

Bulldogs track wins Cashmere Invitational title, girls take fourth

By AL STOVER

The Bulldogs boys and girls track teams had an impressive showing at the annual Cashmere Invitational on April 13. The Cashmere boys won their division with a team score of 82 while the girls finished second with 69 points.

Rob McManus won the 800 meters after clocking in at 2:01.91, and the 1,500 meters with a PR of 4:13.52.

Carter Ball clinched the top spot in the 300 meter hurdles in 42.35 seconds. Ball finished second in the 110 meter hurdles in 16.04, took third in the 200 meters in 24.23 and fourth in the 100 meters in 11.58. Kyler Knoll finished right behind his teammate in the 200 meters with a PR of 24.57 and fifth in the 400 meters with a PR of 54.69. Sam Kinser took fifth in the 3,000 with a PR of 9:31.89.

In relays, the team of Bryson Pratt, Henry Varrelman, Aster Dotson and Sam Dotson finished fourth in the 4x100 relay in 48.02. Varrelman, Knoll, McManus and Aaron Guerrero took fifth in the 4x400 relay in 3:48.65.

In field events, Aster Dotson's throw of 169-09 won the javelin. Jonathan Ramey finished second in the high jump with a leap of 5-10.00.

James Terrell-Lewis (800 meters, 2:19.25), Blake Brown (1,500, 5:08.50), Evan Pheasant (discus, 91-11), Miguel Sanchez (javelin, 130-00), Jonah Groce (high jump, 5-04.00) and Kaden Potter (pole vault, 11-00.00) recorded PRs in their respective events.

On the girls' side, Syd Smith finished second in the 800 meters in 2:26.99, Chloe Diaz took fourth in the 100 meters in 12.89 and Eleanor



Cashmere's Brittany Dowell competed in the pole vault.

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New business brings bugs and jobs to Cashmere

By KALIE DRAGO

Record reporter

Cashmere is known for its bulldog mascot, but bugs are the face of a new Cashmere business. Beta Hatch, a startup from Seattle, is extending its biotechnology company to open a branch in Cashmere. The company negotiated a tenant improvement lease in the Old Tree Top warehouse

and plans on starting construction in the summer.

"Beta Hatch is farming insects, we're doing that as an animal feed ingredient," said Virginia Emery, Beta Hatch CEO. "We're farming mealworms. They're a superbug. They can grow in really dry environments, they grow indoors

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Council toes the line of small town and growth



PHOTO BY KALIE DRAGO/NCW MEDIA.

City council members and Mayor Jim Fletcher file into the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the tour they scheduled at the April 8 city council meeting.

By KALIE DRAGO

Record reporter

The bulk of the April 8 Cashmere city council meeting was city council and the planning commission putting

their heads together to shape the process of growth within Cashmere. The two entities started the conversation on how to be proactive

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Kiwanis gifts \$5k to Himmelhavers



On Monday, April 8, the Cashmere's Wacoka Kiwanis Club presented the Himmelhaver Family; Samantha, and parents, Judy and Harry, a check for \$5,000, as the recipients of this year's St. Patrick's Day fundraiser. Pam Leighton presented the check at the Wacoka Kiwanis meeting on Monday, April 8. Samantha was picked this year because of her ovarian cancer diagnosis and her subsequent battle

against this disease.

The money was raised by dinner donations, plus a raffle of items generously contributed by the Cashmere and Wenatchee Valley business community.

The Wacoka Kiwanis Club would like to thank the businesses who donated the great raffle prizes and the many people who attended the dinner, bought raffle tickets and

made generous donations to make this year's fundraiser such a success.

If anyone missed the dinner and would still like to help, checks made out to Wacoka Kiwanis can be sent to Wacoka Kiwanis, PO Box 48, Cashmere, WA 98815

The event took place at the meeting place of the Wacoka Kiwanis, in The American Legion Hall on Sunset highway.

Cashmere Cub Scouts 'hit the pine' on Derby Day



Pictured: Front Row Left to Right - Kasey Bray, Grayson Meloy, Kai Lindblom, Charles 'Jr.' Griffith, Vance Piestrup, Gilbert Armstrong. Top Row: Kamren Meloy, Jackson Meloy, Micah Meloy, Dawson Breckenridge, Jack Brown, Leo Ruiz, Roland Bruning. With Cubmaster Candi Bray and 2019 Pinewood Derby Sponsor Keegan Bray.

On Saturday, March 23, Cashmere Cub Scouts Pack 1, held their annual Pinewood Derby race. This is one of those events that all scouts look forward to participating in. Each scout has the opportunity to build their car out of a kit that is provided. It includes a block of pine, 4 wheels and 4 nails for axles. The scouts work to cut and sand the wood block into the shape of their car. They paint and decorate it

however they want. This year there was a special award given to the scout whose car represented the 'Most Pack Pride'. The award went to Kasey Bray for his car that had the entire 'Scout Law' written on it, along with a Pack 1 badge like they wear on their uniform. After the cars are completed they are ready for weigh in.

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The quilts made by locals and then donated to good cause, Lutheran World Relief, are draped over pews before being blessed by Rev. Rob Gohl.

By KALIE DRAGO
Record Reporter

Local do-gooders with a knack for making quilts have completed 166 quilts to donate to non-profit organization, Lutheran World Relief, along with saving some for those in

need at home in Cashmere. On Sunday, April 7 at Grace Lutheran Church, the quilts stitched with donated materials and good intentions, were blessed by Rev. Rob Gohl. "The materials are either donated or backing material like used sheets come from

yard sales and thrift stores. So it doesn't cost a lot, but time is donated," said Mary Rapacz, the woman in charge of the effort. Lutheran World Relief is an international program that strives to impact people living in poverty that is also strongly

grounded in Christian values, according to its site. Among its charitable activities, the non-profit collects quilts and disperses them far and wide. The quilts are sent out to places across the globe suffering from poverty, such as the Middle East, Latin American and Asia.

According to Rapacz, the quilts are sent to Spokane and then shipped out at the beginning of May. The warm, fuzzy feeling of helping out has led to warm and fuzzy quilts reaching poverty stricken individuals scattered across the map.

Nature backpacks available at NCRL branches

By AL STOVER

Locals who are itching to explore the outdoors this spring and summer may want to venture to their library and check out tools to aid them when they step onto the trails.

Several branches in the North Central Regional Library (NCRL) have nature backpacks available for patrons to borrow and take with them on their outdoor journey.

Backpacks can be checked out for two weeks at a time and rechecked out if there is no waiting list. Children under 16 years old will need to have their parents complete a permission form and return them to the library before they can check out backpacks.

If a local branch does not have backpacks available to checkout, patrons can request them from another library, as they would for other materials.

