



## Council divided on Welcome City issue

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

It started with the NCW United recommending the city council to pass a "Welcoming City" resolution. On March 24, the council discussed the matter at their retreat. While the council decided against becoming a "sanctuary city," Councilman Rich Brinkman offered to write a Statement of Intolerance.

That statement was hotly debated at the last study session, as reported in the Echo. Brinkman made some edits in his statement and delivered that to the council, prior to the May 9 study session.

"I'm not comfortable signing this unless we have 100 percent agreement. Consensus needs to come from this council or not. I want you to feel free to say what you think. No judgement. Just share your thoughts," Mayor Cheri Kelley Farivar said.

Councilman Elmer Larsen said if the proclamation is signed, then what? Post it on the bulletin board? Front page of the newsletter? What is the objective?

"It would be great to do some outreach. Personally, I think the objective is to let it be known that citizens of the city and the greater community can feel the support of their local government," Councilwoman Mia Bretz said.

Councilwoman Carolyn Wilson had issue with the statement referencing immigrants and refugees.

"I would rather that say, 'all people,' instead of those three groups. It could be a religion thing, because you're Catholic," Wilson said. "Everyone, no matter your walk of life or religion, you are subject to harassment or hate speech. Nothing against those three things, but it should be 'all people.' I think it needs to be all inclusive."

Bretz said perhaps that could be added to the statement, without subtracting anything. She did not want to take away from the point of why they're doing this.

"My initial reaction is no, these are the targets right now of hate speech. Carolyn makes a good point. Anytime you can be a target. The climate for hate speech seems okay. What we want to say is that it is not okay against anybody, but in particular, against our immigrant, refugee population," said Councilwoman Margaret Neighbors.

Wilson said, then it becomes political. "I get really tired of that argument. I think there is a difference between political and partisan. We are political. We don't have to be

partisan. This is a political problem," Neighbors said.

Farivar said this is absolutely partisan. "You're identifying the whole rationale for this is against one group, immigrants. That is what I just heard. I think it is unnecessary. We have not had swastikas on the walls. We haven't had those kids of issues here," Larsen said. "I think we're trying to make a political statement when we don't need to. We're trying elevate our normal focus which is health, safety and welfare of the citizens."

There are students who are not of English speaking descent who are feeling worried, pressured and judged, Bretz said. Larsen said these are national issues not local issues.

"That is why we want to say, your local government supports you. We will not stand for the hate crimes. The school district did the same thing immediately. Bill Motesbocker put out a statement saying we appreciate all our students from diverse backgrounds and immigrant backgrounds and we will not stand for violence that has happened in our schools," Bretz said. "I don't see any reason why we as a city can't say the same. We are aligned with the school district and our philosophy is the same. We extend that to all city residents, not just children in schools."

Larsen said he hasn't seen the problem. "People from all walks of life come here everyday. We accept them. That is what our community is. This says we have a problem, to me. I don't see the problem that justifies creating divisiveness," Larsen said. "It's more political than it is of value."

The stories she's heard are from quiet people, Bretz said. They're hiding because they are afraid, she said.

Councilman Rich Brinkman said he was confused. He felt there was consensus about the proclamation at the last study session.

"I appreciate that, but I did ask everyone to go home and ponder this, think more about it and talk to their neighbors. I would say that consensus might have been that it was a better proclamation," Farivar responded.

Brinkman said he thinks it is important for the city to do something. He thought he took out the three sections which were causing the most heartburn."

"Wenatchee Valley College stands up against racism each year with an all day event, and the city of Wenatchee recently passed the 'Welcoming City' resolution. I just can't believe that our city would not stand up to hate crimes and hate

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Photos by Ian Dunn  
The Autumn Leaf Festival Association float and 2017 Royal Lady Cindy Hassinger make their way down Front Street as part of the annual Maifest parade. The Maifest was last Saturday in downtown Leavenworth.

## Cascade School Board members consider late start/early release options

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EDITOR

Late starts continue to be a hot topic at Cascade School Board meetings. Currently, the school district has late starts for 90 minutes on the first two Wednesdays of the month. Board members have been discussing possible changes over the course of the past three school board meetings.

Board member Brenda Biebesheimer has pushed for consideration of early release. Since the last meeting, Superintendent Bill Motesbocker and Executive Assistant Julie Winters have done more extensive research on this. At the May 9 meeting, Motesbocker said they surveyed schools within the Educational Service District.

"Fairly evenly split between

late starts and early releases. They range anywhere from one to two hours. We found they all avoid Tuesdays and Thursdays because those are sports days. Monday is a pretty common one, Wednesday and Friday also showed up," Motesbocker said.

Important to the survey was finding out why school districts were doing early release or late start.

"We found it all depended on the community, whatever the community was willing to accept and whatever is easiest to them. Some felt the early release was more benefit to them, some felt the late start was better," Motesbocker said. "The one comment we did get, the concern with early release was the supervision of kids. Sometimes parents are not home. We usually don't

have that problem with the late start. Most of those kids are home and families make arrangements."

Winters said she found some commonalities in her discussions with school officials.

"They all have things they have to get done with staff, whether it is evaluation of staff or the professional learning community work they have to do. They need time to do it within the day," Winters said. "Is it a Monday, Wednesday, Friday. It didn't really matter so much. It's split between early releases and late start. They all range around 1.5 to 2 hours."

A big game changer, she said, was the size of the district.

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## Leos' serving the community



Photo submitted by Dorothy Niles

The Leavenworth Leo Club once again has done something wonderful for their community. On Tuesday, May 9, club members gathered for their lunch time meeting at the high school. At the meeting, 20 personal care packets were created. The packets were later delivered to U. V. MEND, to assist people who are homeless. Thank you Leos!

## Tech levy spending has already begun Replacement of technology must be staggered

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

Cascade School District voters passed a three-year tech levy in February of 2016. Collections on that will not come in until a year from now, as people pay their property taxes. So explained Cascade School District Business Manager Dwight Remick, at the May 9 Cascade School Board meeting.

"That being said, working very closely with Kirk (Sunitsch) and the Tech Committee, we are trying to develop plans that will put us ahead of schedule on what needs to be done. We realize when we did the major tech levy several years ago, we front-funded everything and replaced everything at one time," Remick said. "It's created kind of bow wave. The

equipment that we bought at that time is also wearing out at the same time. We're trying to develop a plan that takes into account replacement cycles, so a certain amount gets replaced every year."

The equipment purchased five years ago will be replaced when the new buildings, Alpine Lakes and Cascade High School, are constructed. There are pots of money to replace the teacher's stations and the labs, Remick said.

Those will be falling into a cycle, he said, so they are making sure to develop a plan for replacement that will be in place for years to come.

"That is one of the key things we've been working on behind the scenes, so as we move forward, we have a plan that is not only for this year, but the next year. A lot of funding from the tech levy

is going to be used to make sure Discovery, Beaver Valley, IRMS also have the same technology as the new buildings," Remick said. "You're going to see a lot of money going toward making sure we have equity across the district."

The new buildings will have security cameras, card lock systems and cell repeaters. Remick said they need to make sure that same technology is going into the older buildings.

One of the key things that popped up, he said, is with all the construction work going on this summer, a lot of activities will be shifted to Icicle River Middle School, because the high school gyms will be out of commission.

"Is there a way to use the expenditures we planning for

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## Statement of Intolerance: Council resolution is a possibility

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speech," Brinkman said.

Councilwoman Sharon Waters said she has spent nights worrying about this. She stated that she did not feel safe, so she decided to prepare a statement, which she read to the council.

"Many residents have contacted me on the phone, stopped me in Safeway, stopped their car in the street while I'm walking my dog. They overwhelmingly feel the Leavenworth City Council should not be signing a resolution or proclamation in representation of the city of Leavenworth, not because they want to see deportations and families affected by that or that they do not like Hispanics legal or illegal in community," Waters said. "They just don't feel the city of Leavenworth should take a stand in this divisive bed of hot topics. As the chamber said, there are two very passionate and opposite opinions on this issue. It is indeed polarizing."

Waters said, at the April study session, she suggested the council do nothing.

