

Forest-wide fire restrictions expanded to include recreational shooting; lawful hunting not restricted

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25 Mile Fire 8% contained, 10,518 acres



Photo courtesy Marci Hale

Firefighters along with Vince - (Tom Burnett's son-in-law), fight fire on Sunday, August 15 on the Hale Homestead in the 25 Mile Creek drainage. They lost the Hale Homestead built in 1913 by Titus Hale; a high school project - a barn - built by Roger Hale in the 1930's; a sawmill and all the lumber and logs stored there, and some vehicles.

CHELAN - The Twentyfive Mile Fire was reported Sunday afternoon, August 15 at 3:45 p.m. in the 25 Mile Creek drainage burning in brush and timber and forced Level 3 evacuation notices to residents in that area. Washington State Patrol Chief John Batiste authorized the mobilization of state firefighting resources on August 15, at 9:30 p.m., at the request of Fire Chief Mark Donnell, Chelan Fire & Rescue. On Monday morning, August 16 it was estimated at 4,000 acres. The cause of the fire is under investigation. By Friday, August 20 it had grown to almost 10,000 acres and is threatening 772 homes and one structure has been lost.

As of Monday, August 23 it is

at 10,518 acres.

Here is the most recent update on the fire as of Monday, August 23:

Fire Information Line: 509-761-921

Daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Size: 10,518 acres

Total Personnel: 539

Containment: 8%

Cause: Under investigation Structures Threatened: 772 Structures Lost: 1

Yesterday (August 22) weather conditions allowed for crews to reinforce lines put in place. The heavy winds fanned a small two-acre fire believed to have started from Friday's thunderstorm. Initial attack was able to contain the fire quickly. Heavy equipment and crews

continued to prepare lines to the south near Slide Ridge in anticipation for strategic firing operations when weather and fuel conditions align. Crews again maintained an overnight shift, reinforcing structure protection operations in and around properties and homes.

Today, (August 23) fire behavior is expected to increase as the warmer weather dries fuels back out following the rain. Heavy equipment and crews will construct line south of Junior Point to DP 50. Along the southern and western edges of the fire, crews will continue to prepare for strategic firing operations, specifically looking at ar-

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Photos courtesy Laura Cross

Laura Cross took these two photos on Sunday afternoon, August 15, and that night from their deck, just north of Shady Pass Rd. They decided to ride it out and did not evacuate.

See more photos on pages A4-5 and on our website lakechelanmirror.com



Pulich released from jail, deputies continuing their investigation in the case

Await coroners complete report

CHELAN - The Okanogan County Prosecutors office has declined to prosecute Celine Pulich, 58, at this time and she was released from jail last week. Detectives are continuing to investigate the case and are awaiting the complete report from the Coroner's office on cause and manner of death of her husband, David Pulich, 60.

On Saturday, August 14, at about 1:55 p.m. Okanogan County Sheriff's Office received a report of a Homicide on Antoine Creek Rd., near Chelan. The call was originally routed to the Chelan County Sheriff's Office. Chelan County Sheriff's deputies and detectives were dispatched. The location was later determined to be in Okanogan County.

Okanogan County Sheriff's deputy arrived on scene at about 2:56 p.m. Chelan County Sheriff's deputies were at the location when he arrived. When he arrived Chelan County Sheriff's office had a female detained.

Deputies found David Pulich, 60, deceased inside the residence. His wife, Celine Pulich, 58, was arrested and booked into Okanogan County Jail for Manslaughter in the 1st degree.

The interagency cooperation with Chelan County is extremely appreciated.

Vin du Lac Winery releases new ABODE label to support affordable housing

SUBMITTED BY CHELAN VALLEY HOUSING TRUST

CHELAN - One of the original wineries in Chelan, Vin du Lac has deep roots in the Chelan wine industry. With the launch of their new wine brand "ABODE", owner Larry Lehmbeker shows his commitment extends to the entire Chelan community through the donation of at least 10% of ABODE's sale proceeds to the Chelan Valley Housing Trust to build more affordable homes.

"Affordable housing is a crisis in Lake Chelan," Lehmbeker explains. "Our wine industry has helped make the Chelan Valley more economically viable year-round and a more desirable place to live. But as a result, essential workers in the service, hospitality, health care and education industries can't afford to live here. This problem can only be solved by community members recognizing the problem, taking



Courtesy CVHT

Vin du Lac owner Larry Lehmbeker presents a \$5,000 "down payment" check to the Chelan Valley Housing Trust Board of Directors, staff and volunteers. This check represents donations from the advance sales of 2,500 bottles of ABODE. Pictured left to right are: Elaine Cooper, Charlie Guildner, Maggie Palumbo, Rachael Goldie, Tim Hollingsworth, Sharon Lukas, Larry Lehmbeker (Vin du Lac), Randy Atkins, Nancy Atkins, Mike Cooney, Erica Anaya, Diane Leigh, Arlene Abbott. Not pictured are Clint Campbell, Jolene Baker, Servando Robledo and John Gasper.

responsibility, and contributing to address it."

"It takes a community and a vineyard," says CVHT Executive Director Mike Cooney, acknowledging Vin du Lac's commitment to help the affordable housing crisis. With

a smile he continues, "And a resort, and a golf course, and a restaurant, and a real estate company, and a builder, and a retail store." In a challenge to local leaders Cooney adds, "I invite any business who wants to follow Larry's lead to help

solve this problem to call me at 509-393-9652."

Available in a white and a red blend, ABODE is priced at \$20 a bottle and is available online and at the winery. Lehmbeker

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With the COVID-19 restrictions relaxed, take time to visit our local businesses for Shopping, Dining and Events

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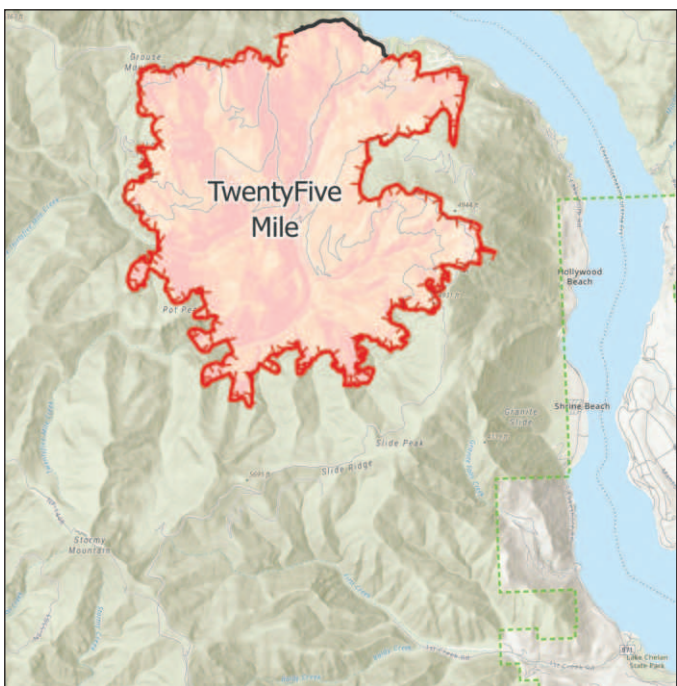
eas to the south of the fire near Slide Ridge and west towards Devils Backbone. Firefighters will continue to improve and secure containment lines in the vicinity of Grouse Mountain. On the northern perimeter of the fire, crews and engines will be patrolling and mopping up and remaining heat in and around the structures as well as along South Lakeshore Road.

Rotor and fixed-wing air resources will continue attack on the fire throughout the day and improved weather conditions make the use of aviation assets more likely today (August 23). Aircraft may use local bodies of water, including Lake Chelan, to fill. Recreational boaters should be aware of aircraft takeoff and landings and keep a safe distance.