These backpacks include several tools for folks to use, including binoculars, a magnifying glass and a bug viewer to view nature from faraway or up close. There is also a hiking guide with information and maps about trails in the area and a nature

book with facts about wildlife in the Pacific Northwest.

The backpacks also contain a compass, measuring tape, as well as colored pencils and a journaling template for explorers to chronicle their journey. While most of the items have to be returned, patrons can keep the journaling template.

The nature backpack program began as a pilot project in the summer of 2018. STEM Services Manager Heather Inzauskis said the Winthrop and Wenatchee library branches were the first branches to receive backpacks before they were available at other branches. NCRL is also partnering with schools to send students home with information about the program.

In addition to the backpacks available for checkout, Inzauskis said the NCRL's STEM collection has 12 backpacks available for teachers to use for their classrooms.

Inzauskis explained one objective of the program is to help patrons, especially children, become aware of variety of hiking opportunities

in the region. It also promotes the use of public lands and non-profit organizations who help care for the trails and forests. The program also gives patrons, who may not be familiar with the outdoors,

a chance to use high quality equipment on their hike.

Patrons do not have to embark on a day-long hiking trip to make good use of the backpack and the equipment. Folks can use the tools to study the insects and plant life at their favorite park, or their

backyard.

"Wherever you take the backpack, you'll be able to learn something from nature," Inzauskis added. For more information about the nature backpacks and other NCRL library programs, visit <http://www.ncrl.org/>



PHOTO BY AL STOVER/CVR.

The nature backpacks available at the NCRL have several tools and guides to aid patrons on their outdoor journey.

Cashmere Scouts

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Before racing begins, each car needs to be weighed. No car can be over 5 oz. It's the goal to get your car as close to that weight as you can, without going over. The heavier, the faster the car will get down the track. The cars are driven by shear momentum alone. They line up at the top of the track, held in place by the starting gate. Upon the count down, the gate is triggered which releases the cars to go sailing down the slope into the straight away towards the finish line. We had a total of 14 scouts enter a car this year. Each of whom built theirs to be the fastest. For about an hour, the scouts and their families cheered as they all watched the cars zoom down the track. Not every car crossed the finish line first. The focus was on the fact that every single one crossed the line and finished

the race. The scouts were there to have fun and they did. Upon completion of the race, the winners were announced. The top three scouts race at Districts held April 13. In 4th place, and alternate, in case one racer can't attend districts, went to Kamren Meloy. Coming in 3rd, was his brother Grayson Meloy. Second place went to our 2017 District champion, Jack Brown. Micah Meloy, another brother, took home the 1st place trophy.

This year's race, as it has been for the past four years, was sponsored by Northwest Snow and Ice Equipment. Owners Keegan and Candi Bray are dedicated to Cub Scouting and helping these kids to be the best they can be. Their sponsorship allows each cub to have their derby car kit free of cost. You can look for these cars on display at the Chelan County Fair Youth Barn in the Scout Section this September.

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The King No One Wanted

This week marks the last week of Jesus Christ's earthly ministry. It begins with Palm Sunday and the triumphal entry into Jerusalem then to Christ's death on a cross on Good Friday finally culminating to that extraordinary event of Jesus' resurrection.



A WALK WITH PASTOR JOHN SMITH

Save us". In this moment Messianic prophecies were being fulfilled right before the crowds very eyes and they were excited.

Could you blame them? Imagine growing up and hearing your grandparents long for the day when the promised Messiah would come. Think about the conversations around the table of

what that day would be like or turning to Zechariah 9:9 and reading about it yourself then sitting back to attempt to picture its glory.

Then it happens and as Matthew records in his gospel, "the whole city is stirred" (Matt. 21:10).

However, as the story unfolds within the Scriptures, we see that this very crowd who shouted "Hail him!" would yell "Nail him!". Why such a dramatic turn? It's because Jesus didn't deliver what the people

wanted. King Jesus had come to bring salvation and these people rejected it because it was not the salvation they were expecting.

They wanted a king who would defeat pagan Rome. They wanted a political leader who would bring Israel back to prominence like the glory days of David. In essence, they wanted Jesus to make Israel great again. Salvation to them was salvation from Roman occupation and taxes not from sin and death.

Jesus is no political puppet. He is not subject to man's agenda or satisfied with building a temporary earthly kingdom. The salvation that he brings is infinitely more important and more precious than saving you or me from discomfort or even a certain political ideology.

Yet so many people want to use Jesus for their own gain and frankly, their agenda is very small in comparison to Christ's. They want to follow Jesus because after all, he can make people happy, save marriages or perhaps even garner enough votes to keep the majority in the Senate.

But what happens when Jesus doesn't deliver? What happens when following Jesus doesn't land you the next big promotion but instead a pink slip?

Then what? Will you turn on him or will you remember that Christ has come to do so much more than what you or I could possibly even fathom?

If Jesus gave the crowd what they wanted—an earthly kingdom—then we would be forever condemned. There would be no cross, no bloodshed for sinners and certainly no empty tomb.

But we see the King didn't give them what they wanted, he gave them and the world what we needed: Himself.

As we follow Christ on his journey to the cross this week and then celebrate his resurrection this Sunday, let us remember that our King has come, righteous and bringing with him a mighty salvation (Zech. 9:9).

Pastor John Smith of Evergreen Baptist Church in Cashmere can be reached at pastorjohnsmithebc@gmail.com.

OBITUARY Daniel E Kill

Daniel E Kill, 65, of Peshastin, WA., passed away unexpectedly, but peacefully in his sleep, March 19, 2019. Dan was born in Wenatchee, WA., on April 18, 1953, to Jerome R. Kill and Janet Abercrombie. Dan almost died during the first two weeks of his life, due to delivery complications. On his arrival home, Dan joined his sister, Karen. Soon to follow was sister Pat, and brothers Jim and Jeff. The family moved from Wenatchee to Cashmere, WA., in 1959, where Dan attended Cashmere schools, until his graduation in 1971. Dan was a member of Boy Scout Troop #1, under Scoutmaster, Gib Shelton.



Dan was a "Chevy Man". At one time, he had a beautiful red '65 Chevy Impala that was his pride and joy, and owned several other Chevy vehicles though out his lifetime. Dan was living in Dryden, WA., when he met the love of his life, Sherrie Beckley. Dan said he'd never marry, but Sherrie changed all that. Dan and Sherrie were married on January 1, 1984. They spent ten years living on the Dave Nieman ranch in Dryden, before buying their first home up Blewett Pass, in 1989. Dan loved his country home in the woods, and enjoyed and respected all the abundant wildlife living in the forest around their home. He set up a game camera so he could watch the wildlife without disturbing them. Dan was not a hunter, but a lover of all animals. He and Sherrie also enjoyed fishing at Fish Lake, drives in the country, or just sitting around a roaring campfire at home. Dan and Sherrie did not have children, but had many dog-kids that they loved like family, and later, a rooster and hens were added to their animal family.

