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## Design and application process still pending



Mike Maltais/QCH

The city council is considering the cost to cover one of its two water towers.

## Bridgeport council considers exterior finish on renovated water tower

BY MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT – Running mustangs? A large orange “B”? Pine trees? These were among the suggestions for an exterior design on the renovated water tower that the Bridgeport City Council addressed at its regular monthly meeting last Wednesday, August 16.

All members are in agreement that it’s a good idea to add a design to the tower. The next step is to settle on a specific one, calculate the cost, and include that work in the overall finishing contract.

Superintendent of Public Works Stuart Dezellem said the city has time to include its request for decorating the tower façade added to the contract to finish the interior and exterior of the renovated tower provided the city acts in time to have it done next year.

Mayor Janet Conklin inquired if the city could afford the extra cost?

Dezellem said grant money

allocated to the city through Senator Patty Murray’s office for \$751,000 for renovation of the city’s original reservoir provides funds sufficient to include the exterior design in the remaining work. The money allowed the city to drain and refurbish the interior of its Water Storage Facility.

The city applied for the Murray grant last year and was advised just before Christmas that its request had been approved.

“Getting federal dollars back to Washington state to support its communities and economy is a top priority for Senator Murray,” said Murry’s website, murray.senate.gov.

Dezellem said the original estimate done a few years ago to renovate the reservoir came in at \$450,000-plus.”

“With inflation that figure might be over \$500,000 now,” said Dezellem, but noted again that the Murray dollars should be adequate money to cover the increased costs.

Council member Zeke Mar-

tinez inquired if the exterior would be done with paint or with a vinyl wrap?

That is among the options the council has taken under advisement.

As to who could be hired to do the work, Dezellem said a similar 1981 city project reached out to mostly commercial painters for that work.

“It’s going on over 40 years now since that was done so it was a pretty good paint job,” Dezellem said.

He added that if the request is included in the finishing contract, then the general contractor would be responsible for hiring any subcontractor to do the graphics or painting.

Dezellem explained that the interior of the tower can be finished over the winter months during low water consumption.

“They can heat the inside of the reservoir and coat the inside then,” said Dezellem.

The exterior work would come later during the warmer spring months.

## Swingin’ from the purple and gold



Mike Maltais/QCH

New playground equipment - painted in the school colors of purple and gold - is now in place at the Pateros school. A little groundwork remains and all should be ready before the doors open on August 30 for the 2023-2024 school year.

## Humane treatments bring rewards

# Citizen volunteer helps feral cats find a better life

BY MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – Before sun-up every Monday through Thursday morning, a Brewster citizen/volunteer - who requests anonymity for this story - rolls out of a warm bed to begin a demanding routine that is gradually improving the quality of life for two groups of city inhabitants – its residents, and its feral cats.

This volunteer for Okanogan Regional Humane (ORH) - we’ll call him Catman - arrives at the Brewster river walk and with live traps that he has set in place by daylight.

“Then I wait for three hours before returning to check my traps to see if I caught any cats,” said Catman. “If I caught cats, I take them to the vet.”

Since 2022 Catman has been carrying on a one-man campaign to trap, treat, neuter, and release the colonies of felines that have taken up residence in and around Brewster. The goal is to reduce the numbers of litters born to these free-roaming ferals – we are still speaking of cats, not citizens – while addressing the overall health of each captive before returning it to its home turf.

“It takes me from 5 a.m. to about noon every day to do this,” he said.

Catman was not an experienced trapper before he took up the gauntlet for his latest crusade. To his credit he did not let that deter him. Following a trapping tutorial Catman spent the summer of 2022 rounding up 41 cats from one Brewster-area colony. Now he feeds those he rescued and



Mike Maltais/QCH

This feeding station designed for cat-only accessibility provides a sheltered space for homeless felines to find food.

took to treatment.

That treatment begins with a trip to the Brewster Veterinary Clinic where ORH has an arrangement for services.

“They can do two cats a day without an appointment,” said Catman.

Each cat is vaccinated for rabies and three-way, treated for ear mites, flea and ticks, and is dewormed. Any serious injuries or other issues are also addressed.

“This is their only chance to see a vet; they’ll probably never see a vet again,” Catman said.

To save on treatment costs ORH can use its own vaccines, and expense is the core need for local shelters.

“Getting funding is the big problem,” said Catman. “It’s through donations. You’re begging for money every day



Mike Maltais/QCH

This portable and insulated cat shelter is lined with straw and entered through a small opening seen in the lower left corner...



Mike Maltais/QCH

...and accessed through the opposite corner via an opening seen at the back left.

of the week. There’s no funding...the city, the county, the state, nobody pays anything.”

Catman estimates the cost to treat the 41 cats in the colony he caught last year to be \$6,000 or \$7,000. This year he is trapping in five locations, three inside the city limits.

SEE VOLUNTEER ON PAGE A3

## Public hearing scheduled

# Brewster council revisits accessory dwellings, short term rentals, and Rvs

BY MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – Accessory dwelling units (ADUs), short term rentals, and recreational vehicles are among three related housing ordinances discussed by the Brewster City Council at its regular monthly meeting last Thursday, August 17.

