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**POLITICS**

# Wall, Neff square off for Mansfield mayor



Clint Wall  
 COURTESY CLINT WALL



Kris Neff  
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By **MIKE MALTAIS**  
 Ward Media Staff Reporter

**MANSFIELD** – The race for town mayor between longtime resident and interim mayor Clint Wall and challenger Kris Neff, a relative newcomer who settled in Mansfield in 2020, is creating anticipation among residents.

Electing someone for mayor besides Tom Snell who held the office for 33 years between 1990 and 2022 is a new experience for many Mansfield voters.

When Snell stepped down in the mid-term to be replaced by then council member Wall the transfer of leadership had that familiar ring that the voters would not have to do that again for another couple of decades.

Not so. One issue before voters is whether to remain loyal to the familiar or to embrace change. And there are other issues as both candidates have made clear.

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**KALISPEL TRIBE**



COURTESY OF COLVILLE CONFEDERATED TRIBES FISH & WILDLIFE  
**A buffalo bull checks out his new home on the Colville Reservation**

# Buffalo now roam on the Colville Reservation

By **MIKE MALTAIS**  
 Ward Media Staff Reporter

**NESPELEM** – Buffalo are now roaming free on the land of the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation.

While many eyes in the county are on the proposed reintroduction of the grizzly bear in North Cascades National Park, and the presence of wolf packs elsewhere, a small herd of the nation's national animal slipped onto the Colville Reservation earlier this month.

The Kalispel Tribe in Montana gifted 33 surplus buffalo from their Montana herd to the Colville Confederated Tribes. The mix of vaccinated bulls, pregnant cows, and calves were released on Oct. 2-3 between Keller Ridge and Buffalo Lake near the towns of Nespelem and Elmer City.

In a media release announcing the release, Jarred-Michael Erickson, Chairman of the Colville Confederated Tribes, said "Today, buffalo return to part of their historic range. We are always happy and proud when we can take a step toward restoring our lands to their natural condition. The Colville Tribes wishes to thank the Kalispel Tribe, who gifted us these magnificent animals."

Funds to help restore tribal bison herds were included in the \$1.75 trillion Inflation Reduction Act signed into law by President Joe Biden in August 2022. It included \$5 million earmarked for

## By the numbers

The American bison, named the nation's national mammal in 2016, is a wildlife success story. Here are numbers to know:

**500:** Once estimated to number in the tens of millions, they were hunted to near-extinction and by 1884 less than 500 remained.

**500,000:** Conservation efforts began just in time to save the species and today more than 500,000 flourish in the U.S. including 5,000 in Yellowstone National Park.

**12:** The Interior Department alone manages 11,000 bison in herds across 4.6 million acres of public lands in 12 states.

bison recovery through two channels.

- The Intertribal Buffalo Council (IBC), comprised of 80 tribes in 20 states that manage more than 20,000 buffalo, received \$3.5 million for herd development.
- The Bureau of Indian Affairs received \$1.5 million to aid federally recognized tribes – which includes the Colville Confederated Tribes – in their herd expansions programs.

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**COMMUNITY EVENT**



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Move some dirt, harvest some wheat, then relax on the boat. Mansfield Auction has it all.

# Bargain hunting

## Mansfield Lions Club holds annual October Auction fundraiser

By **MIKE MALTAIS**  
 Ward Media Staff Reporter

**MANSFIELD** – From heavy equipment to hand tools and everything in between, the 46th annual Mansfield Lions Auction converted one person's junk to another person's treasure on Oct. 7.

Lions Club spokeswoman Lynn Poole said both selection and attendance was typi-

cal of past years as buyers from miles around have the town's once-a-year sale on their must-attend list for great bargains. Large and well-attended as it is, the action is not the only fundraiser the club sponsors to raise money for community causes.

For the second consecutive year Mercury Auctions from Chehalis handled the bidding chores.

The next Lions function is the annual Christmas tree sale in Chelan in December.

"We hold it at the Lakeview Drive-In," said Poole. "They let

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Farmers kick back in the shade provided by a Case combine up for auction.

**YOUTH SPORTS**

# Columbia River Football Club gives youngsters a soccer option

By **MIKE MALTAIS**  
 Ward Media Staff Reporter

**BREWSTER** – Talk about a group of youngsters looking for a home, the Columbia River Football Club filled that role in spades judging by the overwhelming turnout after just one year in existence.

Brewster elementary teacher

Abbie Gebbers was inspired to kickstart the organization in 2022 to fill a void that had been largely overlooked in local youth sports.

"I have my own kids and there weren't really any youth soccer options in our area," said Gebbers. "I thought 'that's crazy' because I work at the school and there are

tons of kids."

Following the example of family member Michael Taylor who runs Brewster Youth Baseball, Gebbers decided to form a youth soccer group. The call went out for youngsters between the ages of 4 and 13 years old from Brewster, Pateros, and Bridgeport.

"I thought we'd have about

160 kids like youth baseball does," said Gebbers. "Last year we had 360 kids which was unexpected but really great. This year we have over 430 kids registered."

Gebbers said the Brewster School District was able to use a grant to help Columbia

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Young members of the Columbia River Football Club mix it up on game day every Saturday morning through the end of October.

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**5 THINGS TO DO This Week**

**Craft and Chat**

The Omak public Library will host a Craft and Chat on Friday, Oct. 20 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.  
 "Join us for great conversations and bring your current craft in progress," the event page states.  
 "Join us to learn crafting techniques, share crafting projects, and to be inspired," the event page states.  
 "Bring your work in progress or join us for a chat. This is an adult program to help build community with the joys of crafting together."  
 For more information visit ncwlibraries.org/omak.

**Okanogan Valley Orchestra & Choir Fall Concert**

The Okanogan Valley Orchestra and Choir will host their Fall Concert on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 3 p.m. at the Omak Performing Arts Center.  
 Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors, and 18 and under are free.  
 For more information visit ovocmusic.org.

**Pumpkin Patch & Harvest Fun**

The pumpkin patch at Antheia of Chelan is open from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday in October.  
 "Join us at Antheia of Chelan for Harvest FUN," the event page states. "Pumpkin Patch, hayrides, apple shoot, hay box, garden walk, make your own bouquet, cocoa, cider, and donuts."  
 For more information visit antheiachelan.com.

**Chelan FFA Harvest Festival**

The Chelan FFA will host a Harvest Festival at Chelan River Park on Sunday Oct. 22 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
 "There will be food available for purchase, games, face painting and much more," the event page states.  
 "All ages are welcomed and encouraged to come."

**Live Music at Chelan Ridge Winery**

The Chelan Ridge Winery will host Cashmere musician Carly Klein on Sunday Oct 22 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

"We are so excited to have Carly Klein Schoening joining us at Chelan Ridge Winery on October 22nd from 3-6," the event page states. "She is a local artist from Cashmere and has just recorded her album and will be or already has released it this month."  
 "Sip wine, enjoy our made to order wood fire artisan pizzas, charcuterie & salad," the event page states. "Bring your family and friends for a fun afternoon at Chelan Ridge Winery. Make a day of it and visit for lunch beforehand."  
 For more information visit chelanridgewinery.com.



The Lions Club sells concessions to hungry bidders.

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us use their parking lot in the winter, so we set up there."

Mansfield Playday, held every June, is another opportunity for the Club to raise dollars.

"We bring out the cook shack and raise money from that," Poole said.

The money is basically for community needs," said Poole. "For glasses, hearing aids, scholarships; if a school function needs money, we donate to them and a lot of stuff in town."

Berry sales provide another income stream.

"In the summer we take orders for strawberries and raspberries," said Poole. "Then we go to the coast and pick them up."

Between the June Playday and the October auction the Lions take orders for dirt and gravel, said Poole. Club past president Brad Murison has a company contact that hauls the dirt and gravel into Mansfield where customers can then pick up their orders.