Dan was a vested member of Laborers Union Local #292, and Carpenters Union Local #59. Dan was one of the hardest working men I've known. He was a perfectionist when it came to his carpenter skills and craftsmanship. He had little patience for shoddy work. He retired as a carpenter foreman, in 2015, from G. G. Richardson Inc. after 36 years. In 1991, Dan and Sherrie purchased Kashmir Gardens Florist from Dan's parents. Dan was mostly a silent partner, but made any necessary repairs and took deliveries on special occasions. Dan and Sherrie put the business and building up for sale in October of 2017, to be able to spend more time together. Sherrie is still currently running the business. Dan had the best smile and hugs, and will be truly missed by many.

Dan is survived by his wife, Sherrie; his dog-daughter, Riley; mother, Janet Kill of Cashmere, WA.; Siblings: Karen Kill, Cashmere, Pat Tomchick, Cashmere, Jim (Shelly) Kill, Cashmere; Jeff (Kirsten) Kill, Portland, OR., mother-in-law, Mary Beckley, Wenatchee, WA., brothers-in-law, Randy (Terri) Beckley, Sunnyslope; Paul (Mari) Beckley, Cashmere; uncle, Jerry Nichols of Montana; many cousins; 12 nieces and nephews; and 26 great-nieces and nephews. Dan was preceded in death by his father Jerry Kill, grandparents, Clem and Marie Abercrombie; and Edward and Cora Kill; father-in-law, Colonel "Punk" Beckley; brothers-in-law, Mark Tomchick and Larry Beckley and his dog-children, Cocoa, Whizbang, Buck, Doobie, Josephine, Maxwell, and Sunny, Robellini the Rooster, and Juliette the hen.

A celebration of Dan's Life will be held on Saturday, April 20, 2019, at the Cashmere Riverside Center, 201 Riverside Dr., Cashmere, WA., from 12:00 noon-4 p.m. Please honor Dan's memory by wearing your favorite Hawaiian shirt, and driving your classic hot car. Please join us, following the service, to enjoy good food, drinks, and sharing of stories. Dan was the best story-teller! Dan's favorite libation, beer, will be provided, otherwise, BYOB. Donations to help with funeral expenses can be taken to Cashmere Valley Bank, where a savings account in the name of Sherrie Beckley-Kill has been set up under account # 1000826808.

New business

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year-round. We get quite a lot of production in our facility. We're working on the technology to scale up the production of insects and we're going to be doing that in Cashmere."

Beta Hatch is coming to town with big ideas and tiny insects - the company uses technology to produce mealworms and its waste into animal feed. Its agriculture based area of expertise will settle perfectly in Cashmere's agricultural heavy industry.

"Beta Hatch is connecting

key resources for the agriculture community by creating products for animal feed and crop fertilizer with new technology. We're eager to see the future growth of their production facility," said Gina Imperato, Cashmere Chamber of Commerce manager.

In order to meet growing demand for meat production, Beta Hatch industrializes insect production to provide livestock feed with the goal being, more sustainable and predictable feed.

"The whole (Valley) area is built on production of food and we really like that because that's the core business of

what we do. We're excited to be in a community where we have that in common with our neighbors," said Emery.

The local area is crawling with possibilities for the bug fueled organization to put down roots. Surrounded by agriculture, family connections and economic reasons - it was a trifecta for the company's new home.

"I have family over here so my business and I as the founder have been coming to the Wenatchee area for almost a decade to visit and explore, and we just really love this place," said Emery. "We see the area as a lot more affordable to have a manufacturing business versus being in Seattle right now. We really are excited because a combination of economically making sense and also the farming community."

According to Emery, the company is expecting to hire between 10 to 20 people in the immediate forecast. Following its first year in Cashmere city limits, Emery estimates dozens of more jobs will be available. Beta Hatch anchoring down in Cashmere will have a positive impact beyond Beta Hatch isn't just bring a fresh approach to producing livestock feed, but also bringing jobs and producing revenue for the Cashmere community.

"As our community grows, the value of a better quality of life" continues. So frequently visitors stop in looking to relocate and request visitor or real estate information. Securing diverse economic development and growth in

Cashmere promotes a vibrant and visible community," said Imperato.

For being a newcomer to Cashmere, Beta Hatch is already gaining local attention. The company has recently placed in a competition that will unfold close by at the Flywheel Investment Conference, directed by non-profit technology alliance GWATA on April 18.

"GWATA runs the Flywheel Investment Conference and also the Flywheel Angel Network. The Flywheel Angel Network put up the \$100,000 investment award and Beta Hatch was one of the 38 companies that applied to compete," explained Jenny Rojanasthien, GWATA's Executive Director. "The investors (that selected the finalists) were really excited to see Virginia's company and they're excited about the growth and their plans for the future."

Beta Hatch is one of only six finalists to compete for a \$100,000 plus investment award and the only local business representation that placed. For a glimpse of what's to come from the new kid on the block, the local community can purchase tickets to the Flywheel Conference for an introduction to Beta Hatch.

"We are in the middle of trying to secure all of the financing for the new facility, so it would go directly into building out this next facility in Cashmere," said Emery when asked where the investment money would go if Beta Hatch wins the competition.

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Lady Bulldogs softball continues CTL play



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Cashmere's Molly High safely makes it to first base

By AL STOVER

The Cashmere High School softball team endured two losses on April 13 in a Caribou Trail League doubleheader against Cascade.

Cashmere earned a 17-2 win in game one, and 16-1 victory in the nightcap. Both games ended in the fifth inning due to the 10-run mercy rule.

The Lady Kodiaks opened with a 3-0 win on game one and

never looked back.

Cashmere prevented the shutout with two runs in the fifth inning.

Cascade continued their momentum in game two, gaining a three-run lead in the first inning, followed by a three run second inning, and three-run third. After the Lady Bulldogs scored a run in the bottom of the third, the Lady Kodiaks answered with four runs in the fourth inning.



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Cashmere centerfielder Olivia Martinez catches a fly ball.

Elizabeth High was 2-for-3 with an RBI. Stormi O'Keefe was also 2-for-3.

Peyton Brown took the pitching loss in both games.

"They're a good team, we're not taking anything away from them," Head Coach Steve Mongeon said. "We're young, inexperienced. We're still learning and we're hoping to learn from every game."

Prior to the Cascade doubleheader, Cashmere lost

to Chelan, 22-12, on April 9.

