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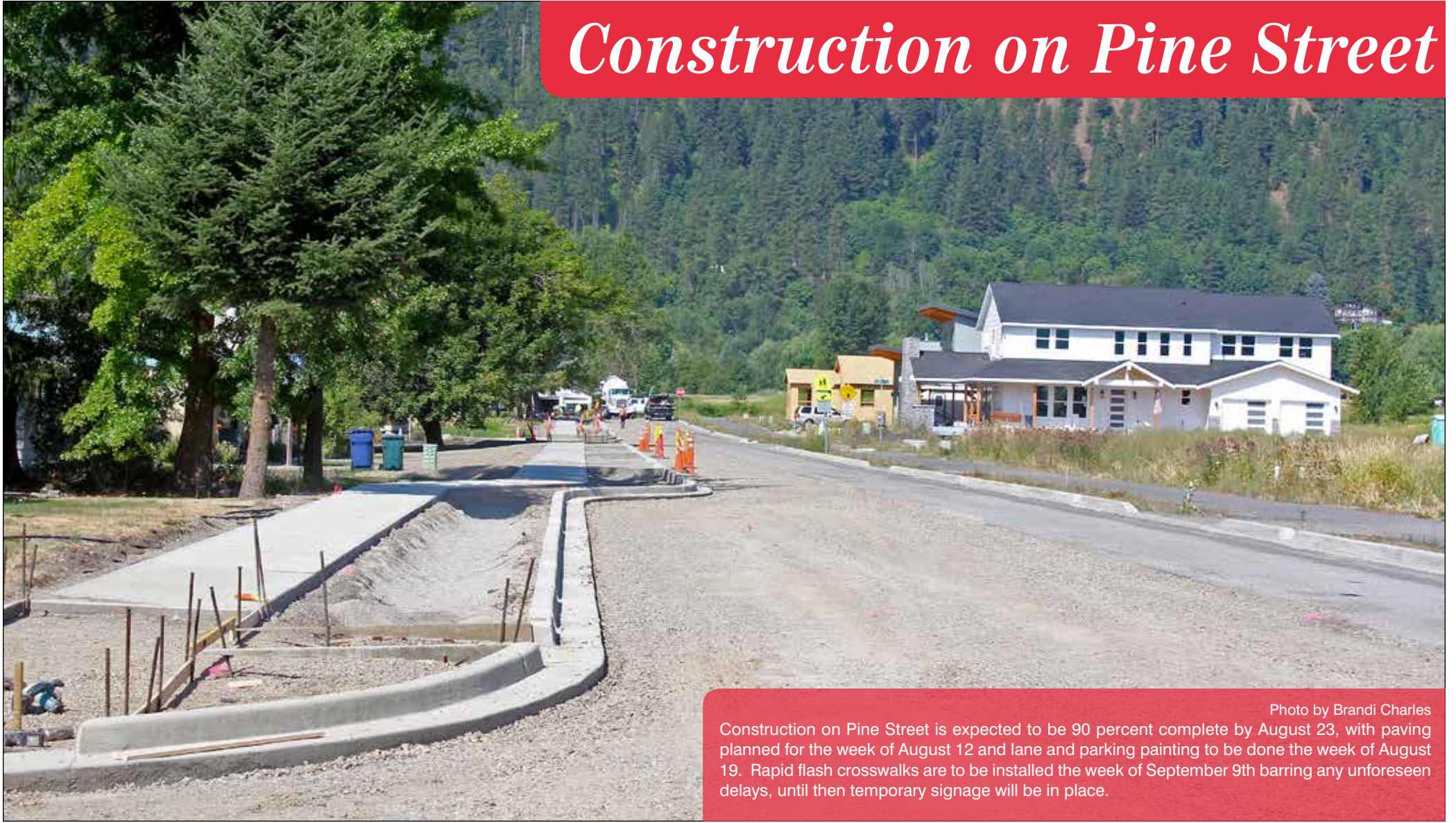


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Construction on Pine Street is expected to be 90 percent complete by August 23, with paving planned for the week of August 12 and lane and parking painting to be done the week of August 19. Rapid flash crosswalks are to be installed the week of September 9th barring any unforeseen delays, until then temporary signage will be in place.

