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2020 A YEAR IN REVIEW

Quad City Herald top stories for 2020 October-December



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Keith Zweigle retires as Pateros Fire Chief: Pateros Mayor Carlene Anders presents Pateros Fire Chief Keith Zweigle with an award of appreciation for his near-two decades of volunteer service to the city. Zweigle was honored at a special farewell ceremony in the Pateros Fire Hall.

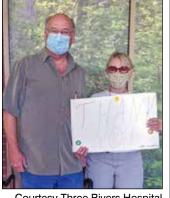
October

- TRH Foundation gifts stateof-the-art respirators to hospital
- 2020 wildfires produce state record smoke pollution
- County assessors revisit properties damaged by wildfires
- Hover/Haven, Branch/Beeman in Okanogan Commissioner races

November

- Congressman Newhouse hosts wildfire roundtable
- Incumbent commissioners maintain lead in second count Douglas County welcomes
- Jose Solis as Veteran Corps 'Navigator' Crash kills local teenager,
- driver suspected of speeding, DUI

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Courtesy Three Rivers Hospital Foundation

TRH Foundation gifts state-of-the-art respirators to hospital: Three Rivers Hospital Foundation President Dan Webster and member Kim Moore hold a "Thank-You" sign that accompanied pizzas delivered to the hospital's day and night shift teams.

Inmates escape from Okanogan County Jail

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

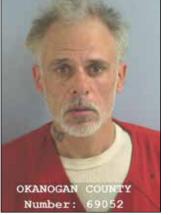
OKANOGAN -Authorities are looking for two inmates who escaped from the Okanogan County Jail early Tuesday morning, Jan. 5.

Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley said county deputies, detectives, and corrections deputies are involved in the investigation to determine who may have assisted with the escape.

Hawley said it has been determined that the pair gained access to the building's ventilation ducting which led them to the roof. They were then able to get down off the roof.

"They were then picked up and driven away," said Hawley. "We are continuing efforts to locate them by coordinating with multiple agencies."

"(The escapees) may be traveling together or possibly



Courtesy Okanogan County

Christian M. White

have split up," said Hawley. "They were last known to be wearing blue inmate clothing with white long underwear but may have changed clothing."

The escapees are Kristofer L. Wittman, 28, and Christian M. White, 53.

Wittman, from Bellingham,



Kristofer L. Wittman

stands 5'8", weighs 170 lbs, and has blue eyes and blond hair He was in custody for multiple charges including Possession of a Stolen Vehicle, Attempt to Elude, Obstructing, Reckless Driving, Driving While Suspended Second Degree, Attempted Escape Second Degree, and Malicious Mischief Second Degree.

"Additional charges of Es-

cape in the Second Degree and Malicious Mischief First Degree will be sought," Hawley said.

White, from Rock Island, stands 5'7", weighs 165 pounds and has blue eyes and gray hair. White was in custody for multiple charges including Department of Corrections Warrant, Attempt to Elude, Possession of a Controlled Substance - Methamphetamine, Hit and Run, Malicious Mischief Third Degree, Assault Fourth Degree. Hawley said additional charges of Escape in the Second Degree and Malicious Mischief First Degree will be sought against White.

"I ask the public if they see either of them contact Law Enforcement immediately and do not attempt to apprehend them," said Hawley. "If in Okanogan County notify Okanogan County Communications (509)422-7232."

Brewster King Salmon Derby on the list

Chamber cancels 'Cherries Jubilee'

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER - "We have decided to not have the Cherries Jubilee this year and just have a Fourth of July celebration event, the name pending at this time," said President Mike Mauk. "We hope to have a two-day event capping it off with the city fireworks show.

The Brewster Chamber of Commerce finalized its roster of 2021 officers at its first regular meeting of the new year on Jan. 7 and addressed upcoming events and new projects as well. It is now official that officers and directors



Mike Mauk

"We have sent emails to most of the previous sponsors and have heard back from several," said Mauk. "We have already received

Mauk said he started a Derby group on the chamber's Facebook page (facebook. com/brewsterwachamber/ groups) and more than 250 people have already joined the group.

Derby weekend continues to be a popular - and early draw for visiting fishermen. Mauk's recent experience with a reservation request serves as an example.

"I tried to reserve an RV spot in the overflow section next to the gazebo for Salmon Derby weekend," said Mauk. "Even though I informed them we wanted a spot so we could watch over the gazebo and sent my email at exactly 12 a.m. Jan. 2, as directed by the RV park manager, I was told on Jan. 6 that people had beat me to it and the RV park was completely reserved. First come, first served."

reality this year.

"We have been offered at no cost, a small part of the Armory Parking lot to have a visitor sign and a small building," said Mauk. "The Hurtado brothers have offered to build a small shed/building for us at no cost if the Chamber buys the materials.'

Theme Town

A topic of a theme town similar in concept to Bavarianstyle Leavenworth or Old West Winthrop was on the table at this month's meeting, as it has been for several years. One member suggested checking out San Diego's Old Town for a theme idea.

"There are lots of Main Street grants to help pay for

for 2021 are:

President - Mike Mauk



Vice President - Emmanuel (Manny) Hurtado

> Treasurer - Margi Allen Secretary - Heather Carrington

> Directors: Rebecca Zion, Charlene Knox, Neal McKee.

