapar wrote in an opinion.

The decision is the latest development in a decades-long legal saga surrounding the 48-hour rule. The state first enacted the law in 1978, but a federal court blocked it based on a case that predated Planned Parenthood v. Casey, a case in which the Supreme Court upheld a

24-hour waiting period for an abortion.

After Planned Parenthood v. Casey was decided, the Tennessee Supreme Court ruled in 2000 that the law violated the state's constitution. Tennessee voters responded to that decision by amending the state's constitution to specify that it doesn't protect the right to an abortion.

After the state constitution was amended, Tennessee again enacted a 48-hour law, which required doctors to provide pregnant mothers with certain information, including the age of the child, alternatives to abortion, and the medical risks of abortion and pregnancy. The law included an exception for medical emergencies.

A group of abortion providers sued but didn't request for the law to be suspended. The statute went into effect in 2015 and remained in force for five years. The plaintiffs alleged that the law was unconstitutional and

imposed a burden on mothers seeking abortions.

Thapar noted that while the law was in effect, the level of abortions remained the same in the state, with about 10,000 unborn children aborted every year after the law was passed.

Last year, a district court held a trial and concurred with the plaintiffs, finding that the law was unconstitutional because it imposed an undue burden on women seeking abortions. Judge Karen Nelson Moore was the only member of the 16 judges on the circuit to dissent with the Aug. 5 decision.

“An honest look at the record compels but one conclusion: a law that peddles in stigma, forces women into unnecessary and invasive surgical procedures, and forces low-income women to sacrifice basic necessities for themselves and their families in order to obtain an abortion is nothing if not an undue burden,” Moore wrote. “I dissent.”

Los Angeles City Council Proposes COVID-19 Vaccination Passports for Restaurants, Theaters

JACK PHILLIPS

Los Angeles City Council members introduced a measure on Aug. 4 that seeks to require people to show proof that they've had a COVID-19 vaccine to enter some indoor public spaces, including theaters and restaurants, following a similar mandate announced by New York City earlier this week.

In an announcement on Twitter, City Council President Nury Martinez wrote that “many Angelenos stepped up and did their part,” and “they shouldn't be penalized with closures by those unwilling to do theirs.”

The legislation would direct the city attorney to draft an ordinance requiring people aged 16 and older to have received at least one vaccine dose to gain access to indoor public spaces.

The indoor spaces include but are “not limited to restaurants, bars, retail establishments, fitness centers, spas, and entertainment centers, such as stadiums, concert venues, and movie theaters,” the text of the measure said.

Martinez, a Democrat, issued a statement alongside the proposal and effectively blamed people who aren't vaccinated for exacerbating the COVID-19 pandemic. He, along with most other officials, made no mention of “natural immunity” among people who contracted and survived COVID-19.

“We have three vaccines that

City Council President Nury Martinez has blamed people who aren't vaccinated for exacerbating the COVID-19 pandemic.

work and are readily available, so what's it going to take? Our kids are about to return to school, and the unvaccinated are putting their lives at risk every day. Ask your questions, talk to your doctor and get the vaccine. Let's put this behind us,” he said.

New York Mayor Bill de Blasio announced earlier this week that the city would roll out vaccine mandates for gyms, restaurants, theaters, and other venues starting in mid-September. It isn't clear yet how that will be enforced in the thousands and thousands of restaurants and cafes around New York City.

Some restaurant owners in New York City told local media that for them, it would be virtually impossible to enforce such a mandate.

Seongmin Jun, the manager of Dear Han Cafe in Queens, asked: “Will customers get offended for checking if they got COVID vaccinations? I mean I don't know how to do that, or even if I will have time to do that.”

And such a system and other

vaccine passport-type systems have been flagged by civil liberties groups as being authoritarian and would create a segregated society. The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) earlier this year wrote there “is a lot that can go wrong” with vaccine passport systems.

“We don't oppose in principle the idea of requiring proof of vaccination in certain contexts. But given the enormous difficulty of creating a digital passport system, and the compromises and failures that are likely to happen along the way, we are wary about the side effects and long-term consequences it could have. We will be closely watching developments in this area,” the ACLU said.