The city is trying to anticipate problems faced by some other small communities over non-conforming or unregulated solutions to a shortage of affordable housing units.

Ordinance 955 permits “the installation of an ADU as an accessory dwelling unit within a new or existing one family dwelling or on the same lot as a new or existing one family dwelling...as a use appurtenant to the one family dwelling use.”

The ordinance stipulates that the ADU “shall be charged for a total of two water and two sewer connections and for a

total of two water user and two sewer user monthly fees.”

Ordinance 956, defines a short-term rental, as a “residential dwelling unit, or portion thereof, that is rented to overnight guests for fewer than 30 consecutive days.”

City attorney Chuck Zimmerman reminded the council that at its previous meeting it was decided not to turn the city’s residential zones (R-1/R-2) into a commercial rental space for hotels.

“This is a huge problem if you follow Chelan County,” said Zimmerman, “They let it get way out of hand before they addressed it.”

The proposed short-term rental ordinance includes a district use chart that allows their existence in commercial (C-1/C-2) zones only. The ordinance further requires every short-term rental to maintain one off-street parking space for each bedroom in the rental unit.

Ordinance 957 includes new

language defining where and for how long a recreational vehicle (RV) can be inhabited in the city. An RV cannot be inhabited outside the city park or a permitted RV park. Occupancy is limited to 14 consecutive days or 14 days within a three-month period. Further RV restrictions include:

- The RV cannot park in a right-of-way or public easement.
- The RV cannot park on a setback.
- No decks, covers, detached awnings, or other structures attached to the RV may be erected or installed.
- RV use is subject to all city health and safety regulations.

The council scheduled a public hearing for its next regular meeting at 7 p.m., September 21, to consider the development code provisions identified in the ADU, short term rental, and recreational vehicle ordinances.

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Made it to Final Four



Courtesy Farmers Baseball Club/Facebook

The Brewster Farmers Baseball Club closed out their season by making the 18U World Series Final Four and bringing home the bronze medal.

# Farmers Baseball Club brings home the bronze

BREWSTER – The Farmers Baseball Club brought home the bronze medal from the 18U World Series played at Cape Girardeau, Missouri, August 13-20.

Four playoffs the Brewster club lost to the South East Tropics 4-3 in the first round and came up short 5-0 against Taiwan to end its season.

The previous day against a good Indiana team the Farmers suffered their first loss more than a month as Indiana put up five runs before the Farmers rallied to tie the game at five apiece. Indiana answered with two more

runs against the Farmer's one to win the final 7-6.

Earlier the Farmers defeated Australia, 7-6, followed by Virginia, 1-0, and then California, before losing to Alabama, 5-3.

## Above and beyond the call of duty



Mike Maltais/QCH

Brewster patrol officer Kevin Arnold volunteers to sit under the mini overhead version of a water dunk tank for willing youngsters to try their hand at giving the victim a good soaking. This young gal appears to have found the range as her ball nears the target trigger...



Mike Maltais/QCH

...and releases a bucket of water over Arnold at last Saturday's End-Of-Summer Hangout held on Third Street between the Fire Department and City Hall.

## Smoke on the water and above the water



Mike Maltais/QCH

A hydro takes the checkered flag at the end of a heat on day one of last Saturday's Pateros Hydro Races.



The on-site National Crane lowers a boat into the water.

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## Things that did not go "BOOM!"

# Explosives removal triggers Bridgeport evacuation order

BY MIKE MALTAIS  
 STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT – An evacuation order was issued for a portion of the City of Bridgeport Tuesday afternoon, August 15, while personnel from the U.S. Army's 53rd Ordnance Company (EOD) removed some explosives from the area. The order advised residents living with 400 yards of the 900 block of Foster Avenue near Fireman Park to shelter in place or evacuate to the Bridgeport High School gym.

Units of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office, and the Douglas-Okanogan Fire District 15, were on hand to control traffic and block access to the area while the explosives were removed.

Contacted at the scene, Douglas County Sheriff Kevin Morris said the explosive in question was probably some old dynamite or similar material. First Lt. Reese of the EOD



Mike Maltais/QCH

Douglas County Sheriff Kevin Morris confers with First Lt. Reese of the U.S. Army's 53rd Ordnance Company from Yakima near the scene of an explosives removal operation near Fireman Park.

said his unit drove for about 2.5 hours from Yakima earlier in the day to perform the explosives removal.

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# Okanogan Agri-Plex hosts Gun & Knife Show



A gun and knife show filled the Okanogan Fairgrounds Agri-Plex during Stampede weekend August 12-13. Falcon Productions from Lynnwood, brought the show to Okanogan County and, despite the focus on the nearby Omak event, drew a steady traffic of customers. Falcon holds about 30 shows a year, mostly in the west side of the state but owner Michael Scribner said the show will return to the Agri-Plex at the same time next year.

Mike Maltais/QCH

## VOLUNTEER

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"I've trapped 29 cats so far this year in the city of Brewster.

Catman shared a few facts to illustrate the importance of trapping every cat in a colony to slow its growth rate.

