



Open mic stage at Cove Park

Brewster Fourth will feature fun, food, fireworks, and more

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – With no Independence Day events planned by the cities of Pateros, Bridgeport, or Mansfield, Brewster is the go-to Quad City for July Fourth fun this year.

Brewster Chamber of Commerce President Mike Mauk said everything from breakfast, parade and open mic stage to vendor food and fireworks will fill the day from the morning to dark thirty.

Breakfast will be served at the Brewster Fire Hall on Third Street across from city hall from 7-9 a.m. Donations accepted.

The lineup for the parade will start at 9:30 a.m. at Legion

Park at the north end of Main Street, where the parade will kick off at 10 a.m. A parade application is available on the chamber's website, brewsterwachamber.com.

"We will have vendors at the park all day, and we still accepting applications," said Mauk, "The form is on our website and at the Chamber office at the Senior Center."

An open-mic stage will be set up at Columbia Cove Park from 2 to 9 p.m.

"If anyone is interested in doing an act, we are looking for local talent and hope to have karaoke as well," said Mauk. "Contact us and we will schedule you in."

The city fireworks will start at dark thirty and light the fuse on a great show.

16th annual event

Brewster King Salmon Derby launches Friday, August 5

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – The 16th annual Brewster King Salmon Derby will launch on Friday, August 5, for three days of competition in pursuit of prize-winning salmon and a place on the official derby leaderboard.

Fishing hours will be 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday, August 5-6, and Sunday, August 7, 5 a.m. to 12 p.m. The mandatory Skipper's Meeting (unless other arrangements are made with

the derby officials) is at 6 p.m., Thursday, August 4, at Derby headquarters at the gazebo in the park by the boat launch, where entrants will receive their Skipper packs including boat marker and wrist bands.

The top cash prizes include \$2,000 for King of the Pool, \$1,500 for the Adult Winner, \$550 for Youth (9-14 years), and \$100 for Youth (8 and under).

For more details visit the official derby website at brewsterkingsalmonderby.com.

CRDTF, Homeland Security arrest three for drug trafficking

By MIKE MALTAIS
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WENATCHEE – A joint operation that the Columbia River Drug Task Force (CRDTF) started last March with Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) resulted in charges against three suspects, one a Wenatchee man, and the disruption and dismantling of a drug trafficking ring in the Wenatchee Valley with ties to Arizona.

Tyson Horner, 27, Wenatchee, Brandon Lux, 35, of Yakima, and Nabil Akhdary, 44 of Phoenix, were arrested in connection with possession and transport of drugs, firearms, and cash between Wenatchee and Arizona. Agents also seized 10,000 Fentanyl pills, 2.5 pounds of methamphetamine, two pistols, and \$16,000 cash.

"Horner and Akhdary were federally indicted in U.S. District Court, Eastern District of

Washington in Spokane, for Fentanyl distribution charges," a CRDTF media release issued June 22 said. "Akhdary and Lux were both in possession of a loaded pistol when they were arrested and both subjects are convicted felons."

The release added that at least three other suspects involved in the drug trafficking organization are in the process of being tracked down for charges related to possession of illegal narcotics with the intent to deliver.

The CRDTF works closely with its federal partners, with HSI, and local and federal prosecutors to investigate, arrest, and convict Fentanyl dealers in the Wenatchee Valley. As Fentanyl overdoses continue to climb both locally and nationally, CRDTF, local prosecutor's offices, and the local HSI office are committed to holding drug dealers accountable.

Slow down on Warren Avenue!

Pateros city council considers speed controls for Warren Avenue

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – A candidate for Okanogan County Sheriff and a concerned Pateros citizen delivered audience input at the regular monthly meeting of the Pateros City Council on Tuesday, June 21.

Former Okanogan County Field Deputy Kevin Newport addressed the council relative to his bid to run for Okanogan County Sheriff and cited four principal goals of his campaign:

- Re-establish leadership.
- Bolster the number of field deputies and corrections officers.
- Modify current COVID restriction protocols for jail bookings.
- Address Okanogan County jail infrastructure.

City resident Steve Hough spoke about excessive speeding on Warren Avenue where construction is currently underway to complete a new sidewalk along the north side from Riverside Drive east nearly to Chris Street.

Hough suggested a four-way stop sign at the intersection of Eveline and Warren as a speed brake for those who are not observing the 25-mph limit. Other ideas included temporary fair-weather speed bumps that could be removed for winter snow plowing or a portable radar speed sign that



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A four-way stop sign at the junction of Eveline Street and Warren Avenue was discussed as a possible speed control measure.



Kevin Newport is running for Okanogan County Sheriff

alerts drivers to their driving speed. Mayor Kelly Hook said he has looked into the latter item and advised that the portable sign costs about \$15,000.



Mayor Kelly Hook

In other business City Administrator Jord Wilson said the Warren Avenue sidewalk project is running about three weeks behind the original

schedule due to contractor and sub-contractor delays. He stressed the importance of ensuring that when it is completed runoff rainwater is adequately collected and diverted into the city's storm drain network.

"It is critical that water does not pool in driveways, on the sidewalk or ramps and that water is not diverted into people's yards and/or structures," Wilson said.

The pergola has been installed and painted at the Welcome Center. Irrigation is completed and electric 95 percent so. Next steps include repainting parking stalls in the Wright parking lot and adding an Americans with Disabilities Act parking stall.

Scheduling and material availability has delayed the reservoir solar project until August at the earliest.

Public works submitted planning and design to the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) Pedestrian and Bicycle Program for a pedestrian crossing and pathway along US 97 between Pederson Road and Dawson Street. The WSDOT grant application is for \$99,219 and awards are not expected until October.

A grant application has been submitted to the state for downtown vehicle charging stations. An award notice is expected soon.

Helped renovate PTEEO property

AmeriCorps team completes three-month Pateros tour

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – The 13th AmeriCorps team to spend part of its 10-month tour working in the city since April 1, departed for its home base in Sacramento last Saturday, June 18. The nine-member crew comprised of five men and four women ranged in age from 19 to the mid-20's, came from eight states, and included a mixture of non-college, college-bound, college-enrolled, and college graduates in the group.

Before arriving in Pateros, the team also performed a variety of projects including environmental stewardship, urban and rural development, and fire recovery. They did fuel mitigation work in Grass Valley, California, and invasive species (scotch broom) removal in Stayton, Oregon.

Locally the team divided its time between home rebuilds with Okanogan County Long Term Recovery and renovation and grounds work at the Pateros Treehouse Early Education Organization (PTEEO) property on Independence Street.

After their AmeriCorps tour is complete the team members will go their separate ways to pursue a variety of professions. One member, Chloe Dinwiddie from Kansas City, Missouri, plans to take up firefighting thanks in part to her AmeriCorps experience. Some other examples:



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The nine members of the 13th AmeriCorps team to work in Pateros pose on the grounds of the Pateros Treehouse Early Education Organization. Pictured from left: Sinawe Cuba, Jack Dedman, Rafael, Margot Koenig, Kay Roberts, Chloe Dinwiddie, Julie Reeves, Liam Henry, and Charles Viegert.