## Land Trust Buys Key White River Property

*Newly protected acreage will increase salmon habitat, reconnect river oxbow*

SUBMITTED BY CDLT

The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust (CDLT) has purchased 40 acres on the lower White River for conservation of salmon habitat and improved public access.

The White River runs from glacial headwaters to Lake Wenatchee and provides some of the best spawning habitat for sockeye salmon – one of only two remaining stocks in the Columbia Basin.

Endangered spring Chinook, endangered steelhead, and threatened bull trout also use the White River for migration, spawning and rearing.

The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and the US Forest Service now own most of the floodplain and riverfront in the lower five miles of the White River.

This 40-acre parcel was one of the very few unprotected properties and its protection is key to the future reconnection of a river oxbow.

An oxbow is a former main channel that has become disconnected from the river – in this case, when a nearby bridge was built many years ago. With this acquisition, CDLT is one step closer to reconnecting the oxbow to provide side-channel fish habitat that is in short supply on the lower White River. CDLT's White River Preserve now permanently protects 683 acres and over 8.6 miles of riverfront, safeguarding important fish habitat, cool clean water, and providing improved public access to the river.

The Land Trust is grateful to Robert

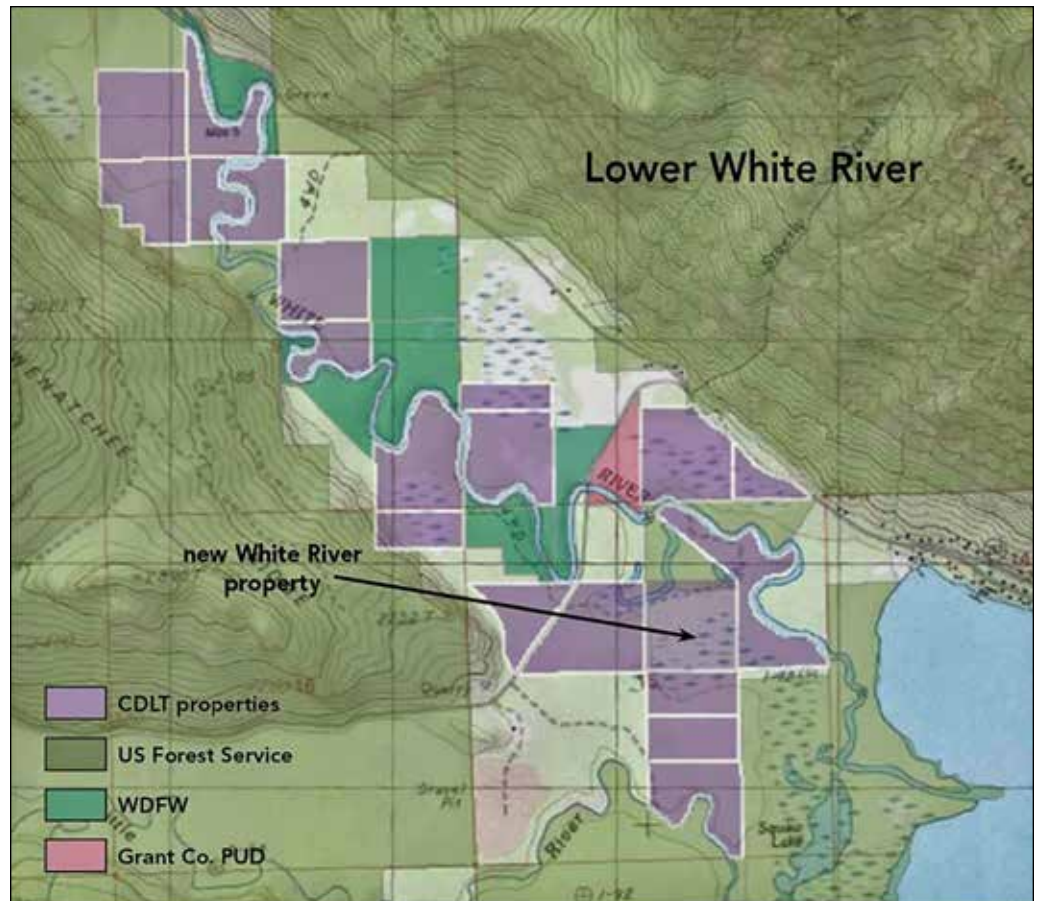
Martinson, who sold the property to CDLT.

