



## Cop who shot and killed Matt Folden will not be charged

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

After months of investigation, the Chelan County Prosecutor Doug Shae has concluded there is not sufficient evidence Wenatchee Police Officer Albert Gonzalez acted wrongly in the shooting death of Matt Folden on July 27, 2017.

After the incident, the North Central Washington Special Investigation Unit was called upon to investigate the shooting. The unit is comprised of members from the Chelan County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Wenatchee Police Department, East Wenatchee Police Department and Washington State Patrol.

Wenatchee Police Officers had minor involvement since their officer was involved in the shooting.

That investigation included interviews with all identified witnesses, review of all known video and a collection of physical evidence.

That investigation material was passed on to Shae to decide if there was any wrongdoing on the part of the Wenatchee Police Officers, particularly Gonzalez. The report generated by Shae recited all of the names of the witnesses.

On July 27 at 10:05 p.m., Gonzalez responded to a 911 call of a person yelling, screaming and walking around with a knife in the Albertson's parking lot in Wenatchee. Gonzalez was on the scene three minutes after the call.

It was reported, Gonzalez

parked his car and gave commands to Folden to get on the ground. At that point, Folden was shot by Gonzalez. According to the investigation, there was party that took place involving tattoo artists at a location near Albertson's on Miller Street.



Matthew Folden

Folden and his girlfriend were identified as being at the party. Folden and his girlfriend could be heard outside just by Albertson's yelling at each other. A person heard Folden screaming at the top of his lungs, hanging on the chain link fence near Albertson's.

Folden allegedly came at this person, his left hand free but his right hand clutching something in his shirt. This person was alarmed by the way Folden was acting, reaching for his own firearm.

The girlfriend told investigators Folden was upset and drinking alcohol. She indicated he left his wallet but took two knives. A person making a delivery of items to Starbucks said they saw Folden screaming and yelling and walking around with a

knife. He believed Folden was "on drugs or something."

A couple coming out of Albertson's reported said they saw Folden being upset and possibly intoxicated. They did not see a knife, but saw him clutching something to his chest. When Gonzalez got out of his car, he commanded Folden to put his hands up or something similar.

They said Folden confronted the officer, yelling something. They heard three shots and saw Folden fall to the ground.

A 16-year old was leaving Applebees but had a clear view of the parking lot. She said Folden seemed drunk, being really loud, yelling and cussing. When Folden walked down to Albertson's, the officer came "super quick."

She saw Folden come around from the back of the officer's car, maybe taking the officer by surprise. She heard three shots. She felt Folden "jumped or lunged" at the officer.

Another person was leaving Target and had a good view of the scene. She said the officer had not even made it to the front doors of the store before Folden sprinted at the officer. She said Folden had opportunities to run in different directions but ran toward the officer.

They were so close, this person thought they were going to fight. A contract employee inside the Albertson's store said he heard a male voice saying don't move, don't move and then heard three gun shots. He heard one officer say to secure the knife, though he did not see the knife.

Officer Gonzalez said he was responding to a 911 call reporting a man wearing camouflage shorts yelling and screaming and carrying a knife. Gonzalez said he drove the front of the store seeing people rapidly walking away from the entrance.

He said he could see a man clutching a knife in his right hand. Gonzalez said he got out of the car with his pistol drawn. The report said the audio and video clearly establishes the officer yelled three times to get on the ground.

Gonzalez said Folden did not comply, lowering his knife to chest level, angling toward the officer. Then, he fired his pistol. Gonzalez then ordered Folden to drop the knife and show his hands.

The autopsy report by Dr. Gina Fino, a forensic pathologist, showed Folden died of three gunshot wounds to his torso. She also indicated there was alcohol and methamphetamine in his system.

Shae notes in his report, he felt the police officer could not be held criminally liable for using deadly force because he acted without malice and in good faith. To prove criminal liability, the prosecutor must prove beyond a reasonable doubt the officer acted without malice and without a good faith belief deadly force was justified.

He believes Officer Gonzalez was not negligent nor reckless in his dealings with Folden.

"This is a tragic loss of life. Condolences do go out to Mr. Folden's family and friends. Police officers are trained

to take a necessary amount of force to stop a threat. We will never know for sure what was going on with Mr. Folden that evening," Shae said in his report. "Why Mr. Folden took the fight to the officer on that particular evening, no one will even know for sure, but the consequences were tragic."

If Folden would have entered Albertson's without the officer reacting or if the officer had waited for others, the officer would have been derelict in his duties and could have put the community and people at Albertson's at risk,

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## Kodiaks are champs!



Photo by Ian Dunn  
The Cascade Kodiak girls' volleyball team celebrates after beating Chelan in the CTL District Championship on Nov. 2 at Cascade High School. The Kodiaks open play in the state tournament this week.

## Cascade Medical: Offers help signing up on Washington Health Benefits Exchange

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

Cascade Medical is offering free help to Upper Valley residents signing up for the Washington Health Benefits Exchange. Open enrollment began on Nov. 1. There are two bilingual insurance navigators, Lora Zamudio and Richard Vasquez.

For Vasquez, this is his second year of serving as a navigator.

"I went through some different training. You take 13 courses, which takes a day-and-a-half. We try to run it as fast as we can. It's continuously one module after another. After every quarter or two months, we get more training, it is constant," Vasquez said. "You have to get it done and completed, summer, fall, spring. There are three modules every time."

Vasquez said he has 60 days to complete each module. It is continuous, he said, because they always want to make sure navigators know what is coming and how Healthplan Finder is changing and what

things might pop up.

Interfacing with Washington Healthplan Finder is easier, he said, with changes that help the client. Vasquez receives a state certification



Lora Zamudio

for his efforts. Certainly, there have been a lot of changes to health insurance options recently.

Vasquez said it has been a learning process for him.

"We're trying to make it easier and make it better. It has always been changing. All the changes have been going around. Some costs are going up. We're losing plans

in certain counties. They are also finding ways to make it easier," Vasquez said.

There is a new tool on Washington Healthplan Finder called Smartplan Finder.

"You can match the patient's medical needs, prescriptions, doctors, specialists. Anything they anticipate needing, the smartplan finder will take that into account and match those needs," said Rachel Hansen, CM public relations coordinator. "You can look at facility, providers, who's in network, who's out of network."

Those new to Washington Healthplan Finder are not registered in the system so a new application needs to be started. A number of questions must be answered. That takes about 30 minutes, Vasquez said.

If someone is already in the system, and nothing has changed, it takes about two minutes to update it. It's much faster than before, he said.

Last year, Vasquez said they started their navigator offering late in the enrollment last year, so they saw around 5-7 people per week. They are

expecting more now.

"You get all kinds. Young people. People in their 40s. The people going into Medicare, we don't see them as often. They go through DSHS. We



Richard Vasquez

get college kids. We also get people in their 30s, 40s," he said.

You do need to call 548-5815 for an appointment to see a navigator. That is only because it does take a little while to process a new enrollee. You'll need to bring in a driver's license, W-2 form or pay stub, social security or immigration information number

for you and your dependents. Also bring your current health insurance information.

"I think we're going to see more people calling soon, now that open enrollment has started. Free service. We wanted to give people a local option to talk to a navigator, rather than having to drive to Wenatchee. That is the next place where this service is available," Hansen said. "If you live in Plain, that is a long way to go. We want to give people access here locally."

Currently in Chelan County, the only plan offered is through Coordinated Care. There are nine silver plans and one gold plan. They are not offering any bronze plans, he said.

"It's all under Coordinated Care, but there are 10 different plans to choose from. Beside Washington Healthplan Finder, you can also go outside and find a broker, which is an option," Vasquez said.

Washington Healthplan Finder is the only way to get subsidy, Hansen said.

"You can go outside and get a broker, but I think it's worth

asking if you qualify for any subsidy or lower cost insurance," Hansen said.

The subsidy is based on your income. Vasquez said he doesn't know how that works, because it only goes through the health authority.

"It's a sliding scale up to 250 percent of the federal poverty level. If you make below 250 percent, then you qualify," Hansen said.

Dec. 15 is the deadline for signing up if you want to have health insurance beginning Jan. 1, 2018. You have until Jan. 15, 2018 but then your insurance would not start until Feb. 1, 2018.

"Open enrollment is a month shorter this year. Just get it all done in a one hour appointment," Hansen said.

If you do qualify for special enrollment, like if you lose your job or lose your insurance, become married, divorced or moving from a different state. You can enroll later, Vasquez said.

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## Folden case: Investigation concludes

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She wrote.

"Officer Gonzalez, upon exiting his patrol vehicle, clearly gave three verbal warnings to Mr. Folden, which can be heard on the officer's in-car video, to get down on the ground," Shae said in his report. "Mr. Folden did not comply with the officer's com-

mands and took the fight to Officer Gonzalez, which required the officer to respond. It was a very quick decision based on the actions of Mr. Folden on that evening."

Although condolences go out to the family and friends of Mathew Folden, his actions and failure to follow the officer's order created the end result, Shae wrote.

"Based upon the foregoing information detailing this matter, there is no basis for criminal charges to be filed against Officer Albert Gonzalez in this case," Shae stated in his report.

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## Cascade School bus driver Klein takes the long road

SUBMITTED BY MARLENE FARRELL

Seventy-six miles. Twice a day.

That's the length of George Klein's #2 bus route for the Cascade School District. It's the longest route on the district, and likely one of the longest in the state.

Not only does Klein's route go north of Leavenworth six miles past Cole Corner on Highway 2, but also includes the south side of Lake Wenatchee and meanders through nooks of Plain, including the Ponderosa neighborhoods.

Klein is the man for this job. Time at the wheel, about three hours each shift (which includes his secondary route to the Discovery School), doesn't daunt Klein, and neither do the extremes of weather.

Tim Bentz, CSD Transportation Director, said, "George starts the earliest. He's not back until 5 or 5:15 in the afternoon. It's demanding in terms of time. And he sees the extremes in road conditions that few other drivers see."

Driving such a route requires precision, and Klein has it down to a science. After going to bed by 7 p.m. each night, he leaves his home near Blewett in time to start driving by 5:38 a.m. each morning. During snowstorms in this hearty district that eschews snow days, Klein leaves 15 minutes earlier.

"When it snows I plan to get to my first pick up on time. It's inevitable that the route will take longer on snowy days, but I can at least start it on time."

Klein worked for the district from 2002 to 2007. He took a hiatus and worked for an excavating company, and then was diagnosed and treated for cancer. He came back to the district after his recovery in 2010.

How bad can the winter driving be? Think black ice, slippery slopes and limited visibility.

"Keep it out of the salad," Klein and other drivers might radio to each other, which means avoiding the bushes on the sides of the road. And "don't be a sugar cookie" refers to getting covered in snow from getting too close to a snow bank.

"Camp 12 Road is the most treacherous road I deal with in the winter, even more so than Beaver Hill." Camp 12 Road has narrow steep sections that can get slippery.

Over the years, Klein has had to put chains on the tires only five times, always in order to climb out of the Ponderosa community. He's grateful he rarely needs chains, because it takes over a half hour to install them, wearing his neoprene gloves to keep his hands from freezing. After cresting the hill, he takes them off again.

"This corner is known for black ice," Klein remarked toward the end of his morning route, knowing the roads like the back of his hand.