"I heard it said, to do nothing is against illegal immigrants. Let them be deported and taken away from their families. I do not agree with that conclusion and find that track to be

emotional blackmail," Waters said. "I think this political issue is being forced on council by painting those that don't go along with it as being anti-Hispanic, uncaring of the immigrant workers in this community, supporting deportation. That is just not true."

Eleven people have made same comment to her, Farivar said.

"They've knocked on my door, stopped me in Safeway, Post Office, walking, telephone, email. They say, we are not bad people. We want diversity in our community. We support the people who live here, but we don't think it is the appropriate action for our city government to talk on our behalf, to do either a proclamation or welcome city resolution," Farivar said.

It is evident this is divisive and polarizing, Farivar said.

"For us to take action against what some of our residents have told us and possibly against our own convictions, is maybe not the right thing to do," Farivar said.

Larsen encouraged the council to take no action.

"We've spent a lot of time and energy debating something that should not be an issue. It's a statement of the political times. If you asking for unanimous, it sounds like you have two

reluctant individuals. I would say this is a case where no action is the probably the best thing for the community as a whole," Larsen said.

This topic could be brought up again, Farivar said, if you start seeing something out there. Larsen said this would be entirely different if there were buses coming into town. Then, it would be appropriate to take a stand.

"It's not impossible that it could come before the council and the council could vote on it, even if you don't sign. That could still be a path that we take," Bretz said.

Farivar said it won't be a proclamation, which can only come from the mayor. It may not be a proclamation, Bretz said, but it would be an opportunity for the council to voice their opinion. Larsen said this is not a veto issue. The council cannot override this, he said.

"I know that. I'm not suggesting that it would be. If it was brought before the council and the mayor doesn't sign it, I don't know what that path means. There's not a reason why that cannot happen," Bretz said.

Neighbors said the mayor talked about consensus, but her opinion, that was something for the council to decide. Farivar said 100 percent. Neighbors said that's not consensus.

"I want agreement. If you think consensus is 4-3, I do not see that as consensus, not over something so politically charged as this," Farivar said. "If the council wanted to come forward with a council resolution, that is something the council may do. This is not coming from the administration, nor the administrator."

Farivar asked the council to carefully consider where it takes this and how it will be perceived by the community, if the council comes forth with a council resolution that some of the council members don't choose to approve. Do we have some kind of community of thinking?, she asked.

"It makes me sad we can't find a way to say to the community there are lines we shouldn't cross. There are things that should not happen. There are people in our community in fear and we ought to stand with those people," Neighbors said.

Farivar said council members can do that individually, through churches, community groups. She did not believe this was the responsibility of the city government.

"That is my position. As it stands today, we will not be taking any further action," Farivar said.

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## School board: Board will vote on keeping late starts on Wednesday

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"Bigger districts did not have a lot of community input. They are usually union driven. The deciding factor is between administrators and staff, when they do it and how they do it," Winters said. "They are typically every week, for the larger district like Wenatchee, Moses Lake, Eastmont.

For the smaller districts, sometimes Monday was their only open day. They didn't pick it for any other reason than that."

Winters said many school administrators said it was important to establish a day of the week, then stick with it.

"It messes up parents. Once you get a day, parents figure it out. They expect it. They work it in their schedule. The one thing you can alter is the length of time. That doesn't seem to impact too much," Winters said. "With the bigger districts, you're just not going to please everybody. You're going to get as many versions of how it should be as there are families."

Board member Carrie Sorensen said this will be an action item next meeting. The board will decide whether they are going to change or keep it the same.

"From the leadership team, the rec-

ommendation is to stay with Wednesdays. We would like to extend that from 90 minutes to two hours. We would like to eliminate the two late starts in May, because they interfere with testing," Motsenbocker said. "If you decided that is not something you want to move to, then we'll just keep it the way it is. The survey with the staff is almost unanimous they would like an extra 30 minutes to get the work done."

As the work is completed, Motsenbocker said they could consider scaling back. Most would agree, he said, there is a lot of work being accomplished.

"At one point, when principals were saying, I have a late start, what do I do? That was staff development driven. Now, the work is already there. They know how to do it. They just need time to do it," Motsenbocker said. "We're also still working on it, but we're changing the start time at all our schools to 8 a.m. next year. This is going to increase our school day by a half-hour at PD, which is significant. PD is excited to have it."

Biebeshemer said it was unfortunate the board is not exploring changing the day.

"I think our families are brighter than we're giving them credit for, to be able to change. If it were a change in the middle of the year, that would

be tough. But, first day of school, new year," Biebeshemer said. The board can certainly discuss that option, Sorensen said, if the recommendation is voted down at the next board meeting.

"Then, absolutely that would be the next step. That is very possible. With five of us on the board, if three want to see that exploration, then absolutely," Sorensen said.

Board member Kristen Wood said all the families she's talked to loved Wednesdays. Motsenbocker said he would not be disappointed if the board decided on a different day.

"We had to bring something to you as a recommendation. Probably the only non-starter for us, we have to have the time. That is critical. We don't have a large enough budget to pay teachers to do it after school. I think we're using the time very well," Motsenbocker said. "I would support any argument with the community they're not getting anything done. That is not true. The amount of work is significant. It's time well spent."

School Conferences

The topic of school conferences has been popular one, as well. Since hearing from the school administrators, a solution seems to be at hand.

"We now know that everyone will

be conferencing in the fall, just like they always have. Buildings are going to bring me their plans at the next TLC (Teaching and Learning Council) meeting, which is next month, on what they plan to do in the spring," Motsenbocker said. "I've given them the option to have school, just like we talked about at the meeting. They feel as though they can do their conferences that are necessary during office hours, inviting parents in at a scheduled time. They don't need to have those two full days. They want those instruction days back."

This, however, will not be an action item at the next school board meeting.

"We'll still use the waiver for those buildings that want to use the four days. The other buildings will use at least the two days. What I'm predicting is everyone has already said we need to conference in the fall. We're good with that," he said. "The two elementary buildings are going to want to conference in the spring. The high school is probably going to want those two instructional days back. The middle school, I'm not sure. I'm hearing sides of both."

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## Tech levy: New technology will be implemented in all schools

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safety and implement those now, so we can gain cost savings or increased security?" Remick said. "The primary one that came to mind, when we sat down with the vendor that is going to provide all the camera systems. He also looked at the layout of IRMS. Same system. Here's where the cameras need to be placed."

Remick said he asked if the vendor could install the cameras this summer, but that was out of the question. But if they were serious, the vendor said he could do it in May.

"Teresa (Disher, facilities manager) and I stepped back and talked about this possibility. We met with Mike Janski (IRMS principal.) We are moving forward with that. It was tied to a state contract, so the bid pricing was arranged a year ago when we chose this

vendor, so we don't have to go through a formal bid process. It is already in place," Remick said. "They're going to be able to come in and put those cameras in during the month of May so that we have a way to monitor the building, not only during the summer when we have the activities shifted, but next year when we have all the activities going on too."

Remick said he wanted to make sure the board was aware of this. Even though they don't have the levy money yet, he said they have the ability to borrow from themselves, basically from the bond money.

"We'll front-fund this project based on that. Then, as the tax collections come in, we'll replace that money," Remick said. "We're looking at key items like that, and maybe the cardlock system being done early at IRMS. That one right now we don't even know who

the vendors are from the other two buildings."

There is a project for the bus barn, he said, to put a repeater up the Chumstick to improve the coverage for the two-way radio systems on the buses. Remick said they want to implement that one this summer.

The current base station at the bus barn is antiquated, he said, so they are going to move that to the district office and use the new system, the same kind the county road department is using.

"All three of the new buildings are going to have a system called Extron, which is panel within the wall that will control the speakers, projector and the interface for the teacher's learning station in each of the new classrooms," Remick said. "That also needs to be put in at Discovery and IRMS. Same thing for Beaver Valley."

He said they are also installing dark fiber between all the buildings owned by the school district. Once that is done, Remick said they will not have to pay for the connections between buildings.

"When we put together this master list of what we want to accomplish...the first two years of the four year levy, the dollar amount we're planning on at this point...we're looking at \$150,000 per year for the first two years that will designated for safety improvements," Remick said. "The other \$200,000 would be focused on technology."