The Lady Bulldogs (2-5 CTL, 4-6 overall) traveled to Zillah on April 16 for a nonleague doubleheader against the Lady Leopards. They return to their home field on April 20 for a CTL doubleheader against Okanogan.

"Hopefully we'll have a chance to compete and get our confidence back (as we) get back into league play," Mongeon added.

Bulldogs baseball goes 1-2 in league play



PHOTO BY AL STOVER/CVR.

Cashmere's Brooks Elliot tags out a Cascade runner.

By AL STOVER

The Cashmere baseball team went 1-2 in Caribou Trail League play this past week.

The Bulldogs endured a 12-2 Caribou Trail League loss to Chelan on April 9.

They followed with a conference doubleheader against Cascade on April 13. The Bulldogs lost 12-1 in game one before they came back to win the nightcap, 13-3. Both games ended in the fifth inning due to the 10-run mercy rule.

Against Chelan, the Bulldogs found themselves in a hole early on as the Goats jumped to a 3-0 lead in the second inning. After adding seven runs over the next two innings, the Bulldogs prevented the shutout with two runs in the top of the fifth. The Goats added two runs in the bottom

of the frame to invoke the 10-run mercy rule.

Brayden Westerman took the loss on the mound. Cole Scott was 2-for-3 to lead Cashmere at the plate.

In game one of the Cascade doubleheader, the Kodiaks earned an early lead with two runs in the first inning, then added nine more in the third frame and one final run in the fifth.

The Bulldogs struggled to build any offensive momentum, due in part to the efforts of Cascade pitcher Conrad Hasse, who struck out 10 Cashmere batters. Corey Phillips led Cashmere at the plate after he was 2-for-3 while Cole Scott added a hit.

Starter Nathan Sohn took the loss on the mound after sharing pitching duties with Carter Alberts.

"We just didn't come out



PHOTO BY AL STOVER/CVR.

Cashmere's Kyler Keogh jumps back to first base before he is tagged out.

ready to play," Head Coach Jeff Carlson said. "It was a tough pill to swallow, we were hoping to get two."

While Cashmere lost the first contest, game two was a different story.

After Cascade took a 1-0 lead in the first, the Bulldogs answered with five runs in the second inning to take the lead. Cashmere solidified their lead with four runs in both the third and fourth innings.

Leading Cashmere at the plate was Bryce Neu, who went 3-for-3 with a double, two RBIs and three runs scored.

Weatherman earned the pitching win in game two.

Carlson said he was proud for how the Bulldogs responded and bounced back to win the nightcap. He credited Cashmere's performance at the plate and Weatherman's at the mound for helping the team

earn the victory. He noted it is tough for a team to lose the first game in a doubleheader and bounce back to win the second, especially after being 10-run in the first contest.

Cashmere (1-2 CTL, 3-10 overall) travels to Okanogan on April 20 to play the northern Bulldogs in a league doubleheader.

Carlson said he and the Bulldogs are not gong to underestimate Okanogan, who is 1-3 in conference play.

"Okanogan is a solid ball club, it's going to be tough for us, we're looking forward to go down there," Carlson added. "I think it's going to be a battle for second place (in conference) with us, Okanogan and Cascade."

Cashmere continues conference play on April 20 when they travel to Okanogan to play the northern Bulldogs.



PHOTO BY AL STOVER/CVR.

Cashmere catcher Elizabeth High tags out a Cascade runner at home plate.

Local wrestlers place at Jason Crawford Memorial Tournament

By AL STOVER

SPOKANE, Washington — Several Cashmere wrestlers earned their way to the podium at the annual Jason Crawford Memorial Tournament on April 6.

In a tournament that drew over 1,660 wrestlers, six of the 10 wrestlers who represented Cashmere placed in the top four of their respective weight classes.

Marshall Pell and Jance Novak won their weight

divisions. Trenton Mason and Hugh Wheeler took second in their brackets while Mack Pell finished third in his. Remy Martin rounded out the placers after he took fourth in his weight division.

The Jason Crawford Memorial Tournament was named in honor of a 12-year-old athlete who passed away after an automobile accident in 1998. The tournament draws thousands of wrestlers, ages 5-14, from Washington and Idaho.

BULLDOG SCOREBOARD	
BASEBALL	
April 9	Cashmere 2, Chelan 12
April 13	Cashmere 1, Cascade 12
April 13	Cashmere 13, Cascade 3
BOYS SOCCER	
April 9	Cashmere 5, Chelan 1
April 11	Cashmere 4, Okanogan 0
April 13	Cashmere 2, Manson 0
BOYS TENNIS	
April 9	Cashmere 4, Chelan 1
GIRLS TENNIS	
April 9	Cashmere 4, Chelan 1
SOFTBALL	
April 9	Cashmere 12, Chelan 22
April 13	Cashmere 2, Cascade 17
April 13	Cashmere 1, Cascade 16

Sports Schedule

BASEBALL	
April 20	Cashmere at Okanogan at 11 a.m.
April 20	Cashmere at Okanogan at 1 p.m.
BOYS SOCCER	
April 18	Cascade at Cashmere at 4:30 p.m.
April 20	Cashmere at Brewster at 11 a.m.
BOYS TENNIS	
April 18	Cascade at Cashmere at 4 p.m.
April 19	Cashmere at Tonasket at 4 p.m.
April 23	Cashmere at Chelan at 4 p.m.
GIRLS TENNIS	
April 18	Cascade at Cashmere at 4 p.m.
April 19	Cashmere at Tonasket at 4 p.m.
April 23	Cashmere at Chelan at 4 p.m.
BOYS TRACK AND FIELD	
April 20	Quincy Invite at 10:30 a.m.
April 23	NCW League Meet at Peshastin-Dryden Sports Complex at 4 p.m.
GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD	
April 20	Quincy Invite at 10:30 a.m.
April 23	NCW League Meet at Peshastin-Dryden Sports Complex at 4 p.m.
SOFTBALL	
April 16	Cashmere at Zillah at 3 p.m.
April 16	Cashmere at Zillah at 5 p.m.
April 20	Okanogan at Cashmere at 11 a.m.
April 20	Okanogan at Cashmere at 1 p.m.
April 23	Omak at Cashmere at 3 p.m.
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Bulldogs track

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Nelson clocked in a 11:39.11 to finished fourth in the 3,00 meters. Ali Ball finished fifth in the 100 meter hurdles in 17.69.

In field events, Brianna Hughes recorded a PR of 30-04.25 to finish fourth in the shutout.

Grace Erdmann clinched the top spot in the triple jump with a mark of 34-06 while Ellie

Alberts took second with 33-02.50.

