



## 2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

### Part One

#### January 2022

##### Single-use utensils no longer automatically given after Jan. 1, 2022

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Hospitality sectors all over Washington State will automatically stop serving customers single-use utensils after Jan. 1, 2022. This law is part of a series of changes published in SB 5022 on July 25, 2021. This law is centered on reducing waste and littering for the foreseeable future. Single-use utensils that will be limited include straws, cold beverage cup lids (not including drive-thru beverages), forks, spoons, knives, and condiment packaging.

##### Cashmere City Council update

BY: JOEL WALINSKI

New City Council Member John Perry was inducted as a new City Council Member.

Prior to the Public comment period, Mayor Jim Fletcher stated that the new development being proposed for Kennedy/Olive Roads will be decided by the Hearing Examiner. He explained that the approval of the development was a judicial processor, and the City Council is the legislative branch of the government and is not involved with the approval process of this development. He expected public comments, but none were given.

##### Chelan-Douglas Health District Officers Hold Omicron Variant Press Conference

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

The Chelan-Douglas Health District (CDHD) Interim Health Officer Dr. James Wallace and Administrator Luke Davies held a press conference on Jan. 4, at the Town Toyota Center to speak to the public regarding the recent resurgence of the COVID-19 Omicron variant. The press conference was the beginning of the CDHD's public campaign to address the Omicron Variant situation. Dr. Wallace said that they were not there to alarm the public, but rather to raise awareness of how quickly Omicron is spreading and to better prepare the community.

##### Historic "Snowmageddon" 2022

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

A record-setting 36 inches of snow graced Leavenworth residents on Jan. 5. That evening, Chelan County residents received an alert of an incoming snowstorm set to hit around 6 p.m.

##### Stevens Pass Update

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Jeremy Rubingh's petition "Hold Vail Resorts Accountable" has amassed nearly 40k signatures since its publication in early January. In response to the criticism, Vail resorts appointed new Interim General Manager Tom Fortune to Stevens Pass resorts. Fortune is a local Stevens Pass resident, as well as a former operations director to Stevens Pass Resort prior to its acquisition to Vail Resorts in 2018. Vail Resorts also has limited skier capacity and closed the Stevens Pass resort due to hazardous weather restrictions. They hope to resume their operations once US Hwy. 2 is reopened.

#### February 2022

##### Sultan Bandit Escapes Police 3 times in Week-long Pursuit

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Police throughout Washington, Idaho, and Montana were hot on the trail of repeat burglar and Sultan local Jesse Spitzer, who was able to slip through the fingers of every officer he encountered. In the past week, Spitzer was able to escape police

custody three times, racking up a hefty list of burglary charges in the process. Spitzer, who is now 30 years old, was 19 years old when he was first found guilty for attempted murder of a police officer back in Nevada of 2010. He was originally sentenced up to 22 years in prison in July 2011. His mother suspects that his recent actions were in consequence of his addiction to narcotics.

##### Cashmere City Council Holds Special meeting with Woodard and Curran

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Cashmere City Council held an impromptu discussion with construction company Woodard and Curran over a possible 5-year contract with them, allowing the company to take over water and wastewater management. The special meeting took place on Jan. 26, with Woodard and Curran Client Manager Anthony Naccarato and Area Manager Dave Kitzmiller leading the presentation.

##### Cashmere High School Drama Presents the "The Addams Family: School Edition" Musical

SUBMITTED BY SUSAN GUBSCH

The Cashmere High School Drama Department is excited to be presenting "The Addams Family: School Edition". This fun, laugh out loud musical comedy was performed on January 28 and 29 and will be presented again February 3, 4 and 5, 2022 at the Cashmere Middle School Auditorium.

##### Cashmere American Legion Auxiliary #64

SUBMITTED BY LINDA INGRAHAM

President

Every year the American Legion Auxiliaries around the state help with holiday gift shops at VA Medical Centers and Nursing Homes. We send gifts and a time is set in early December for 2-3 days at these facilities for the veterans to come in and shop for their families. The gifts are wrapped, and they take them at no cost to them at all. We here in Cashmere have helped every year until last year. Last year Jeanette Sauer-Smith, the activities director at the VA Nursing Home in Spokane, said they would do their own shopping, so we just sent money since no one was allowed in. This year when we talked with her, she said she was so shorthanded that she wasn't sure what she was going to do. So, she said she would send us a list of some to go shopping for if we wanted to do that for them. Well, we got a list all right, all 66 veterans there with a wish list. Of course, we were more than willing to do that and went shopping.

##### Girls Basketball Team Earns No. 1 Spot in CTL League

BY: CASHMERE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS

The Bulldogs ran their CTL winning streak to 69 straight victories on Feb. 2. Cashmere is now 15-1 on the season, and a perfect 11-0 in CTL play. They are the 2022 CTL Champions. The Bulldogs honored their three seniors prior to the game on Wednesday, and then came out on fire as they jumped out to a 57-5 halftime lead. Senior Riley Johnson knocked down six 3-pointers and led the Bulldogs with 25 points, 8 rebounds, 8 assists, and 5 steals. Junior Maddie Hammond added 13 points and 6 rebounds, and Genn Ledesma contributed 9 points and 3 assists.

