



The Jack Creek Fire continues to burn in the Alpine Lake Wilderness. Left, you can see a spot fire burning. Right, a Forest Service worker helps to protect small structure from the fire.

Photos courtesy USFS

# Jack Creek Fire burns in Alpine Lakes Wilderness

By IAN DUNN  
 EDITOR

On Sept. 1, the Jack Creek Fire, burning in the Alpine Lakes Wilderness, put up a considerable column of smoke, visible from Leavenworth. The fire had been burning for about three weeks sitting dormant before burning into more combustible fuels.

Low humidity levels and high temperatures also contributed to the fire activity. The fire had grown to 46 acres, spotting across Jack Creek.

"Fire managers on the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest have chosen a 'monitor' management strategy to maintain wilderness values. The Jack Creek fire started naturally by lightning and is playing its important role in achieving ecological benefits. Areas surrounding the fire perimeter have previously burned, including a fire footprint from 2008 directly to the east," according to a Sept. 2 news release.

Trail closures were in effect in the Jack Creek area for the public and firefighter safety. On Sept. 3, an infrared flight showed the fire had grown to the south in the Van Epps Drainage, significantly east through the 2008 Jack Creek Fire footprint.

The fire spotted over Jack Ridge into the Eightmile drainage, which prompted

immediate evacuations of the campers and day hikers there. Firefighters hiked into Eightmile Lake to assess the fire activity.

Trail closures included Eightmile Lake no. 1552, Eightmile-Trout Lake Trail no. 1554, Trout Creek Trail no. 1555, Jack Ridge Trail no. 1557, Jack Creek Trail no. 1558, Meadow Creek Trail no. 1559, Solomom Creek Trail no. 1593, and Van Epps Trail no. 1594.

"Due to increased fire activity in the Stuart and Eightmile Lake drainages the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest has implemented a trail and area closure in the Enchantments Permit Area and Alpine Lakes Wilderness. The Colchuck Lake, Stuart Lake and Eightmile/Caroline Lake permit zones are closed for public safety," according to a Sept. 3 news USFS news release. "The Snow Lakes permit zone and Core Enchantments Zone are still open. The closure begins at the top of Aasgard Pass. Wilderness rangers are currently evacuating campers and day hikers from all closed trails."

On Sept. 4, a community meeting was held at Chelan County Fire District 3. The Jack Creek Fire had burned significantly to the east, spotting over Jack Ridge. The fire is established in the Eightmile and Stuart Lake drainages.

Water was dropped on the

spot fires near Stuart Lake to slow the fire progression and assist in evacuation of the hikers. DNR Helitack inserted personnel to assist Wilderness Rangers with evacuations of Stuart Lake. Several hundred hikers were safely evacuated from Colchuck, Stuart, Eightmile, Caroline and Trout Lake areas.

"Fire managers will continue monitoring the fire and evaluate the need for point protection of recreation infrastructure. The Jack Creek Fire is accomplishing forest management objectives by providing for firefighter and public safety and maintaining wilderness values," according to Sept. 4 USFS news release.

By Sept. 5, the Jack Creek Fire grew to 2,154 acres. The fire moved south up the Jack Creek drainage toward Stuart Pass.

"Fire activity has been burning at a moderate intensity with surface fire, single tree and group torching, cleaning up understory and promoting diversity. The fire is burning in the right place, at the right time, with the right resources, for the right reason. This approach allows the Jack Creek Fire to play its natural ecological role while maintaining wilderness values," according to Sept. 5 USFS news release.

Wenatchee River Ranger District trail crew members, wilderness rangers and stock

program lead, assisted district firefighters with the implementation of point protection on recreational features within the Alpine Lakes Wilderness.

"Pack animals were utilized to pack in several 65 pound rolls of structure wrap into the wilderness and stage in strategic locations for yesterdays and future point protection activities. Phase one focused on wrapping seven wood Wallowa toilets at Eightmile, Little Eightmile and Stuart Lakes with fire protective wrap. Key wood Wilderness signs were removed to prevent damage. Wilderness Rangers will complete area and trail closures," according to Sept. 5 USFS news release.

At this point, the Jack Creek Fire had been inactive without much growth. The fire activity remained low with creeping and smoldering.

"The currently management strategy of monitoring while providing point protection, allows Jack Creek Fire to play its natural ecological role while maintaining wilderness values, and help prevent uncharacteristic fires in the future," according to Sept. 5 USFS news release.

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## Dragontail Peak rescue turns out to be the rescue that wasn't.

*Use of newer technology could have avoided the rescue call.*

By Ian Dunn  
 Editor

Adam Vognild, a member of the Chelan County Mountain Rescue Association, has been on a number of mountains rescues, but none quite like this one. On Sept. 1, a report came into the Chelan County Sheriff's Office at 8:38 p.m. there were two missing climbers on Dragontail Peak, which is about 11 miles southwest of Leavenworth.

Two climbers, James Templeton, 50, of Seattle and Petr Praus, 28, of Seattle, were attempting to climb Dragontail Peak via the "Serpentine Arete" route. They got off route and reached a spot where they could not climb no higher nor descend safely. So they activated their emergency beacons, which told emergency responders where they were located on the mountain.

Since a hoist capable helicopter was not available, a CCSO helicopter responded at 5:45 a.m. on Sept. 2 locating the two climbers on a ledge

about 100-feet below the summit. Vognild and Dave Allen were dropped near the climbers to help them out.

At that point, Vognild found out what was going on.

"They were supposed be back at the car by midnight, Thursday night. They told their safeties, if they were not back by midnight, to trigger a rescue at 6 a.m.," Vognild said. "They knew they were not going to be able to summit and down climb and be back at their car by midnight or communicate with their safety. They chose to push the button on their beacon."

This was the logic Vognild did not understand.

"The logic was, they didn't want the people searching for them to scour the whole mountain. By them pushing the button, we basically knew exactly where they were," Vognild said. "Even though they didn't need a rescue and were capable, in the end, they hiked themselves down. The problem is they didn't

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Photo submitted Jeff Paton

A rescuer climbs down from Dragontail Peak.

## Dawn Soles pleads guilty to Class B felony

By GARY BEGIN  
 NCW MEDIA MANAGING EDITOR

Dawn Soles of Leavenworth pled guilty Wed., Sept. 13 to "rendering criminal assistance" in the first degree, a Class B felony, in the 35-year-old case of the disappearance of Cashmere's Stephen Smith. Soles' plea was in front of visiting Snohomish County Superior Court Judge David Kurtz who made sure she understand she was waiving her rights to invoke the statute of limitations on the lesser charge.

Soles had been a code-fendant along with Bernard Swaim of Sultan, in the murder of Smith, but Swaim was

acquitted last week by a jury. She waived her rights to the lesser charge because there is no statute of limitations for first degree murder.

She had turned state's witness in the prosecution's effort to convict Swaim, but Soles' erratic testimony did more to get Swaim found not guilty than to convict him.

The 1982 case went cold for more than three decades until Smith and Soles' daughter Crystal requested another look into the case after hearing various street talk that Swaim had bragged about killing Smith and that the body would never be found.