The Twentyfive Mile Fire was first reported at 3:45 p.m. on August 15. The fire was initially burning on the south shore of Lake Chelan near Twentyfive Mile Creek and has expanded south and west of the area. The fire is under joint jurisdiction of the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, Washington Department of Natural Resources, Bureau of Land Management and Chelan County Fire District 7.

Weather: There is no anticipated rain in the forecast for the next week. Today (August 23) temperatures are expected to be cooler with South to Northwest/West winds gusting 20-30 mph. The early evening there is potential for cloud cover.

Evacuations: The most up-to-date evacuation information



Graphic courtesy ncwweb.nwcg.gov/ Top of the map is the 25 Mile Creek drainage, and at the lower right, the First Creek Road/Lake Chelan State Park area.

is available through Chelan County Emergency Management at the following links. Current evacuation levels remained in place overnight and will continue throughout the day. The Chelan County Sheriff will update evacuation levels as conditions warrant.

Level 3 (Go Now) evacuations for all properties north of Cove Marina on South Lakeshore Road, the area of Granite Falls Road and First Creek Road west of Lakeshore. Lakeshore Road is closed from Cove Marina north past the Twentyfive Mile drainage.

Level 2 (Get Set) from South from Cove Marina to Morning Sun Drive.

Level 1 (Get Ready) Lakeshore Road south of Granite Falls area.

Closures: A forest area closure has been issued in the Twentyfive Mile Creek area. Maps of the closure area are available here. All roads in the Level 3 area are closed to the general public including Lakeshore Road. Residents are asked to avoid travel on open areas of Lakeshore Road to make way for firefighting personnel and equipment.

Smoke Information: Visit <https://wasmoke.blogspot.com/> for local air quality information.

Fire Restrictions: Campfire restrictions are in effect. Campfires are prohibited throughout the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest, including developed campgrounds and congressionally designated Wilderness.

Firefighters make camp at Chelan Falls Park, closed to public

By Rachel Hansen, Chelan County PUD

CHELAN FALLS – Chelan Falls Park will temporarily close to the public starting today as a Type I incident management team establishes a fire camp associated with the Twenty-five Mile

Fire.

The 33-acre park will house between 250-400 fire personnel for about two weeks, depending on fire conditions. The closure includes the boat launch, swimming area, sports fields and picnic shelters at Chelan Falls Park.

The boat launch at Beebe

Bridge Park, located across the Columbia River from Chelan Falls, will remain open. Chelan PUD offers 14 other parks to explore, including Chelan Falls Powerhouse Park, Chelan Riverwalk Park and Manson Bay Park. For information, visit chelanpud.org/parks.

Gov. Inslee reissues statewide indoor mask mandate for all public spaces

By Mike Steele, Lake Chelan Chamber of Commerce

CHELAN - In a press conference on August 18, Governor Inslee announced that he is reissuing the statewide indoor mask mandate for all public spaces effective Monday, August 23.

The indoor mask mandate applies to all individuals and children over five years of age regardless of vaccination status.

All public spaces across the state, including retail stores, malls, restaurants, grocery stores, and public-facing offices, are affected. The limited

exemptions to this mandate include office spaces not easily accessible to the public where individuals are vaccinated and when working alone indoors or in a vehicle with no public face-to-face interaction. Small, private indoor gatherings where all attendees are vaccinated are also exempt.

Every county in the state currently falls within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) substantial or high transmission. Each of the state's 35 local health officers recently recommended all individuals wear masks indoors.

In addition, the Governor

also announced a vaccination requirement for employees working in K-12, most childcare and early learning, and higher education settings. K-12 educators, school staff, coaches, bus drivers, school volunteers, and others working in school facilities will have until October 18 to be fully vaccinated as a condition of employment. The requirement includes public, private, and charter schools, and comes as schools across the state prepare to return for the 2021-2022 school year amid rapidly increasing case and hospitalization numbers. This does not impact students, regardless of age.

CHELAN COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ROAD WORK

By Jill Fitzsimmons, Chelan County Public Information Officer

Slide Ridge Retrofit: This project is temporarily shut down because of the ongoing

Twenty-five Mile Fire. People who do not live on South Lakeshore Road are asked to avoid the area so emergency responders and equipment can get through. South Lakeshore Road is closed to the public at Slide Ridge. Roads closed due to wildfires are on our website at www.co.chelan.wa.us/public-works/pages/traffic-alerts-and-restrictions.

West Cashmere Bridge Replacement Project: Goodwin Road in Cashmere is open to only local traffic. The contractor will be cleaning up after removing the final concrete portion of the old bridge on the Goodwin Road side of the project. The contractor also is expected to continue working on the Goodwin Road side, building the new road there. Girders are expected to be placed in early September.

As we get closer to that work, more details will be posted to the project's webpage.

Maintenance plans may change with weather conditions or equipment difficulties. Visit the Public Works website, where the weekly road maintenance information is updated as needed.

District 4 (Entiat)
Crews will be brushing and doing shoulder work throughout the Entiat Valley.

District 5 (Chelan)
Crews will be doing a dig-out on Lakeshore Drive in Manson. Plan for one-lane, flagger-controlled traffic in the work zone and a potential detour. Crews also will be replacing tile on sidewalks in the Manson downtown, brushing in the Manson area and ditching in Manson as time allows.



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Steer a steamship, take a virtual flight, crank a turbine at the all-new Discovery Center at Rocky Reach Dam

Reserve your time for a tour on Aug. 28

By Rachel Hansen, Chelan County PUD

WENATCHEE – The wait to see Chelan County PUD’s all-new Discovery Center is nearly over.

Guests who want to be among the first to see the remodeled center on Aug. 28 can email a reservation request to discoverycenter@chelanpud.org.

The Discovery Center is taking all precautions to safely welcome guests during the reopening celebration, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., on Saturday, Aug. 28 in Rocky Reach Park. A reservation is required to tour the Discovery Center that day.

After that, the expanded center will be open 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, year-round. No reservation will be needed.

“We can’t wait to welcome the community back to the Discovery Center and Rocky Reach Park,” said Debbie Gallaher, visitor services manager for Chelan County PUD. “Every inch of the center offers an incredible new way to experience the Columbia River.”

“Our mascot Rocky has been saying it, and I’ll repeat it: ‘It’s going to be epic!’”

The tour reservations during the reopening celebration will be issued with an entrance time for a 90-minute visit to the Discovery Center. With outside displays and more



Courtesy Chelan County PUD
A crew member from Seattle's Pacific Studio tests his skill at piloting a steamship up the Columbia after installing the interactive exhibit.

room inside, there is space for social distancing.

Gallaher said safety plans for the celebration include cleaning throughout the day and hand sanitizing stations. Guests who are not vaccinated are asked to wear masks. She added that some celebration plans may change depending on the public health situation on Aug. 28.

“The safety of our guests, volunteers and staff is paramount,” Gallaher said.

It’s been nearly two years since the community said farewell to the beloved former museum and center at a party attended by 500-plus.

Since then, the work of talented architects, skilled construction crews and inspired exhibit designers has

come together to create a one-of-a-kind learning experience, Gallaher said. There are four floors to explore, offering opportunities to experience something new every time you visit, she said.

“The Columbia River is and always has been a source of power and sustenance for the Wenatchee Valley and beyond,” Gallaher explained. “Chelan County PUD is dedicated to providing our community – and the region – with the benefits of this great river.”

Displays, including new outside exhibits under an extended roof, are organized around themes including the “Living River,” “The People’s Power,” “Hydro Health” and “Fish Tales.” Remodeling has created about a third more display space in the same footprint.