The toughest weather conditions Klein faces are high 20s and snowing. He recalled one such time when three school buses needed to stage their descents down Beaver Hill. Once one reached the bottom safely, they radioed up to

the next one to descend.

Having southern California roots has never kept Klein away from snow. A seasoned mountaineer, he has summited several tall mountains in the winter, including Hood, Whitney and San Jacinto.

Klein, an avid outdoorsman, counts wildlife encounters as one of the perks of driving through forested terrain. Of course there have been lots of bears.

But he's also spotted four

he has to consider road grade and camber, ditches and sign posts.

Fog presents another challenge. In that case, Klein clicks on the flashers, goes slow and uses a mental checklist of landmarks near each bus stop, so he can always stop in time.

Klein and the students share friendly exchanges when each one hops on. "Good morning, George," most of them say. He only occasionally gets on the microphone to remind some-



Photo submitted by Marlene Farrell  
Cascade School District bus driver George Klein drives the longest route in the district, nearly 80 miles per round trip.

cougars while driving. One winter, literally seconds after picking up students at their bus stop, a cougar leapt from a snow bank into the road and then took off into the woods. A bull moose sauntered by in the Ponderosa community.

When not driving, Klein trains new drivers. He teaches classroom sessions and behind the wheel. New drivers need 20 hours of driving experience and 12 classroom hours before they start.

The training is about technique, and understanding how a bus reacts differently than a car. Klein teaches drivers to apply the brakes lightly and steadily and to know when to not use them.

Klein isn't the only early riser on the district. The first child hops aboard at 6:10 a.m. She said she gets up between 5 and 5:30 a.m. every day.

At every bus stop it's safety first. He's aware of where the bus is in relation to the white line dividing shoulder and road. He engages the "kid lights" and stopping paddle to warn drivers that kids are boarding the bus. When there's snow on the ground,

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### CSD Elementary Menu

#### Breakfast

**November 08, Wednesday:** Homemade cinnamon roll, cereal assorted WG, fresh fruit, cheese sticks, English Muffin, yogurt, milk, juice.

**November 09, Thursday:** Scrambled eggs, tater tots & bagel, cereal assorted WG, fresh fruit, cheese sticks, English muffin, yogurt, milk, juice.

**November 10, Friday:** NO SCHOOL.

**November 13, Monday:** Pancake, cereal assorted WG, fresh fruit, cheese sticks, English Muffin, yogurt, milk, juice.

**November 14, Tuesday:** Sausage croissant, cereal assorted WG, fresh fruit, cheese sticks, English Muffin, yogurt, milk, juice.

#### Lunch

**November 08, Wednesday:** Pizza chees & pepperoni, fresh fruit & vegetables, milk.

**November 09, Thursday:** Lasagna, fresh fruit & vegetables, milk.

**November 10, Friday:** SCHOOL.

**November 13, Monday:** Chicken nuggets, French fries, fresh fruit & vegetables, milk.

**November 14, Tuesday:** Baked chicken drumsticks, rice pilaf & corn, fresh fruit & vegetables, milk.

### CHS & IRMS Menu

#### Breakfast

**November 08, Wednesday:** Homemade cinnamon roll, bagel / cream cheese, cereal, assorted WG, fruit smoothie, yogurt parfait BB & granola.

**November 09, Thursday:** Scrambled egg & tater tots, bagel / cream cheese, cereal, assorted WG, fruit smoothie, yogurt parfait BB & granola.

**November 10, Friday:** NO SCHOOL.

**November 13, Monday:** Ham & cheese muffin, bagel / cream cheese, cereal, assorted WG, fruit smoothie, yogurt parfait BB & granola.

**November 14, Tuesday:** Ham quiche, bagel / cream cheese, cereal, assorted WG, fruit smoothie, yogurt parfait BB & granola.

#### Lunch

**November 08, Wednesday:** Submarine sandwich bar, hamburger, chicken burger, assorted pizza, salad bar, fresh fruit.

**November 09, Thursday:** Lasagna, hamburger, chicken burger, assorted pizza, salad bar, fresh fruit.

**November 10, Friday:** NO SCHOOL.

**November 13, Monday:** Beef taco, refried beans & Pico de Gallo, hamburger, chicken burger, assorted pizza, salad bar, fresh fruit.

**November 14, Tuesday:** Baked chicken drumstick, rice pilaf & corn, hamburger, chicken burger, assorted pizza, salad bar, fresh fruit.

### AA Meeting Schedule

**Wednesday, 7 p.m.** Alcoholics Anonymous, Leavenworth Senior Center, 548-4522, 664-6469 or 425-773-7527.

**Thursday, 7 p.m.** Alcoholics Anonymous, Peshastin Light in the Valley Community Church, 8455 Main St. in Peshastin, 548-4522, 664-6469 or 425-773-7527.

**Friday, 7 p.m.** Women's Alcoholic Anonymous, Leavenworth United Methodist Church, 418 Evans St., 548-6851.

**Monday, 6:30 p.m.** Narcotics Anonymous group meets every Monday at the Leavenworth Senior Center.

**7 p.m.** Al-Anon meeting, Leavenworth United Methodist Church, 548-7939.



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## Leavenworth

### Author with local ties has book signing

There is a book signing at the Leavenworth Library Wednesday, Nov. 8, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. by the author of "Light of the Northern Dancers," Robin Field Gainey. Robin is a great granddaughter of R.B. and Frances Field, a banker and his wife who owned the River House at one time. The River House now houses the Upper Valley Museum, The Wenatchee River Institute, and Upper Valley MEND. (e45)

### Link Transit open house

Join Link Transit and Perteet, Inc. at an open house for our upcoming park and ride and transfer station coming in 2018. The open house will be on Wednesday, Nov. 15 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Leavenworth City Hall. There will not be a set presentation, but instead an opportunity for residents and other stakeholders to drop in and find out more about the project and ask questions of Link staff and the Perteet design team. If you have questions about this open house or are interested but unable to attend, please contact Lauren Loebsock, Planning Officer at lauren@linktransit.com or 664.7608. (e43,44,45)

### Attention part-time residents

You can make a difference in Upper Valley medical care. Join Cascade Medical's Part-time Resident Advisory Council meeting, 10 a.m. to noon Nov. 11, in the Arleen Blackburn Room. The group meets two Saturdays a year to learn and share ideas about how the hospital can better serve them. All part-time residents of Leavenworth, Plain, Peshastin and Dryden are welcome to attend. Arrive early for a 9:30 a.m. meet-and-greet. RSVP with Jill Barich at 548-3431 or jillb@cascaedmedical.org. (e44,45)

## Senior Center Events & Menus

**Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St., Leavenworth**  
Please call 548-6666, 24 hours in advance to reserve a meal.  
Meals are served at noon.

**November 8, Wednesday:** Swedish meatballs, angel hair pasta, glazed carrots, Caesar salad, cherries & pineapple, WW bread or roll, & dessert.

**November 9, Thursday:** Parmesan chicken, potatoes, CA blend vegetables, green salad, Mandarin oranges, & bread pudding.

**November 10, Friday:** CLOSED for VETERANS DAY.

**November 13, Monday:** Swiss steak with tomato sauce, shell pasta, mixed vegetables, fruit cup, French bread, & dessert.

**November 14, Tuesday:** Chicken Cordon Bleu, parsley potatoes, Normandy veggies, tossed green salad, tropical fruit, WW bread or roll, & dessert.

### Event Calendar

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 10:30 a.m., **Gentle Exercise**

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m., **Leavenworth Area Seniors' Council Board meeting**

Tuesday, 1:00-3:00 p.m., **Crafts**

Thursday, 1:00-3:00 p.m., **Square Dancing**

Thursday, 6:30-7:30 p.m., **Bavarian Dancing**

Friday, 6:00 p.m., **Bingo**

Saturday 6:30-9:00 p.m., **Music, Public Welcome, No cover charge**

## City Council Meetings

**7 p.m., Leavenworth Planning Commission,** City Hall Conference Room, Nathan Pate 548-5275 (1st Wed.)

**9 a.m., Leavenworth City Council study session,** City Hall, Joel Walinski 548-5275. (2nd Tues.)

**3 p.m., Design Review Board,** City Hall, Sue Cragun 548-5275 (2nd & 4th Tues.)

**6:30 p.m., Leavenworth City Council meeting,** City Hall, Joel Walinski 548-5275 (2nd & 4th Tues.)

## Community Calendar

### Wednesday, November 08

**8:30 a.m., Aerobics, 8:30 a.m.,** Plain Community Church, \$1 fee Mon./Wed./Fri. 763-3621.

**8:30 a.m., Prostate Cancer Awareness & Support Group** meets at Kristall's. David McIntyre, MD, 206-954-4166 2nd Wed of every month.

**8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m., Play and Learn Group,** Peshastin Head Start. Cheby Ledesma. 548-7614.

**6 p.m., Icicle Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited,** Kristall's Restaurant. Dave Moazed 548-0903.

**6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., Children and Youth program,** age 4-12th grade, Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene, 548-5292.

### Thursday, November 09

**4 p.m. Peshastin Water District,** Peshastin Memorial Hall, Abby Bergren, 548-5266.

**6 p.m., Autumn Leaf Festival Membership meeting,** Located at Kristall's Restaurant. Bill Forhan, president 670-1837.

**6:30 p.m., Leavenworth Lions Club,** Kristall's Restaurant, Joyce Stevens, president (509) 670-7527.

**7 p.m., Peshastin Community Council meeting,** Peshastin Memorial Hall.

### Friday, November 10

**11:45 a.m., Leavenworth Rotary Club,** Kristall's, John Fishburne, president 509-679-2080.

### Monday, November 13

**8:30 a.m., Aerobics,** Plain Community Church, \$1 fee Mon./Wed./Fri., 763-3621.

**2 p.m., Chumstick Grange Hall,** Helen Kensrud, 782-4086.

**6:30 p.m. The Upper Valley Free Clinic** evaluates urgent health needs; Dental consultation is available the 1st Mon. of the month. Contact Upper Valley MEND for inquiries: 548-0408.

**6:30 p.m. Young Life Club Monday Nights.** All high school age students welcome. TJ Kaapuni 509-679-3247.

**7 p.m., Cascade School Board,** school district office. 548-5885.

### Tuesday, November 14

**8 a.m., I.P.I.D. Meeting,** Anthony "Toni" Jantzer - 782-2561, Wescott Dr. Cashmere.

**Noon, Upper Valley Women's Bible Study** at King Ludwig's, Delores Hall, 548-7803.

**Noon, Leavenworth People with Parkinson's Disease Support Group,** Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 10170 Titus Road, 11:00 a.m., contact Katherine Degel (206) 356-4288 or Judi Little (425) 870-2089.

**1 p.m., Cascade Education Foundation,** Board Room at Cascade District office, Ken West, 670-1729.

**6:00 p.m., Leavenworth Soccer Club General Board Meeting,** Board Room at Cascade District office, Aaron Simon, president, (253)722-7660.

**7 p.m., LWSC Alpine committee,** Ski Hill Lodge 548-5477.

### Ongoing events

**Leavenworth Public Library, Mon. - Wed., 9 to 6; Thursday 9 to 8, Fri. 9 to 6.** Closed on weekends and Holidays. **Baby story time, Tuesdays 11:30 a.m.** Preschool story time, **Tuesday's 1:30 p.m. Call 548-7923.**

**Peshastin Public Library, Tues., Thurs., Fri. 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Wed.,** 9-2 p.m. with **Story Time** 10:30 a.m. Closed Monday and weekends. 548-7821.