Even some Democrat officials have rebuffed calls for vaccine passport mandates, including Boston Acting Mayor Kim Janey, who this week compared vaccine passports in New York City to slavery-era freedom papers and Jim Crow laws.

“There's a long history in this country of people needing to show their papers,” Janey told local media. The mayor then listed examples “during slavery, post-slavery, as recent as ... what [the] immigrant population has to go through here.”

“Here, we want to make sure that we are not doing anything that would further create a barrier for residents of Boston or disproportionately impact” minority groups, she added.

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Employment
Help Wanted

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant (COTA) to provide therapeutic services to enhance the goals and objectives with patient care directed by the OT. The COTA will be responsible for implementing programs developed by the OT in compliance with all local, state, and federal regulations. Graduate of an accredited OT Assistant program. Certification as OT Assistant in the state of WA with valid license. Two years' work experience in a hospital setting and/ or swing bed program is preferred. Current BLS. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

CASCADE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Cascade School District is seeking qualified applicants for the following position:

Elementary Music Teacher

Fast Track application process and information can be found on our website at: www.cascadesed.org EOE



Help Wanted

Part-time Administrative Assistant for Lake Chelan Lutheran Church. Equivalent of approximately one day/ week. Work is on-site and located near downtown Chelan. Competitive salary. www.lakechelanlutheran.org Please reply to orrestad@aol.com

CASCADE SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Cascade School District is seeking qualified applicants for the following positions:

Icicle River Middle School Intervention Specialist

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THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

LAB TECHNICIAN/ TECHNOLOGIST Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Lab Tech to perform various technical, clerical and information systems related procedures in Chemistry, Hematology, Microbiology, Blood Bank. A.S Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology or related scientific field with a one-year internship or one year of clinical experience. Professional certification as a MLT (ASCP) or equivalent is highly recommended. Will include weekends and after-hours call-time. Sign-on Bonus: \$5,000. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE



Douglas County PUD has an opening for: **Hatchery Specialist, Wells Hatchery** Closes: 8/19/2021, 5 pm Details at www.douglaspu.org

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Help Wanted

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Organization: Okanogan County Transit Authority (TranGO)

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Application Deadline: Application review will begin September 3, 2021 and will continue until the position is filled.

Okanogan County Transit Authority is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

OR Manager Full-Time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking an OR Manager to oversee the OR nursing staff and the surgery department. Candidate must have current WA State RN license and ACLS & BLS. Must be proficient in orthopedic, general and OB/ GYN surgeries. Should have 2-3 years of progressively responsible experience in hospital nursing, including leadership assignments. Excellent communication and discretionary skills. Monday-Friday, 8-hour shifts. No call time. Sign-on bonus: \$5,000. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

Brewster School District Opening

Brewster School District is accepting applications for a High School Advanced Mathematics teacher for grades 9-12. Classes to be taught are Algebra 2, Geometry and Pre-Calculus. Applications are available on the district's website at brewsterbears.org or by calling 509-689-3418. This position is open until filled. Brewster School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer

Help Wanted

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

Revenue Cycle Director Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Revenue Cycle Director to manage our revenue cycle team, includes Patient Access/ Registration, Health Information, Patient Financial Services and Chargemaster. The Revenue Cycle Director will lead the revenue cycle in developing, planning, and managing work initiatives within the revenue cycle. Bachelor's degree in a relevant area of expertise such as business or finance or an equivalent combination of education and relevant experience is required. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

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THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

ER NURSE Full-time/ Nights

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking an ER Nurse to provide nursing assessment, treatment and evaluation of ER patients and outpatients. Current WA State RN license required. Current BLS / CPR, ACLS, TNCC and PALS certifications. Two years' Med/Surg experience or one-year ER experience preferred. Rotating days and includes some weekends. Sign-on Bonus: \$5,000. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

Help Wanted

Full and Part-time Housekeeper, Bedmaker and Laundry Worker

The Enzian Inn is hiring full and part-time Housekeepers, Bedmakers and Laundry workers. Core hours are usually 9 AM to 2 PM. Earlier and later start & finish times often available. Enjoy a positive work environment with a competitive wage. Health insurance is available for full time employees. Apply in person. 590 Hwy 2, Leavenworth.