Alberts finished third in the long jump with a leap of 15-11 while Erdmann took fifth with a mark of 15-00.

As for relays, the team of Hailey Larson, Smith, Ali Ball and Chloe Diaz won the 4x400 event in 4:13.90. Ali Ball, Larson, Carley Diaz and Chloe Diaz took fourth in the 4x100 with a time of 53.08.

Larson, Smith, Carley Diaz and Chloe Diaz finished third

in the 4x200 meters with a time of 1:49.37.

Natalie Dart, (200 meters, 29.39; 400 meters, 1:08.11), Yailin Pina (400, 1:10), Brittany Dowell (1,500 meters, 5:34.88), Tristan Hoffman (3,000 meters, 12:37.08), Justine Wood (100 meter hurdles, 19.01), Nelson (300 meter hurdles, 55.04) and Madison Schoening (shotput, 23-05.50; discus, 65-11) recorded PRs in their events.

Prior to the Cashmere Invitational, several Bulldogs

competed in the Brewster Relays on April 9.

Aster Dotson won the men's javelin with a throw of 154 feet. Sanchez recorded a fifth-place finish with a mark of 124'4.

Sanchez took second in the discus with a personal record of 115'2. He also finished second in the shot put with 38'11. Dotson was fourth with a mark of 34'11.

Ramey won the high jump with a leap of 6'0. Jonah Groce

finished third with a PR. of 5'2.

Sam Dotson claimed the triple jump event with a mark of 38'4 while Ramey finished behind him with a leap of 36'10.

Ramey (17'6) and Sam Dotson (17'5) recorded a 3-4 finish in the long jump.

In the women's division, Mikayla Stoffel won the javelin with a mark of 99'3. Stoffel took fourth in the discus with a throw of 85'6 while fifth-place Chloe Diaz hit a PR of 82'9.

Erdmann won the long jump with a leap of 15'6 while Ellie Alberts finished second in 15'5. Fifth-place Johanna Christensen hit a mark of 12'2.

Erdmann also won the triple jump in 34'2 while Alberts finished behind her in 32'6. Neely Ovenell took fifth with a mark of 27'2.

Cashmere competed in a NCW Invite on April 17. They travel to Quincy on April 20 to compete in the Quincy invite.



Cashmere's Miguel Sanchez competed in the shotput, and achieved a personal record in the javelin.

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Landdeck makes it to All-State team



By AL STOVER

Cashmere sophomore Mason Landdeck was announced as a first-team selection for the 2018-19 AP Washington state

boys basketball team.

Landdeck, a sophomore, is coming off an impressive season where he helped the Bulldogs basketball team capture a Caribou Trail League

and District 6 championship.

During the season, Landdeck briefly held the CHS record for most three-pointers in a single game, and broke 1,000 career points.

Cashmere's Ty Harris rides to state competition with CHS Equestrian Team

SUBMITTED BY JOHN HOLMES

Cascade's Washington State HS Equestrian Team (WAHSET) competed in their second of three seasonal meets, from March 27-31, with noteworthy results.

For the second meet in a row, Cascades Freestyle Fours Drill Team won first place. Team adviser Mickey Lane stated that both first-place finishes automatically qualified the drill team for this year's state competition.

"The team has done an amazing job, considering they are all first-year riders in the Drill Discipline," she added. "Their hard work has paid off under Coach Cindy Fowler's direction. We are also grateful for the support of local area business sponsors whose contributions fund the team's participation during the season."

The drill team is comprised of junior Hailey Bermingham, sophomores Ava Holmes and Sasha Morgan, Cashmere freshman Ty Harris and senior Heidi Dougherty, who is an alternate. All five riders will be representing WAHSET District 1 at the state meet, which is scheduled for May 16-19 at the Grant County Fairgrounds in Moses Lake.

Other notable Meet 2 event and season Standing results by athlete were as follows:

Gloria Campbell tied for first place during In Hand Trail event and is tied for second in the District's season standings.

Ty Harris finished fourth in the Steer Daubing event at Meet 2. For the season, he is tied for fourth in Break Away Roping, fifth in Individual Flags, and sixth overall in the Steer Daubing.

Ava Holmes performed strongly for the second meet in a row qualifying for State in two events with a finish place finish in Hunt Seat Over Fences (Jumping), and a second place finish in Dressage.

Hailey Bermingham finished second in Hunt Seat Equitation. Additionally, Holmes, Morgan, and Campbell sit seventh, eighth, and ninth, respectively for the District's season standings in Showmanship.

Cascade's In-Hand Obstacle Relay Team of Bermingham, Holmes, Morgan and Campell are in eighth place Overall for the District 1 season.

Lane stated she is excited for the athletes looking ahead.

"Several athletes are close to qualifying for State in several events with strong performances at Meet 3," Lane explained. "Campbell could qualify for State in In-Hand Trail with a first or second place finish next meet, or a top 3 finish overall for the District; and Harris could

qualify for State with strong performances in his Cattle and Gaming Events at Meet 3."

Additionally, Lane was most impressed with Hailey Bermingham's efforts at Meet 2. "Hailey had some bad luck with horse injuries this season, but she has persevered and has now ridden seven different horses during the first two meets," she added. "It is a testament to her riding ability, flexibility, and being a true team player."

The team's final meet before State is scheduled for April 25-28 at the Appleatchee Riders facility, 1130 Circle St. in Wenatchee. Entry to the event is free, and locals are encouraged to attend and support Cascade's riders.

Events take place Thursday afternoon (Dressage/Equitation), and all-day Friday (Hunt Seat over Fences, In Hand Trail and Obstacle Relay, Working Rancher, and Trail), Saturday (Flag Ceremony - 8 a.m., Drill Team Performances, Working Pairs, and Cattle events), and Sunday (all Gaming events).

Team senior Heidi Dougherty will be recognized on Senior Night Saturday evening during Meet 3.

The District 1 season awards ceremony will be held on Sunday after the completion of Gaming events.



Sasha Morgan (pictured) is one of the riders on Cascade's HS Equestrian Team who qualified for state competition. Other team members include Cashmere freshman Ty Harris, Ava Holmes, Hailey Bermingham and Heidi Dougherty as an alternate.

Council

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in preserving the small town foundation of Cashmere while keeping a grasp on the growth as an influx of newcomers try to plant their own roots here.

"The purpose of this is to get conversation going with housing and that dynamic of small town growth. How do we balance those two together?" said Mayor Jim Fletcher.

"We want to be a small town, we want those small town attributes. But we also are saying 'Where can I afford to buy a house?'. How much density, how much infill do we need?"

The root of the joint meeting was to set a goal for how to balance the formula and then as time goes on, look at specifics like ordinances and standards to be tweaked. The planning commission was looking at council for which path to take on

the matter and this meeting was the avenue for that discussion to begin blossoming.