Salmon Derby Last year the chamber board approved taking control of the Brewster King Salmon Derby starting this year.

a check from VIP, one of the Headliner Sponsors, with others confirming they are in for sponsoring the 2021 Derby. We have updated the Derby website and are updating the Derby Facebook page."

Derby brochures – courtesy of derby co-organizer Lori Kratzer - are already on the way to our sponsors, potential sponsors, and stores.

Visitor Center

Mauk said the chamber is still discussing a proposed visitor center in downtown Brewster for several years now and hope to make it a this," said Mauk. "The (business) owners we have talked to about this are all for it.' The next regular monthly Zoom meeting will be held at 1 p.m., Thursday, Feb 4. The chamber meets at 7 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month through Dec. 2, 2021. Visit brewsterwachamber. com online for Zoom details to participate.

Republican Caucus may get tough on Inslee's budget proposals unless ...

Mike Maltais/QCH

Masks over masks make for a very COVID Halloween: The Brewster Boys and Girls Club was a must-stop.



Gary Bégin/QCH

Douglas County welcomes Jose Solis as Veteran Corps 'Navigator': Jose as he poses for NCW Media camera while attending a meeting at The Bunker, aka Vets Serving Vets, in Wenatchee.

BY GARY BÉGIN MANAGING EDITOR

WENATCHEE (via Zoom) The Washington Federation of Republican Women, in an "Issues and Strategies" pre-legislature 2021 **Chelan-Douglas Republican** Women meeting, heard from State Representatives Keith Goehner and Michael Steele on Monday, Jan. 4.

Approximately 33 people "attended" the virtual meeting hosted by Washington Federation of Republican Women and emceed by State President Dee Drewry of the

Chelan-Douglas Republican Women.

State Rep. Goehner (R-Dryden) started the meeting off by stating, "It's difficult to get rural areas heard" in Olympia even though small towns are struggling to provide services to the citizens in their community.

Goehner noted there was a "disparity throughout the state" in regards to the way urban areas are favored when it comes to budget dollars and state services.

Goehner also said, "a new 'equity office," as called for by Governor Jay Inslee and



Rep. Keith Goehner

the majority Democrat Party Caucus, "was not needed" and

that "we don't need to expand government" however wellmeaning by those advocates.

The former Chelan County Commissioner, now in his second term in Olympia representing the 12th Legislative District, said he wants the state to recognize "small towns like Twisp and Cashmere" where revenues from sales tax are way down from 2019 and impacting services being provided to those communities.

Goehner's 2021 committee assignments include the

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During this difficult time support your neighbors Most local businesses offer curbside service or delivery



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Community

Grants, scholarship awarded by OCSRA in 2019, 2020

Aubrey Miller *receives* \$1,500

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SUBMITTED BY OKANOGAN COUNTY SCHOOL RETIREES' ASSOCIATION

OKANOGAN - Okanogan County School Retirees' Association provided \$7,700 for school and community projects last year. The following teachers received \$200 school grants:

Tonasket Schools: April Cole: 3-D printer; Jackie Gliddon: Passports Program; Gail Morris: giant keyboards; Scott Olsen: sets of bilingual books

Oroville Schools: Amy Harris: yoga mats

Omak Schools: Emily Gurnard: subscription to Mysteryscience.com; Kelwy El-Haj: flexible seating; Tamara LaMotte: 2 grants for Maker-Space activities and books; Samantha Peterson: flexible seating; Jenny Rose: yoga mats

Okanogan Schools: Rachel Abrahamson: small group book sets; Karen Chesledon: rockets; Kris Clark: rockets; Heather Downey: 3 grants for PreK-5 Life Skills supplies; Rex Anne Hennings: classroom set of computer mouses; Jancey Marsh: 2 grants for noise-canceling headphones and classroom rewards; Shayla Rauch-Picard: rockets; Alicia O'Dell: flexible seating

Community Service Grants were awarded to the following:

Okanogan County Outreach School's Bulldog Bites Food Pantry: \$200

WVC Foundation: Gas Cards for WVC-Omak Students: \$200

Oroville Food Bank: \$100 Cariboo Restaurant: \$300 Cold Springs Fire Relief

Fund: \$1,000 The 2020 OCSRA College Scholarship of \$1,500 was awarded to Aubrey Miller of Pateros. Aubrey is majoring in Elementary Education at WSU.

Homicide suspect in 2019 murder arrested in Okanogan

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN – A man wanted in connection with a 2019 homicide in Tonasket was arrested by Okanogan County Sheriff's deputies in Okanogan last Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Joseph N. Bowers, 28, was taken into custody following a

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December

- Okanogan PUD proposes alternative rate structure
- Healthcare system is on the
- "Okanogan County Deputy Eric Orr arrived at about 11:52 a.m. and recognized the male brink: 'We need your help'

report of a male swinging an

ax in the area of the Okano-

gan Chevron station. The

man described as a white man

in his 30's wearing a black

jacket, dark brown pants

and tennis shoes was last

observed walking towards the

Okanogan School bus garage.

