

Friday, July 14 – Sunday, July 16

Pateros hosts 72nd annual Apple Pie Jamboree



Courtesy applepiejamboree/facebook
The Color Run starts at 7 a.m., Saturday morning.



Courtesy applepiejamboree/facebook
Homemade apple pie



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APJ shirt

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – The 72nd annual Apple Pie Jamboree, the largest party of the year in town, once again features a lineup of fun events, delicious food, exciting races, good music, crafts, fundraisers, a raffle, a movie, fireworks, and more, all starting Friday evening, July 14, and running through Sunday afternoon, July 16.

New this year is a Cornhole Tournament at 5 p.m. opening night. Cornhole is defined as a lawn game where players or teams take turns throwing fabric bean bags at a raised, angled board with a hole in its far end. The new event is a fundraiser for next year's swim lessons program. The

entry fee is \$10 per team with online registration at: form.jotform.com/231507975174159.

Event Schedule

Friday evening, July 14

- Vendors set up as they arrive
• 5 p.m. Pie & Ice cream in the park
• 5 p.m. Cornhole Tournament
• 5 p.m. Sloppy Joe fundraiser for firefighters
• 7 p.m. Water Dog band at Sweet River Bakery
• 8-10 p.m. Kids crafts & movie

Saturday, July 15

- All day: Vendors in the park
• 7 a.m. Color Run
• 7 a.m. Breakfast in the park
• 7 a.m. 3-on-3 basketball registration
• 8 a.m. 3-on-3 games begin
• 11 a.m. Parade

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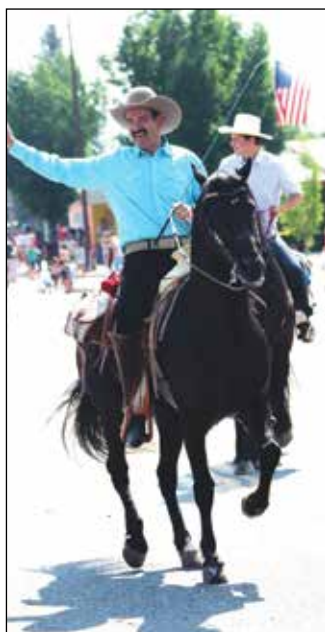
- 11:30 a.m. Pie & ice cream
• 11 a.m. Jet ski races
• 12:30 p.m. Story time in the park
• 1 p.m. Kids games
• 5 p.m. Sloppy Joe fundraiser for firefighters
• 7 p.m. APJ raffle concludes
• 7 p.m. Loose Change band at Sweet River Bakery
• 10 p.m. Fireworks

Sunday, July 16

- Vendors in the park
• 9 a.m. Brunch volleyball team fundraiser
• 10 a.m. Brassworks Band at Sweet River Bakery
• 10 a.m. Jet ski races until 3 p.m.

Fireworks and fun for everyone

Brewster July 4th was a booming success



Adolfo Shagun and his Friesian dancing stallion, Satana, inspire...



...these happy parade watchers do dance as well.



Three Rivers Hospital brought its own tame T-Rex.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – As entries started arriving to get in line at Legion Park early Tuesday morning, July 4, it looked like the combination of a mid-week parade combined with cherry harvest in full swing might reduce the number of folks attending the Independence Day opening event.

As both the temperature and tempo rose toward the 10 a.m. start time, spectators started to fill the sidewalk and excited children were full of anticipation for the treats and prizes they knew were coming. From the Main Street morning parade route to Columbia Cove Park and the evening's fireworks show, the number of visitors swelled. As launch time



The Legion Riders lead off the parade of entries with the colors.

approached at 10 p.m. the park was full of revelers and the handful of food vendors waited on long lines of customers.

The parade sponsored by P1FCU credit union attracted

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Commissioners offer support

Broadband Action Team expands countywide internet

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

Editor's note: The following was composed using meeting notes provided by Okanogan County Watch, info@countywatch.org

OKANOGAN – Members of the county's Broadband Action Team (BAT) appeared before the June 27 meeting of the Board of Okanogan County Commissioners (BOCC) to report on its efforts to bring reliable internet access and internet equity to all residents of the county. BAT members that spoke to the commissioners included Roni Holder-Diefenbach, Executive Director for Economic Alliance, Kayla Wells, WSU Extension, and Okanogan County Electric Cooperative (OCEC) General Manager, Greg Mendonca.



Courtesy economic-alliance.com
Roni Holder-Diefenbach

The Carlton area between Methow and Twisp has also submitted a grant application to fund service there.

The Colville Tribe is putting in its own infrastructure.

Diefenbach said BAT's plan, among the top five for the state, is ready to go.

"The projects are ready, we just need the money to move forward," Diefenbach said.

There are still some hurdles to clear. Concomitantly, as an example, has problems with wireless and cellphones.

Wells explained WSU Extension's role.

"We started in 2019," said Wells. "Then, we added the digital equity piece to ensure that all people have access to internet."

Digital equity means that people need to have the devices and knowledge to get connected and to utilize the internet.

"We are reaching the 'covered population'; elderly, dis-



Courtesy cooperative.com
Greg Mendonca, OCEC

abled," said Wells. "This is a result of inclusive planning. We've identified the people that work with this 'covered population'."

Commissioners voiced their approval of BAT's efforts.

Commissioner Chris Branch stated that good communities are built through associations and communication. He believes the Economic Alliance is the right agency to spearhead the project because businesses need internet service.

"I'm quite pleased with how well this has gone," Branch said.

The BAT group asked the Commissioners for the county's help with the next steps of implementation. Mendonca said the project is approved.

"We just need the scope of work," Mendonca said.

The commissioners said they will draft a resolution that will help BAT define the countywide scope of the project.

Vets need transport to Wenatchee clinic

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

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OKANOGAN – Military veterans in the county need help finding transport to the VA clinic in Wenatchee. That is the message Tom Even, the county veterans service officer brought to the June 26 meeting of the board of Okanogan County Commissioners.

"We still have no driver for the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) van," said Even. "TranGo offers a bus to Wenatchee once per week which needs to be pre-scheduled (for Thursdays). Who can I talk to to get them to be more open?"

Commissioner Chris Branch asked what the problem was regarding the lack of a DAV driver.

"Communication," said Even. "The DAV isn't communicating with us at all. We don't have any drivers and they won't talk to us until they do."

Even said pre-scheduling also presents a difficulty.

"For a veteran to schedule his appointment at the VA

in Wenatchee would be like pulling teeth," Even said, "So if he had to go Monday or Tuesday, would TranGo be willing to help out? We'd preschedule, but can they go another day than Thursday? For example, if we call two weeks in advance, can we switch to Tuesday?"

Commissioner Andy Hover advised Even that he sits on the TranGo board.

"Let me talk to them," said Hover. "TranGo contracts with OCTN (Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition). They do on-demand for seniors for doctor appointments, (so) I'll see how they integrate and get back to you."

Hover asked Even how he would envision the transport working?