"The planning commission is primarily looking for direction from council in which way we should go. I would say the biggest topic that we got is residential housing and increasing density," said Steve Croci, Director of Operations.

According to Croci, there are a few options as to how to mitigate the housing problem. The planning commission

needs to know, with the city's guidance, which direction to pivot their attention to in order to tackle the issue.

"We could do it by infilling by using the properties we have and putting accessory dwelling units. Or relaxing some of the zoning ordinances to reduce open space or parking spaces so we can put more residential units on it," said Croci. "Or the other thing is expanding the urban growth area and annexation."

A sweeping glance around Cashmere's quaint and cozy neighborhoods and it is apparent that available housing isn't churning out at a high frequency - at least at a reasonably affordable cost.

"The issue isn't just housing, it's housing that's reasonably affordable," said planning commissioner John Torrence. "To get there, density is key. Higher density doesn't necessarily mean low income."

Torrence clarified that affordable housing isn't interchangeable for low income housing, but rather just reasonably priced rather than the supply and demand driving up high market prices. He used the abundance of Crunch Pak employees that can't find housing within Cashmere city limits as an example. There is a need to accommodate those that work in the community

with a diverse selection of housing available.

"I suggested some variety of housing options. We're trying to avoid the word affordable, it's just a diversity of housing to address potential density," said Croci.

Diverse housing options that were mentioned varied from single family dwellings, townhouses, cottage homes - overall, smaller lots. Large, expensive lots lead to urban sprawl, which everyone seemed to want to avoid.

"People today don't want big yards, lets give them what they want", said Torrence. "We have an opportunity right now to consider infill and higher density. I know we've all grown up in a small town community and it's a hard pill for all of us to swallow."

Cashmere is flourishing regardless of whether anyone wants the small town to stay static so action has to be taken in order to keep the change from growing out of control.

"You're sitting on a pretty good potential here that no one else in this region really has. But in my opinion we're going to have to be a little bit more proactive to get that. But it's (growth) going to happen," said Torrence.

It seemed that everyone from both parties were in

agreement on the general need for a proactive approach to maintaining the growth at a pace that can be controlled. While wanting a prosperous community and simultaneously clutching onto the small town glory, the two groups are going to continue collaborating with workshops and meetings.

Other business tended to: - Ideas suggested during the community workshop were shared by council members along with their own suggestions that fermented from some of the comments made. Council member Smith suggested Cashmere start a farmer's market, especially compared to neighboring cities successful farmer's markets. Council member Derrick Pratt noted he heard a lot about the trails and Council member Carlson discussed how to incentives for encouraging more business. Several council members echoed the sentiment that there was a common plea to not evolve into another Leavenworth-esque atmosphere.

- An announcement to file for the upcoming election term is on May 11.

- The council and Mayor Fletcher scheduled a tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant at the Operations office on Friday, April 12 at 7 a.m. The public was invited.



Council members Derrick Pratt and Daniel Scott taking a glance around the facility.

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Ways to Boost Your Home's Curb Appeal

(StatePoint) When it comes to your home, you only get one chance to make a great first impression – and that takes place before anyone ever steps inside, making curb appeal upgrades an effective way to beautify your home while boosting its value.

Here are some great ways to enhance curb appeal that will give you a great return on investment, according to Remodeling Magazine's 2019 Cost Vs. Value Report.

Garage Door Replacement

Whether you want your garage door to take center stage or provide a demure complement to your home's overall exterior, the right selection will make a great visual impression. Luckily there are a growing number of ways to personalize a garage door. New color options, which include two-tone combinations, are growing in popularity, and an expanding array of panel designs can help you work in harmony with your home's architectural style.

But know that this is not just any cosmetic upgrade. A new garage door has the potential to improve your family's safety and comfort, providing safety features not found in older models, while reducing heat and cold transfer for lower energy bills.

Manufactured Stone Veneer

A manufactured stone veneer project can enhance the aesthetic appeal of any space, indoors or out, and can be customized to suit your needs and style. When applied to a home exterior, this project has an impressively high return on investment at 95 percent, according to the 2019 Cost vs. Value Report.

Maximize this upgrade by opting for high-quality materials that look like authentic stone, even upon careful inspection. For

example, the choices available from ProVia are molded and colored to produce a realistic, dramatic effect, mimicking stones from unique geographic regions in a range of cuts. Their online resources, which can be found at provia.com, include design ideas and tools for selecting harmonious color groupings, helping you make the best choices for your home.

Siding Replacement

Of all the home updates that will boost your curb appeal, new siding has the third highest return on investment, according

to the report. When making this upgrade, consider materials wisely. Thanks to its overall low cost, ease of installation, minimal maintenance required and long-term durability, vinyl is the most popular home siding material. Whether you opt for insulated, traditional or decorative siding, this can be a great way to give your home a high-impact facelift that's well worth the cost.

To add beauty and value to your home, start with curb appeal, selecting projects that offer a great return on investment.



Stunning new styles in flowers and plants for your garden

Striking new trends for your garden

(BPT) - Today's plant lovers want more than the traditional flowers to enhance their home. Rather, people want to enjoy the experience of getting in touch with nature, while also looking for unique flowers and plants to add a more creative, personal touch of color and inspiration to their yards. This year, gardens will be more visually interesting, environmentally friendly and demonstrate the love and care provided by the families who tend them.

Here are a few of the latest gardening ideas you and your loved ones can enjoy, from Ball Horticultural Company.

Gardening as an experience

Detoxing from our daily dependence on digital distractions and tech gadgets is becoming not just a desire, but a necessity. What better way for you and your loved ones to take a break from screens than to spend time with plants, creating beauty, serenity and even a nutritious lifestyle? Make the process a group effort: from going to your favorite garden center and choosing your veggies, to caring for them and watching them grow, then

harvesting and eating, the full experience is something to enjoy. Plant and grow veggies like the Snackabelle Red Pepper, a mini bell pepper that starts out green, then ripens red, with a rich, sweet flavor - perfect to have at home for snacking as well as cooking.

If you love natural fragrances, Lavender Blue Spear is a wonderful choice. They are easy to grow, and will achieve a height of nearly a foot. You can use the fresh lavender to make infused oil, soap, hand scrubs or bath salts.

New color choices

Look for unexpected colors to help you make a statement with your containers, window boxes or indoor potted plant garden this year. Striking new colors include the 2019 Pantone color of the year, "Living Coral," seen in the Gerbera Revolution Salmon Shades potted flower, also known as the African Daisy. Gerbera plants are easy to care for and provide great indoor decor, which also makes them perfect choices for gift giving.