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## Dragontail rescue: Stranded climbers were about to walk out

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give themselves enough of a buffer to get themselves out on their own before a rescue was triggered."

There are no hard and fast rules on this, Vognild said. He gives himself 12-24 hours before a rescue would be triggered, depending on the severity of the trip. However, nowadays, a lot of people have InReach communicators which allows you to send a text via satellite.

"They could have said, we are okay. We will be late. We're on the mountain and we're fine. They could have communicated that. They could have said nothing or send in the troops so they will know exactly where we are at," Vognild said. "Now, that I actually heard him, what they did was the lesser of the two evils."

"If I would have just heard from a wife, they were on Dragontail and they were supposed to be back last night, they told us to trigger a rescue at 6 a.m. And that's all we know. We went directly to the top because we knew where they were. I'm not saying that is right or wrong, although I do appreciate the logic in them doing that. It was a lot less effort and we got to them much quicker as a result of their decision."

Templeton and Praus are now buying InReach communicators, he said. When Vognild and Allen reached the pair, they were in good health and did not need any food or water. By the

time they got them around the mountain, they were only 100-feet from the summit.

They asked if they could summit, and Vognild could see no reason why not. Eventually, he asked them if they wanted a helicopter ride down or walk down.

"They said, they were fine and could walk down. Neither had done the descent and there is one tricky part. We made sure they made it through that. We didn't necessarily lead them. We had eyes on them while they were descending. They seemed fine. I was impressed by how well they did considering they had a really crappy night out," he said.

For Vognild, this "rescue" was a first.

"In retrospect, they just did not give themselves enough of a window to be late. Things happen in the mountains. You move slow. You get off the route. You get stuck. Those are the good things," Vognild said. "Injuries happen. Storms happen. That buffer really depends upon the person, their comfort level and the severity of the route. It's all relative. There's no black and white. I will bet next time, they'll give themselves more of a buffer and have InReach's so they can communicate better."

While the new technology would have made a big difference here, Vognild cautions not get too comfortable with the new tech, thinking you are safer.

"There's a whole another side, which is a dark side,

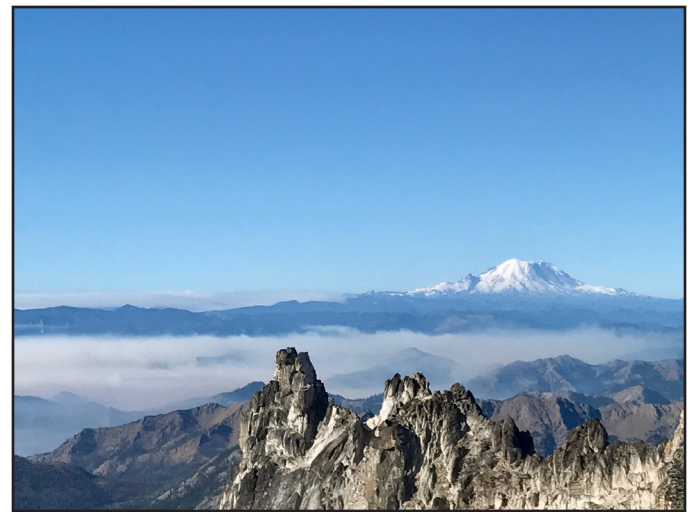


Photo submitted by Adam Vognild  
Top, rescuers are taking a break after the rescue. From left, Adam Vognild, Mike McLeod, and Chris Fezer. Bottom left, a mountain view from Dragontail. Bottom right, another view from Dragontail.

with respect to avalanches. All these tools, which are supposed to make you safer. You get a false sense. You have all the tools, the air

backpack, the beacon," he said. "It will actually skew people's thought process and make them do something when they shouldn't."

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## New water bottle filling station sates thirst in downtown Leavenworth



Submitted by Lisa Therrell  
This water bottle filling station is located outside the restrooms on Front Street. The filling station has been a collaboration of the Earth Stewardship Group at Faith Lutheran Church, the city of Leavenworth, and Leavenworth Recycles.

Submitted by Lisa Therrell

Downtown Leavenworth has a gleaming new Elkay water bottle filling station, that also doubles as a drinking fountain. Located outside the restrooms on Front Street, the filling station has been a collaboration of the Earth Stewardship Group at Faith Lutheran Church, the city of Leavenworth, and Leavenworth Recycles. The community is invited to a ribbon cutting ceremony on Thursday, Sept. 21 at 10 a.m. to help dedicate the new filling station.

"We are grateful for the generosity of many from Faith Lutheran, Leavenworth Recycles, and from other community members, who have financially contributed to this Earth Stewardship project," says Mary Schramm, one of the project organizers. "We thank the city for being very supportive and gracious in working with us to install and maintain

this fountain. We have raised enough money for two more fountains, one of which will be installed in Enchantment Park this fall."

The new filling station is already a hit with Leavenworth's downtown denizens. The filling station was installed in late July, and immediately there were about 100 bottles per day being filled as temperatures soared into the high 90s.

"Herb from the city public works department shared with us that the artists running booths at Art in the Park really like filling their bottles at the new filling station," says MaryCarol Nelson, also a member of the Earth Stewardship Group.

"Humans have created billions of tons of plastic items since 1950," says Schramm. "Seven billion tons have been thrown away, 9 percent is recycled and 12 percent has been incinerated. The remaining 79 percent is clogging up landfills, littering landscapes,

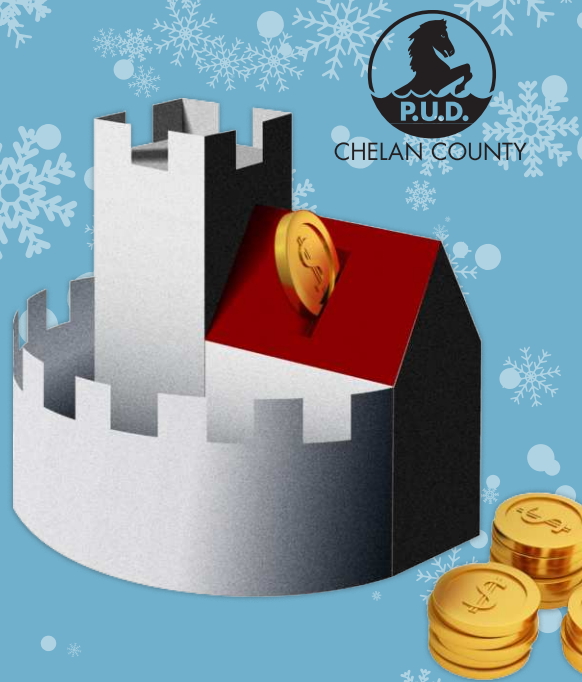
or floating in oceans."

But the group's concern goes a step beyond reducing waste.

"Like the community solar project that we installed on the middle school, our projects share a focus of reducing our collective carbon footprint," says Nelson. "Every time someone refills a water bottle, fossil fuel is conserved that would otherwise manufacture a disposable bottle which has to be shipped to our stores. The energy we waste using bottled water is enough to power 190,000 homes in America."