**Upper Valley Museum, Thurs. - Sat. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Sun. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.** 347 Division St., 548-0728. Hours change seasonally.

**Leavenworth Fish Hatchery, 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., daily 548-7641.**

### Regional events

**Tue. & Thur. 1 to 4 p.m., SCORE** (small business counseling), Wenatchee Valley Chamber of Commerce, 2 S. Chelan St., Wenatchee call for appointment, 888-2900.

**Some meetings or events may be rescheduled. Please check with the organization about the time.**

## Peter Pan at Snowy Owl Theater

All children, except one, grow up... Captured live at the National Theatre, a recorded performance of JM Barrie's much-loved tale. Saturday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. Snowy Owl Theater. Icicle.org. (e44,45)

## Operation Christmas Child

This month, several locations in the greater Wenatchee area will serve as drop-off sites for the Samaritan's Purse project, Operation Christmas Child—joining nearly 5,000 U.S. locations collecting gift-filled shoeboxes for children in need around the world. During the project's National Collection Week, Nov. 13 – 20, Cashmere residents will transform empty shoeboxes into gifts of hope filled with school supplies, hygiene items and fun toys. Operation Christmas Child will deliver these shoebox gifts to children affected by war, disease, disaster, poverty and famine. In Leavenworth, the collection site is the First Baptist Church, 429 Evans St. (e44,45)

## Donation-based yoga class during Veterans Gratitude Week

Evolve Local Yoga is partnering with Veterans Yoga Project as part of its fourth Annual Veterans Gratitude Week fundraising event, which takes place Nov. 3-12. Veterans Gratitude Week encourages yoga studios and instructors across the country to host donation-based classes to support the veteran community, especially those struggling with post-traumatic stress disorder and other trauma-related issues. Evolve Local Yoga will also host its donation-based class, on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 10 a.m. at 11779 Highway 2, Suite 107 Leavenworth, (e44,45)

## Starting new choir for Advent

In need of singers, sopranos, altos, tenors and basses. Rehearsals at Leavenworth Community United Methodist Church Sanctuary on Tuesdays, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Advent lessons and Carol Concert on Dec. 17 at 5 p.m. Hot cider and Dutch apple tart and cookie reception afterwards. Contact Gary Casciano at 509-421-2871. (er44,45)

## Artist reception

Thursday, Nov. 16 from 6:30-7:30 p.m., the Leavenworth Public Library will host a reception for local artist Heather Murphy whose art is on display in the library's fireside room from Oct. 9 –Nov. 30. Heather is an artist and wildlife biologist known for her watercolors, pen and ink, and nature journals. Come meet Heather and join us for refreshments. (e45,46)

## Last day for Leavenworth brush yard

The last day to drop off brush and yard waste at the Leavenworth brush yard will be Nov. 17. The brush yard is open 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays. It is closed for the winter season from mid-November through March. The brush yard, at the corner of East Leavenworth Road and Icicle Road, was opened in July 2017 to give homeowners and businesses in the apple maggot quarantine area of Chelan County a place to bring their brush. People are reminded that the Dryden Transfer Station is not in the quarantine area; people and businesses in the quarantine area cannot bring their brush or yard waste to the Dryden facility. (e45,46)

## Osborn Vet Day Assembly

Please join Osborn Elementary students and staff as we honor those who have served our country in the armed services. We will gather downtown Leavenworth at the gazebo on Monday, Nov. 13, beginning at 9:30 a.m. In the case of heavy rain, snow or very cold temperatures, the assembly will be moved to the Osborn Elementary gym, 225 Central Street, Leavenworth. Contact Mike Camp at 548-5839 or mcamp@cascaedesd.org for more information. (e45)

## Parkinson's Support Group

Our Parkinson's support group meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 11 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints here in town. Our guest speaker for Nov. 14 is Katelyn Toevs, a nutritionist from Cascade Medical Center. Contact Judi Little at 425-870-2089 or Katherine Degel at 206-356-4288, or find

us on Facebook (Leavenworth WA Parkies). (e45)

## Cashmere

### Cashmere Rotary Auction

The Cashmere Rotary Auction is coming up Saturday, Nov. 11, 6:30 to 10 p.m., at the Cashmere Riverside Center, 201 Riverside Drive. Over 250 auction items. Grand prize \$1,000. \$30 admission. Tickets available from Cashmere Rotarians, Doanes Valley Pharmacy or at the door. (er44,45)

### 8th District Candidate Forum

NCW United and Indivisible Wenatchee host a forum to introduce Democratic candidates to voters of the 8th Congressional District. The forum features six Democratic candidates. Highly-qualified and refreshingly new to the political scene, the candidates will present their qualifications and positions on issues that matter most to the voters in this district. Attendees may submit questions during a moderated discussion; an opportunity to personally meet the candidates will follow the moderated session. Monday, Nov. 13, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the Cashmere Riverside Center, 201 Riverside Ave. (e45)

## Regional

### Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan

The Board of Supervisors of the Chelan County Flood Control Zone District will conduct a public hearing on Monday, Nov. 13, to consider adoption of the district's proposed Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan and Financial Policies. The public is invited to the hearing, which will be at 2 p.m. in the chambers of the Board of Chelan County Commissioners, 400 Douglas St. in Wenatchee. Public comments will be taken during the hearing. The proposed plan also is available at: <http://www.co.chelan.wa.us/flood-control-zone-district>. (er44,45)

### Chelan County Comprehensive Plan & Development Regulations

Chelan County is seeking public comment and interactive discussion between the County Commissioners and the public on proposed changes to the Chelan County Comprehensive Plan & Development Regulations. The County Commissioner will host several workshops in November and December. The first workshop is Nov. 13, 2017 at 10:30 a.m., to review the Comprehensive Plan Capital Facilities, Utilities, Economic Development, Parks and Recreation Elements. See [www.co.chelan.wa.us/community-development/pages/2017-comprehensive-plan-update](http://www.co.chelan.wa.us/community-development/pages/2017-comprehensive-plan-update) or in person at the Chelan County Department of Community Development, 316 Washington Street, Suite 301, WA 98801. Phone, 667-6856. (er45)

### Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society

The Wenatchee Area Genealogical Society will meet at 2 p.m., Monday, Nov. 13, at the Douglas County PUD Auditorium, 1151 Valley Mall Parkway, East Wenatchee. WAGS member Phyllis Silva-Keith will present the program, "Honor - Courage - Commitment: Women Marine Reserves in the 1950s." For more information, call 884-6455. Free and open to the public. (er45)

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## Local couple spent their careers in Naval Intelligence

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

Dan Cole and Carol Hanson of Leavenworth spent their careers keeping a lot of secrets. One secret they could not keep was their love for one another, which really didn't happen until the end of their long careers in the Navy.

Hanson joined the Navy shortly after graduating from Leavenworth High School in 1975. Her dad was not too crazy about the idea of his daughter following him into Navy, but he still signed the authorization allowing her to join at age 17.

Not too long after joining the Navy, she decided to pursue intelligence work. She went on to become the first female intelligence specialist instructor at the ISA School (Intelligence Specialist Class A School) at Lowry Air Force Base in Denver, Colorado.

In Brunswick, Maine, she was on a patrol squadron for submarines. She became the first female intelligence specialist enlisted in this aircraft squadron.

Hanson said she picked intelligence work because it was being offered at Lowry Air Base.

"That's the only reason I picked intelligence. Nobody knew anything about it. It

has just been created. It took a yeoman rating and a photo interpretation rating and combined them and made intelligence specialist. I thought it might be interesting," Hanson said.

"She was the first female intelligence specialist, Master Chief Petty Officer, in the history of the U.S. Navy. Breaking ground as a woman in a male dominated domain," Cole said.

Breaking all those barriers for women was no big deal, Hanson said, because she was so young when she joined. "Back in the day, if you got pregnant, you were gone. Women couldn't be in the military if they had children," Hanson said. "A lot of people that were more senior than me got out to start families. I just chose not to do that. I was in it for the long haul, so that's why I was first all the time."

The fun part, she said, was when the Bear (Soviet Union) was still alive and they were tracking Soviet Union aggressions.

"Just following them around, tracking their every movement, just like they were doing to us," she said.

Hanson retired after 23 years. The best part of being in the service, the travel.

"Got to go all over the place. There's hardly anyplace inside

the United States. Doing West Pac deployment. We were out of Japan, Diego Garcia, Korea. It was just a blast traveling," she said.

Dan Cole also joined the Navy when he was 17. He was from North Hollywood, California, where his folks



Photo submitted by Dan Cole  
Commander Dan Cole, pictured here when he was a Lieutenant.

were involved in the picture business. He could have gone that avenue but wanted to get out on his own.

He actually had to forge his parents signature on his paperwork so he could join. He went to boot camp in San Diego in 1977, then moved to Lowry Air Force Base for entry level training as an intelligence specialist.

"I chose that. I knew I didn't want to be undesignated, which means you don't have a school, you just go to the fleet. I wanted a guaranteed school seat. I went through that training and did really well. I was number one in my class, which allowed me the option ... they had this program if you were doing really good in school, you get meritorious promotion to Petty Officer 3rd Class. I jumped from E1 (Seaman Recruit) to E4 (Petty Officer 3rd Class) six months after I graduated from school," Cole said.

Cole worked as satellite photo interpretation specialist. He spent a lot of time looking at Soviet subs and ships in the Pacific Theater.

"What I used then was top

secret classified stuff that you now find on Google Earth. In fact, I still go back on Google Earth and look at some of the targets that I was assigned to look at," Cole said.

He also served on an intelligence support team which reacted very rapidly whenever the Soviets made major moves, as far as their Navy.

"We always had our bags packed, orders written. Whenever they had a big exercise or whatever was going on, we packed up and were out of there. The acronym for the command was Pac Fast, Pacific Forward Area Support Team. The joke was, we would pack fast, work slow," Cole said.

In 1984, Cole was selected out of the 1,500 intelligence specialists in the Navy as Sailor of the Year by the Office of Naval Intelligence. Then, he moved to New Orleans, Louisiana and was assigned to the Narcotics Task Force.

"It was really neat. I was the first enlisted intelligence specialist assigned to this task force. I really did not have a job description and not much oversight. I was running around DEA and Customs, doing some debriefing of narcotics traffickers," Cole said.

He was then assigned to the USS Carl Vinson, the first Nimitz Class carrier in the Pacific. He was a multi-sensor interpretation officer on the ship, which meant he was responsible for exporting all the imagery that was collected by the carrier battle group. At one point, as part of a West Pac deployment, they spent 138 straight days at sea.

During the Iran-Iraq war, they were escorting American flagged Kuwaiti oil tankers.

"Every time they went through the straight, we had a full strike package up. We were going to nail the Iranians if they messed with those ships," Cole said. "We did that for 138 days. Had some liberty in Mubassa, Kenya. Went on a safari at the base of Mount Kilimanjaro. That was fantastic. Great experience."

Cole served as a Navy Lieutenant instructor for advanced satellite photo interpretation.