"We've had to turn a lot (of veterans) down in the past," said Even. "Most have to go to an appointment at the VA clinic in Wenatchee. There's a service that'll take them round trip to Wenatchee for \$600 or \$800. They can't afford that."

"I'll talk to TranGo and OCTN and see if they can connect with the Link (Transit) to Wenatchee," said Hover. "Maybe that's why it has to go on Thursday."

On a related issue Even reported on outreach efforts

to homeless vets. He said his service is seeing more vets coming in thanks to the PACT Act. The PACT Act or The Sergeant First Class (SFC) Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act, passed August 2, 2022. It "expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances," according to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs website, va.gov.

Katrina Cates, Support Services Veterans Families Manager for the Okanogan County Community Action Council said her agency is working with Manfisher Ministries, Recovery Navigators, the Colville Tribe, and other sources to reach vets.

"We'll meet our clientele wherever they are," said Cates. "We're planning outreach at Tonasket foodbank on July 20. Trying to meet the population we serve."

Even, a Marine Corps veteran and member of the Tonasket American Legion has been the county's Washington Department of Veterans Affairs certified service officer for the past three years.

"They always call my office first," said Even of vets who need help.

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more than a dozen entrants that looked like many more with multiple vehicles, trailers, and marchers in many. Entrants included:

Three Rivers Hospital (that brought its tame T-Rex), Brewster Boys and Girls Club, Gomez Lawn Care, Brewster Harvest Foods, O'Connell Drilling, Los Paisas Store, Brewster Harvest Foods, Night Jackal Transport (Twisp), Gebbers Farms, Jose's Lawn Care, Combat Veterans International Motorcycles, Labrie Racing with the Advance Unlimited hydro, Okanogan Motorcycle Enthusiasts, Adolfo Shagun and Camperos' Dancing Horses, Ron Johnson and his '66 red Mustang.

There was something for every age from the very young to super seniors on this Brewster 4th of July.

"It's kinda like an outdoor concert, only free," said one young woman in the company of several friends, "only here you get to have your own space and - look around you - there's not a bad seat in the house."



Vendors in Cove Park have a busy afternoon and evening.



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Marnie Henrie dispenses kettle corn to a long line of customers.



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APRENDE MÁS

## New drugs laws ahead

# Prosecuting attorney asks commissioners for additional staff

By MIKE MALTAIS  
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OKANOGAN – County prosecuting attorney Albert Lin spoke with the Okanogan County Commissioners on June 27 to request additional staff to handle appeals, civil cases, and the upcoming workload his office expects when new state drug laws take effect in August. Among those:

- Simple possession of a dangerous drug will be a gross misdemeanor.
- Pretrial diversion is an option for persons charged with drug possession.

The prosecuting attorney currently has a staff of seven deputies, one chief criminal deputy, one chief civil deputy, and himself. In addition to the workload anticipated, Lin noted that some serious violent crime cases tried by his office involving murder, assault, or rape are being appealed. Some cases coming back are more than a decade old.

Lin served two years as the county's chief civil deputy prosecuting attorney before being appointed by the commissioners to his current office in March 2022. Now, after a year on the job, facing new drug laws and no additional resources for prosecutors, he asked the commissioners to reevaluate the burden he faces. He said he is constantly reviewing caseloads to be sure this request is needed.



Albert Lin  
Courtesy LinkedIn

"I just am asking you all for help," said Lin. "There are a number of serious cases that are appealing, and they are 'papering' us to death."

Lin said that criminal cases are his main focus, with violent crimes of highest priority, then property crimes, the latter with substance use usually involved.

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Lin said one new staff member, and possibly two, are needed, adding he will revisit the issue with the board as future needs determine.

Commissioner Chris Branch said the county must address its crime issues as a priority and agreed with Lin's request for help. Commissioner Andy Hover proposed that Lin work with the county's Human Resources Department to write up the position needed, its job description and resolution for this new position. The motion carried.



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**Douglas County Sheriff's Office**

**June 30**  
 09:24 Scam, 10 Richards Ave., Bridgeport  
 09:33 Malicious Mischief, 100 Nollmeyer Rd., Orondo  
 10:42 Property, 1015 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport  
 11:06 Non-injury Accident, 145 Osprey Dr., Bridgeport  
 12:00 Injury Accident, Rd. C NW and US Hwy. 2, Waterville  
 13:14 Extra Patrol, 250 W. Beach Dr., Orondo  
 14:38 Traffic Offense, Bridgeport Bar, Bridgeport  
 14:45 Injury Accident, McNeil Canyon Rd. MP 2, Orondo  
 14:45 Welfare Check, 49 Skeels Rd., Orondo  
 14:47 Welfare Check, 1709 Fisk Ave., Bridgeport  
 17:45 Runaway, 228 Grange Rd., Bridgeport  
 19:03 Public Assist, 422 S. Harrison St., Waterville  
 19:32 Traffic Offense, 300 block S. Central Ave., Waterville

**July 1**  
 06:03 Fraud/ Forgery, 319 S. Central Ave., Waterville  
 06:28 Noise Complaint, 1336 Foster Ave., Bridgeport  
 15:06 Juvenile Problem, 228 Grange Rd., Bridgeport  
 18:50 Noise Complaint, 1336 Foster Ave., Bridgeport

**July 2**  
 05:40 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 97 MP 221, Orondo  
 17:54 Trespassing, 408 E. Ash St., Waterville

**July 3**  
 10:00 Marine, 10 block S. Shore Dr., Orondo  
 11:49 Suicide Threat, Mansfield  
 12:35 Civil Dispute, 211 W. Walnut St., Waterville  
 16:36 Juvenile Problem, 1636 Fisk Ave., Bridgeport  
 17:58 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 425 McNeil Canyon Rd., Orondo  
 19:12 Welfare Check, 414 Lake View Dr., Orondo  
 20:41 Injury Accident, Rd. 4 NW and Rd. O NW, Waterville  
 21:41 Extra Patrols, Sun Cove, Orondo  
 22:24 Welfare Check, 412 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport  
 23:08 Civil Dispute, 17 Moe Rd., Bridgeport  
 23:53 Non-injury Accident, SR 17 and Half-sun Way, Bridgeport

**July 4**  
 09:18 Malicious Mischief, 508 E. Poplar St., Waterville  
 10:05 Injury Accident, 100 block E. Entiat Dr., Orondo  
 10:41 Burglary, 309 S. Central Ave., Waterville  
 12:33 Public Assist, 1206 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport  
 12:58 Agency Assist, 2 Orondo Substation, Orondo  
 19:52 Trespassing, 203 S. Chelan Ave., Waterville  
 20:00 Civil Dispute, 1627 Tacoma Ave., Bridgeport  
 22:35 Fireworks, 1804 Fisk Ave., Bridgeport  
 23:37 Fireworks, 205 E. Railroad Ave., Bridgeport

**July 5**  
 10:45 Animal Problem, 0 block Pearl Hill Rd., Bridgeport  
 10:51 Marine, 19 Crane Orchard Rd., Bridgeport  
 12:46 Theft, 218 E. Elm St., Waterville  
 14:00 Juvenile Problem, 1740 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport  
 16:03 911-call, 23459 US Hwy. 97, Beebe Bridge area, Orondo  
 19:04 Welfare Check, 305 S. Central Ave., Waterville  
 19:59 Fireworks, Columbia Ave. and 16th St., Bridgeport

**July 6**  
 10:22 Noise Complaint, 1636 Columbia, Bridgeport  
 12:33 Fraud/ Forgery, 110 S. Mansfield Blvd., Mansfield  
 12:50 Trespassing, 102 S. Chelan Ave., Waterville

**Brewster Sheriff's Department**

**June 29**  
 09:03 An alarm was triggered on E. Main Ave. in Brewster.  
 13:55 A non-injury accident was reported in Brewster.  
 15:13 Animal abuse was reported on S. 7th St. in Brewster.