"As a community, we can be grateful that Leavenworth has some of the purist water in the country," says Schramm. "We hope this fountain will encourage the use of this great gift instead of buying yet another plastic bottle of water."

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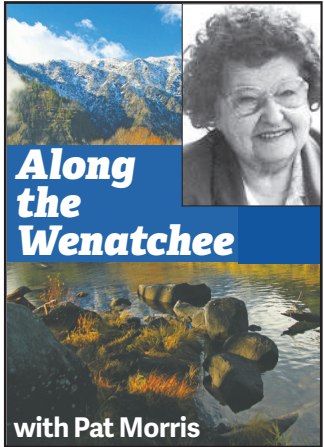
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# The first Autumn Leaf Festival



## Along the Wenatchee

with Pat Morris

On September 19, 1964, the first Autumn Leaf Festival opened, attracting state and national attention to Leavenworth and its Bavarian Village project. The Vesta Junior Women's Club had backed a community study program called LIFE, at the meeting of the tourist and beautification committee, chaired by Ted Price, the idea of a fall festival was discussed. Out of the meeting the idea of a fall festival queen, a variety of suggestions for festival entertainment and the possibility of special bus and train tours came forth. Ted Price, Tourist Committee Chairman, also persuaded Russell Lee to publish a special issue of The Leavenworth Echo, written by local people, advertising our

scenic attraction. Ten thousand copies were printed and at fall festival time, another edition of ten thousand copies with colored pictures was issued. Part of the attraction of the fall festival idea was to extend the tourist season through early October instead of just through the brief summer season. The idea received enthusiastic support, the festival continuing through the years and again (this year Leavenworth presents its 54th annual festival). The highlight of the first festival was the presentation of the first place award in the National Community Improvement Contest to the Leavenworth Vesta Junior Women's Club. Not only was this the first time it was awarded to a town in our state, but the resulting nation-wide publicity was a marvelous sendoff for the Leavenworth's festival plans.

The day's activities began at 12:30 with a children's parade. A football game with Sultan followed. At 3:30 p.m. the dedication of the new fire hall was held, followed by the official coronation of the first Royal Lady of The Autumn Leaves. In the evening, the first Hootanany offered the entertainment, fish derbies at Fish Lake and a horse show

at Pine River Ranch were scheduled for Sunday. In the following week, "Portraits of the Gay 90's" by the Pink Garter Theater Group, featuring 17 members, composed of skits, and dances from that era, framed by a huge antique picture frame on stage, drew enthusiastic crowds.

Such events as a carnival, auction, a fireman's ball and tours of the fish hatchery, Leavenworth Fruit Company warehouse and the ski jumping hill were included in the weekend that followed.

The big event of the festival, the check presentation, took place beside the fire hall on an outdoor stage erected for the occasion. Mayor Wilbur Bon introduced the Master of Ceremonies, Wenatchee Publisher, Wilfred Woods, who told of the enthusiasm the festival has sparked in Wenatchee. James Griffin, President of the Sears Roebuck Foundation, praised the work of the local Vesta Club, presenting Mrs. Darrell Sweat, president, with the \$10,000 award made jointly by the foundation and Federation of Women's Clubs. Gov. Albert Rosellini, who flew to Leavenworth for the occasion presented Mayor Bon with a state flag. The ceremonies drew a huge crowd,

including a staff writer for Better Homes and Gardens Magazine. As first Royal Lady, Martha Jensen looks back on the summer of 1964 and recalls, "No one knew where Leavenworth was then, they associated it with Wenatchee. Now it's the other way around. Now everybody knows about Leavenworth." Being a Royal Lady was a "real thrill," but rather hectic, Mrs. Jensen comments. "Since this was our first festival, everybody just kinda played it by ear. That was the year of the fire hall dedication and we got a new fire truck. "I went to Seattle and Spokane to make TV appearances, I was scared silly. I attended a lot of luncheons up and down the valley, promoting the festival. "I didn't have a float to ride on that year but I did ride in an antique car in the Wenatchee Apple Blossom Parade." Writing in the newspaper, Editor Russell Lee commented: "There is a lot of enthusiasm in the Wenatchee Valley and through the state for the Autumn Leaf Festival. There's no question, for a "first time" endeavor the fine organizational effort and cooperation of everybody in the area made it unusually successful. The effect of the Festival will be felt in future as

for their summer vacation and recreation." Community spirit is high! It seems that almost

rated as the Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival. Since that beginning in 1964, more



File photo

Leavenworth's first Royal Lady, Martha Jensen.

anything could be tackled now." After the festival, plans were made for a permanent organization to be incorpo-

Royal Ladies have reigned over the fall festivities

## Icicle Road safety improvements gain traction

SUBMITTED BY LISA THERRELL

A small group of Icicle Valley residents is working hard with Chelan County Public Works to bring about safety improvements that address speeding and other safety concerns on the Icicle Road, including a narrow bridge over the Wenatchee River. The

The guardrail is 36 inches tall creating exposure to the river below. The walkway is unusable in winter when piled with snow and ice from plowing, and in summer the area is congested with recreationists accessing the river for tubing and swimming. The roadway on the bridge basically has no shoulder, exposing cyclists

this spring Nelson was driving to town on the Icicle Road. As she approached the bridge over the Wenatchee River, a rolled-over vehicle was blocking both lanes, barring further access. Emergency vehicles had not yet arrived on the scene, and another driver had taken charge to turn vehicles around. "I have often seen

bikes and pedestrians to interfere with speeding cars."

"Just the other day I was driving to town," says Nelson. "Ahead of me on the bridge was a little girl, riding just as fast as she could pump the pedals on her bicycle. You could tell her parents had told her to get across the bridge as quickly as possible, but her bike was wobbling. I slowed way down to let her get across safely by keeping the other cars behind me."

But safety on the bridge isn't the only neighborhood concern. With increasing home starts, traffic to Sleeping Lady Mountain Resort, and recreational access to national forest, longtime residents report that the amount of traffic and speeding on the Icicle Road has climbed steadily over the years. Icicle residents Diane Norman and her husband Ray even installed their own traffic counter. "During peak use times, like weekends, we get over 400 vehicles per hour," Norman says. "We live on a curve. Sometimes I turn out of my driveway when no cars are coming, and as soon as I look in my rearview mirror a speeding car is right on my tail."

Because of Nelson's observations and concerns, she started contacting neighbors door-to-door, which quickly led to the formation of Icicle Road Concerned Citizens and several strategy meetings. "We identified a list of possible solutions," says Nelson, "including raising the railing height, wider aprons on all

four approaches, and making a wider sidewalk on the south side only, with pedestrian crossings to access a sidewalk. Most of our solutions were prohibitively expensive."