Mercury Auctions handles the bidding.



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**SOCCER**

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River FC purchase the equipment necessary to get started in fall 2022.

"This fall businesses donated funds that were used to purchase team uniforms that the players get to keep at the end of the season," said Gebbers. "The support of these businesses helps us keep the cost of registration down for families, and the players love the jerseys."

The club plays on Saturdays from 8 a.m. until about 1 p.m. in the park across from the Columbia Cove Recreation Center at 601 Hanson Ave. W. The last game, weather permitting, is Saturday, Oct. 28.

"Awesome turnout," Gebbers said. "Overall, this has been a great opportunity for kids in our community and we look forward to many more seasons to come."

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*Harvest in full swing*



Apple harvest is in full swing as bin upon bin of Granny Smiths line Highway 97 and await transport to the Gebbers Farms warehouse in Brewster.

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**Recognizing local non-profits making a difference**

As we approach the season of giving, we at Ward Media are excited to bring you stories that truly reflect the spirit of our community. It's that time of year when we come together to support those who work tirelessly to make North Central Washington a better place.

We believe that featuring local non-profit organizations is a wonderful way to showcase the dedication and selflessness of those who contribute to the well-being of our community. This is why we're turning to you, our readers, for your valuable insights.

We invite you to recommend non-profit organizations

you believe deserve recognition for their outstanding work. These organizations can be the unsung heroes who make a significant impact in our area, often quietly and without fanfare. Whether they provide essential services, advocate for a cause, or foster positive change, we want to hear about them.

Our mission is to shine a spotlight on these local heroes who embody the true spirit of giving. We hope to inspire others to join their efforts and make this giving season special by featuring them in the Quad City Herald.

Please take a moment to share your suggestions for

these feature stories with us. You can email me at terry@ward.media or call my office at (509) 731-3284. Your recommendations will play a crucial role in helping us highlight the incredible work being done right here in our own backyard.

As we embark on this season of gratitude and generosity, let's come together to celebrate the local non-profits that make North Central Washington a better place for all of us. Your input is invaluable in this endeavor, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you for being a part of our community and helping us make a difference.



Terry Ward

From the Publisher

**BUFFALO**

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"Through historic funding from the Biden-Harris administration, we can support tribes in maintaining herds of buffalo," said Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Bryan Newland. "These herds are central to tribes' cultural, spiritual and nutritional traditions, and they also preserve the ecosystems that

sustain both bison and tribal communities."

"We thank the Biden-Harris administration for their financial support of our ecosystem and the buffalo," Erickson said.

The CCT joins the Yakama Nation, also federally recognized, as the state's other Native American tribe that has buffalo. The Yakamas acquired their first herd from a tribal member in 1991 and were given more than two

dozen Yellowstone bison by the IBC in December 2021.

The CCT has been actively pursuing the reintroduction of several species to its tribal lands.

"We are currently capturing Canada lynx and releasing them on the reservation," said CCT Public Relations spokeswoman Michelle Campbell. "We will be releasing a fourth cat today," she noted on Oct. 11.

The CCT began importing

pronghorn antelope from Nevada in 2016. The first herd of 52 was followed by another 98 in 2017. California bighorn sheep were reintroduced to the Hellgate Game Reserve near Keller in 2008. Elk from South Dakota were brought in to supplement existing herd numbers. Future imports may include Rocky Mountain bighorns and mountain goats.

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# MAYOR

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## Wall stresses community roots

Wall graduated Mansfield High School in 1982, left the area for a spell to work construction, go to college, and find his future wife. When he brought her home to meet the locals, she liked what she saw, and the couple stayed. Wall was hired on with the Douglas County Road Department 27 years ago and began doing his part as a community volunteer.

The Walls have been married 36 years and have two children, a daughter, Emily, currently a boutique manager in Wenatchee, and son, Clinton, Jr., who just got married. He works as a lineman apprentice in Ellensburg.

“One of my strong points is I’m vested in the community,” said Wall “I have dedicated 25 years so far to the actual politics of Mansfield and the things I have done make me the qualified candidate.”

Some of those things Wall alluded to include almost 30 years in the fire department, 28 as an EMT, Lions Club, Booster Club president, and Waterville Fair Board for 10 years.

“We’re a small town and want to keep it that way,” said Wall. “The majority of the people I’ve spoken with like the small town.”

The city has 37 or 38 buildable lots in town and while Wall said he is not opposed to growth he wants to keep it at



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## Kris Neff campaign sign

a modest rate.

“I want to see those filled. It would enhance the town and it would help the school out and the local economy,” said Wall. “But I don’t want to see a 500-unit housing development come into Mansfield and us become a sole bedroom community for other areas. That’s my biggest concern.”

Wall said the city is careful and conservative in its approach to expenditures and staff workload.

“I have two employees that work for me, and I have a part-time employee who takes care of the cemetery and that’s all we have,” said Wall. “We can’t overwhelm my office staff, which is one, and my city superintendent, that’s one, with a ton of projects.”

Wall said Mansfield must follow the same rules and regulations as other towns and cities but does so in a smaller context.

“We don’t have the resources for more staff,” said Wall.

“We work on a very tight budget.”

Wall said retirement in less than four years will give him more time for city work.

“Working a full-time job plus the mayor’s job keeps you on your toes, but I enjoy it so much,” Wall said.

## Neff sees needed change

Neff is a relative newcomer to the rural farming community having relocated from Chelan in 2020. An active community volunteer with a solid resume of offices held and causes promoted, she is past president of Chelan Rotary, Lake Chelan Republican Women, and the Chelan chapter of Womens Missionary Fellowship. She served as secretary for the Chelan Chamber of Commerce and a regular attendee of Chelan County Planning Commission meetings.

As a Mansfield resident Neff is a board member of the Mansfield Museum, a mem-

ber of the Growth Advisory Board, the Mansfield United Protestant Church, Mansfield School Roundup committee, and a substitute teacher at the high school.

Neff is running a campaign centered around two principal issues: 1. Better communication between mayor, city council, and residents and 2. Budgeting to include capital long term planning.

She brings experience to the mayor’s race as a legal assistant, real estate broker and office owner, and certified real estate appraiser.

“I have run two of my own businesses, understand budgets, spreadsheets, profit and loss, balance sheets...and the accounting process,” Neff wrote in her business profile. “I know how to run a successful enterprise.”

“The thing we hear in Mansfield all the time is ‘There isn’t any money!’ One of my promises is I won’t take anything for this position,” Neff said.

Instead, she would direct some of her salary toward a quarterly newsletter about what is happening in the city council and with the city budget.

“We don’t set aside money for equipment; we don’t set aside money for tree trimming; we don’t do any capital planning at all; it’s all year-to-year,” Neff said.

“I know there are grants available to do things like playground equipment,” said Neff. “That’s one of the big things people told me they want.”

Neff said the city needs a full-time mayor and somebody



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## Clint Wall campaign sign

needs to be in the city office all the time. Neff said the city clerk works at both the school and for the city.

“One of the other complaints the people had is to keep the darn office open,” said Neff. “You can go there three days a week and it’s closed for no reason. I don’t understand why we are paying a full-time position in city hall when the office is closed.”

Neff has distributed a printed circular itemizing changes she would enact as mayor. A few of those include:

- Improvements to Harold Beard and Railroad parks. Re-open the Railroad Park restroom. Include a line item in the 2024 city budget for tree trimming, and park maintenance.
- Annual budget with projected expenses and rev-

enues for each city department. The community needs to know how the funds are being utilized on a detailed basis.

- Regular and consistent town hall hours for community access.
  - Online bill payment, budgets, agendas, and meeting minutes. A town website with contacts for officials, maps, demographics, links to zoning, county web pages.
  - Weekly communications from the mayor to the town council.
  - Apply for grants available to small communities.
- Mansfield voters will make their decision in the Nov. 7 general election.

