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## Cashmere graduate crowned first ever Chelan County Rodeo Queen

By QUINN PROPST  
Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE - Chelan County Fair has crowned their first ever Chelan County Rodeo Queen, 20-year-old Austyn Robinson.

"I think she'll make a good Queen because she has a cute personality," said Kristen Mattson, a member of the Chelan County Fair Board and the Chelan County Rodeo Queen Committee. "I think she's gonna be fun to work with. Her personality is really magnetic when you're around her, and she's just really fun."

"At the pageant, everyone (the fair board and queen committee) is really excited about this next year and having her as our rodeo queen," Mattson said.

Robinson is a Cashmere High School 2022 graduate and the daughter of Nick and Casey Hollenbeck and Ryan and Leslie Robinson. She lives on a small family farm in Prosser and works as a barista at the Prosser Memorial Hospital.

Robinson feels honored and excited to serve as the first Chelan County Rodeo Queen, she said.

"I'm just excited to get out there and meet new people and get to experience all these experiences," she said.

"I think it's just a great way to get out there and be an ambassador for our rodeo and invite people to come and see us because we'll be making so many appearances at other rodeos, and it brings people to us," Robinson said. "And I just love promoting the rodeo itself and answering questions that people may have when they don't quite understand what's going on."

Both rodeos and rodeo queens are something her family is quite familiar with. Robinson's mom and aunts have all been rodeo queens. One aunt was Miss Rodeo Washington 2012.

"My family's always been involved in rodeo queen programs, and I just wanted to continue that legacy," Robinson said. "And I just love the family aspect of the rodeo. It's just a sport I've always loved so I've always wanted to represent."

When not working, Robinson is often riding her two horses Roany and Cookie. She plans to pursue a degree in Equine Dentistry.

At CHS Robinson was active in the volleyball program, 4-H and FFA. She has been riding horses for as long as

she can remember and has competed in barrel racing. She even competed in barrel racing in the Washington State High School Rodeo Association.

Robinson was crowned at the Nov. 12 pageant, where prospective queens competed in several segments including personal interviews, horsemanship skills, modeling presentations, speech delivery, and impromptu questions.

Organizers hope to make the pageant an annual event, showcasing and honoring local young women with an enthusiasm to compete for the title.

"Our rodeo is now sanctioned with the Professional Rodeo Cowboy Association or PRCA, so we are hopeful that having a rodeo queen out promoting our rodeo at other events will draw more attention to the Chelan County Fair and Rodeo," Mattson said.

The 2024 queen will be presented with a variety of awards, sponsored items, and royalty accessories to be worn during the year of her reign. She will participate in a year of community events, public speaking, parades, luncheons, and rodeos while serving as a goodwill ambassador for the Chelan County Fair and Rodeo.

In the past, the Chelan County Fair had two local young people, known as Ambassadors, who represented the fair at speaking engagements before and during the annual fair. However, in 2024, the Ambassador positions will be reduced from two to one. The Rodeo Queen and Ambassador will work together to promote the fair and rodeo.

Mattson hopes the new queen shares her knowledge with the community to help people better understand the sport of rodeo and can serve as a good role model for little girls.

"Rodeo has always felt like family to me," she said. "Everyone who I've met through rodeo have become good friends; they are always willing to lend a helping hand when needed. My hope is the rodeo queen is a conduit for sharing that rodeo family and experience with our community."

The 2024 Chelan County Fair is scheduled for Sept. 5-8.

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COURTESY OF AMBER COOK  
Cashmere graduate Austyn Robinson, 20, is Chelan County Fair's first Rodeo Queen. Robinson was crowned at the Nov. 12 pageant where prospective queens competed in several segments including personal interviews, horsemanship skills, modeling presentations, speech delivery, and impromptu questions.



## Eagle Scout Installs Life Jacket Loaner Station in Cashmere



COURTESY OF WILL KOLK

Boy Scout Troop Seven of Wenatchee stands proudly in front of the new life jacket loaner station in Cashmere. Will Kolk led the installation for his Eagle Scout project.

By TAYLOR CALDWELL  
Ward Media Staff Reporter

CASHMERE - River recreation on the Wenatchee River will be a little safer next summer, thanks to a newly installed life jacket loaner station next to the boat ramp in Cashmere's Riverside Park.

The installation is all thanks to Wenatchee High senior Will Kolk, who chose to contribute it for his Eagle Scout Service Project. "It's like a final test of your leadership, and it gives you a chance to show off

what you learned by benefiting the community in an important way," said Kolk.

According to a report done by the Wenatchee World, 33 people died on the Wenatchee River from 2019 - 1994, and only five of them were confirmed wearing life jackets. Since 2019, four more deaths have been recorded by American Whitewater's accident database. While one was due to underlying health conditions, the other three were attributed to not

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## Cashmere City Council Meeting

By KIRK BECKENDORF  
Special to Ward Media

At the Nov. 13 Cashmere City Council meeting, Mayor Jim Fletcher asked city residents to remove trailers, boats, campers, RV, cars, etc. from city streets and to park them elsewhere for the winter. This, he said, is needed so that city crews can sweep leaves from the streets and begin preparation for winter snowplowing.

A Public Hearing was held at the Nov. 13 meeting, to obtain input regarding the proposed 2024 city budget. Although no public comments were provided in person or in written form, Council members continued their discussions of the budget from the previous few months' of meetings. Council members reviewed, asked for clarification and made comments about individual line items from the 30+-pages of budget documents.

Comments and questions by Council members and the mayor included the following. Referring to the summary of water/wastewater revenue and expenditures, John Perry asked for clarification about an apparent shortfall of \$440,000+. Fletcher responded that the difference is a reduction to a proposed transfer of ~\$800,000 of funds into the Capital Projects Fund for future projects.

Sheila Pistorosi asked about the deficit in pool revenue compared to expenses and asked if it was too late to raise user fees. Fletcher explained that the fees listed are the current rates, but in the spring the fee structure would be set for the 2024 summer.

Chris Carlson pointed out that about 60% of the Parks' budget is

allocated for the pool. He expressed his opinion that there was very little place to make up differences in revenues and expenditures, without raising taxes and/or in changes to the budget for the city's parks and pool. As the discussion wrapped up, Fletcher told Council members that final adjustments would be made before the next Public Hearing and Council meeting, scheduled for Nov 27, at which time Council will vote on the proposed budget. The public is invited to the meeting at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. and to provide comments.

Carlson made a motion to table consideration of a \$10,997 payment to Pace Engineering for additional services. The motion passed unanimously, with the Council seeking further information before making a final decision. According to a letter from Pace to the City, the additional charges were a result of unanticipated water line locations and sizes, which required more time spent on the project that was originally planned to install 200 feet of water line. The letter also indicates additional time was spent and legal counsel was required by Pace, due to a challenge of the bid for the project.

In a unanimous vote, the Council approved an Inter-local agreement with the Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council and allocated \$40,000 of funds (\$20,000 in 2023 and \$20,000 in 2024) for the Regional Pathways Master Plan. According to city documents, the Transportation Council will coordinate efforts to develop a plan for constructing multi-use pathways connecting the communities of Cashmere, Rock Island, Malaga, Wenatchee and Leavenworth.

A separate Inter-local agreement was unanimously approved, this one with Chelan County. The arrangement is for the lighting system that will be installed as part of the Goodwin Road/Sunset Highway project. The illumination system is located within both the county road right of way and the city limits, and powered by a single electrical service and billed from a single meter. Based on the agreement, the city will maintain the lighting system that is within the city limits. Coric added that Chelan County will compensate the city for the electrical bill and any required maintenance and repair.

The Council approved an additional \$31,961 for the SCADA Improvements Project. The SCADA system allows for automated monitoring and data management of the water/wastewater facilities. The changes were requested following meetings between city staff, Woodard and Curran (water/wastewater management), RH 2 Engineering and Farmers Electric. Director of Operations, Steve Croci, explained that some of the original specs had been written 2-3 years ago and new needs and issues will be addressed by the changes. He added that the automated system will be much more efficient than the current methods, which require manual reading and hand recording data entries.

In final progress reports, Croci told the Council that city crews were in the process of winterization of city facilities, including insulating newly installed water meters. The crews are beginning street sweeping and brush pickups.

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### Great Holiday Craft Show

The Great Holiday Craft Show will be held on Saturday, Nov. 25 at the Wenatchee Convention Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. "Get a head start on your holiday shopping this Small Business Saturday at the Wenatchee Convention Center's Great Holiday Craft Show," the event page states. "With 30 plus local vendors, you'll be sure to find something for even the most difficult person on your Christmas list. So come stuff your stockings and fill your trees at the WCC Great Holiday Craft Show."

### Nature Felted Ornament Craft

The Cashmere Public Library will host a felted ornament making craft time on Tuesday, Nov. 28 from 4-5:30 p.m. "Learn how to do felting," the event page states. "Use our NCW library felting kit

to make a nature themed ornament to take home. Seating is limited so please sign up online."

To register and for more information visit [ncwlibraries.org](http://ncwlibraries.org).

### Village of Lights: Christmastown

The city of Leavenworth will turn on the Christmas lights starting on Thanksgiving Day Thursday, Nov. 23. Starting on Friday Nov. 24 there will be gazebo entertainment including choirs, bands, carolers, visits from Santa every weekend and fun activities in the Leavenworth Festhalle.

"Every winter, Leavenworth celebrates with over half a million Christmas lights, music and entertainment, holiday characters for your photo ops, carolers, kids' activities, roasting chestnuts, Santa photos and so much

more," the event page states.

For more information visit [leavenworth.org](http://leavenworth.org).

### A Twisted Christmas Carol

The Riverside Playhouse will host "A Twisted Christmas Carol" on Thursday, Nov. 30 from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

"A Twisted Christmas Carol is a Texas spoof of Charles Dickens' classic A Christmas Carol," the event page states. "It's Christmas Eve in a small west Texas town, and cantankerous barbecue joint owner Buford Johnson gets in an argument with his wife Darla, tells her he's skipping Christmas, storms out of the restaurant, goes four-wheeling in his pickup, gets hit by a twister, rolls his truck, and goes into a coma. He comes back in

his dream where he's visited by ex-business partner, Hank Walker, who plays the Ghost of Christmas Past, Present, and Future. Hank takes Buford on a journey similar to Scrooge's in A Christmas Carol, only Texas-style."

For more information visit [mtow.org](http://mtow.org).

### Fun Fall Storytime

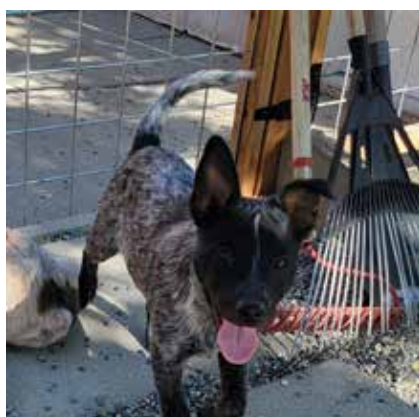
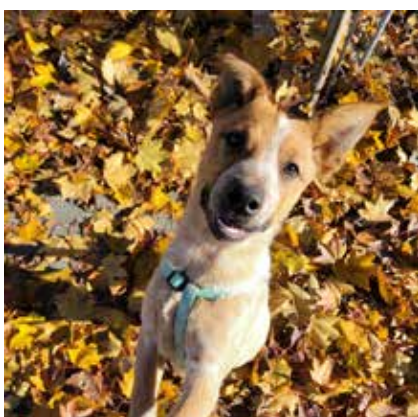
The Cashmere Public Library will host Fun Fall

Storytime on Thursday, Nov. 30 from 10:30 - 11a.m.