- Officers diffuse potentially explosive encounter in Pateros Brewster council looks at upgrading water system charges
- Gebbers Farms responds to L&I action



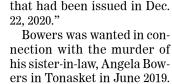
Courtesy Brewster Chamber of Commerce

Brewster Chamber names Best of the Best for 2020: Ernie Santos, left, accepts the 2020 Citizen of the Year award on behalf of is late father Ernesto Santos, from Chamber president Mike Mauk.



Courtesy Okanogan County Sheriff's office protestors. Trump has been

Officers diffuse potentially explosive encounter in Pateros: This drone photo captured Pateros resident David Carpenter as he exited his residence on Ives Street to surrender to law enforcement following several hours of negotiations.



BUDGET

Transportation Committee.

He told the Zoom attendees

that a bridge in the Methow

Valley was one of nine bridges

statewide that needed repair

or replacing. Goehner said

that alone would cost about

\$100 million. He said about 300

bridges across the state were

the Environment and Energy Committee as well as the Lo-

cal Government Committee.

12th Legislative District

State Representative Mike

Steele, a former city of Chelan

Councilman and now in his

third year in Olympia, said,

"We are fortunate to have Washington Secretary of

State (SOS) Kim Wyman" as

he felt she was "committed to

integrity" vis-a-vis elections.

days before outdoor rally at-

tendees in Washington, D.C.

were accused of storming the

Five people died, more than

60 were arrested and damage

was done by those rioters

managing to gain entrance

to the Senate building and

Congressional offices, includ-

ing House Speaker Nancy

Pelosi's. Vice President Mike

Pence had to be evacuated for

his own safety by the Secret

Many have accused Trump,

Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas and

Sen. Josh Hawley of Missouri

of encouraging the crowd of

claiming the 2020 Presidential election was fraudulently

"stolen" by the Democrats

and many state election officials. Washington State SOS

Wyman has ensured voting

Capital.

Service.

His remarks came two

Goehner will also serve on

being assessed.

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as Bowers." said Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley.

"Bowers was known to have

an active Okanogan County

warrant for his arrest for

murder in the first degree

Fire personnel responding to a car fire at that time found burned human remains in the trunk of the car. The victim's husband, Lance Bowers, was arrested after DNA tests identified the remains as those of the missing Angela Bowers. Lance Bowers is currently in custody on charges if first-degree murder and first-degree arson.



Rep. Mike Steele

and engagement to approve budget expenditures on such line items as the statewide broadband initiative," Steele said.

The Manson/Chelan native stated that Inslee should stop "flatly ignoring us" and that he should "tread lightly" since Steele has been appointed to the State Budget Committee.

Another attendee via Zoom was 25th District State Representative Kelly Chambers (R-Pierce County) who said, "The Governor's budget does not reflect restraint due to a shortfall of revenues" from the COVID-19 economic disaster.

Steele has also been executive director for the Lake Chelan Chamber of

Commerce for 15 years and is, by default, an expert on local business concerns.

He has been appointed to serve as the Ranking Member (lead Republican) on the House Capital Budget Committee, which considers funding for the construction and repair of public buildings and for other long-term investments, such as land acquisitions and transfers.

"It's an honor to take on this leadership role for one of our state's budgets," said Steele. "The long-term infrastructure investments made by this committee, especially during these challenging times, will help our communities to recover, grow, and thrive. I look forward to working with the other committee members to create an effective plan for our state."

Washington state remains I Phase 1 through mid-month

OLYMPIA Washington State Department of Health (DOH) announced Friday, Jan. 8, that based on Governor Jay Inslee's Healthy Washington - Roadmap to Recovery plan released earlier in the week, that all eight regions in Washington will remain in Phase 1 until at least Monday, January 18.

As outlined in the Governor's COVID-19 phased recovery plan, regions must meet each of the following four metrics in order to move into Phase 2:

- · Decreasing trend of 10% or more in two-week rate of COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population;
- Decreasing trend of 10% or more in two-week rate of new COVID-19 hospitalizations:
- Less than 90 percent Intensive Care Unit (ICU) occupancy; and,
- COVID-19 test positivity of less than 10 percent.

"When we look at the data from each one of the

– The eight regions, we are seeing some positive trends. This is encouraging, and we are hopeful these trends will continue, and we will see regions begin to move into Phase 2 very soon," said Deputy Secretary for COVID-19 Response Lacy Fehrenbach.

"We know that all people in Washington want to move forward as quickly as possible with respect to COVID-19. However, these metrics show that we are just not ready to do so now," said Umair A. Shah, MD, MPH, Washington's Secretary of Health. "We have made progress but need to continue to work together to reduce the transmission of COVID-19 across our state."

DOH will reassess all the metrics each week and announce any changes to current phase status every Friday. For more detailed information on where each of the eight regions falls with regards to the four metrics please visit the DOH website.

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Man missing after jumping from Columbia **River foot** bridge

EAST WENATCHEE - A young man remains missing after reportedly jumping off the Columbia River foot bridge connecting East Wenatchee to Wenatchee, at approximately 3:18 a.m., on Dec. 30.

East Wenatchee Police Chief Rick Johnson said the missing man, Harley Dylan Quint, 21, has ties to Chelan and Douglas counties.