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## OKANOGAN & DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF, BREWSTER POLICE DEPT

### Douglas County Sheriff's Office

#### October 6

- 07:26 Suspicious Circumstance, 1 Drinkwater Dr., Orondo
- 11:20 Alarm, 491 Rd. 14 NE, Mansfield High School
- 14:34 Civil Dispute, 335 E. Railroad Ave., Mansfield
- 16:05 Extra Patrols, 811 Jefferson Ave., Bridgeport
- 17:06 Suspicious Circumstance, 30 Mountain Spring Rd., Orondo
- 18:25 Weapons Violation, Fir Ave. and McCormack St., Bridgeport
- 19:25 Fraud/ Forgery, 2115 Tacoma Ave., Bridgeport
- 20:41 Drugs, 102 S. Chelan Ave., Waterville
- 22:22 Civil Dispute, 1222 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport

#### October 7

- 00:01 Noise Complaint, 421 Lake View Dr., Orondo
- 00:04 Domestic Disturbance, 7 Weimer Rd., Orondo
- 01:00 Assault, 22840 D US Hwy. 97, Orondo
- 09:41 Graffiti, 102 S. Chelan Ave., Waterville
- 13:07 Welfare Check, 506 E. Locust St., Waterville
- 19:51 Noise Complaint, 1716 Raymond Ave., Bridgeport
- 20:42 Suspicious Circumstance, 401 W. Ash St., Waterville

#### October 8

- 07:45 Civil Dispute, 303 E. Ash St., Waterville
- 08:13 Animal Problem, 86 Grange Rd., Bridgeport Bar
- 09:58 Theft, 423 S. Central Ave., Waterville
- 10:40 Hazard, 204 Davis Ave., Bridgeport
- 11:56 Theft, 402 S. Chelan Ave., Waterville

#### October 9

- 04:17 Suspicious Circumstance, 95 Spring Canyon Rd., Orondo
- 07:11 Drugs, 228 Grange Rd., Bridgeport
- 12:50 Animal Problem, 100 Nollmeyer Rd., Orondo
- 17:15 Civil Dispute, 465 Rd. C NW, Waterville

19:29 Alarm, 70 Zanol Loop Rd., Orondo

#### October 10

- 10:39 Civil Dispute, 1740 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport
- 10:46 Theft, 123 W. Poplar St., Waterville
- 15:13 Domestic Disturbance, 929 Maple St., Bridgeport
- 16:32 Scam, 21318 US Hwy. 97, Orondo
- 17:16 Runaway, 228 Grange Rd., Bridgeport
- 19:58 Animal Problem, 10th St. and Douglas Ave., Bridgeport
- 20:36 Animal Problem, 633 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport

#### October 11

- 13:05 Burglary, 679 Rd. 20 NW, Mansfield
- 15:01 Public Assist, 744 SR 173, Bridgeport Bar
- 22:25 Theft, 205 6th St., Bridgeport

#### October 12

- 07:29 Domestic Disturbance, 228 Grange Rd., Bridgeport
- 08:49 Miscellaneous, 1951 Monroe Ave., Bridgeport
- 09:47 Warrant, 400 E. Poplar St., Waterville
- 15:21 Suicide Threat, Mansfield
- 19:07 Civil Dispute, 800 E. Locust St., Waterville
- 22:22 Scam, 224 Vineyard Dr., Orondo

### Brewster Sheriff's Department

#### October 5

- 10:48 An agency referral was requested on River Plaza in Brewster regarding possible financial abuse. A caller reported they had not been paid in a year.
- 16:00 A caller on S. 4th St. in Brewster requested an attempt to contact regarding items which appeared to be from a male subject's glovebox being found in the Post Office in Orondo.

#### October 6

- 08:15 A caller on W. Indian Ave. reported the father of their child stole the car seat of her vehicle.

#### October 7

- 15:41 A weapons offense was reported on Hospital Way in Brewster when a caller heard 10-11 shots and did not feel comfortable walking to the neighboring locations.

- 16:13 Malicious mischief was reported on W. Main Ave. in Brewster when a caller's parked BMW was struck by a rock thrown by a female subject and it shattered the back windshield. The caller reviewed cameras and the suspect was described as a heavy-set female with glasses, driving a gray Chevy Silverado.
- 20:08 A two-vehicle, non-injury collision was reported on W. Main Ave. in Brewster involving a subject in a black Hyundai SUV and the other driver in a Nissan pickup. Both vehicles were driveable.

#### October 8

- 06:20 Trespassing was reported on Hwy. 97 when a person was sleeping in the drive through by the flower beds.
- 12:49 A caller on Ferry Ave. and Bridge St. reported a suspicious female subject walking in the middle of the road that reportedly would not move for vehicles and was talking to herself.
- 22:34 Malicious mischief was reported on W. Bruce Ave. and S. Bridge St. in Brewster when an unknown subject threw a rock at the headline go the caller's vehicle.

#### October 9

- 15:01 Fraud was reported on S. 5th St. in Brewster when a caller advised someone activated her card and there were timeshare charges that she did not sign up for and the company lied on her contract about annual income.

#### October 10

- 13:28 A civil dispute was reported on Diagonal St. in Bridgeport.
- 15:21 An agency assist was requested on Maple St. in Bridgeport involving an attempt to locate a 53-year-old male subject that kicked a

caller's son and was reportedly intoxicated.

#### October 11

- 00:19 An agency assist was requested on Hwy. 173 and S. Bridge St. in Brewster.

### Okanogan County Sheriff's Office

#### October 5

- 14:42 A citizen assist was requested on Unger Rd. in Brewster for a caller that reported their phone did not work for calling back, and she advised she had no water pressure and it had gradually depleted over time.

#### October 6

- 09:06 An animal problem was reported on Hwy. 97 when a caller reported they were riding bikes when two dogs charged

and attacked his wife, knocked her off her bike and bit her but didn't break the skin.

- 14:48 A domestic dispute was reported on Monse Bridge Rd. in Brewster when a caller reported their brother was high on "blues", possibly Fentanyl. The caller's mother was there and the male subject was being aggressive to her and getting in her face while the mother was trying to stop him.
- 20:41 Illegal burning was reported on Unger Rd. in Brewster when a caller could see a fire near a small building by a corral.

#### October 7

- 16:13 Malicious mischief was reported when a female subject threw a rock through the back window of a caller's black BMW on W. Main Ave.

in Brewster while it was parked at the location. It was reported that law enforcement will have the juvenile in custody.

#### October 8

- 22:49 A missing person was reported on Sunset Dr. in Brewster for a caller's boyfriend that left work an hour prior and had not arrived home. The caller was advised that male was in custody for DUI and was enroute to jail.

#### October 9

- 23:15 A subject traveling at 83 mph on Hwy. 97 in Pateros was cited and released.

#### October 10

- 12:30 Vicious animals were reported on Chinook Way in Brewster when three large dogs and one small dog killed a caller's chickens.

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## STCU awards \$20,000 in classroom grants

By DAN HANSEN  
Press Release.  
Spokane Teachers Credit Union

BRIDGEPORT/OMAK - Teachers in the Columbia Basin and North Central Washington are among those receiving \$200 for their classrooms.

STCU, which was founded by high school teachers in 1934, is again honoring its roots by awarding a total of \$20,000 to 100 randomly drawn educators. Winners can spend their grants on anything that will enhance students' classroom experience, whether a basic need or something special.