"A fun, interactive time at the Cashmere Library with action songs, fingerplays, rhyming and awesome stories by your favorite librarians," the event page states. "Following Storytime we often have a craft or bring out special toys for playtime and for families to socialize."

To register and for more information visit [ncwlibraries.org](http://ncwlibraries.org).

## Finding Finnegan hopes to make the perfect dog, owner match



Finding Finnegan is a new nonprofit dog rescue serving North Central Washington. Currently the rescue has some 4.5 month old heeler puppies available for adoption. COURTESY OF KATE ESCALERA

### By QUINN PROPST Ward Media Staff Reporter

Finding Finnegan is a nonprofit dog rescue started in the summer of 2023 to help fill the need as many shelters and rescues in North Central Washington are overflowing.

The rescue is new and small and nearly a one-man show, or rather a one-woman operation. Though founder and president Kate Escalera does have the help of some good friends.

Escalera is a single mom who works two jobs and runs the rescue out of her home. She is doing her best to help as many puppies as she can without getting burnt out, she said. So, she hopes that people will be patient with her.

"That's probably one of the biggest issues with the rescue community right now, is that these last couple years have

been so intense," she said. "There have been so many dogs dumped, surrendered, returned for any number of reasons. And rescue shelters, everyone's absolutely overwhelmed, and we are all doing the best we can, but there's only so much we can do."

Escalera started fostering dogs for the Humane Society in 2018 and then expanded to helping area shelters.

"Every now and then, someone would get a hold of me and be like, 'Hey, we hear you're the dog lady, you know, we need a private foster, or we need help with this or that,'" she said. "So I started doing that as well, and my family kept encouraging me like, 'hey, just, you know, do your own thing.'"

Then in June, she received a call that someone was selling puppies out of the back of their car at the Wenatchee Target,

and the puppies looked like they were in bad shape.

"I ran up there, and I called everybody I could think of to see if they had room, and everybody said no, they didn't have any room," she said. "They didn't know what to do. They didn't have the resources. But you know, whatever I decided to do, they'd support me, and I said, Okay, well fine, I'm gonna take them, I'm gonna figure it out as I go."

Not long after that incident, a friend helped Escalera file the paperwork to make Finding Finnegan an official 501 C3 nonprofit.

"We are (so new), we still have the new puppy smell," she said. The name for the rescue came from Escalera's mom.

"One of the dogs, one of the puppies that I fostered a couple years ago," Escalera said. "My parents ended up adopting, and

his name is Finnegan. And my mom has always said you know you are amazing with fostering, but you have this talent with knowing when a dog and a human are going to connect, and they're gonna match even before the humans realize they need this dog. And my parents were not looking for another dog, and I said oh, that's fine, well, just hold him for a minute and let me, you know, help me socialize him, and of course, my dad never put him down. And so my mom was like, you know, it's about making sure everybody can find their own Finnegan, and then, there we went."

Because the shelter is new and operates out of her home, she can take a maximum of eight dogs and can only accommodate puppies at this time.

Finding Finnegan can always use donations, Escalera said. "Obviously, we go through

toys pretty quickly and training treats," she said. "And when I have puppies, we absolutely could use volunteers."

Other big items of need that people don't necessarily think of are potty pads, paper towels, cleaning products, and laundry detergent.

But just as important, or perhaps even more so, are volunteers to walk, socialize, and play with the puppies.

"That would be probably the biggest gift that we could possibly get," she said.

Finding Finnegan is on Facebook and Instagram, and the website is [findingfinnegan.com](http://findingfinnegan.com). Escalera asks that anyone interested in donating or volunteering contact her via email at [kate@findingfinnegan.com](mailto:kate@findingfinnegan.com).

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### Life Jacket

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wearing a life jacket.

Kolk rafts on the Wenatchee in the summer, and was aware of the river's death toll on unprepared river users. When he got a call from his dad's friend in Cashmere about the opportunity to provide life jackets, he jumped on it. "I thought it would make an impact and hopefully curb those deaths," said Kolk.

Life jacket loaner stations are all over Washington state, including Leavenworth and Wenatchee, but this will be the first to exist in Cashmere.

The project took Kolk about 55 hours to complete. He

started on the basic designs last spring, then brought his idea to the City of Cashmere for approval. "It's been something the city has been talking about for awhile...It's something that the rafting community, the river-using community wanted, so it was good," said Steve Croci, Director of Operations for the City of Cashmere.

While the approval came easy, fundraising was another story. "I had a GoFundMe online and I promoted it to raise money. That took the longest. It was really hard to get funding for that. I applied to multiple grants, but those got rejected," said Kolk. His greatest expenses were lumber and graphic design for the sign.

Once the sign was ready, Kolk involved his troop in the assembly. "That's where the leadership comes from. You have to demonstrate your leadership skills and that includes bringing the whole troop out. You kind of give them direction and guidance and they help you through it, because it's kind of like a team project...I provided food, we had a good time, we built the

sign. It was a team effort for that one," Kolk said.

The sign includes information in both English and Spanish about river awareness and appropriate life jacket use. A chain hangs below for life jackets to rest on. Kolk collected fourteen life jackets from various sources, with sizes ranging for four-year-olds to full-grown adults. The city will put them out in the spring,

and will replenish the stock as they wear.

"It will bring awareness to people and give an opportunity to grab a life jacket, have it and hopefully wear it...If it saves one life that's awesome, or if it just brings awareness to a bunch of others, that's awesome," said Croci.

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# Community Calendar

## Wednesday

**Cashmere Rotary Club**, meets at Cashmere Presbyterian Church hall, noon. President Mark Shorb. 509-885-0676.  
**Mission Creek Community Club**, meets every month, 7 p.m. (1st and 3rd Wed.).  
**Cashmere Food Bank**, open 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 3-4 p.m. Cashmere Food Distribution Center, 316 River St., for more information, call Pam, 509-245-6464  
**Ukulele Circle**, Join the Ukulele Circle, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday, at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get the sheet music.

## Thursday

**Caregiver Support Group**, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)  
**Cashmere Sportsman Assoc., (Cashmere Gun Club)**, open to the public for trapshooting 7-10 p.m. Private rentals by appointment. Call Brian James, 509-782-3099.  
**Cashmere American Legion Post #64**, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. Commander Ken Komro, 509-782-4973. (1st Thurs. of every month, August - June).  
**Cashmere American Legion Auxiliary #64**, 7 p.m., American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Highway. President Linda Ingraham, 509-679-0243. (1st Thurs. of every month, August - June).

## Sunday

**CHURCH**: See the church page for local service times and events.  
**Cashmere Farmers Market**  
 600 Cottlets Way, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

## Monday

**Cashmere Wacoka Kiwanis Club**, 6:30 p.m., American Legion Hall, lower level. 6:30 p.m. Call Pam Leighton, 509-669-3159. (4th Mon.)  
**Tillicum Riders**, 7 p.m. Chelan County Fairgrounds. Call Cindy, 509-782-5984. (1st Mon.)  
**Cashmere City Council**, 6 p.m., City Hall (2nd & 4th Mon. of each month (unless a holiday, then Tues.).  
**Planning Committee Meeting**, 5 p.m. at City Hall (1st Mon. of each month unless a holiday, then Tues.).  
**Cashmere Fire Department**, Business management, 7 p.m., above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)  
**Cashmere Fire Department**, meeting, 8 p.m., above City Hall. Call Chief Cy, 509-782-3513. (3rd Mon.)  
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**Chelan Douglas Republican Women**, Monthly meeting and luncheon 1st Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday). \$21. for lunch, \$8. for sitting only. 11 a.m. check in starts, noon for meeting and speaker. Wenatchee Convention Center 121 N. Wenatchee Ave. For information and reservations, please call, Angela Dye, President, 509-668-1105 (1st Mon.)

## Tuesday

**Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts**, Current meeting time 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or [levi.ipid@nwi.net](mailto:levi.ipid@nwi.net) (2nd Tues.)  
**Peshastin Water District**, meets at 4:30 p.m. Contact: Steve Keene for meeting location. 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)  
**Cashmere Chamber of Commerce**, Noon, everyone is invited to attend as a guest. Call Executive Director, for meeting location. 509-782-7404. (3rd Tues.)  
**The Chelan County Cemetery District #2**, (Peshastin) meets at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)

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**Chelan County Historical Society Board meets**, 7 p.m., Cashmere Museum, 600 Cottlets Way. Call Nicky 509-782-3230. (3rd Thurs.)  
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# Chicken and Noodles plus Dumplings

Aunt Cece and Uncle Larry came over this last week. Whenever they come, we eat Aunt Cece's favorite foods like chicken and noodles. Years ago, Grandma found out that Aunt Cece likes chicken and noodles with dumplings on top. At Thanksgiving we make broth out of the leftover turkey carcass. Grandma adds veggies to the broth, brings it to a simmer while I make homemade noodles for the pot then when the time is right, she adds dumplings and it makes the best day after Thanksgiving meal.

Before Cece and Larry came over, I was rearranging my freezer to fit cheese bricks (on sale for half the regular price so I got four and froze three of the 32 oz bricks) and left a whole frozen chicken out by mistake so we had to eat it. We had crockpot baked chicken but being as Grandma, Grandpa and I don't have the appetite of young folk any longer there was still lots of meat left on the bones of that baked bird so Grandma made broth out of it. When we heard Larry and Cece were coming over Grandma decided to make chicken and noodles plus dumplings. She must figure it's an excellent time to prime our taste buds for the main event of the day after Thanksgiving when we make broth out of the turkey carcass and all the left overs go into the pot for Turkey and Noodles plus Dumpling as the finale of our Thanksgiving celebration before everyone heads back to their homes far away.

- One chicken carcass
- 4 to 6 cups water
- 1-4 ribs celery
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 small onion diced
- 1-3 carrots, chopped
- 2 to 4 oz noodles

### Dumpling Dough

- 1 cup flour
- ¼ tsp salt
- 1 tsp baking powder
- 1/3 to 1/2 cup water or milk

Put the chicken carcass in a pan or a crockpot with 4 to 6 cups water. Bring to a boil then turn down to a simmer. Simmer the carcass until the meat falls off the bones. Let cool then remove the meat from the bones and discard the bones. Measure to make sure there are at least four cups of liquid broth. If not add water to make up the difference. To the meat and broth, add the salt veggies, celery, onion, carrots and simmer until the carrots are almost done. Bring to a boil and add the noodles. (If the broth is not bubbling the noodles will turn to goo.) Make sure the meat, broth and veggies are at least at a fast simmer before adding the noodles. Turn up the heat and bring to a boil. While

waiting for the liquid to boil, mix the dumplings. Depending on the humidity, more water may need to be added. 5 to 8 minutes after adding the noodles add the dumplings, dropping by spoonful, onto the boiling broth and meat. The liquid must be boiling when the dumplings are added, or like the noodles, they will turn to goo. Once all the dumplings have been added, let simmer for ten minutes without the lid on the pan then put the lid on the pot, turn the heat to medium and let the dumplings simmer and steam for another 12-15 minutes. Don't lift the lid for those 12-15 minutes or the steam will escape, the dumplings will chill and end up cooked unevenly because it takes time to reheat the environment under the lid and resume cooking. Once the dumplings are done, fill a bowl and enjoy.