The primary source of funding for this purchase was provided by the Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Habitat Subcommittee through Grant PUD's habitat funds.

Permanent stewardship of the property by the Land Trust is being made possible through the Tina Scull Opportunity Fund, founded by Tina and Eliot Scull as well as contributions from Terry and Suzanne

Sorom, and Bill and Mary Griffin.

*The Chelan-Douglas Land Trust is a local non-profit working to conserve our land, our water, and our way of life. The Land Trust has a 33-year record of working collaboratively with property owners and communities to identify and protect the region's most important natural landscapes forever. For more information: [cdlandtrust.org](http://cdlandtrust.org)*



Brandi Charles

Photo by Carol Forhan

### New Echo reporter

Lifelong southern California resident, born and raised in Pasadena. Traveled to Washington as an eight year old and vowed to live here some day. I "published" my first newspaper at age 11.

In my spare time I can be found traveling/exploring, studying other cultures, cooking, listening to music and writing.

I am currently working on an autobiography documenting my adventures over 20 years as a concert and festival lover and hope to publish a family cookbook in the near future.



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# Opinions

## There's a war going on in America

The American people are at war. We are at war with each other. It is a war for the very heart and soul of what makes America different than any other country on the planet.

One side of this war wants us to believe in the uniqueness and strength of the individual. The other side wants us to believe that the individual is powerless to overcome the oppressive inequalities of our society.

One side calls us to cheer success and individual achievement. The other side calls us to demean those who are successful as privileged, manipulative or even predatory.

Make no mistake. There are real casualties in this war. While the death toll is limited. People's lives are being destroyed. The worst example is how the law is being used to crush dissent or even twist the truth to extort a "fact" that can be used to destroy an opponent.

In the last few years the war has escalated through an increasingly divisive technique of group compartmentalization. In other words, only members of the "group" can represent or discuss the concerns of that group. Critics of the groups' complaints, including critics within the affected group, are dismissed with derogatory personal attacks on their motivation not



**IN MY  
OPINION**  
Bill Forhan  
Publisher

on the challenges they posit to the groups' complaint. The result is to stifle any meaningful debate on an issue no matter how insane the groups' complaint.

This is not the American system. America is not perfect, but it was founded on noble principles of individual equality and protection from persecution by the power of the state.

Today, those noble principles are being trampled by too many of us who would give special privilege to one group or another while dismissing criticism by anyone as only based on spurious motivations not on the substance of their argument.

The American system of justice has been turned on its head. When law enforcement has turned the oppressive power of the legal system into a weapon they can use to force a questionable confession, they have violated the very foundation of our democracy.

When people, reputations and truth have been assault-

ed by the very institutions we have put in place to protect us, then we are all in danger. When any group of us believe the state cannot be trusted to protect our individual rights and freedoms, then America is lost.

The result is a growing discontent with the very concepts of individual freedom and equality.

What is left is a loss of faith that the very institutions we entrust to enforce the laws will do so with equality and fairness. And the result of that is a growing acceptance of street violence as the only way we can address our grievances.

The growing violence, from both sides of the political spectrum, is evidence of citizens increasing distrust of our legal systems ability to protect our freedom to debate tough issues in non-violent ways.

We must address the injustice being perpetrated by our legal system. No one in this country should have to lose their reputation or personal fortune to defend against a false claim. And individuals or groups who bring false or unproven charges must bear some cost for their specious claims or questionable provocations.

The media must also be held accountable. Fake news is often just incomplete, pre-

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mature or misinterpreted. Too often though the media ignore new facts and too often spin the reports as the latest example of intolerance. Calling individual's racist, sexist or homo-phobic is just lazy journalism. Its primary purpose is to diminish the opinions of those the reporter finds socially challenged or politically out of touch.

As I work to complete this opinion. I am confronted by the horror of two mass shootings over the weekend. These events are just another example of the war going on in our country.