"At the time of the incident Quint was reported to be residing in Grant county," said Johnson. "Despite the efforts from both Chelan and Douglas **County Marine Patrols, Quint** has not been recovered."

machine, motor-voter, early voting, voting by mail, voter identification and voter registration rolls as well as final results were all done with the utmost integrity, according to Steele.

Rep. Steele stated the Governor has not responded to repeated requests by Republicans statewide to be included as part of the State Legislature, to advise on executive orders issued by the Governor over the last year, most of which centered around health and safety mandates due to COVID-19.

"It's critical that the state legislature be involved," Steele said.

"The Governor will have to work with us" if he expects to get active participation

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There's wealth opportunity here

We are now the world's newest Banana Republic



Normally I confine this column to items of local interest involving issues germane to Quad City readers. Recent national developments, however, imply such opportunities to our sleepy little backwater that I cannot in good conscience keep them from the rest of you.

We are now officially the world's newest Banana Republic. Think about that a minute...

While that statement may disturb some, the astute among us can read between the lines to see what a financial windfall is coming for those who get in on the

ground floor. In other words, move over Amazon, there's a new investment afoot that will make you pale - or should I say "peel" – by comparison.

I almost hurt myself in the rush to get to my computer so I could dump all my Apple stock in favor of the new fruit that will soon be sweeping the nation. Are you with me so far?

Yep, its BANANAS, Johnny Appleseed! I'm buying up banana stock while the rest of the country is still glued to their boob tubes and shaking their collective heads in disbelief over our new status.

Here we are smack dab in the middle of one of the world's largest fruit growers. (Don't tell anyone else, but I have it on good authority that a prominent local grower is at this very writing laying plans to graft banana sprouts to every last apple tree in its inventory. They even have a name for the new hybrid: Banapple).

And get this...they are no longer burning the Amazon (the rainforest, that is) to raise cattle, palm oil and other such nonsense. Now it going to be all bananas. It's sort of a winwin for us. Since Brazilian president Jair Bolsonaro was buddy-buddy with Trump even before we revolted to Third World, he has reportedly offered The Donald a special post as "President in Exile **Responsible for Various Earth** Related Terrors." I know it's a long title. Just remember its acronym P-E-R-V-E-R-T.

The profits are going to be absolutely seismic! And you, loyal Quad readers, are among the first to be let in on this little gem. I suggest that those of you who cannot afford a big investment right now - owing to the pandemic's financial hit - start small and plow up your back yards - and any adjacent parks, national forest, etc. – that may be handy and set in banana starts. I mean, if it's good enough for pot, why not?

We are now officially the world's newest Banana Republic.

We are going to need a name for the third political party: Republican, Democrats, and? I will personally purchase a year's Quad subscription for the reader with the best submission. We've already tried Bull Moose, Socialist, Workers, Libertarian, Green, Tea (not Green Tea), Reform. Constitution, Unity...check out Wikipedia for the complete list, so be original and creative.

Hint: It must be tasteful yet convey sufficient gravitas befitting a once-great nation.

And we're going to need a new flag. The good news? There is not a single one using the banana as a symbol. Imagine that. I'm thinking something catchy, yet dignified, like: Make America A-peeling Again, or, Careful, Don't Tread On My Peel, or Dubya, who invaded and demaybe, Give Me Liberty or Just Give me Bananas. I sort of like this one.

stroyed a sovereign nation along with the Garden of Eden – on false pretenses and left us



Courtesy redbubble.com

Banana Flag

And we have not even addressed a revised Pledge of Allegiance. I never really understood "I pledge allegiance to the United State of America and to the republic for Richard Stands" anyway.

Up until now we were just run-of-the-mill war criminals thanks to that other great 21st century American leader, with the nation's longest running foreign conflict. Now we have one-downed ourselves with a label we can really sink our teeth into.

We are now officially the world's newest Banana Republic.

But we're all gonna be filthy rich! And isn't that what it's all about?

COMMUNITY BU LLETIN BOARD

Okanogan County Transportation & Nutrition meal delivery

- **BREWSTER Brewster Senior** Center on Bridge Street is still serving hot meals Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. 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 not interrupted and 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

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Senior meals, Jan. 13-14, 19-21 BREWSTER - The Brewster-Pate-

ros-Bridgeport Senior Center hosts the Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition (OCTN) meals Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Suggested donation for those over age 60 is \$4. For those 60 and under the cost is \$8.50.

Wednesday, Jan. 13

Cabbage Roll Casserole, Glazed Carrots, Waldorf Salad, WW Roll Dessert

Thursday, Jan. 14

Ham & Cheese Quiche, Steamed Broccoli, Garden Salad, Fresh Fruit, Muffin

Tuesday, Jan. 19

BBQ Country Ribs, Jo Joís, Carrot Raisin Salad, Pineapple, Cornbread, Dessert

Wednesday, Jan. 20

Family health centers

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Chicken Fettuccine, Broccoli Normandy, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread, Berry Crisp

Thursday, Jan. 21

Pork Roast, Stuffing & Gravy, Zucchini Tomato Bake, Garden Salad, Applesauce, Dessert

Jan. 14, 19, 21

'What's Up Vet!' - Informational Zoom meetings now available NCW - All Chelan and Douglas County veterans are invited to attend the new "What's Up Vet!" informational meetings via Zoom!