**Choices**: Use a turkey carcass, double all the ingredients and serve as the day after Thanksgiving main event like our family does or cut the recipe in half using a couple cans of chicken broth, some deli turkey and the veggies in the fridge. Leave out the noodles or the dumplings and serve as chicken & noodles or chicken & dumplings. Pause before adding noodles or dumplings and freeze the broth and veggies for a fine soup at a later date.



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# Chelan County Sheriff's Report



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## November 10

06:40 911-hangup call, 4630 E. Nahahum Canyon Rd.  
 16:03 Agency Assist, 6297 Hay Canyon Rd.  
 19:53 Civil Dispute, 208 Cottage Ave.  
 20:14 Domestic Disturbance, 3171 Allyn Ln., Monitor

## November 11

08:32 Alarm, 350 Sunset Hwy., Tienda Mexicana  
 14:11 Trespassing, 301 S. Division St.  
 19:59 Noise Complaint, 8111 Depot Rd., Dryden

## November 12

00:07 Domestic Disturbance, Goodwin Roundabout  
 11:09 Welfare Check, 5607 Sunset Hwy., Piccadilly Pizza  
 20:11 Stab/ Gunshot, 8650 Dryden Frontage Rd., Dryden

## November 13

09:54 Civil Dispute, 5607 Sunset Hwy.  
 13:13 Juvenile Problem, 329 Tigner Rd., Cashmere High School  
 15:11 Domestic Disturbance, 3601 Sells Motel Rd.  
 19:28 Traffic Offense, US Hwy. 2 MP 115 eastbound, Monitor

## November 14

08:40 Stolen Recreational Vehicle, 9073 US Hwy. 2, Dryden Transfer, Dryden  
 08:58 Welfare Check, 9220 Olalla Canyon Rd.  
 10:59 Harassment/ Threat, 5025 Harnden Rd.

22:06 Agency Assist, 7737 Stine Hill Rd., Dryden

## November 15

02:10 Animal Problem, 3171 Allyn Ln., Monitor  
 05:01 Agency Assist, 7900 Stine Hill Rd., Dryden  
 05:27 Alarm, 200 Apple Annie Ave., Cafe Jazmin  
 07:33 Welfare Check, 101 Pioneer Ave., Vale Elementary  
 09:20 Welfare Check, 7737 Stine Hill Rd., Dryden  
 09:41 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 655 Sand Creek Rd.  
 10:45 Public Assist, 103 Valley St.  
 11:51 Agency Assist, 7741 Stine Hill Rd., Dryden  
 13:49 Sex Offense, Cashmere  
 18:12 Non-injury Accident, 201 Perry St.  
 19:30 Malicious Mischief, 809 Pioneer Ave.  
 20:32 Public Assist, 8115 Depot Rd., Dryden  
 22:03 Suspicious Circumstance, 4566 Old Monitor Rd., Monitor

## November 16


08:46 Graffiti, 201 Riverside Dr., Riverside Park  
 12:01 Theft, 5954 Locust Ln.  
 14:01 Harassment/ Threat, 803 Emerald Ave.  
 18:06 Disturbance, 5607 Sunset Hwy., Piccadilly Pizza  
 19:26 Missing Person, 927 Pioneer Ave.  
 20:15 Public Assist, 8111 Depot Rd., Dryden  
 22:56 Juvenile Problem, 108 Pioneer Ave.  
 23:08 Traffic Offense, 8877 Josephine Ave., Dryden  
 23:18 Welfare Check, 112 S. Douglas St.

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# Opinion

## A Time for Gratitude and Reflection

As the crisp autumn air envelops us and the leaves paint a vivid mosaic of reds, oranges, and yellows, our hearts and homes prepare for a cherished tradition: Thanksgiving. This quintessentially American holiday serves as a reminder to pause amidst life's hustle and bustle, embracing gratitude, unity, and the spirit of giving.



From the Publisher

**TERRY WARD**

in need, this holiday calls us to demonstrate compassion and generosity.

In recent years, the celebration of Thanksgiving has evolved in response to changing times. Families scattered across the country often reunite through virtual gatherings, utilizing technology to bridge distances and share in the spirit of togetherness.

Originating from the historical harvest feast shared between the Pilgrims and Native Americans in 1621, Thanksgiving has evolved into a mosaic of traditions. It's a day when families and friends gather around tables laden with a cornucopia of culinary delights, from succulent roasted turkeys to pumpkin pies adorned with dollops of whipped cream.

Beyond the feast lies the heart of Thanksgiving — the expression of gratitude. In a world often bustling with noise and distractions, this day beckons us to reflect on our blessings. It's a moment to appreciate the warmth of loved ones' laughter, the embrace of cherished friendships, and the simple joys that enrich our lives.

Yet, Thanksgiving is not merely about counting blessings; it's about sharing them. It's a time to extend a hand to those less fortunate, embodying the true essence of community. Whether through volunteering at local shelters, donating to food banks, or offering support to a neighbor

This year, as we gather once more, let us not only revel in the delectable aromas wafting from the kitchen but also in the conversations that unite us. Let's remember to acknowledge the richness found in our diverse tapestry of cultures, beliefs, and traditions that make this nation so vibrant.

As the holiday season commences, Thanksgiving serves as the prelude, fostering a sense of appreciation and setting the stage for the coming festivities. It prompts us to reflect not only on the abundance of our tables but also on the richness of our lives.

In the spirit of Thanksgiving, let us carry the values of gratitude, compassion, and unity beyond this day, making every day an opportunity to express thanks and extend kindness to all.

May this Thanksgiving be a tapestry woven with love, gratitude, and cherished moments, creating lasting memories that resonate throughout the year.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

## 100 Years Ago This Month: Historical events from November 1923

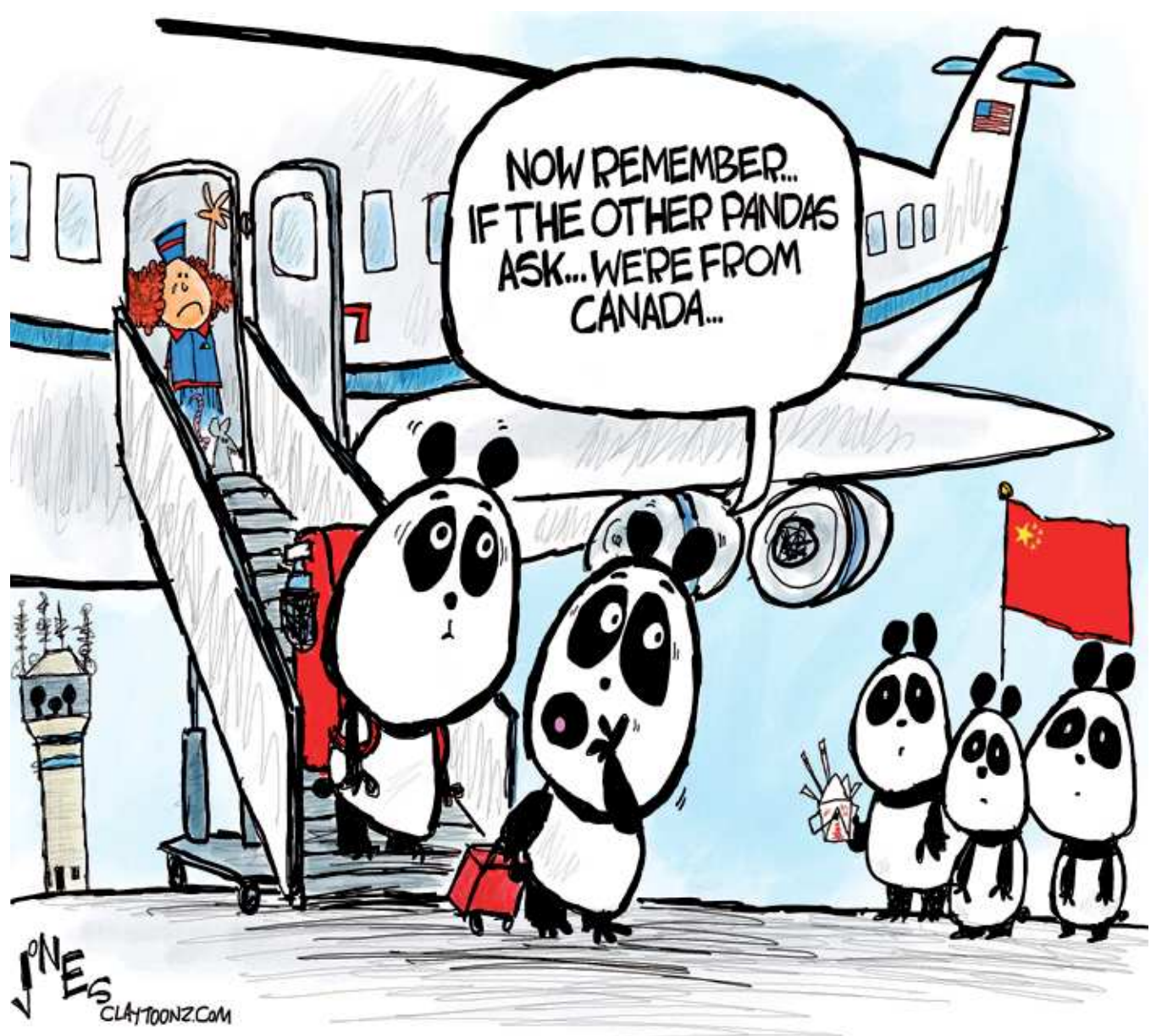
The month of November has been home to many historical events over the years. Here's a look at some that helped to shape the world in November 1923.

- Industrialist Gustav Krupp von Bohlen und Halbach signs an agreement with the French government while imprisoned on November 1. The agreement establishes conditions under which miners working for Krupp would resume work. Despite the agreement, Krupp remains imprisoned for two more weeks.
- Silent film actress Margaret Gibson is arrested on federal blackmail and extortion charges on November 2. The charges are later dropped, though Gibson's ties to blackmail did not end there. Gibson's 1964 deathbed confession to the murder of film director William Desmond Taylor in 1922 is suspected to be related to the blackmail scandals that Gibson had been linked to at the time of her arrest.
- The New York

Renaissance play their first game on November 3. Often referred to as "The Rens," the team is the first all-Black professional basketball team.

- On November 4, Adolf Hitler abandons a plan to kidnap Bavarian leaders and declare a revolution after seeing a significant police presence at a memorial ceremony for war dead in which various nationalist groups, including Nazis, marched.
- Despite being terminally ill with kidney disease, heavyweight boxer Bill Miske upsets Bill Brennan with a fourth round knockout on November 7. Miske was aware of his illness, and even fought despite not being able to train for the fight. The bout was the last of Miske's career, and the boxer succumbed to his illness on January 1, 1924.
- The Beer Hall Putsch begins on November 8. Hitler and more than 600 Nazi Party Storm Troopers surround a large beer

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### OUR VIEW

## Report unveils local journalism's crisis and rays of hope

### The Cashmere Valley Record calls for community aid

In the annals of our nation's media, the year 2023 has unveiled a complex tapestry, woven with threads of promise and threads of despair for local journalism. Recent revelations from the Medill Local News Initiative at Northwestern University delineate a stark reality: while glimmers of hope emerge with philanthropic pledges and innovative models, the fabric of local news outlets continues to fray, imperiling our communities' cohesion and democratic ethos.