Local winners, who were notified last week, are:

- Bridgeport School District
- Amanda Sloss, Bridgeport Elementary School
- Carina Hernandez, Bridgeport Elementary School
- Cascade School District
- Malia Renner-Singer, Cascade High School
- Omak School District
- Lynn Hoover, Omak Middle School
- Steven Duncan, East Omak Elementary School
- Tonasket School District
- Brian Ellis, Tonasket Middle School
- Kristine Ward, Tonasket Elementary School

The online drawing was open to teachers, counselors, and other classroom-based positions at public and private districts served by Washington ESDs 101, 123 and 171, or in the eight northernmost counties of Idaho. 2023 marks the tenth year that STCU has offered the grants.

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Oct. 18, 20, 24-25

### Senior meals served Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday at Senior Center and home delivery

BREWSTER - The Senior Center is now serving meals at noon at the center on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Home delivered meals are delivered those same days. Please call 509-689-2815 to reserve meals. Suggested donation for those over age 60 is \$4. For those 60 and under the cost is \$10. Oct. 18: Tater Tot, Casserole, Greek Salad, Chilled Peaches, WW Roll, Dessert; Oct. 20: Chicken Paprika, Shell Pasta, Normandy Veggies, Mixed Greens Salad, Apple Wedges, Dessert; Oct. 24: Personal Omelettes, Potatoes O'Brien, V-8 Juice, Peaches, Muffin; Oct. 25: Tuna Noodle Casserole, Peas & Carrots, Spiced Salad, Oregon Berries, Dessert;

Oct. 18-21, 23-28

### Senior Center Thrift Store

BREWSTER - The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Check out their great kids section. Donations accepted when they are open. They are also the Brewster Visitor Information Center and the Brewster Chamber of Commerce meeting room.

Oct. 18-19, 23-26

### Chelan Valley Hope

Serving Bridgeport, Mansfield, Waterville, Orondo, Chelan, Manson, Chelan Falls, Entiat  
CHELAN - Chelan Valley Hope's Winter Coat Drive has officially launched for the season. They are accepting new and gently used coats, hats, scarves, gloves, and new socks. All sizes are needed. Donation bins can be found at the following locations: Chelan Valley Hope, Chelan Fire & Rescue, Manson Fire Dept., Lake Chelan Eagles, Twisted Cork, North Shore Bible Church, Church of the Nazarene, Chelan Library, and Even Keel Roadhouse. If you are in need of warm winter wear please call or visit them at Chelan Valley Hope, open Monday through Thursday 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (closed noon to 1 p.m.) Call 509-888-2114 for more information or to schedule an appointment. Or visit their website and follow them on

Facebook and Instagram to get the latest CVH news and updates chelanvalleyhope.org, @ChelanValleyHope.

Oct. 19

### Bingo

BREWSTER - Brewster American Legion Bingo every Thursday night at 6 p.m. Open to the public. Progressive blackout game pot up to over \$700.

Oct. 19, Nov. 9

### Brewster bus trips

BREWSTER - OCTN takes Brewster area resident to Wenatchee, second Thursday of the month. That next trip is Nov. 9 The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical appointments etc. On the third Thursday of each month, Oct. 19 riders will be taken to Omak for the day. Riders request their destination(s). Wenatchee: \$12/boarding for General Public, \$6 suggested donation/day for Seniors (60 plus). Omak: \$5.50/General Public, \$2.75 suggested donation Seniors (60 plus). (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

Oct. 18

### American Legion meeting

BREWSTER - American Legion Post #97 current members meetings are on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the Post. For information call Greg Wagg at 206-550-6474.

Oct. 24

### Douglas County PUD meetings

EAST WENATCHEE - The next meeting of the Douglas County PUD Commission is at 1:30 p.m. in the East Wenatchee office.

Oct. 25

### Okanogan County PUD meeting

OKANOGAN - The next meeting of the Okanogan County PUD Board of Commissioners is at 3 p.m. For more information okanoganpud.org

Oct. 27

OMAK - Okanogan County School Retirees' Association will hold a luncheon meeting at 11 a.m., Friday, October 27, at Community Presbyterian Church of Omak, 9 South Birch S., Omak.

Brewster teacher and OCSRA grant winner, Cindy Brown, will speak. Information: Penny: 509-429-0292

Nov. 1

### American Legion Auxiliary to meet

BREWSTER - The American Legion Auxiliary #97 meets the first Wednesday of each month, at the American Legion Hall at 6 p.m.

Nov. 8

### Brewster Chamber to meet

BREWSTER - The next general meeting of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, Oct. 11, 6 p.m. at the Senior Center, 109 Bridge Street. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. For information brewsterwachamber@gmail.com or Mike Mauk, 509-449-0605.

Nov. 11

### Flag retirement ceremony

BROWSER - On Veterans Day, Nov. 11, at noon, at the Brewster Legion there will be a flag burning/retirement ceremony. Bring your old American flags. Membership Drive spaghetti dinner and drinks 3-7 p.m. Free appreciation spaghetti dinner for every member with their dues paid up. For more information: Commander Greg Wagg, gregwagg@yahoo.com

Nov. 11

### Method Calvary Chapel special speaker

METHOW - "Aliens and what the Bible has to say". Join Methow Calvary Chapel for presentations by Will Marron from the "Peshastin Creation Museum" on Nov. 11 at 9:30 a.m., Aliens and the Bible; then at 11 a.m. Session 2: After The Tower of Babel, Ancient peoples, and Their Amazin Technologies, with a Q & A Session afterwards. For more information contact Pastor Jason at 509-733-4195. Methow Calvary Chapel, 1107 Highway 153, meets Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 6 p.m. They study the bible verse by verse and Chapter by chapter making God's word understandable and applicable to all. All are welcome.

## Obituary & Memorial Policies

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## What a catch



COURTESY BRAD SKIFF/BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**Soap Lake's Trey Landdeck catches a pass over the Mustang's Kevin Pelcastre during last Friday's Bridgeport home game. The Eagles won 40-28.**

## Long touchdown run



COURTESY BRAD SKIFF/BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
**Esteban Martinez, right, breaks an Eagles' tackle for a long touchdown run against Soap Lake on Oct. 6.**

## Bridgeport on a winning streak



MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**Pateros eighth grader Coco Cronin, left, maneuvers around a Tonasket opponent on her way to scoring the first of three goals for the Nannies. Stevie Simmons also scored a hat trick and Estrella Vincente and Alex Ruiz a goal apiece in the 9-3 win. Bridgeport has won three of its last four games.**

## Mustangs over Raisers 3-1



MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**Fillies sophomore forward Elisa Garcia, 20, gets the ball high enough to clear the outstretched arms of Lake Roosevelt's goalkeeper in last week's home field win over the Raiders. Garcia scored and Andri added one to win the game 3-1.**

# FOOTBALL Bears battle Seahawks to a last-second thriller

By MIKE MALTAIS  
 Ward Media Staff Reporter

BREWSTER – Football fans received every cent of excitement for their ticket prices last Saturday when the Chief Sealth Seahawks from Seattle's 3A Metro League landed on Champion Field for a non-conference game against the 2B Bears.

What should have been a mismatch turned into a gridiron nailbiter that was not decided until the final four seconds of the final quarter.

The Seahawks got on the board first after scoring from four yards out behind an eight-play drive midway through the first quarter.

Brewster wasted little time introducing the west side team to the pigskin in the provinces. Head coach Travis Todd commented on the Bears' first quarter gains.

"On our first score Brady Wulf hit Mario Camacho over the middle of the field for a 79-yard touchdown," Todd said. "On our next drive we marched down the field and Cort Gebbers took a direct snap and plunged into the endzone for our second score. Fabian Nava hit a 34-yard field goal as well."

The Seahawks had to play some catch up to match Brewster, 14-14, at the mid-point of the second quarter. With less than three minutes remaining until halftime the Bears began a march that would set the tone of the game up to its final three minutes.

A field goal with 2:47 left in the second quarter put the Bears up 17-14, and a TD at 1:13 extended that to 23-14. With a minute remaining, Chief Sealth crossed the



MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**Senior defensive back Mario Camacho (15) covered this Seahawks pass reception.**

end zone to close within two points, 23-21.