##### Assistant Coach Tyler Theiss Wins WA State Football Award

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Cashmere High School's Assistant Football Coach Tyler Theiss was awarded the district 6 Assistant Football Coach of the Year. Theiss was awarded by the Washington State Football Coaches Association on Feb. 3. "I kind of thought to myself, when I got the email [Thursday]



PHOTO BY JEFF PATON

**January 19** Photo of the front of St. James Episcopal Church in Cashmere with snow covered sidewalks and no parking yet on Cottage Avenue.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

**January 5** John Perry



PHOTO: TYLER THEISS' INSTAGRAM

**February 9** Assistant Coach Tyler Theiss with Bulldog Freshman Aidan Theiss



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY SUSAN GUBSCH

**February 2** Addams Family Dress Rehearsal.



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY CASHMERE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DIRECTOR JEFF CARLSON

**February 9** Front Row (L to R): Noah Lyons, Maddie Hammond, Riley Johnson, Esmeralda Galvez, Genn Ledesma, Ella Burts, Olivia Martinez 2nd Row (L to R): Brianna Talley, Allie McKenna, Zoe Brown, Ellie Bessonette, Cam Phillips, Leah Kunz, Adysen Bjorklund, Kailyn Bjorklund, Katie Piepel, Kora Traynor, Mary Van Winkle 3rd Row (L to R): Chris Lyons, Brent Darnell, Larry Michael, Stan Evenhus, Abbie Johnson

morning, that it was a joke or that it was some sort of spam email," Theiss said. He recalled asking Coach Bremer if it was real who confirmed that it was "only a matter of time."

##### Chelan County Proposes Multimodal Pathway Plan

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Chelan County's proposed Multimodal Pathway Plan gains traction as they brainstorm new routes that could connect neighboring communities to Chelan, Leavenworth, Cashmere, and Wenatchee. On Feb. 9, Chelan County Natural Resources Director Mike Kaputa presented to the Chelan County Transportation Council a power point presentation that illustrated constructed pathways that would connect Manson to Chelan, Monitor to Cashmere, and Malaga to Wenatchee.

##### Cashmere Students Protest over Mask Mandate

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Passerbys could hear country music and smell burgers charring on the grill as they pass Cashmere High School on Feb. 9. Students surrounding a pickup truck with a grill and could be seen playing cornhole after standing outside all day protesting the WA State Mask Mandate. Over 30 Cashmere high schoolers took part in a statewide protest on mask mandates, while the Cashmere Middle schoolers had around 50 students the following morning.

##### Cashmere Bulldogs Prepare for Playoffs

BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Cashmere held a Pep assembly on Feb. 10 for their student athletes after

## Plan to cut statewide fuel emissions 20% starts Jan. 1

### New Clean Fuel Standard will tackle Washington's largest source of greenhouse gas emissions

SUBMITTED BY DEPT. OF ECOLOGY

**OLYMPIA** – Washington's new Clean Fuel Standard will begin cutting greenhouse gas emissions from transportation – the state's largest source of carbon pollution.

Over the next 12 years, the new standard will reduce annual transportation emissions statewide by 20 percent, or about 4.3 million metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent. That's comparable to taking more than 900,000 cars permanently off the road.

The Washington Legislature passed the Clean Fuel Standard in 2021 and directed the Department of Ecology to implement the program beginning in 2023. Today, Ecology adopted the final rules for the Clean Fuels Program to meet that deadline.

"We have to make it easier for people and businesses to use cleaner transportation options," said Washington Gov. Jay Inslee. "The Clean Fuel Standard will jumpstart investments in low-carbon fuels, help expand our state's infrastructure for zero-emission vehicles and give consumers better choices as we grow our clean energy economy."

The new Clean Fuels Program uses a market approach to incentivize fuel producers to reduce the "carbon intensity" of their products by 20 percent by 2034 – four years faster than first proposed. The accelerated timeline comes in response to strong public feedback and an independent economic analysis and fuel supply forecast that show 2034 is an achievable target.

California, Oregon, and British Columbia have adopted similar programs for transitioning to low-carbon fuels. Even before Washington's program formally begins, fuel producers and energy suppliers have moved to increase clean fuels production. Most notably, BP America committed last year to invest \$269 million to double the production capacity of renewable diesel at its Cherry Point refinery, near Ferndale.

"We've seen encouraging interest from businesses that want the opportunities clean transportation fuels will bring," said Laura Watson, Ecology's director. "We're excited to work with businesses and communities across the state on this new program, and to integrate it with our other climate policies, especially our zero-emission vehicles and cap-and-invest programs."

Under the new program, fuels will be assessed to determine their "carbon intensity" – how much carbon pollution they produce over their lifecycle for the energy they deliver. Cleaner fuels – those with carbon intensities below the standard – will generate credits that can be kept or sold to producers of high-carbon fuels. This will spur production of cleaner blends of traditional fuels, notably gas and diesel, and is expected to stimulate further investment in alternative fuels and electric vehicles.

The program also includes incentives for building charging infrastructure for electric and hydrogen-fuel vehicles and includes provisions to ensure overburdened communities see increased access to clean transportation.

### What will the Clean Fuel Standard mean for gas prices?

Gas prices will continue to be far more impacted by world events and supply disruptions than individual state policies. No new carbon reduction policies are in place today, yet gas prices are still more than \$4 a gallon in Washington. The good news is that the Clean Fuel Standard and other climate policies in Washington are not predicted to have a significant impact

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PHOTO BY JOHN KRUSE

**May 11** Ultralight Aircraft crash at CHS.

both Girls and Boys Basketball teams reigned victorious against their Cascade competitors.

**Cashmere Girls Basketball Player Riley Johnson Named Player of the Year**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

The Caribou Trail League recently named Girls Basketball Senior, Riley Johnson, Player of the year. Alongside Johnson is Brent Darnell who was named Coach of the year.

**It's National FFA Week**  
BY: RUSTY FINCH

FFA Advisor

Cashmere FFA is gearing up for a busy spring with leadership and skill competitions, animal project acquisition and the spring plant sale. Our first competitive speaking event will be the FFA Creed featuring 10 new freshmen.

March 2022

**Cashmere Local Eloise Day Turns 100**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

The Day family will be celebrating the 100th birthday of matriarch Eloise Day on March 10, 2022 at a gathering at the Cashmere Presbyterian Church. After living through a century's worth of history, Eloise confides that her secret to a long life is to keep an open mind. Eloise Day was raised by her Nebraskan father, Lloyd Frease, and Seattle local, Margarette Frease, in the small town of Cashmere.