"I was assigned to Commander in Chief of U.S. Naval

Forces Europe, which is in downtown London. I was there three years. I made Lieutenant Commander there. Did resources, money, budget. That's what happens when you get too senior," Cole said. "We owned all the ships and assets in Europe and were



Photo submitted by Dan Cole  
Master Chief Petty Officer Carol Hanson, pictured here when she was a Chief Petty Officer

responsible for them."

He did a deployment in 2000 on the USS Tarawa. Cole thought it would be a slow cruise, but it turned out to be just the opposite. They ended up responding to the attack on the USS Cole.

"We had just gotten into the Arabian Gulf at midnight. I was roused from my sleep by the Commodore and found out the Cole had gotten blown up. We went down there and spent almost two months, assisting with the recovery of the bodies, food, everything," Cole said. "I was designated the joint intelligence officer for the operation, which meant I was in charge of all the intel assets being used to identify, track and potentially do something. We never did, but we found the bomber at one point."

After that, Cole served on the staff of the Amphibious Squadron 3. There, he was involved with the planning for the invasion of Iraq.

"We moved just about every bit of Marine Corps gear from the West Coast to Kuwait, which took a lot of amphibious

ships and their assets," Cole said. "I was providing the intel to the staff as far as what do with detainees, these kinds of things."

Cole served a total of 31 years, retiring as Commander at age 50 in 2009. His favorite part of being in the service was the camaraderie and the secrets. He's still in touch with old friends.

"In the intel business, you are the first to know. We both had top secret special access clearances. If the U.S. Navy was going to do anything, the intel guys had to get their act together before they could present the intel to the operators to make the decisions on how they were going to act," Cole said. "Being in the know all the time was kind of cool. Lot of good training. Lot of travel. I've been to 32 different countries. Lived overseas twice. Been all over the U.S. Just been a lot of fun."

Hanson and Cole first met at ISA (Intelligence Specialist Academy, Virginia) school in 1977. They did go their separate ways, he to Hawaii and she to England. They did not keep in touch over the years. They both made Chief the same year. He became an officer after that.

"I was working in London and she was up north, getting ready to retire. I had an extra bedroom. She said, I want to do some traveling, can I bivo (bivouac) out of your apartment there. That was that," Cole said.

Twenty some odd years later, they connected.

"When I first met her in Denver. I looked like I was about 12. She showed up and had a little experience in the Navy. I thought she was the most beautiful thing in the world. I had this big crush on her," Cole said.

Cole and Hanson have been married 11 years. They came back to the states in 2000, when Dan was transferred to San Diego. They stayed in San Diego until 2013, when they decided to move to Leavenworth permanently.

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Nov. 11, 1921 was the first Veterans Day. Armistice Day, as it was then called, was set aside by Congress to honor the veterans of World War I and marked the fourth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice with Germany. In June 1954, President Eisenhower signed a bill to honor all veterans on that day and the holiday was officially renamed Veterans Day.

Because of our veterans, we are united and live our

lives in freedom, enjoying the rights guaranteed by our Constitution. Some may think Veterans Day commemorates great victories or honors great war heroes or glorifies war. Veterans Day is more than that. It honors our citizen soldiers, the millions of Americans who served and are still serving their country when asked and the thousands who have died.

Since the Revolutionary War, ordinary young citizens have quietly put their affairs in order, kissed their families

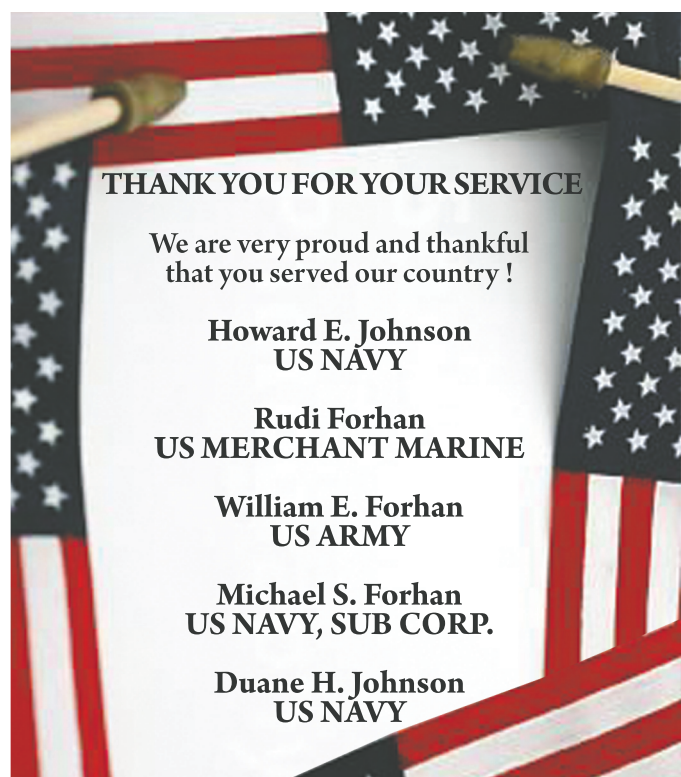
goodbye and put on uniforms. That takes courage when you're only 18-20 years old and filled with hopes and dreams and plans for the future.

These men and women are heroes. Because of their sacrifice and courage, our country is free today. Because of them, we have the rights and privileges we have always held most dear. Freedom is not a cheap commodity. Throughout our nation's history, veterans have paid a heavy price. That is why we honor them. As we celebrate Veterans Day, keep in mind the enormous debt we owe to the veterans of this nations.

This was written by my grandson, Mike Beem, in school when he was only nine years old. He is now 30.

"Veterans Day means a lot to me because the people who fought in the wars give freedom to us and served our country. Veterans Day is the day our country pays tribute to the men and women who have served our country in war and peace time." By Michael Beem.

I believe that says it all. Please take the time to locate and personally thank the veterans within your family, neighborhood and community. They are the true American heroes.



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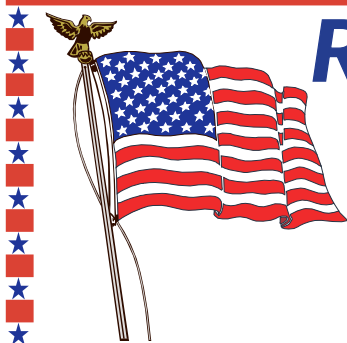
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# Performance artist Miles Hodges to do 'poetry act' in Leavenworth

## Hodges also to work in the schools

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

Renown performance artist and poet Miles Hodges is set to perform in Leavenworth at the Canyon Wren Recital Hall on Nov. 17. Hodges, 27, has been doing performances of original poems for the past 10 years, doing his original original poems, talking about his life, what he thinks of the world, how he imagines literacy, art and performance "solving some of the stuff ailing the world right now."

"I'm going to be doing a one man show. It's going to be kind of a full scale one man show where I perform poems and interject them with social commentary that laid the groundwork for why I write in the first place," Hodges said.

Hodges will also be interacting with school kids during his time in Leavenworth, as part of the Icicle Creek Center for the Arts program.

A big part of Hodges is thinking about poetry, art and performance work through an educational lens, to think about the ways people can be inspired by the stuff he's been doing.

"Performance can be a truly healing art form. You give the tools to tell their story, to get up on stage and proclaim who they are, what they want from the world. It can be a really healing medium," Hodges said. "I teach in addition to just perform. I'm going to be going around and facilitating in schools where hopefully students will be able to get a little bit closer to telling their own stories and learn some of the nuanced ways to think about yourself and put it on a page. Then, ultimately have the courage to get up and share stuff with the world."

Hodges started performing at age 14, a iteration of teenage rebellion, a need to speak up about who he is. He went to high school in Teaneck, New Jersey, which is a town of 43,000 people three miles west of New York City.



Photo by Jennifer Korfiatis  
Performance artist Miles Hodges brings a mix of poetry and social commentary to the stage in Leavenworth on Nov. 17, a production of the Icicle Creek Center for the Arts.

It was the first town to voluntarily integrate the school system.

"Here I was an interracial person living with that in the shadows or in the background of how I think about the world. I would take the bus to New York City and I would perform these poems in dimly lit bars on the lower east side," Hodges said. "I had a fake ID and a smile. I had my poems and would go to these places and get up on stage and kind of unravel in front New York's 20-something going-out crowd that tends to populate those spots."

Eventually, Hodges won a number of competitions in the

poetry "Slam World." He won a year long city-wide competition, which was nominated for a TV show and ended up being "Brave New Voice," produced by Russell Simmons on HBO.

He was followed around by cameras for a month. Ultimately, he won a national competition in Washington, D.C. in 2008. That is how he started performing professionally.

"That led to me going to Penn (Pennsylvania State University), where I continued to perform and founded an art collective called, the Strivers Row with some of the other folks featured on that HBO series. With the Strivers Row, we built that into a brand that took poems and recorded them, put them online for people to access and view," Hodges said. "That spiraled into a professional career, where I travel around and do this professionally. I've been on every spoken word television show or program of note available these days."

Hodges said he's been lucky enough to live this glorious and not so glorious life of a traveling poet. He gets up on stage with a microphone and tells people about himself, his stories and shares social commentary.

"The reason it works is because in my generation, there are so many new different careers and career paths, ways to make a living, it hinges on identity and sharing yourself. We're lucky because we have the tools to share things online and in some ways make a career out of the self," Hodges said. "I've been lucky enough to be one of those people who do it through an artistic lens."

While Hodges performance can feel improvised, it is far

from that. It is always rehearsed, never spontaneous.

"All the poems, the language itself is slaved over. The writing takes some time. It's get memorized and gets shared in a performance type

definitely form the words that come out of my mouth on any topic," he said. "What I want the work at the end of the day to serve of is a bridge for folks who at least are trying to learn about the stuff I am

someone else's pain, but with spoken word and it's done right and somebody gets up on stage and communicates it, it is very hard for you, no matter your political affiliations, to leave that theater, thinking



Photo submitted by Jennifer Korfiatis  
Miles Hodges brings his unique and acclaimed performance art to Leavenworth on Nov. 17 at Canyon Wren Recital Hall.

of format," he said.

Hodges writes about personal experience, but also meditations on race, masculinity, identity, politics, growing as artists, growing as a person in 2017.

"I'm especially lucky we have a world now that everyday yet another news story that can inform any one of those topics. I make a point to discuss that type of stuff in my show," Hodges said.

The world is ripe with stuff for me to be thinking about and talking about as a culturally interested, politically interested person with my kind of story, he said.

"What I try to do give an unfiltered, unedited perspective about it. I'm not sorry about my political leanings. They

are talking about. I think of myself as a person trying to connect worlds."

Hodges is from the northeast and hangs out with a lot of radical, poet, artsy people, but most of his friends from college are bankers. He wants to connect those ways of living and those schools of thought.

"I have found art and particularly performance poetry can be the most effective bridge. You can deny the existence of

about whoever gave their spiel could be true. They are not evil. That's the goal with my work."

See Hodges performance at 7 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 17 at Canyon Wren Recital Hall at ICCA. Tickets at icicle.org.

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## The future of Orondo River Park?

Join us for a Community Meeting to talk about the future of Orondo River Park. The Port of Douglas County has asked the PUD to take over full ownership and operation of the Park. We want to know what you think about that.

