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Twisp Mayor Soo Ing-Moody, right, presents the AWC Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership to Pateros Mayor Carlene Anders at July's regular monthly council meeting. BELOW: The certificate presented to Carlene Anders.

Pateros mayor awarded **AWC Advanced Certificate** of Municipal Leadership

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – Mayor Carlene Anders was presented with an Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Association of Washington Cities (AWC) during the regular monthly meeting of the Pateros City Council on Monday, July 19. Anders was recognized for her achievement by AWC earlier this year and Twisp Mayor Soo Ing-Moody attended the council meeting to officially present Anders with the award.

The AWC award recognizes accomplishments of municipal elected officials in four core areas:

- Roles, responsibilities, and legal requirements
- Public sector resource management
- Community planning and development Effective local leadership
- Anders was required to

foster strong relationships," said AWC Chief Executive Officer Peter B. King. "The elected officials who earn this certificate demonstrate a commitment to continuous learning and a desire to bring new ideas back to their community."

A City of Pateros media release details Anders' journey in city government beginning with her appointment to the city council on Sept. 15, 2014. Anders ran opposed for mayor in 2015 to complete the term of Mayor Libby Harrison who resigned after six months in office following the loss of her home in the 2014 Carlton Complex wildfire. Anders was reelected in November 2017 to a four-year term. She currently serves on the following boards and committees:

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Pateros residents support controlled fireworks in survey results

Public hearing held

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS - The Pateros City Council held a public hearing July 19 regarding the presence and use of fireworks within the city limits following Apple Pie Jamboree the previous weekend and to discuss the results from a fireworks survey distributed to Pateros residents a year ago.

Last July 2020 Mayor Carlene Anders sent a questionnaire to city residents requesting their opinions concerning the allowance of fireworks within the city limits. Comments from the survey's 58 respondents helped the council critique its fireworks policy and clarify where residents agree and disagree with fireworks in the city.

Anders said the survey responses "made it fairly clear that being allowed to have fireworks in the park is definitely a preference of the group of respondents."

Of the 10 questions in the survey the highest percentage of agreement (94.64%) was for support of fireworks celebrations by trained and certified pyro technicians for Apple Pie Jamboree, New Years, and high school gradu-



Pateros resident Nathan Moller addressed the issue of fireworks in Pateros at the regular city council meeting July 19.

ation. While 77.78 percent of respondents agreed that they are concerned about fire danger during the 4th of July celebrations more than 85 percent do not favor banning all fireworks celebrations in the city.

Nearly 83 percent of respondents say they are comfortable with current municipal code that restricts common fireworks to the Memorial Park solely, not allowing any fireworks in residential areas or any other city properties. The current Pateros Municipal Code (PMC) on fireworks was passed in 1993, updated in 1998, and revisited but unaltered following the 2014 wildfires. PMC Chapter 8.08 regarding fire-

works reads:

8.08.010 Statement of Policy: The city council of the city believes that it should take all reasonable steps to protect persons and property by limiting the sale and use of fireworks and designating an area to allow persons to shoot fireworks. A designated area for the use of fireworks will offer safety for the activity and allow the activity to be policed for illegal fireworks.

8.08.020 Designation of area for use or discharge of common fireworks: Any use or discharge of common fireworks of a projectile type shall only be made toward and over Lake Pateros from

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TBD revision proposed

Bridgeport council considers new water metering system

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT - The Bridgeport City Council held its first regular meeting in person on Wednesday, July 21, since the state officially reopened for business June 30, and had a full plate of issues to address following more than a year of trying to conduct business

municates with the meters every three hours providing a host of water economy and cost-saving advantages.

The council approved a supplemental contract with Gray & Osborne who will be performing the engineering for the water main replacement on Columbia Avenue from 10th to 13th streets.

Bid requests will go

to 14th Street funded by the **Transportation Improvement** Board (TIB) was scheduled to commence on Monday, July 26.

Crack sealing will repair 10 blocks of the northbound lane of Columbia Avenue on the west end of the city.

Initial bids to create a parking lot on 24th Street and Foster Avenue for visitor access to the tree sculptures bordering the avenue came in much higher than expected so public works personnel have roughed in the space, did leveling, and added gravel. The Revitalization Committee is arranging funding to provide signage for the new space.

council member Matthew Schuh proposed that the council schedule a public hearing at the August meeting to discuss an ordinance to absorb the Transportation Benefit District (TBD) into the city.

"This will save the city and TBD money on insurance and audit costs," Schuh told The Quad. "This would not eliminate the TBD, but make it one

complete more than 60 hours of training credits and demonstrate community service to earn the AWC certificate. She completed 152 hours of training to complement an extensive record of community service.

"Our Advanced Certificate of Municipal Leadership recognizes mayors and council members who continue to enhance the tools they need today to understand the legal landscape, plan for the future, manage their resources, and

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Second appointment De-

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virtually.

A representative from Correct Equipment pitched the council on a new water meter system that will allow handsoff data collection through a process called Advanced Meter Infrastructure (AMI). The process involves a device called a collector that com-

this fall for replacement of the wastewater treatment lab that was among the structures burned in Bridgeport during last fall's Pearl Hill wildfire.

Design work for the city's second water reservoir tower continues on schedule.

Phase 3 of the Foster Avenue overlay project from 10th

During council comments near the end of the meeting entity with the city and not its own separate entity as it has been since inception.'

Schuh said the council must hold a public hearing before an ordinance can be passed to absorb the TBD.

"The \$20 car tab fee will still be levied after the absorption occurs," Schuh said.

Law enforcement changes coming County sheriffs collectively reaffirm oath of office

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN - Sheriff Tony Hawley and Douglas County Sheriff Kevin Morris were among 37 county sheriffs statewide belonging to the Washington State Sheriffs' Association (WSSA) who gathered at Ellensburg on July 15 to sign a letter reaffirming their sworn oaths to support, obey, and defend the U.S. and state constitutions. Read the letter on qcherald.com with this story.

The unprecedented action comes in the wake of a dozen bills passed by the state Legislature earlier this year and signed into law by Governor Jay

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Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley adds his name to a WSSA letter during a gathering of county sheriffs at Ellensburg July 15.



Douglas Sheriff Kevin W. Morris joined 36 other Sheriffs by signing a statement supporting and safeguarding Washingtonian's Constitutional Rights on July 15.