**Cashmere Pageant Cancelled...Again Although There is Hope for Festival Participation**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Cashmere Pageant Coordinator Valerie Carney has confirmed that they will not be doing a standard Cashmere pageant this year. Instead, they are opting to hold an essay contest for Cashmere High School juniors and seniors and hope to send them to neighboring parades across NCW

**Girls Basketball Team Earns 3rd Place in State Championship**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

The Cashmere girls' basketball team entered the semifinals after defeating Zillah High with a close 50-45 score on March 3. On Friday, March

4, Cashmere lost to Nooksack Valley with a 60-48 score, but were still in the running to earn the 3rd place championship title.

**Over 17 Vale third graders win Art.Link Design Contes**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

The 2021 Art.Link Design Contest was graced with dozens of entries from 3rd-graders all over Chelan and Douglas counties. Out of all the cities Link Transit covers, 17 Vale Elementary students reigned supreme with the largest number of winning entries.

**Vale Elementary Volunteer Honored on 80th Birthday**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

When volunteer Gladys Lewis arrived at Vale Elementary on the morning of March 16, she did not expect to be applauded by an entire crowd of students and teachers. She was overwhelmed with hugs from teachers and the squeals of children she had spent years volunteering with. She holds a bucket labeled "My Birthdays," with a birthday princess sash as she fights back tears of joy. One by one, preschoolers and kindergarteners place a \$1 bill in her bucket and are rewarded with small hugs. She received \$100 in total. "I've never felt more special in my entire life," Mrs. Lewis said. Lewis has been a volunteer at Vale Elementary for a total of nine years, with seven of those years volunteering full-time, for five days a week.

April 2022

**Cashmere Royalty update**  
STAFF REPORT

Cashmere Royalty is bringing back their royalty program, with the pageant returning in the 2022-2023 school year. While there will not be a traditional pageant this year, the Royalty program has returned with an essay contest and interview program to select each court and queen. The Cashmere High women selected to represent our community will be at Founders' Days and attend many community festivals and parades throughout the state and beyond.

**Cashmere City Council**  
BY: KIRK BECKENDORF

Correspondent

Mayor Jim Fletcher officially declared April 29, Arbor Day in Cashmere and he urged "all

citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands".

**Cashmere Royal Court Selected**  
BY: CASSIE WARMAN

The Cashmere Float Association Board of Directors is pleased to announce the coronation of the 2022 Cashmere Founders' Days Royal Court: Princess Joslyn Lucero, Queen Lauren Kurt and Princess Lesly Vejar-Garcia.

May 2022

**Cashmere City Council**  
BY: KIRK BECKENDORF

Correspondent

Outgoing Fire Chief, Cy Soursley, was recognized for his 17 years of service with Cashmere's Fire Department. He received the recognition at the Cashmere City Council's April 25 meeting. Afterwards Blake Larson was welcomed as the new Chief by Mayor Jim Fletcher.

**Ultralight Aircraft Crash Lands in Cashmere High School's Batting Cage**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Cashmere Superintendent Glenn Johnson was not expecting a call that an Ultralight aircraft had crashed into the Cashmere High School baseball field, specifically in the batting cage.

**Devastating fire engulfs family's home Community steps in with GoFundMe Campaign**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Randy and Dawna Turner's double wide trailer home was fully engulfed by fire on April 26 at 1:32 p.m., with one suffering from smoke inhalation and another sustaining first and second degree burns and was later transported to Central Washington Hospital then to Harborview in Seattle.

**Cashmere Middle School Band and Drill Teams earn first place in the Apple Blossom Parade**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Both Band and Drill teams for Cashmere Middle School have earned the number 1 spot in the April 29th Apple Blossom Parade. Kent and Annie Chalmers, the married Band and Drill instructor duo, celebrate their win after two years of lockdown.

PHOTO BY ALLAN WARMAN

**April 27** (L to R): Princess Joslyn Lucero, Queen Lauren Kurt, and Princess Lesly Vejar-Garcia.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

**February 23** Gillian Darnell & Alia Kenoyer farrowed their first litter of pigs



PHOTO BY MEGAN SOKOL

**March 9** Eloise Day

**Gina Imperato steps down as Cashmere Chamber of Commerce Manager**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

After serving the Cashmere community for six years, Gina Imperato will officially be leaving the Cashmere Chamber of Commerce on June 3, 2022.

**Shon Smith is once again running for Chelan County Commissioner**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Wok About Grill owner Shon Smith is running for the Chelan County Commissioner District 3 seat once again, after losing a close race to current Commissioner Bob Bugert.

**Two Candidates Vie for Sheriff's Seat**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

Current Chelan County Sheriff Brian Burnett is coveting his seat for a fourth term. With \$30,350.31 already spent for his campaign, signs all over Chelan County, and seemingly no opponent running against him, Burnett was confident that he would win. However, a last-minute campaign filing from Deputy Mike Morrison just made the election more captivating.

June 2022

**Cashmere City Council meeting**  
BY: KIRK BECKENDORF

Correspondent

Seven lifeguards have been hired to staff the Cashmere city pool this summer. At the May 23rd City Council meeting, Mayor Jim Fletcher announced that more interviews are



PHOTO BY MEGAN SOKOL

**March 22** Gladys Lewis sits in a chair with a bouquet of flowers, a birthday princess sash, and a bucket labeled "My Birthdays."

scheduled, and the city has a goal of having at least 15 lifeguards

**Cashmere's Kert sisters earn doubles spot at 1-A State Tournament**  
BY: MATTHEW OCKINGA

Correspondent

Jerry Seinfeld once described tennis as ping pong, except you're playing on the table. In a different context, tables symbolize the deep bond of family unity. While gathering around the dinner table, every member of the Kert family sits next to a fellow tennis player. Trevor Kert, head coach of the Cashmere High School tennis squad, is the proverbial godfather of this athletic dynasty. All four of his children have played for the Bulldogs - at an elite level.