Through the third quarter each side added a TD and the Bears maintained a 30-20 lead until 10:10 in the fourth when Brewster struck again to go ahead 37-28.

Chief Sealth began to feel the pressure and closed within two, 37-35. On their next possession the Seahawks resorted to a no-huddle, hurry-up offense to get within field goal range. They punched a 30-yard kick through to take the lead by one, 38-37 with four seconds left.

"This was a good opponent for us and a playoff type caliber for schools our size," said Todd. "I am hoping this will prepare us for teams like Manson and Okanogan who we will face in the coming weeks."

The Bears play the defending state champion Okanogan



MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**Junior kicker Fabian Nava puts one through the uprights off the hold of Brady Wulf.**



MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**It was off to the races when senior running back Cole Aparicio broke away for a TD run in the fourth quarter to put the Bears up 36-28.**

Bulldogs on the road Oct. 27. "I thought our guys played hard and did well enough to knock off a bigger school," said Todd, "but we had too many mental mistakes to take advantage of the opportunity."  
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### QUAD CITY TEAMS MEET TOUGH RIVALS

# Nannies play well against 1B Central leader Entiat

By MIKE MALTAIS  
 Ward Media Staff Reporter

PATEROS – The Nannies varsity volleyball team gave the district's undefeated Entiat Tigers a scare at home on Oct. 11, when Pateros out-hustled the 1B Central leaders, 25-22, on the opening set of a four-set match.

"The win in the first game was a big deal for us," said head coach April Miller. "It's the first set we have taken from them in the last two years. I'm very proud of the girls for coming out strong and playing well in that set."

The Tigers found their rhythm in the second set of play and won the next three, 25-13, 25-7, and 25-10.

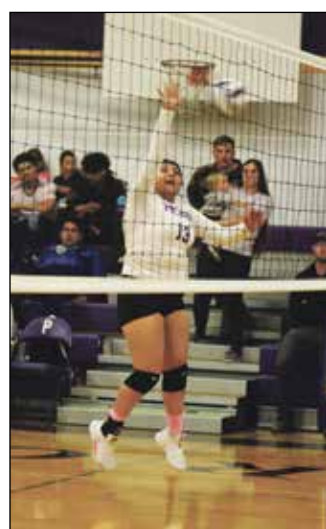
"We got down a bit when (Jordan) Long served 14 in a row in set two," said Miller. "We were just not able to get it back together after that."

The leading servers for Pateros were Jacky Gomez hitting 10 for 10, and Dylan Miller with 11 for 12 and three aces. Dakota Lasley scored two kills.

The Nannies had 36 total digs led by Adamary Loyola, 11, Addison Henton, 9, and Lexi Vargas, 8. Loyola had the team's only block at the net.

#### 1B Central standings

Entiat.....	6-0
Soap Lake.....	4-0
Wilson Creek.....	3-1
Riverside Christian.....	5-4
Cascade Christian Academy.....	3-4
Pateros.....	2-3
Thorp.....	1-6
Easton.....	0-6



MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**The Pateros Nannies' Valeria Loyola engages a return against the visiting Entiat Tigers on Oct. 11. Pateros won the first set, 25-22, but Entiat swept the next three.**

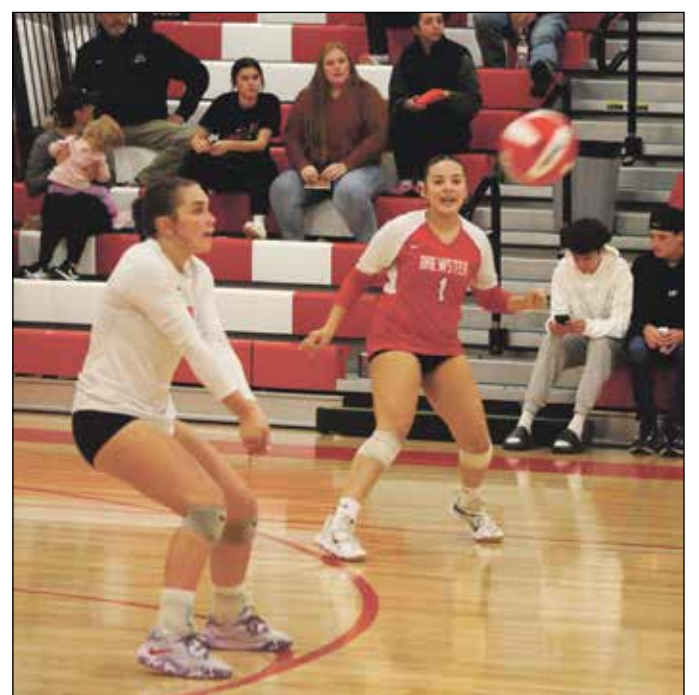
#### Brewster, Bridgeport come up short

In other volleyball action, the Brewster Bears lost in three sets at home to defending state champion Okanogan on Oct. 10, giving the Bulldogs a run in the second set, 26-24. Head coach Markie Miller said Ximena Chavez had 5 kills, Morgan McGuire 7 kills, Maribel Perez 10 digs, and Grace Becker 3 aces.

The Bridgeport Fillies could not corral Lake Roosevelt on the road on Oct. 10. The Raiders romped through three sets, 25-12, 23-7, and 25-17, to hold on to third place in the 2B Central.

#### 2B Central standings

Manson.....	6-0
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MIKE MALTAIS/WARD MEDIA  
**Brewster's Grace Becker, left, gets a dig against Okanogan under the ready gaze of teammate Ximena Chavez, 1.**

Okanogan.....	5-1	Oroville.....	1-6
Lake Roosevelt.....	5-2	Bridgeport.....	0-6
Tonasket.....	3-3		
Liberty Bell.....	3-4		
Brewster.....	2-3		

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# Fall Home Improvement

## Home improvement financing options

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Whether renovating a kitchen, upgrading the outdoor space, or tackling essential repairs, financing these endeavors is a top priority. In this report, we explore the various financing options available to homeowners looking to enhance their abodes.

### Home Equity Loans

One of the most common ways homeowners finance home improvement projects is through home equity loans. These loans allow homeowners to tap into the equity they've built in their homes over the years. Home equity loans typically offer fixed interest rates and predictable monthly payments. With the real estate market in North Central Washington showing strength, many homeowners find this an attractive option to fund their projects. However, it's crucial to remember that defaulting on a home equity loan could result in losing one's home.

### Home Equity Lines of Credit (HELOC):

For those who prefer flexibility, a Home Equity Line of Credit (HELOC) might be the ideal choice. HELOCs provide homeowners with a revolving line of credit based on the equity in their homes. Borrowers can draw funds as needed, making it a convenient option for ongoing or uncertain projects. Interest rates on HELOCs are typically variable, meaning



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they can fluctuate with market conditions. It's essential to carefully consider the potential for rising interest rates when opting for this financing method.

### Government Grants and Programs:

Several government grants and programs are available to homeowners who are looking to make energy-efficient or accessibility-related improvements. These grants often target specific types of projects, such as installing solar panels, improving insulation, or making homes more accessible for individuals with disabilities. While these programs can significantly reduce project costs, they may come with stringent eligibility criteria and application processes.

### Personal Loans and Credit Cards:

Sometimes, homeowners use personal loans or credit cards to fund their home improvement projects. Personal loans offer fixed interest rates and a structured repayment schedule. Credit cards provide a convenient but poten-

tially higher-cost option. It's essential to weigh the interest rates and terms associated with these options carefully.

### Consultation is Key:

Before embarking on any home improvement project, experts advise homeowners to consult with financial advisors or lenders to explore the best financing options for their specific needs. Each homeowner's financial situation is unique, and selecting the right financing method can make a significant difference in the overall cost and success of the project.