Josh Patrick, Assistant Public Works Director, represented Chelan County at the meetings. "Chelan County doesn't have a funding source for safety projects like this," Patrick says. "The county roads budget is directed at preservation of the roads, and we can barely keep up with that." Patrick recommended a more affordable option, the installation of Evolis Radar Speed Signs at either end of the bridge. "The Evolis Radar Speed Signs have been used effectively to slow drivers down in Entiat," Patrick says. "It seems it would also be helpful to place signs like these on either ends of the busiest area along Icicle Road," suggests one of the members at a recent meeting.

Icicle Road Concerned Citizens set up an account at Cashmere Valley Bank and began raising the \$7,000 needed to purchase two signs. "We have only been able to raise a little more than half of the amount needed," says Mary-Carol Nelson. "If all the locals and businesses that used the road pitched in with a small donation, we could meet our goal and have a safer situation."

Chelan County completed a traffic study, and the sheriff's office is stepping up speed enforcement. Group members gathered their own data. One committee member used county records and field reconnaissance to tally a total of 366 homes off of the Icicle Road from Highway 2 to the Bridge Creek Campground. In addition, there are over 200 lodging rooms or condos, and over 100 RV park campsites.

And then there is the National Forest. The popular Icicle drainage supports 6 campgrounds, 9 trailheads, and countless dispersed campers, climbers, and other recreationists, all adding to the traffic volume and congestion. Icicle resident Shannon Carlson Tait says, "the sheriff's deputies tell us that about

forty percent of the speeders are locals, and sixty percent are tourists."

Kevin Farrell, who also lives with his family on the Icicle Road, laments that the bridge is not safe enough for his children to ride bikes to school. "My kids are at an age where they are capable of riding bikes to school," says Farrell. "We have tried riding across the bridge with them several times, and every time there's been a close call with a vehicle. The wide shoulders that lead up to the bridge don't clue drivers that they are approaching a narrow bridge, and most of them are driving at least 40 miles per hour. The sidewalks aren't really sidewalks. There is not enough room to walk and push a bike. The only way to go across the bridge on a bike is to be mixed in with traffic. There is no safe way to cross the bridge on a bike."

Some neighbors have put up their own signing, calling for reducing speeds and watching for deer. Shannon Carlson Tait lives between Prowell Street and Sleeping Lady. "We watch the vehicles speed by our home all day long," says Tait, "with many drivers doing well over 35 miles per hour and many up to 60 miles per hour. We have spoken with the local sheriff's deputies several times. They have even ticketed cars doing up to 80 miles per hour. The vehicles pick up speed at Prowell Street for the straight stretch to Sleeping Lady Resort."

Tait shared that her husband made a sign saying "please slow down" and sat at the entrance to their driveway in a lawn chair. "Didn't work. They sped right past him," Tait says. Residents on the East Leavenworth Road report a comparable speeding problem, with a recent social media post facetiously advertising the road as a drag strip.

Nelson, who lives close to the Icicle bridge, says "you can hear vehicles flooring it even as they come off the bridge. It's just awful. The bridge project gave us a place to start doing something tangible."



Photo submitted by Mary Carol Nelson

Here is a view of the Icicle Bridge. Icicle Road neighbors are concerned about the speed of cars crossing the bridge.

group is also raising funds for safety improvements.

According to the group, pedestrians on the bridge navigate a narrow 10-inch high raised concrete walkway, which tapers to no shoulder at either end of the bridge.

and baby strollers to traffic as they cross the bridge.

Icicle resident MaryCarol Nelson, who initiated organizing her neighbors, has observed numerous close calls and even an accident on the Icicle Road. One day early

near misses on this bridge, whether I am walking, riding my bike, or driving my car," says Nelson. "The entry to the bridge is a blind curve at both ends. There isn't a legal sidewalk or paved shoulder for bikes and pedestrians, forcing

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# School Sports

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## Cascade improves to 2-1 on season with road win over Heppner, 42-21

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The Cascade Kodiak football team scored a big road win at Heppner of Oregon last Friday. The Kodiaks won 42-21 to improve to 2-1 on the season. Cascade hosted Heppner last year, winning 14-6. Head Coach Dom Coffin was expecting another tough challenge.

"They made the finals in their division last year. They had a good turnout of guys. They had a big, physical offensive line. It was a good test for our offensive and defensive lines for how big and physical they were," Coffin said.

Cascade scored first on a 66-yard run by Jose Valdez with 3:55 to go in the first quarter.

The Kodiaks would take a 14-0 lead in the first quarter on pass from Jose Mendoza to Quinn Ashcraft from 9 yards.

Heppner scored in the second quarter, but missed the two point conversion. Cascade led 14-6. Teague Duncan broke free for a 47-yard run as Cascade went up 21-6 at half.

Cascade broke the game open in the third quarter, scoring three times. Mendoza passed to Dillon Samuel from 46-yards for the touchdown. Issiah Dayton ran 16-yards for the score. Mendoza connected Ashcraft against from 6-yards as the Kodiaks went up 42-6.

Heppner scored another TD on a 69-yard pass, but the conversion failed.

"We ended up having a slow start, but we had a good

third quarter to finish it off. It was good to see our skill guys get into some open space and make some plays," Coffin said.

Cascade had 349 yards in total offense versus 218 for Heppner. Cascade had 115 yards passing and 194 yards rushing. Coffin said balance is something they have been striving for.

"We were able throw the ball pretty good, which is something we're working on. We are trying to even out our offense," Coffin said.

Mendoza was 10-for-15 passing for 155 yards and 3 touchdowns. Valdez had 9 rushes for 79 yards and 1 touchdown. Duncan had 6 carries for 64 yards and 1 TD. Ashcraft caught 5 passes for 56 yards

and 2 TDs.

Next up for Cascade, another non-league game. They play at Sultan on Friday. Last season, Sultan beat Cascade 48-41.

"They beat us last year. They had a lot of seniors, but they look like they have a decent team so we'll see how it goes," Coffin said.

Coffin said the Kodiaks just need to play their game.

"We need to play well on the offensive line and balance the run and pass. Defensively, we need to make sure to continue to tackle well," Coffin said.

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## Cascade finishes sixth at Sun Dome Tournament

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

For most 1A schools, a sixth place finish out of 32 teams at the 3A/4A Sun Dome Tournament would be fantastic. But not for the Cascade Kodiaks. Head Coach Marni McMahon was hoping to at least reach the finals.

They won their pool, beating Davis 25-15, 25-14, Enumclaw 25-17 and University 25-20, 25-19. That put the Kodiaks in the top eight of the tournament. Unfortunately, they got a tough draw in the quarters

against West Valley, which turned out to be the eventual tournament champion.

Cascade lost to West Valley 25-20, 25-17.

"I was pleased with our play versus Enumclaw and University. Both are good teams. University really challenged us. Girls competed well and stepped up the competition. However, I was disappointed in the play against West Valley. I believe we should have won that match," McMahon said.

McMahon said they just didn't come out with the mind

set to compete.

"We played a sloppy match with limited leadership and still contested. We need to be able to come through in big matches. Something this team needs to learn. We also have a lot of work to do in the passing and setting department. I know that will come a lot with time," McMahon said. "Many would be happy with a sixth place considering our level in this tournament but I know we are capable of better. The focus this week will be leadership and competitiveness as well as passing and

setting."