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Primary Election ballots due by midnight August 3

tion Day. August 3.

- Here are a few things to remember about your ballot.
- The ballot envelope must be signed
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 - Omak- Casino parking lot, 28968 Hwy 97
 - Pateros -180 Pateros Mall in parking lot, Pateros
 - Twisp Temporary- 110 E. 2nd Ave., City Hall, Twisp
 - Red Barn
 - Nespelem Tribal Agency 21 Colville St.
 - City Hall

mation about the issues you can use the following sources.

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SHERIFFS

Inslee on May 18. A 13th law

enforcement bill was signed

by the governor on April 7.

The law enforcement mandates represent the most

sweeping set of accountabil-

ity measures in the state's

history and are described

as "nation-leading" in a

statement released by sen-

ate democrats. The news

release summarized the

bills signed by the governor

SB 5051 provides timely

and effective enforcement

of state standards for law

enforcement officers, al-

lowing the Criminal Justice

Training Commission to dis-

cipline officers unfit to car-

ry a badge and gun. It also

expands the commission so

that a majority of members

are from the community

and not employed by any

law enforcement agency. It

that include:

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• SB 5066 establishes clear standards for police officers to intervene when fellow officers use force unjustly and to report any wrongdoing by fellow officers. It takes effect July 25.

Two dozen of the 37 county sheriffs from across the state stand for a photo at Ellensburg July 15. The law officers came

together to sign a letter issued by the Washington State Sheriffs' Association and reaffirming their sworn oaths to support,

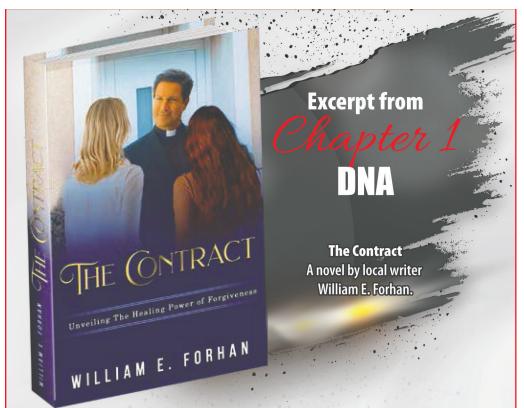
- SB 5263 gives families that have had a loved one killed by police a better chance to have their day in court. It takes effect July 25.
- SB 5353 creates a partnership model that facilitates community engagement with law enforcement. It takes effect July 25.
- HB 1054 bans the use of chokeholds, neck restraints, no-knock warrants, certain military equipment, and the intentional concealment of badges. It also substantially restricts the use of tear gas and high-speed chases. It takes effect July 25.

- HB 1088 sheds light on officers who are not credible witnesses because of their previous conduct. It takes effect July 25.
- HB 1089 brings transparency to investigations into police use of deadly force. It takes effect July 25.
- HB 1267 creates a new office to conduct independent investigations of deadly uses of force, custodial deaths, and other officer-involved incidents. It takes effect July 25.
- HB 1310 establishes a civil standard for peace officer use of force. It takes effect July 25.
- HB 1223 requires law enforcement to record interrogations at detention centers if the interrogation is of a juvenile or an adult suspected of a felony. Part of the bill takes effect on July 25, the remainder on Jan. 1, 2022. • HB 1140 requires juve-

niles have access to attorneys before waiving their constitutional rights when they have been contacted by law enforcement. It takes effect on Jan.1, 2022.

- SB 5259 establishes comprehensive statewide reporting and publication for use-of-force incidents involving law enforcement. It has several effective dates.
- SB 5055, signed into law on April 7, improves transparency, professionalism, and equity of arbitration for law enforcement collective bargaining.

Sheriff Hawley attended the regular meeting of the Pateros City Council on July 19 to advise the city, that contracts with Okanogan County for its law enforcement protection, some of the changes the city can expect once the new legislation becomes effective.



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the city's Memorial Park. As used in this chapter, "common fireworks" shall be as defined in RCW 70.77.136 as amended and "projectile type" common fireworks shall be any common fireworks capable of flight or projectively through explosion or combustion.

8.08.030 Violation - Penalty: Any person who shall violate the provision of this chapter shall be guilty of a civil infraction and may be assessed a civil penalty on an amount of up to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) for each offense.

mended increased enforcement patrolling during July 4th. A few encouraged the removal or banning of juniper bushes within the city limits.

City resident Nathan Moller was one homeowner with a close-up and personal encounter the combustible mix of fireworks and juniper bushes. Moller related his family's experience last year when an errant rocket set fire to the juniper border between Warren Avenue and Highway 97 in front of his residence. Moller said that after putting their children to bed he and his wife

that his neighbor water down a large tree in his front yard to prevent the flames from igniting it.

"If that tree had gone up both houses would have been done very quickly," Moller said

Moller said that while he personally liked watching fireworks, he also recommended that the city ban the sale of fireworks in Pateros during the summer.

"I love the idea of having a fireworks show," said Moller, "but if you sell fireworks that's going to attract people here to set off fireworks."

Moller also recommend-

Most mothers can tell you the moment their child was born. It's not the same for fathers. But I can tell you precisely the moment I met my daughters. It was 2:46 on a Sunday afternoon in October.

I had rushed back from church and just sat down to watch the game of the week. My Denver Broncos were playing their most despised of opponents – the Oakland Raiders. My game was interrupted by a knock on my front door.

My wife had taken our two sons to help her with grocery shopping. So I had to get up from my game to respond to that irritating knock.

I opened the door to two attractive young women. They seemed surprised.

"You're a priest?" one gueried.

In my rush to watch the game I had not removed my clerical collar.

"Well, yes I am," I responded. Fully expecting they were a couple of young evangelists looking to tell me about the gospel.

There was a sudden and distinctly deafening pause. "Can I help you?" I finally said.

They looked at each other. Then almost in unison burst out, "We think you're our father!"

In an instant twenty-three years of guilt and remorse overcame me. I could not help it. Tears poured out like a river. My heart began to pound and I could not hear a sound.

We looked at each other for what seemed like an eternity. None of us knowing what to say next, but I knew in my heart they were correct.