- Liam Henry from Fairfax, Virginia, plans to attend Old Dominion University in his home state and major in mechanical engineering.
- Julie Reeves from Margate, New Jersey, a 2021 University of Delaware graduate, is headed for Philadelphia to teach English.
- Sinawe Cuba from Atlanta, Georgia, has completed two years of college and plans to complete his accounting degree.
- Kay Roberts from San Antonio, Texas, is heading to the University of Hawaii to study psychology.

- Charles Viegert, from Columbus, Ohio, will return to college to complete his theater major, music minor and communications minor.
- Margot Koenig from Cincinnati, Ohio, has a degree in Environment and Natural Resources and wants to find work in that field.
- Jack Dedman from East Haddam, Connecticut, has his eye on a trade like carpentry.
- Rafael from Austin, Texas, a political science graduate of Texas State, is joining the Peace Corps for a posting in Eswatini (for-

merly Swaziland) South Africa.

On March 6, 2021, Douglas-Okanogan Fire District 15 burned the parsonage, a doublewide manufactured structure, which represented the beginning of major outdoor grounds renovation on the PTEEO property.

A previous AmeriCorps team arrived in April-May 2021 and removed nearly 2.5 tons of ash and trash left by the controlled burn.

Extensive playground fencing was completed in 2021 and interior renovation of the former Church of Christ building began in January this year.

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Bathing beauties



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There's nothing like a good bath to bring out the best in flowers.

Your ballot must be signed

August 2 primary election ballots mailed for Okanogan County voters

OKANOGAN – “Ballots for the August 2, Primary Election are in the mail,” said Jamie Groomes, Certified Elections Administrator for the Okanogan County Auditors Office, in a June 21 media release. “If you have not received your ballot by Friday, July 22, please contact the Auditors Office at (509) 422-7240.

The Auditors Office at 149 Third Ave N, Okanogan, is open Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on election day only from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. for the following services.

- Voter registration
- Drop off voted ballots
- Obtain replacement ballots
- Disability access voting units

Drop boxes, open from July 15 - August 2, will be open until 8 p.m. on August 2. Drop box locations open for the August 2 primary election include:

- Auditors office - 149 Third Ave N, Rm 104
- Next to police station, 8 N Ash, Omak
- Omak - Casino parking lot, 28968 Hwy 97
- Pateros - 180 Pateros Mall in parking lot.
- Twisp - Temporary - 110 E Second Ave, city hall

- Winthrop - 51 Hwy 20 - At the Red Barn.
- Nespelem - Tribal Agency - 21 Colville St.
- Coulee Dam - 300 Lincoln Ave, city hall
- Oroville - 1105 Main St., police station
- Riverside - 101 First St., town hall

The state is providing postage-paid ballot return envelopes this year. Voters are encouraged to mail in ballots prior to Friday, July 29, to ensure the envelopes are post-marked by election day. Check with your local post office for cut-off times.

Further information about ballot issues is available at the following:

- Online voters guide - vote.wa.gov
- vote.wa.gov/Okanogan
- sos.wa.gov/elections/
- Newspapers and radio

If you are not currently registered in the State of Washington, you can appear in person in the Auditors Office until August 2, 2022, and register to vote in the primary election.

For further information contact the Auditors Office. 509-422-7240.

DOUGLAS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT



Courtesy Douglas County PUD

Tom Goodwin, Networks Communication Foremen and Eric Wentworth, Journeyman Wireman were awarded their 20 year service awards at the June 6 commission meeting. Left to right area: Commissioner Viebrock, Tom Goodwin, Eric Wentworth, Commissioner Simpson and Commissioner Skagen

SUBMITTED BY MEAGHAN VIBBERT, DOUGLAS COUNTY PUD, PIO

EAST WENATCHEE - Douglas County PUD Commissioners Aaron J. Viebrock, Molly Simpson and Ronald E. Skagen executed the following actions during the June 6 Commission meeting held at the District's East Wenatchee office:

Awarded Tom Goodwin, Networks Communication Foremen and Eric Wentworth, Journeyman Wireman with their 20 year service awards. Commissioner Viebrock thanked Tom and Eric on behalf of the citizens of Douglas County for their years of service. They thanked the Commission.

Approved acceptance of

work and final payment to Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC for the third year under contract 194-D, provide distribution tree trimming services. All work is complete and determined to meet the bid specifications.

Authorized acceptance of work and final payment to Galvanizers, INC. under contract 21-47-D, tubular steel structures for Urban Industrial Substation. All work is complete and determined to meet the bid specifications. (22-103)

Affirmed change order No. 3 to contract 21-49-D, construct Urban Industrial Substation. Feeder conduits need to be extended to allow for connection without disturbing the substation. This

will increase the not to exceed cost \$16,260.

Affirmed change order No. 1 to contract 22-18-W, generator thrust bearing shoe refurbishment for the Wells Hydroelectric Project. The change includes repairing a crack in one of the shoes. This increases the not to exceed cost \$4,600 and extends the project 4 weeks.

Authorized change order No. 1 to contract 21-09-D, Construct Lincoln Rock Switchyard. The change includes feeder conduits with thermal back fill, moving a fence and installation of additional cable and hardware. The change increases the not to exceed cost \$142,351.

Approved revisions to the Customer Service Policies.

Changes clarify how payments are applied to a customer's account and removes the late fee to better serve customers who are at risk of service disconnection.

Authorized a general services agreement with Northwest Power Pool Corporation for individual work order for system model validation. As required as a Transmission Operator, the District provides data to support system model validation. This agreement will not exceed \$6,110.

Heard a report on the Douglas County Community Network. The network currently has 7,272 end users.

The next regular meeting of the Commission is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. July 11 at the District's East Wenatchee Office.

Sam Askew appointed to Washington Tourism Marketing Authority Advisory Committee

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON STATE DEPT. OF COMMERCE

OLYMPIA - Sam Askew, Executive Director of Resort Operations at Northern Quest Resort & Casino, has been appointed to the Washington Tourism Marketing Authority Advisory Committee by Commerce Director Lisa Brown. Askew fills a vacant position on the four-person committee reserved for representing the interests and perspectives of Washington's Tribal communities.

“Sam's energy and exten-

sive background in the hospitality industry will be a tremendous addition to the committee. We're delighted to have his perspective and years of successful work with several of Washington's Tribal-owned resorts and entertainment operations that collectively contribute to strengthening both our local and state economies,” said Commerce Director Brown. Askew currently oversees all operational aspects of resort hospitality and guest experience at Northern Quest, including hotel, food and beverage, spa, retail, and transportation. Northern Quest Resort & Casino is owned by the Kalispel Tribe of Indians, whose leaders commented on Askew's “strong history of building and leading teams that are diverse in culture

and background but unified in spirit and focus.”

Askew previously worked as Executive Director of Resort Operations at Muckleshoot Casino, where he planned the development and launch of a 400-room luxury hotel originally set to open in 2022 and delayed by the global pandemic. At Muckleshoot, he was also responsible for food and beverage, retail, valet, and renovations to the casino floor. Prior to Muckleshoot, Askew worked in several leadership positions for other Washington state Tribal properties, including the Suquamish, Tulalip and Squaxin Island Tribes. Key positions include time as the CEO of Port Madison Enterprises, the economic development arm of the Suquamish Tribe, and seven years as the General



Sam Askew

Manager/Vice President of Hospitality for Tulalip Resort Casino. “I'm honored to be a part of the advisory committee and speak with a voice on behalf of Washington state tribes,” says Askew. “I look forward to contributing to this committee and am grateful to the Kalispel Tribe for allowing me to serve in this valuable capacity for the benefit of Washington tourism.”