**June 30**  
 00:28 A citizen ride was provided for a male subject back to his residence from Hospital Way.

**July 1**  
 17:23 A possible domestic dispute was reported on W. Indian Ave. in Brewster when a caller heard children crying outside for their mom.

**July 2**  
 00:38 A domestic dispute was reported on S. 3rd St. for a female arguing with a caller's brother, the parties were separated for the night.

**July 3**  
 15:54 A caller reported a female subject hit her car on Hwy. 97 and no EMS was requested.  
 16:32 Malicious mischief was reported on S. Bridge St. and a female subject was in custody for trespassing, an ongoing issue with two families.  
 19:13 Fireworks were reported on S. 7th St. in Brewster near the area of the school by juveniles.

**July 2**  
 20:16 A black lab with a pink collar was reported as a stray on S. 3rd St. in Brewster.  
 23:52 An accident was reported on Hwy. 17 and Half-sun Way in Bridgeport.

**July 4**  
 08:14 An ongoing problem with a German Shepard dog sitting outside of a caller's fence causing problems on S. 2nd St. and E. Griggs Ave. in Brewster.

**July 4**  
 21:04 Fireworks were reported on Selkirk Pl. in Brewster.  
 23:28 A 60-year-old male subject on W. Bruce Ave. reportedly passed out due to diabetes and the patient was also reported to be stable by the end of the call.  
 23:36 A caller on E. Douglas Ave. and S. 1st St. reported what appeared to be fire on the water, unknown what was burning and described as approximately 10 feet long. It was later reported that it was an old boat with fireworks scraps and nothing was reportedly in danger at the time.

**July 5**  
 No local reports.

**Okanogan County Sheriff's Office**

**June 30**  
 03:07 An agency assist was re-

quested on Washburn Ave. in Brewster for a vehicle parked at a location and when the caller went to contact them the subjects in the vehicle turned their light off.

**July 1**  
 05:44 A suicidal person was reported on Coyote Ln. in Brewster.

**July 1**  
 11:32 An agency assist was requested for a subject in a car that hit a subject's RV and the RV was blocking the roadway.

**July 1**  
 13:58 A civil dispute was reported on Coyote Ln. when a male subject that the caller's daughter broke up with, left with a 3-year-old child that he was not supposed to have.

**July 1**  
 14:01 An unattended death was reported on Valley Rd. in Brewster.

**July 2**  
 00:38 A domestic dispute was reported on S. 3rd St. in Brewster.  
 17:12 Extra patrols were requested on Lakeshore Dr. and Hwy. 97 in Pateros.

**July 3**  
 08:17 An animal problem was reported on North Star Rd. and Valley Rd. in Brewster for approximately ten goats in the field that reportedly kept getting their heads stuck in the fence and the caller was worried for the goat's health.

**July 3**  
 07:03 A domestic dispute was reported on W. Warren Ave. in Pateros for neighbors yelling and throwing things at each other.  
 16:02 Theft was reported on Cameron Lake Rd. in Brewster and a black 1997 Parker trailer was stolen from a gravel pit.

**July 3**  
 23:52 An agency assist was requested on Hwy. 17 and Half-sun Way in Bridgeport.

**July 4**  
 08:58 A welfare check was requested for a trucker in the area of Industrial Way in Pateros.

**July 4**  
 14:06 A suspicious circumstance was reported when a male subject kept stating "they are harassing me through the phones" and then disconnecting, from the area of Monse Bridge Rd. in Brewster.

**July 4**  
 23:29 An order violation was reported at Pateros Super Stop store.

**July 5**  
 17:51 An agency assist was requested on Marina Park to assist with a brush fire.

**July 5**  
 21:03 A boat and trailer appear to have been dumped on Douglas County PUD property in Pateros.

**Oestreich receives \$1,500 scholarship**



Courtesy OCSRA  
 Marilyn Oestreich of Omak (center) received a \$1,500 scholarship from Okanogan County School Retirees' Association members Barbara Christensen (left) and Sibyl Wehmeyer (right). Currently a paraprofessional at Omak East Elementary, Oestreich hopes to teach at the same school after she receives her teaching certification from Grand Canyon University.

**Daily Bliss Café open for bliss-ness in Okanogan**



Mike Maltais/QCH  
 Okanogan Mayor Wayne Turner cuts the ribbon at the grand opening of Daily Bliss Café at 233 Queen Street last Monday, July 3. Holding the ribbon are co-founders Michelle Fox, left, and Daily Staggs. The pair of local minority female entrepreneurs offer a healthy menu of smoothies and bowls in a breakfast/lunch model. Nestled next to the Caribou Inn, the vision of Daily Bliss is to be a community space where all are welcome, in addition to getting something that is both nourishing and enjoyable to eat. Students, teachers, first responders, and senior citizens are eligible for discounts.

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July 18-19, 21

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No meals served July 12, 14/ staff vacation

**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. July 18: Beef Stew, Cottage Cheese, Garden Salad, Peaches, Biscuit, Dessert; July 19: Chicken, Bacon and Swiss Cheese Sandwich, Jo Jo's, Broccoli Salad, Watermelon, Dessert; July 21: Sweet Sour Meatballs, Wild Rice, Asian Vegetables, Cucumber Salad, Tropical Fruit, WW Roll, Dessert

July 12-15, 17-22

### 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 our 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.

July 12-13, 17-20

### Chelan Valley Hope

Free Summer Kids Lunch Program

**CHELAN** - Chelan Valley Hope and the Lake Chelan Food Bank proudly sponsor the Summer Kids Lunch Program. Free meals are available for kids Monday through Thursday noon - 1 p.m. at 417. S. Bradley Street. If you want to support the Summer Kids Lunch Program, they currently accept Uncrustables, Lunchables,

Ritz Crackers, granola bars, cheese sticks, chips, and fruit. Donations are welcome and can be left during business hours, or call us at 509-888-2114, and they'll gladly make arrangements.

July 12

### Brewster Chamber to meet

**BREWSTER** – The next general meeting of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, July 12, 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.