Amidst the shadows, rays of hope shone through in the form of substantial philanthropic commitments—vital pledges totaling \$500 million. Simultaneously, governmental considerations to bridge digital divides and fortify journalistic integrity provided a beacon of optimism. Notably, select news outlets showcased promising business models, hinting at potential resurgence in beleaguered regions.

However, this ray of hope was eclipsed by an unremitting decline in the number of local news sources. The disconcerting projection anticipates the loss of a third of the country's newspapers since 2005 by the year's end, as the expansion of alternative local news entities trails the vanishing traditional sources. Communities bereft of a local newspaper typically grapple with economic

deprivation and a lack of high-speed broadband, further isolating them from reliable information sources. This stark divide exacerbates existing societal fissures, exacerbating political polarization, civic apathy, and the proliferation of online misinformation.

The 2023 report on The State of Local News, meticulously curated by the Medill Local News Initiative, outlines the disparities engulfing our nation. Shockingly, more than half of U.S. counties lack or possess limited access to credible local news sources—be it print, digital, or broadcast. The dire statistics include 204 counties devoid of any local news outlet and 1,562 counties dependent on a solitary remaining source, with 228 on the precipice of losing this lifeline.

The decline in newspapers, at a rate surpassing two per week since 2005, has obliterated nearly 2,900 newspapers and two-thirds of newspaper journalists—43,000 positions—during the same period. This decay, particularly in metropolitan areas, compounds the crisis, leaving large swaths of residents stranded without access to essential community news.

Alternative local news entities—comprising digital start-ups, ethnic media, and public broadcasting—while promising, confront their unique business

hurdles—the struggle to attain sustainability plagues many, with advertising revenue decline imperiling their survival. The dearth of reliable internet access, especially in non-urban areas, compounds the challenges faced by digital ventures.

In this backdrop, the indispensable role of local journalism in fostering informed communities and resilient democracies looms large. It underscores the pressing need for collective action from policymakers, philanthropists, industry leaders, and community members invested in fortifying our local news ecosystem.

The Medill Local News Initiative's comprehensive report, complemented by interactive maps revealing the intricate local news landscapes across states, serves as a clarion call. It highlights the pivotal role of local journalism, invoking a sense of responsibility within us all to safeguard this cornerstone of our societal fabric.

#### Call to Action: Supporting The Cashmere Valley Record

Amidst this critical juncture, The Cashmere Valley Record stands as a testament to the importance of community-backed journalism. As the heart of our local news, it relies on the robust support of

the community it serves.

Local businesses play a pivotal role in bolstering our local news landscape. Their commitment to advertising in our publications not only promotes their services but also sustains the lifeblood of The Cashmere Valley Record. We urge businesses to consider investing in local advertising, recognizing the pivotal role it plays in fostering an informed and connected community.

Moreover, residents hold the power to fortify our local news outlets. Subscribing to The Cashmere Valley Record is a tangible means of supporting credible, community-driven journalism. Your subscription directly contributes to the sustenance of reliable local news, ensuring its continuity for years to come.

Furthermore, citizens can significantly contribute by patronizing businesses that advertise in The Cashmere Valley Record. By consciously choosing to shop locally, you reinforce the symbiotic relationship between our vibrant local businesses and the sustenance of a robust local news ecosystem.

Together, through concerted efforts and unwavering support, we can fortify our local news, in turn, fortify the very essence of our community's vitality and resilience.

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# Kid Scoop

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## Kid Scoop Together

### Cranberry Salsa

Work with an adult to make this delicious recipe together!

#### Ingredients:

With the help of an adult, chop each of the following:

- 1 cup fresh or frozen cranberries
- 1 red bell pepper
- 1 green bell pepper
- 1 chili pepper
- ½ red onion
- 1 clove of garlic

Mix the following in a bowl:

- ½ tsp parsley
- ½ tsp ground cumin
- ⅛ tsp black pepper
- Zest of small orange
- 6 oz frozen orange juice concentrate

Combine all ingredients and mix well. Store in the refrigerator until all ingredients are chilled and flavors are well combined.

Eat with tortilla chips or put on a sandwich!

Thank you to the US Cranberries organization for the idea for this recipe. There are many more great cranberry recipes at [uscranberries.com](http://uscranberries.com)



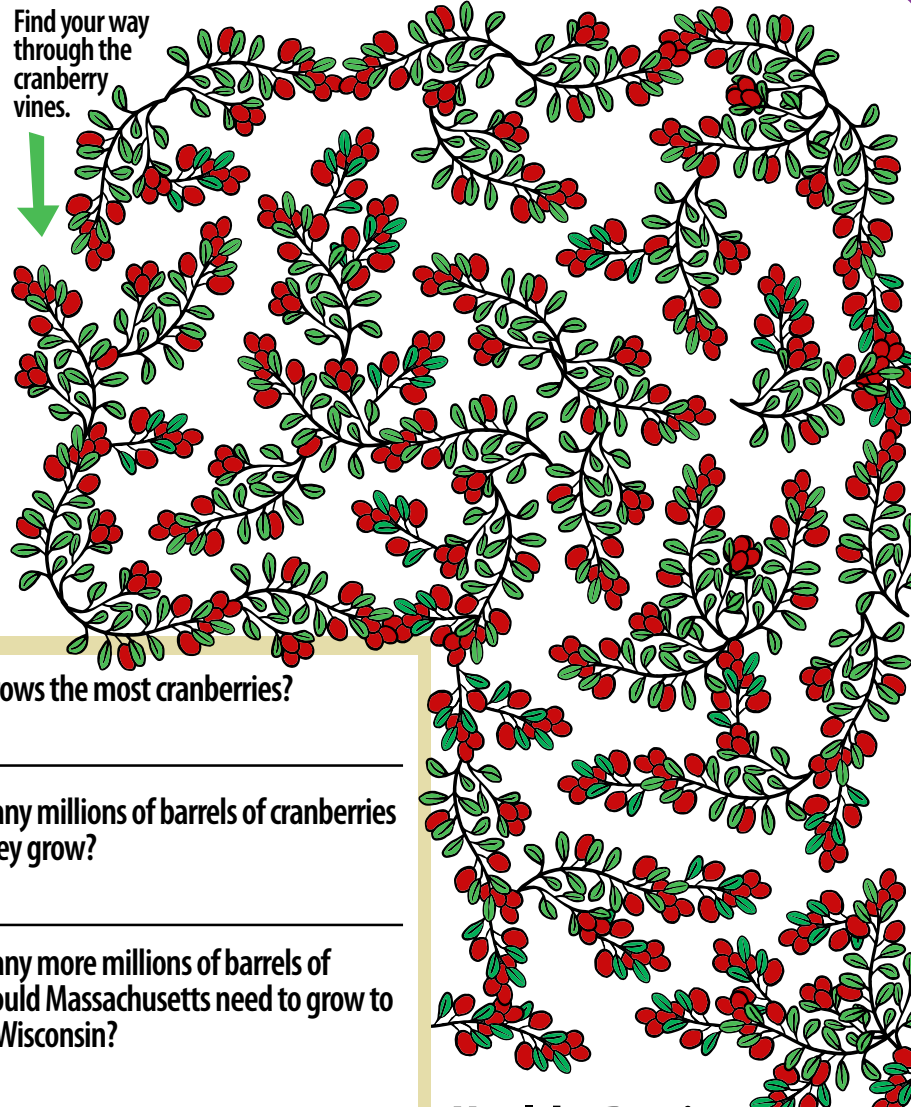
# Cranberries

Americans eat about 400 million pounds of cranberries a year!

Many are eaten at Thanksgiving, but there are lots of ways to eat these little red, tangy berries all year round.

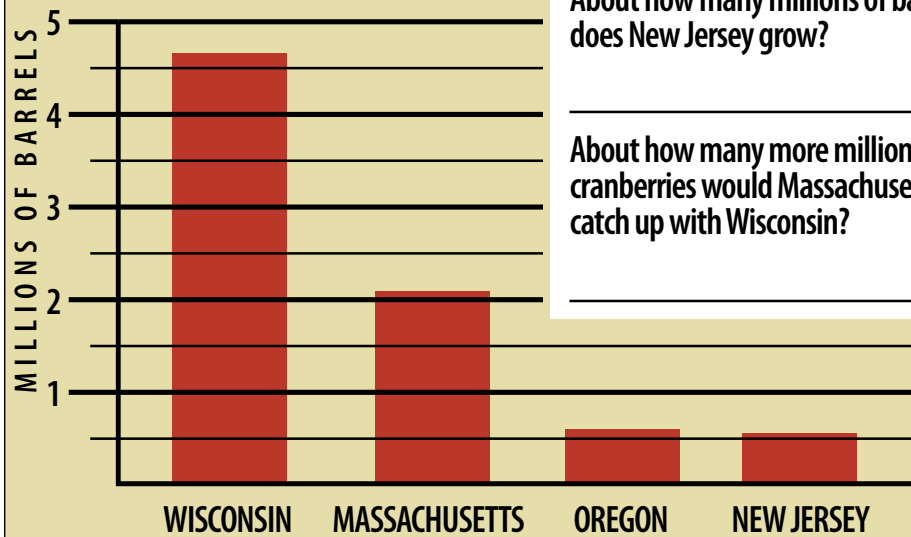
Cranberries are native to North America. Native Americans used them for both food and medicine.

Find your way through the cranberry vines.



## Cranberry Chart

Use the chart to answer the questions!



Which state grows the most cranberries?

About how many millions of barrels of cranberries does New Jersey grow?

About how many more millions of barrels of cranberries would Massachusetts need to grow to catch up with Wisconsin?

NOTE: 1 barrel equals 100 pounds of berries.

SOURCE: USDA Economic Research Service and USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service

Standards Link: Number Sense: Interpret data from charts and graphs.

## Healthy Berries

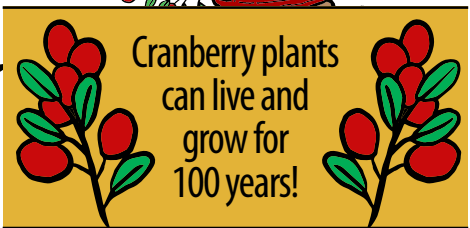
Cranberries are high in Vitamin C. Long ago, sailors and pirates took barrels of cranberries on long voyages. Eating the berries prevented a disease called scurvy.



## Growing and Harvesting Cranberries

Number the pictures in order.

1. Cranberry vines are planted in sandy soil.
2. They grow into long vines that crawl along the ground.
3. When the cranberries are ripe, the farmers flood the field.
4. Cranberries have little air pockets inside that cause them to float to the top of the water.
5. Farmers wearing rubber "waders" walk through the floating cranberries and push them into a big vacuum in the center of the field.
6. The berries are sucked out of the water and end up in a big truck.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Sequence events in the correct order.

Extra! Extra!

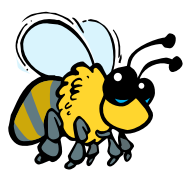
## Living Things Scavenger Hunt

Look through the newspaper for:

- 5 things that are alive
- 4 things to eat
- 3 things made from something alive
- 2 things people need to survive
- 1 thing that you like to eat

Standards Link: Language Arts: Follow written directions.

## Bee Power



Cranberry farmers need bees. The bees pollinate the plant's blossoms, so they turn into berries.

## Kid Scoop Puzzler

Replace the missing words.