**City of Cashmere ironing out details for possible library move to Riverside Center**  
BY: MEGAN SOKOL

Staff writer

The talk in town has centered squarely on the Cashmere Library's possible relocation to the Riverside Center since January of 2022. Mayor Jim Fletcher expressed his enthusiasm for the Riverside Center to finally become the community center Cashmere greatly desires.

**Welcome to Founders' Days**  
SUBMITTED BY CASHMERE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

We've got food vendors in the park, live music in the streets and for the first time, putt-putt golf! The festivities will be topped off by our annual Crunch Pak Grand Parade at 5 p.m. on June 25th. We cannot wait to see everyone



PHOTO BY MEGAN SOKOL

**May 18** Wok About Grill owner Shon Smith

out for Founders' Days and look forward to a weekend of family fun for our community.

**Beta Hatch celebrates the opening of another facility in Cashmere**  
BY: KIRK BECKENDORF

Correspondent

Beta Hatch, a unique insect farming operation in Cashmere, celebrated its official grand opening on June 24th. Beta Hatch Founder and CEO, Virginia Emery, and Governor Jay Inslee, both spoke at the ribbon cutting ceremony highlighting the innovative and sustainable methods utilized by the new agricultural enterprise.

**West Cashmere Bridge holds opening and dedication ceremony**  
BY: ERIN MULLINS

Reporter

The West Cashmere Bridge held an opening and dedication ceremony on June 22 at 10 a.m., to commemorate the completion of Chelan County's largest ever transportation project, which cost about \$27 million in total. The bridge replaced the former Goodwin Road Bridge and provided large vehicles access to Cashmere without going through downtown.

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**New WSU institute would help lead clean energy tech innovation**

SUBMITTED BY OFFICE OF GOV. JAY INSLEE

**OLYMPIA** - Gov. Jay Inslee announced his proposal for a new Institute for Northwest Energy Futures at the Washington State University Tri-Cities campus on Monday, Dec. 12. Inslee was joined by WSU Tri-Cities chancellor Sandra Haynes, WSU president Kirk Schulz, TRIDEC CEO Karl Dye, 8th legislative district senator-elect Matt Boehnke, and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory associate laboratory director Malin Young.

His proposal will fund a new Institute for Northwest Energy Futures on the Washington State University Tri-Cities campus.

The institute will conduct joint research with partners in science and industry in search of new discoveries. It will

introduce students to a spectrum of careers in clean energy, and engage governments to innovate public policy.

“As we advance clean energy, we know we’re going to create jobs, and we know we’re going to face challenges,” said Inslee. “Cougars will work those jobs, and Cougars will invent solutions to those challenges. WSU INEF graduates will help us push the envelope.”

“We are honored and excited that Governor Inslee has included the Institute for Northwest Energy Futures in Washington state’s clean energy initiative,” said WSU Tri-Cities chancellor Sandra Haynes. “This funding would allow INEF to support the Tri-Cities, our region, state, and nation as a leader in transforming energy systems and solving climate issues by bridging science and policy.”

**Fuel emissions**

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on gas prices. An independent analysis (commissioned by Ecology) found that the Clean Fuel Standard would add less than a tenth of a cent to the price of a gallon of gas in 2023, about two cents in 2024, and four cents in 2025.

Any price impact from the policy is predicted to disappear

once the standard is fully in place by 2034. Even when combined with Washington’s other major new climate policy, the Climate Commitment Act, any increase on consumer gas prices is unlikely to exceed 1 percent.

In addition, greater consumer choice for transportation fuels is expected to diminish the economic impacts caused by sudden swings in gas prices.

**Winter Conditions Force Cancellation of Critical Blood Drives**

**Hundreds of units of blood impacted across Red Cross Northwest Region**

SUBMITTED BY BETSY ROBERTSON

The ongoing effect of winter snow and ice across much of Washington State is forcing the cancellation of mobile blood drives and closure of fixed collection sites in affected areas until conditions improve. Donors are encouraged to check with their local Red Cross office to see if their drive is impacted. “We are losing hundreds of units of blood across the region,” says Angel Montes, Blood Services Executive, Red Cross Northwest Region. “Unfortunately, this severe winter weather is coming at an already challenging time of the year to collect blood as many of our blood donors are away for the holidays.”

To help ensure patients continue to have access to lifesaving blood products, the Red Cross urges individuals to schedule an appointment to give blood once weather conditions improve.

Visit RedCrossBlood.org, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, or call 1-800-Red Cross. The most important gift you can give this holiday season is the gift of life through a blood donation. Every day, the Red Cross must collect approximately 12,500 blood and nearly 3,000 platelet donations for patients, who are currently undergoing medical procedures and treatments, who are alone without the bedside support of loved ones, at about 2,500 hospitals and transfusion centers nationwide.

**How to donate blood**

Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, call 1-800-

RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or enable the Blood Donor Skill on any Alexa Echo device to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver’s license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood and platelet donors can save time at their next donation by using RapidPass® to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, before arriving at the blood drive. To get started, follow the instructions at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or use the Blood Donor App.

\*As a thank-you, all who come to give Dec. 16-Jan. 2 will get a long-sleeved Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last.

\*Washington still requires face masks be worn at all blood drives and donation sites.

Amplify your impact – volunteer

Another way to support the lifesaving mission of the Red Cross is to become a volunteer blood donor ambassador at Red Cross blood drives. Blood donor ambassadors help greet, check-in and thank blood donors to ensure they have a positive donation experience.

Volunteers can also serve as transportation specialists, playing a vital role in ensuring lifesaving blood products are delivered to nearby hospitals. For more information and to apply for either position, visit redcross.org/volunteertoday.