When they get to years three and four, Remick said they are kicking around \$25,000 for safety and everything else for technology. Technology includes not only the replacement cycle of the equipment, but also tech training and support, he said.

"Those are things we are working closely with the tech committee, making those plans ahead of time, having timelines and points of reference to know when to pull the trigger on these. Since we

are moving forward on some of things," Remick said. "We are doing it on cost savings and safety perspective. We're taking advantage of things we have in place right now that will bring us a benefit sooner rather than later."

From the feedback with staff, Remick said they will look to replace the student devices as soon as possible. The staff devices can wait and work into a rotation. With all the assessments done on computers, Remick said it was important to update the student devices right away.

"I think we'll see some real movement toward figuring out how to implement that. That will be part of the budget process. We hope to order devices that will be here for the start of the school year," Remick said. "Typically when we have levies like this, we start budgeting four months prior to the money coming in. But since we have resources to be able to do that without going out to borrow it, the cost savings will exceed an expenditures."

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## Cascade SD's teacher and classified Staff of Excellence award winners

SUBMITTED BY MARLENE FARRELL

Every year the North Central Educational District recognizes extraordinary educators in each school district with an Excellence in Education Award. This year's recipients for the Cascade School District are Tina Richardson, a kindergarten teacher at Peshastin Dryden Elementary and Soluna Andruss, a custodian



Photo submitted by Mike Hill

Soluna Andruss

at Cascade High School.

The nominating process is not easy, as Elia Ala'ilima Daley, the principal at Cascade High School, explained, "We are blessed to have a great staff in which multiple employees deserve recognition. However, we are only able to nominate one from each group [certified teacher and classified staff]. Some are nominated yearly until their time comes up."

This was the case for Tina Richardson. "Tina's name has come up consistently for

years," said Principal Emily Ross. "It is her time to be recognized."

Richardson's passion and dedication to the district's mission—"Continuous Student Development"—are apparent in her classroom.

Recently, her kindergarten class was seated on the carpet while she held up a book, *Hey Little Ant*. It was story time, but also much more in the talented hands of Richardson. In addition to listening to a funny tale, Richardson engaged the children in a thoughtful discussion about the book's conflict between a boy who wants to step on an ant and the ant that doesn't want to die.

"Is the author trying to persuade us?" she asked the students. In response, they tapped their heads while defining "persuade."

"The definition I used was 'to try to change someone's mind'," said Richardson. "Putting a motion, such as pointing to your head, when saying the definition is a Guided Language Acquisition Design (GLAD) strategy that helps kids retain academic vocabulary better."

The class studied two illustrations—one showing the boy, like a giant, towering over a tiny ant, and another showing an imaginary role reversal.

Richardson then asked the children to write an opinion in their journal of what the boy should do. As they wrote, they spelled words phonetically, and they were confident in their writing skills. In a few years, these students will be prepared to write essays, because now they're learning about content as well as forming words from letters.

Ross spoke of Richardson's attention to purposeful teaching, "She finds out where the students are, and meets them there before asking them to grow beyond that. She treats students and staff alike with kindness and integrity."

Richardson wanted to share credit, saying, "I am most proud of the work that my teaching team accomplishes together. Each team member has different talents and perspectives that are offered to the group, yet we are supportive and respectful of each other. We meet twice every week for collaboration. We plan, look at data, adjust groupings and learn from each other."

Her job transformed in 2015. "Now I teach Kindergarten part time and work as the

RTI Coordinator part time. I have a wonderful teaching partner for both positions, Kelly Coulter. In a nutshell, our role as RTI Coordinator involves helping support students and staff in the area of reading, but we also provide some math support as well," Richardson said.

Richardson and her students thrive at P.D. "I am thankful to walk through the doors to work every day," she said. "The dedication of the P.D. staff is beyond compare. We care about kids. We care about kindness. We care about growth. We care about our community. It's really like no other place I've worked."

The classified staff award went to Soluna Andruss, who has been a district employee for ten years, and has been a custodian at Cascade High School for five years.

Andruss wakes every workday at 3 a.m. She drives from East Wenatchee to Leavenworth in order to start her custodial duties by 5 a.m. She considers it an opportunity rather than a challenge. "On the drive I have some alone time to think about the day ahead. The views out the window are beautiful," Andruss said.

Her early schedule ensures that she's home in the afternoon to catch all of her son's baseball and basketball games.

A clean school conveys the message that learning matters. Students strive to do their part to keep the school clean when they see Andruss vacuuming or monitoring the lunchroom with a positive attitude and attention to detail.

Teresa Disher, CSD Facilities Director, said Andruss deserved this recognition for many reasons.

"She's always smiling and never complains. Soluna has an extremely high work ethic; she's always giving 110 percent," Disher said.

When Andruss first arrives at school, sometimes the building has been used the previous night and, subsequently, there's extra work and unexpected cleaning. Andruss takes it all in stride. "She's reliable and flexible," said Disher.

Andruss loves her job in large part because of the staff and students. "The staff is so friendly," she said. "They watch over the students and will make sure the students pick up after themselves. Also, the kids are great. They are always trying to help me—for instance, if I am lifting something heavy, they'll come over and help," Andruss said.

Before her tenure as a custodian, Andruss drove the special needs bus. "She put safety first, and next to that, it was about forming relationships with those kids," said Disher. "She had a way with them, and they loved and respected her. She switched only because she needed full-time work."

Andruss exemplifies how all the staff, not just the teachers, are integral to the culture of the district and have an impact on the students.

When she found out about the award, Andruss felt a mix of emotions. "I was nervous and shocked and excited all at once. I am glad that people notice and appreciate the work I do," Andruss said.

The award banquet occurred on Tuesday, May 2 and was attended by a large contingent from Cascade in support of these two employees.



Photo submitted by Marlene Farrell  
Peshastin Dryden Elementary School teacher Tina Richardson engages the students during reading time.

## Middle and elementary students to present the musical, Annie Junior

BY IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

Students from Icicle River Middle School and Osborn Elementary School have come together to present the musical, *Annie Junior*. Cascade School Drama Director Mandi Wickline, said this is an hour-long version of the musical, *Annie*.

"The movie *Annie*, which came out in 1982, is very different from the Broadway production. The music is mostly the same, but a lot of the staging is quite different," Wickline said. "This is designed for younger actors. It still has a lot of the musical numbers. It focuses on telling the basics of the story. There's a lot of tunes and music that was cut. Whatever is in there is just meant to drive the story

forward."

It's a fairy tale, rags-to-riches story, which people identify with, Wickline said.

"There is something really universal about *Annie*. Her positivity really appeals to people. I think it's telling the story with sincerity that's really going to be a neat thing about the production," Wickline said.

Certainly, the casting of *Annie* was very important, but more difficult, was the casting of the adult characters, which all very instrumental to the story. Daddy Warbucks is challenge to cast, she said, because he needs to be very mature, fatherly.

"How do you bring that out of a seventh or eighth grader? Fortunately, we had enough interest in the show that we found the right people for the

right parts," she said. "Casting the adult roles was more of a challenge. I knew we would find our *Annie*. You go into these without any preconceived notions of who would be the perfect person for this role. A lot of times in auditions we're surprised by the talent and the energy of the kids."

When auditioning, Wickline said having a great singing voice and acting chops is not always the most important. She looks for spirit.

"If, in my gut, the actor has the right energy and spirit for the role...it always helps if they have a nice voice or are a natural actor. Enthusiasm is a huge part. Commitment is a big part. If I know I can count on a kid to be there, that's huge," Wickline said.

There are 37 kids in the cast. Wickline said she has worked with some before, but many are new to the theater program, which is exciting. She's seen a lot of dedication, which is important, because they had only 4 and a half weeks to put the show together, which is about a month less than for high school shows.

That means everything is hyper-speed.