The initial response is to blame President Trump, but let's be clear. There is plenty of blame to go around for our countries failure to address the issues of uncontrolled, illegal immigration.

More importantly, it appears that social media may

be playing a part in this epidemic of violence. Our vaunted social media is unaccountable for supporting all kinds of anti-social behavior that traditional media cannot publish. That must end. They claim that they are simply providing a way for people to express themselves. They claim they do not actually publish anything. But by allowing anonymous postings calling for people who espouse hateful and violent messages they are supporting the violence.

It is time for all of us to call a truce. It is time we quit calling people we disagree with racist, sexist, homophobes, communists, and other derogatory terms that do nothing to bring clarity to the issues that confront us.

It is time we returned to debates that make our country greater not more combative.

## Why the cloak 'n' dagger Schrier?

Last Monday, July 29, marked the second time (that I know of) newly elected Congresswoman Kim Schrier decided to keep her local events as eerily unannounced as possible, kind of like a Schrier Shell Game.

The first time was a few months ago when she met on a Saturday with a selected audience and Wenatchee Mayor Frank Kuntz in the city meeting room to announce her new area representative would be taking up quarters in an office within city hall.

She also spent an hour taking questions from the obviously partisan pro-Kim audience.

A great coup for Frank, but a disappointment for the news



**GARY  
BÉGIN**  
Managing  
Editor

media, since some of us were never told about this event.

Who should have given out the press release well in advance? City Hall or Schrier's staff?

I guess both would have been a good thing, but neither did. I discovered it by accident through a friend who was told about by another friend the previous Friday night.

Then, the Schrier Shell

Game struck again on Monday, July 29.

Schrier went to visit kids in a Manson school for a summer lunch program, but the event notice came on a Friday afternoon.

A typical political ploy when attention isn't wanted. She also visited the Chelan Chamber of Commerce and the CVCH walk-in clinic in Chelan.

It has been said for many years that when Washington, D.C. politicians want to announce bad news, they wait until late on a Friday evening so as little press as possible can shed light on the issues.

Why has Schrier adopted this strategy, or has she?

I think I'll just blame her

unwitting staff who thinks it is just fine that no local news at an event means no articles or photos or pestering of the doctor turned liberal crusader can occur.

I'm also guessing that she

knows this area of the state may be a bit too conservative for her tastes, another reason to avoid the press.

Luckily NCW Media, a family-owned community news organization, has a reporter in the Manson/Chelan

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Democrats BOOMERANG

It is amazing that so many of the Democrat presidential candidates are socialists aka communists and have no idea how free market capitalism works in our country. They are all pandering to their radical base and this is not where most Americans are. They all advocate open borders, free college, free welfare and free medical care for illegal immigrants. They all want free Medicare for all, the "green new deal" and adhere to the hoax of man made global warming, which they have changed the name to "climate change" after the dishonest evidence of their scam was revealed. No sane person can disagree with the climate changing. It is called weather, it's determined by the activity of the sun and people cannot change it. If the Democrats ever got elected and implemented this agenda it will quickly ruin this country. This is their unspoken goal to ruin America as we know it using Saul Alinsky's "Rules For Radicals" and the Cloward & Piven method. This will cause chaos and tyranny and they think that they will take over power out of the chaos that they caused.

Refer to the U.N. agenda 2030. The Democrats and the "quad squad" falsely call president Trump and anyone else that disagrees with them racists. The real racists are the people that falsely accuse others of racism. The Democrats accuse Trump and the Republicans of exactly what they are doing and have done. The Democrats are practitioners of "The Big Lie" invented by Josef Goebbels of the Nazis. The Democrats repeat the big lie often enough in lockstep so that many gullible people will think it is true. Trump is not a racist and is not anti homosexuals, like the Democrats falsely claim. This is not your Democrat party of JFK or thirty years ago because it has lurched so far leftward into communism and anti Americanism. The extreme left of the Democrat party is pro Islamic communism. For those of you Democrats that are disenchanted with the current socialist bent of your party go to [walkawaycampaign.com](http://walkawaycampaign.com) by Brandon Skaggen who is a young homosexual Democrat man who finally realized that the Democrat party has been lying to everyone just to remain in political power.