Every Tuesday/Thursday from 2 p.m. – 4 p.m.

- Open to vets, spouses, dependents and anyone with questions regarding veteran benefits and resources.
- Go to: us02web.zoomaus with Zoom platform meeting id: 863 5856 4972.
- Call 509-664-6801 (Chelan County Veteran Service Office) or 509-

683-3605 (DCVSO) for more information.

Sponsored by CCVSO, DCVSO, Wenatchee Valley College and the Washington State Veteran Corps Navigation project.

Jan. 15, Feb. 12

Brewster bus trips BREWSTER - OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Friday of the month. Next trip is Feb. 12. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical appointments etc.

On the third Friday of each month Jan. 15, riders will be taken to Omak for the day. Riders request their destination(s). Wenatchee: \$12/boarding for General Public, \$6 suggested donation/day for

Seniors (60 plus). Omak: \$5.50/ General Public, \$2.75 suggested donation Seniors (60 plus). (509)

826-4391 to reserve your seat. Jan. 25

Okanogan County PUD meeting

OKANOGAN - The next meeting of the Okanogan County PUD Board of Commissioners will held Monday, Jan 25 at 3 p.m. For more information okanoganpud.org

Jan. 25

Douglas County PUD meeting

EAST WENATCHEE - The next meeting of the Douglas County PUD Commission is Jan. 25,

1:30 p.m. at the District's East Wenatchee office. To comply with the Open Public Meetings act due to COVID-19, a conference phone line number will be provided at the top of the Draft Agenda posted on their website under Latest News the Friday before the meeting.

Help available for **Douglas County** veterans

EAST WENATCHEE - Sarah Simonson the Veterans Service Officer for Douglas County, is available for appointments in her office at 211 11th St. NE in East Wenatchee. Call her at 509-683-3605. You can also find her on Facebook at facebook.com/ douglascountyvso

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Jan 1	
Fireworks at 1804 Fisk Ave. in	ì
Bridgeport.	
911 at 2149 Tacoma Ave. ir	۱

Bridgeport. Public assistance at 207 E. Rail-

road Ave. in Mansfield. Traffic offense at State Route

173, milepost 2 in Bridgeport.

Jan. 2

Bridgeport.

Jan. 5 Child protective services/adult

Bridgeport.

- protective services at 2400 Tacoma Ave., #9 in Bridgeport. Suspicious incident at Quik-E-Mart, 2606 Foster Creek Ave.
- in Bridgeport. Traffic offense at State Route



Business &

Healthcare

Directory

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Due to the COVID19 Virus, churches have suspended Saturday and Sunday Services, Sunday School and meetings.

Please call or email your church listed below if you need more information. May you take time to pray, rest, meditate and reflect during this time. Stay well, stay strong and stay informed.



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Tree Fruit Days 2021 webinar series starts Jan. 18

By WSU TREE FRUIT RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER

Join WSU Tree Fruit Extension for a webinar series Jan 18 to 22. This series is designed to bring you research-based information while maintaining your safety from Covid19. Each webinar is 30 to 50 min. Choose 13 webinars the topics that most interest you.

Nine sessions offer 1 pesticide update credit approved by WSDA and ODA (marked with an astrix*).

Co-sponsors NCW Fieldmen's Association, NW Pears, NW Cherry Growers Register at treefruit.wsu.edu/events

Contact: Tianna DuPont, WSU Extension, (509) 293-8758, tianna.dupont@wsu.edu

Jan. 18, 9 a.m. - Organic Apple Mildew Management*, Ashour Amiri, WSU Plant Pathology. Using new research results to improve your powdery mildew management.

Jan. 18, 10 a.m. - The Latest Fire Blight Research*. Kerik Cox, Cornell; Ken Johnson, OSU; Kari Peter, PSU; Tianna DuPont. WSU

Jan. 18, 1 p.m. - Selecting New Varieties. Bill Dodd, Midwest Apple Improvement Association, Dr Brewster, Plant and Food New Zealand

Jan. 19, 9 a.m. - Mating Disruption as a Basis for

Apple IPM*. Don Thomson, Pacific BioControl; Coverage is Key in Apple IPM* Gwen Hoheisel, WSU Extension. How MD works: competitive attraction. Higher populations are more difficult to control. Aerosol emitter BMPs. Potential of resistance. Coverage is essential and there are some key components that should be looked at this year to ensure that spray is reaching all

areas of the canopy. Jan. 19, 11 a.m. - Codling Moth Apple IPM - Don't Forget the Basics, SIR Update*, Betsy Beers, Matt Jones WSU Entomology. Success is influenced by weather. Monitoring basics. Rotate products. Virus in conventional IPM. Organic programs. Using cultural controls. Incorporating SIR into your IPM program successfully.

Jan. 19. 1 p.m. - The Labor Piece of the Production Puzzle. Karen, Lewis, WSU Extension. De-leafers, Cyclone, Scout, pedestrian orchards.