"Really nice audition turnout. Pretty good follow through. Harper Robbins is our *Annie*. She's a fourth grader. We're not going traditional *Annie* with the red curly hair. Sandy is played by Dylan



Photo submitted by Mandi Wickline  
*Annie Jr.* opens tomorrow at Cascade High School. Pictured, from left, Orphans Cassidy Haile, Rhetta Cummings, Molly Renner-Singer, Claire Henscheid, Chloe Palmer Godsey, Eliza Tveten, Harper Robbins, Kaia Tande (below), and Naomi Tveten.

Munly, who is a fifth grader. They are just sweet kids. Originally, I wasn't thrilled with a human playing the dog, but Lindsay Camp convinced me," Wickline said.

As always, Ted Fredericks is the co-director. Lindsay and Gracie Camp are assistant-directors. Musical Direction is by Jennifer Sidebottom. Costumes by Barbara Roberts. Stage Management by Tagen Mathews and Kelsea Turner. Seventh Grader Carly Ostrem is the assistant choreographer.

"Carly Ostrem has been in shows with us before. She's been in dance for year with Briar (Hoper.) She's been involved with Stage Kids in Wenatchee. She is Lily in the show as well as being a dance captain and choreographer," Wickline said.

Daddy Warbucks is being played by Isaac Tveten. His two little sisters are also in the show. Landon Davies is playing Rooster. The show is set in 1933, so they've been pulling stuff from antique stores and thrift shops.

Putting on a period show takes an extra level of dedication on the part of the production teams to create the mansion, orphanage, even a radio station, she said.

"You have to keep the at-

mosphere and time period in mind all the time. It's a lot of fun music that people will recognize. The kids are just darling. These kids have memorized their lines and music so well," she said. Wickline believes the opening number is show stopper.

"If the audience isn't crying by the end of the first song, there is something wrong," Wickline said. "The big chorus numbers with a lot of middle school kids, they're just so engaged in every musical number and every line. How

could you not get sucked into the performance? I'm excited to show that to the public."

*Annie Junior* opens at 7 p.m. on Thursday at Cascade High School. It runs at the same time and location on Friday and Saturday. Tickets at the door \$10 for adults, \$5 for students with ASB and senior citizens, and \$3 for children under 12.

Ian Dunn can be reached at 548-5286 or editor@leavenworthecho.com.



Photo submitted Mandi Wickline  
From left, Landon Davies (Rooster), Ellie Camp (Miss Hannigan), and Carly Ostrem (Lily).

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The Leavenworth Nutcracker Museum is having a contest for students to design and make an instrument that would open the shell of a hazelnut—AND MAYBE EVEN WIN A CASH PRIZE. If this sounds like fun (and your parents approve) visit our website for more information on the contest.  
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This website also shows many examples of easy to make nut cracking devices. Using a river rock and a piece of wood. Leavenworth's Amber Zimmerman created this great example of an easy-to-make nutcracker.

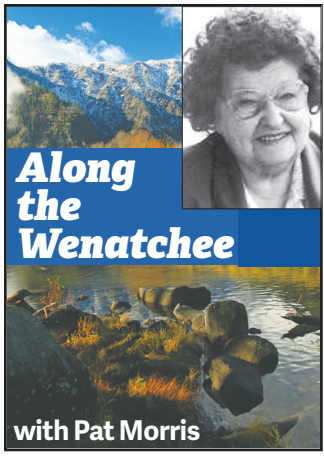



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# Life & Health

## Opening the Blewett Pass route to Wenatchee



Along the Wenatchee

with Pat Morris

With the coming of the automobile into wide use, an entire change of attitude was visible. From the federal level to the state and finally the county, it no longer seemed the local

taxpayers were to pay for the highways across their county's lands, but that in a durable form, to give permanency and with bridges spanning streams roads were to become a treasure.

By 1910, Washington state informed county commissioners that any mileage later was to be combined into the state system must be 60 feet wide. By legislative act, the route down Peshastin Creek to Wenatchee had become part of State Road 7. Any grade more than 5 percent must be cut down. This state road was to connect Seattle to a spot on the Idaho line. There were, until 1906, no funds for maintenance put out by the state, now it was to take over,

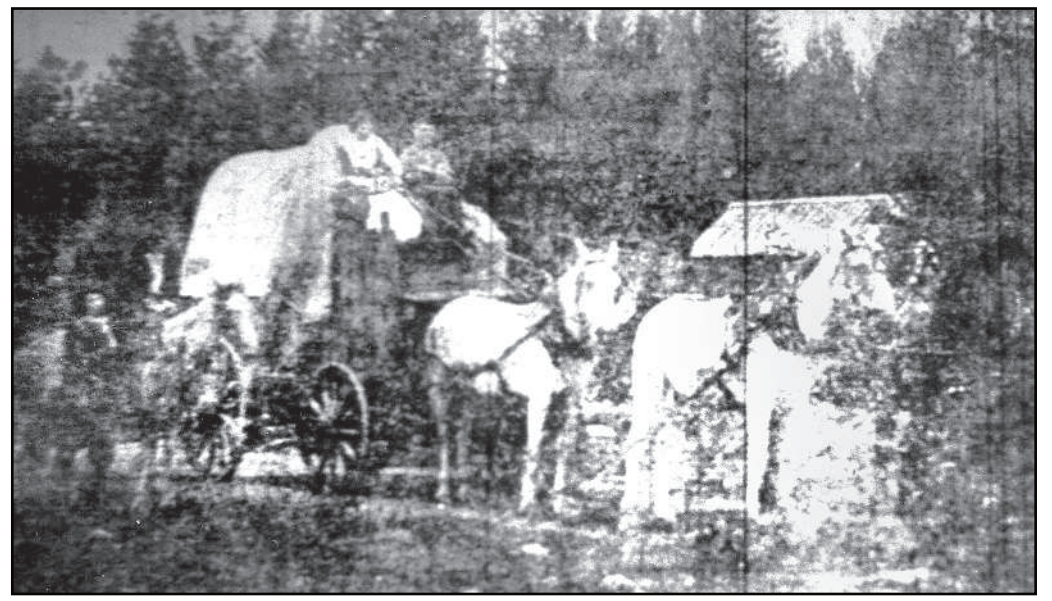
the expense from the county. Eventually, town streets that were a part of the state route were allowed \$500 per mile for paving.

Added to this the money, the federal department channelled into the Blewett road, a vexing problem was about to be removed. A local good roads unit was pushing to put a full-time workman on to remove rocks and trees from the road, fill chuck holes, etc. So successful did this prove that two were engaged. The purchase of a truck for road needs was considered.

Although cutting down the mountain road from Ingalls Creek to the old mining camp at Blewett was outside the federal funds, a camp of workmen whittling away a water grade route was set up once the snow had closed the pass and blasting could be done.

Most of the \$8,000 of federal funds was spent in new roads so that the old route was still open for tourists during the work cutting down the steep summit.

While this improvement went on, an announcement that seemed a threat to all the good work was carried in big city news sheet. The Colville Indian reservation was to be opened for white ownership. To settle who was to own its parcels, a drawing was to be made in key cities. Wenatchee was one of these. For safety, this one lane trace had to be safeguarded. Commissioners agreed to halt traffic over the



These freighting vehicles still travelled Blewett Pass but the numbers were being diminished by auto tracks by 1916. The first commercial use for the new conveyances was reported when lumber to make fruit boxes was sent over the route from a Kittitas saw mill.

Ingalls Creek Blewett mining camp stretch with northbound cars using it exclusively for one hour, then halted and the south bound traffic allowed its turn. Between July 5 and 31, 4,720 land hungry individuals registered at Wenatchee with well over half coming from distant points to do so.

Keeping track of traffic on the roadway for the six months when it was open, 5,886 automobiles led the list, which then drops to only 42 trucks in this period, 153 motorcycles, 181 wagons, plus 80 buggies and 17 bicycles. Yet this was not the entire picture. Four and six horse teams, cattle, horsemen, pack horses and loose futher North cattle were listed as well. If this

was a prophecy of the route's future, it certainly came true after the year of 1916.

In years to come, when Blewett was made part of the state Sunset Highway route, the widening and oiling and later placing a permanent coat on it, improved it.