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

Director of Quality Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Director of Quality to manage our quality program, including risk and compliance. Registered Nurse with a BSN degree is preferred; however, a minimum of a bachelor's degree in Business or related field may be considered. Three to five years healthcare experience is preferred. Strong skills required: organizational, interpersonal, communication, analytical, risk assessment, computer, statistics & math, and problem-solving. Attention to detail and a high moral integrity is crucial. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

Patient Account Rep Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Patient Account Rep. This position is responsible for handling outstanding accounts receivables and collections by promptly filing hospital inpatient and outpatient and clinic claims with payers, following up in a timely and efficient manner, to ensure maximum reimbursement is received for services provided. High School diploma or GED. Two years prior experience in a hospital business office preferred. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

Help Wanted

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a full-time Occupational Therapist. This position practices in the hospital and/ or clinic setting for inpatient and/or outpatient care. Includes oversight of the hospital swing bed program. A bachelor's degree in Occupational Therapy from an accredited/ AOTA approved OT program is required, and studies were accredited by the APTA. Current WA State OT license. Two years' work experience preferred. BLS required. Must have strong communication and interpersonal skills. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL

Informatics RN Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking an Informatics RN to support the hospital and clinic in the application of the EMR. Experience teaching clinicians with EMR, strategic planning and development, and familiar with continuous quality improvement methods is preferred. Strong computer skills and experience working with healthcare informatics systems. Excellent interpersonal skills required. Current WA State RN license required; BSN preferred. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

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Contact employment@pateros.org or the district office at 509-923-2751 x4 for more information.

First review of applications is 8/16/21. Positions open until filled. EOE

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Legals Public Notices

CITY OF CASHMERE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Whereas, pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 35.77.010 RCW, the City of Cashmere has prepared and revised a comprehensive transportation improvement program for the ensuing six years, and

Whereas, pursuant further to said law, a public hearing is required on said program, the City Council of the City of Cashmere will hold a public hearing on Monday, August 23, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street.

The public is invited to attend and make comment.

Kay Jones
City Clerk-Treasurer
CITY OF CASHMERE
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Public Notices

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR CHELAN COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of KEITH K. KOEPPPE, Deceased. NO. 21-4-00217-04

PROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator 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 Administrator or the Administrator'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 Administrator 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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ATTORNEY FOR ADMINISTRATOR: David Visser
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OVERCAST LAW OFFICES By: Visser, WSBA No. 41546 Attorney for Administrator Published In The Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on July 28, and August 4 and 11, 2021. #2445

Public Notices

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF STEVEN

In the Matter of the Estate of: LARRY R. WILCOX Deceased

NO. 21-4-00105-33
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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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Public Notices

Pursuant to RCW 35.21.157 and the contract between **Waste Management and the City of Cashmere**, Waste Management hereby provides notice to the public of rate changes for solid waste and recycling collection pursuant to the Solid Waste Collection Service agreement between Waste Management and the City of Cashmere. The Rate Adjustment will be effective October 1, 2021. More information concerning the 2021 Rate Adjustment can be obtained by calling Waste Management at (877)466-4668 or www.wmnorthwest.com/cashmere/index.html

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Public Notices

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON For Chelan County In the matter of the estate of Dolores Louise Bennett, Deceased.

No. 21-4-00095-04
Notice To Creditors (RCW 11.40.030)

The person 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 her 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 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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Carolyn Lee Hill, Personal Representative Attorney for the Personal Representative: Joseph C. Brown, Jr., WSBA #7991
Address for Mailing or Service: J.C. Brown Law Office, PLLC 200 Aplets Way, P.O. Box 384 Cashmere, WA 98815 (509) 782-1111
Court of probate proceeding and cause number: Chelan County Superior Court, Cause Number: 21-4-00095-04
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Public Notices