Jan. 20, 9 a.m. - Pear IPM*. Louis Nottingham, WSU Entomology. Key components to successful pear IPM programs. Latest research.

Jan. 20, 10 a.m. - Using Honeydew Washing to Improve Pear IPM*. Chris Strohm, WSU Extension. Case studies and research results from 2020.

Speidel Bentsen **Agribusiness** (509) 662-1211 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Wenatchee www.SpeidelBentsen.com Russell I. Sneidel David I. Bentsen nar, WSU Extension. Symptoms and Sampling. New biology information: symptom types and biological effects per-variety. Vector ID, biology and management. New vector management study results. New vector management product trial results. Tree removal case studies.

Jan. 20, 1 p.m. - Irrigat-

ing Pears for Quality. Lee

Kalcsits, WSU Horticulture.

This webinar will provide the

latest research on irrigating

pears for high quality fruit

Jan. 21, 9 a.m. - X-disease

and Little Cherry Virus*.

Scott Harper, WSU Pathology;

Tobin Northfield, WSU Ento-

mology; Louis Nottingham,

WSU Entomology; Cody Mol-

from WSU's Lee Kalcsits.

Horticulture

Jan. 21, 1 p.m. - Cherry **Powdery Mildew Product** Resistance*. Gary Grove, WSU Pathology. Cherry mildew has been quickly evolving resistance to key fungicides in Washington. Dr Gary Grove will describe new research which has found that resistance to group 3 and 11 fungicides in all production regions as well potential as resistance in other groups.

Jan. 22, 9 a.m. - Rodent Control for Orchards*. Roger Baldwin, UC Davis. Efficacy of common and new rodenticides, burrow fumigants and repellents.

Jan. 22, 10 a.m. - Apple Thinning*. Poliana Francescatto, Valent BioSciences. How PGRs and PGR-like compounds can manipulate two of the most common practices: fruit thinning and flower formation. Current and new products.

Jan. 22, 1 p.m. - Matching **Rootstocks to Scions and** Varieties. Jenny Bolivar, WSU Extension. Major character-

Group viewing for Recertification Credits

By WSU TREE FRUIT RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER

Washington State University is offering group viewing for their webinar courses. Webinars are suitable for pesticide applicators in turf, landscapes, agriculture, rights of way, industrial areas, and more. Interested parties may request to sponsor a group-viewing session. The approval process takes about two weeks.

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Cherry Institute to be Jan. 21

BY WSU TREE FRUIT RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER

This year's Cherry Institute will be a little different. Due to the current COVID-19 restrictions in place, the organizers have planned for an entirely virtual venue. Each individual program item is listed in our events calendar as well as being shown in the agenda below.

You will need to register for each webinar separately to attend. Links for registration are provided for each presentation. Each webinar is free and many qualify for pesticide credits.

Jan. 21, 9:-9:50 a.m. - Xdisease and Little Cherry Virus*. Scott Harper, WSU Pathology; Tobin Northfield,



Louis Nottingham, WSU Entomology; Cody Molnar, WSU Extension

Symptoms and Sampling. New biology information: symptom types and biological effects per-variety. Vector ID, biology and management. New vector management study results. New vector management product trial results. Tree removal case studies. To register for this webinar visit http://treefruit. wsu.edu/event/lcd-webinar/ *Qualifies for 1 pesticide update credit with WSDA ap-

Jan. 21, 9:50 a.m. - Elec-

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Jan. 21, 10-10:50 a.m. - Q&A on X-disease and Little Cherry Virus. Scott Harper, WSU Pathology; Tobin Northfield, Louis Nottingham, WSU Entomology; Tianna DuPont, WSU Extension

Join us for discussion questions and answers on X-disease and Little Cherry Virus biology and management.

To register for this webinar visit http://treefruit.wsu.edu/ event/lcd-webinar/

Jan. 21, 1:-1:50 p.m. - Cherry Powdery Mildew Management & Fungicide Resistance Results*. Gary Grove, WSU Pathology

Biology, cultural controls, spray rotations, and results

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WSU Women in Agriculture Conference postponed for 2021

SUBMITTED BY WSU EXTENSION

The 2021 Women in Agriculture Conference has been postponed due to the health restrictions and safety requirements placed on events due to COVID-19.

According to Margaret Viebrock, WSU Extension Director in Chelan and Douglas Counties and Conference Coordinator, "this was a hard decision to make, because this

agriculture."

proval.

It is the largest event in the Northwest that addresses the needs of women farmers, aspiring farmers and women who support their family farms

The Women, Farms & Food project began in Washington in 2005 with Washington State annual conferences offering speakers, practical advice, collaborative discussion, and networking opportunities.

always been women-driven. It is primarily planned, facilitated, and taught by women. The focus groups, planning teams and evaluations have and continue to say, "we want to meet and talk with other women farmers, find out more about what they do and how they manage their lives and we need good information to be successful." Women farmers face unique challenges with the demands of both the farm and family. Equally important is the challenge to take care of themselves and, potentially, to care for extended family.