"They can have a litter every 65 days and start reproducing when they are four months old," Catman said, "Unfortunately in a feral colony you have brothers and sisters crossing, then the genetics are all screwed up."

While these are feral animals some of young kittens can be tamed, socialized, and put up for adoption. Catman has socialized and found homes for nearly two dozen former feral cats himself. He would like to see some insulated shelters and cat-accessible feeders installed for the colonies.

"They are going to be there for at least 10 years whether or not you treat them humanely," said Catman, and urges communities to embrace their reality. "There are so many cats out there that have such a horrible life."

Catman has been volunteering with animal humane causes for decades and switched to a vegetarian diet about 20 years ago.

"Nothing has to die for me to have a plate of food anymore," he said.

## Smoke filters light from rising red sun



A red sunrise last Thursday bears witness to smoke-filled air from wildfires at Eagle Bluff near Oroville, the Sourdough fire in the North Cascades, and others in British Columbia.

Mike Maltais/QCH

## Victim identified in hit and run, information sought on incident

WENATCHEE – The Chelan County Sheriff's Office is seeking the whereabouts of a suspect vehicle and driver involved in a hit-and-run fatality.

Sheriff Mike Morrison reports that on August 10, a 70-year-old male was found deceased in the roadway of Malaga Alcoa Highway near Stemilt Creek Road. Deputies from the Chelan County Sheriff's Office and Wenatchee Police Department officers responded to the area.

During the preliminary investigation, a witness stated that the deceased had been struck by a vehicle. After the vehicle struck the victim, the driver fled the area northbound towards Wenatchee. The witness described the



Courtesy Chelan County Sheriff Eduardo Santiago

suspect vehicle as possibly a 2010 or newer blue Honda. Damage to the vehicle may be on the passenger side.

On August 14, the Chelan County Coroner's Office identified the victim in this case as 70-year-old Eduardo Santiago. Mr. Santiago was known to frequent the area of Locomotive Park in Wenatchee. The Coroner's office is also asking for the public's help in identifying any relatives of Mr. Santiago. If anyone has any information that would assist in notifying Mr. Santiago's next of kin please contact the Coroners' office at 509-667-6431.

The Chelan County Sheriff's Office is asking for assistance identifying the suspect vehicle and driver. Anyone with information about the incident can contact Deputy Mathena via the Chelan County Sheriff's Office tip line at 509-667-6845.

## Campus fire safety

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OLYMPIA – Living in a college dorm can be a fun experience, but fire safety should always be taken serious no matter where you are living. Last year in Washington State, there were over 800 fire incidents that involved college campus dormitories with a dollar loss of over \$11 million. Fires in dormitories are more common during the evening hours and weekends, usually occurring between the hours of 5-11 p.m.

The State Fire Marshal's Office encourages college students living away from home to take a few minutes to ensure that they are living

in a fire-safe environment by:

- Making sure the dorm room has working smoke alarms.
- Testing and maintaining smoke alarms in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- Never removing batteries or disable smoke alarms.
- Knowing two ways out from each room and dormitory building, and practicing a fire escape plan.
- Talking to roommates to determine a safe place to meet outside the building in case of a fire.
- Clearing exits, hallways, and stairs so they are not blocked if there is a need to leave quickly.

- Leaving quickly whenever the fire or smoke alarm sounds. Spending time retrieving items increases the chances of being trapped. Leave everything and go.
  - Staying in the kitchen whenever cooking, and only cook when alert. Do not cook when sleepy or drowsy from drugs or alcohol.
  - Never leave burning candles unattended.
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- For more information, contact the State Fire Marshal's Office at 360-596-3929.



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**August 23, 25, 29, 30**  
**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. August 23: Chicken Caesar Salad, Melon Slices, Cheesy Garlic Toast, Dessert; August 25: Pot Roast, Roast Potatoes & Carrots, Garden Salad, Watermelon, WW Roll, Oatmeal Cookie; August 29: Cheeseburger Deluxe, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Grapes, Dessert; August 30: Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Green Beans, WW Roll, Peach Crisp

**August 23-25, 28-31, Sept. 1-3**  
**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.

**August 23-24, 28-31**  
**Chelan Valley Hope**  
 Serving Bridgeport, Mansfield, Waterville, Orondo, Chelan, Manson, Chelan Falls, Entiat  
 CHELAN - The Hope Hoedown is less than a month away. Get your tickets and bring the whole family to the Hope Hoedown, Chelan Valley Hope's biggest fundraiser of the year. Partner with us and support our local community in need. Get ready to kick up your boots and join us at Chelan Valley Farms on September 16, 4-8 p.m. Enjoy live music from Miller Campbell, food from Dooley Dogs and Taqueria Mazatlan, a raffle, a kid's korral with games and face painting, and more. Tickets and more information are available at [ChelanValleyHope.org/HH](http://ChelanValleyHope.org/HH).

**August 24**  
**Bingo**  
 BREWSTER - Brewster American Legion Bingo every Thursday night at 6 p.m. Card sales start at 5 p.m. - Be early.

**August 25**  
**Dance lessons**  
 BREWSTER - Dance lessons by Jen Phillips at the American Legion for Country Cha Cha Dancing. For Information to join, contact Jen to sign up or for more info at 509-679-2582. Lesson is 6:30-8 p.m.