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**Wednesday**

- Cashmere Rotary Club:** meets at Cashmere Presbyterian Church hall, noon. Co-presidents Tracy Franklin 509-670-1165 and Kelley Boyd.
- 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

**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).

**Friday no events**

**Saturday**

- American Legion Bingo,** first call is at 6:15 p.m. American Legion Hall, 401 Sunset Hwy. Cashmere. Call 509-888-1904 and leave a message for Wiley Collins.

**Sunday**

**CHURCH:** See the church page for local service times and events.

**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, 509-662-5984. (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.)
- Cashmere School Board Work Session,** Board work sessions are typically held towards the beginning of the month at 6:30 a.m. with no action taken. For updated info. Visit www.cashmere.wednet.edu
- Cashmere School Regular Board Meetings,** are typically held towards the end of the month at 7 p.m. with action taken. The schedule for meetings is subject to change to accommodate conflicts in schedule or special circumstances. Visit www.cashmere.wednet.edu for the most up to date info.
- Chelan Douglas Republican Women,** Meetings at Highlander Golf Club, 2920 Eighth St. S. E. East Wenatchee Please, RSVP if you want to have lunch. Check-in begins at 11 a.m. and the meeting will begin at Noon. Call Ellie: 425-319-9869. (1st Mon., monthly).

**Tuesday**

- Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts:** Current meeting time 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Anthony Jantzer, cell, 509-433-4064, 509-782-2561 or tony.iid.pid@ncwi.net. (2nd Tues.)
- Peshastin Water District,** meets at 5:30 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.)
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**CHELAN COUNTY SHERIFF, FIRE & EMS REPORTS**

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**Dec. 16**

- 07:29 911-call, 8115 Depot Rd., Dryden
- 07:30 Suspicious Circumstance, 2900 block Mission Creek Rd.
- 08:06 Public Assist, 509 Cottage Ave.
- 13:13 Trespassing, 111 Turkey Point Ln., Dryden
- 15:34 Diversion, 4900 Nahahum Canyon Rd.
- 17:09 Suspicious Circumstance, 115 E. Pleasant Ave.

**Dec. 17**

- 02:15 Animal Problem, 305 Woodring St.
- 08:05 Theft, 6997 Nahahum Canyon Rd.
- 10:11 Theft, 4430 Eels Rd. area
- 12:38 Agency Assist, 6997 Nahahum Canyon Rd.
- 14:13 Trespassing, 101 Cottage Ave., Lovely Floral
- 17:13 Civil Dispute, Cashmere area

**Dec. 18**

- 10:20 Hazard, Woodring St. and Mission Ave.
- 10:41 Sex Offense, Mission Creek Rd.
- 15:43 Theft, 71 Sandstone Ln.

**Dec. 19**

- 00:30 Civil Dispute, 239 Independence Way
- 07:32 Suspicious Circumstance, 2 Riverfront Dr.
- 09:40 911-call, 817 Pioneer Ave.
- 12:11 Animal Problem, 8734 School St., Dryden
- 18:25 Public Assist, 8697 Alice Ave., Dryden

**Dec. 20**

- 05:17 Non-injury Accident, Olalla Canyon and N. Dryden

- Roads, Dryden
- 05:58 Alarm, 5655 Sunset Hwy., Los Tres Amigos
- 06:46 Welfare Check, 6004 Goodwin Rd.
- 07:03 Non-injury Accident, Stine Hill Rd., and Pine Flats
- 07:41 Non-injury Accident, Stine Hill Rd., and Turkey Shoot
- 09:13 Public Assist, 95 S. Douglas St.
- 11:28 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 0 block Yaksum Canyon Rd.
- 11:39 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, Woodring St. and Mission Ave.
- 12:44 Theft, 4907 Sky Meadows Rd.
- 16:01 Diversion, 8115 Depot Rd., Dryden
- 19:16 911-call, 275 Independence Way
- 20:31 Animal Problem, 305 Woodring St.
- 23:29 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, Stine Hill Rd., and Turkey Shoot Dr.

**Dec. 21**

- 19:11 DUI Arrest, US Hwy. 2 and Cottlets Way
- 19:59 Welfare Check, Richard Dr. Bridge, Monitor

**Dec. 22**

- 00:07 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 2 MP 112
- 05:42 Disturbance, 115 Elberta Ave.
- 09:36 Welfare Check, Sunset Hwy., and River St.
- 11:15 Malignous Mischief, 350 Sunset Hwy. Tienda Mexicana
- 12:15 Trespassing, 8115 Depot Rd., Dryden
- 13:06 Non-injury Accident, Railroad Ave., and S. Division St.
- 15:40 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, E. Nahahum Canyon Rd.

**Correction:**  
Snowy Clover Brown was born in Wenatchee, WA., on November 30, 2022, to Carrie and James Brown of Cashmere, WA. She was 7 lbs., 13 oz. and 20 inches long. She joins her siblings Ivan and Wynter Brown. Her maternal grandparents are Dan and Sharon Smith, and paternal grandparent is Diane Brown.

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Tuesday, 7 p.m., Light in the Valley, 8455 Main Street, Peshastin  
Wednesday, 7 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
Thursday, 1 p.m., Leavenworth Senior Center, 423 Evans St.  
Friday, 7 p.m., St. James Episcopal Church, 222 Cottage Ave.  
Friday, 7:30 p.m., Plain Community Church, 12565 Chapel Dr., Plain
- Alanon Meetings,** call 509-548-7939  
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"We know preparing for and avoiding flood damages is particularly important because storms are increasing in strength and frequency while sea levels are rising," said Ecology floodplain planning policy lead Scott McKinney. "Responding to a flood emergency often costs four to seven times more than investing in preventative measures, which save \$6 for every \$1 spent."