New Tattoo Vinca looks like a work of art, with gorgeous petals showing modern colors, swirled with soft strokes of

black that make each petal look inked. The Tattoo Vinca is not only low-maintenance and heat-tolerant, but will attract pollinators like bees and butterflies to your garden. The Double Zahara Bright Orange Zinnia is another great choice for head-turning color. Its double flowers bloom in vivid orange, and they are suitable for landscaping and container planting. This flower is also a breeze to care for and pollinator-friendly.

Or you can choose a unique plant with warm tones, like the bright and colorful Ornamental Pepper, with such attractive multi-colored fruits that they are grown just for show. The Ornamental Pepper displays intense shades of yellows, oranges and reds in its fruit.

Other flowers catch the eye with dynamic texture, such as the lovely Double PinkTastic Calibrachoa, a fully double flower with a dark pink eye and lighter pink petals. Its burst of blooms will cover the plant and spill over their containers, window boxes or hanging baskets.

Easy options for beginning gardeners

New gardeners who want

choices beyond traditional flower options have great alternatives this year. If you're looking for plants that are durable and colorful, the Echinacea Sombbrero Tres Amigos produces a deer-resistant perennial flower that is highly attractive to butterflies and songbirds. Tres Amigos shows three colors, opening as a peachy-orange color, then aging to rose and fading to burgundy.

A great way to fill large spaces quickly is the attention-getting Big Blue Salvia, with spires that continuously bloom from July into the fall, with little care needed. This flower grows from 24 to 36 inches tall, with beautiful deep blue blooms that are attractive to hummingbirds and bees.

Beginner and experienced gardeners alike can enjoy the newest gardening trends by branching out into plants and flowers to attract pollinators, taking advantage of vivid new color options and involving the whole family in the process. To explore a whole new world of gardening options, visit your favorite local garden center this spring. Share your own style for 2019 by making your garden a personal experience.

Green Living

5 Ways to Celebrate Earth Month

(StatePoint) Are you looking for ways to celebrate Earth Month? From enjoying nature to making simple changes to your routine that will have a positive impact on the environment, here are five cool ideas for marking the occasion.

1. Reduce and reuse.

We may not realize how much waste we create each day when we use disposable containers, bags and plastic bottles. While recycling is a great thing to do, that process itself takes a lot of energy to support and, unfortunately, not everything makes it to the recycling center. A better way to reduce your waste is by ditching single-use items and opting for more eco-friendly, reusable alternatives.

2. Make smart swaps.

Disposing of hazardous items such as batteries and bulbs can be tricky. Take a walk through your home and swap out items containing hazardous materials, such as bulbs with mercury, to rechargeable or hybrid alternatives. For example, Casio's LampFree projectors have a hybrid Laser and LED light source which removes the need for hazardous bulbs.

3. Skip "fast fashion."

Many of your favorite stores likely sell what is known as "fast fashion." The fast fashion concept is what brings brand new apparel to consumers on a consistent basis, but unfortunately, the mass production of these cheaply made garments takes a toll on the environment. You can secure fashionable finds in an eco-friendly way

by taking a look at apps and websites that sell second-hand clothing or even by visiting a consignment or thrift shop for unique finds. Declutter your own closet and give your clothing a second life by making donations to those in need.

4. Get outdoors.

Celebrate the beauty of the planet by getting outdoors. Whether you're going on a hike, kayaking, or just taking a walk, high-tech wearables can help you make the most of the adventure. For example, Casio's WSD-F30 Pro Trek Smart Outdoor Watch is durable and water-resistant, and includes apps that support outdoor activities. Such technology can help you track your activity, navigate your surroundings, and even remind you when it's time to take a water break.

5. Get your veggies.

Pick one day each week to eat a plant-based meal and skip the meat. You'll be doing the planet a whole lot of good, as the production of meat and animal-based products requires far more water and land use than the production of plant-based foods do. Consider also being more mindful about food waste in your own household, buying only what you need.



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Home and Garden Improvements That Will Benefit Local Wildlife

(StatePoint) When it comes to changing the world, your own backyard is a great place to start. As you make home improvements, consider their potential to benefit local wildlife that travel in and around your property. Here are a few important steps you can take.

Plant Native Species

By planning native species exclusively in your garden and yard, you will be promoting a healthy local ecosystem while providing proper nourishment and a natural habitat for visiting wildlife, whether

that be insects, birds or furry creatures. Because native plant species are meant to thrive in your local climate, they will require less maintenance, which means a beautiful yard with less stress.

Prevent Bird Strikes

You may not realize it, but your home poses a risk to birds. Window strikes are common among many species of migrating birds, and millions of wild birds are killed annually flying into windows.

However, a simple home improvement project can make your home safer for birds. Birds can see certain light frequencies that humans can't, so by applying UV decals and UV liquid to your home's windows and sliding glass doors, you can make windows visible to birds in a way that won't obstruct your own view.

"Protecting birds adds beauty to your garden, is good for the environment and most importantly, saves lives," says Spencer Schock, founder of WindowAlert, a company that offers UV decals and UV Liquid.

The UV decals and liquid from WindowAlert have been proven to effectively alter the flight path of birds to prevent window strikes. The coating will look like etched glass to the human eye, but be very visible to a bird. As UV reflectivity may fade over time, it's important to replace the decals and liquid every four months. Application techniques can be found by visiting WindowAlert.com.

Build a Bird house

Add beauty to your yard with a wooden bird house. Find a design you love or get creative and craft your own, using your own home's architecture for inspiration. A strategically placed bird house -- either within three feet of a window or over 30 feet away -- will help avoid bird strikes.

Be a good neighbor -- not just to the other humans. Make improvements to your home that will help protect both local and migratory wildlife.



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Know what's below Call 811 before digging for landscaping and home improvement projects this spring

(BPT) - With spring having officially begun, many eager homeowners and landscape professionals across the country will roll up their sleeves and reach for their shovels to start projects that require digging this season.

During the transition into "digging season," Common Ground Alliance (CGA), the organization dedicated to protecting underground utility lines, people who dig near them and their communities, reminds homeowners and professional diggers that calling 811 is the first step toward protecting you and your community from the risk of unintentionally damaging an underground line.

Every digging project, no matter how large or small, warrants a free call to 811. Installing a mailbox or fence, building a deck and landscaping are all examples of digging projects that should only begin a few days after making a call to 811. Calling this number connects you to your local one call utility notification center.

"Tens of millions of Americans plan to do DIY digging projects this year, but

according to our survey, 42 percent of them admit that they will not call 811 beforehand, which puts homeowners and their communities at risk," said CGA President and CEO Sarah Magruder Lyle. "Calling 811 a few days before any planned home improvement projects that require digging - including common landscaping projects like planting trees and shrubs - is critical to preventing incidents like service outages and serious injuries."