**September 6**  
**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.

**September 6, 20**  
**American Legion meetings**  
 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.

**September 11**  
**Okanogan County Fair Advisory Committee**  
 OKANOGAN – The Okanogan County Fair Advisory Committee meets the second Monday of the month and is always looking for volunteers. The meetings are open to the public and begin at 6 p.m. in the Okanogan County Commissioners' hearing room, 123 N. Fifth Ave., Okanogan.

**September 11, 27**  
**Okanogan County PUD meeting**  
 OKANOGAN – The next meeting of the Okanogan County PUD Board of Commissioners is at 3 p.m. For more information [okanogapud.org](https://www.okanogapud.org)

**September 12**  
**Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group**  
 WENATCHEE - Survivors of Suicide Loss Support Group meets the 2nd Tuesday of

every month, 7-8:30 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street, Wenatchee. For information, call 509-860-3620 or visit their website at: [tcf-wenatcheevalley.org](http://tcf-wenatcheevalley.org)

**September 12, 26**  
**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.

**September 13**  
**Brewster Chamber to meet**  
 BREWSTER – The next general meeting of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, September 13, 6 p.m. at the Senior Center, 109 Bridge Street. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. For information [brewsterwachamber@gmail.com](mailto:brewsterwachamber@gmail.com) or Mike Mauk, 509-449-0605.

**September 14, 21**  
**Brewster bus trips**  
 BREWSTER – OCTN takes

Brewster area resident to Wenatchee, second Thursday of the month. That next trip is September 14. 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, September 21 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.

**September 18**  
**Family and friends Support Group**  
 WENATCHEE - Family and friends Support Group meets the 3rd Monday of every month, 7-8:30 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street, Wenatchee. For information, call 509-860-3620 or visit their website at: [tcf-wenatcheevalley.org](http://tcf-wenatcheevalley.org)

**OKANOGAN & DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF, BREWSTER POLICE DEPT**

**Douglas County Sheriff's Office**

**August 11**  
 00:00 DUI Arrest, SR 17 MP 136, Bridgeport  
 10:06 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 110 Sagebrush Rd., Waterville  
 12:52 Extra Patrols, Sun Cove, Orondo  
 13:47 Civil Dispute, 111 Arden Ave., Bridgeport  
 19:02 911-call, 115 16th St., Bridgeport  
 21:46 Suspicious Circumstance, 10 block Tunnel View Dr., Orondo  
 22:02 Non-injury Accident, Rd. 27 NE and Rd. P NE, Mansfield  
 22:50 Agency Assist, 2165 Columbia Blvd., Bridgeport  
 22:53 Weapons Violation, 100 block Pine St., Bridgeport

**August 12**  
 09:10 Civil Dispute, 2340 Monroe Ave., Bridgeport  
 16:55 Harassment/ Threat, 308 E. Locust St., Waterville  
 21:02 Suspicious Circumstance, 202 W. Poplar St., Waterville  
 21:16 Traffic Offense, 100 block W. Poplar St., Waterville  
 23:03 Noise Complaint, 2135 Tacoma Ave., Bridgeport  
 23:07 Noise Complaint, 1740 Foster Creek Ave., Bridgeport

**August 13**  
 02:16 Weapons Violation, 335 E. Railroad Ave., Mansfield  
 09:31 Civil Dispute, 205 W. Birch St., Waterville

**August 14**  
 10:26 Agency Assist, 119 Whitlam Ave., Bridgeport  
 20:47 Attempt to Locate/ Contact, 340 Rd. 14 NE, Mansfield

**August 15**  
 08:47 Public Assist, 920 Foster Ave., Bridgeport  
 09:01 Property, 21553 US Hwy. 97, Orondo  
 17:01 Non-injury Accident, Spring Canyon and McNeil Canyon Roads, Orondo

**August 16**  
 08:06 Animal Problem, 383 McNeil Canyon Rd., Orondo  
 08:38 Disturbance, 15th St. and Jefferson Ave., Bridgeport  
 09:30 Vehicle Theft, 2400 Tacoma Ave., Bridgeport

**August 17**  
 03:31 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 97 and Zanol Loop Rd., Orondo  
 05:34 Animal Problem, 320 9th St., Bridgeport  
 08:27 Civil Dispute, 335 E. Railroad Ave., Mansfield  
 12:48 Civil Dispute, 106 Hummingbird Rd., Waterville  
 14:03 Harassment/ Threat, 30 Mountain Spring Rd., Orondo  
 15:33 Civil Dispute, 335 E. Railroad Ave., Mansfield  
 19:09 Hazard, 2 Richards Ave., Bridgeport  
 19:27 Welfare Check, 255 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport

**Brewster Sheriff's Department**

**August 8**  
 01:37 A 911-hangup call was received from W. Main Ave.

**August 9**  
 13:52 An automobile theft was reported from a location on Hwy. 97 in Brewster.  
 14:21 A vehicle was reported stolen from a location on Hwy. 97, keys were in the vehicle.  
 22:59 An agency assist was requested on Monroe Ave. and 21st St. in Bridgeport for a traffic stop with a subject that possibly possessed a firearm.