SUPERIOR COURT OF WASHINGTON FOR CHELAN COUNTY

In the Matter of the Estate of **GRETCHEN S. STARR, Deceased.** No. 21-4-00105-04
AMENDED 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: Wednesday, August 4, 2021
Personal Representative: Mary D. "Dolly" McClellan
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. 21-4-00105-04
MARY D. "DOLLY" MCCLELLAN Personal Representative Attorneys for Personal Representative: SPEIDEL BENTSEN LLP By: RUSSELL J. SPEIDEL WSBA No. 12838 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881 Wenatchee, WA 98807
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Public Notices

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF STEVEN

In the Matter of the Estate of: LARRY R. WILCOX Deceased

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

THEME: FOOTBALL ACROSS

1. *Sports analyst, ex-wide receiver Randy
5. Dashboard acronym
8. *Depth of an end zone, in yards
11. Fencing blade
12. Weight not charged for
13. Young hog
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16. Aroma
17. Nary a soul
18. *Line of
20. Spanish earthen pot
21. Pinocchio and the like
22. Bean house
23. Antonym of descent
26. Cycle taxi
30. Greek "P"
31. 50-50
34. Not happening
35. Newbies
37. Bert Bobbsey's twin
38. Like a neon sign
39. "Clueless" catch phrase
40. Not a desktop
42. Metal-bearing mineral
43. "Chim Chim Cher-ee" setting
45. Relating to nose
47. Actors' group
48. Sink hole
50. Golf club handle
52. *3-point score
56. Make a canyon, e.g.
57. Not written
58. Racing sled
59. ***Purple People *** song, inspiration for Vikings defensive line name
60. Like H. C. Andersen's duckling
61. Poet Pound
62. *AFC counterpart
63. Dreaming stage of sleep

64. Daytime entertainment DOWN
1. Hodgepodge
2. Oil cartel
3. Palm reader, e.g.
4. Old and mentally infirm
5. Weather-related Doppler tool
6. Programs, for short
7. Insignificant
8. Hammer or sickle
9. Europe's highest volcano
10. Born, in bio
12. Marinara fruit
13. Ornamental hair net
14. *Grabbing penalty
19. Breath freshener
22. *Pre-game encouragement
23. Rose oil
24. One's assertion
25. Collectible in a cabinet
26. *Fourth down option
27. Colonoscopy tract
28. Ancient assembly area
29. B in IBS
32. *Start of a football play
33. Goo on a trunk
36. *Scrimmage-related penalty
38. Plant louse
40. Yule firewood
41. By word of mouth
44. Candle shape
46. English in Spanish
48. Mourner's song
49. Camelot, to Arthur
50. Tennis great Steffi
51. College officer-training prog.
52. *Number of downs to get a first down
53. Anis-flavored aperitif
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Socialism vs Capitalism



IN MY OPINION
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It appears I have a debate going on between two local friends over the difference between Capitalism and Socialism. There is some truth on both sides of this debate.

The argument begins with, "Socialism is not a government system." That is true except for the fact that socialism is not possible without the complete support of the government. Just look at all of the failed attempts at creating a socialist state around the world.

Government bureaucrats love it because it gives them power to expand their influence on issues they see as the most important. Politicians love it because it provides them with issues to sell in campaigns that promise to improve your life.

The problem is there is never enough money to fix all of the problems we face, but more importantly, government programs have proven time and again that they are the least efficient way to address any problem.

Government programs always cost more and are never complete. Once a new bureaucracy is established to address an issue, the work is never done. Generally speaking, the people who work for and run these agencies have the best of intentions. The problem is without the fiscal constraints imposed by capitalistic controls like profit and return on

investment, social programs are a bottomless pit of need without the pressure of maximizing efficiencies.

If you want an example of a government social program that is failing, look no further than social security. It is a grand government program to guarantee everybody can retire with a pension. Nobody could retire and live on social security. Everybody paid into it, except the government employees and politicians who created it.

It has two fatal flaws. First, the money was not put into a fund and invested. Originally, there was a "trust fund" but the politicians have raided it and used the funds to pay for other social programs that do not earn a return on the investment. Second, it is actually an illegal Ponzi scheme that pays beneficiaries with the money the government collects from new investors.

I know some of you are going to say that the funds are put into government bonds that earn interest. That is far from a diversified portfolio of investments that would be required of a private pension plan. In fact, if a private pension plan put all of their pension fund money in their own company's stocks and bonds the executives would all end up in jail under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act or ERISA.