Here's how the 811 process works:

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 52. Peter of the Lost Boys
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 59. December 24 and 31
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 62. Retire from military
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Get More Bang for Your Buck With These Spring Home Improvements



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(StatePoint) The warmer weather means it's time to start thinking about home improvement projects. Whether you're getting your home in tip-top shape for your own enjoyment, or getting it ready to put on the market, not all home improvement projects are created equal when it comes to return on investment (ROI). Here are top areas on which to focus.

Interiors

The kitchen is the heart of the home and it's one of the best areas to renovate in terms of ROI, according to Remodeling magazine's annual Cost vs. Value Report, which puts the price tag of the average minor kitchen remodel at \$22,507, with 80.5 percent of the cost recouped upon resale.

To give the kitchen an updated appearance, replace the flooring, countertops, sink and faucet. A fresh coat of paint in a trendy shade, such as Living Coral, Pantone's Color of the Year, can add a vibrant pop of color to energize any kitchen. Not looking to go that bold? Consider an accent wall, or stick to a classic palate of gray and white in terms of cabinets and countertops. White on white is also a popular new style for kitchens and bathrooms.

Other features home buyers are paying close attention to our laundry rooms and such energy-saving elements as Energy Star appliances and windows, according to the survey "What Home Buyers Want in 2019" by the National Association of Home Builders.

Curb Appeal

The popularity of outdoor projects remains strong and it's for a good reason. According to the Cost vs. Value Report, the biggest bang for your buck in 2019 will come from replacing a garage door. The report says the average price is \$3,611, and 97.5 percent of it is recouped when the house is sold.

Other outdoor projects with high ROI include adding manufactured stone veneer

to the exterior (94.9 percent), adding a wood deck (75.6 percent) and replacing siding (75.6 percent). Looking for a simpler way to make an impact? Sprucing up the landscape by planting flowers or bushes or even just clearing the yard of debris will make a big statement.

No matter what updates you end up making, it's always a good idea to notify your insurance agent. "Certain upgrades may change the value of a house, so homeowners need to make sure they're properly covered," says Bob Buckel, vice president of product management, Erie Insurance. "There are a few things to

look for. Ask your agent about guaranteed replacement cost policies that can cover the cost to rebuild a home in today's dollars following a covered loss."

Some upgrades may also make you eligible for discounts, Buckel adds, especially if they make the home more secure. "For example, Erie Insurance offers certain safety discounts such as for installing smoke alarms or an automatic sprinkler system."

Now you have a checklist of DIY projects to focus on this spring. But before you start, take a moment to assess which ones are worth your time and money.



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New Cars Depreciate Fast: How to Protect Your Investment



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(StatePoint) Buying a new car? Before taking the plunge, it's important to make sure that shiny new ride is fully covered from an insurance standpoint.

Why? Most people are familiar with that old adage that a new car drastically depreciates the minute it's driven off the lot. According to Carfax.com, it's true. The vehicle history information database says a new car loses 10 percent of its value the minute it's driven off the lot and another 10 percent by the end of the first year. And cars with lesser brand name

appeal and fewer options can depreciate even more, some by as much as 50 percent in a single year. That means if your new ride gets totaled, your insurance payout could be much less than what you paid for the car (or what you owe on your loan, for that matter).

Fortunately, new car buyers can protect themselves from this situation with what's generally known as new car replacement coverage. For example, at Erie Insurance, this coverage comes in the form of an add-on called New Auto Security that can be tacked onto a policy for a

modest cost. If an owner has had a car for less than two years and it gets totaled, Erie Insurance would pay the cost to replace it with a car in the newest model year, minus the deductible. And, if the new car is in a crash but is not deemed a total loss, the company would pay to repair the vehicle to brand new condition, without any deduction for depreciation. While new car buyers would be smart to add this coverage before even driving the car off the lot, New Auto Security coverage isn't restricted to when the car is purchased; it can be added later.

"Buyers should be aware of the risks associated with depreciation and take the necessary precautions to protect their investment," says Jon Bloom, vice president of personal auto, Erie Insurance. "We recommend that anyone buying a new car talk with their insurance agent to make sure they would be able to replace it in the event it's totaled, or at least be able to pay off their loan. Having the right coverage will provide peace of mind and make that new car ownership experience that much more enjoyable."

5 tips for your next road trip

(BPT) - Are you planning a classic American road trip? With a tank of gas, the right attitude and some smart supplies, you can explore amazing locales on a budget.

"The great American road trip is still very much alive, and we're not just talking long endurance cross-country trips. Places you can go from your own hometown and return on just one tank of gas," said Peter Greenberg, Emmy-award-winning producer, writer, radio broadcaster and TV correspondent. "If travel can be defined as an experience that is absolutely meant to be shared, then the road trip is still very high on my list. It offers shared adventure, shared experience and shared storytelling."

Start planning your next

affordable road trip with these smart tips and tricks:

1) Discover one-tank destinations

You only need one day to get away, so research destinations you can get to on one tank of gas. This keeps fuel costs down, and because you don't need to stay overnight, you won't have to budget for a hotel. People tend to forget the beautiful spots just a few hours away from home, so bring a map and see which direction catches your attention.

2) Fill up the tires

Of course you'll want to check your fluid levels, wiper blades, and spare tire before you leave. One of the best ways to maximize your vehicle's fuel efficiency is to make sure tires are properly

inflated. According to the U.S. Department of Energy, you can improve your gas mileage by 0.6 percent on average and up to 3 percent in some cases simply by keeping your tires inflated to the manufacturer's recommended pressure.

3) Strive for a high mpg

Some cars have better fuel economy than others. With a practical design and impressive fuel efficiency, adventures. Getting up to an EPA-estimated 42 mpg on the highway, you won't have to limit your road trip due to fuel cost concerns.

4) Create comfort

Remember the journey should be as much fun as the destination. Clean out your car, make sure windows are sparkling clean to take in the views, pack car-friendly snacks

and drinks, and bring along cozy pillows or blankets. Technology can create comfort, so charge those digital devices and utilize your vehicle's features.

5) Pack smart

Whether you're on an impromptu or well-planned road trip, you can ease costs and streamline fun by packing wisely. Sunscreen, sunglasses and comfortable shoes are must-haves for any road trip. After all, you never know what adventures will come your way. Consider packing sandwiches - the ultimate road trip food - which are great for eating in the car or on a picnic so you don't have to buy full meals.

"Some of my most amazing travel memories are from one tank road trips," Greenberg said. "I think everyone should make these excursions part of their travel plans. They are fun, affordable and great for people of all ages."

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