**August 10**  
 07:21 A recovered trailer was reported on Sunset Dr. and S. 7th St. in Brewster that had been there for multiple days.

**August 11**  
 05:14 A 911-hangup call was received from W. Main Ave. in Brewster.  
 08:28 Malicious mischief was reported on Cliff Ave. in Brewster.  
 18:55 A caller from Foster Creek Ave. and Hwy. 174 in Bridgeport reported their husband was in the river near Chief Jo Dam.  
 19:53 A vehicle prowling was reported on W. Griggs Ave. in Brewster.

**August 12**  
 01:03 An agency assist was requested on Fairview Ave. in Bridgeport when a male subject was reportedly not wanting to get out of the vehicle and was hitting a female subject.  
 14:44 A FedEx truck was reported in an accident on W. Griggs Ave. in Brewster.  
 15:33 A domestic dispute was reported on N. 7th St. in Brewster when a caller re-

ported their daughter throwing things at a vehicle and yelling, then the caller hung up.  
 17:20 A domestic dispute was reported on S. Bridge St. in Brewster.  
 20:16 A DUI stop was reported on Hwy. 97 in Brewster for a subject driving a Buick reportedly all over the road.

**August 13-14**  
 No local reports.

**August 15**  
 17:19 A caller reported a white male subject sleeping on the sidewalk by Subway at Brewster Marketplace.

**August 16**  
 08:50 An agency assist was requested for a 2nd officer out with a stolen vehicle occupied by two suspects on 26th St. and Tacoma Ave. in Bridgeport.  
 09:47 An agency assist was requested for a confirmed warrant on W. Griggs Ave. in Brewster.  
 17:19 An agency assist was requested on S. Main St. in Omak and a suspect's vehicle was parked at the location.  
 18:55 An agency assist was requested for a pursuit on S 2nd Ave. in Okanogan.

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**August 8**  
 15:39 A hit-and-run accident was reported on E. Lakeshore Dr. in Pateros and the caller reported the suspect was driving a Honda Odyssey that left the location.

**August 9**  
 13:00 Fraud was reported on Indian Dan Canyon Rd. in Brewster when a subject was claiming to work for Classic Towing and had been pretending to use the towing company to get titles and paperwork from a vehicle.

**August 10**  
 07:37 A caller on Plata Rd. in Brewster reported a subject stole their forklift and the caller watched them take it on camera, describing a white flatbed truck.  
 08:24 Fraud was reported on Bagwell Ln. in Brewster by a real estate agent that was about to sell a property and found out someone was impersonating the owner trying to sell it.  
 14:43 Trespassing was reported on Brewster Airport Rd. in Brewster.  
 20:59 A caller on W. Warren Ave. in Pateros reported a male subject on a front porch harassing and threatened to do body harm.

**August 11**  
 17:40 A domestic dispute was reported on Hwy. 97 in Brewster.

**August 12**  
 No local reports.

**August 13**  
 05:45 A caller on Hwy 97 reported attempting to locate their 20-year-old daughter that was last seen August 9 at the casino.  
 13:55 A caller on Monse River Rd. reported a 24-year-old male subject that was dis-

oriented and possibly had taken drugs.  
 22:11 A caller on Golf Pl. in Pateros reported subjects in the new construction house next door with three flashlights and no one should be there.

**August 14**  
 08:38 An abandoned vehicle was reported don North Star Rd. and Pioneer Rd. in Brewster described as a white Ford Focus.

**August 15**  
 11:08 A caller on Jack Wells Rd. in Bridgeport reported losing a gun and holster while riding their bicycle.  
 13:20 An abandoned vehicle was reported on North Star and Valley Roads in Brewster, described as a maroon Lincoln and abandoned there for a few weeks.  
 18:50 A missing person was reported on Cooper St. for a caller's father who reportedly had dementia and schizophrenia and was last seen driving in the Brewster, Bridgeport area.

**August 16**  
 08:10 A caller on W. Griggs Ave. in Brewster was attempting to locate a subject.  
 12:37 A caller on Hwy. 153 in Pateros reported a threat and that they were dealing with a mother and son harassing them.  
 15:51 A 911-hangup call was received from Hwy. 97 in Brewster, reportedly by a suspected belligerently drunk subject, screaming at the top of her lungs continually demanding to have EMS take her to the hospital.

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THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT



Courtesy Nick Burson

Nick Burson and Marc McPherson on the summit of Mt. Adams.

The Mountain Men

By JOHN KRUSE

I first spoke with Nick Burson and Marc McPherson in 2017. Nick and Marc are both law enforcement officers who work and live in Central Washington. Nick is a Corporal at the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office and Marc serves as a Lieutenant for the Central Washington University Police Department. The two are dedicated law enforcement officers but when they aren't working, they love to climb mountains and do so like nobody else.

In the summer of 2017 the two summited Washington's five volcanos (Mt. Adams, Mt. St. Helens, Mt. Rainier, Glacier Peak and Mt. Baker) in five and a half days. It seemed like the accomplishment of a lifetime, done in a nearly non-stop fashion and going one 36-hour stretch without any sleep at all.

