

GOP Caucus asks Governor for special session amid COVID-19 crisis

By GARY BÉGIN,
MANAGING EDITOR

EAST WENATCHEE – NCW Media, parent company of the Quad City Herald and Lake Chelan Mirror, reached out to Senator Brad Hawkins (R-

state legislature: “Since the Washington State Legislature does not meet year-round, the State Constitution specifies when we can legally convene. I would have really appreciated the opportunity to participate in a special session, but the



Senator Brad Hawkins



Rep. Keith Goehner

East Wenatchee) and State Representative Keith Goehner (R-Dryden) for an exclusive interview concerning major economic and health matters. Senator Brad Hawkins, representing the 12th Legislative District, stated this in regards to the GOP Caucus’ request to Governor Jay Inslee regarding calling a special session of the

governor never called us in. The only other option for legislators was to gather enough support from both the House and Senate to call ourselves into a special session.”

Hawkins continued, “Never in the history of the state have legislators successfully called

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Late May letter to Governor pleads for special session

Dear Governor Inslee,
We are writing to ask you to schedule and convene a special session of the Legislature. It is clear to us that executive mandates are no longer enough to address the devastation facing Washingtonians related to COVID-19. We have looked at the data and listened to the cries for help from the people who have been put in desperate situations through no fault of their own – unable to pay bills because they were forced out of jobs and cannot even rely on promises of unemployment benefits.
We have concluded it is now the people’s turn to speak through their elected representatives, who must come together and govern as only the Legislature can. In mid-March, just prior to adjourning as the state constitution requires, the Legislature took unprecedented action to set aside dedicated funding for the public-health emergency caused by COVID-19. We gave you the resources to help lead us through this challenge. Some ten weeks later, the original goal of “flattening the curve” has been realized, and Washington’s hospitals have not been overwhelmed.
The fact that you are allowing an increasing number of counties to reopen signals that

the public-health situation has evolved in a positive direction. Unfortunately, there is now an additional emergency at hand. While public-health concerns remain, our state faces an unprecedented economic crisis and a daunting budget problem stemming from the actions taken to protect public health.
We believe state government has an interest in protecting not only the lives but the livelihoods of Washingtonians. We also recognize the importance of minimizing threats to the services and programs that are important to so many people, especially the most vulnerable residents of our state. It is therefore essential for the legislative branch to meet in a special session and intervene, using the policy and fiscal authority granted under the constitution.
For budgetary reasons, it would be most effective to begin a special session as soon as possible. Our state government works best when all branches work together. The legislative branch, as a whole, has remained on the sidelines while you exercised your emergency authority. It is time for that to change. Our

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Officers diffuse potentially explosive encounter in Pateros

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – Officers from several jurisdictions converged on a residence in Pateros on Wednesday, Dec. 9, to diffuse what could have been a potentially explosive situation.
Okanogan County Emergency Management issued an advisory on Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 9, alerting citizens to avoid the south end of Pateros in the vicinity of West Ives Street, Bill Shaw Road and Riverside Drive where a resident was barricaded in his residence.
The Okanogan County Sheriff’s Office had received a call earlier that morning concerning a homeowner standing on his porch with a rifle threatening to shoot Pateros city workers who were replacing a water meter on a nearby residence.
“Deputies responded to the location, 639 W. Ives St, Pateros,” said Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley and there contacted David Carpenter, a 55-year-old man at his Pateros



Courtesy Okanogan County Sheriff’s office

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.

residence.
“(Carpenter) refused to exit his residence and made statements that his residence was wired with explosives, which would detonate if deputies attempted to enter the residence,” Hawley said.
Okanogan County Sheriff’s deputies, Washington Department of Wildlife, and Brewster Police responded to the location to set up a perimeter around the residence. The North Central Washington Special Response Team

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Effective Jan. 15, 2021

Okanogan County Prosecutor Arian Noma tenders resignation

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN – Citing staff shortages, case backlogs, budgetary issues, and harassment, Okanogan County Prosecutor Arian Noma announced on Dec. 10 that he will resign his office effective Jan. 15, 2021, two years short of his elected term.
Noma, a Republican challenged Democratic incumbent prosecutor Brandon Platter and won election in 2018 to a four-year term. Platter, then the county’s chief criminal deputy prosecutor, was appointed to fill the vacancy in the prosecu-