As the fall season inspires homeowners to enhance their living spaces, various financing options are available to turn those dreams into reality. Home equity loans, HELOCs, government grants, personal loans, and credit cards offer distinct advantages and considerations. By carefully evaluating these options and seeking professional guidance, North Central Washington residents can embark on their home improvement projects with confidence.

## Creating cozy interiors: Expert tips for embracing autumn in your home

Ward Media

As the leaves begin to change and the air turns crisp, it's time to bring the warm and inviting spirit of autumn into your home. Ward Media, in collaboration with interior design experts, presents a guide on creating cozy interiors for the fall season. From warm color palettes to embracing plush textiles, these tips will help you transition your home decor seamlessly.

**Embrace Warm Color Palettes:** Fall is all about rich and earthy tones. Swap out the vibrant summer hues for colors like deep reds, warm oranges, and cozy browns. These shades not only evoke the essence of autumn but also create a sense of warmth in your living spaces. Consider incorporating these colors through accent walls, throw pillows, and drapery.

**Layer with Cozy Textiles:** One of the quickest ways to make your home feel cozier is by adding layers of soft textiles. Swap lightweight summer throws and pillows for plush, chunky knits and faux fur accents. Drape warm blankets over sofas and beds, and scatter fluffy pillows around your living room. These tex-



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tures not only look inviting but also provide comfort during chilly evenings.

**Decorate with Autumn Elements:** Bring the outdoors in by incorporating autumn elements into your decor. Collect pinecones, acorns, and colorful leaves to create charming centerpieces. Fill glass vases with seasonal flowers like sunflowers or deep-hued mums. These natural accents will infuse your home with the quintessential fall atmosphere.

**Transitioning from Summer to Fall:** To seamlessly transition from summer to fall, start by decluttering your space. Store away summer items and bright decor, making room for your autumn additions. Consider reposition-

ing furniture to create cozy conversation areas around a fireplace or a warm, well-lit corner.

**Lighting Matters:** Adjusting your lighting can significantly impact the ambiance. Swap out cool white bulbs for warmer, softer ones. Consider adding candles and lanterns to create a warm, flickering glow that enhances the cozy atmosphere.

With these expert tips and ideas, you can transform your home into a cozy haven that celebrates the beauty of autumn. So, grab a warm cup of apple cider and prepare to welcome the season in style. Create a space that not only looks inviting but also feels like a comforting embrace during the fall months.

## Energy-efficient upgrades: Saving green while going green

Ward Media

In an era of rising energy costs and heightened environmental awareness, homeowners are increasingly turning to energy-efficient upgrades to not only reduce their carbon footprint but also to save

significant amounts of money in the long run. Let's explore some of the top energy-saving home improvements that have been gaining popularity in North Central Washington and beyond.

One of the most accessible and impactful changes homeowners can make is installing programmable thermostats. These devices allow residents to regulate their home's temperature more efficiently, adjusting it based on their daily routines. By reducing heating and cooling when it's not needed, families can slash their energy bills by up to 10%, according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

Adding insulation is another key upgrade, especially in regions like North Central Washington, known for its cold winters and hot summers. Proper insulation keeps homes cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter, reducing the strain on heating and cooling systems. This translates to lower energy consumption and substantial cost savings.

Upgrading to energy-efficient appliances is also a wise investment. Modern appliances are designed to be more en-



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ergy efficient, using less electricity or gas while providing the same level of performance. For example, switching to an ENERGY STAR-rated refrigerator can save homeowners up to 15% on their energy bills compared to older models.

Furthermore, these energy-efficient upgrades not only benefit homeowners but also contribute to a greener future. By reducing energy consumption, individuals are lowering greenhouse gas emissions and helping combat climate change.

Making energy-efficient upgrades in your home is a win-win situation. It not only helps homeowners save money on their energy bills but also contributes to a more sustainable and environmentally friendly future. So, if you're looking to save green while going green, consider these energy-saving improvements for your home.



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# Fall Home Improvement

## Fall maintenance checklist: Preparing your home for winter



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As autumn's crisp breeze sweeps through North Central Washington, homeowners are reminded that winter is on the horizon. To help you safeguard your residence against the upcoming chilly months, we've compiled a comprehensive fall maintenance checklist. By following these essential tasks, you can ensure your home remains cozy and comfortable throughout the winter season.

### Cleaning Gutters

One of the first tasks on our list is gutter maintenance. As the leaves begin to fall, they tend to accumulate in your gutters, potentially causing blockages. To prevent water from overflowing and damaging your home's foundation, take the time to clean out your gutters. Remove leaves, twigs, and debris, and inspect for any loose or damaged sections. Ensuring proper drainage will protect your home from water-related issues during the winter.

### Sealing Windows

Drafty windows can lead to heat loss and higher energy bills. Seal any gaps or cracks around your windows with weatherstripping or caulk. This simple step can make a significant difference in keeping your home warm and energy-efficient. Don't forget to check for damaged or missing window seals, which should be replaced promptly.

### Inspecting the Heating System

Before the cold sets in, it's crucial to have your heating system inspected by a professional. Schedule a maintenance visit to ensure your furnace or heat pump is in good working condition. Regular servicing not only improves efficiency but also reduces the risk of breakdowns when you need heat the most.

### Checking Insulation

A well-insulated home is key to keeping the cold at bay. Check your attic and walls for proper insulation. If necessary, consider adding more insulation to maintain a comfortable temperature inside your home. Proper insulation not only conserves energy but also contributes to lower heating costs.

### Chimney and Fireplace Maintenance

If you have a fireplace or wood-burning stove, ensure they're ready for use. Have your chimney cleaned and inspected by a professional to prevent creosote buildup, which can lead to chimney fires. Make sure your damper is functioning correctly, and stock up on firewood if you plan to use your fireplace dur-

ing the winter.

### Outdoor Preparations

Lastly, don't forget about your outdoor spaces. Drain and store garden hoses to prevent freezing and damage. Shut off exterior water sources and insulate outdoor faucets. Consider winterizing your lawn equipment and outdoor furniture, and trim any tree branches that could pose a threat to your home during heavy snowfall.

By completing these tasks on our fall maintenance checklist, you'll be well-prepared to face the challenges of winter. Ensuring your home is in top shape not only guarantees your comfort but also protects your investment. Stay warm and cozy this winter by taking proactive steps now.

## Safety first: Home security tips

Ward Media

As the days grow shorter and the cover of darkness descends upon our communities, ensuring the safety of our homes becomes an ever more pressing concern. With that in mind, here is a comprehensive guide to home security measures that can help protect your family and property during the long nights of fall and winter.

**Illuminate the Outdoors:** One of the most effective deterrents to would-be intruders is proper outdoor lighting. As daylight dwindles, well-lit exteriors make it difficult for anyone to approach your home unnoticed. Consider installing motion-activated lights near entry points and pathways—illuminate dark corners of your yard to eliminate hiding spots.

**Upgrade to Smart Home Security Systems:** Modern technology has brought us smart home security systems that are both convenient and highly effective. These systems often include features like motion sensors, doorbell cameras, and mobile app integration. You can remotely monitor your home, receive alerts, and even communicate with visitors from anywhere. Ward Media recommends researching and investing in a reliable smart home security system.

**Reinforce Doors and Windows:** Your home's entry points are its most vulnerable spots. Strengthen your doors with deadbolt locks and solid core doors. Reinforce door



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frames with strike plates. For windows, consider shatter-resistant glass or window locks. A secure home begins with secure access points.

**Maintain Landscaping:** Overgrown bushes and trees can provide cover for potential intruders. Trim shrubbery near windows and eliminate any hiding spots in your yard. An unobstructed view of your property from the street can discourage criminals.