However, two weeks ago, Nick reached out to me again to let me know he and Marc had done not one better, but seven better, scaling twelve summits in three states in less than twelve days between July 23 and August 2. Nick told me their goal was to summit all twelve volcanos of the Cascade Mountain Range over 10,000 feet in 11 days.

Nick and Marc had been looking for a new challenge since 2017 that was in Nick's words, "Bigger and better and a little more challenging than what they did before." That's how they came up with the idea of scaling these peaks in Washington, Oregon and California in less than 12 days.

The two actually tried to complete this quest last year, summiting Lassen Peak in

California but coming up a couple of hundred feet short of the summit of North Sister peak in Central Oregon. The two encountered snow just below the summit that required a technical climb to get through and the two had not brought the equipment with them to do it. The two were faced with hiking back to the trailhead to retrieve the gear they needed to make it to the summit and realized the weather was deteriorating on top of the mountains they planned to climb next. With their timeline blown, they resolved to try again this year.

Shortly after midnight on the morning of July 23 the two men set out from the Pole Creek Trailhead towards North Sister, the peak that defeated them the previous summer. They encountered the same treacherous snowfield below the summit they found last year but with the right gear, they were able to traverse it and reach the peak. The two then summited the peak of Middle Sister from the same trailhead that brought them to North Sister. They then hiked back to their vehicle and drove to a different trailhead, setting out for the peak of South Sister that evening and managed to make it to the top before midnight, tagging all three peaks in less than 24 hours.

It was a great start to the expedition and more than most mere mortals would ever dream of doing in two or three days. After running back to the trailhead, they slept in the campsite there for a few hours before driving south six hours to the trailhead that would take them to Lassen Peak in California. After bagging Lassen Peak,

they drove north to Mount Shasta, slept for 90 minutes and began making their way towards the top of this iconic Northern California mountain shortly before midnight. The following day they reached the summit of Shasta and returned to the trailhead to make an hour-long plus drive to another trailhead that would lead them towards little known Mount Shastina. Burson explained few people climb this mountain and there were really no defined trails to the top but they managed to make it there late on their third day, conquering six mountain peaks in 72 hours.

The next day the duo rested some and traveled to the base of Mount Jefferson in Central Oregon. It was a mountain they had summited before but the route they were taking this time was unfamiliar, and hiking the trail in the dark with their headlamps, the two lost the trail. What was supposed to be a 14-mile hike to the top of the mountain instead turned into a 20-something-mile-long trek. McPherson said in addition to the long trek Mt. Jefferson is challenging because you also have to do some rock scrambling, traverse snowfields and do some technical climbing before you reach the summit, after which you have to rappel down cliffs to safer ground.

After this very long day McPherson and Burson headed towards Mount Hood in Northern Oregon. The latest climbing report from the rangers there were three weeks old with a recommendation of not climbing the mountain. However, buoyed by their success on Mount Jefferson, the two went anyway. They had the mountain to themselves and

made the summit where they only stayed a short time, being buffeted by 50 mph winds, before heading back down.

The two next bagged Mount Adams during an uneventful climb, tagged Mount Rainier after setting out on a morning climb to reach the summit at sunset, normally it's done the other way to reach the summit at sunrise, and then it was on to Glacier Peak, which was a long hike covering 38 miles round trip from the trailhead to the summit and back.

On the tenth day they began their climb up Mount Baker, their final destination. They reached the summit by 5 p.m., which they had to themselves to savor their accomplishment for an hour before heading back to the trailhead where they checked the clock and found they had completed their epic quest in 10 days, 23 hours and 51 minutes. It will be interesting to see what kind of mountain climbing challenge the two will take up next. I'll share the details of the next expedition with you when it occurs.

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



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Burson and McPherson making their way down from the summit of North Sister.

**STAGE 2**  
August 18, 2023

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Courtesy USFS

Campfires now banned in the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest

SUBMITTED BY VICTORIA WILKINS, USFS

NCW - Continuing hot, dry weather, and worsening fire danger conditions have prompted forest officials to expand campfire restrictions across the entire Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest. Stage 2 Fire Restrictions went into effect on Friday, August 18, banning campfires across the forest, including developed campgrounds and designated Wilderness areas. Under the forest-wide restriction, the use of wood and charcoal campfires is banned; however, people will still be able to use pressurized or bottled liquid fuel stoves, lanterns, campfires or heating devices if no flammable material is present within three feet of the device. Wood burning camp stoves will not be allowed.

"This season we have seen

a concerning increase in human-caused fires. Public cooperation is needed to help prevent new starts as hot and dry conditions continue across the forest," said Fire Management Officer Kyle Cannon. "Critical fire weather conditions are forecast through the weekend and any new starts will have potential to get large quickly in these conditions."

Stage 2 Fire Restrictions also prohibit recreational (target) shooting on the forest. The shooting restriction does not impact lawful hunting under tribal treaty rights or with a valid state-issued license during hunting season. Visit [www.fs.usda.gov/goto/fire-restrictions](http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/fire-restrictions) for details on current restrictions. Firewood cutters must also comply with Industrial Fire Precaution Level requirements found at [fortress.wa.gov/dnr/protection/ifpl/](http://fortress.wa.gov/dnr/protection/ifpl/).