July 13

### Kindness Counts NCW

**WENATCHEE** - A small group of community members has come together with the belief "Kindness toward others" strengthens a community. As such, "Kindness Counts NCW" was organized to make 2023 "The Year of Kindness" throughout North Central Washington. The next meeting will be held on July 13, 2-3 p.m., at Community Foundation of NCW, 9 S. Wenatchee Avenue and open to all KIND minded folks. They meet every other Thursday. To learn more about the group go to kindnesscountsnw.com or find them on Facebook Kindness Counts NCW.

July 13

### Bingo

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

July 13, 20

### Brewster bus trips

**BREWSTER** – OCTN takes Brewster area resident to Wenatchee, second Thursday of the month. That next trip is July 13. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical ap-

pointments etc. On the third Thursday of each month, July 20 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.

July 14

### 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.

July 16 - Triangle Park

### Okanogan County Democrats Family, Friends Picnic

**OMAK** – The Okanogan County Democrats Family and Friends Picnic will be held July 16, 1-4 p.m., at the Omak Eastside Park in the Triangle Park area. There will be free food, live music. Meet other Democrats from all around the county. Featuring Washington State Democrats chair Shasti Conrad and candidate for Washington State Attorney General Manka Dhingra. More info at: www.okanogandemocrats.org

July 17

### 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: tcfwenatcheevalley.org

July 19

### American Legion meetings

**BREWSTER** – American Legion Post #97 current mem-

bers 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.

July 24

### 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

July 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.

August 2

### 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.

August 8

### 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: tcfwenatcheevalley.org

August 14

### 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.

## OBITUARIES

### Charles "John" Kesti

Charles "John" Kesti passed away peacefully (or went to be with the Lord on July 1, 2023 at the age of 73) in his home in Brewster, Washington.

John lead a very fulfilled life with God, family and brethren.

John graduated from Cottage Grove High School in 1967 and then served as a mechanic in the Coast Guard for two years, before he went to study photography at Lane Community College.

John was a man of many hats. His professions included: Finish (or half Finnish) Carpenter, mechanic, house painter, home inspector, truck driver and handy man for all things. He enjoyed collecting films and sharing them with his family. His other hobbies included restoring things and collecting guns, coins, and CD's. He always loved the ocean and wanted to someday own a sailboat. John also had a passion for music and learned how to play the guitar. His favorite genres to listen to were blues and classic rock.

On December 6, 1975 John married the love of his life Fleda Elaine Easter.

Together they raised their seven children: Danese, LJ, Susan, Becky, Billy, Kerrie and Laura in the homestead they built together in Brewster, Washington in 1986.

Bro. John was baptized into the General Assembly and Church of the Firstborn by Bro. Lester Clevenger on August 7, 1982.

Being a son of God, John enjoyed spending time around his brethren. Everyone saw the love and joy of serving God in him. He instilled his love for Jesus and the truth in his children. He was very thankful to see all of them get baptized into the faith.

John is survived by his sister Susan Carlotta Kesti of



Lebanon, Oregon; his seven children: daughter Danese Easter of Portland, Oregon, son, John Kesti and daughter-in-law Heather Kesti of Cushing, Oklahoma, daughter Susan Kesti and son-in-law Chris Tingle of Monroe, Washington, daughter Rebecca Gibson and son-in-law Zachary Gibson of Delta, Colorado, son William Kesti and daughter-in-law Abigail Kesti of Brewster, Washington, daughter Kerrie Rossiter and son-in-law Bryan Rossiter of Sacramento, California, daughter Laura Martin and son-in-law Isaiah Martin of Malott, Washington and 10 grandchildren, Gavyn, Harley, Callyn, Alayna, Judah, Brynlee, Jolene, Benjamin, Emersyn and Abel as well as many brother-in-laws, sister-in-laws, nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his mother Helen Merlotte Jordan, father Alfred John Kesti, wife Fleda Elaine Easter and grandson Bryce Carter Rossiter.

John loved the Lord with all of his heart and clung onto Him with all of his strength until his last day. The example he set and the faith that he had made an impression on his children and the brethren that cared for him. He will be remembered and missed by many.

# Life-saving blood donations needed to meet growing demand in summer

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON DEPT. OF HEALTH

**OLYMPIA** – Washington State Department of Health (DOH) and the Washington State Blood Coalition are urging people to volunteer to donate blood.

The need for donated blood goes up with the warm weather. As more people travel and spend more time outdoors, they suffer accidents and medical procedures that require transfusions. Blood donations also tend to go down due to work vacations and class breaks at schools and colleges. This combination can lead to critical shortages of life-saving blood, plasma, and other blood products.

"We are heading into a perfect storm if we don't start building our blood supply now," said Jennifer Hawkins, Regional Director of Vitalant Northwest.

"We believe the summer months are a perfect time to donate blood and we encourage our citizens to support a true public connection through this universal activity," said Curt Bailey, President and CEO of BloodworksNW.

Donating blood is easy and donation appointments are convenient for your schedule. Most people in good health who are at least 18 years old and who weigh at least 110 pounds can donate whole blood. In Washington, minors ages 16 and 17 can donate with

a signed parental consent form. Depending on the type of donation (blood, plasma, platelets), the appointment should take between one and two hours.

"We know people want to give blood," said Christine Swinehart, President and CEO of Cascade Regional Blood Services. "It is our hope we can make this process as easy as possible."

Blood donations save lives and improve the health of many. World Blood Donor Day recognizes the importance of a safe and stable blood supply and the donors who make it possible.

"Every two seconds, someone in the United States needs blood," said Andrew Rose, As-

stant Secretary for Response Operations at DOH. "Products like plasma, platelets, and antibodies can help people recover from complications from cancer treatment, immunological disorders, and other serious conditions."

"Eligible donors are encouraged to be part of something big by making an appointment to give blood this month," said Angel Montes, Regional Donor Services Executive, American Red Cross Northwest Region.

For donation opportunities and eligibility criteria, please visit these pages:


- RedCrossBlood.org
- BloodworksNW.org
- Vitalant.org/donate
- CRBS.net/donate

## DEATH NOTICES


### Theodore White Jones


Theodore White Jones, 85, of Brewster, Washington, passed away on July 1, 2023. Please leave any thoughts

and memories for the family at www.barneschapel.com. Services are under the direction of Barnes Chapel of Brewster.



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## Basketball girls are Baddie, Fantabulous, 2023 Hoopfest Champions



Courtesy Naomie Peasley

The Bucket Baddies include, from left, Neyomee Aparicio, Celeste Garcia, Addy Boesel, and Katie Sanchez, all of Brewster.



Courtesy Naomie Peasley

Playing for the Fantabulous Four are, from left, Katlynn Gibbons (Tonasket), Pepper Boesel (Brewster), Mylee Taber (Tonasket), and Evelyn Sheller (Tonasket).

BY MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

SPOKANE – The Bucket Baddies girls’ team from Brewster was indeed ‘bad’ news for the other teams in their competition bracket at the world’s largest outdoor 3-on-3basketball tournament in Spokane last month. The four incoming seventh graders – Neyomee Aparicio, Celeste Garcia, Addy Boesel, and Katia Sanchez – swept their bracket, went undefeated, and captured the coveted title of Hoopfest 2023 Champions.