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Among comments added to the survey by respondents two recommended signage explaining the basic rules posted around the city prior to July 4th. Another recom-

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cember 2020

Washington State Enhanced 9-1-1 Advisory Board, AWC Eastern WA representative Re-appointed 2021

Okanogan County Dispatch Advisory Committee

City representative alternate

WA State Disaster Resiliency Work Group Presenter and work session contributor

Anders helped spearhead \$7.6 million in funding for the city's new water system from two sources, a Community Development Block Grant, and a USDA Rural Development loan. She assisted 12th Legislative District Senator Linda Evans Parlette with writing the second state appropriation funding request for the

were about to turn it when she took one final look out the window for any signs of fire.

"There was a huge fire right outside our door and it happened like that!" Moller said snapping his fingers.

Moller said he suggested

ed that official fireworks displays be moved to New Year's when the chances of them causing fire are much reduced.

The incident Moller described prompted the city to remove the juniper border shortly following the fire.

Affordable childcare for working families has long been one of Anders' major efforts. She helped create the Pateros Treehouse Early Education Organization (PTEEO), a 501(c)3 a nonprofit formed in 2019. The state Department of Commerce awarded PTEEO an Early Learning Facilities Grant to bring needed childcare and preschool to Pateros and the surrounding area.

AWC serves its members through advocacy, education, and services. Founded in 1933, AWC is a private, nonprofit, nonpartisan corporation that represents Washington's 281 cities and towns before the state legislature, the state executive branch, and with regulatory agencies. AWC also provides training, data and publications, and programs such as the AWC Employees Benefit Trust, AWC Risk Management Service Agency, AWC Workers' Group Retro, AWC Drug and Alcohol Consortium, and AWCGIS Consortium.

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Pateros water project. Deadlines

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City welcome center discussed

Pateros council holds public hearings on fireworks, firefighter compensation

By Mike Maltais Staff writer

PATEROS – Public hearings about firefighter compensation, a budget amendment, and fireworks shared the agenda with public comments, Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley, committee reports, an award ceremony, and more at last week's regular city council meeting on July 19.

Twisp Mayor Soo Ing-Moody presented Pateros Mayor Carlene Anders with a Certificate of Municipal Leadership from the Asso-



Courtesy City of Pateros

A design concept for the Pateros Welcome Center includes upgrading the sign and message center and replacing the existing breezeway with an open-style pergola



ciation of Washington Cities (AWC).

Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley delivered an overview of a dozen new law enforcement measures, many of which took effect on July 25, that are changing the way his office can respond to call outs once the new mandates take effect. Hawley suggested council members become acquainted with the legislative bills and add their voices to those lobbying for revisions of the measures.

One example Hawley used involved heroin use in the city park. He explained that under the new laws his deputies can witness an individual using the narcotic in the Pateros Park, but can no longer arrest that person. Law enforcement must now refer that individual to drug treatment.

"What used to be a Class C felony for possession of meth and heroin is now a misdemeanor after we catch you the third time," said Hawley. "The first two times we refer you to drug therapy."

Council member Megan Sherrard who serves on the Planning Committee reported on two proposed projects that qualify for CO-VID Emergency Relief funds. They include replacement of the existing breezeway and upgrading the large reader board sign.

Council member George Brady recommended revisiting the Pop-up Market concept to improve attendance at the one-weekend-a-month event. Brady said the Saturday half of the market was



Mike Maltais/QCH Council member George Brady

disappointing for its low attendance.

"I participated in the Popup Market as a vendor," said Brady, "but Saturday was an unmitigated disaster because nobody showed up. We sat there for four or five hours and sold \$25 worth of popcorn."

Brady added that he spoke with several other vendors who told him they will not return.

Brady said Friday produced great traffic for popcorn sales with the family night movie and Sherrard concurred estimating the turnout of about 140 people. Anders reminded council that there is stiff competition for Saturday market traffic with both the well-established Chelan and Twisp markets as draws.

City Administrator Jord Wilson reported that copper phone lines in city hall have been replaced by fiber.

Wilson said the bids for the TIB Warren Street sidewalk project came in too high so the city will try again next spring. Wilson said the TIB has seen bids rise about 30 percent over the past several years.

The manganese level is rising at Pump No. 4 and Wilson said he is working with city engineers to stabilize the issue. In response to a question

Wilson said that while it is all related to the river engineers do not yet know the exact cause.

The city has installed new pedestrian crosswalk signs on Lakeshore Drive.

Wilson reviewed the rough design for the Welcome Center concept for the mall to make the area more visible and attractive to visitors. Potential improvements include replacing the waterline from Lakeshore Drive to Dawson Street and addressing drainage issues on the bakery parking lot. Other changes call for replacing the current covered awning with a pergola-style open structure complete with recreation and mall information.

Council held a public hearing on firefighter compensation to give the city the flexibility to compensate volunteer fighters during times of emergency such as was the case in the 2014 Carlton Complex wildfire. The

but gives the city room to
adjust volunteer pay. Council
approved the ordinance
The budget amendment

hearing was held to approve two unanticipated budget items, a \$30,000 Rural Development Block Grant and \$99,766 in Coronavirus Relief funds. Council approved the amendment.

hearing did not set actual

amounts of compensation

Several residents commented during the fireworks public hearing with remarks that ranged from last year's fireworks-caused fire along Highway 97. to the importance of fireworks as part of city celebrations like Apple Pie Jamboree, New Year's, and high school graduation. Anders distributed the results of a fireworks questionnaire she sent to residents last year and noted that despite the fire danger, a clear majority of respondents supported controlled annual fireworks displays.

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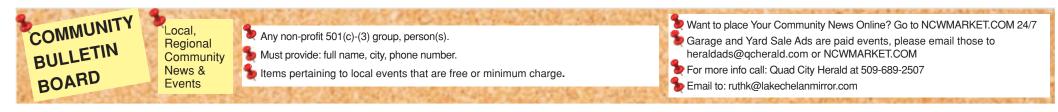
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Henry Scott Cowan

Henry Scott Cowan passed away at home July 16, 2021 at the age of 98 with his daughter by his side. He is with his wife who he loved very much. Jesus came and took him by the hand and took him home. He is in heaven praising and singing for joy. He loved the Lord with all his heart. He was born in Pettigrew Arkansas on January 8, 1923 to Kizzie and Alfeed Cowan. He married Evelyn Irene Kennell on December 14, 1942 in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Henry served in the Army for three years, he always said if he could, he would do it all over again. He loved his country. He was a gunnery in the 137th TNF. He was stationed in Normandy, Northern France, Central Europe, and Germany. He served in World War II and received honorable discharge. Henry received the American Theatre medal, European African Middle Eastern medal, and a Good Conduct medal.