Askew fills a vacant position reserved for representing the interests and input of Washington's Tribal communities on the four-person committee. The committee advises the larger Washington Tourism Marketing Authority Board on funding and implementing a statewide tourism marketing plan.

Tourism is the fourth largest industry in Washington state, employing more than 182,700 workers and generating \$21.4 billion in annual spending. Learn more at the authority's webpage, commerce.wa.gov and visit www.stateofwatourism.com to plan your next vacation in Washington.



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Thank You

I would like to thank the 8-10 members of the Douglas Okanogan Fire District #15 Fire Department who responded to my yard fire on Thursday evening, June 23, 8-9 p.m., and stopped the southwest direction of the fire.

Due to their quick response, my house and deck were saved.

April Unger, Brewster



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Courtesy Renee Bayless
Mansfield High School graduating class is pictured their advisor Ric Bayless (far left), class members are left to right: Haley Vargas, Yovanni Baltazar, Charleah Munson and Braydon Murison.

Murison, Munson share Mansfield Class of 2022 scholarships

MANSFIELD – Class of 2022 valedictorian Braydon Murison and salutatorian Charleah Munson shared more than \$36,000 in scholarship awards at the Mansfield High School senior graduation held June 4.

Murison received \$23,300 from the following:

- Mansfield Scholars Foundation - \$5,000
- Mansfield Sportsmen's Club - \$1,200
- Lions Club - \$1,000
- Mansfield Professional Educators - \$2,000
- Jody Steele "Buck Up" Memorial Scholarship - \$750
- Ray Lillquist Memorial Scholarship - \$500
- Schmidt Memorial Scholarship - \$1,500
- Caleb Powers "Anything Is Possible" - \$1,000
- Booster Club - \$750
- Highline Grain - \$1,000
- Virgil & Pearl Gustin Scholarship - \$4,300
- George Wilcox Memorial Scholarship - \$2,000
- Northwest Farm Credit Service - \$2,500



Courtesy Renee Bayless
Jamey Jo Steele, (right) Mansfield Scholar's Foundation President- FFA Advisor- School Counselor presents Braydon Murison (left) with the Jody Steele "Buck Up" Memorial Scholarship.

- Brewster American Legion Auxiliary - \$500
- Munson received \$8,100 from the following:
- Mansfield Scholars Foundation - \$1,200
- Lions Club - \$750
- Mansfield Professional Educators - \$1,000
- Schmidt Memorial Schol-

- arship - \$1,500
- Booster Club - \$750
- Virgil & Pearl Gustin Scholarship - \$4,300
- George Wilcox Memorial Scholarship - \$2,000
- Brewster American Legion Auxiliary - \$500
- North Central Education Foundation - \$1,000

Blood and platelet donors needed around Fourth of July

Exclusive recycled tote bag for those who come to give thru July 10

NCW - As summer officially begins and people gather for holiday celebrations, the American Red Cross reminds communities that patients are counting now on the generosity of blood and platelet donors, especially around the Fourth of July.

The Red Cross sees about a 21% decline in blood and platelet donations during holiday weeks, including Independence Day. When blood donations drop, so does the blood supply, making it extremely challenging to ensure blood is available when hospitals need it.

By scheduling and keeping appointments in July, donors can help provide for those in immediate need of lifesaving care. To schedule an appointment to donate, download the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

As a thank-you for helping, all those who come to give June 30-July 10 will receive an exclusive Red Cross recycled cotton tote bag, while supplies last.

Blood drive safety

The Red Cross follows a high standard of safety and infection control. The Red Cross will continue to socially distance wherever possible at blood drives, donation centers and facilities. While donors are no longer required to wear a face mask, individuals may choose to continue to wear a mask for any reason. The Red Cross will also adhere to more stringent face mask requirements per state and/or local guidance, or at the request of blood drive sponsors. Donors are asked to schedule an appointment prior to arriving at a drive.

How to donate blood

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

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

About the American Red Cross:

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides comfort to victims of disasters; supplies about 40% of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; distributes international humanitarian aid; and supports veterans, military members, and their families. The Red Cross is a nonprofit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to deliver its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or CruzRojaAmericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross.

Tree Fruit Charity Awards over \$1 million in scholarship funds

SUBMITTED BY FAVIOLA BARBOSA, WASHINGTON APPLE EDUCATION FOUNDATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

NCW - The Washington Apple Education Foundation (WAEF) awarded 318 scholarships to students this year. Of the 318 scholarships, 218 were awarded to renewing students, and 100 new students were welcomed to the WAEF family. These scholarships represent over \$1 million sponsored by the tree fruit industry through various fundraisers, in memory of industry leaders and friends, and annual donations. WAEF scholarships are awarded to students whose families have ties to the tree fruit industry, specifically apples, pears, and cherries. In most instances, the parents of recipients are employed in orchards and warehouses. The WAEF scholarship program has a history of remarkable statistics regarding the retention of students at 87%. Additionally, 84% of our WAEF students graduate within four years or less from college/university, and 78% of the students that we serve are first-generation college/university students. The Beyond the Scholarship Program secures our WAEF students' success through mentoring, workshops, care packages, career exploration, regional events, and continuous follow-up throughout their academic careers.

Okanogan and Douglas County Scholarship Recipients are:

- Dulce Roman-Trejo, Brewster, is the recipient of the Washington Apple Education Foundation Scholarship. Roman-Trejo is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Felipe Roman and Dulce Roman.
- Liliana Medel Martinez, Bridgeport, is the recipient of the Nordic Scholarship. Medel Martinez is a graduate of Bridgeport High School and the daughter of Juan Medel and Beatriz Martinez Marquez.
- Luis Trejo, Bridgeport, is the recipient of the Jennifer Witherbee Scholarship. Trejo is a graduate of Bridgeport High School and the son

of Martin Trejo and Amalia Trejo.

- Myrka Trejo, Bridgeport, is the recipient of the Gladys & Nick Legacy Award Scholarship. Trejo is a graduate of Bridgeport High School and the daughter of Juan Trejo and Teresa Trejo.

- Paul Torres Martinez, Bridgeport, is the recipient of the Scott Baker Technical Education Scholarship and the WAEF Vocational Scholarship. Torres Martinez is a graduate of Bridgeport High School and the son of Ramon Torres Casillas and Maria Martinez.

- Abram Woodward, Brewster, is the recipient of the Jonathan Crane Memorial Scholarship. Woodward is a graduate of Brewster High School and the son of Jesse Woodward and Jessica Woodward.

- Ashlyn Gonzalez-Soriano, Pateros, is the recipient of the Chelan Fresh Scholarship. Gonzalez-Soriano is a graduate of Pateros High School and the daughter of David Gonzalez and Silvia Gonzalez.

- Elizabeth Garcia Perez, Brewster, is the recipient of the Jonathan Crane Memorial Scholarship and the Rubio Family Scholarship. Garcia Perez is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Lorenzo Garcia and Elia Perez.

- Julisa Olvera, Brewster, is the recipient of the Dalton

& Pamela Thomas Scholarship. Olvera is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Saimont Olvera Pedraza and Marbella Pamatz Rincon.