And they were but one of two county girls’ teams to win it all.

The Fantabulous Four comprised of incoming freshmen Katlynn Gibbons (Tonasket), Pepper Boesel (Brewster), Mylee Taber (Tonasket), and Evelyn Sheller (Tonasket), beat all comers in their best-of-the-best elite bracket and captured the Hoopfest

Champs crown as well.

The massive tournament tied up 45 city blocks in downtown Spokane on June 21-25 so 24,000 players from more than 6,000 teams representing 44 states and six countries could battle it out on 422 courts in front of a quarter million spectators. No pressure there.

The games were timed to under 30 minutes with the first team to score 20 points, or the one leading at the end of regulation play the victor. Tie games were decided in an overtime period where the first team to score two points was declared the winner. There were loser and consolation slots in each bracket but neither local team troubled themselves with those.

Hoopfest started 31 years ago and has been growing ever since. Plans are already underway for the 2024 tournament on June 29-30. To learn more log onto [spokanehoopfest.net](http://spokanehoopfest.net).

## A new chapter

BY JOHN KRUSE

One of my favorite movies is “The Princess Bride”, a very fun film featuring a great cast of actors, one of whom was Mandy Patinkin who played the part of a Spanish swordsman named Inigo Montoya. Montoya was dedicated to seeking revenge on “the man with six fingers” who killed his father in front of Inigo when he was a child. At one point during the movie Inigo sinks to a low point and utters while inebriated, “You told me to go back to the beginning, so I have!”

The phrase is an apt description of where my outdoors life has taken me for the next chapter of my life. I have lived in the Wenatchee Valley for 31 years and have loved being here and making the friends I have during this time. However, a divorce resulted in the sale of our home in Cashmere and the question became, “Where do I go next?”

When I first moved to the Valley, I loved to fish the Wenatchee River and lower Entiat River for stocked rainbow trout as well as the Wenatchee and Methow Rivers for summer steelhead. Unfortunately, those opportunities faded away years ago leaving only limited options for stream fishing in the area, something I love to do.

Being an outdoors writer and a radio broadcaster who works from home, I realized I had the opportunity to go anywhere I wanted as long as there was landline phone service and good internet service. With that in mind I set my sights on a specific spot in Grant County I was introduced to as a kid. It’s a place I’ve fallen in love with and find myself returning to multiple times a year. Specifically, it’s the small, unnamed community around MarDon Resort and Potholes State Park at the south end of Potholes Reservoir, a 27,000-acre impoundment located between Othello and Moses Lake.

When my family moved to Washington State my father took me hunting at the north end of the reservoir in an area known as the Sand Dunes. We camped overnight at the state park and then drove through the dark to a gate and hiked along a series of small ponds surrounded by cattails or small trees and sand dunes to the place where we built a rudimentary blind. I was shooting a single shot .410-gauge shotgun that was the first shotgun my father ever owned and somehow, I managed to

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Courtesy John Kruse

David Kruse on his first duck hunt in the Sand Dunes area of Potholes Reservoir.

shoot three green-wing teal on that inaugural hunt. Thirty years later, I took my son out to this same area for his first youth hunt, accompanied by our yellow lab Sage, and treasure the memory of my son’s first harvested duck.

In between those hunts my father and brother and I would trek out into the sand dunes every Opening Day. Despite the multiple trips, it was still easy to get turned around in this area at night but the lights of the homes above MarDon Resort to the south of us became a navigational waypoint for us.

My father eventually aged out of the sport of duck hunting and my brother stopped coming too but my best friend Rusty Johnston and I also made memories starting in the early 1990’s. We would first come out and camp in the sand dunes area itself and eventually began packing small boats and motoring into another part of the sand dunes below the Job Corps Dike of the Reservoir where we would camp, fish and hunt for three days.

During this time, we got to discover just how good the fishing could be and we were soon hooked on taking our small boats to Potholes Reservoir where we caught everything from bass to walleye to trout, panfish and more. Countless times Rusty and I would gaze towards the lights of MarDon and dreamily wish we could live there.

Back in 2012, Rusty made that dream come true. He and his wife Lisa moved onto the resort and managed the restaurant for a couple of years. Now, Rusty lives adjacent to the state park with his wife



Courtesy John Kruse

The author with a nice Potholes Reservoir bass.

and works as a supervisor at the Lowe’s Hardware Store in Moses Lake.

A year and a half ago, the two of us made the decision to buy a bass boat together. It’s stored at Rusty’s shop and I found myself making the drive over to see Rusty and go either fishing and hunting once or twice a month.

With all of that fishing and hunting history in mind, it wasn’t hard to figure out where my next move would take me. And that’s where I am now, having completed

the sale of our house and the purchase of my new one, which sits right across the road from Potholes State Park and on a golf course no less. I guess that means I’ll have to learn how to golf now too. I’m in no hurry though. Between the fishing, the hunting, the wildlife watching and visiting the friends I’ve come to know here over the years, learning how to golf is definitely not my top priority.

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

# Fish and Wildlife Commission to discuss bats, bears, and land transaction on July 14

SUBMITTED BY  
WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

OLYMPIA — The Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission will meet virtually on July 14 to discuss mineral prospecting, spring black bear hunting,

white-nose syndrome, and a proposed land transaction.

The Commission will begin their meeting in executive session before hearing briefings about and making decisions on petitions related to mineral prospecting and spring black bear hunting.

Commissioners will hear a staff briefing and public comment about a proposed land transaction in Okanogan County to enhance habitat and public recreation opportunities before deciding on the proposal. The meeting will wrap up with a staff brief-

ing about bat conservation and white-nose syndrome response in Washington before the Commission discusses future meeting planning and adjourns.

The meeting will be held online via Zoom and is open to the public following the execu-

tive session. For information about attending the meeting, please visit the Commission webpage. The meeting will be recorded and posted on the Commission webpage so people can watch afterwards at their convenience.

The Washington Fish and

Wildlife Commission is a panel appointed by the governor that sets policy for the WDFW. WDFW works to preserve, protect and perpetuate fish, wildlife, and ecosystems while providing sustainable fish and wildlife recreational and commercial opportunities.

## WDFW restricts campfires, target shooting, other activities in Eastern Washington wildlife, water access areas

SUBMITTED BY  
WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT  
OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

OLYMPIA – On July 6 the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) announced restrictions to protect the public and reduce wildfire risk. The restrictions affect campfires, target shooting, and other activities to reduce risk of wildfire on state wildlife and water access areas.

“We all have a part to play in preventing wildfires, and we’re urging visitors enjoying Washington’s great outdoors this summer to be a part of

the solution,” said Cynthia Wilkerson, WDFW’s Lands Division Manager. “By recreating responsibly and following wildfire safety restrictions, visitors can help preserve public recreation lands, wildlife habitat, public health, and safety for local communities.”