His wife moved to Manson, Washington in 1943 with her parents. As soon as he was discharged, he followed them to Manson. Then they moved to Pateros, Washington then to Brewster, where they would spend most of their married life. They had two daughters, Beverly Sue (Cowan) Burgess and Bonnie Jean (Cowan) Virden who passed away May 26, 2008. He loved taking us girls, mom, and grandchildren fishing and on camping trips. He loved the outdoors that God had created.

He is survived by his daughter Sue Burgess of Brewster, Washington. One sister Barbara Cowan of Spokane, Washington. A granddaughter Billie Gonzalez and two great-



granddaughters Cynthia and Selena Gonzalez of Escondido, California. John Morley of Richmond, Texas and Gina Morley of Crest Hill, Illinois. A grandson Darrell Hood of Bremerton, Washington, and a granddaughter Sherri Hood of Kingston, Washington.

He was a loving husband, father, and friend. Thank you, Lord, for giving us peace in our hearts today.

Those that went before him with open arms were three brothers, two sisters, one daughter and his loving wife. They are all singing praises to their Lord and Savior. John 3:16 reads,

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life."

A graveside service was held at Locust Grove Cemetery on July 23, 2021 and services are being held by Barnes Chapel in Brewster.

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

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Okanogan County Transportation & Nutrition meal delivery

BREWSTER - Brewster Senior Center on Bridge Street is serving hot meals only on Thursday at this time. Take out only. Please reserve your meal by calling 509-689-2815. Pick-up time is between 11 a.m. and 12 noon.

- The home-delivered meal program is on its regular schedule.
- For more information about senior meal programs: Okanogan County Transportation & Nutrition at 509-826-7979 or Aging & Adult Care of Central Washington at 800-572-4459

Thursday, July 29

BREWSTER - The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center hosts the Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition (OCTN) meals on Thursdays. Suggested donation for those over age 60 is \$8.50. For those 60 and under the cost is \$10. Senior Menu not available for

July 29.

July 29, August 3, 5

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July 30

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August 9

Okanogan County PUD meeting

OKANOGAN - The next meeting of the Okanogan County PUD Board of Commissioners will be held Monday, August 9 at 3 p.m. For more information okanoganpud.org

August 9

Douglas County PUD meeting

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

July 10

- Trespass at 1544 Foster Ave. n Bridgeport.
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- Animal problem at 222 17th St., No. 8 in Bridgeport. Noise at 11th Street and Co-
- lumbia Ave. in Bridgeport. July 11
- Burglary at 100 Pine Bluffs Lane in Mansfield.
- Malicious mischief at Rd A N.W. and Rd 15 N.W in Mansfield.
- July 15
- launch in Mansfield.
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- 23 in Bridgeport. Animal problem at 2018 Mon-
- roe Ave. in Bridgeport. Public assistance at 2340
- Monroe Ave. in Bridgeport. Trespass at 1300 Douglas

meeting of the Douglas County PUD Commission is August 9 1:30 p.m. at the District's East Wenatchee office.

August 9

Brewster Chamber to meet

BREWSTER - The next general meeting of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce will be held Monday, August 9, 6 p.m. at the American Legion. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. No more Zoom meetings. For more information brewsterwachamber@gmail. com or Mike Mauk at 509-449-0605

August 9

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.

August 13, 20

Brewster bus trips **BREWSTER - OCTN takes** Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Friday of the month. Next trip is August 13. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical appointments etc.

EAST WENATCHEE - The next On the third Friday of each

July 16

- Public assistance at 2016 Monroe Ave. in Bridgeport.
- Public assistance at DCSO, 1206 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.
- Theftat 206 Fairview Ave. in Bridgeport. Theft at 1020 Columbia Ave., No. 2 in Bridgeport.
- Agency assistance at 557 State Route 173 on Bridgeport Bar. Animal problem at 26 Richards Ave. in Bridgeport.
- Traffic offense at 929 Maple St. in Bridgeport.

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month August 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.

August 13-14

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PATEROS - The Pateros Community Market (PCM), also known as the Popup Market, will open for its third weekend of business on Friday and Saturday, August 13-14 at the Riverview Pavilion on Lakeshore Drive. There will also be a market on Sept. 10-11. On Market & Movie Fridays, the PCM will open at 5 p.m. and continue through 8 p.m. Then from around 8:30 p.m./dusk a family friendly outdoor movie will entertain marketgoers. On Market & Music Saturdays the PCM will open at 9 a.m. through 1 p.m. with music and local vendors. The Pateros Market Committee is currently looking for vendors of all kinds, farmers, processors, crafters, makers, musicians, non-profits, young entrepreneurs, and more. Those interested in being a vendor, volunteer, or sponsor cam email PaterosCommunityMarket@gmail.com. Vendor applications are available online at forms. gle/hnzg4UH5LVHboHUs8.

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Cartel Posts Death Threat to US Law Enforcement Near El Paso

Skirmishes between cartels have ramped up along the border in recent months as they fight for lucrative smuggling corridors

CHARLOTTE CUTHBERTSON

cartel in Mexico has issued a death threat to **U.S.** law enforcement personnel via a banner attached to an overpass in Mexico, across the border from El Paso, Texas.

The banner, written in Spanish, translates to: "Warning: This is for the local, state, ministries, and national guard and for the American [expletive] from immigration.

"Stop [expletive] with the smugglers or we will kill you. The bullets cross the river and the wall, so stop [expletive] around."

The banner is signed: "Yours, the very best of all Juarez."

Juarez is the Mexican city located across the border from El Paso.

A photo of the banner was sent by a source in Mexico to former Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) special agent Victor Avila on July 15, who posted it to Twitter.

Avila worked in ICE Homeland Security Investigations, the agency's investigative branch. In 2011, he survived a violent ambush by a Mexican drug cartel while on assignment in Mexico. He suffered multiple gunshot wounds, while his partner, special agent Jaime Zapata, was killed.