Cascade hosted West Seattle on Sept. 18 and played at Selah on Sept. 19. Results were not available before press time. The Kodiaks open league play, hosting Okanogan on Thursday. Next Tuesday, they are at Cashmere.

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## Cascade girls' soccer team rolls over Ellensburg, Connell

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The Cascade girls' soccer team improved to 4-0 on the season with a pair of dominating victories on the road over Ellensburg and Connell. On Sept. 14, the team played at 2A Ellensburg.

The first Cascade goal came at 24 minutes, as Lauren Richardson scored on the assist by Savana Stefanko. Emily Gaines scored on a penalty kick at 32 minutes. At 39 minutes, Ashley Parton scored on the Gaines assist. That made the score Cascade 3, Ellensburg 0 at half.

In the second half, Stella Bywater-Johnson scored on the assist by Josie Brennan at 59 minutes. Kolby Hunt

finished the scoring with a goal at 66 minutes, assisted by Gaines.

"Very balanced stats with tallies on steals. Our defense played beautifully together, especially considering this is the first time we played with this particular formation and line up," said Cascade Head Coach Glen Stefanko. "We have a lot to work on but we seem to be moving in the right direction. At this stage in the season, we are working on developing an attack with numbers and quickly recovering for defense. The ladies have been responding wonderfully to the plan and are having success with it. It was always humbling to coach such a fantastic group of young ladies."

On Sept. 16, Cascade played at Connell, winning 8-0. The Kodiaks spread the scoring around with goals from Gaines, Molly Wiser, Parton, Brennan, Maddie Vandel, Richardson, Kolby Hunt and Kascia Muscutt.

Goalie Devan Archer had three saves in the shutout. Cascade had 25 shots on goal. Brennan leads the Kodiaks with 24 steals.

Stefanko said he was pleased to have eight goals by eight different scorers.



"The grass was very long and slow, so the I am proud of the ladies for working hard at keeping the pace of the game up and moving the ball so well considering the slow conditions. We were able to get a lot of play-

ing time for the swing players, who all played very well on the varsity field," Stefanko said. "We are looking forward to having a little more pressure from the opponent so

Photo submitted by Geoff Richardson  
Cascade sophomore midfielder Josie Brennan works the ball against the Ephrata defender.

that we can play at faster pace, but we are very pleased with how the players are working together."

Cascade (4-0) opens league play with a home game on Thursday against Okanogan (2-2). Cascade plays at 4A Eastmont on Saturday. On

Tuesday, the team plays at Cashmere (3-0).

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## Cascade Cross Country is finally off and running



Photo submitted by Dayle Massey  
Cascade freshman Landon Davies in action at the Whidbey Invitational.

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

A smoky summer certainly impacted the Cascade Cross Country team. But finally, the team competed in their first meet on Sept. 16, the Whidbey Island Invitational.

Cascade Head Coach Dayle Massey said on the boys' side, freshman Landon Davies is looking to be a real competitor.

"He placed 18th at Whidbey with a time of 18:15, which is the best freshman time we've ever had at this meet. He is a talented runner and works

hard, and I'm excited to see how he progresses through the rest of the season," Massey said.

Gabe Wulfman, Caleb Payne, David Bryant, and Will Cassayre round out the top varsity runners.

"The Whidbey course is slow on a good day, and the heat, sun, and smoke we faced on Saturday did not lead to fast times," Massey said.

For the girls, Sarah Paulson, the number three runner last year, is leading the team.

"Freshman Zoe McDevitt, who looks to be our number one girl this year, was unfortunately not feeling well and so didn't compete. Sarah was followed by sophomore Anlyn Flake, a talented addition to our team this year, and then

senior Magali Ramos, sophomore Carina Hernandez, and senior Carmen Hernandez, all newcomers to the team this year," Massey said.

This was their first race of the year, and the first race ever for four of five of their top finishing girls. "We should see a lot of improvement throughout the season," he said.

At Whidbey, Liberty Bell won both the boys and girls races. Cascade competed in the Okanogan Invite on Sept. 19. Results were not available before press time. On Saturday, the team competes in the Wenatchee Invite.

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# No simple answers to immigration reform



**IN MY OPINION**  
**Bill Forhan**  
Publisher

Facebook recently conducted a test to see if people on different sides of the issue could have civil discussions. The project, called "Talking Across Borders," put 60 people in a "private Facebook group" to test the ability of people to have a civil discussion about immigration.

Facebook reports that the test proved people could have a civil discussion about the

issues involved, but that no minds were changed. "The goal was not to change minds," said Eve Pearlman, co-founder of the Project. "The goal is to support people listening to and thinking about other people's views and perspectives and to do so in a way that avoids hostility, name calling and meanness that tends to dominate in online forums."

There is no doubt that our immigration laws are out of date. But failing to enforce our laws makes a mockery of our entire government and our representative democracy.

The problem is that it appears our elected representatives apparently have no desire to address the failings of our current system of im-

migration. Preferring instead to use the issue as a way to divide the country.

Each side of the political debate attempts to define the issue in the most divisive terms possible. For example, if you support elimination of the DACA program you are a racist and if support open borders then you hate America. Neither one of these positions is helpful in solving the problem.

First, we cannot allow just anyone to come here. It threatens our culture and in today's world the safety of our citizens.

On the other hand, opposing illegal immigration does not make you a hateful racist.

The truth is we need some immigration to help our econ-

omy thrive and grow. It doesn't matter what race the immigrant is but we do need to look at what skills and talents the immigrant brings with them. This is especially true when the labor participation rate is low as it is today. Citizens should get preference for available jobs. Immigration should be based on the skills and abilities the individual brings to our country. If citizens can't or won't do the work then we need to find carefully controlled systems that helps fill the need.

Immigration towards citizenship should be based on a merit system. Where the immigrant brings skills that are in short supply among our existing citizenry.

Low skilled immigrants

should be given work visas that limit their stay and only when they have secured a job. The job would have to be reported to the Immigration Department and the employer would be required to notify Immigration when the individual's employment has ended. The worker would then have a fixed amount of time to secure an exit visa or be subject to arrest.

Chain migration must be outlawed. In other words, immigrants do not get to bring in their entire extended family. That is one of the problems with DACA. Once they are given some official status they can bring their entire families here.

All of this needs to be enforced with improved border

security – including a wall in some areas.

Immigration is a difficult issue but calling each other names and ignoring the fact that there must be limits and controls placed on who, where and when someone can immigrate here must be addressed.

The problem here is if we don't think the law is fair then we need to call on our representatives to change it. Then we need to demand they do it. The current political practice of using this as a wedge issue to divide Americans must end.

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# Pragmatic Trump must work with Dems



**APPLES TO APPLES**  
**Gary Bégin**

Our president, the rogue, loose cannon, drain-the-swamp guy that we the people elected, must work with the Democrats for the good of the country.