- Luisa Lucas, Brewster, is the recipient of the Jonathan Crane Memorial Scholarship. Lucas is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Stan Parks and Rosa Antunez.

- Melisa Corrales, Brewster, is the recipient of the Chelan Fresh Scholarship. Corrales is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Rodolfo Corrales and Maria Corrales.

- Melissa Garcia, Brewster, is the recipient of the Danna Gebbers Guzman Memorial Scholarship. Garcia is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Castulo Garcia and Ernestina Garcia.

- Miriam Garcia, Brewster, is the recipient of the Jonathan Crane Memorial Scholarship. Garcia is a graduate of Brewster High School and the daughter of Miguel Garcia and Jessica Garcia.

- Shea Gamble, Brewster, is the recipient of the Crane & Crane Inc Scholarship and the Robert Prince Memorial Scholarship. Gamble is a graduate of Log Church Christian School and the daughter of Dylan Game and Tessa Gamble.

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COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Senior meals now served

at Senior Center, Tuesday, Friday

BREWSTER – Kitchen staff has been hired, so the Senior Center is now serving meals at Noon, at the center on Tuesdays and Friday. Home delivered meals are on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Seniors may call 509-826-7979 for more information and to reserve or cancel their meal. Suggested donation for those over age 60 is \$4. For those 60 and under the cost is \$10.

June 29-July 2, July 5-9

Senior Center Thrift Store

BREWSTER – The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center Thrift Store is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come to the center on Tuesdays from 9:30-11 a.m. for coffee and conversation, plus sweets. 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 2, 5

Farmers Markets

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July 6, 20

American Legion meeting

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

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July 8, 15

Brewster bus trips

BREWSTER – OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Friday of the month. That next trip is July 8. 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 Friday of each month, July 15, 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 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.

July 11, 25

Okanogan County PUD meetings

OKANOGAN – The next meeting of the Okanogan County PUD Board of Commissioners will be held Monday, July 11, at 3 p.m. For more information okanoganpud.org

July 11, 25

Douglas County PUD meetings

EAST WENATCHEE – The next meeting of the Douglas County PUD Commission is July 11 at 1:30 p.m. in the Bridgeport office.

July 13

Brewster Chamber to meet

BREWSTER – The next general meeting of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce will be held Wednesday, July 13, 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.

By CONGRESSMAN DAN NEWHOUSE

The Biden Administration must be held accountable for failing to serve Central Washington's veterans.

This weekend, details on a draft report from the VA's Office of the Inspector General (OIG) broke news headlines, outlining that not only did the new Electronic Health Record (EHR) system rolled out at Spokane (and now Walla Walla's VA hospitals cause harm to at least 148 veterans, but that Cerner Corporation, which owns the contract for this system, knew their system was flawed and withheld that information from the Department of Veterans Affairs before the system launched. If the problems cited in these reports are true, there's evidence that the VA knew about these issues, and

chose to move forward with the contract anyway.

There have been numerous reports issued by the Inspector General and complaints from veterans throughout Washington State citing issues related to the rollout of this system in Walla Walla and Spokane. More than 11,000 orders for specialty care, lab work, and other services were "lost" by the electronic health record system according to the draft report, resulting in delayed care and even harm to our nation's veterans. This is completely unacceptable.

Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary Denis McDonough has claimed to be unaware of "any harm caused by the system," and committed to halting the launch of the system if he ever had "any reason to think that this is creating risk for our patients." Yet, according to reports, the

VA was briefed on the harm and ongoing risks prior to the system's launch but moved ahead with their rollout and expanded the system to more facilities.

To say that I'm deeply disturbed by these reports would be an understatement.

Our nation owes a debt to our veterans that we will never be able to repay. Providing them with high-quality medical care is the bare minimum. That this administration would intentionally ignore reports showing that their system was putting our veterans' lives at risk is a betrayal to the men and women who laid down their lives for this country.

If we in the state of Washington have been chosen as the first of many attempts at this electronic records rollout, we have to be certain the issues we have seen do not hap-

pen again at any other place in this country. Now, in this draft report, we have significant proof that these issues exist and have not been addressed.

After being confronted with the contents of the draft report, the VA stated their intent to delay the system's planned launch in Seattle, Portland, and other large facilities until 2023. We cannot be gambling with our veterans' lives. While delaying this rollout is a step in the right direction, we must do more. I call on this Administration to immediately deploy resources to the Spokane and Walla Walla VA hospitals to ensure no more records are lost and no more veterans are harmed, and to halt the rollout of this system at all facilities. Meanwhile, I will continue to work with the House Veterans Affairs Committee to hold Cerner

OKANOGAN & DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF, BREWSTER POLICE DEPT

Douglas County Sheriff

June 17

- 12:10 Animal Problem, 505 N. Warren St., Waterville
- 15:02 Civil Dispute, 1139 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport
- 15:20 Warrant, 920 Foster Ave., Bridgeport
- 18:58 911-call, 75 Fairview Ave., Bridgeport
- 21:10 Animal Problem, 19 Ida St., Bridgeport Bar
- 23:57 Malicious Mischief, 108 Pine St., Bridgeport Bar

June 18

- 05:04 Alarm, 1220 Kryger St., Bridgeport
- 08:40 Trespassing, 700 block SR 173, Bridgeport
- 09:23 Animal Problem, 45 McCormack St., Bridgeport
- 21:03 Noise Complaint, 16th St. and Raymond Ave., Bridgeport
- 21:20 Trespassing, 636 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport
- 21:24 Traffic Offense, SR 173 & McCormack St., Bridgeport
- 21:42 Parking/ Abandoned Vehicle, 1130 Columbia Ave., Bridgeport

June 19

- 01:00 Disturbance, SR 17 MP 136, Bridgeport
- 17:27 Civil Dispute, 109 Pine St., Bridgeport

June 20

- 11:11 Agency Assist, 246 SR 173, Bridgeport
- 15:42 Public Assist, 100 Sagebrush Rd., Waterville
- 23:32 Noise Complaint, 800 block Columbia Ave., Bridgeport

June 21

- 02:35 Trespassing, 309 S. Central Ave., Waterville
- 07:41 Animal Problem, 412 W. 2nd St., Waterville

- 11:35 Suspicious Circumstance, 0 block Rd. 25 NE area, Bridgeport
- 19:42 Agency Assist, US Hwy. 2 MP 144, Waterville
- 22:44 Noise Complaint, 8th St. and Columbia Ave., Bridgeport

June 22

- 07:34 Warrant, Grange Rd. and SR 173, Bridgeport
- 16:29 Public Assist, 321 S. Columbia Ave., Waterville

June 23

- 12:42 Warrant, SR 173 and Perkins Rd., Bridgeport
- 13:16 CPS/ APS Referral 309 S. Central Ave., Waterville
- 14:15 Miscellaneous, 800 E. Locust St., Waterville
- 14:17 Miscellaneous, 1431 Tacoma Ave., Bridgeport
- 14:23 Miscellaneous, 2014 Rd. L.N.E., Mansfield
- 14:31 Miscellaneous, Columbia Ave., and SR 173, Bridgeport
- 16:03 Public Assist, 700 block Rd. K.S.W., Waterville
- 21:11 Hazard, US Hwy. 2 MP 144, Waterville
- 21:44 Traffic Offense, 801 Jefferson Ave., Bridgeport

Brewster Police Department

June 17

- 11:35 Agency referral reported on River Plaza for a subject that may have been physically abused.