A Border Patrol agent's vest in Eagle Pass, Texas, on July 15, 2021.

Former Immigra-

cial agent Victor

Avila.

Avila said the language and the way the message is written and displayed all indicate that it's a message from a cartel. But he's never seen such a message directed to U.S. law ention and Customs forcement, since **Enforcement spe**cartels, in general, have left U.S. law

enforcement officers alone in the past decade. "All that is out the window.

They don't care. They're not afraid of us. They're not afraid

of anyone. These guys are ruthless," Avila told The Epoch Times on July 16. The agency is aware of the threat, and an investigation is underway, according to Landon Hutch-

> ens, CBP spokesperson from its El Paso office.

"As with any threat made against CBP personnel, it will be handled accordingly and not taken lightly," Hutchens told The Epoch Times via email.

"Any threats made, or harm that results [from] the threats, will be fully investigated, with the respective violators being prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

"The referenced threat is a reminder that members of transnational criminal organizations will stop at nothing to further their exploitation of those being smuggled into the United States, to include not only harming their victims, but threatening U.S. federal law enforcement officers when their illicit activities are threatened."

Avila said the timing of the



in 455 vehicle pursuits from

March through July 8, accord-

ing to the Texas Department

Avila said the cartels "don't

like being messed with" as

they've had "such an open bor-

der under this administration.

They've been doing whatever

He said the Juarez cartel op-

erates across from El Paso, but

it's currently in shambles and

other cartels are moving in.

Avila said the Sinaloa cartel

has started moving into the

area, as well as Cartel Jalisco

"So because of the instabil-

ity of that region, the other

cartels have taken advantage

CJNG is Mexico's fastest-

rising cartel, and it has a pres-

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with its base of operations in

Jalisco and Colima. Home-

land Security Investigations

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New Generation (CJNG).

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of Public Safety.

A banner with a warning message hangs in Juarez, Mexico.

threat may be related to the tions extend into the United extra law enforcement pres-States, with notable activity ence at the border, in particuin Washington state. lar, of Texas State Police, who Skirmishes between cartels are working with local sherhave ramped up along the iffs' offices to stop vehicles southern border in recent involved in smuggling. State months. troopers have been involved

On June 19, gunmen in vehicles opened fire in the Mexican border city of Reynosa, killing 14 people, including taxi drivers, workers, and a nursing student. Mexican government security forces responded with operations that left four suspects dead.

Reynosa sits across the border from McAllen, Texas, the busiest illegal crossing area along the almost 2,000-mile U.S.-Mexico border.

Cartels often will record videos on a victim's cellphone or publish the killing online, which serves as a warning to others.

"They're dismembering people that are alive, cutting their heart out of their chest and holding it in their hand as it still beats, putting heads on top of the cars, playing soccer with human heads," Avila said.

"These guys are beyond ... I don't remember seeing a video like that from ISIS, or the Taliban, or al Qaeda. These guys are evil."

Mississippi Asks Supreme Court to Overturn Roe v. Wade in Abortion Case

JACK PHILLIPS

Mississippi's attorney general asked the U.S. Supreme Court on July 22 to overturn the landmark abortion decision Roe v. Wade and argued that the practice shouldn't be considered a constitutional right.

The conclusion that abortion is a constitutional right has no basis in text, structure, history, or tradition.

"The march of progress has left Roe and Casey behind," the brief states. "Those cases maintained that an unwanted pregnancy could doom women to 'a distressful life and future,' that abortion is a needed complement to contraception, and that viability

White House Investing \$3 Billion to Get Americans Back to Work

Initiative expected to help nearly 2 million women who dropped out of the labor force due to the pandemic

EMEL AKAN

WASHINGTON-The Biden administration announced on July 22 an economic develop-



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Commerce Secretary Gina Raimondo speaks

"The conclusion that abortion is a constitutional right has no basis in text, structure, history, or tradition," Attorney General Lynn Fitch, a Republican, told the nine justices in a new court filing.

The high court in May agreed to hear Mississippi's appeal of a 2019 court ruling striking down a state law that prohibited abortions after the 15th week of pregnancy. That case-Dobbs v. Jackson—is expected to be argued when the Supreme Court's term starts in October.

In the brief, the Mississippi attorney general noted that the Constitution's text doesn't mention abortion and said adhering to the 1973 decision is "dangerously corrosive to our constitutional system." The Supreme Court at the time ruled that abortion could be legalized prior to viability, which is generally the 24th week of pregnancy.

The initial brief filed by the state, filed in June 2020, argued that the state's Gestational Age Act complied with existing legal precedent and suggested Roe v. Wade should be overturned if the Supreme Court could come up with no other way to uphold Mississippi's law.

The July 22 court brief, however, appears to recast that argument and now targets Roe v. Lynn Fitch, attorney general, Mississippi

Wade itself and a 1992 followup Supreme Court decision-Planned Parenthood v. Casev.

"Abortion is fundamentally different from any right this Court has ever endorsed," Fitch wrote. "No other right involves, as abortion does, 'the purposeful termination of a potential life."

"Roe broke from prior cases, Casey failed to rehabilitate it, and both recognize a right that has no basis in the Constitution.

"Heightened scrutiny of abortion laws can never serve those aims," the attorney general said, "because the Constitution does not protect a right to abortion, it provides no guidance to courts on how to account for the interests in this context."

Regarding policy reasons for abortion, Mississippi argued that times have changed since 1973 and 1992, respectively. The attorney general noted that in recent years, scientific advances have shown that an unborn child has taken on the human form before viability, and alternatives including adoption and contraceptives are more readily available than ever.

marked a sensible point for when state interests in unborn life become compelling."

Conservatives for decades have fought against Roe v. Wade, which recognized that a constitutional right to personal privacy protects a woman's ability to get an abortion. The court in its 1992 decision reaffirmed the ruling and prohibited laws that place an "undue burden" on a woman's ability to obtain an abortion.

Abortion opponents are hopeful the Supreme Court will narrow or overturn Roe v. Wade. The court now includes the addition of President Donald Trump's third appointee, Justice Amy Coney Barrett. She replaced Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, a longstanding proponent of abortion, in September 2020.