So, you voted for Hillary and hate "The Donald," think him a sexist, a racist, an ignoramus -- and those are your "nice" ways to describe him.

OK, now back to reality. This "embarrassment" of a president just struck a deal

with "Nancy and Chuck" and now all the anti-Trumpists must deal with it. He has already shown enough patience with the do-nothing Congress.

He is not just crazy like a fox, but he has made duplicate keys to the henhouse and can come and go as he pleases. For nearly a decade the GOP have had numerous opportunities to make needed corrections to the socialist, far left Democrat agenda, but have failed to do so.

In order to accomplish at least some of the people-mandated conservative agenda Trump was forced to strike a deal with Pelosi and Schumer and show the "leadership" in the House and Senate how to negotiate.

McConnell and Ryan have

been lobbying bombs at anything Obama for so long they have forgotten how to play well with others to get a bill passed and check some boxes on their own wish list.

The debt ceiling/hurricane aid package is just the first of many bipartisan deals Trump will have to make out of both frustration and expediency, but it sure won't be the last.

"Mitch and Paul" had better start talking to Nancy and Chuck and get on this compromise train of thought or get run over by it.

Trump has already proven his bellicose words against a North Korean midget has, so far, been an effective tool towards putting doubt into the world's mind as to just how much of a madman our

"Dear Leader" really is. "Don't think I won't pull the nuclear trigger," the Trump "thought bubble" tells the world in his own cartoonish fashion.

The deal our golden-haired Commander-in-Chief has just struck with the other side of the isle is like a mini-nuclear political bomb and the fallout has been and will be tremendous.

Even Steve Bannon, the guy who wants to deconstruct government, understands the GOP leadership is still enamored with its own swamp stench.

Yes, even Bannon of the altright understands the art of the deal must be exercised in order to accomplish a breakage of the logjam.

Bannon appeared on Char-

lie Rose and said all that in no uncertain terms.

Surely if Bannon and his ilk understand this, why can't the Republican Party?

Continued stubborn attitudes by the extreme right will just keep pushing Trump towards the moderate middle. Moderates can take heart and would welcome changing DACA, Obamacare, immigration and tax laws as opposed to the do-nothings still protecting their turf in the swamp.

Give our newfound bipartisan Trump a chance to get things done. The do-nothings have been great at complaining for eight years, now it's time to shut up and give the people these needed changes.

I am not a psychic, but it doesn't take one to know the

2018 mid-term elections will bode badly for the Republican House and Senate incumbents if the Grand Old Party can't keep the promises they made in the 2016 election.

Trump was elected to be the agent of change, not the same-old, same-old, go-along to-get-along kind of pabulum offered by the other presidential candidates.

Change is often painful, but the Republican Party must give the people what they voted for or suffer the consequences in 2018.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Breaking News - Charlottesville & Isis

It's Sunday and I'm watching the morning news. A lot of re-runs of Charlottesville and Isis attacks in Spain. There will be until the next "breaking news" happens. Sadly probably sooner than later.

I'm listening to the assigned spokesman for the Alt Right. You can only assume he's the groups smartest. And the marches with their "Jews will not replace us" rant. As if they (the Jews) would even want to? I'm white and I wouldn't want to! I'm probably as white as any U.S. citizen in 2017 can be. By that I mean some parts Dutch, some parts American Indian, and some parts of who knows what!

I speak English primarily because I'm not smart enough to be bi-lingual. I enjoy the differences in people. I don't want my black or Latino friends to be white. I don't want to be Black Latino or even Chinese. Diversity is the name of the game. The great melting pot, so to speak.

As for the "Alt Left's" response to the white supremacists, they should bring their

picnic baskets and boom boxes and sit back 20 feet or so and enjoy the circus. Even applaud them, especially the clowns in their hooded sheets.

I was wrong. The breaking news for today was the death of Jerry Lewis. If I'm not mistaken, he was of Jewish decent, and a young man during the WW II era. Maybe the resurgence of the Neo-Nazi and their KKK pals was more than his poor heart could take.

Ten minutes later the breaking news is Donnie's speech on his plan for Afghanistan. No doubt the "draft-dodger-in-chief" who "knows more than the generals" will send in more troops. The mid-east swamp is the one he should be draining.

It's not fair that I can only write to the opinion page every 30 days while the Trumpster gets to foul up one way or another almost daily.

Where are the jobs? Will Alcoa ever re-start? Probably not for the next 3 1/2 or 7 1/2 years. Oh well, Donnie always likes to be first or number one, so maybe being the worst President in history will somehow appeal to him!

*Peace and love  
Charlies Olinghouse  
Cashmere*

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Congressman Reichert, please cosponsor the SAFE Act and do all you can to stop horse slaughter.

Horse slaughter plants have been closed in the U.S. for the last ten years, and we need to continue to keep them closed, as well as prevent the transport of horses abroad for slaughter in Canada and Mexico.

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Additionally, American horsemeat is potentially hazardous to humans. Throughout a horses lifetime it is given any range of medications that improve their health and performance, but are strictly forbidden for animals intended to enter the food chain. Exposing foreign consumers to a likely toxic product is not a wise risk to take.

Finally, the existence of horse slaughter enables reck-

less overbreeding by providing a profitable outlet for irresponsible owners. Prohibiting slaughter and the transport for slaughter, will force breeders to produce sustainable numbers each year, and will help to humanely prevent unwanted horses.

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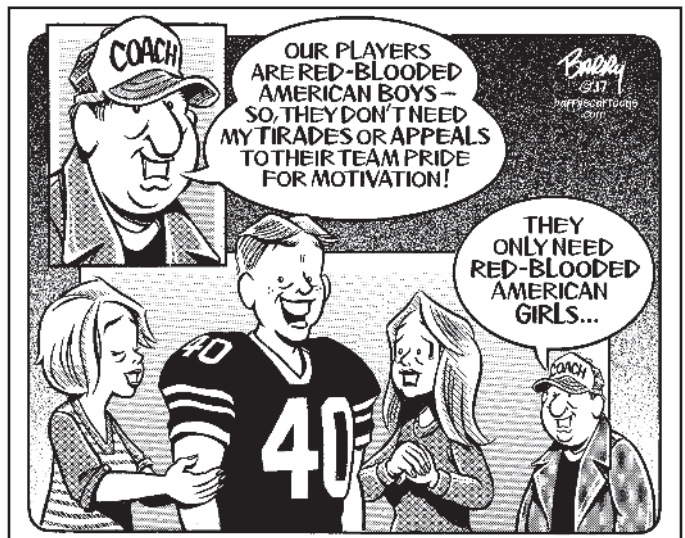
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*Bobbi-jo Martin  
Wenatchee*

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# Soles pleads guilty: She was offered a five year term to testify

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Indeed, the body of Smith has never been found and the DNA evidence was inconclusive as to Swaim's innocence or guilt.

Swaim's defense attorney Nick Yedinak, pointed to sloppy police work back then, which failed to do fingerprints at the alleged scene, lost vital evidence taken from the scene, had no eye witnesses and also failed to impound Smith's car found far from the residence.