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will partially offset otherwise

Wine/Vineyard - Slight

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sharing ideas and personal

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Wheat – The outlook calls

Horticultu₂₀₂₁ 2021 expected to be profitable for Northwest agricultural commodities

SUBMITTED BY NWFCS

SPOKANE - Northwest Farm Credit Services, the Northwest's leading agricultural lending cooperative, has released its quarterly Market Snapshot reports covering the state of major agricultural commodities in the region. Northwest FCS teams throughout Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington monitor conditions and report outlooks for commodities financed by the co-op.

All Market Snapshots are posted online at Industry Insights.

Northwest FCS' 12-month outlook for the agricultural

FARMERS

commodities most common in the Northwest are summarized below.

Hay - The 12-month outlook for the hay industry calls for slightly profitable returns. In 2021, the hay market will focus on modestly optimistic fundamentals. A weaker dollar favors exports, and higher prices for protein substitutes, like soybean meal, will provide tailwinds to hay producers.

Row Crops

Onions - Onions are forecast to provide break-even returns over the next 12 months. Supply and demand indicate prices could increase, yet producers are sensitive to contin-



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ued COVID-19 restrictions in the food service industry. Potatoes - Slightly profit-

able returns are expected for potato producers. Processors' demand for uncontracted potatoes is restrained as the **COVID-19 situation continues** to dampen restaurant demand for processed potato products, such as french fries.

Sugar Beets – Sugar beet growers should see profitable returns for the 2020-21 season. The USDA forecast suggests stocks-to-use ratios will continue to decrease from 14.2% in 2019-20 to 13.5% in 2020-21, a favorable ratio for Northwest producers.

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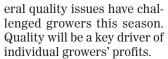
Apples – Apple growers can expect to see slightly profitable margins. A smaller crop and solid demand should increase prices. However, sev-

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the best conference for women farmers, because it presents practical information they can use right away," Viebrock said.

Program evaluations over the years have shown that women farmers have developed their farm vision to meet their financial, marketing and production goals. They have



Cherries - Overall, profitable margins are anticipated for cherry growers. Reduced supply coupled with strong domestic demand helped sustain high pricing, which will translate into strong margins for growers. However, those with measurable losses in tonnage may not have had enough fruit to capture returns and will be reliant on crop insurance.

Pears - The 12-month profitability index forecasts slightly profitable returns for pear growers. Although demand has been lackluster the last few years, increased pricing indicates demand may be finding some higher ground. Good quality will

improved their financial record keeping, now have a business plan and follow it, developed marketing skills, and can now use their financial records to analyze their profitability.

Farming is risky business and women farmers benefit from the support of other women. Many conferences has switched to a totally technology-driven event, and Viebrock added, "I felt we could not fulfill the major objective of offering women an opportunity to net-

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Case studies of success.

Overview of data of honeycrisp on different rootstocks.

CHERRY

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nels are having record sales: however, wineries reliant on tasting rooms, events or other in-person sales are left with limited options to generate revenue.

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on social media.

Many area farm businesses, women employed in the agriculture industry and financial instructions support the conference with their contributions to scholarships, speaker stipends, educational materials, and conference meals.

Businesses interested in supporting the 2022 conference and other educational opportunities for women farmers are encouraged to contact Viebrock at viebrock@wsu.edu.

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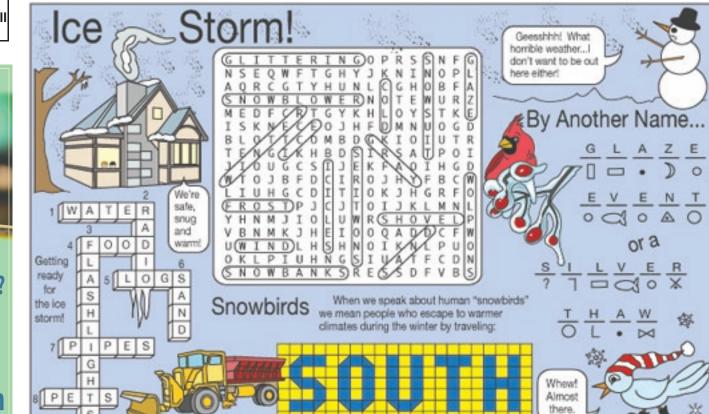


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Legals

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January 6, 13 and 20, 2021. #1296

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New Year's resolutions for the outdoors enthusiast

By JOHN KRUSE, THE WASHINGTON OUTDOORS REPORT

Call it the silver lining of the COVID-19 pandemic...People are discovering or rediscovering the great outdoors. This means the outdoors will likely be a crowded place in 2021 as well. This means now is the time to plan your outdoor adventures for the year. With that in mind, what will you resolve to do outside in 2021?

Try Something New - If you haven't gone fishing or hunting before, this is a great year to try both and the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife along with local sportsman's groups host events throughout the year meant to introduce newcomers to these sports. If you are already an angler or hunter



Courtesy Zoller's **Outdoor Odysseys** Whitewater rafting on the White Salmon River.

resolve to go after a new species. Perhaps you are a trout angler? If so, learn how to be a walleye angler. Trust me, after you taste fresh walleye, you'll thank me for this. Maybe you are a deer hunter. In that case, consider going turkey hunting for the first time or invest in a bird dog and take up waterfowl or upland bird hunting. If nothing else, you'll get a dog out of

this resolution.