June 18

- 15:44 Natural disaster reported on SR 173 for a mudslide.
- 17:41 Parking problem reported on S. 2nd St. for a caller who's mother owns a house and when they are both at the location they don't have a place to park.

June 19

- 21:56 Civil dispute reported on

- W. Cliff Ave. when a caller requested law enforcement to accompany her picking up an amount of loan money.

June 20

- 05:58 Breathing problem reported on E. Ferry Ave. for a 73-year-old female subject with difficulty breathing and a rapid heart rate.
- 09:13 Burglary alarm reported on N. 7th St. in a lobby.

June 21

- 13:11 Suspicious circumstance reported on Hwy. 97 in Brewster regarding 4-5 juveniles in a parking lot, one with a pistol.
- 20:37 Burglary alarm reported on E. Ansel Ave., in Brewster.

June 22

- 14:58 Welfare check requested on Paradise Hill Rd. in Brewster for a neighbor in a motorhome.
- 16:35 Citizen assist requested on S. 7th St. regarding a personal matter.

June 23

- 17:03 Extra patrol requested on S. 4th St. in Brewster in the area that they were setting up for the big garage sale.
- 19:56 A wildland fire was reported on Unger Rd. for a trash fire that got out of control.
- 20:02 Suicidal person reported on Beach St. in Pateros.
- 20:33 Civil dispute reported on W. Griggs Ave. in Brewster regarding a parenting plan and kids transfer.

Okanogan County Sheriff

June 17

- 07:43 Theft reported on Golf Course Dr. in Pateros for a missing post.

June 18

- 23:48 Noise complaint reported for loud music in the area of

- Blossom Ln. in Brewster.
- 23:53 Suspicious circumstance reported on Starr Rd. area when a caller could hear a subject yelling for 15-20 minutes.

June 19

No local reports.

June 20

- 10:39 Civil dispute reported on Pedersen Rd. in Pateros. The caller reported a mother had passed away and sisters were squatting in the house, the caller served them with an eviction notice at the end of May, but they changed the locks so she couldn't get in or do inventory.

June 21

- 08:12 Hit-and-run accident reported on W. Warren Ave. in Pateros for a caller's white Lincoln MKX that was struck on April 17th.

June 22

- 13:31 A 911-call was made from a location with four residences at it and an open line on Old Hwy. 97 in Brewster.
- 14:09 A welfare check was requested on W. Warren Ave., in Pateros for three children in a residence.
- 16:37 Citizen assist requested on West Raymond Rd. in Brewster about kids riding motorcycles and scooters in the tall grass up North Starr Rd. without supervision.
- 17:09 Welfare check requested on Hwy. 153 in Pateros for a caller's father who had not been heard from since Sunday.

June 23

- 08:23 A caller on Unger Rd. reported her phone not working and only able to dial 911.
- 20:02 Suicidal person reported on S. 7th St. in Brewster.

DEATH NOTICES

Mary Joyce Steele

Mary Joyce Steele, 91, of Brewster, Washington, passed

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and memories for the family at www.barneschapel.com. Ser-

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THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT



Courtesy Richy Harrod
Richy Harrod, host of The Northwest Outdoorsmen.

Local shows worth watching

BY JOHN KRUSE, THE WASHINGTON OUTDOOR REPORT

Did you know there are multiple fishing and hunting shows produced right here in Washington State? It's true and if you want to see shows about waters you are likely to fish and places you can hunt in the Evergreen State, these shows are definitely worth checking out. Better still, I know all of these individuals and can assure you they really do know what they are doing when it comes to not only fishing and hunting, but telling

good stories related to these pursuits. Here's a rundown for you:

The Northwest Outdoorsmen

Leavenworth resident Richy Harrod is the host and producer of this long running television show focusing on do it yourself (DIY) fishing and hunting adventures in the Northwest. The adventures typically take place on public lands and the participants are residents from the northwest, to include family members, as guests. As Richy puts it, the show is about the, "Average sportsman doing it on his own".

One nice segment that is part of every show involves



Courtesy Mike Carey
Mike Carey and Rob Holman with Northwest Fishing Reports TV.

cooking up the day's catch or harvest and if you are into that you'll also want to watch Richy's other show, Harrod's Cookhouse Field to Table. The Northwest Outdoorsmen airs on ROOT Sports and on WILD TV. Both shows air on the NCW Life Channel. Additional ways to view these shows can be found at www.harrodoutdoors.com

Northwest Fishing Reports TV

Mike Carey, Rob Holman and his wife, Hillary and Hannah Pennebaker host and produce this weekly televi-

sion show that airs on FOX affiliates throughout Washington State and Root Sports. Each show normally features two different fishing or hunting trips around the greater Northwest. Many times, these trips take place with guides or at resorts and lodges in Washington, Oregon, British Columbia and Alaska. The same crew that produces this show also publish the Northwest Reel Life magazine, available for free at stores around the state selling fishing licenses. Find out more about the magazine and the show at www.nwfrtv.com

Country on AM 950 KJR, is the founder of this streaming show that takes a deep dive not only into fishing and hunting around the Pacific Northwest, but also techniques to help you be successful too. Assisted by co-host Tommy Donlin and his wife Sheri Inglin, Duane covers the politics of fishing and hunting in Washington and Oregon better than anyone else. This show also features a bait lab emphasizing rigging for a particular fishing technique as well as a cooking segment to help you enjoy your wild fish and game meal. Fish Hunt Northwest streams live every Thursday from 6 to 7:30 PM on their Facebook page and YouTube Channel and features an interactive chat feature so you can sound off as well while the show is airing. The show will also be airing in a 30-minute format on a cable network in August. Find out more at www.fishhuntnw.com



Courtesy Duane Inglin
Duane Inglin, host of Fish Hunt Northwest.

Anglers West

Justin Wolff owns a tackle shop in Woodland, and is also the longtime host and producer of Angler West TV, featuring destination fishing trips around the Western United States. Justin's show usually follows anglers out for a day of fishing and covers not only the trip itself, but also shares tips and rigging advice to help you catch fish too. Anglers West TV can be seen on the CW channel out of Seattle and Portland as well as on the NCW Life channel in the Wenatchee Valley. Air times and additional information can be found at www.anglerwesttv.com

Fishing with Ladin

If you enjoy fly fishing with a little comedy on the side, Fishing with Ladin is a program you'll enjoy. Starring Ladin Langeman and Steve Ronholt, their show originally started airing years ago on KLEW out of Lewiston, Idaho. Today, the show is available for purchase on Amazon Video, on Fishing TV or for free on YouTube. This is also a destination show, where Ladin

and Steve will travel to a river, lake or pond in the Northwest or Rocky Mountain West and shoot video of their day on the water catching and releasing trout.

One fun fact about this show concerns Steve Ronholt. The two of us were roommates at Eastern Washington University and attended the same (Redmond) High School. We enjoyed fishing together in college and had some memorable trips, but neither one of us imagined we would become hosts of fishing and hunting shows in the future.