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Attorney Doug Shae's witnesses also presented the seven women, five man jury with contradictory accounts and most often used the phrase, "I can't recall" when asked to recount events from 1982.

Soles was in the strange position of formerly being married to both the alleged killer Swaim and the victim Smith.

Another of Soles' former spouses, Raymond O'Brien, Jr., may have sealed the acquittal for Swaim when he told the jury that nothing his former wife said could

be believed, although Judge Lesley Allan told the jury to disregard that remark. The damage had been done, but O'Brien wasn't the only witness to call Soles a liar during the six day trial.

Soles was offered a five year sentence for her agreement to testify against Swaim, but the presiding judge will have the final say early next month.

Soles and her lawyer, Keith Howard, will return to Chelan County Superior Court Monday, Oct. 2 for sentencing.



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Dawn Soles consults with her lawyer Keith Howard Sept. 13 in Chelan Superior Court.

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# 54th Annual Autumn Leaf Festival

Enchanting Wonders of Nature



## Herzlich Willkommen! President of Autumn Leaf Festival

Welcome to Leavenworth for the 54th Annual Autumn Leaf Festival!

Our crisp fall air and the colorful foliage tell us it is time to relax and enjoy the changing seasons. To take in the natural beauty of our mountain valley and taste the bounty of our harvest. Fresh ripe pears and apples fill our fruit stands and hand crafted wines and beer are waiting to be tasted.

There is always something for everyone in Leavenworth. Activities to enjoy and sights to delight the senses no matter what your age.

We are glad you came to help us celebrate a successful harvest. So loosen up, you are among friends here. Learn to do the chicken dance and sing Roll Out the barrel.

It's all a part of the magic of this place!



## Hello from the Royal Lady



Welcome to Leavenworth and the 54th Autumn Leaf Festival. As Royal Lady for this year, I have attended many festivals in the

Northwest and now it is our turn to welcome everyone to ours. On Saturday, the Kids' Parade starts at 11:45 a.m. with the Grand Parade following at Noon. I will be riding on our award winning float "Enchanting Wonders of Nature".

Stay downtown to see the Youth Circus, enjoy the Kids' games and on Sunday visit the Car Show by the Gazebo.

There is so much to do this weekend with the entertainment and Art in the Park, shopping and dining downtown, winery and brewery tastings, craft bazaar, and walking in Waterfront Park in the trees and along the river to enjoy the fall season. When you leave town enjoy the fall color of the vine maples and the harvesting of pears and apples in the orchards.

Please return again in the winter to see all the spectacular lights and snow of the winter season.

## What is Autumn Leaf Festival?

The Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival is Leavenworth's oldest festival. It began as a part of the cities revitalization program back in 1964. That was the year city leaders chose to develop the Bavarian theme and turn the town into a tourist destination. The Autumn Leaf Festival celebrates the fall harvest and the turning of the leaves. The festival is a family focused festival with something for the child in all of us to enjoy. It is always held on the last full weekend of September. The Autumn Leaf Festival Association (ALFA) is the non-profit community organization that conducts the Festival. Each year ALFA members travel across the northwest to promote our Festival and the City of Leavenworth. This year ALFA traveled over 3700 miles to attend festivals in 16 communities as part of the Northwest Festival Association. Those communities in turn participate in the Autumn Leaf Festival.

Participation in other community parades and media coverage of those events provides exposure to approximately 3 million potential visitors to the Bavarian Village. Six to eight Leavenworth ambassadors dressed in traditional Bavarian Trachten escort the Leavenworth float and the Royal Lady of the

Autumn Leaves in parades at these regional festivals. The ambassadors are always a big hit as they entertain the crowds with the "Chicken Dance" along the parade routes. The ALFA team and float provide a unique invitation to come and enjoy the flavor and Bavarian style of our little mountain community. It is a successful formula for planting dreams of visiting our charming little village on the minds of neighbors that has worked for 54 years. This simple formula has made Leavenworth a primary destination for people from Portland to Vancouver, BC and Seattle to Spokane. Funding for the activities of ALFA is provided by the generous contributions of tourism funds from the City of Leavenworth, Chelan County and private contributions from local businesses and individuals.

ALFA members volunteer their time to put on the local Festival and local service clubs provide additional volunteer help. It is truly a community project. Whether this is your first visit to the Bavarian Village or your 54th, the Autumn Leaf Festival Association wishes you a hearty Willkommen. We hope you leave with a smile on your face, a spring in your step and a desire to return.

## Greetings to all from the Mayor

Herzlich Willkommen!

Herzlich Willkommen! As Mayor of the City of Leavenworth, and on behalf of the City Council, businesses, and citizens of our beautiful city, I am pleased to welcome you to the 54th Annual Washington State Autumn Leaf Festival, an anniversary of fun!

Although Leavenworth has many festivals, the Autumn Leaf Festival is the closest to my heart as it was our very first celebration of the transformation of the Bavarian Village. I remember participating in the very first Autumn Leaf Festival and marching in the parade. What a wonderful childhood memory! Thank you for making Autumn Leaf memories with your family.

Celebrating the changing of the leaves every year, the Autumn Leaf Festival is one that occurs during a time for great outdoor enjoyment in our area. We hope you will enjoy the golf tournament, the Grand Parade, the music and dancing, and the wonderful food, as well as the unsurpassed hospitality of our townsfolk. Be sure to look to the mountains and take in the beautiful colors of our surrounding countryside.

Please enjoy a walk through one of our lovely parks, Front Street Park, Waterfront

Park, or Enchantment Park, and then relax in any of the fine dining establishments you have to choose from. Taste some of our award winning, locally brewed beers and visit our downtown wine tasting rooms and our new distillery too! We hope you will thoroughly enjoy your stay and accept our Herzlich Willkommen (heartfelt welcome)!

Cheri Kelley Farivar, Mayor



2017 Royal Lady of the Autumn Leaves on our Enchanting Wonders of Nature themed float, along with a few of our faithful walkers.



# Weekend Events

## Friday, Sept. 22 to Sunday, Sept. 24

Art in the Park

"Friends of the Library" Used Book Sale  
Sept. 22- 24  
8th & Commercial Streets

Leavenworth Lions Club Autumn Leaf Breakfast  
Lions Club Park Highway 2  
Sat. 23, 7:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M.

Past Royal Lady Display  
Upper Valley Museum,  
347 Division Street  
10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Downtown Shops  
Open 10:00 A.M.

Wall Climbing & Inflatables  
On the Gazebo Lawn

Rose Planting  
Sat. 10:00 A.M.  
City Rose Garden  
Portland Royal Rosarians

Wenatchee Youth Circus  
Front St. - on Saturday.  
**See Posted Schedule**

## Saturday, Sept. 24

9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.  
Drill Team Competition

10:45 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.  
Alpenfolk-Music

11:45 A.M.  
Kids Parade

12:00 P.M.  
Grand Parade

1:45 P.M.  
Royal Lady Welcome  
Cindy Hassinger - At the Gazebo

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.  
Kids Activities

2:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.  
Edelweiss Tanz Gruppe

2:45 P.M. - 5:15 P.M.  
Musikkapelle Band

5:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.  
Alpen Folk - Street Dance

## Sunday, Sept. 25

10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.  
Car Show - Downtown

10:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.  
Bavarian Brass Band

1:15 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.  
Alpen Folk

# 2017 Parade Line-up

\*Events and parade line up subject to change.