Find out more:

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Orondo School District Office, 100 Orondo School Road

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- Chelan County PUD owns and maintains the park as a day-use park only
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- Chelan County PUD owns the park as day-use only and contracts operation and maintenance

Please join us and give us your thoughts. Also, go online and take our Orondo River Park survey and be entered to win a picnic and camping gift basket at [chelanpud.org/orondo-park](http://chelanpud.org/orondo-park).



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## CITY OF LEAVENWORTH HOLIDAY & GARBAGE INFORMATION

The City of Leavenworth announces the following schedule changes and information for the month of November:

### HOLIDAY CLOSURES

City Hall will be closed on November 10th, in observance of Veteran's Day, and also on November 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

### HOLIDAY GARBAGE COLLECTION


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## Obituary

### Robert Miller Ferguson

Robert Miller Ferguson, age 87, passed away on Oct. 30, 2017. Bob was the son of the late Clyde and Ruth Ferguson and was preceded in death by his brother Bill Ferguson. A native of Leavenworth, Washington, his early years were shaped by the natural beauty of the region and the work ethic of his parents who owned the Ford dealership in Leavenworth.

In 1955, Bob married Norma Lea Straley, a native of nearby Wenatchee, Washington who shared his love of the outdoors. Upon graduation from Washington State University, Bob served in the Navy. After this service, Bob worked for 35 years in various corporate positions for Ford Motor Company which took him and his family from



Seattle to Atlanta in the mid 1960s. During his life, Bob served in many school and civic organizations including school booster clubs, the

Lions Club, and the Lake Lanier Association.

In their later years, Bob and Norma found great joy hosting family and friends, and particularly their four granddaughters, at their lake home.

Bob is survived by his wife of 61 years, Norma Lea Ferguson, his daughter Becky Donatelli and her husband, Todd, his son, Jeff Ferguson and his wife, Amy, and his granddaughters, Gina Miceli and husband, Tom Miceli, Leah Donatelli, Katie Ferguson and Kelly Ferguson. A memorial service will be held on Friday, Nov. 10, 11 a.m. at The Cathedral of All Souls in Asheville, NC. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

## Death Notice

### Dr. Donald Elmore Carpenter

Dr. Donald Elmore Carpenter, 93 passed away on Monday, Oct. 30, 2017 at Mountain Meadows Assisted Living in Leavenworth, Washington. An obituary will be published at a future time according to his daughter, Penelope Carpenter, with the date and time of a funeral Mass at Our Lady of The Assumption, Leavenworth, Washington.



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# School Sports

UPPER VALLEY NEWS SINCE 1904

## Cascade volleyball team gets favorable draw at state tournament

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The Cascade Kodiak volleyball team has received a favorable draw in the state tournament, which starts on Friday at the Sun Dome in Yakima.

"I think it's fantastic. It's the kind of draw every coach hopes for. Anything can happen at state. These girls need to work hard," said Marni McMahon, Cascade head coach.

Aside from Cascade, the top quality teams in the mix include Lakeside, Kings and Lynden Christian. All those teams are in the top bracket, Cascade is in the bottom bracket.

"We would only face one of those in the championship. It's a good draw not to have to face one of those teams in the prelims or semis," McMahon said. "That's the best draw I've ever had."

Cascade starts state on Friday against La Center. To run the table at state, McMahon said will take a lot of discipline.

"There's a lot to work on. A lot to apply at state. Some real serious focus and diligence. Just because we have a good draw, we'll be the target in the bottom bracket. We just have to take it one match at a time," McMahon said.

Cascade rival Chelan is also in the bottom bracket. Those two teams, if they kept winning, would meet in the semi-

finals. Cascade and Chelan played on Nov. 2 in the Caribou Trail League District Champion game. The Kodiaks had beaten the Goats in straight sets two times this season.

In game 1, behind some strong serving, the Goats forged to an 11-7 lead. Cascade would eventually rally to tie the game at 18-18. Still the Goats went ahead 24-21. The Kodiaks fought off three match points to tie at 24-24.

Cascade finally prevailed 27-25. The Kodiaks cruised in the second game, leading all the way to the final 25-20 set victory. In the third game, Chelan forged ahead 10-3 and would not relinquish the lead, finally winning their first set over Cascade 25-22.

In the fourth game, the Kodiaks forged ahead 11-4 and did not look back, winning 25-20. McMahon said that was the best Chelan had served against them.

"They served great and we passed poor. We have to give them credit for the game they brought. Super disappointed with our passing game. We're much better than that. We are going to have those nights when we are not passing well and that was one of them," McMahon said.

McMahon said it was good to have a game like this before state.

"We're disappointed in our passing game. We have a lot of work to do. These girls are tenacious. They work real hard. There's no doubt they



Photo by Ian Dunn  
Cascade senior outside hitter Makena Ala'ilima-Daley goes down on one knee to get the dig against Chelan last week.



Photo by Ian Dunn  
Cascade junior libero Maddie Schiefelbein makes a dig in action against Chelan last week.

could do it. It was really good to be challenged tonight. That will help motivate us. Kick us in the butt going into next week," McMahon said.

Good serving and playing

from behind is something the Kodiaks will see against the good teams at state. McMahon said they practice these scenarios a lot.

"We do that every other



Photo by Ian Dunn  
Cascade sophomore setter Megan Evans pokes the ball back over the net in action in last weekend's CTL District Championship game against Chelan at Cascade High School. Cascade won 3-1.

day in practice. We have situations. We have a score on the clock and we're down and they have to come back and win. We've been in those situations a lot. That really helped coming into this game, being down in those two sets. I said, how many times have you done

this, this week? You've been here, you know this. Remain calm and run the offense," McMahon said.

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## Cascade girls' soccer team prevails 2-1 over Freeman in crossover playoff

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The Cascade Kodiak girls' soccer team outlasted a determined Freeman team in crossover playoff action in Wenatchee last Saturday. The Kodiaks won 2-1 in overtime.

"It was hard fought game. It was impressive their athleticism. We had multiple chances on goals. It was a good match. We weren't firing on all cylinders. We had to fight for everything," said Glen Stefanko, Cascade head coach.

The two teams played to a scoreless first half. In second half, the Kodiaks were awarded a free kick when the Scottie keeper came out of the box with the ball. Senior Lauren Richardson made the kick to put the Kodiaks up 1-0.

In the furious final two minutes, Freeman scored on a breakaway, tapping it over the head of goalie Devan Archer. The game concluded regulation play tied 1-1.

In the first minute of over-



Photo submitted by Geoff Richardson  
Cascade senior forward Emily Gaines goes up for the header against Freeman last Saturday at the Apple Bowl in Wenatchee.

time, senior Ashley Parton was tripped in the box. She made the penalty kick to win

the match.

"They fought hard from beginning to end. Pretty tense

situation for us," Stefanko said.

Of course, this was a loser-out game. It would have been a crushing defeat for the unbeaten, number one ranked Kodiaks.

"I'm feeling strong, but we have a target on our backs. We're number one in state. People are looking to beat ya. You have to bring your 'A' game every game. The girls do well with that," Stefanko said.

Cascade kicked off state tournament play on Nov. 7 against Kiona-Benton in Wenatchee. Results were unavailable before press time. The Kodiaks beat Kiona-Benton 4-2 during the regular season.

"They have a real fast player. Very physical. It's always nice to play a team you've played before. We know what they'll bring at us. She is a wildcard player. Doesn't mind getting physical beyond the rules. I do like gamers. We know we have to contain her," Stefanko

said. Stefanko thinks they have a good advantage.

"We're going to try to do as many turf games as possible. If we get through this game, we might choose differently. We chose turf because we needed turf experience. It was definitely a detriment in the final four last year. We had some tired legs," Stefanko said.

If the Kodiaks win, they would play the winner of Over-

lake and Montesano. The site would be Cascade's choice as the higher seed. They would play either Thursday, Friday or Saturday.

Interestingly, Cashmere is on the same side of the bracket. They Kodiaks and Bulldogs, if they kept winning, would meet in the semifinals.

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Photo submitted by Geoff Richardson  
Cascade senior forward Addie Astell in action against Freeman last weekend.



Photo submitted by Geoff Richardson  
Sophomore defender Victoria (Tori) Driscoll works the ball upfield against Freeman.

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# Kodiak runners turn in solid performances at state



Photo submitted by Dayle Massey  
Cascade freshman Landon Davies finished 20th at the state cross country meet and was the fastest freshman by a good margin.



By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The Cascade Kodiaks sent three runners to state last Saturday at Sun Willows Golf Course in Pasco, freshmen Landon Davies and Zoe McDevitt and senior Caleb Payne.

"They did extremely well. They all had successful runs. We set goals for everyone. They all succeeded their goals. Everyone raced really strong," said Dayle Massey, Cascade Cross Country head coach.

The course was in good shape, Massey said. It was supposed to rain, but it didn't. Although, it was cold. Davies turned in an excellent performance, finishing 20th. His time beat the Cascade school record on this course set by Daniel Olmstead.

He was also the fastest freshman, finishing in 16:35.

"That was the goal. He was the fastest freshman by 35 seconds. He beat Evan Gambill from Cashmere for the first time," Massey said. "He had a good run. Went out fast and

Photo submitted by Dayle Massey  
Cascade freshman Zoe McDevitt finished sixth at a CTL District meet, but at state, only three league runners finished ahead of her.



Photo submitted by Dayle Massey

Cascade's Caleb Payne realized his goal of running under 18 minutes at the state cross country meet in Pasco last Saturday.

held on. Really successful run. Ran the first mile in 5:04."

Kenneth Rooks of College Place won the race at 15:18. Medical Lake was the boys' team champion with 78 points. Cashmere finished eighth with 214 points.

McDevitt had a really good run, Massey said.

"Her previous best 5k was at the districts. Her goal was to beat that. She did by 40 seconds. She's been improving by every race. At districts, she was sixth place. Only three league girls beat her at state," Massey said.

McDevitt finished in 35th. Massey said her time of 20:09 made her the fifth fastest Cascade girl at state. Pretty good for a freshman.

Alyce Arlan of Nooksack Valley won the race in a time of 18:06. Colville was the girls' team competition. Cashmere was ninth.

Payne finished in 17:40.

"His goal was to beat 18 minutes, which he's never done. He was really happy about that. It would've helped if the season was longer because they've been getting better and better," Massey said.

The future is bright for the cross country team, Massey believes.

"We have some really fast eighth graders coming up. The boys team is looking really good. We should be extremely competitive. For the girls, Zoe is back. We have a good group, but we need them to run all summer. Then, we can have a really strong team," Massey said.

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## The season for Cascade football comes to an end with a 47-21 loss to Newport

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The fine season of the Cascade Kodiaks football team came to an end with a cross-over playoff loss at Newport last Friday. Newport, with their strong defense, held back the high powered Cascade offense to win 47-21.

"They had a lot of snow, six inches from the night before. We were dealing with field conditions, a lot of slipping and falling and things like that. That's why ended up throwing more than usual,"

said Dom Coffin, Cascade head coach.

Newport opened the scoring with a pair of touchdowns. Troy Hill passed 18-yards to Kade Zorica for one score and Koa Pancho ran 3-yards for another. The Grizzlies opened a 21-point lead in the second quarter with another Pancho TD run, this time from 15 yards.