Favorites from the former museum such as the Tule house, wood canoe and steamship wheel are featured in innovative new exhibits.

The second-floor covered deck is one of Construction Manager John Laycock’s favorite spots. “From here you get a unique look down into the fish ladder,” Laycock said. “You can watch the salmon jump as they swim up the ladder.”

Guests also will get a much closer underwater view of fish swimming past the dam through bigger windows in the remodeled fish viewing room. The nearly floor-to-ceiling windows mean even the littlest visitor can look a salmon in the eye.

Mask wearing mandate protest held



Photo courtesy Susie Fox

Approximately 150 people (1/3 being kids and about 15 tourists) joined together on the four corners at the stop light corner in front of Safeway on August 18. They were a part of a state wide protest against the mask wearing mandates. All came to share their desire to make a choice on whether or not to wear a mask. They feel it is an individual’s choice to do what they want with their body as one sign said, “My body, my choice”. Area schools start back to school next week.

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Lake Chelan Valley Events, Things to do, Meetings Outdoor Gallery

Over 40 murals and sculptures
CHELAN - The Lake Chelan Arts Council Outdoor Gallery brochure is available at the Lake Chelan and Manson Chambers of Commerce. Follow the Outdoor Gallery map to discover and enjoy over 40 murals and sculptures located throughout Chelan and Manson. For information about the Arts Council, local art events and artists, with links to local and international art museums and other resources, their website, artinchelan.com, offers local artists and the community an opportunity to “Celebrate Art!”

Chelan Museum: August 25-28, 31, Sept. 1-4

CHELAN - The Lake Chelan Museum is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Face masks will be required for those not fully vaccinated. The museum has been refreshed with paint, new displays and new signage and check out the 12 ft. tall Lake Chelan Historic Legend Map display. A 24” x 36” poster based on the display is available for purchase for \$30. The Epton photo print depicts the lake in a vertical format along with relevant historic entries. Take a peek in the gift store and buy their latest 50th Anniversary History Notes or a Lake Chelan Historic Legend Map.

Manson Farmers Market: August 25, 28

MANSON - The Manson Farmers Market is open on Wednesdays, 8:30-11:30 a.m. in the parking area near Alta Cellars. On Saturdays the market is open 8:30 a.m.-12 noon in the Manson Grange Parking lot. The market will run through Labor Day. For

more information find them on Facebook.

Chelan Evening Farmers Market: August 26

CHELAN - Chelan Thursday Evening Farmers market is open thru Oct. 28, 2-6 p.m. and has expanded into Riverwalk Park. With more than 20 vendors and two food trucks, browse fresh, locally grown produce and a variety of goods from local artisans. Although this is a Farmer-centric market, there is so much more. Enjoy the entertainment, picnic on prepared food or fresh fruit and vegetables. Per Health Department guidelines vendors will be masked and providing hand sanitizer throughout the market, for your safety. The market is located on the corner of S. Emerson Street and Wapato Avenue, near Riverwalk Inn and Riverwalk Park. For info: chelanfarmermarket.org

4th Quarter Road Biking Group: August 27, 30

MANSON/CHELAN - The 4th Quarter Road Biking Group (Formerly named the Seniors’ Road Biking Group)

is inviting road bike and e-bike riders to join their riding group. The bike riders meet at 9 a.m. in Manson or Chelan on Mondays and Fridays. On the first Friday of every month the group meets at Pat & Mike’s store and they ride the South Shore of the lake. The rides are usually 90 -120 minutes in length and average 20-30 miles in distance. The ride routes are pre-planned and include a few or several hill climbs. Most of the rides are designed to minimize highway riding. For more information contact Bob Matson at 509-888-1554 or matsonfamily4@aol.com.

Food Bank food distribution: August 28, 31

Pet food needed

CHELAN - The Lake Chelan Food Bank food giveaway is on Saturday and Tuesday, 9-10 a.m. Distribution is drive-thru. They are located at 417 S. Bradley Street. The Food Bank is getting requests for pet food. Small bags of dog food are best. They can be dropped off at the

Lake Chelan Mirror office, 310 E. Johnson Avenue in the tub outside.

Music In The Park Summer Concert: Sept. 5

CHELAN - The last Music in the Park Concert takes place on Sunday, Sept. 5, 6-8 p.m. at Riverwalk Pavilion on Lake Chelan. For more information, historicchelan.org/events/music-in-the-park/

Lake Chelan Swim: Sept. 11

MANSON - The 10th annual Lake Chelan Swim will be held on Saturday, Sept. 11 at Manson Bay Park. To learn how you can swim, donate or volunteer go to lakechelan-swim.com. The swim raises monies for swim lessons at the park.

Harvest Dinner/Live Auction: Sept. 12

CHELAN - The Historic Downtown Chelan Associations Harvest Dinner and Live Auction will be held on the Old Bridge on Sunday,

Sept. 12, 5-9 p.m. It is capped at 115 guests. In addition to the incredible 5-course meal prepared by Campbell’s Resort Executive Chef; each course will be paired with wines from 13 of our Valley’s exceptional wineries (each

table will be paired with a different winery); this is also an opportunity for the HDCA to raise money to continue supporting our local downtown business community. For ticket information historicchelan.org

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25 Mile Fire



Photos courtesy Brian Patterson

ABOVE AND RIGHT: Brian Patterson took these two photos from the North Shore of Chelan, near Manson of the 25 Mile Fire on Sunday, August 15.

BELOW RIGHT: Heavy smoke in the valley has made for some spectacular sunsets. This photo was taken Tuesday evening, August 17, from Pingrey Park looking uplake.

Fire crews from fire departments around Washington State (Wenatchee, Entiat, Grant County, Walla Walla, Pierce and King County), to name a few, are here to help with the 25 Mile Fire.

THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

When things go wrong

By JOHN KRUSE, THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

It's something I've done a hundred times before. Have the dog jump into the cab of the truck, go find a remote place to camp, and escape into the woods for 24 hours. With bad news raining down about Afghanistan, coronavirus restrictions returning and more I told my family I was getting away. When asked where, I said I would be staying at a remote U.S. Forest Service campground or trailhead along on near Lake Wenatchee.

Finding an uncrowded place to camp was challenging and much to my surprise, despite campfire bans, a number of campers (especially in Lake Wenatchee State Park) had campfires burning merrily away in fire pits. Eventually I found the quiet place to camp I was looking for, a dispersed camping site near the Chiwaukum Creek trailhead. There was only one camper in the area, some 200 yards away. With no cell service I was assured of a quiet evening without any phone calls or the distraction of the internet.

Things went well at first. My springer spaniel, Georgia and I enjoyed a nice walk at dusk and then I quietly played music from the stereo in my truck while I enjoyed the emerging stars and the sway of the pine trees in the slight breeze around me.

Then I got a low battery warning in my truck. This seemed strange, I hadn't had troubles with the battery before and was surprised just the stereo playing for an hour would cause this. Then I remembered it had been a very, very long time since I had changed out that car battery. My efforts to start the engine were in vain and I was well and truly stuck. Being late, I got my jumper cables out, opened the hood of the truck, and resolved to contact the unknown camper early in the morning in hopes of getting a jumpstart.

With Georgia and I sleeping under the canopy covering the pick-up truck bed, I clipped a leash onto her so she could take care of business one more time before we called it a night. I had only walked a few steps down the dirt road with her while gazing up in the stars when she suddenly bolted on the leash. I have no idea whether she scented or saw a deer or other animal but I was completely unprepared for her lunging the way she did and I fell both awkwardly and hard onto the road.