Skaggen woke up and realized that Trump is not a racist or homophobic and has become a Trump supporter. We should all be justly fearful of Islamic communism. The illegal Democrat Russia hoax accusing Trump of colluding with Russia is going to boomerang against them and a lot of the Obama administration participants are going to be prosecuted and be going to jail for their illegal coup d'tat against a legally elected president, now that we have a real attorney general. Brennan, Clapper, Comey, Lynch and a multitude of others should watch out for this legal boomerang. Yes the Russians did try to influence the 2016 elections by colluding with the Clinton Democrat party and the Obama intelligence apparatus (FBI, CIA, DNI, & DOJ and the State department) and then blamed the Trump campaign for exactly what they did. They think that the best defense is a good offense. The Mueller report debunked this whole illegal scheme, thank God. Stand by for the boomerang! The truth shall set you free. **Bill Cowles Peshastin**

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Christopher Puckett as The Pirate King with the company singing "Hail, poetry!"

## Classic comic opera comes to Leavenworth

BY BILL FORHAN AND BRANDI CHARLES

The Pirates of Penzance opened to rave reviews at the Leavenworth Summer Theater on Tuesday July 30, bringing the magic of musical theater to life at the delight of theatergoers young and old.

The Pirates of Penzance is a two act comic opera by Arthur Sullivan and libretto by W.S. Gilbert.

Originally performed in New York in 1879 this Gilbert and Sullivan collaboration was the fifth opera produced by the pair. It has been performed by many opera and repertory companies over the years but it was the first Gilbert and Sul-

livan opera to make its debut in the United States.

The Pirates of Penzance tells the tale of young Frederic, played by Alex Gallo, as he ventures into adulthood mired by typical trials and tribulations. Frederic has been apprenticed to a band of Pirates until his twenty-first birthday. Having reached his twenty first year young Frederic meets and falls in love with Mabel, played by Ally Atwood.

Frederic promises to end the band of Pirates but is reminded his indenture agreement requires him to remain loyal to the pirate band until his twenty-first birthday, and since he was born on Febru-

ary 29 that will not occur for another 63 years.

Young Frederic is torn by his love for Mabel and his duty to complete his commitment to the pirates.

Alex Gallo, who plays Frederic, is a Seattle resident who regularly sings the National Anthem for University of Washington athletics. His performance in Pirates marks his first return to LST since 2105.

Mabel is played by Ally Atwood. Atwood is a seasoned LST veteran having performed for ten seasons in many different roles including Mother Abess and Marta in The Sound of Music.

The Pirate King is played

by Christopher Puckett. A graduate of Pacific Lutheran University and the Bard College Conservatory of Music.

Puckett also plays Captain von Trapp in The Sound of Music and Cornelius Hackl in Hello Dolly!

From the meticulously tailored costumes, the carefully choreographed musical numbers and gut-busting performances from the cast, the play delivers on all levels.

Running at just under two hours, The Pirates of Penzance

shows at the enchanting Ski Hill Amphitheatre July 30 through August 29 at 8 p.m.

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Alex Gallo and Ally Atwood as the young lovers Frederic & Mabel, along with all of her sisters.



Christopher Puckett as The Pirate King with a few devoted pirates.

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# How to Deal with Diaper Rash

Last week I traveled to Weimar, Germany to help my daughter Maureen with cooking, cleaning and laundry as she settled in with Amalia, her new baby and my very first grandchild.

Germany was suffering from a heat wave with daily temperatures soaring into the mid-90s, making her 4th floor flat without any air conditioning brutally HOT.

While changing Amalia's bamboo-cotton diapers on the third day of my visit, I noticed she was getting a diaper rash.

Armed with some euros and my extremely limited German, I walked to the town market early the next morning to find something to treat diaper rash. The products I could find were all labelled in German, but luckily the names of the ingredients were familiar enough that I was able to purchase something with the stuff I was looking for, and fixed Amalia's diaper rash.

Diaper rash is the most common skin problem experienced by infants and babies up to two years old, and is caused by irritation of the sensitive skin in the diaper/genital area.