Courtesy usobserver.com

Arian Noma
tor’s office in 2017 following the resignation of Karl Sloan,
Noma, a former assistant state’s attorney in Baltimore City, ran on a platform of reforming the prosecutor’s office from top to bottom. He favored prosecuting serious crimes

while promoting options like job training and literacy programs for those charged with minor, non-violent crimes.
In a three-page media release explaining his decision, Noma said his office “is short-staffed by at least seven (7) attorneys and three (3) support staff.”
Noma said the COVID-mandated shutdown of jury trials has created a backlog of cases.
“Thus despite our efforts, a lack of funding to hire more attorneys and rapid employee turnover, means the cases sitting in review status are yet

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December numbers spike

COVID deaths double as vaccine delivery nears

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

OKANOGAN – The second week of December turned out to be a grim benchmark for COVID-19 related deaths in the county as the number of victims who succumbed from the disease more than doubled from 15 to 31 in the space of four days last week.
The spike in deaths came at the North Valley Extended Care facility in Tonasket

where 16 patients died according to figures released Dec. 10 on the Okanogan County Public Health (OCPH) website okanogancountycovid19.org.
The website’s updated figures as of Dec. 10 show 1,468 total positive cases including 133 in the past two weeks. Elsewhere in the county the death toll remains in the single digits with Brewster the second highest with eight, followed by Omak with three. Malott, Okanogan, Oroville, and Pateros show one each.

The American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL) released the following statement in response to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approving emergency use authorization for Pfizer and BioNTech’s coronavirus vaccine.
“On behalf of the long-term industry, we welcome the decision by the FDA

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Heliodoro Xhurape arrested after crashing stolen pickup

MONSE - The driver of this stolen pickup was apprehended after crashing into a utility pole at the junction of Monse Bridge Road and Monse River Road on Nov. 25. The work truck was stolen as it sat idling and unoccupied in front of a Brewster residence. An alert Okanogan County Sheriff's Deputy spotted the vehicle traveling on Old Highway 97.

Following pursuit by officers from the Brewster Police Department, the Okanogan County Sheriff's Office, and Washington State Patrol the driver, Heliodoro Xhurape crashed the pickup and fled on foot, said Brewster Police Chief Marcos Ruiz. He was arrested a short time later and booked into the Okanogan County Jail. There were no injuries in the accident.

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themselves into a special session. We tried this year but couldn't get enough support from both sides of the aisle. It would have definitely been helpful for statewide COVID response and to jumpstart the budget issues, even if just virtually, but it didn't happen and it's not likely to happen before the January 11, 2021 regular session."

Hawkins cited "SECTION 12 SESSIONS (2) Special Legislative Sessions. Special legislative sessions may be convened for a period of not more than thirty consecutive days by proclamation of the governor pursuant to Article III, section 7 of this Constitution. Special legislative sessions may also be convened for a period of not more than thirty consecutive days by resolution of the legislature upon the affirmative vote in each house of two-thirds of the members elected," per state Constitution.

Representative Keith Goehner (R-Dryden) said, "The request for a special session stemmed from the fact that there are decisions of state-wide significance

that continue to be made by one branch of government. The emergency powers granted the Governor were intended to provide expediency and efficient delivery of state services and resources. The initial emergency decision making has passed and it is critical for the legislative branch of government to be heard. Substantial sums of federal and state funds have been allocated without the concurrence of the legislature, which is our responsibility to approve. Washington has been one of the few states that has not involved their legislatures by convening a special session and I believe in order to respect elected representation, a special session should have been convened and given legislators an opportunity to address funding and policy issues."

Be sure to read the sidebar to this story for the verbatim letter to Governor Inslee. State Representative Mike Steele did not respond by press deadline.