John Kruse - www.northwesternoutdoors.com and www.americaoutdoorsradio.com

Rep. Schrier pushes Biden Administration to implement federal firefighter pay increase before peak wildfire season

SUBMITTED BY OFFICE OF CONGRESSWOMAN KIM SCHRIER



Cong. Kim Schrier

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congresswoman Kim Schrier, M.D. (WA-08) led 21 of her colleagues in sending a letter to several officials in the Biden Administration, pushing them to implement a federal firefighter pay increase before peak wildfire season begins. An increase in pay and benefits for federal wildland firefighters was included in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law that President Biden signed last November. The members said, "We have heard time and time again from firefighters in our districts and around the country how current pay rates create significant challenges with recruiting and retention. Congress authorized and appropriated funding ... to help address the staffing shortages that persist throughout the federal land management agencies. While we acknowledge the complexities of identifying where pay presents a barrier to recruitment and retention, the reality is that federal wildland firefighters are underpaid nationwide. The longer it takes to put these pay raises in place, the more difficult it will be to meet the staffing levels necessary to confront this year's wildfires which are already burning."

few weeks. We continue to urge expeditious implementation of the pay increase.

As you know, a changing climate is exacerbating the challenges posed to our communities by wildfire. In 2021, roughly 59,000 wildland fires burned more than 7.1 million acres and resulted in more than \$4.4 billion in state and federal suppression expenditures. This year, the potential for extreme fire behavior is higher than average throughout much of the country through September.

We have heard time and time again from firefighters in our districts and around the country how current pay rates create significant challenges with recruiting and retention. Congress authorized and appropriated funding in the Bipartisan Infrastructure

Law last November to help address the staffing shortages that persist throughout the federal land management agencies. While we acknowledge the complexities of identifying where pay presents a barrier to recruitment and retention, the reality is that federal wildland firefighters are underpaid nationwide. The longer it takes to put these pay raises in place, the more difficult it will be to meet the staffing levels necessary to confront this year's wildfires which are already burning.

We have also heard from fire departments in our districts and states that are concerned with lower levels of staffing, it will be more difficult to contain increasingly catastrophic wildfires, putting firefighters more at risk and making their jobs even more difficult. We must ensure they are compensated fairly and more in line with their local and state firefighter counterparts. Federal wildland firefighters work alongside local and state firefighters on fires every year but continue to be disproportionately under-compensated.

We appreciate your work up to implement the provisions of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law as quickly as possible and ask that you raise wildland firefighter salaries as quickly as possible.

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Biden Blames Oil Companies for Record Gas Prices Amid His Plan to 'End Fossil Fuel'

Refineries suggest a different path for Biden administration to boost production

KEVIN STOCKLIN

U.S. fossil fuel companies responded on June 15 to President Joe Biden's June 14 letter that accused them of profiteering and driving up gas prices during a "time of war."

Biden's letter blamed gas prices, which have skyrocketed from \$2.53 per gallon when he took office to about \$5 today, on "Putin's war of aggression" and greedy corporations, ignoring his own efforts to suppress American fossil fuel production. Since taking power in January 2021, the Biden administration has worked relentlessly across multiple agencies to carry out a campaign pledge in which he stated, "I guarantee you we are going to end fossil fuel."

Biden's note to energy executives put the blame for today's surging gas prices on refineries and the "high-profit margins for refining oil into gasoline," stating that when crude oil was \$120 per barrel in March, similar to today's prices, "the price of gas at the pump was \$4.25 per gallon. Today, gas prices are 75 cents higher."

The difference, he claimed, was due to refiners' profit margins, which he said have tripled since then. Simultaneously, White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre slammed U.S. oil companies for failing to do their "patriotic duty."

Responding to Biden's letter, the American Petroleum Institute and the American Fuel & Petrochemical Manufacturers stated that U.S. refineries are currently operating at 94 percent capacity, among the highest utilization rates in the world, and that prices for oil products are set on world markets based on global supply and

demand, not by American companies.

According to the Energy Information Administration, refining costs made up 14 percent of the total price of gasoline in 2021. The remainder includes 54 percent for crude oil, 16 percent for distribution, and 16 percent for taxes. Escalating prices have driven up the share of crude oil to 60 percent of the total this month.

Regarding Biden's complaint that U.S. refineries had pushed gas prices higher by reducing their capacity by 800,000 barrels a day, industry representatives responded that half of the refineries that have shut did so because they're being converted to renewable fuel production.

"These investments cannot be easily or quickly undone," they stated.

The fossil fuel industry, its consumers, and its investors have responded to administration policies designed to reduce production and capacity. This includes federal incentives to replace gasoline-powered cars and trucks with electric vehicles, cancellation of oil leases in Alaska, canceling new lease sales in the Gulf of Mexico, and canceling the \$9 billion Keystone XL Pipeline, for which construction was already underway.

On March 11, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) reinstated California's authority to enforce its own emissions standards for cars and trucks, "which other states can also adopt and enforce," according to an official statement.

"With this authority restored, the EPA will continue partnering with states to advance the next generation of clean vehicle technologies."

Kathleen Sgamma, president of the Western Energy Alliance, said in a



President Joe Biden delivers remarks at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles on June 8, 2022.

June 16 Fox News interview, "We keep hearing that he's working like the devil to bring down energy prices, and that is anything but the truth." She noted that there were about 5,900 development leases and 3,000 permits that were currently being held up by environmental litigation.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) recently announced the creation of its Office of Environmental Justice, which "will engage all Justice Department bureaus, components and offices in the collective pursuit of environmental justice." In addition, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) issued a ruling on March 21 that all listed companies must issue audited reports on their greenhouse gas emissions, including that of their suppliers.

The SEC action underscored the administration's alignment with progressive investment managers, pension funds, banks, insurers, and finance ministers who have joined together in

global groups such as Climate Action 100+, the Global Investor Statement to Governments on the Climate Crisis, the Net Zero Asset Managers Initiative, and the Glasgow Financial Alliance for Net Zero. Members of these groups have signed joint pledges to reduce or eliminate financing for the fossil fuel industry.

The sum effect of these policies has been a chilling effect on fossil fuel investment. While the last major refinery built in America was in 1977, long before the current administration, Chevron CEO Mike Wirth said he doesn't expect any new refineries will be built in the United States, for economic and political reasons.

"We've seen refineries closed," he said. "We've seen refineries being repurposed to become biorefineries. And we live in a world where the policy, the stated policy of the U.S. government is to reduce demand for the products that refiners produce." Currently, the

United States has 129 operable refineries.

Many in the fossil fuel industry see current gas prices as the result of a deliberate and continuing effort by the Biden administration to force Americans to switch from oil and gas to renewable energy.

Biden recently praised higher oil prices as "an incredible transition that is taking place that, God willing, when it's over, we'll be stronger and the world will be stronger and less reliant on fossil fuels." Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm said that rising prices were "an exclamation point" demonstrating the need to switch to wind and solar from oil, previously advising Americans that "if you drive an electric car, this would not be affecting you."

"They want this current situation," Daniel Turner, executive director of the energy advocacy group Power the Future, told The Epoch Times. "They want the status quo, they just don't want the political fallout from it. The Biden administration needs to understand that if they're going to pursue this agenda, then there are going to be consequences.

"It's almost childlike naïveté to think that you can have such a radical agenda and not have any consequences. It just shows how unserious and in over their heads this administration is."

But the progressive push to curtail fossil fuels is taking effect before renewables such as wind and solar are capable of filling the gap. Price hikes and shortages of gasoline, diesel, and fertilizer—an oil derivative—have had a ripple effect throughout the economy, hitting not only prices at the pump but also food prices, shipping and delivery expenses, and the cost of products that use plastic or other oil-based components.