As of July 7, restrictions prohibit visitors to eastern Washington WDFW-managed lands from:

- Making fires or campfires, including those in fire rings. Personal camp stoves and lanterns fueled by propane, liquid petroleum, or liquid petroleum gas are allowed.

- Discharging firearms for target shooting or other recreational purposes, aside from lawful hunting, unless otherwise posted, with the following exception: Target shooting is permitted from sunrise to 10 a.m. through Aug. 15, only at two Department shooting ranges:
  - » Methow Shooting Range, Methow Wildlife Area Unit
  - » Asotin Creek Shooting Range, Asotin Creek Wildlife Area Unit
  - » Note: Starting Aug. 16 through Sept. 15, restrictions prohibit discharg-

ing firearms for target shooting anywhere on WDFW-managed lands (including the previously mentioned target shooting ranges) in eastern Washington, unless otherwise

- Smoking, except in an enclosed vehicle. Do not throw lit cigarettes out your window.
- Welding and operating chainsaws, including the use of an acetylene torch or other open flame.
- Operating a motor vehicle away from developed roads. Parking is permitted within designated parking

areas, including developed campgrounds and trailheads; and in areas without vegetation that are within 10 feet of roadways.

All restrictions will remain in effect until further notice except for the target shooting restriction, which runs through Sept. 15. Any changes to these regulations will be posted to WDFW’s wildfire information web page.

Fireworks are prohibited year-round on all WDFW-managed lands around the state. Throwing a lit cigarette or any other burning material from a motor vehicle on a state highway is also prohibited

year-round.

For more information about fires and fire prevention on public lands, visit the Washington Department of Natural Resources’ website ([dnr.wa.gov](http://dnr.wa.gov)) or the U.S. Forest Service website ([fs.usda.gov](http://fs.usda.gov)).

WDFW manages more than a million acres of land and hundreds of water access areas throughout the state. By actively managing lands, restoring habitats, and preserving wild places, the Department serves as stewards for Washington’s natural places, protecting the state’s land and water for its human and wildlife.



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Notice is hereby given that the Mansfield School Dist. #207 will adopt the 2023-24 budget at the Budget Hearing and Adoption Meeting on Tuesday July 25, 2023 starting at 7:30PM in the library of the Mansfield school building, Mansfield, Washington. The regular board meeting will follow the budget hearing and adoption. The public is invited to be heard for or against all or part of the 2023-24 budget, the four-year budget plan summary, and the four-year enrollment projection. Published in the Quad City Herald July 12, 19, 2023. #5996

#### Public Notices

#### 2023-24 Budget Meeting NOTICE OF MEETING TO ADOPT 2023-24 BUDGET AND CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to RCW 289A.505.050 and RCW 28A.505.060, that the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Brewster School District No. 111/203J, Douglas & Okanogan Counties, Washington (the "District") will hold a regular meeting on July 24, 2023 commencing at 7 PM in the Elementary School Library, located at 502 S. 7th Street, Brewster, Washington. The meeting is called for the purpose of fixing and adopting the budget of the District for ensuing 2023-24 fiscal year. Prior to adoption of the 2023-24 budget, the Board will hold a hearing starting at 6:30 PM for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the 2023-24 budget. Any person may appear at the hearing and be heard for or against any part of the 2023-24 budget, the four-year budget plan, or any proposed changes to uses of enrichment funding under RCW.28A.505.240. Published in the Quad City Herald July 5, 12, 2023. #5931



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A Primary Election will be held in the below mentioned districts for the purpose of submitting to the voters for their approval or rejection the following.

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Okanogan County Fire District No. 6- Proposition No. 1  
Town of Twisp- Proposition No. 1  
Curlew School District No. 50- Director District No. 5  
Bridgeport School District No. 75-Director District No. 3 (at large)  
Methow Valley School District No. 350-Director District No. 5 (at large)  
Oroville School District No. 410-Director District No. 5 (at large)

The registration deadline for online registrations, mail-in registrations and transfers is July 14, 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 August 1, 2023. You can register or obtain registration forms at the Auditor's Office, on line at [www.votewa.gov](http://www.votewa.gov), and Department of Licensing.

The Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3rd 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 July 24th- July 31st, 2023  
On Election Day only, August 1, 2023, 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Drop box locations around the county for this election.

Oroville- Croville 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 4th 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.

[votewa.gov/okanogan](http://votewa.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. Canvassing Board meetings are held in the Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3rd Ave N, Room 104, at the County Courthouse, in Okanogan.

Wednesday, August 9th, 2023 and Friday, August 11th, 2023 at 11:00 AM to determine the status of any provisional or challenged ballots

Tuesday, August 15th, 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 July, 2023.  
Cari Hall, Okanogan County Auditor and  
Ex-Officio Supervisor of Elections  
Jamie Grooms, Chief Deputy/Elections Administrator  
Published in the Quad City Herald July 12, 2023. #5990

# Gentian violet - a compound that is both a dye and a medicine



One early September morning in 1977, I hustled up three flights of stairs to the third floor of College Hall at Washington State University in Pullman, for my first pharmacy laboratory session. I carried my brand-new white lab coat, which was mandatory attire for this and all future lab sessions. In my other hand was a pack of tissues because I was allergic to ragweed, which was blooming that week.

My assignment that day was to make a bottle of Gentian Violet 1% solution. The procedure was to precisely measure the required amount of powdered gentian violet, then add it to alcohol and purified water. Just 3 ingredients. What could go wrong?

Cautiously tapping the iridescent green crystals onto a pale green rectangle of waxed paper, I carefully weighed the pile, making sure I had 100mg. Picking it up, I cradled my precious powder. Returning to my lab station, I avoided bumping into anything or anyone. But as I set the crystals down on the black countertop, disaster struck: I had to sneeze.

I quickly turned my head, somehow avoiding spraying powdered dye across my lab bench. In relief, I promptly added the colored powder to my alcohol and water mixture before another sneeze could strike.

The rest of the morning

went smoothly, but that sudden sneeze would haunt me for years. Pulling my lab coat out of the washing machine the following week, I stared in dismay. My pristine white coat was accented with bright purple speckles running across and down its front. Despite repeated bleaching, they refused to fade. I wasn't the only one with colored speckles on my lab coat, but mine was the most spectacularly purple-speckled lab coat for the entire rest of that year and the next.

Gentian violet is a compound that is both a dye and a medicine. Discovered in 1861, Hans Gram would report 13 years later that gentian violet could irreversibly color certain bacteria. This proved instrumental in classifying bacteria and became the basis for the Gram stain method of identifying bacteria still widely used today.

Gentian violet (AKA crystal violet) is used in laboratories across the globe to help identify bacteria. However, it's also an effective antibacterial and antifungal agent. Gentian violet can treat infections caused by gram-positive bacteria, which live on the skin, and yeast infections of the mouth, skin, and vaginal tract.

Although mostly replaced by newer antibiotics and antifungal

agents, gentian violet is still used in veterinary medicine and in developing countries. With resistance growing to our current antibiotics, gentian violet is getting a second look; not only is it practical, but it's also inexpensive, simple to use, with very few side effects.