**Build a Neighborhood Watch:** Connect with your neighbors to create a sense of community vigilance. A tight-knit neighborhood where residents look out for one another can be a powerful deterrent. Share information about suspicious activities and keep each other informed.

**Secure Your Garage:** Don't overlook the garage,

which often houses valuable items and provides access to your home. Make sure your garage doors are secure, and consider a security system for this area as well.

**Home Security Assessment:** If you're unsure about the vulnerabilities of your home, consider hiring a professional for a security assessment. They can identify weak points and suggest improvements tailored to your property.

The changing seasons remind us of the importance of home security. By taking these proactive measures to safeguard your home, you can enjoy the cozy nights of fall and winter with peace of mind. Remember, it's always better to be prepared than caught off guard. Stay safe, stay secure, and protect what matters most.

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# Fall Home Improvement

## Reviving your outdoor space for fall gatherings

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With the arrival of crisp autumn winds in North Central Washington, residents are gearing up to embrace the season's splendor by preparing their outdoor spaces for fall gatherings. As the leaves begin to change and temperatures drop, we've assembled a collection of tips and ideas to help you transform your backyard into an inviting haven for autumn get-togethers.

**Fire Pit Setup:** One of the coziest additions to any outdoor space is a well-designed fire pit. As the temperatures dip, gathering around a fire pit becomes a cherished fall tradition. Ensure your fire pit is clean and safe by removing any debris from previous use. Consider adding comfortable seating around the fire pit area to create a welcoming atmosphere. Remember to follow local regulations regarding fire safety and permits.

**Outdoor Lighting:** With shorter days on the horizon, proper outdoor lighting can transform your space into an enchanting haven for evening gatherings. String lights, lanterns, and well-placed spotlights can add warmth and charm to your outdoor area. Solar-powered lights are energy-efficient



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and provide a sustainable lighting solution. Don't forget to check and replace any burnt-out bulbs from last season.

**Planting Fall-Friendly Flowers and Shrubs:** Enhance the aesthetics of your outdoor space with autumnal plants and foliage. Planting fall-friendly flowers and shrubs can add a burst of color and texture to your backyard. Consider planting chrysanthemums, asters, or ornamental grasses, which thrive in cooler temperatures and come in a variety of vibrant hues. Additionally, adding shrubs like burning bushes or Japanese maples can provide striking

focal points.

**Cozy Outdoor Furnishings:** To make your outdoor space more inviting, invest in comfortable outdoor furnishings like cushions and throws. Choose autumnal colors and patterns that complement the season. These additions not only provide comfort but also add a touch of style to your outdoor area.

**Fall Decor and Accessories:** Add the finishing touches to your outdoor space with fall-themed decor and accessories. Pumpkin displays, seasonal wreaths, and cozy blankets can create a festive ambiance. Don't forget to have a supply of warm drinks like apple cider or hot cocoa on hand for your guests to enjoy.

Remember to maintain your outdoor space throughout the season by regularly cleaning and storing outdoor furniture, raking leaves, and trimming overgrown vegetation. By following these tips and giving your outdoor space some TLC, you can create a welcoming environment for memorable fall gatherings with family and friends.

So, get ready to embrace the autumn season and enjoy the beauty of North Central Washington from your revitalized outdoor oasis.

## Fall DIY pest control: Warding off unwanted visitors

Ward Media

As the leaves change colors and the air turns crisp, the fall season ushers in not only a picturesque landscape but also an influx of unwelcome guests – pests seeking shelter and sustenance in our homes. But fear not, for with a few simple strategies, you can fortify your defenses and keep these unwanted visitors at bay.

### Seal Entry Points:

One of the first steps in preventing fall pests from infiltrating your home is to inspect and seal potential entry points. Walk around your house and check for gaps, cracks, and openings in doors, windows, and the foundation. Use weatherstripping, caulking, or sealants to close up these vulnerable areas. Remember, pests can squeeze through surprisingly small openings, so thoroughness is key.

### Remove Attractants:

Readily available food and water sources often lure pests. Take proactive measures to eliminate these attractants:

**Store Food Securely:** Keep all food, including pet food, in airtight containers. Don't leave dirty dishes in the sink overnight.

**Clean Up Debris:** Fallen leaves, fruits and other organic matter in your yard can attract pests. Regularly rake and remove these items.

**Fix Leaks:** Dripping faucets or standing water in clogged



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gutters can be an open invitation to pests. Repair leaks and ensure proper drainage.

**Dispose of Trash:** Keep trash cans tightly sealed, and take out the garbage regularly.

### Maintain Your Landscape:

Trimming trees and shrubs away from your home can deter pests from accessing your house. Overhanging branches provide a convenient bridge for critters like rodents and squirrels. Keep vegetation well-maintained and at a safe distance from your home.

### When to Call in Professionals:

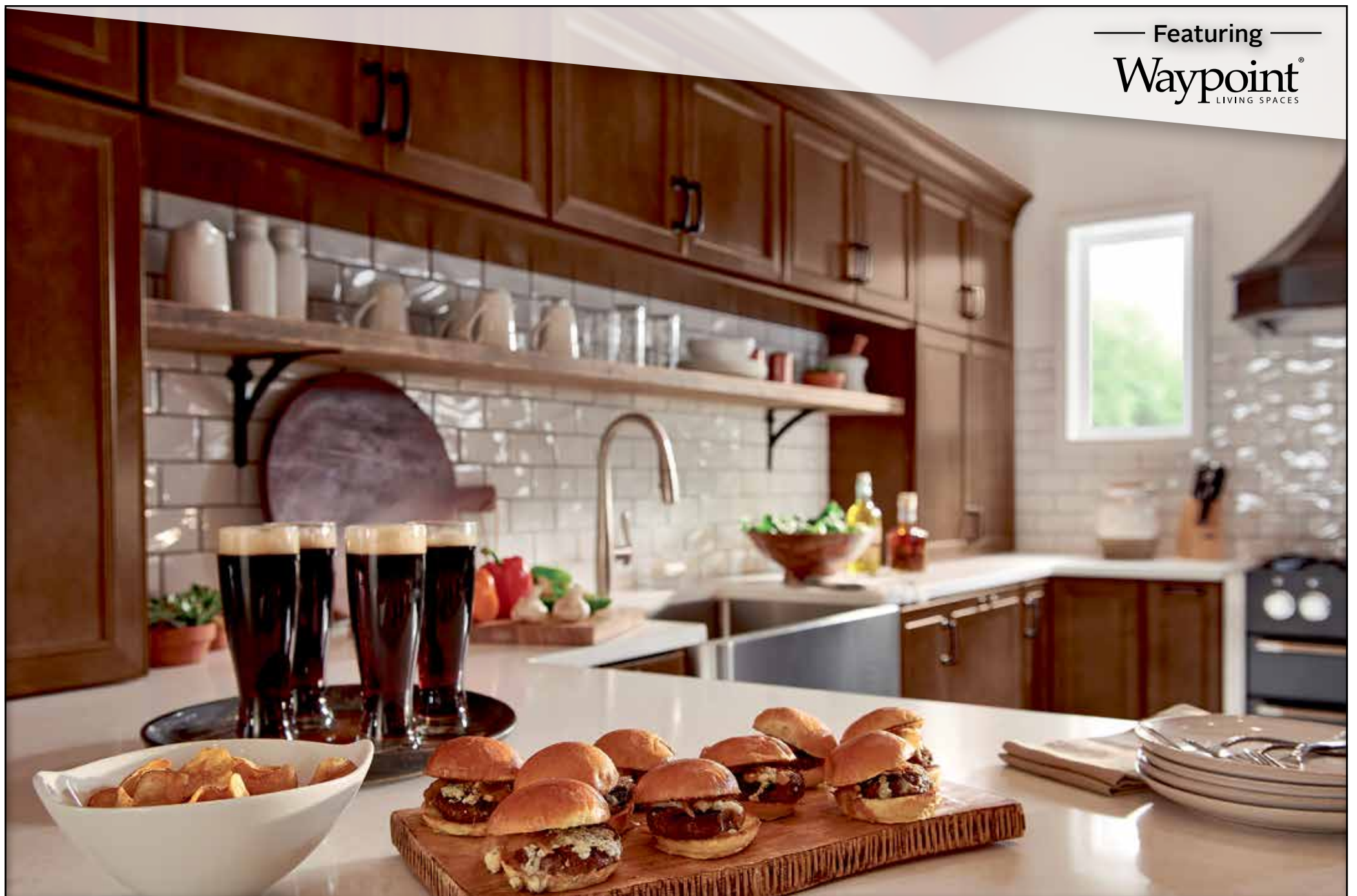
Sometimes, despite your best efforts, pests may persist. In such cases, it's crucial to know when to seek professional help. If you notice signs of a pest infestation, such as droppings, gnaw marks, or

an increase in sightings, it's time to contact a pest control expert.