### Ways to Eat Cranberries

Some people like the tart \_\_\_\_\_ of cranberries. Others \_\_\_\_\_ them with sugar, maple syrup, or honey.

While they are tart, cranberries can be eaten \_\_\_\_\_ or chopped raw into salsa, salads, and other dishes. Most cranberries are used to make \_\_\_\_\_ sauce and craisins. Craisins® are dried cranberries that look like reddish \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Double Double Word Search

- BEES
- CRANBERRY
- EAT
- FARMERS
- FIELD
- FLOAT
- FLOOD
- FOOD
- GROW
- MEDICINE
- RED
- RIPE
- TANGY
- VINES
- WATER

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?



Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognize identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

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## Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **WADERS**

The noun **waders** means high waterproof boots or waterproof pants with attached boots that are used for wading in water.

My mother wears **waders** when she harvests cranberries or goes fishing.

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**CITY OF LEAVENWORTH NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Leavenworth City Planning Commission will hold a public hearing for amendments to Comprehensive Plan Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) on December 6, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers, 700 Highway 2, Leavenworth, Washington and via ZOOM (link available on City Calendar <https://cityofleavenworth.com/your-city-hall/calendar/>). The amendments are exempt from State Environmental Policy Act, per WAC 197-11-800(19) Procedural (each project to be reviewed for environmental at time of action). The CIP outlines the city's projects and funding over the next six-years. Interested citizens are encouraged to comment and/or attend the public hearing. Questions may be directed to Community Development within City Hall, phone 509-548-5275 or email [ivesp@cityofleavenworth.com](mailto:ivesp@cityofleavenworth.com). Published in the Leavenworth Echo/Cashmere Valley Record on November 22, 2023. #6745

**Public Notices**

**CITY OF LEAVENWORTH** On the 14th day of October, 2023, the City Council of the City of Leavenworth, Washington passed the following ordinances. A summary of the contents provides as follows:  
**Ordinance 1682:** An ordinance of the City of Leavenworth, WA, adopting new LMC Chapter 3.41 Multi-Family Tax Exemption Program.  
**Ordinance 1683:** An ordinance of the City of Leavenworth, Washington amending LMC section 18.52.120 Conditional Use Permits - Bed and Breakfast.  
**Ordinance 1684:** An Ordinance of the City of Leavenworth, Washington, which is an ordinance authorizing the regular property tax levy and is authorized for the levy to be collected in the 2024 tax year. A full copy of these ordinances are available at Leavenworth City Hall or will be mailed to you upon your request to Andrea Fischer, City Clerk, City of Leavenworth, PO Box 287, Leavenworth, WA 98826. Published in the Leavenworth Echo/ Cashmere Valley Record on November 22, 2023. #6748

**Public Notices**

**Superior Court of Washington for Chelan County**  
**In the matter of the estate of Marie Louise Davis, Deceased.**  
**No. 23-4-00387-04**  
**Notice To Creditors**  
**(RCW 11.40.030)**  
The persons named below have been appointed as co-administrators of this estate. Any person having a claim against the decedent must, before the time the claim would be barred by any otherwise applicable statute of limitations, present the claim in the manner as provided in RCW 11.40.070 by serving on or mailing to the co-administrators or their attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the probate proceedings were commenced. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) thirty days after the co-administrators served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.40.020(1)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of this Notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets. Date of First Publication: November 15, 2023. JACK N. DAVIS and KATHRYN L. HENDRY, Co-Administrators  
Attorney for the Co-Administrators: Joseph C. Brown, Jr., WSB# 17991  
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Court of probate proceeding and cause number: Chelan County Superior Court, Cause Number: 23-4-00387-04  
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**Public Notices**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING and DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE**  
**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the City of Cashmere Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on December 4, 2023 beginning at 6:00 PM at City Hall or virtually (information below), to receive and consider public comments on possible revisions to the Zoning Code regarding Off-Street Parking in the Business, Commercial and Industrial Zones (CMC 17.54). A copy of the proposed Zoning Code revisions for Off-Street Parking is available by contacting City Hall.  
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SEPA REVIEW: The City of Cashmere has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). The project file is available for review online at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Ave., Cashmere, WA 98815. This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and the comment period will end on December 6, 2023. **CITY CONTACT:** Written comment can be sent to the attention of the Director of Operations Steve Croci at Cashmere City Hall, 101 Woodring Street, Cashmere WA 98815 or [steve@cityofcashmere.org](mailto:steve@cityofcashmere.org) or by calling 509-782-3513 prior to the hearing. Published in the Cashmere Valley Record/Leavenworth Echo on November 22, 2023. #6742



**100 years ago**

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hall where Bavaria State Commissioner Gustav Ritter von Kahr is making a speech. Hitler announces the Bavarian government is deposed, though he is ultimately found hiding in an attic on November 11 and arrested for high treason.  
• The new flag of the Soviet Union is adopted on November 12. The flag remains largely the same until the dissolution of the Soviet Union in 1991.  
• On November 14, Germany suspends payment of its reparations stemming from World War I, claiming France and Belgium had violated terms of the Treaty of Versailles.  
• The entire crew aboard

the American schooner Grace N. Pendleton is killed when the ship breaks up in a gale on the North Sea on November 18. Crewmembers are seen clinging to the remains of the ship, but rescue teams are unable to reach them.  
• Oklahoma Governor Jack C. Walton is convicted of corruption and abuse of power charges on November 19. Walton is the first Governor in Oklahoma history to be removed from office.  
• African American inventor Garrett Morgan is granted a patent for his three-position traffic light on November 20. The light remains in use today.  
• After 40 days of not eating, Irish Republican Army intelligence officer Andy O'Sullivan

dies on November 22 at Mountjoy Prison in Dublin. O'Sullivan's death comes one day after fellow hunger striker Denny Barry died at a separate prison.  
• The Army-Navy football game, played before 66,000 fans at the Polo Grounds in New York City on November 24, ends in a 0-0 tie.  
• The first and thus far only National Football League game in which a team finishes with exactly four points is played on November 25. The Racine Legion of Racine, Wisconsin, overcome a 2-0 halftime deficit to defeat the Chicago Cardinals 10-4.  
• The German film "The Little Napoleon" is released on November 29, marking the film debut of Marlene Dietrich. TF23B484

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# The Wenatchee Nutcracker prepares suite for the sweet

By **KATIE LINDERT**  
Ward Media Staff Reporter

WENATCHEE – The Wenatchee Valley Symphony Orchestra and Fabulous Feet Wenatchee have teamed up for another production of The Wenatchee Nutcracker, a collaboration that has been in effect since 2013 but is part of a decades old regional tradition.

Ballet Theatre Northwest founder, Joan Shelton-Mason, staged annual productions of “The Nutcracker” for many years before her passing. She taught dance for over 60 years, and is often credited with having brought ballet to the Wenatchee Valley.

The Wenatchee Nutcracker has carried on this treasured tradition since its inception in 2007. This year’s production features student performers ranging in ages 4-18, with 91 dancers overall. There are additionally 12 adult volunteer performers who hold both acting and dancing roles.

There are many iterations of “The Nutcracker” ballets often performing variations to a set choreography. That said, Fabulous Feet Wenatchee’s own instructors and choreographers are credited with the original choreography found in productions of The Wenatchee Nutcracker.

Fabulous Feet studio Owner and Director, Tracy Trotter, and Co-Director and Instructor, Melissa Miller Port, constructed the original concept for this year’s production.

Annual auditions for The Wenatchee Nutcracker are open to the community, not solely Fabulous Feet students, though most are involved. All who want to participate are welcome, with auditions held typically in July and primarily serving to help in designating roles.

Rehearsals begin in September. Performers meet every week up until opening, with student rehearsals held on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. For any large scene work, dancers are broken up into groups and then slowly integrated together until they can cohesively perform through the entire show.

All other additional preparations begin in September. The sets for The Wenatchee Nutcracker are reused annually and maintained by their staff at the studio and the Numerica Performing Arts Center. Costumes are kept on hand, and altered to fit new students each year with the help of many volunteers.

The Wenatchee Nutcracker has a wardrobe of close to 300 costumes due to the volume of students they have, some of the older students playing 2-5 roles. Their youngest students are angels and the mice, and as they age take on more and more additional roles.

Some of the characters students may play include the Snow Queen, snow princesses, icicles, flurrries, snowflakes, and demi-snowflakes (students on the younger end who are



The final scene in Act 1 of The Wenatchee Nutcracker’s 2022 Production, “The Land of Snow”

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not quite old enough to be snowflakes, demi-snowflakes are skilled midway between point and flat). Snowflakes dance on point.

Co-Director Tracy Trotter is Mother Ginger and has been playing this role since The Wenatchee Nutcracker began. This year’s production will see the exciting addition of two new characters, Mother Ginger’s sisters, Ms. Cinnamon and Ms. Nutmeg. Additionally, this version of the Nutcracker

will feature a Lead Angel who descends from the Christmas tree.

The addition of characters are not the only new elements audience members may have to look forward to this year. Katie Spurbeck-Perez, Office Manager, Instructor, and first ever Clara for The Wenatchee Nutcracker shares, “We’re really excited for another good year, and we’re going to have new enhancements for the tree that grows during the battle

scene as well, so we’re really just excited about everything.”

For a sneak preview of what magic The Wenatchee Nutcracker brings us this season, they will be performing an excerpt from the ballet as part of Holiday Spice, a review featuring a variety of regional talents at the Numerica Performing Arts Center on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1 at 7 p.m.

Dates for The Wenatchee Nutcracker are Dec. 7, 8 and 9 at 7 p.m. and Dec. 9 and 10

at 2 p.m., performances held at the Numerica Performing Arts Center located at 123 N. Wenatchee Ave, Wenatchee, WA 98801. Performances are 90 minutes.

All ticket sales are through the Numerica Performing Arts Center. Tickets can either be purchased in person or by calling the NPAC box office at (509) 663-ARTS.

Katie Lindert: 509-731-3211 or [katie@ward.media](mailto:katie@ward.media)

# Washington Outdoors Report

## Black Friday Fishing

By **JOHN KRUSE**  
Special to Ward Media

The day after Thanksgiving, commonly known as Black Friday, has been associated for decades with shopping for great deals at retail stores for the holidays. In recent years though, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife has promoted a different Black Friday activity, trout fishing!

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife stocks a number of lowland lakes in November, open on a year-round basis, with big trout weighing one to two pounds and measuring at least 14-inches long. Many of these lakes are located in Western Washington. Here is a list of the 23 lakes stocked with these jumbo-sized trout:

- Clark County – Battle Ground and Klineline
- Cowlitz County – Kress
- Island County – Cranberry
- King County – Beaver and Green
- Klickitat County – Rowland

- Lewis County – Fort Borst Park Pond and South Lewis County Park Pond
- Pierce County – American and Tanwax
- Snohomish County – Balingier, Blackmans, Gissburg Ponds South, Silver and Tye
- Thurston County – Black, Lawrence, Long, Munn, Offutt and Ward
- Yakima County – Elton Pond North

In addition to these lakes stocked with big trout, several lakes in Eastern Washington were stocked with fry in recent years that should offer good fishing on Black Friday. These lakes include Hatch Lake in Stevens County; Fourth of July Lake in Lincoln/Adams counties; and Hog Canyon in Spokane County.