During the first year of federal assistance plus matching funds for Chelan and Kittitas Counties, four miles of new road were completed and four more begun. The deep snow winter of 1916 was hard on the work and broke down bridges in places. Our entry into World War I kept reports on work out of the papers. By 1919, construction was continuing.

During this 1914-1919 peri-

od, a second Cascade highway was also boosted. This was called a scenic route. If completed, it was to go by way of North Road to Chumstick Valley then to Lake Wenatchee to Winton and as some suggested, travel the abandoned railroad switchbacks to the coast side. This meant a much shorter, more convenient trip to Seattle for local folks and tourists from the Puget Sound area visiting us. Snoqualmie had been closed much of the year. Avalanche prone, muddy, etc. It was in top condition only late in the summer until winter set in. Locals were urged to join in and support a new highway further North paralleling the railroad. The big bond issue comes next.

### Cooking With Teri

#### Schrooms and Green Soldiers

Last week my daughter Rachel was out hiking and came upon a patch of morel mushrooms. Being of a certain age and excited for what she found, she photographed them and posted them on social media. Before she could get to many questions as to where they were, I suggested she remove the posts. Morel mushrooms are highly coveted and the location of where to find them is usually a well keep secret. This time of year lots of folks are out looking for this fantastic fungi. Some of them she picked were "false morels" which can be toxic if eaten. Since I can not disclose the location of our morels I can give you some tips to help you find your own. Our local bookstore has books about mushrooms and other edibles that you can forage for. I suggest you get one or look online to know what a morel mushroom looks like. Morels usually proliferate in fire burn areas so that is a good place to start. Certain trees such as oak, sycamore, elm and ash are popular hosts for morels. Fruit trees are also a good place to look. Morels usually appear when the soil temperature is about 50 degrees and the soil is moist. South facing slopes are also good spots to hunt morels. When preparing for your mushroom hunt, pack a lunch, grab a netted bag, it works best and a knife. Morels can be pinched or cut at the base. Also while you are out looking you may find some wild asparagus which pairs great with morels.

I was at the Pike Place Market last week and asparagus was \$5.00 per pound and morels were \$50.00 per pound. So save money have fun and forage for food. Enjoy!

#### Morel Mushrooms and Asparagus Saute

- 3 quarts water
- 1-1/2 pounds asparagus
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 shallot, thinly sliced
- 3-4 cups fresh morels, halved lengthwise
- 1/2 teaspoon salt, divided
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

1. Bring the water to a boil and trim woody ends from the asparagus. Cook asparagus in boiling water about (20 minutes, or until tender crisp). Remove with a slotted spoon into a colander. Rinse under cold water; drain well. Cut asparagus diagonally into 1-1/2 inch pieces.

2. Melt butter in a pan over medium high heat; swirl to coat the pan.

Add shallots saute about (1) stirring constantly. Add morels and 1/4 teaspoon salt; saute about (5) minutes or until mushrooms are lightly browned. Add asparagus, remaining salt, oil, and pepper; toss gently to coat. Cook (2) minutes or until asparagus is thoroughly heated.

**QUOTE:** "All mushrooms are edible, some only once in a lifetime". Author unknown.

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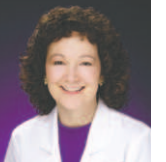
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### Q: Why should I take my medicine?

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**Dr. Louise**



My mother had her thyroid removed in her early 50s and took a thyroid replacement medicine for the last 30 years of her life. The sticker on the side of the bottle said to take it in the morning on an empty stomach, but she would often forget and eat breakfast before she realized that she hadn't taken it yet. As she got older, her thyroid levels kept bouncing up and down, and one day I asked her how she was doing on her thyroid pill before breakfast. "I don't always remember, Lulu, so sometimes I have to wait until the next day to take it." "Wait! Are you saying if you forget to take it before breakfast, you don't take it AT ALL? Not even with breakfast?" "No, I don't. See, it says right there on the label it has to be on an

empty stomach in the morning." She was skipping at least one dose a week because she forgot to take it before she started eating. To get around this, we moved all of her her once-a-day pills to the same time with her breakfast and within 2 months she had more energy and her thyroid level stabilized.

Medicines that cause drowsiness, dizziness or light-headedness may be less bothersome if they are taken close to bedtime, when you can "sleep through" those annoying side effects. Some examples of these are medicines that regulate heart rate, prevent seizures or treat chronic pain. Certain blood pressure medicines like doxazosin or terazosin used to help prostate problems often cause dizziness and

should be taken at bedtime if at all possible. Because our bodies make cholesterol at night while we sleep, the group of cholesterol-lowering medicines called statins is just a little bit more effective at lowering cholesterol if you take them in the evening or at bedtime. My mother was afraid something bad would happen if she took her thyroid medicine with food instead of before breakfast, but most of the time, taking your medicine with food is a GOOD idea. Food cushions the lining of your stomach and intestines from the irritation many medicines can cause. There are only a few medicines that need an empty stomach: an older

penicillin called Penicillin VK which is prescribed mostly for strep throat and certain dental infections, and bone building medicine like Fosamax®. Luckily, Fosamax® and medicines like it come in once weekly, once monthly and even once yearly formulations.

Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy is a 38-year veteran of pharmacology and author of *Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely*. Your questions and comments are always welcome at [www.AskDrLouise.com](http://www.AskDrLouise.com)

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#### Here are 5 Tips on When It's Best to Take Your Medicine:

1. Make it consistent. Instead of trying to juggle before and after meals, if you take your medicine the exact same way every time, it will still be better than skipping the whole dose completely, like my mother did. Getting part of a dose every time is better than get NO dose at all.
2. Make it simple. Medicines that you're taking twice or three times a day might be able to be lumped into one or two doses by switching to a longer acting formulation, making it simpler and easier to remember to take them consistently. The heart medicine metoprolol is an example of this; the long acting succinate version is usually taken once daily compared to the tartrate formulation which is usually taking twice daily.
3. Make it convenient. Many clinicians will tell you to take your blood thinner warfarin in the evening, which is convenient for hospitals, nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Although it usually allows any changes to take place the same day, it's more important that you take it at a time of the day that you're least likely to forget. Many people are busy at 5 or 6 PM in the evening with dinner plans and can easily miss doses. If bedtime doesn't work well for you try taking it with your morning pills.
4. For most medicines, taking them with food or right after a meal will cause less stomach upset than taking it on an empty stomach, especially with prednisone, antibiotics like amoxicillin or Augmentin® (amoxicillin/clavulanate), narcotics or opioid pain medicines like codeine or oxycodone, and anti-inflammatory pain medicines called NSAIDs, like ibuprofen, naproxen, and aspirin. There are very few medicines that shouldn't be given with food: the group of bone-building drugs like Fosamax® (alendronate) and some older antibiotics like penicillin VK and tetracycline.
5. Ask for advice. When in doubt, ask your pharmacist, the expert in how and when take your medicines for best results.

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# Neighbors

## Catherine M. Fliegal

Catherine M. Fliegal 92, of Vancouver, Washington passed away on May 8, 2017. She was born on April 13, 1925 in Seattle, Washington.

She was preceded in death by her husband John Fliegal. She will be buried with her husband in Mountain View Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Davies Cremation & Burial Services.

Happy Birthday to you, dear Lorelai

Happy 5<sup>th</sup> Birthday to you!  
With Butterfly kisses  
Love Grandpa Bill & Grandma Carol



## Dr. Peter D. DeVries

Dr. Peter D. DeVries passed away on April 30, 2017 in Wenatchee following a brief illness.

He was born June 21, 1927 in Los Angeles to Peter and Minnie DeVries. Following graduation from High School in Bell, California, he joined the U.S. Navy Medical Corp, serving from 1945-1946. After his military service, he earned a master's degree

in biology from Cal State University and later, a doctorate in Facilities Planning from the University of San Francisco.

Peter married Joan Hansen in 1959, and they had a daughter and two sons. As a family, they enjoyed spending time in California's Sierra Nevada Mountains along with Peter's sister and her family. Together they shared a love of searching for antiques, and fishing.