To the many things Democrats have blamed on Russia, including buying Facebook ads to support President Donald Trump's campaign and spreading misinformation, Biden has now added America's inflationary crisis.

"There is no question that Vladimir Putin is principally responsible for the intense financial pain the American people and their families are bearing," he wrote.

He encouraged refineries to stand up to Putin and "take immediate actions to increase the supply of gasoline, oil, and diesel." Biden says he has done his part by releasing supplies from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, allowing greater use of ethanol in gasoline, and using the Defense Production Act to provide inputs for energy production.

The fossil fuel industry responded to Biden that better solutions would include "promoting infrastructure development, addressing escalating regulatory compliance costs, allowing all technologies to compete to reduce emissions, modernizing fuels policies, and ensuring capital markets are functioning for all participants."

Meanwhile, Biden has planned a trip to Saudi Arabia in July to implore oil producers there to boost their output. And the Biden administration has been working on a deal with Iran to end sanctions, allowing it to sell more oil as well.

"I wish the Biden administration made the same overtures and had the same spirit of collaboration with [American oil companies] that they have with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the Maduro government in Venezuela, and the Ayatollah in Iran," Turner said. "The American oil and gas industry just gets threats and questioning of our patriotism."

Texas Woman Pleads Guilty to 26 Counts of Voter Fraud in 'Vote-Harvesting' Operation

GARY BAI

A Texas woman pleaded guilty on June 16 to 26 counts of voter fraud committed during a local water board election in 2018.

Monica Mendez, 36, of Port Lavaca, Texas, ran a "vote-harvesting operation on behalf of a subsidized housing corporation in order to influence the outcome of a utility board election," the Texas Attorney General's (AG) Office said in a June 17 statement. The election in question was the 2018 Victoria County Water Control and Improvement District 1 election in Bloomington, Texas.

Mendez pleaded guilty to 26 felony counts of voter fraud, including three counts of illegal voting, eight counts of election fraud, seven counts of assisting a voter to submit a ballot by

mail, and eight counts of unlawful possession of a mail ballot, the office stated.

Victoria County District Judge Eli Garza sentenced Mendez to five years of deferred adjudication probation.

Victoria County Elections Administrator Margetta Hill told The Epoch Times on June 20 that Mendez worked as a volunteer deputy registrar voter and assisted residents to register to vote during Bloomington's 2018 water board election.

Mendez was signing applications to register to vote and also applications to vote by mail, Hill said.

According to a local media outlet, the Victoria Advocate, the 2018 water board election appeared on the radar of the AG's office after about 275 of the 2,500 people who registered to vote used the same mailing address,

which is associated with rental properties linked to a local housing nonprofit called ALMS.

According to the nonprofit's 2018 tax filings, ALMS operates as La Raza Unidos and described its mission as distributing "new and gently used clothing to men, women, and children, free of charge."

Catherine Engelbrecht, founder and president of Texas election integrity group True the Vote, told The Epoch Times that this case is just the tip of the iceberg.

Mendez was charged with 26 counts of voter fraud in April 2021 and arrested in June 2021 by the Texas AG's Election Fraud Unit.

Attorney General Ken Paxton's Election Integrity Unit and the Victoria County District Attorney's Office jointly prosecuted the case.



A polling place before opening on the first day of early voting in Houston on Oct. 22, 2018.

Since 2015, Paxton has successfully prosecuted 534 election fraud offenses against 155 individuals, according to the AG's website. Currently, 43 individuals in Texas have a prosecution pending. The AG is conducting 386 open voter fraud investigations.

The Texas state legislature passed legislation (S.B. 5) in 2017 that in-

creased the penalties for most mail ballot-related offenses to felonies subjected to state jail time. It again increased criminal penalties and created criminal offenses for election fraud by passing S.B. 1 in 2021.

Officials from Paxton's office and Mendez's attorney didn't respond to requests for comment by press time.



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Wanted



Looking for Volunteers with Lake Chelan Waterfront Access
Lake Chelan Research Institute (LCRI) seeks eight to ten waterfront locations to establish long-term trends in nearshore water temperature. Changes in nearshore temperature are a key factor in growth of attached algae.

We currently lack temperature trends in the nearshore environment of Lake Chelan and are initiating collection of that data so we can understand what role temperature may play regarding increased algae growth.

Involvement of waterfront homeowners is crucial to the success of the work. Support for this study is provided by the Icicle Fund (see <https://icicelfund.org/> and <https://icicelfund.org/recent-awards/>) The institute's mission includes collecting water quality data regularly; understanding the processes that control, and assess trends in Lake Chelan's water quality, benefiting residents, tourism, and environmental science for years to come. If interested, please contact Phil Long at 509-531-2987 or phillong@nwi.net. More information is available at <https://lakechelanresearchinstitute.com> and KeepItBlueLakeChelan.org

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Employment

Help Wanted



Certified Coder Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Certified Coder. This position is responsible for timely, accurate and comprehensive review of services. Abstracts, analyzes, and assigns ICD-10-CM, CPT, HCPCS codes and appropriate modifiers for evaluation and management (E/M), minor procedures, and diagnostic tests by using either computerized or manual systems. Required: Associate degree, bachelor's degree, or equivalent years of experience as coding specialist. Current professional coding credentials such as AAPC, (GPC), (CCA), (COC), PMI, (CMC), or AHIMA (CCS-P), (CCS), (RHIA), (RHIT) or be able to obtain credentials within 6 months of hire.

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NA-C Full-time/ Nights

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Nursing Assistant—Certified. Duties include assisting in the daily care, personal needs, and treatment of each patient in an acute care setting. Current NA-C WA State License, BLS and one year NA-C experience required.

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Mansfield School District

is hiring a Special Education-Director and a Para-Professional for the 2022-23 school year. To view job descriptions and download application, access our website at www.mansfield.wednet.edu. We are an equal opportunity employer. If you have any questions, please contact us at 509-683-1012.

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Receptionist-Administrative Assistant

The Lake Chelan Mirror newspaper is looking for an outgoing person for this full-time position, Monday-Friday. Qualified applicant will answer phones, take Classified and Legal Notice orders, keep Circulation Records for five publications up to date, prepare the Daily Cash Sheet, make deposits, prepare Legal Notice Affidavits and Tear Sheets for advertisers, post Stories and Photos to two websites and assist with other administrative activities.

Must have Good Customer Service Skills, adept at utilizing computer systems and software including Excel and Word, and have good math skills.

If you're looking for a fun job where you get to work with talented people and be involved in the daily activities of the Lake Chelan area communities, this is the job for you. Dependability and dedication are important work skills for this position. Interested applicants can apply at the Lake Chelan Mirror office, 131 S. Apple Blossom Dr., #109, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. or email your resume to: publisher@leavenworthecho.com EOE



RADIOLOGY/ CT TECH Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Rad/ CT Tech to produce CT scans and assist the Radiologist with interventional procedures that require CT guidance and to provide the best diagnostic images possible for the providers. Registered by the ARRT and Certified WA State. Graduation from an AMA - approved school of Radiologic Technology. Minimum of one year CT experience. (Technical staff can be crossed trained). Current BLS certification. Prefer ARRT certification in CT. Schedule: Wednesday - Friday, 10-hour shifts and will include call time. Sign-on Bonus: \$2,500.