An opposing brief from the Jackson Women's Health Organization, Mississippi's only abortion clinic, is due by Sept. 13. The clinic previously argued that 50 years of precedent and court rulings have established Roe v. Wade's viability.

"Before viability, the State's interests, whatever they may be, cannot override a pregnant person's interests in their liberty and autonomy over their own body," the clinic wrote in 2020.

ment plan that would invest \$3 billion to support jobs and economic recovery in distressed and underserved communities affected by the pandemic.

The initiative would bring "transformative growth" to communities throughout the country by investing in infrastructure, innovation, and workforce training, according to Secretary of Commerce Gina Raimondo, who announced the details of the investment plan.

"This initiative has the potential to create, we believe, 300,000 jobs in the near term," she said during a press briefing at the White House.

As part of the plan, \$1 billion will be invested in innovation and projects that develop new industries or expand existing ones in underserved communities.

The initiative also allocates \$500 million toward workforce training and apprenticeship programs mainly for "women, people of color, and underserved communities," Raimondo said.

"We have designed this so that funds can also be used for support services like childcare and transportation while folks are getting trained. So, we make sure they get to the finish line of the training and get a job."

The initiative is expected to help nearly 2 million women

who dropped out of the labor force due to the pandemic.

The investment is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act, signed into law in March by President Joe Biden, and it will go through the Department of Commerce's Economic Development Administration (EDA).

The grants will be provided to states, cities, counties, nonprofits, and universities. Companies, including small businesses, won't be eligible to receive the money.

Starting on July 22, every community in the country can begin applying for the funding on the EDA's website, Raimondo said, noting that it would be a competitive grant process.

As part of the plan, \$750 million will be allocated toward the recovery of the travel and tourism sector. A large portion of the fund will be distributed to all states in the next few weeks to address the immediate needs of communities that rely on the tourism sector.

Raimondo said the EDA's investments over the past 10 years

during the daily press briefing at the White House on July 22, 2021.

have helped Albany, New York, turn into a global semiconductor and bioscience hub. She said this new initiative is designed to bring a similar type of transformative growth to other communities.

When asked about the semiconductor chip shortage in the country, Raimondo said the administration is "engaging almost daily with industry."

The Senate already approved a sweeping China bill in June, called the U.S. Innovation and Competition Act (USICA), that would put \$52 billion toward bolstering domestic chip production.

The bill passed the House Foreign Affairs Committee last week on a party-line vote of 26–20. It's currently unclear if it will get a vote by the full House, according to a congressional aide familiar with the bill.

"We are working as hard as we can to get the House to pass" the legislation, Raimondo said. "We need to incentivize the manufacturing of chips in America."

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9 Charged with Working as Illegal Agents for China in Harassment Campaign Targeting US Residents

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N ine individuals have been indicted on charges relating to acting as "illegal agents" for the Chinese regime in a scheme to intimidate a former regime official living in the United States to return to China.

The charges on July 22 supersede a previous criminal complaint in October 2020 to include a ninth defendant, Chinese prosecutor Tu Lan, who had traveled to the United States to direct a harassment campaign and ordered a co-conspirator to wipe evidence.

The Chinese campaign was part of a concerted state-directed effort known as Operation Fox Hunt, which began in 2014 and aims to repatriate Chinese fugitives, including dissidents living in the United States.

The victim, whom the Justice Department referred to only as "John Doe No. 1," previously served as a Chinese municipal government official before coming to the United States. He, his wife, and his daughter have lived in New Jersey since 2010.

Around 2012 and 2014, the Chinese regime prompted Interpol, an inter-governmental law enforcement organization, to put both the former official and his wife on a wanted list, known as the "Red Notice."

The former official was accused of embezzlement and abuse of power, a charge that could lead to a death penalty in China. The charge for his wife was taking bribes, which could incur a maximum punishment of life imprisonment.

From 2016 to 2019, the nine conspirators stalked the for-

That a prosecutor and police officer not only directed and participated in a criminal scheme on U.S. soil, but then attempted to cover it up, is an affront to justice of the highest order.

Mark Lesko, acting attorney general for national security, Justice Department

mer official and his family in New Jersey, including his adult daughter. As part of the operation, the conspirators hired a private detective, defendant Michael McMahon.

The information McMahon obtained about the former official included banking information, license number, and address; and for the wife, he obtained her date of birth, social security number, and international travel records, according to the indictment.

The nine conspirators are also alleged to have plotted to bring the former official's elderly father in China to the United States to convey a threat: that his family in China could suffer serious harm, including imprisonment, unless he returned to China.

To cover up the scheme, Zhu Feng (Johnny Zhu), a U.S. permanent resident and a police officer with the Wuhan Public Security Bureau, prepared false statements for the father, instructing him to tell U.S. border officials that a "tour guide arranged by family members would pick him up" and that he was making the visit at his own expense, when it was all arranged by the defendants.

"The main purpose is to let him persuade [the individual] to surrender," Tu wrote to Zhu in April 2017.

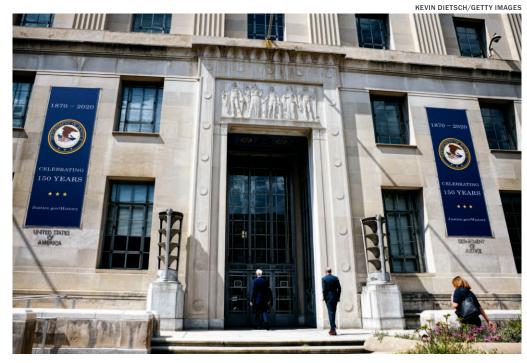
McMahon that same month allegedly proposed that they "harass" the victim by "[parking] outside his home and let him know we are there," a suggestion Zhu dismissed.

After failing to achieve their goals, Zhu boarded the flight back to China with the father. Before they left, U.S. border and law enforcement officials questioned Zhu about the night vision goggles he carried. Alarmed, Zhu told his partner in the United States to "delete all of our chat record ... The sooner the better."

Following what was an unsuccessful trip, the defendants allegedly began stalking the former official's daughter. Between April and July 2018, Zhu was reported to have sent unsolicited and derogatory messages about the family to her and her spouse's Facebook

friends. Two months later, defendant Zheng Congying, a 25-year-old Chinese citizen and U.S. permanent resident, allegedly pounded on the front door of the family's New Jersey home, trying initially to force open the door before entering an outdoor deck from the backyard to peer into the home's windows.