Cascade finally scored in the second quarter with a 38-yard pass from Jose Mendoza to Teague Duncan. The Grizzlies capped the first half scoring with another Pancho run, this time from 28 yards.

Newport led 28-7 at the half.

In the second half, the Grizzlies scored on an 85-yard pass from Pancho to Jacob Kirkwood to increase the lead to 34-7. Cascade would answer with a 15-yard Isaiah Dayton TD run.

Newport scored two more touchdowns in the fourth quarter, before Cascade answered with a 12-yard Duncan TD run. The Grizzlies racked up 472 yards in total offense versus 277 for Cascade.

"They had a lot of big plays and we just came out flat. We really didn't tackle well,

which put us behind in the beginning. In the second half, we came out and tried to compete. We gave up another two big plays which put us in a hole and made it tough to comeback," Coffin said.

Newport had 275 yards rushing, Cascade just 86. The Kodiaks had two fumbles, the Grizzlies had one. Mendoza was 13-for-25 passing for 167 yards and 1 touchdown. Pancho was 5-for-6 for 179 yards and 2 touchdowns.

Dayton led the Kodiaks with 63 yards rushing and 1 touchdown. Pancho had 109 yards and 3 touchdowns. Danny

Bradbury had 108 yards and 1 touchdown. Jose Valdez had 8 catches for 91 yards for Cascade. Kirkwood had 2 catches for 138 yards 2 touchdowns.

Cascade finishes the season 2-2 in league play and 6-4 overall. Coffin said it was a challenging season with all the injuries.

"It was an awesome experience for our kids to get a chance to step up. We had a lot of guys who filled in and started. That's strength for the future. It was a fun season for our kids. They worked hard. We had a great group of seniors," Coffin said.

As for next season, the future looks bright with a lot of talented players expected to return.

"We're excited for next year. We have a lot of guys with good experience coming back. It should be fun. That will be the time to make a run. Our younger guys will finally be the older guys. Hopefully we can make something happen," Coffin said.

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## Opinions

### Taxing the rich and other sacred cows



IN MY  
OPINION  
Bill Forhan  
Publisher

The Republicans revealed the details of their tax plan last week. President Trump called it a Christmas present to the American people. Democrats and most journalists called it a gift to the rich.

I am disappointed to say that in my 30 plus years in the news business I have found it extremely difficult to find a reporter who understands economics or math. In fact, in my early years working for large daily newspapers I regularly lobbied that all newsrooms should have a financial person on their staff. It didn't happen.

So reporters fall back on the same old tired rhetoric that sees tax cuts as a way for rich and powerful republicans to reward their rich friends. The problem of course is that we keep going down the road of trying to put lipstick on a pig.

Our tax system is broken. It is counterproductive and divisive. It pits the poor against the rich and small business against big business.

Having said that, I am dubious about the ability of Congress to remodel the tax code into a system that will work for all Americans. But I know one thing for sure. We cannot continue to expect the richest and most successful members of our society to subsidize the rest of us. We must all share in the cost to some extent.

Personally, I have lobbied for abolishing the income tax in favor of a national sales tax. In Europe they call this a VAT

tax for Value Added Tax. Let's be clear, the government adds no value to any product or service. So a VAT tax is just another one of those politically sensitive names designed to make taxpayers feel better about paying it.

Whenever, Republicans begin to talk about a tax cut Democrats start screaming how it will explode the deficit. Like somehow the Democrats are suddenly concerned about deficits.

Ideally, they would agree to cut spending along with cutting taxes but don't expect that to happen. So let's look at the numbers and try to make some sense of what is being proposed.

First the 2018 budget calls for spending of \$4.09 trillion with revenue of \$3.65 trillion. So in other words the government is planning on adding another \$.44 trillion to the deficit next year. That is ac-

tually down from last year's deficit of \$.58 trillion. That is a 24% savings!

Try not to let your eyes glaze over here. I'll try to make this as simple as I possibly can. Personal income tax accounts for one half of the tax collections. Payroll taxes add another one third. So 83 percent of the Federal governments revenue comes from individuals. Ten percent comes from corporate taxes and 1 percent comes from the death tax. The remaining 6 percent comes from excise taxes, tariffs and interest.

The corporate tax rates are scheduled to drop from 35 percent to 20 percent. That is a reduction of 42 percent in the tax rate.

Critics of the plan love to point out that few corporations pay the 35 percent rate because of deductions and exemptions. None of that is relevant without knowing what

the exemptions and deductions were. The reality is that at 35 percent many American companies have found moving their headquarters overseas has dramatically reduced their U.S. tax bill. As a result, revenue that might have gone to the U.S. government went into foreign governments and foreign banks.

If nothing changed except the tax rate the net impact to government revenue would be a reduction of 4 percent of the federal revenue or \$.15 billion.

The other major criticism is the plan eliminates the inheritance tax or "death tax." This is an especially unfair tax because individuals who have paid their taxes all of their lives are taxed once again because they died so they can't complain. It accounts for something less than 1 percent of the total federal revenue but Democrats want you to

believe the government just can't function without it.

The truth is that much will change about this plan as it winds its way through the Congressional washing machine. So it is much too early to speculate about what the final bill will include.

What is absolutely true is that our current tax system is far too complex. It discourages individual initiative and the creation of wealth. We all need to contribute something to the operation of our government. There is no free lunch.

We have tried the liberal way of increasing government programs and making the rich pay for all of it. The result is our economy is stagnating and the middle class has had to pick up the bill. It is time to take a different road.

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### Will tax cuts help the stock market?



BRAD  
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The Republican tax bill is finally here. For the stock market, the biggest treat is a corporate tax cut from 35% to 20%. That can't possibly be bad for the stock market, at least

over the short-term. But I'm going to try to temper your excitement just a little.

I'm not convinced this bill will change the behavior of businesses very much. Corporations already have plenty of cash and earnings are high. How will giving the business world even more money change their decision-making equation? The best answer to that question is that if taxes are lower in America, businesses will invest more in America. That makes plenty

of sense until you realize that Bernie Sanders might be President in 2020. The potential for tax rates to go back up in just a few years might be enough to keep businesses from changing their plans much. Perhaps more importantly, if the tax cuts lead to the national debt increasing (which is entirely possible), businesses will be even less motivated to invest in America.

There's also the question of whether this is the right time for economic stimulus. We are

already at risk for inflation. If the tax cut is successful in stimulating the economy, the economy might overheat. That means higher inflation and higher interest rates - which might be the quickest way to push us into recession. Rather than a tax cut, I'd prefer "tax reform," which means cleaning up the tax code without cutting overall taxes.

My last point is that the markets have been dreaming of a tax cut since election day. That means it's "priced in" to

the market already. If it fails to pass, the stock market will surely be disappointed. However, even if it passes, the market may not celebrate for long. The successful passing of a tax bill could be like Christmas morning for the markets. But, sometimes there's a sadness that sets in after Christmas because there's nothing to look forward to except 3 more months of winter. In the same way, the markets might wake up in the days after the tax cut and think: This is all we're

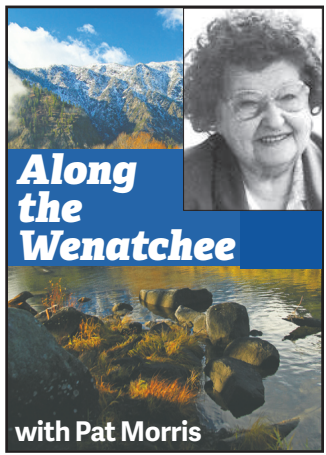
going to get from Trump - and now we have 3 more years of living with this guy.

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# Life & Health

## The Cascade Tunnel that was never built!



It had seemed like a capital idea when proposed in 1909 and again in 1916; a tunnel through the Cascade mountains for traffic to Puget Sound beginning at Leavenworth and extending to Skykomish. It was hailed as a marvelous alternative to the four to five months of bitter winter weather, not to speak of all the winding, one lane, slick, steep highway that confronted the traveler east or west. After the Armistice following World War I the proposal found many backers. Annual conventions were held, officers were elected, politicians pushed for such a plan, but few were willing to back it with money. In those early days, counties paid the bill on such programs. The idea of boring a hole through the Cascades seemed preposterous even after the railroad proved it was feasible.

There were many considerations that made it a worthwhile venture, however. Basic to all was a year-round crossing free of inclement weather. This in turn would lower the cost of products shipped from Eastern Washington as well as result in Seattle and Tacoma receiving the apples and the grain and the beef grown here instead of Portland.

The railroad had constructed a 7.7-mile tunnel despite the nay-saying of others, which was an outstanding example of what could be done. Multi-million dollar projects were

not unheard of and the resulting improvement in trade relationships between the two halves of the state should be productive.

Then there was the matter of usefulness in event of another war. All these pluses needed to be factored.

Originally, when a famous United States Army engineer, Brigadier General H.M. Chittenden, was sent to look over the problems arising because of the Cascades, he concluded that the solution to our transportation difficulties lay in an east-and-west low level tunnel. He remarked, "Neither river nor sea could so effectively divide the state of Washington as does the Cascade Mountain range. A colossal rock pile ages old, this great barrier extends from northern to southern boundary. Surmounting this in winter is fraught with danger and enormous expense. "Go under the mountain wall instead of wasting time, energy, and money on miles of highway!"

By 1924 Seattle had an enthusiastic group of individuals wholeheartedly backing the venture; east of the mountains chamber of commerce groups to whom the plan was presented were not so supportive. That it would be a great advantage as a shorter route to Puget Sound was not questioned. The two huge concerns were the feasibility of construction and financing. One plan was a shared cost between the federal government, the state and the railroad expecting to make use of the facility. All three disavowed interest when approached.

Discarding all plans for bond issues or taxation at least for that time, the Cascade Tunnel Association was incorporated. An attempt to build it with private capital, expense of construction to be repaid by tolls was undoubtedly the answer. To make this

plan attractive a survey of the route suggested by Chittenden to present to investors was needed. In 1927 Senate Bill No. 150 was brought before the State Legislature and was up for consideration by the joint committees of both bodies, who found it worthy. It directed a tunnel commission already in existence to make surveys and select the best route. An appropriation of \$22,250 was to finance the survey.

In a sense the Great Depression's arrival stalled further progress until President Roosevelt's recovery plans of federal money for enormous projects brought hope that the solution lay in the government's backing. East of the mountains a surge of enthusiasm seems to have arisen. Cashmere's businessmen eagerly hosted a regional meeting billed as the opportunity to learn both sides of the question.

Three officials of the Cascade Tunnel Association addressed the crowd filling the Presbyterian Church to overflow. One speaker voiced this opinion: "As underground projects go, it would be peanuts compared with the subways of New York, London and Paris. We have already outgrown our bristles traffic wise. Our motor traffic has doubled in the last ten years and congestion on our highways is something we hadn't anticipated for decades. The great Cascade Tunnel will be an important strategic point on the Northwest trade route. It will be a tollgate on one of the world's main highways: the long road which stretches from New York to Hong Kong. It will be unique in that it will be built of Washington products and by men living here, but it will be paid for by the consumer throughout the world. Half a million dollars would be spent monthly on labor and materials in

this state." Only one speaker upheld the negative with materials he had been furnished by the railroad, he said. Somehow his claims went largely unheeded.