As soon as I hit the ground, I felt a very sharp pain around



Courtesy John Kruse

ABOVE: The aftermath of my latest overnight camping trip. **BELOW:** Emergency battery charger. Bill Forhan/NCW Media



my left ankle. I got to my feet and knew the situation was not good. I suspected at the very least a sprained ankle and possibly torn ligaments. I did manage to get Georgia and I into the back of the truck and slept fitfully until daylight. With no cell reception and no way to walk far for help, my options seemed limited to this.

The pre-sunrise, 200-yard walk to the other camper's site as a painful, shuffling affair. I knocked on the back of the truck canopy, having no idea what reception I would get. A young woman opened the canopy and I told her I had injured my ankle, had a dead car battery, and needed a jump. She said she needed to get dressed and pack up her site but promised to meet me back at my truck.

The walk back to my truck was equally painful but when I arrived the young woman, who said her name was Rod, was there to meet me. It took a few minutes but we were able to jumpstart my truck battery. We struck up a conversation during this time and I found out that not only was she a seasonal backcountry ranger for the U.S. Forest Service, but that I had met her on a hike up the Icicle Creek Trail a year earlier. The Forest Service did a good job hiring Rod, she was definitely a life saver for me!

Back on the road I checked in at home with my family and off-loaded Georgia before heading to the walk-in clinic. There I found I hadn't sprained my ankle but instead had broken my leg, my fibula to be exact, just above my ankle. Now I have a cast on my foot and a likely operation to look forward to repair the damage.

As for Georgia, the photo taken while I'm writing this article says it all. She is looking, and acting, very guilty. She doesn't need to worry though, all is forgiven, though she will be missing her daily walks with her dad for a while.

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Editor's Comment:

I'm sorry to hear about your unexpected injury and hope your back to full health soon. I can't resist the opportunity to make a shameless plug here though. When your off for some personal quiet time and off the grid as they say. The attached photo could be a life saver. My son gave me this a few years back. It's a jump kit in a box! Just charge it up at home and when your battery fails you hook it up and it will instantly jump your car battery. It fits in a glove box!



RuthEdna Keys/LCM photos



Forest-wide fire restrictions expanded to include recreational shooting; lawful hunting not restricted

SUBMITTED BY USFS

WENATCHEE - Due to prolonged, extreme fire conditions the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest is expanding current fire restrictions to include recreational shooting effective immediately on Friday, August 20.

The expanded fire restrictions prohibit discharging a firearm on all lands, roads and trails within the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. The restrictions do

not apply to individuals with a valid hunting license who are engaged in legal pursuit of game.

"The forest is currently managing multiple fires, as are many of our partners, and we have seen firsthand how quickly they are spreading this year when certain conditions are present," said Forest Supervisor Kristin Bail. "The current conditions and fire activity compel us to take additional measures to reduce the risk of new fires

that increase risks to public and firefighter safety, communities, and resources. We appreciate your cooperation to prevent human caused fires."

All previous Stage 2 fire restrictions remain in place. Campfires of any type are prohibited forest-wide, even in developed campgrounds. Additional information on current fire restrictions is available at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/fire-restrictions>.

25 Mile Fire



Fire torches a tree on the Hale Homestead on Sunday, August 15.

Photo courtesy Marci Hale



Looking uplake from Manson at the 25 Mile Fire on Sunday, August 15.

Photo courtesy Brian Patterson



ABOVE: A CL-415EAF Super Scooper dumps water on the 25 Mile Fire. They can hold up to 1,621 gallons of water. BELOW: A T-137 dumps retardant on the fire.

Photos courtesy Brian Patterson



A Fire Boss Air Tanker heads for the airport after a day of dumping water on the 25 Mile Fire.

Walter Conley

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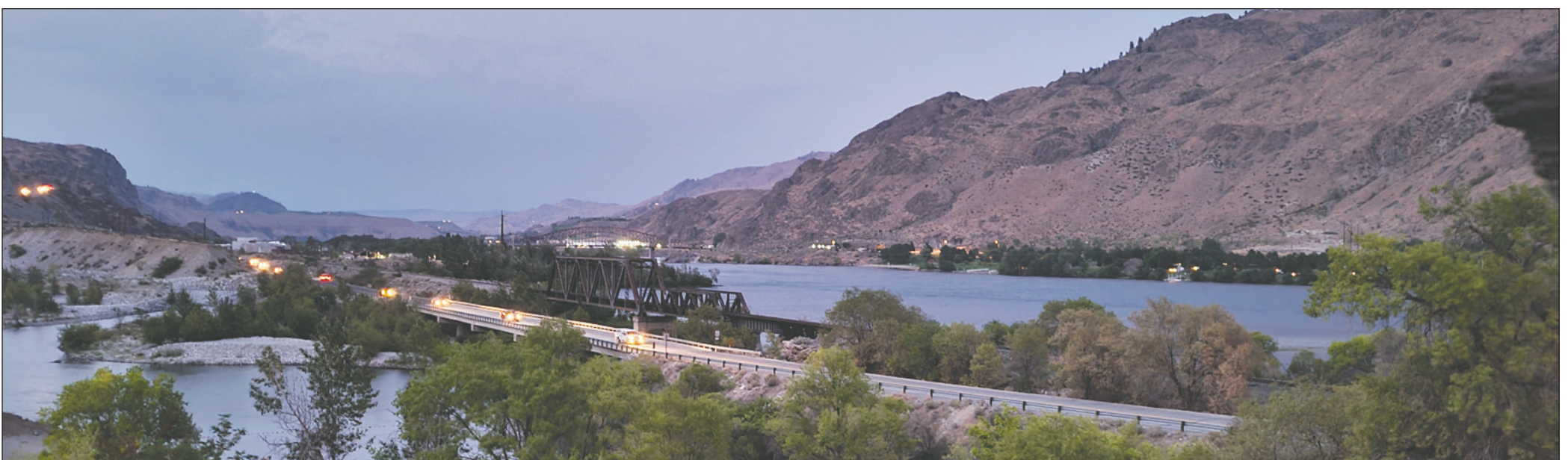
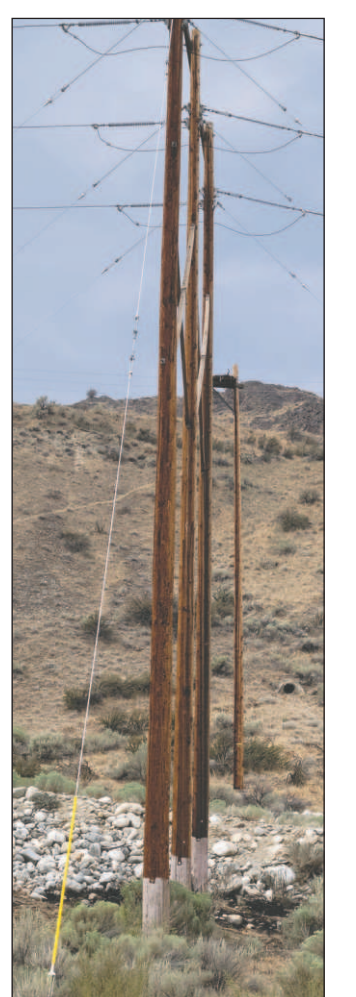
The sun sets over the 25 Mile Fire Camp located at the Chelan Saddle Club grounds in Union Valley. Firefighters are also staying at MOE school, and at Chelan Falls Park.

Photo courtesy April Leaf



CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: Among those fighting the fire are the Remond Hotshot crew; fighters arrive at the Chelan Falls Park fire camp on August 19; crews from Chelan Fire & Rescue and the USFS responded to a small brush fire near the Chelan Falls Powerhouse Park on Thursday, August 19; headlights of many trucks coming down Highway 150 to the fire camp in Chelan Falls; and Stewart's Firefighter Catering from Redmond, Oregon prepares to feed the firefighters.