Thrush in infants is usually treated with a suspension of nystatin painted on the inside of each cheek 3-4 times daily for a week. At the same time, it takes only one application of Gentian Violet 1%, the exact same product I made over 40 years ago in the pharmaceuticals lab, to treat thrush.

The main disadvantage to using gentian violet is the one I had personal experience with: it stains clothing. Although gentian violet will stain clothing forever, treated skin or mucous membranes only stay bright purple for about 2 weeks before fading.

Fluorescein is a dye used in diagnosing eye injuries and damage to your cornea. Small paper strips are soaked in a fluorescein solution, dried, sterilized, and sealed into individual packets. When the sterile fluorescein strip touches your eyeball, it mixes with tear fluid to create a fluorescein solution that coats your eye.

Healthy, intact corneal tissue won't pick up any fluorescein. In contrast, worn spots or abrasions from contact lenses appear as bright green areas. Foreign bodies show up

surrounded by a fluorescent green ring. The mild anti-infective action of fluorescein is also beneficial because injured eyes are very susceptible to infection.

Phenazopyridine is a reddish-orange dye. Sold as a prescription medicine under the brand name of Pyridium® in 100mg and 200mg coated tablets, phenazopyridine is also available without a prescription at a lower strength of 95mg in the products Azo®, Uristat®, and in generic "Urinary Pain Relief."

Originally used to treat bladder infections, phenazopyridine isn't very effective against bacteria. Instead, it can relieve urinary urgency, pain, and burning often experienced from a bladder infection, often within 15 minutes. Today, phenazopyridine is prescribed along with an antibiotic to relieve urinary urgency and burning of bladder infections.

When using it, remember that phenazopyridine is a dye. It turns urine deep reddish-orange and stains clothing.

*Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy, is a 43-year veteran of pharmacology and author of Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely. Get clear answers to your medication questions at her website and blog, TheMedicationInsider.com. ©2023 Louise Achey*

## Medicaid and CHIP help families access mental health services for kids

STATEPOINT - The state of mental health among youth continues to be of public concern. According to the latest Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Youth Risk Behavior Survey, youth mental health problems have increased significantly over the past decade, reaching an all-time high.

For instance, from 2011 to 2021, the rate of female high school students saying they feel sad or hopeless increased from 36% to 57%; for male students this rate increased from 21% to 29%.

Stressors at school, home or elsewhere can cause mental health disorders to arise, leading to negative impacts on how children learn and build relationships with others. If your child may need mental health support and doesn't currently have health coverage, you have options. Free or low-cost coverage through Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) offers many benefits, including doctor's visits, prescriptions, emergencies and the coverage of behavioral health services, including mental health services through pediatricians, mental health professionals, local community providers and organizations, as well as school systems. People who are



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**Stressors at school, home or elsewhere can cause mental health disorders to arise, leading to negative impacts on how children learn and build relationships with others.**

pregnant or postpartum may also be eligible for this health coverage and mental and behavioral health services.

Who qualifies for Medicaid or CHIP? Eligibility varies by state and is determined by how many people are in a household and household income. For instance, in most states, a family of four with household income up to \$60,000 per year may qualify for Medicaid, CHIP or both. To learn more about state-specific options, visit [InsureKidsNow.gov](http://InsureKidsNow.gov) or call 1-877-KIDS-NOW.

Enrollment is open year-round.

What if my child currently has Medicaid or CHIP coverage? Medicaid and CHIP coverage must be renewed annually. If you or your children have Medicaid or CHIP, it's time to pay attention to your health coverage. Keep an eye on the mail for renewal information from your state. When it comes, complete the forms and send them back right away. Failure or delay in

responding can result in you losing coverage, even if you are eligible for Medicaid and CHIP. If you have lost coverage, go to [HealthCare.gov](http://HealthCare.gov) to find quality plans and help paying costs.

What types of services are covered through Medicaid and CHIP? To help care for all parts of a child's health, Medicaid and CHIP also cover routine health care visits, like preventive care, dental and vision checkups, specialist visits, physical, speech and occupational therapies, and

emergency services. These programs also cover a wide range of mental health and substance use services such as counseling, peer support services, inpatient psychiatric services and case management services for needed medical, educational and social services. Services are covered through Medicaid for children and teens up to age 21 and through CHIP up to age 19.

States have flexibility to determine if services may be delivered using telehealth. These services are necessary to prevent, diagnose and treat a broad range of mental health symptoms and disorders,

as well as substance use disorders.

Caring for mental health is caring for overall health. Early detection and intervention of mental health and substance use issues is crucial to the overall health of kids, teens and people during and after pregnancy, and may reduce or eliminate the effects of a condition if detected and treated early. Take the time today to explore coverage options through Medicaid and CHIP.

Information provided by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

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# Updated heat protections for outdoor workers go into effect July 17

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON DEPT. OF LABOR & INDUSTRIES

TUMWATER — As hotter, drier weather sets in, farmworkers, construction workers, and other outdoor workers will be better protected from heatstroke and other hot-weather hazards because of updated workplace heat rules that take effect in mid-July.

Washington is one of only a few states with heat protections for outdoor workers, having first put rules in place in 2008. This week, the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries (L&I) filed a formal update to those rules, expanding existing requirements to keep workers safe.

“Excessive heat is a real concern when it comes to worker safety. Heat-related illness can strike quickly, and in some cases, be deadly,” said L&I Director Joel Sacks. “Our climate is changing, and these updates to our state heat rules are a major step forward in protecting workers.”

The last two summers L&I enacted temporary emergency heat rules to supplement

existing worker protections. These new permanent rules take effect July 17, and the requirements will be in place year-round.

New protections involving shade, cool-down rest periods, and monitoring workers

The rules lower the temperature at which action is required to 80°F for most outdoor work. Temperature-based action levels apply to specific portions of the rule such as drinking water and shade, and include specifics on when and how much shade must be provided. Workers must be allowed to take preventative cool-down periods as needed to prevent overheating. Employers must follow high-heat procedures that require close observation of workers and mandatory cool-down periods of 10 minutes every two hours when the temperature reaches 90°F, and 15 minutes every hour at 100°F.

The updated permanent rules also add requirements for acclimatization and exposure to high heat. Under these requirements, which address the need to adapt to working in the heat over time, employers must closely observe

all workers during heat waves and any worker who is newly assigned to working in the heat or returning from an absence of up to 14 days.

Under the rules, employers must also update their outdoor heat exposure safety programs, and train workers and supervisors on the plan and the new requirements. L&I is developing model outdoor heat exposure safety programs and training materials to help employers implement these requirements.

“Outdoor workers can suffer serious health effects from the summer heat,” said Craig Blackwood, assistant director for L&I’s Division of Occupational Safety and Health. “But, with water, shade, and rest among other protections, employers and workers can prevent the worst effects of heat exposure and reduce traumatic injuries like falls. These updates will require employers to be more proactive.”

To learn more about the updated outdoor heat exposure rules and learn ways to protect workers from heat-related illness, visit L&I’s Heat Smart web page.