Professional pest control services have the expertise and tools to identify specific pests and implement effective measures to eradicate them. They can also provide guidance on long-term prevention.

Remember, addressing pest issues promptly can save you time, money, and stress in the long run.

By following these fall DIY pest control tips, you can enjoy the beauty of the season without the hassle of unwanted visitors. Take proactive steps to seal entry points, remove attractants, and, when needed, enlist the help of professionals. A pest-free home awaits, allowing you to savor the autumn splendor in peace.



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47. Recipe command  
48. "Not Fallon"  
50. Like a "Vogue" ad  
52. "Is it \_\_\_\_\_ wonder?"  
53. Onion's kin  
55. Am is to I as \_\_\_\_\_ is to we  
57. "Certain Barbarian's namesake"  
60. "Last Week Tonight with John \_\_\_\_\_"  
63. Indifferent to emotions  
64. Tokyo, in the olden days  
66. Type of car  
68. Not upright  
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70. Not mainstream  
71. Gallup's inquiry  
72. Word for a nod  
73. Particular manner

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5. Muscle to bone connector  
6. Balanced  
7. "Full Frontal" Samantha \_\_\_\_\_  
8. \*Judge Wapner and Judge Judy "hosted" from it  
9. 1/60th of min, pl.  
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11. Like nonlethal gun  
12. Accident  
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25. Bo-Peep's sheep, e.g.  
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29. Politicians, for short  
31. Opposite of riches  
32. Plants and animals  
33. Did not go out for dinner (2 words)  
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36. Original matter, according to Big Bang Theory  
38. "Stewart's successor"  
42. Judge Judy's event  
45. Remnant of the past  
49. "Regis and Kathie \_\_\_\_\_"  
51. Critical situation  
54. Hostile force  
56. Black tie one  
57. Football great Graham  
58. Skin infection  
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BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 75	Director District No. 3 At Large	4-year Regular term	DOUGLAS-OKANOGAN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 15	Commissioner Pos. 3
BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 75	Director District No. 4	4-year Regular term	DOUGLAS-OKANOGAN FIRE DISTRICT NO. 15	Commissioner Pos. 5
OKANOGAN SCHOOL 105	Director District 1	4-year Regular term	FIRE DISTRICT 16	Commissioner Pos. 3

The registration deadline for online registrations, mail-in registrations and transfers is October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Any qualified elector who is not registered to vote in the State of Washington may register to vote in person at the Auditor's Office up to and including November 7, 2023.

You can register or obtain registration forms at the Auditor's Office, on line at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov), and Department of Licensing. The Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3/4 Ave N, Room 104, at the County Courthouse, will be open so voters may obtain replacement ballots, drop off voted ballots, obtain provisional ballots, and use the Accessible Voting Units, at the following times.

Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM October 20<sup>th</sup> - November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
On Election Day only, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Drop box locations around the county for this election: Oroville- Oroville Police Station/ 1105 Main St., Twisp - City Hall/118 S Glover St, Twisp Pateros -180 Pateros Mall in parking lot, Pateros, Okanogan- Auditor's office/139 1/2 Ave N Room 104

Drop boxes will close at 8:00PM on Election Day  
Voters needing additional information or assistance with voter registration forms or voting may call (509) 422-7240. Voters unable to use the mail-in ballot may use the Accessible Voting Unit available at the County Auditor's Office.

Ballots require no postage and must be postmarked by the day of the election. Check with your local Post Office for deadlines to have your ballot postmarked properly.

For additional information on the election or regarding voter registration: [vote.wa.gov/okanogan](http://vote.wa.gov/okanogan). Local newspaper, radio, and TV. [www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov)

Meetings of the Okanogan County Canvassing Board are open, public meetings and shall be continued until the activities for which the following meetings are held have been completed. Canvass Board meetings are held in the Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3/4 Ave N, Room 104, at the County Courthouse, in Okanogan.

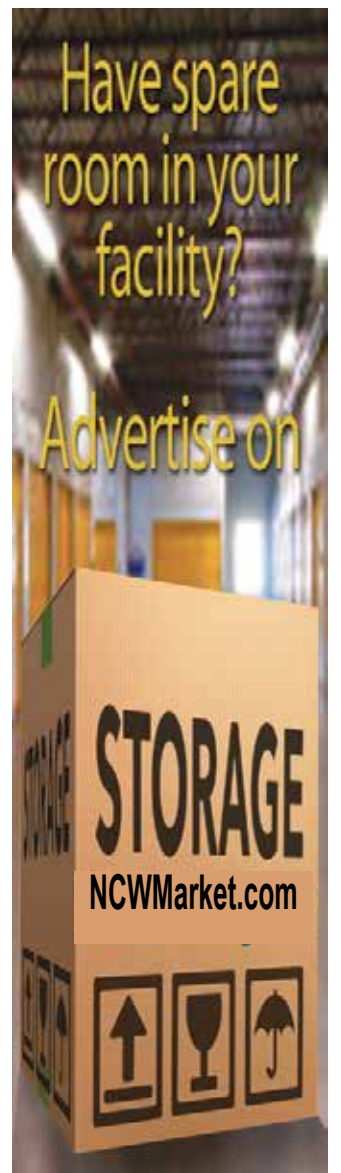
Friday November 17<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday November 21<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM to determine the status of any provisional or challenged ballots  
Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 2:00 PM to canvass the votes cast and certify the election

This notice is in accordance with RCW 29A.52. Dated at Okanogan, Washington this 5th day of September, 2023.

Cari Hall, Okanogan County Auditor and Ex-Officio Supervisor of Elections, Jamie Groomes, Chief Deputy/Elections Administrator  
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10-B69570-GRAZING-N1/2, E1/2SW1/4, NW1/4SW1/4, less north 295' of the west 295', SE1/4, Sec 16, Twp 31N, Rge 24E, W.M.  
12-A76049-IRRIGATED-Gov Lot 1 (NW1/4NW1/4), Gov Lot 2 (SW1/4NW1/4), E1/2NW1/4, Sec 19, Twp 30N, Rge 24E, W.M.  
Written request to lease must be received by November 20, 2023, at Department of Natural Resources, 225 S Silke Rd, Colville, Washington 99114-9369. Each request to lease must include the lease number, the name, address and phone number of applicant, and must contain a certified check or money order payable to the Department of Natural Resources for the amount of any bonus bid plus a \$100.00 deposit. The envelope must be marked "Sealed Bid" and give lease number, expiration date of lease applied for and give applicant's name. The applicant must be prepared to purchase improvements that belong to the current lessee. Persons wishing to bid to lease any of these properties can obtain more details, bid packet, and qualification requirements by contacting the Colville office or calling (509) 684-7474. Published in the Quad City Herald on October 18, 2023. #6531



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