Trinada Caro/LCM



OBITUARIES

Eunice Marie Lewis

11-28-1926 - 8-15-2021
Eunice Marie Lewis, 94, passed away peacefully Sunday, August 15, 2021 at Regency Harmony House in Brewster.



Les passed away, thus leaving her to raise five children on her own. She moved back to Manson and married her high school sweetheart, Harvey Lewis, and worked at Kelly's Ace Hardware with Wayne, Gene, and Pat Kelly.

her parents Roma and Ruth (Card) Spray, brothers Ron Spray and Wayne (Glenna) Spray, sister Genny (Larry) Knorr, niece Leih Knorr, stepson Mike Lewis, and her aunt Verona Franklin.

SERVICES & DEATH NOTICES

Anna Domanska

A Celebration of Life for Anna Domanska, who passed away on July 16, 2020, will be held on August 29, 2021, at noon, at Riverwalk Pavilion in Chelan.

Joy Pitts

Joy Pitts, 84, of Manson, Washington, passed away on August 19, 2021. Please leave any thoughts and memories for the family at www.prechtrose.com.

Obituaries & Death Notices also appear online lakechelanmirror.com

CHELAN COUNTY SHERIFF/FIRE/EMS

SHERIFF

August 13

Vehicle Theft at the 2300 block of Manson Blvd., Manson. Theft at Mill Bay Casino, Manson. Hazard at SR 971 MP 4, Chelan.

August 14

Suspicious Activity at the 100 block of E. Woodin Ave., Chelan. Property at the 2000 block of W. Woodin Ave., Chelan. Marine at the 2200 block of W. Terrace Ave., Chelan.

Waterslide Dr., Chelan. Civil at the 300 block of S. Sanders St., Chelan. Marine at the Monument, Chelan. Marine at the 16400 block of S. Lakeshore Rd., Chelan.

August 15

Weapons Violation at the 15000 block of S. Lakeshore Rd., Chelan. Suspicious Activity N. Markeson St. & E. Highland, Chelan.

Suspicious Activity at the 100 block of E. Wapato Ave., Chelan. 911 at Wapato Point Parkway. Harassment/Threat at E. Trow Ave. & S. Emerson St., Chelan.

Trespassing at Awesome Ln., Chelan. Marine at the 400 block of W. Manson Rd., Manson.

August 16

Warrant at Shady Pass Camp-ground. Civil at the 200 block of Turk Rd, Manson. Fraud/Forgery at the 700 block of 4th St., Chelan Falls.

911 at the 200 E. Wapato Ave., Chelan. Domestic Disturbance at the 800 block of E. Chelan Ave.

Alarm at the 1000 block of Columbia Pt., Entiat. Hazard at the Monument. Court Order Violation at the 900 block of Washington St., Manson.

August 17

Property at the 200 block of N. Emerson St., Chelan. Property at the 300 block of Fields Point Rd., Chelan. Suspicious Activity at the 7000 S. Lakeshore Rd., Chelan.

Manson Rd., Chelan. Weapons Violation at the 9100 block of Entiat River Rd., Entiat.

Trespassing at the 2300 block of W. Woodin Ave., Chelan. August 18

Marine at the 12300 block of S. Lakeshore Rd., Chelan. Malicious Mischief at the 2900 block of S. Lakeshore Rd., Chelan.

August 19

Alarm at the 200 block of W. Manson Rd., Chelan. Disturbance at the 100 block of W. Woodin Ave., Chelan. Alarm at the 300 block of E. Woodin Ave., Chelan.

Possible Brush Fire at Antoine Creek Rd. MP 3, Chelan. Traumatic Injury, Senior Frogs, Chelan.

Unconscious at the 400 block of Boyd Loop Rd., Chelan. Entiat Fire District

Brush Fire at Shady Pass Camp-ground, Entiat. Chelan EMS

Traumatic Injury, Senior Frogs, Chelan. Unconscious at Road C N.W. & McNeil Canyon Rd., Chelan. August 16

Chelan Fire District #7

Traumatic Injury at the 200 block of E. Woodin. Smoke Investigation at the Swanson Gulch Rd. & Taylor, Manson. Fire Pole at the 2400 block of Union Valley Rd.

Entiat Fire District

Commercial Alarm at the 2000 block of Entiat Way, Entiat. August 17

Chelan County Fire District #7

Traumatic Injury at Howard Flats Rd. N.E., Chelan. Traumatic Injury at the 300 block of W. Woodin Ave., Chelan.

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Church Guide: CHURCH GUIDE New to the area? On Vacation? These churches welcome you! Lists churches in Chelan, Entiat, Manson, and Brewster with their addresses and worship times.

Red Cross Pamphlet Facilitates Illegal Immigration, Says Expert

CHARLOTTE CUTHBERTSON/THE EPOCH TIMES

A Spanish-language flyer by the Red Cross provides detailed routes to the US southern border, shelter locations, and instructions on how to jump off a moving train safely

CHARLOTTE CUTHBERTSON

UVALDE, Texas—Rancher John Sewell recently picked up a pamphlet that had fallen from the backpack of an illegal immigrant who was trespassing on his property near Uvalde, Texas—about 50 miles from the U.S.–Mexico border.

On one side is a map that details transport routes from Panama to the United States. It pinpoints in great detail where migrants can find shelter or get medical help along the way. The other side is full of useful information, in Spanish, including how to more safely travel through forests and jungles, find shelter, get medical help, and deal with immigration authorities.

It was published by the Red Cross and is titled “Messages of Self-Help for Migrants.”

The pamphlet crosses a line beyond providing life-saving information to facilitating illegal immigration, according to Jessica Vaughan, director of policy studies at the Washington-based Center for Immigration Studies.

“It’s practically a road map or a TripTech for an illegal migrant,” she told The Epoch Times. “It’s one thing to give out water to migrants. It’s quite another thing to help them migrate illegally—and breach the sovereignty of a border.”

The pamphlet includes advice such as that “it’s always safer to travel in a group, especially for women,” and to stay in contact with relatives and friends, “especially before crossing the border.”

It warns against getting on or off a train when it’s moving or wet, but then advises: “If you do get off a train when it’s moving, keep running so that others don’t fall on top of you,” and “Try not to get on a train if you haven’t eaten or rested. You may fall off if you are sleepy.”

It goes on to say: “Don’t hide in vehicles or in small places where you might suffocate, drown, or get sick. Be sure you have enough space to breathe.”

In Uvalde, where Sewell obtained the pamphlet, Border Patrol has seen a 911 percent increase this year in stowaway illegal aliens on freight trains traveling from the border to San Antonio.

On Aug. 13, on one train inspected by Border Patrol, agents found 20 illegal aliens hiding in the beds of new pickup trucks being hauled in two different train cars. Several of the aliens had been apprehended the previous day by the same agent at the same location. All were single males from Mexico and Honduras.

The map also highlights Red Cross shelters in Mexico and other places that are run by religious organizations, such as the Good Samaritan House in Oaxaca, Mexico, and Catholic Charities in Tucson, Arizona.

Vaughan said that, rather than being a “benign underground railroad-type of exercise,” the pamphlet is “enticing criminal behavior that is also very, very dangerous and illegal.”

She said the Red Cross and other humanitarian organizations should be telling migrants not to come. She said most illegal immigrants entering the United States don’t meet the cri-



Border Patrol agents apprehend 21 illegal aliens from Mexico who had hidden in a grain hopper on a freight train heading to San Antonio on June 21, 2021.

teria for asylum and won’t be granted asylum status by an immigration judge. Many Central Americans, the largest population of illegal immigrants, don’t end up claiming asylum once they’re in the United States, and of those who do, less than 15 percent are granted relief.