Zheng is accused of then taping a handwritten note in simplified Chinese to the front door. "If you are will-



The Justice Department in Washington on June 14, 2021.

ing to go back to the mainland and spend 10 years in prison, your wife and children will be all right. That's the end of this matter!" the message read.

The former official's sister was imprisoned in China from July 2016 to December 2018 to

coerce the man to return. One of his relatives in America, in February 2019, received unsolicited packages purportedly from the sister, containing video files that urged him to "come home" to his parents.

"When parents are alive, you can still call someplace a home; when parents are gone, you can only prepare for your own tomb," read part of the written text in Chinese in one video, which showcased photos of his parents that, according to the

MATTHEW HATCHER/GETTY IMAGES

prosecutors, appear staged. "None of the defendants sought or received approval from U.S. government officials to travel to the United States for the purpose of seeking to repatriate [the victim]," the court document stated.

The nine have been charged with interstate and international stalking; each comes with a jail term of up to five years. Two of the defendants, Chinese prosecutor Tu and police officer Zhu, face additional charges of obstruction of justice and conspiracy to obstruct justice; each carries a maximum of a 20-year prison sentence. Acting as an illegal agent could result in a 10-year sentence, while conspiring to do so is five years.

Three defendants: McMahon, a U.S. citizen; Zhu Yong (no relation to Zhu Feng) and Zheng, both permanent U.S. residents, are under custody and due to appear in court at an unspecified date.

The indictment didn't mention Jin Hongru, a naturalized U.S. citizen arrested in the superseded 2020 indictment, nor did it make public the name of the ninth defendant. Tu, Zhai, and Zhu Feng remain at large.

"That a prosecutor and police officer not only directed and participated in a criminal scheme on U.S. soil, but then attempted to cover it up, is an affront to justice of the highest order," said Mark Lesko, acting attorney general for National Security at the Justice Department in a July 22 press release.

Peter C. Fitzhugh, special agent-in-charge at Homeland Security Investigations, said that the agency will "outfox attempts to circumvent our laws" and target U.S. residents.

"The defendants will now face the true justice they denied their victims," he said.





ZACHARY STIEBER

The Department of Justice has chosen not to investigate how the governors of Michigan and Pennsylvania ordered nursing homes to accept residents who had tested positive for COV-ID-19.

Steven Rosenbaum, a top Department of Justice (DOJ) official, wrote letters on July 22 to the offices of Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and Pennsylvania Gov. Tom Wolf, both Democrats, to inform them of the decision.

"We have reviewed the information you provided along with additional information available to the Department. Based on that review, we have decided not to open a CRIPA investigation of any public nursing facility within Michigan at this time," Rosenbaum informed Whitmer in the letter, which was obtained by The Epoch Times. CRIPA refers to the Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act.

"If we were to open a CRIPA investigation at a later date, we would follow the procedures required by CRIPA, which includes written notice to the jurisdiction."

A similar missive was sent to Wolf's office, the Associated Press reported. The DOJ in August 2020 requested data from the governors of Michigan, Pennsylvania, New York, and New Jersey regarding how the governors ordered nursing homes to accept COVID-positive residents despite concerns from a variety of groups and officials about the policies potentially leading to more deaths.

"Protecting the rights of some of society's most vulnerable members, including elderly nursing home residents, is one of our country's most important obligations," Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights Division Eric Dreiband said at the time. "We must ensure they are adequately cared for with dignity and respect and not unnecessarily put at risk."

The governors of New Jersey and New York have apparently not received letters like the ones sent to Whitmer and Wolf. Spokespersons for New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy referred comment to the Department of Justice, which did not respond to an inquiry. The office of New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo didn't respond to a request for comment. Both Murphy and Cuomo are Democrats.

Large percentages of people who died from COVID-19 in the four states resided in nurs-



The Justice

Department.

Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer at Ford Field in Detroit, on April 6, 2021.

ing homes and other long-term care facilities, including about 3 out of 10 in Michigan—which may be an undercount.

Michigan's attorney general, also a Democrat, previously rejected calls for a probe into the Whitmer administration's policy, though the accuracy of the death count is being investigated by Michigan Auditor General Doug Ringler.

Bobby Leddy, a spokesman for Whitmer, said in a statement to outlets that "at no point were nursing homes ever forced to take COVID-positive patients."

"Instead, we made the smart decision to require that

We will not tolerate those who mistreat our seniors.

Josh Shapiro, attorney general, Pennsylvania

residents who contracted this deadly disease be kept as far away from others as possible to prevent more people from getting sick," he said.

Wolf's office didn't pick up the phone or return a voicemail.

Michigan Rep. Steve Johnson, a Republican, told Bridge Michigan that he wasn't sur-

Emergency medical workers unload a patient outside a nursing home in Brooklyn on April 18, 2020.

prised President Joe Biden's administration decided not to investigate fellow Democrats.

"The good thing is that the general auditor and the Republican House are there to make sure that the people of Michigan have a proper accounting of nursing home deaths," Johnson said.

A probe in New York by Attorney General Letitia James, a Democrat, found a severe undercount in the number of nursing home resident deaths from COVID-19, which helped stoke calls for Cuomo to resign along with multiple sexual misconduct allegations. Cuomo has refused to step down.

James said it wasn't clear whether the state's policy forcing nursing homes to take back COVID-positive residents led to an increase in deaths.

The Pennsylvania House Government Oversight Committee is probing how the Wolf administration handled nursing homes during the pandemic.

No investigations of state officials appear to have taken place in New Jersey.

Officials in Pennsylvania and New Jersey announced last year that they would start investigating nursing homes themselves amid the climbing death toll in the facilities.

Pennsylvania Attorney General Josh Shapiro said then that people could be charged.

"We will hold nursing facilities and caretakers criminally accountable if they fail to properly provide care to our loved ones," the Democrat said. "While we salute and appreciate nursing home staff on the front lines during this pandemic, we will not tolerate those who mistreat our seniors and break the law."