One of those willing to go to great lengths to see the project begun was A.C. Barclay, former railroad conductor and Leavenworth hotel man, who was noted for his flamboyant performances. The summer after the dedication of the Tumwater Canyon highway he

Tunnel," he continued. Backing Seattle's stand were the figures showing that she was missing out on the products of the Columbia Basin, while Portland profited. Two-thirds of the rail car shipments went to the city on the Columbia and Seattle's slice was growing thinner each successive year.

"Surplus products from Eastern Washington should go to Seattle," commented one senator. "The natural

proponents declared it would stimulate cross state business, especially with plans for a giant reclamation project for the Columbia Basin, a sure thing. Evidently, the 50,000 signatures of registered voters required were not secured for it was missing on the November election ballot.

Backing these plans was one thing; overcoming the resistance of an established powerful, well-funded system another. The railroad had a virtual monopoly on hauling to Puget Sound. Its rates had long cut deeply into growers' incomes. This short-haul tunnel even with a toll was inviting competition and surely a drop in freight rates. With the possibility of war looming, the War Department took an interest. Among themselves there was agreement that in event of an attack on Puget Sound, it would have to be abandoned. The government was keeping an eye on the issue, for with the roads of the day there was no way troops or materials could be safely and quickly moved across the state.

arranged to have constructed and installed a huge replica of a tunnel entrance so that tourists trying the new scenic road also were set to thinking of the advantages of a 27-mile long, double tracked, lighted, electrified facility that was sure to be a treat in winter or whenever a hurried trip was necessary and leave out the largely dirt-surfaced, winding, winter closed route available at that time.

During the early Thirties the plan had drawn presidential support. President Hoover remarked, "It would cost no more than one good battleship! Even James J. Hill, railroad magnet, had pooped the construction of the Panama Canal stating that lily pads would occupy it, but time had proven its worth and would in the case of a Cascade



Traffic turning off Highway 2 onto Icicle Road drove through this 28-foot wide arch. It was to advertise the planned Cascade Tunnel.

## Q: I've tried Visine® eye drops but they don't really help relieve the burning. Is there anything else I can try?



How do you soothe the discomfort of itchy, watery eyes from forest fire smoke? The best place to start is regularly rinsing them with a saline solution or lubricating eye drops. Rinsing or flushing out the irritating particles floating downwind in the smoke from burning trees can help reduce your burning or stinging eyes. When choosing a lubricating eye drop, you can pick one that has no preservative, one with a preservative, or one with a "disappearing" preservative.

Eye drops without any preservative are much more expensive and are packaged to be used one time only. Several lubricant eye drops contain a preservative like benzalkonium chloride. Unfortunately, preservatives can cause eye irritation in some people, so an alternative option was developed: "disappearing" preservatives that break down into harmless, non-irritating compounds when they come in contact with eye tissue. Sodium perborate is one example of a "disappearing" preservative: it prevents the growth of bacteria while in the eye drop bottle yet when applied to

the eye it changes first into a dilute form of hydrogen peroxide, then rapidly breaks down even further to just oxygen and water.

Decongestant eye drops like Visine® work by shrinking the blood vessels in your eyes, which makes them look less red or "bloodshot". Decongestant eye drops aren't very helpful if you have an allergic reaction, but they can help reduce eyelid swelling from allergies or irritation. Be careful, though; overusing decongestant eye drops can cause dry eyes and aggravate certain types of glaucoma, threatening your vision.

Naphazoline is the only decongestant currently available in eye drops without a prescription and is sold either by itself as Naphcon® or combined with an antihistamine, like Visine-A® or Naphcon-A®. Naphazoline should not be used for more than 3 days at a time and should not be used at all if you have glaucoma.

Antihistamine eye drops can relieve itchy, watery eyes triggered by allergic reactions or irritants like smoke from wildfires. Visine-A®

and Naphcon-A® (the "A" stands for antihistamine) both contain the antihistamine pheniramine maleate. Unfortunately, they also contain the decongestant naphazoline, which limits their use to 3 days at a time.

My favorite eye drops for allergy or irritation contain ketotifen, which works to relieve eye irritation in 2 ways: it works as an antihistamine and as a different type of allergy medicine called a mast cell stabilizer. Mast cell stabilizers work by calming your body's reaction to something you are allergic to (an allergen). When you come in contact with an allergen, histamine is released into your bloodstream and causes redness, swelling and itching. Normally, histamine is tucked away in special cells called mast cells. When a mast cell touches something you are allergic to, a chain reaction occurs, causing the mast cell to open up and release its histamine, triggering an allergic response.

Although antihistamines work by blocking the swelling and itching caused by histamine, mast cell stabilizers can

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Originally marketed as the prescription drug Zatidor®, ketotifen is widely available without a prescription as the brand name Alaway® and as its generic, ketotifen. I recommend ketotifen eye drops to treat allergies and irritation from smoke because it is effective, inexpensive and safe to use in children as young as 3 years old.

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 9. Kind of cola  
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 17. Hula dancer's necklace  
 18. "Haste makes waste," e.g.  
 19. \*Thanksgiving game day stars  
 21. "Peeps around the table"  
 23. "But I heard him exclaim, \_\_\_ he drove out of sight..."  
 24. Queen of Carthage  
 25. British broadcaster  
 28. Fungal spore sacs  
 30. Angry dispute  
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 39. Did like a star at night  
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 41. \*Last float passenger  
 43. Larger-than-life  
 44. Like a neon sign  
 46. Catcher's catcher  
 47. Facts and figures  
 48. Nile and Mississippi  
 50. Plural of "forum"  
 52. State of no-mindness  
 53. Impose, as in tax  
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 57. \*Star of the show on Thanksgiving  
 60. \*The Thanksgiving Song" singer  
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 3. Hearty one-pot dish  
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 15. Kate Hudson's "Almost \_\_\_"  
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 22. Sum it up  
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 25. \* \_\_\_-breasted variety  
 26. Pop out  
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 31. Lose one's coat  
 32. November birthstone  
 33. Get together  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON CITY OF CASHMERE FINAL 2018 BUDGET**

The City of Cashmere preliminary 2018 budget has been filed with the City Clerk-Treasurer. The Cashmere City Council will hold a public hearing on the final 2018 budget for the City of Cashmere on Monday, November 27, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at the Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street. Copies of the preliminary budget are available by November 20th at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The public is invited to attend said hearing and make comment.

Kay Jones  
 City Clerk  
 City of Cashmere

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Notice is hereby given the Upper Valley Park and Recreation Service Area, Chelan County, Washington will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 9:00 AM in the Leavenworth City Hall Conference Room, located at 700 US Highway 2, to review and approve the 2018 Final Budget that includes proposed expenditures, revenue sources, and a possible increase in property taxes. Copies of the proposed budget will be available by November 3, 2017. Please contact Chantell Steiner at the City of Leavenworth, 509-548-5275, for additional information. The public is invited to attend said open meeting and make comment.

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**Superior Court of Washington For Chelan County**

In the matter of the estate of **Patricia Lee Bryant, Deceased.**  
 No. 17-4-00296-0  
**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 this Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.

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**Lynn M. Bryant,**  
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Court of probate proceeding and cause number: Chelan County Superior Court, Cause Number: 17-4-00296-0

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**Superior Court of Washington For Chelan County**

In the matter of the estate of

**Barbara Lee Fuller, Deceased.**  
 No. 17-4-00303-6  
**Notice To Creditors**  
 (RCW 11.40.030)

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**Date of First Publication:** November 1, 2017.

**Sally McGregor, Trustee**  
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**City of Leavenworth Annual Community Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposals**

Although the City of Leavenworth is in the process of completing the 2017 Comprehensive Plan, annually the City of Leavenworth enters a cycle to receive requests for community proposals to amend the City's Comprehensive Plan, including the Land Use Zoning Map. For a proposed community amendment to be considered for sponsorship by the City Council, submission is due by December 31, 2017. Privately sponsored proposals are due by January 31, 2018. Applications for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan are available at City Hall. For further information, please contact the Development Services Manager, Nathan Pate, at 509-548-5275, or by e-mail at dsmanager@cityofleavenworth.com, or mail City of Leavenworth, P.O. Box 287, Leavenworth, WA 98826.

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**Determination Of Nonsignificance**

**Description of proposal:** The proposal is to adopt amendments to the City of Cashmere Title-17 Zoning Code and Title-16 Subdivision Code. The amendments are as follows:

- Amendments to Title-17 Zoning Code Amendments to 17.08 Definitions.
- Amendments to 17.62 Planned Unit Developments.
- Amendments to 17.59 Wireless Communication Facilities (WCF).
- Amendments to 17.72 Conditional Use.
- Amendments to Title 16 Subdivision Code
- Amendments to 16.12.011 Applicability
- Amendments to 16.16.010 Purpose

**Proponent:** City of Cashmere & Chelan County

**Location of proposal, including street address, if any:** Incorporated City of Cashmere and unincorporated area of Chelan County-City of Cashmere Urban Growth Area (UGA),

**Lead agency:** City of Cashmere  
 The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 15 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by end of business day on **November 22, 2017**.  
**Responsible official:** Mark Botello, Director of Planning & Building, 101 Woodring Street, Cashmere, WA 98815. Phone (509) 782-3513.

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**City Of Cashmere Notice Of Application**

**Name of Applicant:** Brad Jaeb  
**Application Number:** CUP #01-2017  
**Date of Application:** October 24, 2017  
**Date Letter of Completeness Issued:** November 8, 2017

**Description of Proposal and Project Permits:**  
 Brad Jaeb is requesting a conditional use permit for the expansion of an existing nonconforming structure. The proposal is to add two additional residential units within an existing structure. The existing structure footprint will not be expanded. The subject property is located at 310 River St, Cashmere, also identified by Chelan County Assessor's Parcel Number # 23-19-04-790-150. The property is located in Section 04, Township 23 North, Range 19 East, WM, Chelan County, Washington.

**Requested Approvals, Actions and/ or Required Studies:**  
 Project requires a conditional use permit.

**Other Permits Not Included, To the Extent Known:**  
 Building Permit  
**Existing Environmental Documents and Where They Can Be Reviewed:**

An environmental checklist (dated October 24, 2017) has been submitted with this application and can be viewed, along with all other application materials, at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street, Cashmere, WA 98815.

**Statement of Public Comment Period:**  
 The 14 day comment period commences on November 8, 2017, and lasts through November 21, 2017. Any interested person has the right to comment on the proposal, receive notice of and participate in any hearings, request a copy of the decision once it is made, and may appeal the decision subject to the requirements of the CMC Title 14 Development Code Administration.

**Statement of Preliminary Determination:**  
 The development regulations that will be used for project mitigation and to provide consistency with the type of land use for the proposed site are outlined in CMC Titles 15, 16, 17 and 18.

**Threshold Determination:**  
 The City of Cashmere has determined that this proposal likely will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and issued a Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) pursuant to the process found in WAC 197-11-340. A copy of the subsequent threshold determination for the proposal may be obtained upon request from the City.

**City Contact Person:**  
 For further information about this project, please contact Mark Botello, Director of Planning & Building, at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street, Cashmere, WA 98815, or by calling 782-3513.