A spokesperson for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said the organization doesn’t prevent or encourage migration.

“As an impartial, neutral and independent organization, our actions are focused on addressing the humanitarian needs of migrants to ensure they are treated with dignity, both in their countries of origin, transit and destination, and regardless of their immigration status,” the spokesperson told The Epoch Times via email.

The ICRC didn’t respond to a question asking where it makes the pamphlets available, but the Red Cross logos from seven countries are printed on the flyer, including the United States, Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Costa Rica, and Panama.

The spokesperson said the organization provides humanitarian assistance at key points along the route.

“We also inform them of risks they’re undertaking while using the migration route,” the spokesperson said.

“It is essential to prevent the loss of lives and to promote a humanitarian approach. Addressing the needs of this vulnerable population is a shared responsibility, of the authorities in the countries of origin,

transit and destination, and of the international community.”

The Geneva-based ICRC operated in 100 countries in 2019 and spent more than \$2 billion, according to its latest annual report. It is funded mainly by voluntary donations from governments, and national Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, according to its website.

Vaughan said the United States should investigate how the flyer came to be published and with whose funding.

“They should be helping people in the countries where the migrants live, not aid and abet this illegal migration that is so dangerous and has created so many problems for all of the countries where it occurs,” she said.

Judge Blocks Biden Administration From Limiting Arrests of Illegal Immigrants

ZACHARY STIEBER

President Joe Biden’s administration cannot, for now, curtail arrests of illegal immigrants, a federal judge ruled on Aug. 19, delivering another setback to the White House’s immigration agenda.

U.S. District Judge Drew Tipton, a Trump nominee, granted a preliminary injunction sought by the states of Texas and Louisiana against two memorandums issued by Biden administration officials earlier this year that sought to “prioritize” certain categories of illegal immigrants.

The case involves an immigration law provision that stipulates that illegal immigrants who had committed crimes shall be taken into federal custody after they’re released, but the Biden administration’s memos attempted to direct Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s (ICE) resources to detain illegal aliens based on the nature of the crime. Texas and Louisiana argued that Biden’s memo would prevent ICE agents from arresting and deporting other illegal aliens who had criminal histories.

Not included in the two memos were categories for illegal aliens convicted of serious drug offenses or crimes of moral turpitude.

The two states have seen rising costs related to detention facilities and an increase in crimes traceable to the memos, Tipton wrote in the 160-page order.

“The Court concludes the potential harms to the States arising out of the Memoranda outweigh any potential harms to the Government. The Court also concludes the public interest is served, rather than undermined, by an injunction,” he wrote.

U.S. lawyers argued that the memos did prioritize certain categories of illegal immigrants but didn’t preclude

action against ones that fell outside those categories.

They also asserted that the Department of Homeland Security has “longstanding discretion over the enforcement of immigration laws” and the agency’s efforts shouldn’t be interfered with.

But Tipton concluded that the government appeared to have failed to consider some of the effects of the new guidelines, including whether they would drive up crimes since some criminal illegal aliens were excluded from the priorities outlined in the memos.

“In sum, the Government’s failure to rationally explain and connect the basis for the new guidance, along with the Government’s failure to consider certain relevant factors and alternative policies, establish that there is a substantial likelihood that the re-prioritization is an arbitrary and capricious policy,” he wrote.

Additionally, the judge said the agency appeared to be neglecting federal law that outlines immigration enforcement.

The preliminary injunction is in effect pending a final resolution of the case or until a further order from the court or an appeals court.

With Tipton’s order, ICE officers now have broader powers and can go after a broader range of illegal immigrants. His ruling also requires the federal government to report back by Sept. 3 on changes to enforcing immigration law.

After the White House-directed memos were issued, ICE arrested far fewer illegal immigrants each month than during the same months in 2020.

Harris County, Texas, Sheriff Ed Gonzalez, the president’s nominee to lead ICE, told senators last month during a nominating hearing that he viewed the drop in arrests as “con-

cerning.”

“In my experience I would like to see more data to see what other factors may have played into that to better understand the numbers,” he said. “It is concerning, so I would make sure, again, that we’re being strategic and we’re prioritizing properly that we could go after those individuals that pose the greatest threat to our communities.”

Gonzalez said he believed illegal immigrants ordered removed from the United States should be deported.

Sen. Josh Hawley (R-Mo.) said he was “heartened” by the responses. “I think they do put you in significant tension with this administration’s policies—I’m personally fine with that, I hope you go and enforce the law vigorously, I don’t know what the White House will think of your answers but I’m heartened by what I’ve heard so far.”

Tipton’s ruling is the latest blow to the White House’s immigration agenda amid dozens of executive orders issued by Biden during his nascent presidency—many of which rescinded Trump-era policies including “Remain in Mexico” and construction of the border wall along the U.S.–Mexico border.

Earlier in the year, the judge blocked Biden’s proposed 100-day moratorium on most ICE deportations, saying the directive violated immigration law. Another federal judge last week ordered the Biden administration to reinstate President Donald Trump’s “Remain in Mexico” policy that requires asylum-seekers to stay in Mexico for the remainder of their immigration court proceedings.

The Department of Homeland Security didn’t immediately respond to a request for comment.

Jack Phillips contributed to this report.

Weekly Jobless Claims Fall to Pandemic-Era Low

TOM OZIMEK

The number of U.S. workers filing for unemployment fell to a pandemic-era low last week, adding to evidence of continued labor market recovery.

First-time filings for unemployment insurance, a proxy for layoffs, came in at 348,000 for the week ending Aug. 14, a drop of 29,000 from the previous week’s revised level of 377,000, the Labor Department said in a statement.

After surging to a series high of 6.2 million weekly claims in April 2020, initial filings have fallen steadily, aside from several minor upticks, though they remain well above the pre-pandemic weekly average of around 220,000.

“Some much needed good news is found in jobless claims with fresh pandemic lows notched both for new and continuing claims,” Bankrate senior economic analyst Mark Hamrick told The Epoch Times in an emailed statement.

Continuing claims, which represent the number of people collecting unemployment benefits after earlier making an initial filing, fell by 79,000 last week to 2.8 million. That’s the lowest level since March 14, 2020, when it stood at 1.77 million.

While the unemployment numbers are encouraging, they indicate that the labor market has further to go before making a full recovery to pre-pandemic levels.

“Pointing to continuing challenges, some 11.7 million Americans were receiving some form of unemployment assistance as of the latest snapshot,” Hamrick said. “This is a reminder of further healing that’s still needed.”

Another encouraging sign for

the jobs market was the Labor Department’s Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS), released on Aug. 9, which shows that job openings in the United States surged to a record high of 10.1 million in June. However, hiring lagged behind that figure by more than 3 million, painting a picture of an economic recovery being held back by hiring difficulties, especially among small businesses.

The National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB) July jobs report found that 49 percent of small business owners reported job openings that couldn’t be filled—a 48-year record high.

“Small business owners struggled to find qualified workers for their open positions, which has impaired business activity in the busy summer months,” NFIB chief economist Bill Dunkelberg said in a statement. “Owners are raising compensation to the highest levels in 48 years to attract needed employees.”

Hiring difficulties have hit smaller business bottom lines especially hard. While large corporations such as Target have recently posted forecast-beating earnings and reported little difficulty attracting talent, a recent survey by Salesforce shows that 53.3 percent of small and medium-sized businesses said staffing issues have been a drag on revenues. For those businesses that said hiring woes were pressuring profits, 56.6 percent reported a hit to revenues of at least 11 percent.