Soliciting local grant applications starting Feb. 15 FCAAP funding helps communities develop comprehensive flood hazard management plans to prepare for and reduce flood risks. Since local and Tribal governments lead efforts to reduce flood hazard reduction

efforts, these activities directly benefit residents and businesses located in or near flood hazard areas.

On Feb. 15, 2023, we will start soliciting applications from local and Tribal governments for FCAAP competitive flood planning grants. We anticipate having up to \$2.3 million available.

To help interested FCAAP grant applicants, Ecology is hosting two 90-minute virtual workshops in January 2023. The workshops will provide an overview of the upcoming 2023-25 grant funding cycle, as well as which projects are eligible and how to apply. The events will be held:

Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Click here to register in advance.

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Our focus will be on getting grant solicitations to help underserved communities and economically disadvantaged areas develop flood hazard management plans. Applicants should describe how their proposal will benefit these communities and areas. Although there is no maximum award amount, we anticipate individual grants will not exceed \$300,000.

For over 10 years, Ecology did not have sufficient FCAAP funding to help our local partners develop flood hazard management plans. Unfortunately, this lack of funds disproportionately affected economically distressed rural communities.

Emerging research shows Latino and Tribal communities are more exposed to flooding. For example, research estimates that while Latino residents make up 8% of Washington's total population, they comprise 16% of those living in flood zones.

Tribal governments employ more than 37,000 people and generate \$5.7 billion to Washington's economy. They represent Tribes occupying flood-risk areas that would directly benefit from flood planning. Updated flood plans sustaining and enhancing salmon habitat also helps address Tribal treaty rights.

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Ecology has published a comprehensive guide for flood hazard management planning. The guide details how to prepare a plan and offers important considerations for the planning process.

These plans additionally help lower flood risks for local roads, bridges, and utilities while protecting the value of public and private property. Finally, communities completing flood plans will be in a better position to compete for federal and other state grants to build better flood resiliency.

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# PUD bids farewell to long-serving commissioners Congdon, Bolz

SUBMITTED BY RACHEL HANSEN

Senior Communications Strategist

**WENATCHEE** – Friends and colleagues shared memories and fond farewells with two long-serving commissioners – Ann Congdon and Dennis Bolz – during their last board meeting December 20.

Commissioner Ann Congdon was elected to the commission 18 years ago. She was encouraged to run by family friend Jean Ludwick, the first woman in the state elected as a PUD commissioner.

“When I became commissioner, it was clear that Chelan PUD needed to earn back trust with our customer-owners,” Congdon said. “As a board, one of the things we did right was hire the right general managers at the right time.”

One of the longest-serving commissioners in PUD history, Congdon helped hire five general managers including Rich Riuzzi, Steve Wright and Kirk Hudson. During her

tenure, she worked alongside staff to reduce debt by nearly \$1 billion and position the PUD as one of the most financially stable utilities in the nation. She was a major proponent of a supported employment program at the PUD, which helps people with cognitive disabilities to develop job skills. She also joined other commissioners to adopt the PUD’s vision of providing the best value for the most people for the longest time.

“Of everything we’ve done, I feel really good that we worked hard and gained the trust of the community over time,” she said. “My parting words to fellow commissioners is that we’ve got to do everything it takes to keep earning that trust. That means open communication, a lot of outreach, and staying engaged in conversations around the community.”

Commissioner Dennis Bolz championed many issues during his 16-year tenure on the board, including parks development, transparency,



Journeyman Mechanic Jered Paine presented two plaques dedicated to retiring commissioners Ann Congdon and Dennis Bolz during their last board meeting Monday.

and fiscal responsibility. In 2019, he received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Washington Public Utility Districts Association in recognition of his long-standing work on behalf of public power.

“One of the things I’m most proud of is the transition in culture that we helped facilitate at Chelan PUD,” Bolz said. “The five of us worked to create a tone at the commission level to model a healthier balance for how people treated each other, with respect and dignity.”

Bolz was also part of creating the Public Power Benefit program, which supports community-minded projects such as expanded access to fiber internet, parking passes at PUD-owned state parks, electric vehicle charging stations and more. His leadership has advanced several PUD strategic plans, including critical decisions on rate design and economic development, guided by input from thousands of local customers.

“The public is important,”

Bolz said. “We had the courage to go forward because we took the time to hear what the public was thinking. It’s been a great experience.”

In other news, commissioners:

- Heard an update on the safety recommendations from an investigation at Rock Island Dam in 2018. Most of the recommendations are complete, and three are in progress.

- Approved resolutions to support 2023 hatchery operations, and monitoring and evaluation activities pursuant to the Habitat Conservation Plans for Rocky Reach and Rock Island hydroelectric projects.

- Approved a resolution to authorize the general manager to negotiate the acquisition of Peshastin Water District.



# Five arrested on drug charges – all part of same drug trafficking organization

SUBMITTED BY COMMANDER CHRIS FOREMAN

Colombia River Drug Task Force

**WENATCHEE** – On December 8, 2022, Chelan County Deputies responded to a male passed out in a vehicle in Manson, WA. Deputies that arrived on scene recognized the male as Caleb Ritz, a 39 year old male from Brewster, WA. Ritz was arrested on drug related charges and search incident arrest, Ritz had a loaded revolver on his person. Ritz is a convicted felon. Ritz’s vehicle was seized for a search warrant. Deputies worked with the Columbia River Drug Task Force Detectives

and a search warrant was served on the vehicle resulting in suspected Fentanyl pills, suspected heroin and suspected methamphetamine seizure. Ritz was charged with Unlawful Possession of a Firearm in the 1st Degree, Possession with Intent Fentanyl, Possession with Intent Methamphetamine, and Possession with Intent Heroin.