Courtesy NCW Libraries

# Summer programs at NCW Libraries

SUBMITTED BY NCW LIBRARIES

NCW - Start Your Summer Adventure: Visit a museum, tour alpine gardens, or take a hike for free this summer with your library card. Our Library of Things collection includes: Washington State Discover passes, Ohme Gardens passes, Wenatchee Valley Museum and Cultural

Center passes, Cashmere Museum and Pioneer Village passes and Greater Leavenworth Museum passes. We are always looking to add more passes. Check our website for updates or to reserve a pass.

Attend a free program at your local library: Find something for everyone, no matter your age, stage,

or interest. Here are few program highlights from across the region in July. July 13 is Bilingual Family Bingo at Manson Library, July 15 is Story Time at the Entiat Museum, July 20 is Tie Dye at Pateros Library, July 24 is Open Mic Night at Wenatchee Library, and July 25-28 is Gnome Week at Cashmere Library.

# Washington 211 helpline sees jump in calls

BY ERIC TEGETHOFF, WASHINGTON NEWS SERVICE

OLYMPIA - A helpline to help people connect with resources when they’re in need has seen an uptick in calls to its service. However, funding remains a barrier to serving more people.

Washington 211 can con-

nect people with about 17,000 resources from its database. The helpline’s director, Tim Sullivan, said referral specialists determine what a person needs when they call.

“When somebody calls, they’re presenting one need - like housing,” said Sullivan, “but typically, there’s

other needs that are identified during that interview. And then, the information specialist searches the database we have, and then tries to provide up to three resources per need for that individual.”

Sullivan said 211 can provide other resources including for legal issues, utility

assistance and veteran and senior services. The helpline partnered with the Washington State Department of Health to provide a COVID hotline during the pandemic. The number of calls jumped from about 250,000 in 2019 to 400,000 in 2020, Sullivan said, and it hasn’t come down since then. His organi-

zation asked for \$5 million in this year’s budget to expand its services - but the request was turned down.

“So, it’s really difficult for us, without getting additional funds from the state, to be able to continue to operate at a level that we need to,” said Sullivan, “especially with the new rise in people that are

needing assistance.” According to its data from the past year, about one third of calls to 211 concern housing.

Sullivan said his organization has also been helping with Ride United Transportation Access, a partnership with Lyft to get people to places like job interviews and medical services.

# White-nose syndrome and bat-killing fungus detected in two new Washington counties

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON DEPT. OF FISH & WILDLIFE

OLYMPIA - White-nose syndrome, an often-fatal disease of hibernating bats, continues to spread in Washington.

Scientists with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) worked with the U.S. Department of Energy and a bat rehabilitator on recent surveys that resulted in new detections of white-nose syndrome and the fungus that causes it.

“The fungus that causes white-nose syndrome has been detected in Benton County for the first time,” said Abby Tobin, bat species

lead for WDFW. “We also found a bat infected with white-nose syndrome in Jefferson County this year, which is a first.

“It’s discouraging to see the disease spreading among local bat populations, but WDFW and our partners will continue our proactive measures to survey for and respond to white-nose syndrome in Washington and test the efficacy of emerging disease treatments,” said Tobin.

White-nose syndrome is caused by the fungus Pseudogymnoascus destructans, which attacks the skin of hibernating bats and damages their delicate wings, making

it difficult for them to fly. Infected bats often leave hibernation too early, which causes them to deplete their fat reserves and become dehydrated or starve to death. White-nose syndrome has caused vulnerable bat populations to decline in many parts of North America. While the syndrome is often fatal to bats, it does not affect humans, livestock, or other wildlife.

The first case of white-nose syndrome in the western U.S. was confirmed in King County in 2016. Since then, WDFW has confirmed over 150 cases of the disease in at least four bat species in the state.

Including these most recent findings, WDFW has confirmed white-nose syndrome in King, Chelan, Kittitas, Pierce, Snohomish, and Jefferson counties. The fungus that causes white-nose syndrome has now been detected in Lewis, Mason, Yakima, and Benton counties. A map showing fungus and white-nose syndrome detections in Washington is available online at <https://wdfw.wa.gov/bats>.

WDFW urges people to not handle wild animals, especially if they appear sick or are found dead. If you find sick or dead bats or notice bats acting strangely, please report your sighting on the

WDFW website or call 360-902-2515. Bats flying outside during the day in winter is an example of noteworthy behavior.

Even though the fungus is primarily spread from contact between bats, humans can unintentionally spread it as well. People can carry fungal spores on clothing, shoes, or recreation equipment that touches the fungus. To learn more and to get the most up-to-date decontamination protocols and guidance on limiting the spread of white-nose syndrome, visit [www.whitenosesyndrome.org](http://www.whitenosesyndrome.org).

Washington is home to 15 bat species that play an important role in their na-

tive ecosystems. WDFW partners with numerous state, federal, tribal, and non-government organizations to proactively survey Washington bat populations for white-nose syndrome and test emerging preventative treatments. For more information about Washington bats and the state’s white-nose syndrome response, visit WDFW’s Living with Bats webpage.

WDFW works to preserve, protect, and perpetuate fish, wildlife, and ecosystems while providing sustainable fish and wildlife recreational and commercial opportunities.

# Wildfire smoke forecasted to impact Washington again this season

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON DEPT. OF HEALTH

OLYMPIA - As our climate changes, the threat of wildfires looms larger every year. The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) is urging the public to prepare now for smoke that can make air unhealthy to breathe. Smoke Ready Week, was observed June 12-16, which was an opportunity to take proactive steps to protect yourself and your family.

“We are expecting to have above normal fire activity in Washington in July,” said Kaitlyn Kelly, MPH, Air Quality Policy Specialist, DOH. “We have an outlook for below normal precipitation and that’s going to last into fall, so conditions are trending to a long fire season.”

When smoke arrives it’s important to reduce exposure by staying up to date on the forecast and air quality index, limiting time outside, and keeping indoor air as clean as pos-

sible. After several days smoke can enter homes and buildings through leaky gaps in windows and doors. Having a way to filter indoor air will benefit your health. It’s key to buy supplies in advance because they often sell out quickly when it’s smoky out.

Filter indoor air by using a: HVAC system with MERV 13 filter. HEPA portable air cleaner. DIY box fan filter.

“We no longer have smoke-free summers in Washington,” said Kelly. “It’s important to

know what is in wildfire smoke and why it can be bad for your health.”

Smoke from wildfires contains fine particles and gases including carbon monoxide. Exposure to smoke can cause a number of health problems ranging from minor to severe. Those with pre-existing conditions, infants and children, pregnant individuals, adults 65 and older, and people with heart and lung disease can be most sensitive to wildfire smoke. Minor symptoms can include

headaches, stinging eyes, runny nose, and trouble breathing.

You can stay updated on wildfires, air quality, the forecast, and health information on the WA Smoke Blog. For more information on how to protect yourself from wildfire smoke,

visit the DOH’s Smoke from Fires webpage.

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