He spent the early part of his career in Whittier, California--first as a science teacher and then as an assistant high school principal. He also coached basketball and track. In 1964, he and Joan relocated to Chico, California, where he worked for the local school district until being appointed Vice President of Educational services at Butte Community College. He was named founding president of Mendocino College in Ukiah, California in 1972, and then became president of Big Bend

Community College in Moses Lake in 1978. His position at BBCC included overseeing the college's educational programs for U.S. service members stationed in Europe.

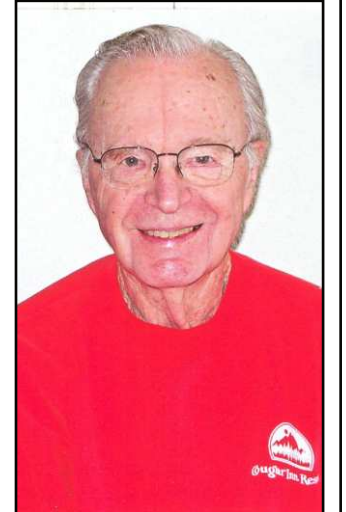
Peter and Joan retired to Leavenworth in 1987. They designed their new home, which opened a second career for Peter. He had the pleasure of designing over 200 homes and several commercial buildings in north central Washington. Peter was passionate about his community and served on multiple boards and committees. He was a member of the Leavenworth City Council for five terms, and was also on the State Building Code Council for eastern Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Lois Koenig and Lorraine Coleman; and his brothers, Joseph and Allen DeVries.

Peter is survived by his wife of 57 years; his daughter, Kerry (John) Harrington; his son, David (Marya) DeVries;

and Glen (Janice) DeVries. He had eight grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2 p.m., May 20, at the Nazarene Church in Leavenworth, 111 Ski Hill Drive. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Peter's name to the Cascade Medical Center Foundation or Upper Valley Christian School. Arrangements by Wards Funeral Chapel, Leavenworth.



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The Cascade High School girls' fastpitch softball team poses with their trophy after winning the District Championship with a 10-4 over Omak last Saturday at Richard Rice Memorial Field in Dryden.

## Cascade fastpitch softball wins District title in dramatic fashion

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

It turned out to be a pretty exciting week of softball for the CTL Champion Cascade Kodiaks. To finish off the regular season, they hosted second place Omak for double header on May 9 at Richard Rice Memorial Field in Dryden.

Omak, behind start pitcher Rhaney Harris, beat the Kodiaks 8-1 in the first game.

The Pioneers scored four runs in the first inning on five hits and an error. Omak scored three more runs in the fourth on four hits. They added another run in the fifth on three hits. Cascade scored in the seventh on a double by Olivia Stoddard and an RBI singles by Madeline Scheif-elbien.

"Rhaney Harris was dominant in the circle for Omak striking out 14 Kodiak hitters in the game," said Ken Krous, Cascade head coach.

Cascade ace Sarah Paulson gave up 7 earned runs on 15 hits with 5 strikeouts and no walks.

Game two was not much different as Omak won 12-2. Once again, Harris dominated the Kodiaks. This made the District Championship game even more compelling as the Kodiaks met the Pioneers in that game last Saturday at Dryden.

Once again, Omak threw their ace, Harris against Paulson of Cascade.

Cascade opened the scoring with a couple runs in the first inning on two hits and an er-

ror. Kaija Lovelady led off with a double. She scored on Truh Merriman RBI single. Merriman scored on an error.

The Kodiaks scored three more times in the second to make it 5-0. Schiefelbein singled and moved to second with Sarah Paulson who was hit by the pitch. Lovelady doubled to score Schiefelbein. Paulson scored on a sac bunt by Merriman. Lovelady scored on a Sarah Pickel double.

Omak rallied in the fourth to cut the lead to 5-4 on four hits and two errors. In the sixth, Cascade broke the game open with five runs. Lovelady had her third double of the game. Merriman doubled as did Olivia Stoddard. Sierra Bittle had a single.

That was enough for Paulson to close out the game in the seventh. The Kodiaks won 10-4.

"Paulson was super in the circle giving up four runs, two earned, on five hits, striking out six and no walks. The team played loose and attacked the ball," Krous said.

Harris pitched 6 innings, giving up 8 earned runs on 13 hits with 13 strikeouts and 1 walk. Lovelady was 4-for-4 with 3 doubles and 2 RBIs. Merriman was 2-for-4 with 2 runs, double and 3 RBIs.

Cascade plays in the Bi-District game on Saturday in Dryden against the NEA League number four team, Colville.

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## Cascade boys' soccer team is District Champs

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

It was an exciting week for Cascade Kodiak boys' soccer, a week that saw them continue their undefeated season with a District crown. On May 9, Cascade hosted a Cashmere in the first round of District. The Kodiaks had beaten the

until the 80th minute, when Cashmere hit the Kodiaks on a counter attack and bounced in the go-ahead goal.

"We had scoring opportunities. We dominated the play. We just couldn't finish it off. Part of it was getting better in the last third, piecing it together," Cascade Co-Head Coach Pete Spiegel. "When

calmly converted the penalty kick to tie the game 1-1.

In the first overtime, the game remained 1-1. In the second overtime, Cascade Raul Mata found an opening and kicked in the game winner.

"I knew it was going to be a different game. I told the guys that before the game," Cascade Co-Head Coach Je-

of. We came back and worked together to get that penalty kick for the first goal. Once we got the one goal, I knew we would get something else," Spiegel said.

Sandoval said they had not had a game like this one all year.

"We had some tough teams, but it never came down to this. Usually, we would score right away. Even the games we tied, we scored right away. We have to give Cashmere some credit," Sandoval said.

"Cashmere is a solid team. I think it gave them more confidence having us 0-0 at halftime. The more at team can stay in it, the more confidence they have. Give them credit. They played a good game," Spiegel said.

Cascade faced another rival, Chelan, in the District Championship on May 11 at the Apple Bowl in Wenatchee. The Kodiaks had beaten the previous league champs twice to during the regular season including a 6-0 game.

Just seven minutes into the game, Arturo "Cholo" Avila found Brian Sanchez, who headed the ball into the goal for the opening score. Chelan was very aggressive, pressing the offense, but the Kodiak defense and goalie Jose Mendoza denied them time and again.

At the 25 minute mark, Cholo launched a tremendous shot from 27 yards out that just skimmed under the post for the second goal. Cascade led 2-0 at half.

The Kodiak defense gave up a goal at the 56 minute mark

to cut the lead to 2-1. But from there on, despite the Goats furious attack, Cascade held on for the win.

"That was a really good game, back and forth. We knew it would be a completely different game. We knew every game would be like playing a final. A lot intensity, really physical. Our guys needed to give their best and they did," Sandoval said.

Spiegel said they were expecting that.

"Going forward, it is going to be the same way. Every single game is going to be like this. I think it was good we played against Cashmere and had a close game. Our guys did not panic at all. That was key," Spiegel said.

The mental toughness they are going to need for important games is there, Sandoval said.

"That definitely makes a huge difference. The guys have confidence they are going to overcome any obstacle," Sandoval said.

Cascade racked up four yellow cards in the game, including one against mild mannered Coach Spiegel.

Getting the yellow impacted how they coaches managed the players.

"As a player, you had to be really careful. What if we get another yellow, it would cost us for the next game. Definitely not a good thing. We had to really careful with Jose (Valdez). We had to make sure he did not get another yellow," Sandoval said.

Chelan was running an effective offside trap, which snared the Kodiaks a few times.

"In my opinion, they were playing to hold us. They had some of their best players at fullback this time," Sandoval said.

Cascade opened the first round of State against Royal on May 16 at Leavenworth. Results were unavailable before press time.

"It will be a really tough game, but I think our guys are ready for anything. It will be a home game with our crowd," Sandoval said.

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Photo by Ian Dunn

The Cascade High School boys' soccer team won the district title last week with a thrilling 2-1 victory over the Chelan Goats at the Apple Bowl in Wenatchee. The Kodiaks head to state as a number one seed.

Bulldogs twice during the regular season.

The Bulldogs came out with a different strategy, as you might expect. They focused on defense primarily, relying on counter-attack for offense. In doing so, Cascade dominated play, but to give Cashmere credit, the Kodiaks could not break through with a goal.