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|--|---|--|
| 11:45 A.M.<br>Kids Parade  | Comodore  | 53. Deer Park<br>Community Float   |
| 1. Dept. of WA. VFW<br>(Honor & Color Guard)                                       | 27. Everett Eagles Sr.<br>Drill Team  | 54. Edelweiss Tanz<br>Gruppe   |
| 2. Grand Marshal, Ms.<br>Arlene Wagner, Riding<br>on the Wells Fargo<br>Stagecoach | 28. Everett Eagles Jr.<br>Drill Team  | 55. Olympic View<br>Middle School Band &<br>Drill                            |
| 3. Autumn Leaf Festival<br>President, Bill Forhan                                  | 29. Washington State<br>Eagles Youth Queen &<br>Princess  | 56. Fathoms Of Fun<br>(Port Orchard) Float                                   |
| 4. Autumn Leaf Float -<br>Royal Lady,<br>Cindy Hassinger                           | 30. Gnomes of<br>Cashmere and<br>Scarecrow Friends float  | 57. Fathoms O Fun Car  |
| 5. Andreas Keller<br>Musikwagen & Past<br>Royal Ladies                             | 31. Bellevue High<br>School Marching Band,<br>Cheerleaders and Drill<br>Team                              | 58. Sultan High School<br>Flag Team  |
| 6. Royal Bavarian<br>Kanzler, David<br>Severance                                   | 32. Distinguished<br>Young Women of<br>Moses Lake   | 59. Sultan High School<br>"Turk" Marching Band                               |
| 7. Leavenworth Mayor   | 33. Capitol Lakefair  | 60. Daffodil Festival  |
| 8. Chamber President   | 34. La Senioritas<br>sponsored by Lake<br>City Western Vigilantes<br>& Lynnwood Eagles<br>Auxiliary #2888 | 61. Blazen Divaz   |
| 9. Hans Anderson<br>carriage/Leavenworth<br>Senior Center King and<br>Queen        | 35. Lil Senioritas  | 62. Visit Our Okanogan   |
| 10. Fallen Hero<br>Banners   | 36. Northwest Cruisers<br>PT Cruiser Club<br>Spokane  | 63. Bellevue High<br>School Marching Band,<br>Cheerleaders and Drill<br>Team |
| 11. 1957 Navy Jeep   | 37. Snohomish Sauer<br>Kraut Band   | 64. Lions Club Car   |
| 12. Othello<br>Distinguished Young<br>Women  | 38. Leavenworth Golf<br>Club  | 65. Pirates of the Couer<br>d'Alene  |
| 13. Miss Rodeo Othello<br>2017 & Lady-in-waiting                                   | 39. Portland Rose<br>Society/President  | 66. Prosser Chamber of<br>Commerce   |
| 14. Cub Scout Pack 28  | 40. Royal Rosarians of<br>Portland, OR  | 67. Prosser High<br>School Mustang<br>Marching Band                          |
| 15. Mr. & Mrs. Claus<br>with Reindeer  | 41. Southridge High<br>School Band  | 68. The Pirates of<br>Treasure Island  |
| 16. Cascade Garden<br>Club   | 42. Chewelah<br>Community Float   | 69. Monroe High<br>School Bearcat<br>Marching Band                           |
| 17. 2017 Miss<br>Applechee Riders<br>Queen Tia Ragan                               | 43. Icicle Brewing<br>Company   | 70. Marysville<br>Strawberry Festival  |
| 18. Town Ford  | 44. Tenino Sound Train  | 71. Kingston High<br>School Buccaneer<br>Band and Color Guard                |
| 19. Teacher of the Year,<br>Para Pro of the Year                                   | 45. Sequim Irrigation<br>Festival Float   | 72. Jefferson County<br>Rhododendron Festival                                |
| 20. Cascade High<br>School Marching Band   | 46. North Queens Drill<br>Team  | 73. Wahluke High<br>School Marching Band                                     |
| 21. Cascade High<br>School Homecoming<br>Royalty                                   | 47. Prosser Chamber of<br>Commerce  | 74. WA State Apple<br>Blossom Festival                                       |
| 22. Hyack Festival<br>Association  | 48. Mount Baker High<br>School "Mountaineer"<br>Marching Band   | 75. Newport Pride<br>Marching Band   |
| 23. Enzian Alphorns  | 49. Stevens Pass<br>Mountain Resort   | 76. Connell Community<br>Float   |
| 24. Cashmere<br>Community Float &<br>Royalty                                       | 50. The Highlanders<br>Drill Team   | 77. Medical Lake High<br>School Marching Band                                |
| 25. Meridian Marching<br>Trojans   | 51. Miss Royal City   | 78. Seattle Seafair<br>Clowns  |
| 26. Seattle Seafair  | 52. Lynn Watson   | 79. Darrell Parton<br>Trucking   |
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## Nutcracker Museum Founder Arlene Wagner named Grand Marshal



foundation. They wanted their collection to be enjoyed for generations to come. Since then others have donated specimens, making this one of the largest collections of nut opening devices in the world, nearing a count of 7,000 specimens. Visitors have come from every state in the Union, every province in Canada and 84 other countries to see this fascinating collection.

Arlene is known world wide as an authority on nutcrackers, and has written five books on the subject, as well as many articles and news items. She was First Guest on Conan O'Brien's show, and has appeared on the Food Network, Arts & Entertainment, and Sunday Morning CBS as well as other northwest TV stations. She has shown large displays in many cities such as Chicago, Minneapolis, Nashville, and Hong Kong.

As you can imagine, when she was asked to be Grand Marshal, it was a complete surprise.

"Oh my goodness yes. I had absolutely no idea," Arlene said. "It is such an honor. It is overwhelming."

Arlene has traveled the world over promoting the Nutcracker Museum, but this is special.

"This is promoting Leavenworth and everything about Leavenworth, including the Nutcracker museum," she said.

She's looking forward to the entire Autumn Leaf experience.

"The evening before there is a banquet I'm to attend, the parade and a luncheon after the parade," she said. "I'm going to be on the Wells Fargo wagon, which will be thrilling and very fun."

Arlene and George Wagner moved to Leavenworth in 1985, and since they had traveled to Germany many times, felt at home in this Bavarian Village. They purchased a gift shop, opened another store specializing in nutcrackers, and became active in community groups that promoted the Bavarian theme. And they dressed the part-- every day they could be seen in Bavarian Trachten, much to the delight of the many tourists who came to Leavenworth to experience a bit of German culture.

In 1995 the Wagners donated their huge nutcracker collection and the building in which it is housed to open the Leavenworth Nutcracker Museum, a non-profit 501(c)3



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