On December 9, 2022, Detectives from the Columbia River Drug Task Force served a search warrant in the 700 block of North Grover Place in East Wenatchee, WA. The search warrant resulted in over 8,000 suspected Fentanyl pills being seized. A

second search warrant was obtained for the resident of the property’s vehicle which resulted in roughly 400 more suspected Fentanyl pills along with 2 ounces of suspected methamphetamine an ounce of suspected heroin and a large amount of cash. Shawn Drummond a 36 year old resident of East Wenatchee was arrested for Possession with intent to distribute Fentanyl, Heroin and Methamphetamine.

On December 16, 2022, Detectives with the Columbia River Drug Task Force conducted an investigation at the Red Lion Hotel in Wenatchee, WA where it was

determined Fentanyl pills were being dealt out of one of the hotel rooms. Numerous known drug users were seen coming and going from the suspect’s room. A search warrant was served at the suspected hotel room which resulted in the arrest of Kasey Cooper, a 34 year old resident of East Wenatchee, WA. When Cooper was contacted in the hotel room by law enforcement he destroyed evidence by flushing suspected drugs down the toilet. Additional drugs to include suspected Fentanyl pills and suspected Methamphetamine were recovered in the hotel room. Cooper was arrested

for Possession with Intent for Methamphetamine and Fentanyl. He was also charged with Maintaining a Drug Property and Obstruction.

Over the course of the investigation it was determined that Shawn Drummond, Kasey Cooper, Matthew Hendricks, Caleb Ritz, and Casey McKinstry are all part of the same drug trafficking organization. CRDTF detectives are working with our Federal counter parts with Homeland Security Investigations and the AUSA of the Eastern District of Spokane to indict these suspects under federal charges where they could

face longer prison time. Ritz, Drummond, and Cooper joined their counter parts currently housed at the Chelan County Regional Justice Center.

The Columbia River Drug Task Force is committed to targeting Fentanyl drug dealers in the Wenatchee Valley. There have been too many lives lost and countless lives affected by this poison being distributed in our community. CRDTF is committed to working with our federal partners as well as the Chelan and Douglas Prosecutor’s office to hold these drug dealers accountable to the highest extent of the law.

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The Washington State Fire Marshal’s Office reminds everyone that taking preparedness actions now,

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Follow these simple tips to keep you safe for winter weather:

- Stay informed of winter weather.
- Prepare your home by insulating walls, attics, and pipes to avoid freezing during cold weather.
- Learn how to shut off water valves in case a water pipe bursts.
- Gather supplies in case

you need to stay home for several days without power.

- If you have an emergency generator, follow the manufacturer’s instructions.
- Avoid using carbon monoxide producing appliances indoors to include lighting, heating, and cooking equipment. Proper ventilation and following the manufacturer’s instructions are key.
- Create an emergency supply kit for your car and if possible, keep a full tank of gas.

- If you have a fireplace or wood stove, store a good supply of dry, seasoned wood for back-up heating fuel.

- When preparing, keep in mind each person’s specific needs to include medication, and remember your pets’ needs too.
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Dec. 20:	Cashmere 57, Chelan 90; Loss

### Sports Schedule

BOYS BASKETBALL	
Dec. 29:	Cashmere vs. River View at Granger at 4:30 p.m.
Dec. 30:	Cashmere vs. Granger, Away at 8 p.m.
Jan. 3:	Cashmere vs. Omak, Home at 7:15 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL	
Dec. 29:	Cashmere vs. Zillah; Away at 3:30 p.m.
Dec. 30:	Cashmere vs. Ellensburg, Away at 9 a.m.
Jan. 3:	Cashmere vs. Omak, Home at 5:45 p.m.
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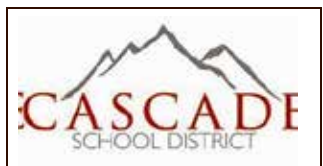
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FOR CHELAN COUNTY  
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**NONPROBATE NOTICE TO CREDITORS** RCW 11.42.030  
The notice agent named below has elected to give notice to creditors of the above-named decedent. As of the date of the filing of a copy of this notice with the court, the notice agent has no knowledge of any other person acting as notice agent or of the appointment of a personal representative of the decedent's estate in the State of Washington. According to the records of the court as are available on the date of the filing of this notice with the court, a cause number regarding the decedent has not been issued to any other notice agent and a personal representative of the decedent's estate has not been appointed. 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 11.42.070 by serving on or mailing to the notice agent or the notice agent's attorney at the address stated below a copy of the claim and filing the original of the claim with the court in which the notice agent's declaration and oath were filed. The claim must be presented within the later of: (1) Thirty days after the notice agent served or mailed the notice to the creditor as provided under RCW 11.42.020(2)(c); or (2) four months after the date of first publication of the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.42.050 and 11.42.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
**DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION: December 28, 2022**  
The notice agent declares under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington on 19th day of December, 2022, at Wenatchee, Washington, that the foregoing is true and correct.  
**DAVID J. BENTSEN**  
Notice Agent:  
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Address for Mailing or Service:  
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• The total cost of all the work to be performed.  
• A projected time schedule of the work. The work should be completed by July 1st, 2023.  
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In the Matter of the Estate of JOEL MAXIMILIAN MERK, Deceased. NO. 22-4-00558-04  
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The Administrator named below has been appointed as Administrator 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 Administrator or the Administrator's 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 Administrator 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 the notice. If the claim is not presented within this time frame, the claim is forever barred, except as otherwise provided in RCW 11.40.051 and 11.40.060. This bar is effective as to claims against both the decedent's probate and nonprobate assets.  
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**Follow these 5 tips to declutter, organize your home in the new year**

By CHRISTINA GIAQUINTO

The start of the New Year is always an exciting time filled with resolutions to live healthier and happier for the next 12 months. One surefire way to do that is cleaning up and decluttering your home, as clutter takes up physical space, drains mental energy, and causes a ton of stress and anxiety. Eliminating clutter in each room is an impactful way to make a living space really feel like a calming sanctuary.