While economic output has fully bounced back to its pre-pandemic levels, the employment recovery is trailing. After shedding 22.4 million jobs in the first two months of the pandemic, the U.S. economy has recovered about 15.6 million jobs since May 2020.

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Privacy Group Challenges USPS Surveillance Operation

A U.S. Postal Service mail delivery truck in Washington on Aug. 13, 2021.

ANDREW CABALLERO-REYNOLDS/AFP VIA GETTY IMAGES

KEN SILVA

A prominent internet privacy group is suing the U.S. Postal Service (USPS), alleging that its social media surveillance program violates federal law.

According to a lawsuit filed last week in Washington by the Electronic Privacy Information Center (EPIC), the USPS has been operating its Internet Covert Operations Program (iCOP) without conducting a privacy impact assessment—a review of what information is collected, why it's being collected, how the information is used, and how the data is stored.

EPIC seeks to have a federal judge suspend iCOP until the USPS at least conducts and publishes such a review, as required by the E-Government Act.

[Barksdale] denied iCOP was a program, but said it had an 'executive' overseeing it.

Rep. Nancy Mace

The existence of iCOP was first reported in April by Yahoo News, which had obtained an internal USPS memo about monitoring right-wing anti-lockdown protestors.

"Parlor users have commented about their intent to use the rallies to engage in violence. Image 3 on the right is a screenshot from Parlor indicating two users discussing the event as an opportunity to engage in a 'fight' and to 'do serious damage,'" the March 16 USPS memo reads, circulated ahead of the "World Wide Rally—For Freedom, Peace, & Human Rights" event scheduled for March 20.

"No intelligence is available to suggest the legitimacy of these threats."

The Yahoo News report prompted questions from some lawmakers about why the postal service is conducting intelligence operations. A group of 32 Republican lawmakers wrote Postmaster General Louis DeJoy on April 22, seeking a briefing on iCOP.

"It is unclear why the USPS, of all government agencies and the only one devoted to the delivery of Americans' mail, is taking on the role of



intelligence collection," the letter reads. "The type of general review of social media alleged in the reporting does not indicate that the posts reviewed by iCOP are related to the protection and security of USPS, its postal routes, its employees, or the mail generally."

Chief Postal Inspector Gary Barksdale reportedly briefed lawmakers later in a closed-door session in April, following which Rep. Nancy Mace (R-S.C.) published an op-ed denouncing the surveillance operations. Mace said Barksdale was "unprepared to answer our questions to the point of incompetence."

"Barksdale couldn't tell us when the program started, how much taxpayers were paying to run it, or even what legal authority the post office had to spy on the public's social media activities," Mace said. "He denied iCOP was a program, but said it had an 'executive' overseeing it. He said the post office coordinated with other agencies, but couldn't list a single one."

"What's worse, he denied iCOP was used to monitor social media activities, but in the very same breath, said his analysts use iCOP to do exactly this."

Following its initial April report, Yahoo News revealed more details about iCOP in May. According to Yahoo, the USPS also used internet surveillance tools to monitor social media to track potential violence at protests following the death of George Floyd.

"After the Jan. 6 riot at the Capitol by Trump supporters, the analysts turned their attention to right-wing accounts," Yahoo News reported in May.

Around that time, EPIC also filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request in May, seeking records about iCOP, including its privacy impact assessment.

In EPIC's lawsuit, the group said that the postal service "failed to locate" its privacy impact assessment in response to the FOIA request—suggesting that one doesn't exist.

"Defendants have unlawfully initiated [iCOP] ... and used facial recognition and social media monitoring tools to initiate or significantly modify collections of personal information under the iCOP without first conducting and publishing the full and complete Privacy Impact Assessment(s) required by ... the E-Government Act," EPIC stated in its Aug. 12 filing.

In a separate statement about the lawsuit, EPIC expressed skepticism at the notion that the USPS should be conducting broad intelligence operations such as iCOP.

"The iCOP's surveillance of protests and tracking of 'inflammatory' content goes far beyond the program's mandate to investigate fraud and other crimes perpetuated through the mail or USPS's website," EPIC said in the statement.

Representatives for the USPS didn't respond to a request for comment by press time. The postal service has previously defended iCOP as a legal open-source intelligence

operation designed to protect its employees.

"This review of publicly available open-source information, including news reports and social media, is one piece of a comprehensive security and threat analysis, and the information obtained is the same information anyone can access as a private citizen," a U.S. Postal Inspection Service spokesperson told Yahoo News in May.

"News report and social media listening activity helps protect the 644,000 men and women who work for the postal service by ensuring they are able to avoid potentially volatile situations while working to process and deliver the nation's mail every day."

The nonprofit Judicial Watch is pursuing similar litigation against the USPS for not responding to the group's FOIA request about iCOP. In that case, the USPS has until Sept. 1 to respond to the group's lawsuit. No dates have been scheduled in the EPIC case.

US Black Hawk Helicopters Captured by Taliban as 'Horrified' Senators Demand DOD Audit

JACK PHILLIPS

Likely billions of dollars of American weapons and vehicles are now in the hands of the Taliban extremist group after the collapse of the Afghan government and army, with numerous videos and photos surfacing online showing Taliban members seizing the equipment.

Photos have circulated of Taliban members holding American M-4 carbines and M-16 rifles rather than AK-47s or AKMs. Other images and videos showed the Taliban surrounding U.S. Black Hawk helicopters and A-29 Super Tucano attack aircraft.

On Aug. 18, several Republican senators demanded the Department of Defense (DOD) provide full accounting over the weapons and equipment that were captured by the Taliban, considered by several agencies as a terrorist organization.

"As we watched the images coming out of Afghanistan as the Taliban retook the country, we were horrified to see U.S. equipment—including UH-60 Black Hawks—in the hands of the Taliban," Sens. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.), Bill Cassidy (R-La.) and two dozen

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Two dozen Republican senators

other senators wrote to Pentagon chief Lloyd Austin this week.

"It is unconscionable that high-tech military equipment paid for by U.S. taxpayers has fallen into the hands of the Taliban and their terrorist allies," the Republicans added. "Securing U.S. assets should have been among the top priorities for the U.S. Department of Defense prior to announcing the withdrawal from Afghanistan."

Some experts said that the Taliban capture of U.S. hardware has more of a psychological impact, rather than a practical impact.

"When an armed group gets their hands on American-made weapon-

ry, it's sort of a status symbol. It's a psychological win," said Elias Yousif, deputy director of the Center for International Policy's Security Assistance Monitor, according to The Hill.

Yousif said the development is problematic for a number of reasons.

"Clearly, this is an indictment of the U.S. security cooperation enterprise broadly," he added. "It really should raise a lot of concerns about what is the wider enterprise that is going on every single day, whether that's in the Middle East, Sub-Saharan Africa, East Asia."

The Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, established by Congress in 2008, has said that about \$83 billion was spent on developing and sustaining the Afghan police and army over two decades. Between 2003 and 2016, the United States transferred nearly 600,000 weapons, 76,000 vehicles, 163,000 communication devices, 208 aircraft, and surveillance and reconnaissance equipment to the Afghan forces, according to a 2017 Government Accountability Office report.

Between 2017 and 2019, the United States provided Afghan army

forces with 4,702 Humvees, 2,520 bombs, 1,394 grenade launchers, 20,040 hand grenades, and 7,035 machine guns, stated the Office of the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction.

Yousif told The Hill that it's likely the Taliban would be able to use advanced aircraft or weaponry but stressed they won't be able to keep the aircraft in the air for long.