Also called diaper dermatitis, diaper rash is triggered both by physical contact with urine and feces which contain irritating substances like proteolytic enzymes and bile salts, and from chafing caused by wet cloth rubbing against the skin.

Diaper dermatitis is not the

only possible cause of a bright red baby bottom because a yeast infection can also occur in the diaper area. Moisture, warmth, and darkness all encourage yeast organisms to multiply out of control, causing skin redness, burning and itching.

Although your baby can have both at the same time, a simple way to tell the difference between a yeast infection and diaper dermatitis is the pattern of skin irritation. If the red skin in the diaper area does not extend into the creases of the legs, it is diaper dermatitis, because a yeast infection inflames the skin all the way down into the leg creases.

This is an important distinction, because while diaper dermatitis can be successfully treated at home, a yeast infection usually requires medical attention to heal.

The best strategy to prevent and treat diaper dermatitis is to protect the skin against both moisture and irritants.

During their first eight months of life, an infant urinates about 8 times a day and poops 3-6 times a day, and each time it happens their sensitive skin is exposed to moisture and irritating proteolytic enzymes and bile salts.

You can protect a baby's skin from irritation and chafing from excess moisture by choosing a good wicking material for diapers, avoiding using tight

plastic diaper covers, and by changing diapers frequently.

The best way to protect baby's diaper area from irritants is to cover it with a layer of stiff cream or ointment to create a barrier between their sensitive skin and any urine or feces. This product is called a barrier cream or ointment and is stiffer or thicker than most hand creams.

A good barrier cream or ointment needs to be thick enough to protect against irritating substances but not trap excess moisture next to the skin. It should withstand being easily rinsed away when moisture or urine hits it and be able to be applied easily, even over broken or irritated skin.

The most common ingredients used in barrier creams are petrolatum, lanolin, and zinc oxide. Petrolatum, known as Vaseline® and petroleum jelly protects against moisture and irritants.

Lanolin is protective and healing, but sticky and smells like wet wool. Zinc oxide is a white powder that absorbs excess moisture while it protects. Other ingredients used include herbs like chamomile, calendula or tea tree oil to soothe irritated skin.

### Here are 5 Tips on Dealing with Diaper Rash:

**1. Avoid perfumed baby wipes.** The diaper area is easily irritated by perfumes



and alcohol, especially in the first 6 months of life. Use unscented wipes instead or soft cloths spritzed with water from a spray bottle.

**2. Avoid cortisone and hydrocortisone creams or ointments.** Non-prescription hydrocortisone creams will decrease redness but also increase the risk of a yeast infection.

**3. Don't "scrub off" all of the barrier cream with each diaper change.** Wipe off just the top layer while keeping a thin layer of barrier cream on the skin, then reapply a generous layer over it.

**4. Choose a barrier cream with zinc oxide as one of the first 3 ingredients.** Zinc oxide protects while also wicking moisture away from skin.

**5. Seek medical attention if needed.** If your baby's diaper rash worsens, or isn't dramatically improved within seven days, seek medical advice.

*Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy is a 40-year veteran of pharmacology and author of Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely. Your questions and comments are always welcome at www.AskDrLouise.com*

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### Why the cloak 'n' dagger Schrier?

area that works for our Lake Chelan Mirror branch.

Exactly what does Schrier gain by hiding her local visits? Nothing, unless she's concealing something.

Let me take a wild guess. Her staff will now blame the school district or the Chelan Chamber or CVCH for not sending out an earlier press release. Yes, that would have been great of all of them to do so, but maybe they were told not to?

Perhaps she needs to understand that conservative North Central Washington voters have as much right to visit Schrier's events as her hand picked audiences do.

Our reporter on the ground in Chelan also said someone from Schrier's staff was there shooting photos, but there was no other media present.

In conclusion, I believe this is an attempt by Schrier and her handlers to "control the news" by not being transparent with her itinerary and then, maybe, sending out a press release after the fact.

I guess I was thinking liberals always wanted as much attention as possible, but...

Will this result in a future press release with hand-picked photos and comments?

Only the shadow knows, but he ain't tellin'.

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