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**Sheriff/Fire/EMS**  
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**Leavenworth**  
**Monday, Oct. 30**  
 03:58 Burglary reported at 9020 Foster Rd. Dryden.  
 13:44 Harass/threats reported at CHS.  
 16:45 Weapons violation reported at Josephine Ave. Dryden.  
 17:10 Domestic disturbance reported at 9838 School St. Peshastin.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 31**  
 06:59 Alarm reported at 3199 Allen Ln. Peshastin.  
 09:21 Disturbance reported at Park & Ride.  
 10:03 Suspicious activity reported at 14062 Brae Burn Rd.  
 10:28 Theft reported at Safeway.  
 11:37 Stolen vehicle reportedly recovered at 13860 Brae Burn Rd.  
 12:59 Property issue reported at 920 US2.  
 13:52 Scam reported at 9700 Derby Canyon Rd. Peshastin.  
 19:02 Hazard reported at 8544 E. Leavenworth Rd.  
 19:40 Hazard reported at 14193 Chiwawa Loop Rd.  
 22:45 Disturbance reported at 408 Ash St.  
 23:16 Hazard reported at Chiwawa Loop Rd.  
**Wednesday, Nov. 1**  
 06:40 Hazard reported at Steelhead Ln. 8800 Blk.  
 09:28 Property issue reported at 7799 Icicle Rd.  
 10:10 Animal problem reported at 711 Cedar St.  
 10:21 Alarm reported at Washington Federal.  
 11:07 Property issue reported at Osborn School.  
 17:53 Suspicious activity reported at Commercial & 14th streets.  
 18:06 Theft reported at 320 Park Ave.  
 18:32 Suspicious activity reported at CHS.  
 18:50 Civil issue reported at 9860 Blewett Cutoff Rd.  
 20:44 Suspicious activity reported at 9291 Pakascwa Rd.  
**Thursday, Nov. 2**  
 08:15 Public assist requested at 11492 US2.  
 15:27 Vehicle theft reported at 14395 Chumstick Hwy.  
 15:45 Agency assist requested at 3432 Hansel Ln. Peshastin.  
 17:32 CPS/APS referral reported at 123 W. Whitman St.  
 18:06 CPS/APS referral reported at 15305 Chumstick Hwy.  
**Friday, Nov. 3**  
 08:37 Property issue reported at Good Mood Food.  
 12:47 Juvenile problem reported at 10001 School St. Peshastin.  
 22:32 Domestic disturbance reported at 8488 Lake St. Peshastin.  
**Saturday, Nov. 4**  
 03:14 Noise reported at CHS.  
 11:04 Alarm reported at 2624 Cottonwood Ln. Lake Wenatchee.  
 13:37 Vehicle prowling reported at

Big Y Cafe.  
 16:45 911 call reported at 1547 Alpanse Str.  
 17:16 Theft reported at 26350 White River Rd.  
 17:41 Domestic disturbance reported at 9791 Mountain Home Rd.  
 17:48 Harass/threats reported at 11450 Eagle Creek Rd.  
 20:41 Theft reported at Union 76.  
 22:12 Disturbance reported at 221 W. Commercial St.  
**Sunday, Nov. 5**  
 01:14 Non injury accident reported at Chumstick Hwy. MP5.  
 10:42 Parking/abandoned vehicle reported at US2 & E. Leavenworth Rd.  
 12:21 Theft reported at 19609 Beaver Valley Rd.  
 13:40 Non injury accident reported at 13455 Chumstick Hwy.  
 16:28 Suspicious activity reported at North Rd. & Chumstick Hwy.  
 21:40 Suspicious activity reported at Blewett Pass.  
**Fire/EMS Responses**  
**Monday, Oct. 30**  
 04:43 CM responded to a sick person at 17507 Chumstick Hwy.  
 15:08 CM, CC3, Ball responded to a fall at 9020 Icicle Rd.  
 17:18 CM, CC3 responded to a fall at 510 Cedar St.  
**Tuesday, Oct. 31**  
 09:11 CC3 responded to a commercial alarm at 7375 Icicle Rd.  
 17:41 CC3 responded to a commercial alarm at 7375 Icicle Rd.  
 19:40 CM, CC9 responded to an unknown accident at 14190 Chiwawa Loop Rd.  
 20:47 CC3, CC6 responded to a possible brush fire at US97, MP172  
**Wednesday, Nov. 1**  
 01:45 CM, CC3, CC6 responded to a cardiac issue at 7211 US97.  
 10:32 CC3, CC9, CC6 responded to a brush fire at US2, MP114.  
 15:04 CC3, CC6, CFD, CC1 responded to a brush fire at 3578 Red Apple Rd.  
 21:02 CM, CC9 responded to a sick person at Squirrel Tree.  
**Thursday, Nov. 2**  
 04:03 CM responded to a personal assist at 8907 Motel Rd.  
**Friday, Nov. 3**  
 14:18 CM responded to a sick person at 6824 Dryden Ave.  
**Saturday, Nov. 4**  
 09:24 CM responded to a diabetic issue at 8590 Pine St.  
 13:19 CM responded to an eye problem at Derby Canyon Rd.  
 18:02 CC3 responded to an illegal burn at Chumstick Hwy. MP11.  
 18:06 CC3, CC9 responded to a brush fire at Fish Lake Rd.  
**Sunday, Nov. 5**  
 04:05 CM, CC3 responded to a fall at 505 US2.  
 10:36 CM, CC9 responded to an unknown injury accident at US2, MM74.

Opinions

Beware the 'killer' baked beans



APPLES TO APPLES Gary Bégin

I love to cook chili, baked beans, lasagna and a variety of other dishes. Last week I concocted my uniquely fashioned baked bean dish. I think the wonderful and therapeutic act of ingredient preparation and cooking backfired - literally. It was not the chopping of the garlic clove (1/2 in 1/8 inch slices) or the jalapeños (3 - mild) or the green bell pepper (1/2 in 1/2 inch pieces). It was not the slicing of the yellow onions (2 - just cut 'em and run) nor the adding of the spicy brown mustard (about 1/2 cup, but who really knows how many times I squeezed that bottle?). Perhaps you're thinking it could have been the molasses (a no-longer secret ingredient. Use about 1/4 cup, but drizzled sporadically during the process). Partially cut up in one inch pieces and then fry-up some thick-sliced smoked bacon (pick your wood). The package said cherywood smoked, but who really knows? Pecanwood, Hickory-smoked? No one cares, but the wood elves who are enslaved by the North Korean

midget somewhere deep in a nuclear-infested mountain, to cut the stuff. I neglected to say I started with a huge Costco-sized can of Bush's Baked Beans and dumped it all into a crockpot. Amywho, a splash of worcester, soy, steak and BBQ sauce towards the end of the six-hour process finishes off the recipe. Somewhere in the beginning or middle or end. I forget. The Octoberfest brew I was still drinking by the case may have clouded my memory. After all it was the last day of the month and I'm not sure if one can drink Octoberfest in November or else they could call it Novemberfest, eh? I also threw in some coarsely-ground black pepper, crushed red pepper and a dash of sea salt. The crockpot did its mojo from midnight until 6 a.m. on low. I started eating it for breakfast and every couple of hours I'd have another small bowl. By late afternoon the trouble began. There I was high above the maddening crowd of bustling East Wenatchee. You see, swabbing a doublewide's roof with protective goop isn't rocket science, which is why I'm as qualified as the next guy to do the job. 20-feet off the ground rolling said goop on the sheet metal roof (corrugated - about 100 miles of the stuff) when the baked beans (sounds sexier

than crockpot beans) started their internal crescendo. It happened to be Halloween, so of course I was in costume. I owned an old robe made of heavy brocaded fabric, a wooden cross necklace and a wooden staff with a jumping fish carved into the top (my brother's gift to me as he knew I liked fishing, but in this case it had religious symbolism). I called myself Hermano Gary in deference to our huge Hispanic population. Hermano means brother. I didn't want to be mistaken for a Padre (father). Brothers are more easy going because they get to drink more and act like buffoons right along with the other Merry Men of Robin Hood's anti-rich gang. Back to the swabbing, aka mano-on-metal. Oh Brother where art thou? Up On the Roof just singing my song when a flock of Canadian Geese flew by in their typical V-shaped formation. Luckily for me they did not drop any bombs. Maybe they knew I was a dual citizen? Then the action began in earnest. One by one the flocks flew over my dwelling and one by one way off in the distance I noticed a bird crashing to the ground, then another and another. It took me a while (and a dozen fallen birds) to understand it was my "holy" emanations that were responsible for their deaths. The prevailing

winds were just not in their favor that day. Too much garlic you think? Garlic is also a holy ingredient because I know for a fact it kills (or at least maims) vampires and other evil creatures, so it was a natural Hermano Gary would include it in a Halloween feast. I am now afraid PETA will be coming after me. Fortunately, my baked bean recipe works on vegetarians as well as geese. I know this to be true because my salad-gulping emaciated elderly neighbor lady passed out after a recent visit by me to her "retirement villa" (please don't tell her it is a metal box with plastic flamingos in the rock garden or AARP will have my butt in a sling). Now I wonder if a vow of silence includes the shunning of baked beans? I may have to change Holy Orders, maybe become a Vulcan? Were Spock's ears clipped at birth like a doberman's? Far below I hear a knock on the door, it is PETA and they're selling magazines to raise money for penguin relief in Antarctica. Why can't they just use those catheters I see advertised on TV like the other birds down under? Managing Editor Gary Bégin can be reached at gary@ncwmedia.net. His opinions are not necessarily those of NCW Media.

Commissioner Franz unveils Forest Health Plan

Submitted by Department of Natural Resources  
 OLYMPIA - Public Lands Commissioner Hilary S. Franz stood where plumes of Jolly Mountain Fire smoke reared overhead just months ago to announce a new plan to treat Washington's ailing forests and reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires. The Commissioner made her announcement in Cle Elum flanked by legislative, industry, environmental and community leaders. The audience included many of the 56 participants from the more than 33 agencies and organizations that collaborated on the plan's creation. Commissioner Franz stressed that implementing the plan will take time - it spans 20 years - and the vi-

menting the recent bipartisan legislation. The committee represents diverse interests spanning industry to conservation groups, forest collaborative land managers to affected communities, and those who protect wildlife habitat to those who respond to wildfire emergencies. It is her hope that this committee will form a strong foundation for the statewide partnerships. "We now have the plan and the partners necessary to treat our high risk forests with scientifically sound, landscape-scale, cross-boundary projects. With long term partnerships and commitment we can begin to stem the severe damage from overgrowth, mismanagement, disease and intense wildfire that so many of our forests are experiencing," said Franz. The plan includes strategies to develop marketable forest treatment byproducts from the waste made by thinning sick and overgrown forests. By following responsible, sci-

entific methods for improving forest health, Franz added, Washington can both improve forest resiliency and add new natural resource streams to local economies. The plan also lays out protocols to work with landowners, collect and share better science, and prepare communities for coping with threats created by unwell forests. "If we fail to do this work, we face formidable wildfire seasons in an increasingly difficult climate," said Franz. "Improving the health of our forests will reduce risk to lives, communities, livelihoods, water supplies and essential forest ecosystems." She continued: "I look forward to the successes this plan will bring and its expansion throughout the state as we work to cope with the changing health of our landscape." Find a full version of the 20-Year Forest Health Strategic Plan: Eastern Washington here: www.dnr.wa.gov/ForestHealthPlan

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