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OR Manager Full-Time Three Rivers Hospital is seeking an OR Manager to oversee the OR nursing staff and the surgery department. Candidate must have current WA State RN license and ACLS & BLS. Must be proficient in orthopedic, general and OB/ GYN surgeries. Should have 2-3 years of progressively responsible experience in hospital nursing, including leadership assignments. Excellent communication and discretional skills. Monday-Friday, 8-hour shifts. No call time. Sign-on bonus: \$5,000. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

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seeking a Revenue Cycle Director to manage our revenue cycle team, includes Patient Access/ Registration, Health Information. Patient Financial Services and Chargemaster. The Revenue Cycle Director will lead the revenue cycle in developing, planning, and managing work initiatives within the revenue cycle. Bachelor's degree in a relevant area of expertise such as business or finance or an equivalent combination of education and relevant experience is required. Interested Candidates nay apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517 www.threerivershospital.net opportunity@trhospital.net EOE

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Patient Account Rep Full-time Three Rivers Hospital is seeking a Patient Account Rep. This position is responsible for handling outstanding accounts receivables and collections by promptly filing hospital inpatient and outpatient and clinic claims with payers, following up in a timely and efficient manner, to ensure maximum reimbursement is received for services provided. High School diploma or GED. Two years prior experience in a hospital business office preferred. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital

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Director of Quality Full-time Three Rivers Hospital is

seeking a Director of Quality to manage our quality program, including risk and compliance. Registered Nurse with a BSN degree is preferred; however, a minimum of a bachelor's degree in Business or related field may be considered. Three to five years healthcare experience is preferred. Strong skills required: organizational. interpersonal, communication, analytical, risk assessment, computer, statistics & math. and problem-solving. Attention to detail and a high moral integrity is crucial. Interested Candidates may apply in person or by mailing their resume to: Three Rivers Hospital Human Resources Dept. PO Box 577 Brewster, WA 98812 (509) 689-2517

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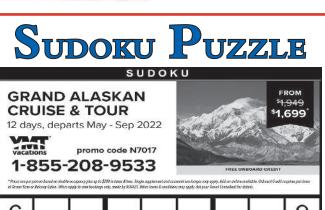
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It's ragweed season

Yesterday morning I woke up feeling under the weather. Stuffy nose? Check. Runny nose? Check. Sinus pressure? Check. Sneezing? Check. I'm allergic to ragweed, and although it isn't yet August, ragweed is already blooming with our hot summer weather.

I have allergic rhinitis, which is inflammation of my nose from exposure to something I'm allergic to. Airborne pollens that stick to the inside of your nose and throat trigger allergic reactions. These episodes used to be called "hay fever" because doctors associated it with plant pollens like hay.

Allergic rhinitis can be either seasonal or perennial (year-round). Seasonal allergic rhinitis is usually triggered by plant-based pollens, which bloom at different times of the year. Perennial allergy symptoms are often from molds and pet dander.

Grasses and trees like birch, oak, elm, and maple release their pollens in the spring and early summer, while weeds like ragweed produce their pollen in late summer and early fall.

Ragweed is related to marigolds, chrysanthemums, and daisies. One of the most common seasonal allergies, ragweed creates powdery pollen, which can be carried by the wind for hundreds of miles.

Sometimes ragweed pollen makes my eyes itch and water. Other times, my nose runs, called rhinorrhea. The allergy symptom I suffer from the most is a stuffy nose. This year my allergic rhinitis symptoms include sneezing, nasal congestion, rhinorrhea, and sinus pressure.

Allergic rhinitis is trig-



gered by a chemical called histamine. Your body stores histamine in special cells called mast cells. Suppose your body recognizes pollen or cat dander as something you are allergic to, called an allergen. Coming in contact with allergens will trigger mast cells in your nose to open up. The mast cells release their stored histamine, creating the misery of an allergic reaction.

Medicines called mast cell stabilizers can block this chain reaction from starting by keeping histamine safely locked up inside your mast cells.

For itchy or watery eyes, I prefer prescription-strength over-the-counter (OTC) ketotifen or olopatadine eye drops. Olopatadine and ketotifen work not only as mast cell stabilizers but also as antihistamines. This allows them to both prevent and relieve an allergic reaction.

Once sold as the prescription drug Zatidor®, ketotifen is available as a generic and Alaway® eye drops. Olopatadine was the prescription eye drop Pataday®, now OTC.

Steroid nose spray decreases inflammation and is the most effective way to treat allergic symptoms like sneezing, sniffling, and stuffiness. There are several agents available without a prescription.

Oral antihistamines can be used either with or without eye drops or steroid nasal sprays. They can relieve all of your allergic rhinitis symptoms. Diphenhydramine (Benadryl® is one of the most effective antihistamines available OTC. Benadryl® is most effective when taken every 6 hours. It also causes drowsiness. If you need an antihistamine that doesn't cause drowsiness, try loratadine (Claritin®) or cetirizine (Zyrtec[®]), each only needing to be taken once daily.

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dine plus pseudoephedrine (the original formulation of Sudafed®) and is available as a generic. Triprolidine dries up my watery eyes and runny nose without causing drowsiness, and the pseudoephedrine eases my stuffy nose.

5 Tips on Taking Allergy Medicine:

1.Try an OTC steroid nose spray first.

Nasacort Allergy 24-Hr,® (triamcinolone), Flonase Allergy Relief® (fluticasone), and Rhinocort® (budesonide) help relieve runny nose, stuffy nose, and sneezing. Be patient because it may take several days to get complete relief. Until then, try taking an oral antihistamine along with the nasal spray.

2. Ketotifen or olopatadine eye drops work well for itchy or watery eyes. Ketotifen (Alaway®) and olopatadine (Pataday®) work both as antihistamines and mast cell stabilizers. They are available without a prescription and can be used safely in children as young as 2 or 3 years old.

3. If you have a runny nose, avoid oral decongestants.

A decongestant relieves a stuffy nose but often makes a runny nose even worse. Try an antihistamine instead, a combination antihistamine/ decongestant purchased from the pharmacy counter, or a steroid nasal spray.

4. Don't waste your money on phenylephrine.

Phenylephrine is only available as 1/3 the effective dose of pseudoephedrine due to its side effects, including stroke. Pseudoephedrine is available from the pharmacy counter, either alone or with an antihistamine.

5. Use decongestant nose sprays sparingly.

Avoid using any decongestant nasal sprays for more than 2-3 days at a time to avoid triggering rebound (worsening of your stuffy nose) symptoms.

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