But wait, there’s more! Several other lakes have received plants of catchable sized trout in the last few weeks. These stocked lakes are:

- Putters Pond in Rock Island (5,750 trout)
- Big Bow Lake in Rock Island (3,750 rainbow trout)

- Pit Lake in Rock Island (2,000 trout)
- Roses Lake near Manson (20,253 rainbow trout)
- Davis Lake in Ferry County (250 jumbo-sized trout)
- Rotary Lake in Yakima County (135 jumbo trout)

If you are wondering how to catch these stocked trout there are several tried and true methods. If you are in a boat, you can troll a streamer, steering the boat in an S-pattern. You can also troll a Mack’s Lure Wedding Ring spinner, tipped with a worm, behind a dodger. Fishing from shore many anglers will fish Berkley Powerbait off the bottom while others will cast spinners.

The bottom line? Get away from the crowds at the big box stores and go fishing instead. It promises to be a fun outing and perhaps the beginning of a new holiday tradition.

John Kruse – [www.northwesternoutdoors.com](http://www.northwesternoutdoors.com) and [www.americaoutdoorsradio.com](http://www.americaoutdoorsradio.com)



Faith Kruse fishing for fall trout at Putters Pond in Rock Island

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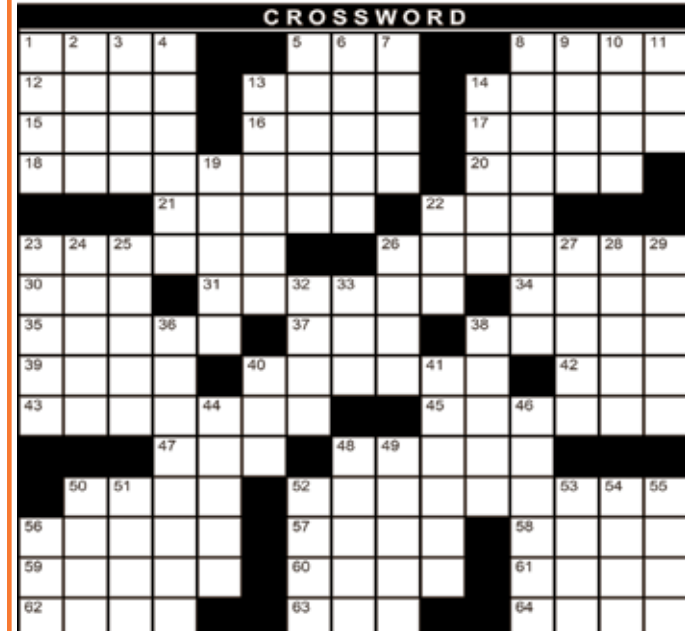
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8. Miss America’s accessory
12. Pot inhale
13. Morsel of Little Miss Muffet’s meal
14. Private
15. Larger-than-life
16. Children’s author \_\_\_ Blyton
17. Post-Its
18. “Sticks and spools toy set
20. One of the Olsens
21. Gibson garnish
22. Middle-earth creature
23. Bias 26. Neat in appearance
30. Chasing game
31. Chancellor, in Europe
34. Not happening
35. Anomie, alt. sp.
37. Local area network
38. Re-attempt
39. Wyatt Earp’s card game
40. Common parakeet, colloquially speaking
42. Snake-like fish
43. Not yet a wife
45. “Like certain toy Cathy
47. Mine deposit
48. Water nymph
50. Cassette contents
52. “Illuminated picture maker
56. Wainscots
57. Play parts
58. The Fonz: “Sit \_\_\_\_\_!”
59. Face-to-face exams
60. Not this
61. Brainchild
62. Homey, alt. sp.
63. “Fight for You” singer
64. High rocky hills

DOWN

1. Editor’s mark
2. African antelope
3. Related
4. Suppose
5. Political club, in the olden days
6. Celestial hunter
7. Whirlpool
8. “Sno-Cone, actually (2 words)
9. Opposed to
10. “As \_\_\_ on TV”
11. Retail posting acronym
13. Blood-red
14. Beginning of essay
19. “Dear Diary” bit
22. Hockey legend
23. “The Office” people, e.g.
24. Veranda on Oahu
25. Ancient Greece marketplace
26. “The \_\_\_ Show” (1976-1980)
27. Sacred song
28. White heron
29. “Raggedy Ann or Strawberry Shortcake, tenderly
32. \*Professor Plum and Colonel Mustard game
33. Little bit
36. “Avenues and rail roads game
38. Betty Ford Center, e.g.
40. Spelling contest
41. Superlative of icy
44. Edible herb
46. Quick and skillful
48. Specialty
49. Rose oil
50. Tropical edible root
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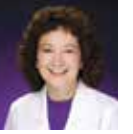
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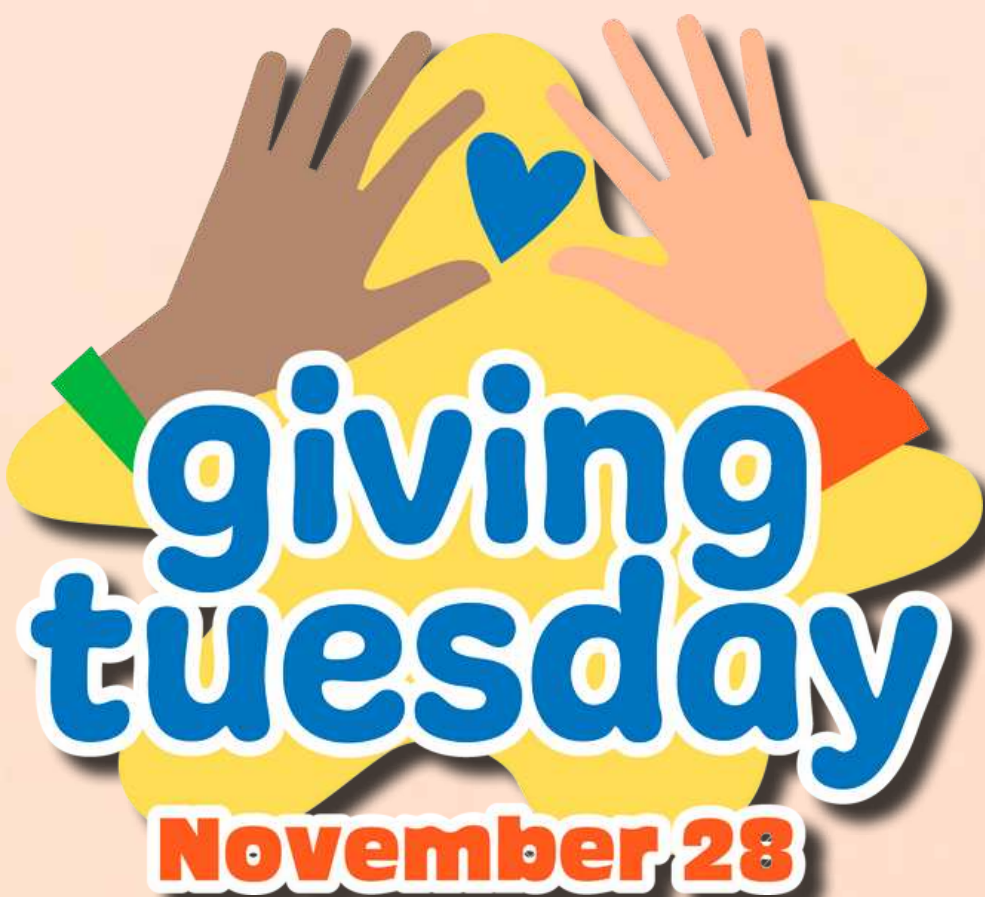
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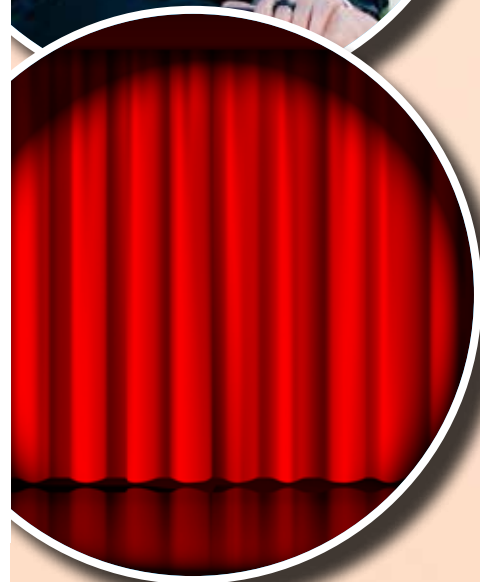




# A global movement spreading hope and generosity



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Today, we unite in celebration of Giving Tuesday—a day dedicated to giving back, supporting local causes, and uplifting the organizations that form the bedrock of our community. It's a day that transcends mere donations; it's a testament to our shared values, a symbol of our unity, and a catalyst for positive change.

The significance of giving back cannot be overstated. It is a tangible expression of our

solidarity, an embodiment of our empathy, and a testament to our commitment to building a stronger, more vibrant community. As we showcase some of the nonprofits in our area, their remarkable initiatives, and the incredible people behind them, we hope to inspire each and every one of you to join us in this noble endeavor.

Whether it's a small gesture of kindness, a donation of time, resources, or support for a cause close to your heart, remember that every contribution—no matter the size—matters. Together, our actions ripple outward, creating waves of positivity and empowerment that reverberate across our neighborhoods and beyond.

In the spirit of Giving Tuesday, let us come together, united in purpose, and extend a helping hand to those in

need. Let us embrace the joy of giving and share in the fulfillment that comes from making a difference in the lives of others.

We invite you to immerse yourself in the stories within these pages, to be inspired, and to embark on your own journey of giving. Let us stand as a beacon of compassion and solidarity, nurturing a community where generosity knows no bounds.

Thank you for joining us on this extraordinary day of giving and for being an integral part of the fabric that makes our community truly exceptional.

With heartfelt appreciation,  
**Terry Ward,**  
Publisher



## The link between volunteering and academic performance

There are many reasons for parents to encourage children who express an interest in volunteering. Volunteering is a social activity that can help children develop their social and networking skills, and many parents credit volunteering with instilling a sense of perspective in their children that they might not have gained had they not been exposed to people from different backgrounds.

Volunteering also has been linked to stronger academic performance. The Corporation for National and Community Service reports that students

who indicate they're doing better in school are more likely to be volunteers than students who report doing less well. The broadened exposure to people and places that students may otherwise not encounter without volunteering also can benefit them in the classroom, helping them more readily identify with cultures and societies they're studying.

College applicants with volunteering experience also may set themselves apart in the increasingly competitive application process. Though a 2019 Pew Research study reported that most schools

admit more than two-thirds of their applicants, that figure is significantly lower at many of the more highly rated institutions in the United States. For example, Stanford University (4.3 percent) and Harvard University (4.9 percent) recently reported acceptance rates below 5 percent.

Though volunteering alone won't help applicants gain acceptance to such competitive institutions, it can serve as a strong résumé builder and be even more effective if it also produces the previously noted improvements in academic performance.

## How to start an employee volunteer program

Passion for volunteering is commendable. Some individuals are so excited about the prospects of giving back that they may want to recruit more people to help. Such individuals may find that their place of employment is a great place to spearhead volunteer recruitment efforts.

Companies are diverse, but they also tend to attract like-minded individuals, which can make it easier to recruit potential volunteers. Business owners or human resources personnel looking to strengthen relationships among employees and give back to their communities can consider beginning volunteer programs at work. Here are some tips to begin this journey.