The first half ended 0-0. The second half was also scoreless

a team doesn't have many chances, everybody is pushing forward, thinking more about that goal than defending. We sort of fell into that trap. They were going to score with a longer ball. It just skipped over our heads."

With maybe four minutes left in extra time, the Kodiaks furiously attacked. Finally, there was foul call in the box. Sophomore Brian Sanchez

sus Sandoval. "It was the strategy. They played really defensively, defending most of the game. They were just counter attacking. That's how they scored the first goal. We stayed faithful to our game. We made it happen."

Cascade had scoring opportunities, but just couldn't finish it off, Spiegel said.

"The way we reacted after that goal we are really proud



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# Cascade Tennis team performs well at CTL Tournament

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

The Cascade Kodiaks had a great CTL Tennis Tournament, according to Head Coach Joey Johanson. In the loser-out first round at Cashmere on May 11, all the Kodiak boys advanced except singles player Dan Paulson, who lost to the eventual fourth place finisher.

The doubles team of Emman Espinosa and Wyatt Whaley won their first match, then lost in the quarterfinals and in consolation. Hans Schlyer and Thales Nunes won one and lost two. In Singles, both Finn Johnson and Sam Keziah won one and lost two.

“Seniors Espinosa and Whaley impressed me the most and battled hard in the consolation quarterfinal, losing 6-3, 6-3 to

Okanogan’s number 2 doubles team,” Johanson said. “In Finn Johnson’s consolation quarterfinal he got out to an early lead with a first set victory of 6-1 only to lose 6-2, 6-2 in sets two and three. The boys will be a strong group next year, because they will return a group of three singles players that will be very impressive with Finn Johnson, Sam Keziah, and Hans Schlyer.”

For the girls, Taylor Kelly avenged her early season loss to Aleah Kert of Cashmere with a three set victory in the semifinal. Kelly lost in the championship match to Paiton Wagner of Cashmere.

On the girl’s side we had some great success. Taylor Kelly avenged her early season loss to Aleah Kert from Cashmere and defeated her in three sets in the semifinal.

Taylor lost in the championship to Paiton Wagner from Cashmere.

“Taylor showed some real grit to grab the third set from Aleah and she did it in convincing fashion 6-2,” Johanson said.

The number 1 doubles team of Katie Schiefelbein and Brooke McDevitt finished in third place and will also advance to districts in Omak this week.

“They avenged there early season loss to Chelan’s number 1 doubles team and beat them in the 3rd/4th place game 6-3, 6-3. It was a great victory to cap off an incredible day for the girl’s team,” Johanson said. “Alexandra Barragan also chipped in a win for the girls at the number 2 singles spot defeating Alex Perez of Okanogan 6-0, 6-0 in the first

round. Alexandra would end up losing to Paiton Wagner in the quarterfinals and Emma McLaren (Chelan) in the consolation bracket.”

Johanson said he heard many compliments from parents and coaches about how much Cascade had improved during the season, especially with decreased court time.

“I am very proud of every player and appreciate the positive attitude from the players, even when times seemed extremely tough. This senior class was an amazing group that I will remember forever. Tennis looks bright for Cascade in the years to come,” he said.

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Photo by Mikayla Wilkerson  
Cascade’s Hans Schlyer in action at the District Tennis Tournament in Cashmere last week. Hans teamed up with Thales Nunes in doubles.



Photo by Ian Dunn  
Cascade sophomore Gianna Pistorosi competes in the pole vault the CTL meet at Peshastin last week. Pistorosi came in second in the pole vault.



## Golfers shine at All CTL match at Gamble Sands

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

It was just a tune up match for the state qualifier, but nonetheless, the Cascade golfers showed well at the All CTL match at Gamble Sands on May 9. The boys won their 16th straight league match, dating back to last season. The girls won their second in a row over league favorite Chelan.

The boys shot 362 as a team, Omak 391, Chelan 402 and Okanogan 442. For the girls, Cascade shot 405, Chelan 407.

Maddie Hontou shot her best round at Gamble Sands and tied for medalist, to lead the Lady Kodiaks to a second league victory over the tough Chelan Goats. Myranda Evans also shot a 93. Freshman Emma Halseth had a career best 99, and Jacelyn Bains’ 103 and Natalie Craig’s’ career best 110.

“Maddie birdied the first hole on her way to a front nine 44 then cruised out to a 49 on the back. I got to watch her play part of the day and she was striking the ball very well. It was great to watch her play well,” said Cascade Head Coach Randy Alexander. “Jacelyn wasn’t too far away from shooting well under 100. She took an 11 and an 8 on two holes but then played solidly the rest of the way. Emma Halseth continues to play better and better each day. Natalie shot her best score.”

Anna Russell played up again and is getting used to the varsity pressure and playing very well also, Alexander said.

“This is fun. Ken Baumann and myself have been working hard in practice all season to get these girls’ golf game up to par so that at the end of this season we could move them up to varsity, as they improve, and eventually have enough to score, and give the tough Chelan team a run for their money. And we have,” Alexander said.

Garrett Halseth and Stefan Zuckriegel led the Kodiak boys. Bryson Murdock follows with a 92 and Carter Welch a 95 to finish out the scoring. All players had broken 100 first time this year,” he said.

“We are starting to peak, but it’s different players for each match. Stefan is playing the most consistent. His scores have dropped the last 3 matches. His 89 is close to his best score.

Wyatt Utt-Picking was medalist with an 84, followed by Garrett’s 86 and Rylee Heath’s 86,” Alexander said. “It’s exciting. Getting down to the final week before the state qualifier. Each kid is working harder in practice and putting in more time to get their game shined up. All comes down to this final 18 holes. The whole season comes down to one day, one round. There can be a lot of pressure. I think the kids are excited to compete and are up for the task.”

The Cascade boys and girls played in the District Championship at Gamble Sands on May 16. Results were not available before press time. This tournament decides berths to State.

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Photo submitted by Randy Alexander  
Cascade’s Tim Wells tees it up at a recent match. Wells and his teammates are competing for state berths this week at Gamble Sands in Brewster.

## Cascade track and field team eyes state berths at upcoming meet

By IAN DUNN  
EDITOR

Really, it was nothing more than a tune up match for the big one this week. The Caribou Trail League meet was held May 10 at Peshastin. The Cashmere won the boys’ competition with 95 points. Okanogan won the girls’ competition with 115 points.

The Cascade boys were fifth, the girls were third.

Senior Erin Mullins was in fine form, setting two league records in the 3200 and 800.

“She currently holds the 1600 league record so it is a clean sweep for her holding all three distance races,” said Cascade Head Coach Bill Davies.

Junior Ashley Parton had a great day, winning the 100 hurdles and placing second in the long jump, 300 hurdles and anchoring the 4x100 relay.

“Sprinters Emily Gaines

and Addie Astell also placed and were members of the relay team. I was impressed with freshman Kascia Muscutt who ran a great 800 and also ran the relay,” Davies said.

For the boys, the 4x400 relay team consisting of Jayden Disher, Teague Duncan, Steven Tvetin, and Eli Fishburn won their race and are hoping to qualify for state.

“Eli Fishburne also won the 800. Freshman Teague Duncan ran a great 400 meters and 200 meters. He is a really fast freshman and I think we’ll see big things from him in the future. This week is the district qualifier for state. Hopefully, we will get several athletes to state.

The District 6 1A Championship Meet is Thursday at Cashmere.

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Cascade junior Ashley Parton won the 100 hurdles at the CTL meet last week. She also won the long jump. Parton and her teammates will be competing for state berths this week.