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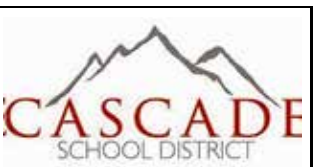
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# All-male chorus seeks new members

### *Apollo Club in their 113th year*

SUBMITTED BY HANK LU-BEAN, WENATCHEE APOLLO CLUB

Wenatchee's oldest community singing group, the all-male Wenatchee Apollo Club, is looking for more singers as rehearsals for a new season beginning September 12.

The Apollo Club has a wide repertoire of pop, folk, jazz, musical theatre, patriotic, barber-shop, seasonal, spirituals and non-denominational religious songs. It began in 1910 with interruptions during both world wars and for two years during the recent Covid pandemic. It resumed rehearsing in April 2022 and performed traditional Christmas selections at senior living centers that December.

It performed eight times this year before taking a summer break. Those performances included a benefit concert with Columbia Chorale and other groups, a performance of the U.S. and Canadian anthems for the new Wenatchee Bighorns Basketball Team, and guests at an Appalaires concert.

The Apollo Club was also in the Apple Blossom Festival parade, a fundraiser for Ukrainian refugees, and a performance at the Wenatchee Farmers Market in June.

Tim Scheer, a retired choral music teacher of 40 years in Wisconsin public schools, became Apollo Club director in January and says he's "delighted and humbled to step into the shoes of a long line of exceptional club directors." Hank LuBean, club president who has

been a member since 2012, said the mission is to provide men an opportunity to develop their vocal skills and be community ambassadors of goodwill.

"All-male choruses are a unique sound that audiences love," LuBean said. "We love to sing and bring entertaining, positive songs."

"Community and church choirs were already declining before Covid and the Apollo Club was no exception and continues to struggle to maintain its numbers. We need new members, particularly young men of high school and college age, but all ages are very welcome." LuBean said. "The community would lose a valuable asset if Apollo Club ceased and we need new members to continue the men's choir tradition here in North Central



Courtesy Apollo Club Facebook

Washington," he said.

Prospective members must be able to sing. The ability to read music is desirable but not required. Practice tracks are provided to learn parts. Few songs require memorization.

The club is planning a Christmas concert and a late spring 2024 concert and is looking for

other opportunities, including benefit concerts.

Singers interested in joining or groups interested in arranging performances may contact Apollo Club at: wenatcheeapolloclub.

The club is planning a Christmas concert and a late spring 2024 concert and is looking for

7 p.m. Tuesdays at Eastmont Junior High in the choir room on the lower level with entry from the west door. A pre-season potluck will be held at Walla Walla Point Park, shelter No. 2, at 5:30 p.m. August 29; prospective members and their families are also invited.

# New apprenticeship funding focuses on easing nurse and teacher shortage

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON LABOR & INDUSTRIES

TUMWATER — Apprenticeship programs for nurses and special education teachers in Washington are getting a \$5.6 million boost through a local partnership that won a federal Department of Labor grant.

The Washington departments of Labor & Industries (L&I) and Washington Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA), together with the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) and Washington Education Association (WEA), will invest the funds in training for two industries facing consistent and significant staffing shortages.

"Our Career Connect and apprenticeship efforts are all about connecting students and workers to the many incredible

career opportunities in high-demand fields, including education and health care," said Gov. Jay Inslee. "The collaboration among state agencies and union partners is paying off and we appreciate the support of the federal Department of Labor."

"Training more teachers and nurses will ease the pressure on workers who are doing their best to meet demands well beyond their capacity," said Joel Sacks, L&I director. "Along with that, this funding will provide pathways for people in our state into these rewarding careers, particularly to underserved populations."

### Special education teachers

Under the grant, apprenticeship programs for special education teachers will focus on providing training in the Walla Walla, Federal Way, and Mukil-

teo school districts. Because it requires participants have a bachelor's degree, rather than a master's degree, the grant will open the possibility of a career in teaching to a new universe of potential educators.

It's also a first-of-its-kind partnership between L&I, the OSPI, and the WEA.

"Across the nation, schools continue to experience shortages in educators trained to support students with disabilities, and Washington state is no exception," said State Superintendent Chris Reykdal. "Preparing future educators by empowering them to spend more time with mentor teachers and students prior to earning their certification is the power of apprenticeship, and I am so excited we are bringing it to Washington. We are grateful for our partnership with L&I,

WDVA, and WEA."

"Our goal is simple. As an education community, we must continue to lift diverse, aspiring educators who reflect the diversity of our public schools. Our students and communities deserve the best-prepared and most innovative teachers. Together, in our education communities, we have the power and expertise to make a difference," said Larry Delaney, Washington Education Association (WEA) president. "For the future of education in our state and across the nation, we will continue to strengthen our public schools."

**Licensed practical nurses**  
L&I and the WDVA will use another part of the grant to fund on-the-job training through apprenticeship for licensed practical nurses (LPN) in long-term care facilities serving vet-

erans including the Washington Soldiers Home, Washington Veterans Home, Spokane Veterans Home and Walla Walla Veterans Home.