### Choose a cause to support

While national nonprofits are worthy of support, employees may be more excited about partnering with local initiatives. Human

resource departments or the employees who are starting volunteer programs at work can poll workers on which causes to stand behind. For example, a company that produces outdoor recreation clothing and equipment might

want to support local efforts that focus on conservation in nearby parks. If a company has a strong stance on education, gear volunteerism around providing supplies for students or improving technological resources in schools.

### Involve leadership

It's important to get the backing and approval of company leaders before starting a volunteer group. Since you may be using company resources and infringing on some company time, make sure that higher-ups are supportive. They also may be able to let organizers know whether a certain cause is complementary to the company mission or if it infringes on their mission. For example, a company that

produces plastic products may not mesh with volunteer groups that have negative things to say about plastic products.

### Start recruiting volunteers

Reach out to employees and spell out the program's mission during your recruitment efforts. This may be a task that the human resources department can help with. If the company has a department that organizes employee engagement activities, then that group would be a valuable resource as well.

It is also important to think about where volunteers may fit in. Assigning jobs and figuring out how many volunteers and man-hours will be required to complete tasks can provide a

greater sense of the scope of the venture.

### Establish when volunteerism will take place

It's best to have ground rules about how much of the employer-supported volunteer work will occur after hours. Some companies may be amenable to having a certain pocket of time taken from the work day, such as establishing Early Dismissal Fridays for volunteers. Employees can base their participation on how it will affect their schedules.

Establishing a volunteer program at work can be a great way to get involved and build strong relationships within the community.



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**The Brewster-Bridgeport-Pateros Community & Senior Center** is a non-profit organization with focus on our senior community. We are starting our membership drive for 2024 and our dues are only \$12.00 per person. Donations are always appreciated.

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As a non-profit organization, we offer many services to the community, some of which is loaning out medical equipment. We also run a monthly commodity program for Community Action. Hot meals are served three days a week serviced by OCTN. The OCTN bus runs 3 days a week locally and to Wenatchee on Thursday.

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# Leavenworth Summer Theater is kicking off its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Season of Theater Under the Stars

**Be a part of the magic with your donation!**

**Leavenworth Summer Theater began as the vision of John and Susan Wagner and Bill Weis in 1994. Today, LST welcomes dozens of local and traveling actors and musicians each summer.**

**Great talent and a terrific outdoor location come together to create something truly magical. Today, Leavenworth Summer Theater is the largest theater between Seattle and Spokane, with more than 20,000 people expected each summer.**

**Local families have made it a memorable tradition. Join in the fun!**

# Celebrating 30 Years of Theater Magic

## Leavenworth Summer Theater on Giving Tuesday

As the holiday season approaches, our hearts are filled with gratitude, and what better way to channel that spirit than by supporting the arts? This Giving Tuesday, we are thrilled to share the story of Leavenworth Summer Theater, a nonprofit organization embarking on its 30th-anniversary season of enchanting theater under the stars.

Founded in 1994 by John and Susan Wagner and Bill Weis, Leavenworth Summer Theater has grown to become the largest theater between Seattle and Spokane. Our commitment to providing family-friendly outdoor musical experiences

in the picturesque foothills surrounding Leavenworth has garnered the love and support of more than 20,000 patrons each summer.

This upcoming season promises to be extra special as we showcase Disney's Beauty and the Beast and continue the beloved Leavenworth family tradition of The Sound of Music, both performed at the breathtaking Ski Hill Amphitheater. With show dates in July and August, we invite you to join us for an unforgettable evening filled with laughter, music, and the magic of live theater.

What sets us apart is not just our captivating productions but also the sense

of community we foster. Each summer, we welcome 50-70 actors and musicians, some of whom hail from local areas, while others travel from across the nation to be part of our theatrical family.

As we prepare for this milestone season, your support on Giving Tuesday can help us continue our mission of bringing the arts to the heart of our community. Join us in celebrating 30 years of Leavenworth Summer Theater, where every ticket purchased and every donation made contributes to the magic that is live outdoor theater. Together, let's ensure that the lights on our stage continue to shine brightly for years to come.

# The Impact of Your Contribution

## Small Donations, Big Change

As Giving Tuesday approaches, it's a time to reflect on the power of generosity and the remarkable impact that even small donations can have on creating significant change in our communities. While the idea of making a difference often seems synonymous with large sums of money, the reality is that every contribution, regardless of size, plays a vital role in shaping a brighter future.

In the realm of charitable giving, it's essential to recognize that small donations collectively contribute to a substantial force for positive change. These contributions, when combined, form a mosaic of support that can address various needs and challenges faced by local organizations and initiatives.

One of the remarkable aspects of small donations is their ability to provide immediate assistance where it's needed most. Local charities and nonprofits often rely on a steady influx of modest contributions to sustain their day-to-day operations and fund essential programs. These funds may go towards providing meals for the hungry, educational resources for underserved communities, or support for those facing unexpected crises.

Moreover, small donations

have a cascading effect on community engagement. When individuals contribute, they not only provide financial support but also signal to others the importance of giving back. This ripple effect creates a culture of philanthropy, inspiring more people to join the cause and amplifying the overall impact.

Consider the example of a local literacy program that aims to improve educational outcomes for children. A modest donation may provide the necessary materials for a child to participate in reading programs, setting them on a path towards academic success. Multiply that by numerous small donations, and suddenly, the program has the resources to expand its reach, benefiting even more children in the community.

In the digital age, the ease of making small donations has never been greater. Online

platforms and crowdfunding initiatives allow individuals to contribute to causes they care about with just a few clicks. This accessibility empowers people to support a variety of initiatives, breaking down barriers and enabling anyone, regardless of financial means, to make a positive impact.

As we approach Giving Tuesday, let's celebrate the incredible potential of small donations. Whether it's contributing to one of the many North Cascade local food banks, supporting a community project, or aiding a cause close to your heart, know that your generosity, no matter the amount, is part of a collective force that can bring about meaningful change. Together, let's embrace the spirit of giving and recognize the profound impact we can achieve when we all contribute, no matter how small the gesture.



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### Women make up the greatest percentage of volunteers.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics says women currently volunteer roughly 6 percent more than men. What types of jobs might volunteers be doing? Fundraising for an event is the most common type of volunteer job in the United States. This is followed by tutoring or teaching; collecting, preparing, distributing or serving food; general labor; professional or management assistance; and coaching, refereeing or supervising sports teams.

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# UVCares: New Drug and Alcohol Treatment Center Opens

By UVCARES

UVCares Behavioral Health continues to provide mental health services to our community. Additionally, UVCares Behavioral Health has opened a new division of substance use disorder assessments and outpatient treatment that addresses the increasing need of drug & alcohol addiction.

**What we do and how you can help:**

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**How Your Donation Helps a Person in Need**

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 We are experiencing higher than normal costs associated with therapist fees. Your donation is needed and truly appreciated.

**Facts About UVCares Behavioral Health**

- A registered 501c3 non-profit charitable organization - donations are tax deductible.
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- Provides drug & alcohol addiction assessments and treatment.
- Provides private and court-ordered services.

- Addresses barriers that include access and affordability.
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## Cyber scams come in many different forms

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In a relatively short period of time, the internet has changed the way people live. Things that might have been unimaginable as recently as a quarter century ago are now ingrained in daily life. For instance, few people in the late 1990s might have imagined a day when billions of people across the globe would be walking around with mini-computers capable of taking hi-resolution photos in their pockets. But smartphones have long since become an accepted and vital part of life in the 21st century.

The internet has opened doors to new possibilities, but it's also left other doors open for cybercriminals. Any home with an internet connection is potentially vulnerable to internet scams. Recognition of that fact and awareness of the following scams can reduce the likelihood of being victimized by opportunistic cybercriminals.

- **Disaster relief scams:** Human beings' innate sense of compassion is on full display in the aftermath of natural disasters when people across the globe typically donate hundreds of millions of dollars in an effort to help people whose lives have been turned upside down by hurricanes, wildfires, and other devastating events.

But skilled cybercriminals prey on that compassion by setting up bogus relief efforts. Such efforts may involve fake charities with names that are similar but slightly different than well-known, legitimate nonprofit organizations. Operations such as Charity Navigator make it easy to verify if a charitable organization is legitimate, and would-be donors should utilize such resources prior to making any donations.

- **Phishing scams:** Phishing scams are among the oldest cyber scams, but they still nab victims every day. The Federal Trade Commission warns that many phishing scams are conducted via email or text messages and inform potential victims that there is an issue with their finances. Some may say there are issues with a bank account, credit card or even a tax return. Skeptics may wonder how anyone could fall for a phishing scam in the age of two-factor authentication and other security measures. However, the Federal Bureau of Investigation reports that phishing scams cost victims nearly \$60 million in 2019, indicating they're still a lucrative source of

income for cybercriminals.  
 • **Formjacking:** Formjacking is a retail-based scam in which online shoppers' personal and financial information is stolen. In such instances, a retail website could be hacked without users' knowledge. When it comes time to purchase items they've placed in their carts, users are redirected to a fraudulent payment page, where they enter personal information, such as their credit card number, that cybercriminals then steal. When buying items online, shoppers should confirm that the URL on the payment page aligns with the retailer they're buying from. If the URL is missing even a single letter (think Amzon.com instead of Amazon.com), then chances are a formjacking scam is being operated.

Tech support scams, in which users are asked to download applications to fix an infected computer, and similar download-based fake antivirus software scams are some additional examples of cyber scams. Users are urged to be on the lookout for each of these types of scams and exercise caution whenever something doesn't seem right or authentic.



# UVCares

UVCares is a nonprofit organization that delivers mental health and substance use drug and alcohol addiction healthcare while addressing barriers that include access, affordability, and community outreach.

## How Your Donation Helps a Person in Need

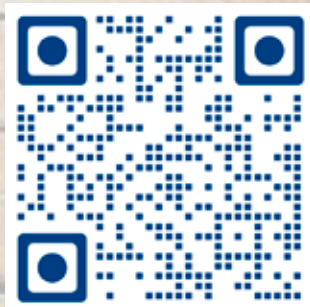
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## UVCares

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children gain early literacy skills and prepares them for kindergarten. When parents read to their children, it also provides opportunities for the parent and child to bond. We have delivered nearly 50,000 books to over 2,600 local children.

**The Give NCW campaign is open on Thanksgiving Day until Dec. 31, 2023.**

To donate, please visit <https://cfnw.org/givencw2023/>



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# Giving Tuesday:

A global movement spreading hope and generosity

Rooted in the spirit of generosity, this global phenomenon, celebrated on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving, encourages individuals and communities worldwide to embrace the act of giving back.

**Origin and History:**

Emerging in 2012 as a response to the commercialism of Black Friday and Cyber Monday, the concept of Giving Tuesday was born from a collaboration between the 92nd Street Y, a

cultural and community center in New York City, and the United Nations Foundation. Fueled by the power of social media and the collective desire to make a positive impact, this initiative swiftly gained traction, transcending borders and cultures.

**The Purpose and Impact:**

Giving Tuesday serves as a beacon of hope, uniting people across the globe to support causes close to their hearts. Whether contributing funds

to charitable organizations, volunteering time and expertise, or simply spreading awareness, this day empowers individuals to effect change in their communities and beyond.

**Unwavering Support and Growth:**

Over the years, the ethos of Giving Tuesday has reverberated across continents, igniting a spirit of philanthropy that knows no bounds. Organizations, corporations, and individuals join forces, amplifying the impact of their contributions to address diverse issues, from education and healthcare to environmental conservation and social justice.