If you are struggling to figure out how to best declutter your home in the New Year, do not worry. In my experience as the Professional Organizer and Brand Ambassador of Modular Closets (DIY customizable closet units that organize any space in your home), I have discovered these helpful decluttering tips:

- 1. Before Starting, Ask Yourself 2 Questions**  
There are two questions to ask yourself: do you have too much stuff or not enough space? If you do not have enough space, there are a few solutions. First, create a new closet system. Oftentimes, our spaces are completely underutilized and simply not designed properly. Many times, we have more space than we think. This does not mean you have to make a huge investment or start an intimidating construction project. For example, just by changing your single rod closet to double hanging, you instantly double the space. The most transformative thing you can do to organize when you do not have a lot of space is to redesign the system. Modular Closets is just one highly effective system that is easy to design yourself or with their team and instantly transforms your space! Also, always utilize your walls when you do not have a lot of space — hooks are a great way to organize things such as hats, purses, and necklaces.
- 2. Turn Decluttering Your Clothes into a Game**  
Who doesn't love a fun game? If you want to quickly declutter your clothes, turn it into a game by committing yourself to accomplishing the task in one day no matter what. By setting the goal to finish the decluttering process in 24 hours, you will feel energized and inspired to get it done. On a practical level, the best way to ensure you get it done fast is by creating piles and categories. This is going to make it much easier to declutter and decide what you do not want anymore. In my own experience, this is the #1 way to declutter fast.

- can easily burn out and take even longer to declutter your home.
- Second, pause and step away for a moment. Sometimes all you need is a breather, a glass of water, and to step away from the clutter. Third, if you find the process overwhelming, set the timer for 15-minute increments so you can work within an allocated amount of time.
- 4. Avoid These 10 Decluttering Mistakes**  
If you want to optimize the process of decluttering and cleaning up your home, make sure to avoid these blunders:
  - 1.) You do not have to throw everything away.
  - 2.) Be honest with yourself if you truly need that item.
  - 3.) Do not let the object take over you. You control the object. Always remember that.
  - 4.) Do not start the process until you have categorized it into piles.
  - 5.) Do not declutter with everything still in the space. Empty out everything until the closet/room/space is empty.
  - 6.) Do not throw it all away without seeing if you can donate it locally.
  - 7.) Do not keep your clutter to have a garage sale unless you have that garage sale booked in the calendar.
  - 8.) Do not declutter without a goal and intention for your space.
  - 9.) Do not declutter without a snack on hand. It gets tiring.
  - 10.) Do not be so hard on yourself. This process is a lot. The fact that you are working on your space to make it better is truly such an accomplishment.
- 5. Follow My 8-Minute Rule to Keep Your Home Tidy**  
Keeping your home neat needs to be an ongoing, daily process, as it will prevent clutter and chaos from forming over time. Luckily, you can easily do this in less than 10 minutes a day. Just set a timer for 8 minutes and spend that time ridding counters of any clutter, picking items off the floor, and putting things where they belong. I like doing this before I go to bed, as it puts my mind at ease and completes my day. However, you can do it at any time that is right for you.

If you do not have a lot of space, you have to honor and accept the space you have. You may need to simplify things a bit more and work on practicing the process of letting go of some more of your items. Things are not bad, as they create our environment and add purpose and meaning to our home. However, we have to honor the space we have and allow things into our space that don't create clutter.

Another idea is to have a friend or family member help. Decluttering can be emotionally tiring physically and mentally, so it is always great to have support. Your friend may also want to keep some of the items you are looking to give away, so it's a win-win for both of you.

**3. Take a Break if You Feel Overwhelmed**  
If you are feeling stressed out and overwhelmed while decluttering, pause and hit the reset button. Decluttering is both physical and emotional so there may be moments where you feel overwhelmed, and this is completely natural and okay. So first and foremost, please know it is okay to feel that way! If you put too much pressure on yourself to get it all done at once, you

Whatever clutter you can eliminate in 8 minutes is fantastic. Also, this will eventually become a habit that you enjoy doing each day. And when it becomes a part of your daily lifestyle, your space will never get messy and chaotic. Remember, the goal is not to put every single item away (of course, that is awesome if that happens); the objective is to put whatever you can away until the timer goes off after 8 minutes.

**To Wrap It All Up**  
Ridding your home of clutter is an excellent way to live healthier and happier in the New Year, as messiness can cause a lot of stress and anxiety. Optimize the decluttering process by first asking yourself if you have too much stuff or not enough space. Also, turn decluttering your clothes into a game, take a break if you feel overwhelmed, avoid 10 of the major cleaning mistakes I have seen others make, and follow my 8-minute rule. This will help you keep your home tidy and chaos-free in Year 2023 and beyond.

Christina Giaquinto is the Professional Organizer and Brand Ambassador of Modular Closets (DIY customizable closet units that organize any space in your home). Christina focuses on giving her clients the tools, methods, and techniques to transform their lives and homes through decluttering and organizing. She combines spiritual coaching and organizing to help her clients let go of things that do not spark joy and happiness. Her work has been featured on sites like Popsugar, Women's Health, Reader's Digest, Realtor, The Spruce and Yahoo. [www.modularclosets.com](http://www.modularclosets.com)

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- Like a bug in a rug
- Princess Fiona, by night
- Square root of 100
- Thwarted
- SNL's foRtE
- \*Nationality that gave us gelato
- Administer
- Wound fluid
- Not dead
- Radices, sing.
- \*Clarified butter of Indian origin, pl.
- \*Peking fowl
- Mennonite's cousin
- Jack Black's Libre
- Martin of "Apocalypse Now"
- Terrorist org.
- Fat of olives
- \*Like certain meatballs
- Tear-jerker
- Hog heaven
- Posthumous type of tax
- Like 90 degree angle
- Reassembled dwelling
- Feudal dwelling
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- Semis
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- Not all
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