The program will focus on nursing assistants and nursing technicians who are completing LPN coursework.

"The Washington Department of Veterans Affairs is uniquely positioned to expand registered apprenticeship opportunities in Washington state and support our staff as they begin their nursing career serving those who served," said WDVA Director David Puente. "By creating a career pathway from Nursing Assisting to Licensed Practical Nurse, we are removing barriers for candidates wanting to enter nursing and providing supported employment while they train."  
**Expanding participation and**

### investment

A third part of the grant involves providing support services to pre-apprenticeship program participants. That work could include outreach to underrepresented communities including women, people of color, and veterans as a way to expand participation in a variety of occupations

This grant is part of a significant focus from L&I on increasing participation in registered apprenticeships. That includes \$8 million invested in expanding existing programs in 2022 and \$15 million for apprenticeship in aerospace engineering in 2021.

There are about 190 registered apprenticeship programs in the state. There are more than 22,000 people participating in apprenticeship programs, which cover some 200 different occupations.

# Outdoor workers required to take breaks, have access to shade, water under high heat rules

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON LABOR & INDUSTRIES

TUMWATER — As temperatures soar in Washington, industries whose workers do their jobs outdoors must give workers frequent breaks, access to shade, and water cool enough to drink, among other steps. Updated rules from the Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) took effect June 27 requiring employers to take both proactive and responsive action to keep their workers safe.

Protections for outdoor workers kick in at 80 degrees

Fahrenheit, with additional requirements when there is high heat, so forecasted temperatures above 90 and even 100 degrees mean many with outdoor jobs will be working with those requirements in place this week.

As the forecasted temperatures in many places are 10 or more degrees above the average temperatures for the last 5 days, the heat wave requirement to closely observe all workers applies, as all workers are vulnerable to heat-related illness when there is sudden increase in temperature.

### At or above 80 degrees for most workers, employers must:

Encourage and allow workers to take paid preventative cool-down rest periods as needed;

Provide enough shade or other way of cooling down—like an air-conditioned building or running vehicle—for all employees on a meal or rest break to use;

Provide enough cool drinking water for each employee to drink a quart per hour; and

Closely observe new employees, employees returning

from absences, and, during heat waves, all employees.

At or above 90 degrees, employers must require a 10-minute paid cool down rest period every two hours. When the temperature reaches 100 degrees or higher, the requirement for breaks becomes 15-minutes of paid cool down rest every hour.

Learn more at [www.Lni.wa.gov/HeatSmart](http://www.Lni.wa.gov/HeatSmart).

### Recognizing symptoms of heat stress

Heat exhaustion and heat stroke can come on quickly and be serious or fatal. Em-

ployers and workers should recognize these symptoms and respond appropriately:

Heat exhaustion:  
Heavy sweating;

A fast, weak pulse;

Cold, pale, and clammy skin;

Headaches, dizziness, nausea or vomiting;

Weakness and/or cramps.

Workers experiencing these symptoms should move into the shade, drink water, and take cool-down rests as needed. Employers who see the symptoms in their workers must take action, provide aid, and continue to monitor

symptoms.

### Heat stroke:

Heat stroke is more serious and must be treated as a medical emergency that requires professional medical treatment:

Skin that is hot, red, and dry, with no sweat;

A body temperature of 104 degrees Fahrenheit or higher;

A fast, strong pulse, nausea, and/or loss of consciousness.

Be proactive by protecting workers' health and safety during the extreme heat of the summer.

# State and federal dollars allocated to build resilience in local food supply chain

SUBMITTED BY AMBER BETTS, WSDA

OLYMPIA - The need to respond to pandemic-related disruptions to the food supply chain in recent years illustrated the important ways that resilient local food systems can help connect consumers to foods produced closer to home. The need for local food system infrastructure that supports growth in local economies and healthy communities is recognized by both the state and federal gov-

ernments who are making new grants and technical assistance available.

Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) and United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) are investing in grants and technical assistance programs that bolster resilient local food systems. Earlier this year, Washington State Legislature approved \$8 million in new ongoing state funding to continue WSDA's successful Local Food System Infrastructure Grant. In ad-

dition, this summer, USDA announced the Resilient Food System Infrastructure Program is providing \$9.4 million in funding for Washington state to administer grants and technical assistance that will support farms and food businesses with infrastructure projects that expand capacity and strengthen collaboration across linkages in the regional food supply chain.

Background: In 2022 and 2023, nearly \$20 million in grants were awarded to small farms and local food businesses

through the Local Food Systems Infrastructure and Local Meat Processing Capacity Grant programs, which are administered by the WSDA Regional Markets Program. The businesses that received assistance through these programs have demonstrated the important role they play in maintaining a vibrant and robust local food system. Continued funding from Washington State Legislature will further bolster the resiliency of our local food systems.

In addition to state-fund-

ed programming, WSDA is partnering with USDA on the newly announced Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Program. Federal funding from this program will complement the state-funded program, supporting continued expansion of

local food system capacity and farm viability in Washington. Funds will be used primarily for large-scale grants and technical assistance designed to build resilience across the middle of the state's food supply chain.

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