**Local Initiatives and Participation:**

Communities around the world, including our own in North Central Washington, embrace Giving Tuesday with enthusiasm and passion. From charitable drives and fundraising events to volunteer-led initiatives, the spirit of giving resonates deeply within our neighborhoods, enriching lives and fostering a culture of compassion.

**Looking Ahead:**

As the world faces various challenges, the significance of Giving Tuesday continues to grow, reminding us of the profound impact of altruism. With each passing year, this day serves as a powerful reminder that generosity knows no bounds and that collective action can pave the way for a brighter, more compassionate world.



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## How to make a charity a beneficiary

Giving to charity can be a rewarding endeavor that makes a difference in the lives of people in need. Many people donate throughout their lives, and some people may want to impart a more lasting legacy by continuing to support a charity even after they have passed away.

Incorporating a charity into an estate plan is a great way to continue giving after you pass away. Individuals may not know how to make charities beneficiaries in their wills. A financial planner, attorney or accountant can answer the more complex questions individuals have about naming charities as beneficiaries in a will. In the meantime, this general guide can serve as a solid foundation for individuals

who want to give back in their wills.

Most people think of beneficiaries as loved ones, but a beneficiary can be any person or entity one chooses to leave money to, including nonprofit organizations. It's relatively the same process to name a charity as a beneficiary as it is an individual. According to the resource Trust & Will, first identify the charity that will be supported, including getting its Employer Identification Number or Taxpayer Identification Number. Next, determine which type of gift to make, which may be a predetermined financial contribution, a gift of property, or other assets like stocks. For large donations like real estate or cars, it may be best to contact the charity in advance

to ensure they are able to accept such gifts. Finally, be sure to include your wishes in an estate plan. A qualified attorney can help clients draft a will that spells out their wishes in detail.

Keep in mind that charities also can be named as beneficiaries on life insurance policies or individual retirement accounts. They also can be listed on bank accounts. Again, people are urged to discuss all options with estate planners to ensure their plans fully reflect their wishes.

When naming a charity as a beneficiary, it can be wise to inform family members and other beneficiaries so no one is caught off guard upon your death. This way the charitable gift is not held up by delays in executing the will.

## Signs of charitable fraud

Giving to charity is a selfless endeavor that's vital to the survival of countless nonprofit organizations across the globe. Without the generosity of donors, many charitable organizations would cease to exist, leaving the people they help vulnerable to illness and financial hardship.

Fraud may be the furthest thing from donors' minds, but it's something charitable individuals must be aware of as they consider donating to charity. According to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, charity fraud increases during the holiday season, when many people embrace the spirit of giving and seek to make end-of-year tax deductible gifts to their favorite charities.

The FBI also warns that charity scams are common after disasters or tragedies, including pandemics. The Federal Trade Commission noted in September 2020 that Americans had lost more than \$145 million to charity fraud

related to the coronavirus in the first six months of the pandemic.

One measure all prospective donors should take is to learn the signs of charitable fraud. Many charity scams target seniors, but no one is entirely safe from charity fraud. AARP notes that the following are some warning signs of charity fraud.

**Pressure to give:** Reputable charities do not pressure prospective donors into giving. A strong, trustworthy charity will accept donations whenever donors choose to make them. Legitimate operations like the American Red Cross may heighten their solicitations after natural disasters, but such groups still will not try to pressure people into donating.

**Thanking donors for donations they don't recall making:** AARP notes that some charitable fraud perpetrators will try to convince potential victims they have already given to a cause. This is done in an effort

to lower potential victims' resistance, giving them a false sense of security and the impression that a fraudulent operation is legitimate. If donors don't recall donating to a specific charity, chances are strong they didn't make such a donation and that the message of gratitude is merely a fishing expedition intended to reel in new victims.

**Requests for cash, gift cards, or wire transfers:** Cash, gifts, and wire transfers are difficult to trace, which makes it easier for perpetrators of fraud to escape the authorities. Reputable charities will welcome donations made by personal check or credit card.

Perpetrators of charitable fraud prey on the vulnerability of well-meaning donors who simply want to support a good cause. Learning to spot signs of charitable fraud can provide an added measure of protection against the criminals behind such operations.



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# Thinking Outside the Box in Giving: Unconventional Ways to Contribute to Causes Beyond Traditional Donations

As Giving Tuesday approaches, a day dedicated to charitable acts and giving back to the community, it's an opportune time to explore unconventional ways of making a difference beyond the traditional avenues of monetary donations. While financial contributions are undoubtedly valuable, there are myriad creative and unexpected ways to support causes close to your heart. This year, let's think outside the box and discover innovative ways to contribute to meaningful change.

**Time and Skills Donation:**

Instead of reaching for your

wallet, consider giving the gift of your time and skills. Many non-profit organizations are in constant need of volunteers to support their missions. Whether you have expertise in graphic design, marketing, event planning, or simply a willingness to lend a hand, your skills can make a tangible impact. Offer to help with social media campaigns, create promotional materials, or organize fundraising events. Your time and talents can be just as valuable as a monetary donation.

**Micro-Volunteering:**

For those with hectic schedules, micro-volunteering offers a convenient way

to contribute in bite-sized increments. Websites like Sparked and Catchafire connect volunteers with short-term, online projects that can be completed in as little as 15 minutes. This allows individuals to make a meaningful impact, even during a coffee break or while waiting for a bus.

**Donation of Goods:**

Clean out your closet or declutter your home with a purpose. Many charities accept donations of gently used clothing, household items, and even technology. Your old laptop or smartphone, for instance, could provide educational opportunities for

those in need. Check with local organizations to see what specific items they are currently seeking.

**Educational Initiatives:**

Share your knowledge and passion by engaging in educational initiatives. Offer to host a workshop or mentorship program for individuals interested in your field of expertise. Education is a powerful tool for empowerment, and your guidance can help open doors for others.

**Social Media Advocacy:**

Leverage the power of social media to raise awareness about causes that matter

to you. Share informative content, inspiring stories, and calls to action on platforms like Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Your online presence can help amplify the reach of organizations, sparking conversations and encouraging others to get involved.

**Random Acts of Kindness:**

Sometimes, the simplest acts can have the most profound impact. Embrace the philosophy of random acts of kindness by surprising strangers with small gestures of goodwill. Whether it's paying for someone's coffee

or leaving uplifting notes in public spaces, spreading positivity can create a ripple effect that extends far beyond the initial act.

This Giving Tuesday, let's redefine the meaning of giving by exploring unconventional ways to make a positive impact. Whether it's through volunteering your time, sharing your skills, or embracing small acts of kindness, there are countless ways to contribute to causes that matter. By thinking outside the box, we can create a culture of giving that extends beyond traditional donations and fosters a spirit of generosity that lasts throughout the year.

## Charities that help children

Whitney Houston famously sang "the children are our future." Each generation has the potential to change the world. Even the most determined children need some helping hands in order to reach their full potential, especially if they must confront financial, medical, or other obstacles.

Charitable organizations assist individuals in various ways. Children's charities help kids in need, whether they are facing poverty, need critical medical care, come from abusive homes, or require learning assistance. The following are some of the many critical children's charities working to help youngsters reach their full potential.

**Wheels for Wishes:** This organization helps children of the Make-A-

Wish Foundation. Wheels for Wishes facilitates car donations that can help fund experiences for critically ill children. ([www.wheelsforwishes.org](http://www.wheelsforwishes.org))

**Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation for Childhood Cancer:** This organization was started by the parents of Alexandra "Alex" Scott, a young girl who had cancer and succumbed to the disease in 2004. The group helps raise funds for pediatric cancer research. ([www.AlexsLemonade.org](http://www.AlexsLemonade.org))

**WorldVision:** This group was founded in 1950 by Robert Pierce to support Christian mission services for families experiencing crises in East Asia. It is now the largest international non-governmental organization helping impoverished children in Asia and elsewhere. ([www.worldvision.org](http://www.worldvision.org))

**Save the Children:** This charity works internationally and in the United States to sponsor children experiencing abuse, physical abuse, neglect, and sexual exploitation. ([www.savethechildren.org](http://www.savethechildren.org))

**Imagination Library:** This organization, started by country star Dolly Parton, provides free books to children from birth through age 5. While it began for kids in rural Tennessee in 1995, the charity now distributes one million books to children across the U.S. to help foster a love of reading. (<https://imaginationlibrary.com/>)

**St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital:** The work at St. Jude's helps to fund research to find cures and new treatments for childhood cancers. St. Jude's also provides safe and free medical services to children with cancer. ([www.stjude.org](http://www.stjude.org))

**Locks of Love:** This charity provides wigs made of real hair for children suffering from long-term medical hair loss. The wigs are made from donated ponytails to provide the highest quality hair prosthetics to financially disadvantaged children. (<https://locksoflove.org>)



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# Making wishes: one furry friend at a time

By MAKE-A-WISH ALASKA AND WASHINGTON

When Make-A-Wish alumna Krystin Intrchoodech was in the hospital, the only people outside of her family she got to see were her nurses and doctors.

"It was very lonely," said Krystin reflecting on the seven months she spent in the hospital undergoing five rounds of life-saving treatment for leukemia.

But while there, she found comfort from an unexpected source: a fluffy, pink, Build-A-Bear teddy gifted to her by her dad and brother. It was just the companion Krystin needed to lift her spirits.

She affectionately named her furry friend Krystin Jr., and the two were inseparable. "She slept with it every night," said her mom, Ladda.

During that time, she was introduced to Make-A-Wish Alaska and Washington -- the non-profit that grants wishes to local children with critical illnesses -- and was told she qualified for a wish.

"I thought about all the things I could wish for and decided that I wanted to give back," she said. "I wanted every child to have a friend - something to be there for them in their time of need to comfort them."

And so, that became her wish -- to give back.

For a day, the pediatric cancer units at the hospital were transformed into Build-A-Bear workshops. Large stuffing machines were set up in the family rooms of the outpatient cancer clinics. Adorable outfits and various furry friends were laid out so patients at the hospital could create a one-of-a-kind stuffed animal just for them.

Bear Builders from Build-A-Bear worked with each patient individually to stuff the bears, perform Heart Ceremonies, and stitch them up with love and care.

As children brought their furry friends to life, it was almost as if more wishes were coming true, the power of a wish touching each person involved.

"Krystin embodies the spirit of generosity that fills the air this time of year and is vital for Make-A-Wish to continue its work," said Angela Miller, vice president, regional and volunteer programs for Make-A-Wish Alaska and Washington. "We rely on volunteer support and donations to make life-changing wishes like Krystin's possible."

In fact, the local chapter is in dire need of volunteers who speak both English and Spanish in Chelan and Douglas counties. "Right now, we have a handful of volunteers who are single-handedly granting all the wishes in Central and Eastern Washington."

Volunteers meet with families -- helping them through the wish-granting process, including planning their wishes.

"For anyone looking for a fun and joyful hands-on experience working directly with kids and families, this is a volunteer opportunity unlike anything else," Miller said. "When people hear the name Make-A-Wish, there is a common misconception that we have all the funding and resources we need because we are so well-known. But that's not true."

If Krystin's wish has inspired you, please visit wish.org/akwa/Krystin to learn about how you can help grant life-changing wishes like hers by donating your time as a volunteer or making a gift of cash or frequent flyer miles.