"They may be able to manage a flight or two or to operate them in some really limited capacity in the short term, but without long-term sustainment, maintenance, servicing, that sort of thing, it wouldn't turn into a robust or useful military capability," he said. "It took the Afghans and the United States a long time to develop an indigenous air capability, and even then, they were reliant on the United States to keep those planes in the sky."

Small arms such as M-16s, he said, are of more concern.

"They are easy to maintain, easy to learn how to use, easy to transport," Yousif told the outlet. "The concern for all small arms is that they are durable goods and they can be trans-

ferred, sold. We've seen this before where a conflict ends and the arms that stay there make their way to all parts of the world."

When pressed for comment, White House officials said it isn't clear how many weapons or vehicles were seized.

"We don't have a complete picture, obviously, of where every article of defense materials has gone, but certainly a fair amount of it has fallen into the hands of the Taliban," White House national security adviser Jake Sullivan told reporters on Aug. 17. "And obviously, we don't have a sense that they are going to readily hand it over to us at the airport."

And Sullivan made reference to the Black Hawk helicopters that were taken, blaming the Afghan army for not defending themselves.

"Those Black Hawks were not given to the Taliban," he said. "They were given to the Afghan National Security Forces to be able to defend themselves at the specific request of [Afghan] President [Ashraf] Ghani, who came to the Oval Office and asked for additional air capability, among other things."

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Administrative

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Announcements

Lost & Found

LOST & FOUND ITEMS can be placed in our Local Newspapers and Online for ONE week for FREE. Limit 30 words
Leavenworth/Cashmere 509-548-5286 or email classifieds@leavenworthecho.com or Lake Chelan Mirror 509-682-2213 or Quad City Herald 509-689-2507 or email mirrorads@lakechelanmirror.com
Deadline Noon on Friday for the next weeks paper



Looking for a home for your Furry friend?
Try the pet section on NCWMarket.com

Happy Ads

Do you have a **SPECIAL EVENT COMING UP? HAPPY BIRTHDAY CONGRATULATIONS! WILL YOU MARRY ME? HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Add unlimited text and pictures, video for your online ad at www.NCWMarket.com

Print ads are limited to 30 words, over 30 words, or extra enhancements like bold words or border will be a minimal extra charge.

Ads will be placed in the following Wednesday edition of the papers. It is easy just

Register and pay on our secure site 24/7 Or call 509-682-2213 to place ad or have questions.

The Lake Chelan or Quad City Herald or email mirrorads@lakechelanmirror.com For **The Leavenworth Echo or Cashmere Valley Record** Call 509-548-5286 or email classifieds@leavenworthecho.com

General Interest

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Employment

Help Wanted

Jewels Hair & Nails is looking a cosmetologist or barber to lease a station. \$350/ month. Please call Julie at 509-679-4764.



Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant Full-time

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

Help Wanted

Help Wanted:
Landscaping and general maintenance, etc. Bridgeport. 602-625-5376



OR Manager Full-Time

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

PATEROS SCHOOL DISTRICT * MIGRANT RECORDS CLERK/ PARA

* PART-TIME REG ED PARA

* RESOURCE ROOM PARA

Para's needed for the start of school. Position descriptions available online. Starting wage \$15.71 hour with medical and retirement benefits. All applications processed through FAST TRACK: www.pateros.org>Our District>Employment. Contact employment@pateros.org or the district office at 509-923-2751 x4 for more information. First review of applications is 8/31/21. Positions open until filled. EOE



RADIOLOGY/ CT TECH Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Rad/ CT Tech to produce CT scans and assist the Radiologist with interventional procedures that require CT guidance and to provide the best diagnostic images possible for the providers. Registered by the ARRT and Certified WA State. Graduation from an AMA - approved school of Radiologic Technology. Minimum of one year CT experience. (Technical staff can be crossed trained). Current BLS certification. Prefer ARRT certification in CT. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

www.lakechelanmirror.com

Help Wanted

Help Wanted:
Housekeeper. Flexible hours. Live in quarters available. Bridgeport. 602-625-5376

Full and Part-time Housekeeper, Bedmaker and Laundry Worker

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

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Deadline is Friday by Noon for the following Wednesday issues of all newspapers



Director of Quality Full-time

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

Help Wanted



Informatics RN Full-time

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



LAB TECHNICIAN/ TECHNOLOGIST Full-time

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

Full and Part-Time Breakfast Staff

The Enzian Inn is searching for energetic service-oriented individuals to join our breakfast team. Position provides opportunities to learn and perform a variety of duties. Prepare, present and serve the daily breakfast buffet. Full and part-time positions requiring some weekends. Health Insurance available for full time employees. Apply in person. 590 Hwy 2, Leavenworth.

Help Wanted



Douglas County PUD has an opening for: **Journey Electrician, Wells Dam** Closes: 8/30/2021 5 p.m. Details at www.douglaspudd.org



Med/ Surg RN Full-time/ Nights

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Med/ Surg RN to perform general nursing duties in an acute care setting with adequate supervision. Current WA State RN license and must have current BLS/ CPR & obtain ACLS certification within one year. Rotating days and includes some weekends. Sign-on bonus: \$5,000. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE



ER NURSE Full-time/ Nights

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



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Help Wanted
THREE RIVERS HOSPITAL
Revenue Cycle Director Full-time
Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Revenue Cycle Director to manage our revenue cycle team...

Help Wanted
Bus Driver/ Operator - Full-time
Organization: Okanogan County Transit Authority (TranGO)
TranGO is looking for two (2) full-time transit drivers (36 - 40 hours per week); one (1) position based in Okanogan and one (1) based in Twisp.

Garage & Yard Sale
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Vehicles
Campers, Trailers & RVs
Leavenworth: 1996 Ford Motorhome RV cutaway E350, 7.5 LV8 (460ci) VIN(G), Good condition, Mechanic labor just done local certified. \$7000. Call 509-548-7220.

Public Notices
Superior Court of Washington, County of Chelan
In re: Petitioner Rose Linstedt and Respondent Nikolas Linstedt - No. 21-3-00214-04
Summons Served by Publication (SMPB)
To: Nikolas Linstedt, I have started a court case by filing a petition. The name of the Petition is: Divorce.

Public Notices
IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH
In the Matter of the Estate of ROMAN DOLOZYCKI, Deceased
CAUSE NO. 21-4-01327-31 NOTICE TO CREDITORS (RCW 11.40.020)
The person named below has been appointed Personal Representative of this estate.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST Full-time
Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a full-time Occupational Therapist. This position practices in the hospital and/or clinic setting for inpatient and/or outpatient care.

For Sale
Antiques & Collectibles
Get cold hard CASH for your Antiques and Collectibles by placing them in our classifieds.
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Real Estate
Acreage
One of a kind Blewett Pass, 2.5 acres, 500' m/l creek front with well. 15 minutes from Leavenworth \$299,000. Email: dutchpeddler@outlook.com

Legals
Public Notices
Call for Bids
The City of Chelan is accepting bids for a new Public Works Administration Building.

Public Notices
2022-2023 Area Plan Update Meetings
Aging & Adult Care of Central Washington is hosting two Zoom meetings for input to their 2022-2023 Area Plan Update.

Homes for Sale
House For Sale
Cashmere \$4,500 OBO!
Approximately 1500+ sq. ft. Newer metal roof. Basically intact. Must be moved or salvaged and removed entirely.

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THEME: EMMY AWARDS ACROSS
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9. Skier's transport 13. Move like ivy

72. Young herring 73. Printing unit, pl.
74. '90s TV sitcom "Boy _____ World" DOWN
1. Sing like Ella Fitzgerald
2. Jack, Janet and Chrissy from "Three's Company," e.g.

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