Be A Thrill Seeker - You can enjoy some incredible adventures in the Pacific Northwest at any age. One of those involves whitewater river rafting. Whether you raft relativelv tame streams like the Skagit, Methow or Grande Ronde, reliably fun roller coaster rides found on the Wenatchee or Tieton Rivers, or want to plunge over a small waterfall on the White Salmon, there are numerous companies that will take you out for the day and no experience is required. What you do need is a positive attitude, just a little bit of courage and the ability to paddle when your guide tells you to do so!

Want some more thrillseeking adventures? They may not be in Washington, but they are within a day's drive. They include cave explorations at Lewis and Clark Caverns State Park in Montana or at the Oregon Caves National Monument, though COVID-19 restrictions will likely impact the guided tours at these caves

for part of this year.

How about a 20-mile bike ride, all downhill, along an old rail line? You'll find that on the Route of the Hiawatha just off of I-90 at the border of Montana and Idaho. If you can pedal a bicycle, you'll love this experience which incorporates great scenery, a whole bunch of history, and a real sense of adventure.

Push Yourself - Resolve to go deeper into the woods or wilderness this year. If you are a three-season hiker consider becoming a year-round one with the purchase of a pair of snowshoes or cross-country skis. Maybe you enjoy simple day-hikes. Resolve to get away from the crowds by exploring new, less popular trails or going a bit further than most do. Better still, invest in a lightweight tent, stove, sleeping bag and pad and go on a backpacking adventure.

Don't want to lug all of that stuff on your back? Then put it into a canoe or kayak. There are all sorts of lakes, rivers

and backwaters to explore and paddling for the day or for an overnight boat camping getaway makes for a unique experience.

Go Somewhere New - Last but not least, resolve to break the bonds of the familiar and go to a new place or two this year. Don't limit yourself to the destinations most people head to or one's you have visited or experienced for years. Instead of going to that popular state or national park, consider going to a county park, Department of Natural Resources or Bureau of Land Management Recreation Area. Explore national wildlife refuges and state wildlife areas you have never been to before. Try to find somewhere out of the way and under the radar. You'll may just fall in love with your new destination away from the crowds if you do.

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State Parks' Winter Recreation Program offers tips, information

Sno-Park use soars - causing congestion, questions

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OLYMPIA- The Washington State Parks Winter Recreation Program and regional park staff are reporting record visits at Sno-Parks across the state.

As COVID-19 restrictions continue to limit indoor entertainment and gatherings, people are flocking to the outdoors, despite dropping temperatures. This has caused parking lots in high snow areas to fill up early, and cars have become stuck. The uptick in new winter visitors has also caused confusion over right-of-way on mixed-use trails.

State Parks urges winter

Crowds and parking: Many Sno-Parks close parking lots

(We've got flashlights, sleeping...)

when they hit capacity. Visitors should plan to arrive early and have a Plan B in case their top choice is full.

Closures and openings: Mountain passes and roads to Sno-Parks may shut down due to weather related issues. Conversely, if snow depths are low, the trails may not be groomed for winter activities. Sno-Park goers should consider visiting on a different day.

Permit refunds: Sno-Park permits are generally nonrefundable. For this reason, Winter Recreation Program Manager Pamela McConkey encourages visitors to check roads and weather before purchasing a day-use permit for a specific date.

"The full season pass allows flexibility to chase good weather or cancel plans in bad weather," said McConkey. "If someone thinks they'll be visiting a Sno-Park more than once, they should consider the seasonal pass.'

Wheeled vehicles: Cars and trucks are only allowed in Sno-Park parking lots. They are not permitted on trails, including forest roads within the Sno-Park. Anyone driving illegally within the Sno-Park will be cited.

Trail etiquette: The Winter **Recreation Program contracts** with groomers across the state who create special trails for skiers and snowmobilers. Sno-Park permits pay for this service, as well as for plowing and sanitation.

McConkey advises skiers and snowmobilers to stay on the trails that were groomed for them. She asks everyone to follow right-of-way etiquette:

Snowshoers — walk on the sides of the trail and stay off ski tracks.

Skate-skiers — keep off groomed ski tracks.

Dogsled and skijoring teams— stay off any groomed track. Skiers and snowshoers -

yield to snowmobilers and dog teams.

Snowmobilers — slow down when coming up on skiers, snowshoers and dog teams. McConkey recommends

visitors buy permits online or from a vendor after checking

weather, avalanche forecasts and park alerts.

"Everyone using a Sno-Park should have cold weather gear, traction for their feet

and cars and an emergency kit in the car," she said. "Basically, know before you go and make decisions accordingly."

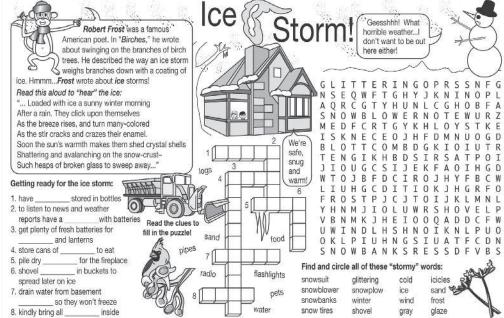




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