Another example of government social programs that do not provide what they promise is Medicare. The problem with this program is it does not pay the providers for the full cost of the care they provide. In fact, Medicare usually pays less than 40% of the patient's charges. There are some exceptions, but the result is the unpaid portion of

Medicare patient expenses must either be absorbed by the provider or passed on to other non-Medicare patients. It is a corrupt system that ultimately will cause the failure of private health care. If you think I am kidding look at the story about Confluence Health vs Premera Blue Cross.

Politicians suffer no penalty for their bad decisions except they might not get reelected. Bureaucrats suffer even fewer penalties.

A recent survey found 55% of the American people want the government to do more, not less. That suggests that most Americans are willing to exchange government inefficiency for personal freedom.

There are other ways we could address social needs without turning to government. Government is the least efficient way to fix anything with the possible exceptions of war and crime, and ours is rapidly failing there as well.

Incentivize private groups to address issues like poverty. Churches and private foundations could do the work under strict regulations that require a minimal percentage of the funds they collect for such work be used for administrative purposes. They would all be subject to independent audits of their programs. If they fail to conform to their charter they lose it.

Now I'm sure the atheists and others will be screaming that it violates the principle of separation of church and state as guaranteed under our Constitution. That's a red herring. The separations clause is about protecting churches from the state. It is not about protecting the state

from the churches.

Both political parties are guilty of creating the current mess we have in Washington DC. What we need is less government especially at the Federal level. In my opinion we should abolish the Department of Education. Leave education up to the states. I would also call for an across the board cut in Federal spending of 10%.

All government employees and elected officials should be subject to the same benefits that private industry employees receive. That would include changing the government pension plan from a defined benefit program to a defined contribution plan. In other words, government employees could make voluntary contributions to a privately managed plan. The government could match their contribution.

It is true that socialism is not a government system. The problem is government run social programs all ultimately collapse from excessive promises of politicians.

Our Federal Government needs a major house cleaning. The bureaucrats now control far too much of our lives and they want to control more. Trump tried to "drain the swamp" and you saw what lengths the entrenched bureaucracy went to in order to remove the threat to their control.

Wrenching back freedom from the grasp of the socialists who promise much but deliver little will be a tough fight. It must begin by rejecting the agenda of Democrats and RINO's who no longer represent the common man. Otherwise, the American Dream of personal freedom will be lost forever.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
Dear Editor:
 Just a note to again try to straighten out the misguided thinking of my friend, Bill Cowles, and perhaps even help some of his equally misguided friends to see the light...hmm interesting church song there...
 Bill, this is a quote from the San Diego County Sheriff's office employment site: "From the day you are hired, you will build towards retirement in the San Diego County's Pension System and you will qualify for several deferred compensation programs to bolster your life after your career. The San Diego Sheriff's Department does this to help insure a high quality of life for you and your family."
 Two more minor points Bill. The San Diego County Sheriff's department is 100% funded by tax dollars from the people of the county.
 Sorry, Bill, but you were not employed by a corporation. You were an employee of San Diego County working for the Sheriff's department of the County. You are a retired employee of a Socialist organization.
 Like it or not, Bill, you are misinformed about what Socialism is. I also suspect there's an even bigger problem here, my friend. The real problem is, you have no idea what Capitalism, Communism or Socialism are, as economic systems, and you really don't know the difference between economic and governmental.
 Here's a helpful hint: Government owned organizations, either Federal, State, County, City or Municipality are not Capitalist organizations. They are Socialist or Communist, and that's true even if the government organizations are located in the good ole USA. For you and me in our residences, we desperately need our local volunteer Fire Districts; those underpaid folks save lives, save properties and help the county sheriff folks keep us safe...socialism. Just sayin'.
 Mom and Pop, individual enterprises, partnerships, or large corporations owned by share-holders or exclusively by the founders are Capitalist organizations. So, my email is alex39@msn.com. Let's connect and I'll attempt to help you come to grips with what I can see is something that troubles you and shouldn't. Your trouble stems very simply from wrong information; you are misinformed.
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