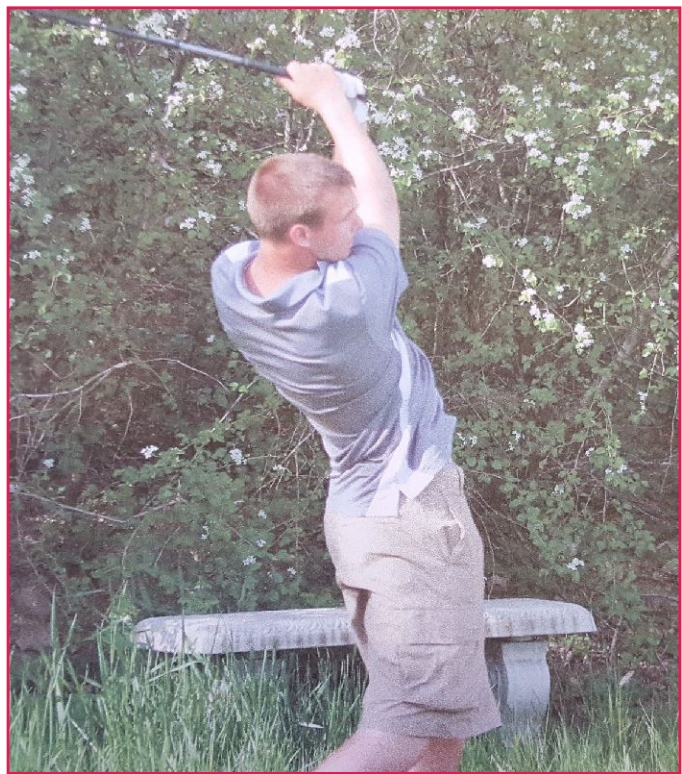


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Senior Bryson Murdock has been one of the best golfers for the Kodiaks, who are riding a 16 league match win streak dating back to last year.



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ACA Could Have Been Better

I really appreciated Susan Butruille's article in the January 11 Echo about the Affordable Care Act. She stated some of the pluses which conservatives conveniently ignore when they say it's been a complete disaster. Another fact that Republicans don't want to acknowledge is that the ACA would be a lot better if they had come to the table and negotiated in good faith in 2009 and 2010. Instead the senate republicans filibustered 112 times in 2009 and 92 times in 2010 (61 times was the previous high) without even allowing discussion. The house sent over 400 resolutions to the senate to discuss and vote on but none of them were discussed because of republican's obstruction of the senate's business and not doing the job they were elected to do at taxpayer's expense of a minimum of \$174,000 per senator per year. Then in 2011 the after the republicans gained control of the house they wasted time voting over 30 times to repeal all or part of the ACA and over 50 times in Obama's first four years knowing it would never get past the senate!

nnell when he said "the single most important thing we want to achieve is for President Obama to be a one-term President" in 2010, instead of working on health care, jobs, and the economy. If conservatives have any complaint about the ACA they should blame the politicians they voted for, not Obama and the democrats. Unfortunately conservatives consistently vote against their self-interest, like the woman who voted for Trump and now is worried about losing her health care. When asked why she voted for Trump knowing he wanted to repeal the ACA she said because "I'm a die-hard republican".

Republicans, led by Newt Gingrich, fought the Clinton's health care reform effort in 1993, with success. Then when they controlled both houses during part of George W. Bush's two terms they refused to address health care reform. If the republicans really cared about the American people why didn't they work with the democrats to allow affordable health care?

You can have your own opinion but you can't have your own facts, or as Kellyanne Conway put it, "alternative facts"! Most of what is stated by conservatives in general and in the Echo specifically, is wishful thinking because they are so emotionally invested in their beliefs that facts don't matter and all they want is conformation of their beliefs, which is why 2-3 million watch Fox (Faux) News each day and why republican politicians can get away with telling half-truths or worse, like Obama not being an American citizen, or death panels, or massive voter fraud, etc.! Republicans are willing to say something that isn't true and then do what ever they can to make it come true.

Republican senator Roy Blunt confirmed the obvious in July of 2009 when he said that republicans would not present a plan for health reform. So did (then) Senate Minority Leader Mitch McCo-

lawsuit. Fox news stands mute on the subject, and especially their boy Bill. CNN, MSNBC, Local news and RT consider it to be newsworthy.

It even made it on Saturday Nite Live! I watch Mr. O'Reilly all the time. He and Fox news did not hesitate to call out Bill Cosby. Talk about hypocrisy! How many times have I heard Mr. Bill call out the other news venues when they totally ignore or marginalize what he and Fox considers to be "breaking news".

Mr. Bill always makes sure his audience knows he gives a lot to charity. My first treatment center pointed that out to be some kind of personality defect. Virtue being it's own reward so to speak.

So one can only surmise that he and Fox gave his accusers millions of dollars because he felt sorry for them. The truly sad part is that his popularity and ratings will no doubt continue on. His "sheeple" will call anything they see, hear or read "Fake News". They may even think the Fox show "outnumbered" refers to the one man, four women concept. Anyone who pays attention can plainly see it's about four "Righties, (or Five") and sometimes one "Leftie" Fair and Balanced? You tell me.

With Dennis Miller, Waters World and Gunfield and McGurik, I don't know why Big Bad Bill isn't on the comedy channel. It makes you wonder who is the "straight man" on the fours or why you can get dizzy watching the "No Spin Zone".

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Fox News hypocrisy

Talk about the "Elephant in the room"! Unless you watch Fox news, just Fox news, and nothing but Fox news, you have no doubt heard about Bill O'Reilly's sexual harassment

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The pigs are squealing in D.C.

Finally, the entrenched bureaucracy is being dismantled. FBI Director James Comey is not the first to go and hopefully not the last. He is just the biggest fish so far. This is what most Americans were calling for when they voted for Trump.

Democrats are trying to spin this as some sort of conspiracy by Trump to kill the investigation of how Trump and the Russians conspired to steal the election.

Just a few short months ago these same Democrats were blaming Comey for killing Hillary's presidential run. It is time for these Democrats to act like adults and accept their defeat. They put up a flawed candidate. They lost. Most Americans are beginning to see through the lies of the far left and have rejected another administration bound on dismantling our Constitution.

Truth is the Democrat Party has lost its way. While many Democrats are well meaning devotees of the mantra of standing up for the little guy. The party has been taken over by radical leftists who have blinded their loyal supporters by twisting history, science and social justice to justify their radical positions.

Under the current Democrat leadership traditional Americans are the problem. Traditional Americans are self centered, greedy, sexist, racist homophobes that must be reined in by a more compassionate and enlightened central government. They don't talk like that but their policies, protests and legislative actions belie their true intentions.

Democrats are quick to claim that President Trump did not win the popular vote so he is not a legitimate Presi-



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dent. That argument is indicative of their true disdain for the Constitution.

Except for the California fruits and nuts and the Globalists in New York City and Washington, D.C. the great bulk of the American people rejected Hillary. Trump won the popular vote in most of the rest of the country and was elected by a landslide in the Electoral College. Neither candidate won a true majority of the electorate. Those are the facts.

The Electoral College is that pesky Constitutional system set up by our founding fathers to insure no heavily populated state could dominate the election. The Democrats squealing clearly only want to follow the Constitution when it accords with their view of how our government should work.

The justice department is a good place to start the cleanup. If we truly believe we are a nation of laws then the justice department must be a non-partisan enforcement agency. Remember how the statue of a blindfolded lady justice is holding balanced scales? The justice department has lost its way failing to prosecute obvious violations of the law by powerful connected politicians and in racially charged incidents. In other words, the justice department can no longer balance the scales.

The justice department should be enforcing the fed-

eral laws on immigration. Remember how the Department of Justice sued the state of Arizona when the Arizona Governor tried to enforce immigration laws there? And how has the justice department reacted to the issue of sanctuary cities?

Regardless of whether the justice department believes the immigration laws are out of date, they do not get to choose which laws to enforce. Congress makes the laws and once passed it is up to the justice department to enforce those laws.

When FBI Director Comey said, "Although there is evidence of potential violations of the statutes regarding the handling of classified information, our judgment is that no reasonable prosecutor would bring such a case." He tipped the scales of justice by giving a powerful politician a pass that would not have been accorded other individuals.

Politicians and bureaucrats in Washington work for us - the American people. Their growing sense of special privilege is a growing cancer on our great American experiment.

There are a lot more entrenched bureaucrats slithering through the halls of our nations capital. Many of them need to go. It is not going to be easy to separate the good ones from the bad ones and you can be sure the electronic media will continue to dwell on the drama and not on the facts.

A little housekeeping is what the American people have been demanding. Expect more squealing pigs.

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