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Clinic Patient Registration Rep Full-time

Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Clinic Patient Registration Rep. Collects required patient information and enters into computer database for our clinic patients. Candidate must have good computer skills & excellent customer service, interpersonal & office skills and portray a professional manner. High School diploma required. Spanish bi-lingual is preferred.

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Help Wanted



Three Rivers Hospital is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Charge/ ER RN - Full-time. Days (Sign-on Bonus \$10,000)

Charge/ER RN - Full-time. Nights (Sign-on Bonus \$10,000)

Med-Surg/ ER RN - Full-time. Days (Sign-on Bonus \$10,000)

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OR Circulator Nurse - Full-time. (Sign-on Bonus \$10,000)

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Patient Registration Representative Per Diem/Weekends

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Town of Mansfield Council Position Opening
The Town of Mansfield has a council position opening. If interested please submit a letter of interest, stating your experience and qualifications to Town Hall at 26 Main Street. Position will be posted until July 11, 2022. If you have any questions please contact Town Hall at 509-683-1112. Published in the Quad City Herald June 22 & 29, 2022 #4237

Public Notices

NOTICE OF HEARING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION
Notice is hereby given by the Board of Commissioners of Douglas Okanogan County Fire District 15 that a public hearing is set for Monday, July 11, 2022 at the Brewster Ambulance hall at 412 W. Indian Ave. Brewster, WA at 6:00 p.m. to discuss a supplemental budget appropriation to the 2022 Fire and Ambulance budgets. A resolution will be considered to appropriate grant funds and additional revenues received during the 2022 fiscal year for Machinery & Equipment acquisitions. Public comments will be taken at this time concerning the supplemental budget appropriations. Published in the Quad City Herald June 29 and July 6, 2022 #4245

Tips for treating nail fungus successfully



Ask... Dr. Louise

Q: My toenails are getting really thick and yellow. Are there any non-prescription products that can help?

Fungus infection of the toenails, called onychomycosis, often starts small, with little white spots on one toenail. As it takes hold, it changes how your nail grows out.

It's common to have fungus attack your feet, causing Athlete's Foot or tinea pedis. Sometimes the fungus stops there, but if the infection spreads, it can burrow below your skin to where your body forms new toenails, called the nail plate.

When fungus infects your nail plate, your nails can grow out yellowed, thickened, and deformed. Sometimes the toenail will even get crumbly. As toenails grow thicker, it can get harder to keep them trimmed, and nails that grow sideways or slant upward wear holes in your socks and make it hard to find shoes that fit.

You can easily find non-prescription antifungal prod-

ucts for athletes' foot. Unfortunately, they don't usually help toenail fungus because they only treat the skin. With a toenail infection, you need the treatment to penetrate below the skin to attack the fungus growing inside the nail plate.

Onychomycosis is very difficult to cure and often reappears. The prescription medication considered the most effective only eradicates the infection in 50% of cases. And of those cured, 1 out of every 5 will have it return within 2 years.

It also takes a lot of patience to treat onychomycosis. Infected toenails take 12 months to grow out, so any successful treatment of onychomycosis takes a long, long time: a minimum of 3 months for oral treatment and 10-12 months for topical treatment.

What can you do? Prescription pills for onychomycosis are effective, but serious side effects can limit their use. Topical antifungal products are safe but less effective because they must penetrate into infected nail bed tissue to work.

Topical treatments can succeed in mild cases that affect only part of a nail or just a couple of toenails. With significantly thickened and deformed nails, prescription antifungal pills may help.

Sometimes the best way to treat a severely deformed toenail is for your doctor to remove it altogether. Afterward, you take a prescription antifungal pill for 12 weeks to treat the underlying infection.

Hopefully, your nail will grow back normal.

Topical treatments may help less severe cases of onychomycosis, but they must be used daily for at least 10 months. Filing off the top layer of the nail may allow topical treatments to penetrate more deeply into the nail plate.

A new topical product for onychomycosis called Karesal® is showing promise. It contains urea, lactic acid, propylene glycol, plus glycerol as a thickening agent.

In a recent trial, over 75% of patients using Karesal® daily noticed benefits within the first week. Over 90% of the trial participants reported at least some visible improvement over the first 4 weeks,

which is significantly better than currently available products.

Home remedies like tea tree oil or soaking your feet in full or half-strength vinegar for 15-20 minutes daily may help mild cases of toenail fungus. Toenails grow slowly, and it takes months to see any improvement.

Even when toenail fungus has been killed off, don't be shocked if it comes back. That's because the conditions that helped the fungus get a toehold on you are often still there: warmth, moisture, and darkness.

5 Tips For Treating Nail Fungus Successfully:
1. Don't ignore Athlete's Foot.

If the fungus causing "athlete's foot" has not been removed from your feet, it can spread to your toenails.

2. Keep your feet dry.

Wear loose shoes or sandals and change your socks frequently. Fungus thrives in warm, dark, and moist places. Your chances of a successful outcome are better if you make it as difficult as possible for the fungus to survive.

3. Scrape off extra toenails first.

Filing off any excess toenail can help topical treatments get down into the nailbed, improving your odds of success.

4. Be persistent.

Apply your topical treatment of choice daily for a minimum of 10 months. If your symptoms don't improve during that time or worsen, consult your doctor. Sometimes removing the nail is the best option.

5. Don't quit too soon.

Once your skin symptoms have disappeared, keep using the medication twice daily for at least another two weeks. This helps the fungus get entirely out of your skin. If you leave any tinea fungus alive inside the skin layers of your feet, it can multiply and spread, putting you right back where you started.

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- Churchill's "so few"
- Epochs
- "Watch out!" on a golf course
- East of Java
- "Pinocchio's state of being"
- Hard currency
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- TV and radio 18. "Mr. Popper's birds"
- Newspaper piece
- "Like "Goosebumps Classic"
- "What?"
- Richard Scarry's Things That Go
- Oxygenate, as in lawn
- Skin cyst
- Middle Eastern meat dish, pl.
- Antonym of "yup"
- Dispatch boat
- Female sheep
- Throat infection
- Searching for E.T. org.
- "I think I can, I think I can...", e.g.
- "Spot run!"
- Accounting journal
- The Plaza Hotel resident of kids' book fame
- Long, long time
- Caffeine-containing nut trees
- Off-color
- Ludwig Bemelmans' Parisian boarding school resident
- Middle Eastern porter
- Movie "Brockovich"
- Karl of politics
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- Middle of March
- Fringe benefit
- "Side for Green Eggs"
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- Obstacle to jump through
- Great Lake
- Tiny fox with large ears
- Two halves of a diameter
- Like one in isolation cell
- Evergreen trees
- Thumb-up catch
- Full of enthusiasm
- "The Little Mermaid" domain
- Stock exchange, in Paris
- Affair, to Emmanuel Macron
- Michael Douglas' 1987 greedy role
- "For ___ a jolly ..."
- "Clement Clark Moore's famous beginning"
- Live it up
- Aid in crime
- Bodies
- "Athos", Porthos' and Aramis' swords
- "Corduroy or Paddington"
- Stiff grass bristle
- "D'Artagnan's sword"
- "It ends, according to Shel Silverstein"
- North American purple berry
- ___ at Work, band
- Give in
- Worshipful
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