Keep reading the NCW Media family of community newspapers for updates on this critical issue. Gary Bégin can be reached at: Gary@newmedia.net.

framework and guidelines for a special session and encourage you to consider them. We want to work collaboratively with you and our majority colleagues in the Legislature to craft legislative solutions to help Washingtonians who are dealing with both the pandemic and economic desperation.

--- Senate and House Republican caucus

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responded to the residence along with crisis negotiator from the Sheriff's Office.

"We also requested mutual aid from Douglas County Special Response Team and Chelan County Regional Response Team due to the threat of the explosives," said Hawley. "The tactical teams were utilized to assist some residents in evacuating the area."

Officers also contacted the Pateros School District, which was in classes at the time, to have them secure the buildings and not send any students to that area of the town.

"Negotiators spoke with Carpenter for several hours in efforts to have him peacefully surrender," said Hawley. "At about 1858 hours (6:58 p.m.) Carpenter exited the residence and was taken into custody."

A search warrant of his residence turned up several firearms, but no explosives were found.

Carpenter was booked into Okanogan County jail for Felony Threats to Kill.

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again, quickly multiplying," Noma said.

Addressing the issue of harassment Noma cited racially motivated attacks that he termed "inappropriate" and "potentially dangerous."

"My home and minor children have been watched, my vehicles have been followed and photographed, and a Facebook page was set up for the soul purpose of harassing my home, family, voters, and friends that supported me," Noma said.

As of press time comments from the county commissioners regarding Noma's resignation announcement were not available. The commissioners are charged with naming a replacement to complete Noma's term.

Editors Note: Read the full media release on our webpage qcherald.com

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caucuses stand ready to continue working with your office and the executive branch in responding to this pandemic.

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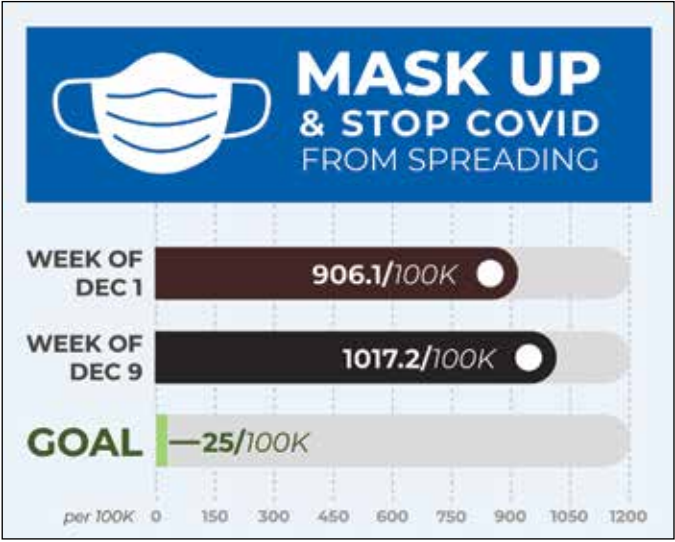
Two Additional Deaths From COVID-19

Governor extends COVID-19 restrictions to Jan. 4, 2021

SUBMITTED BY VERONICA FARIAS, CHELAN DOUGLAS HEALTH DISTRICT

EAST WENATCHEE—Chelan-Douglas Health District (CDHD) reports two additional deaths from COVID-19. This brings the total number of deaths in Chelan County to 31, and seven in Douglas County. Both deaths were Chelan County residents: a female in her 90s and a male in his 70s. The Health District's total COVID-19 deaths is now 38.

The Washington State Department of Health constitutes a COVID-19 death as a death occurring among those who have a positive COVID-19 test who did not die in a homicide, suicide, or accident (with the exception of accidental deaths that explicitly list COVID-19 on



Douglas and County counties COVID-19 numbers jumped from 906.1 per 100,000 for the week ending Dec. 1, to 1,017.2 per 100,000 for the week ending Dec. 9.

the death certificate). The death certificate must also include COVID-19 or COVID-like terms (such as respiratory distress,

pneumonia, respiratory failure, hypoxia, viral illness, or Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS - with no other strain specified) as a cause or contributing factor to the death.

CDHD would like to remind everyone of the importance of all public health precautions during the COVID-19 pandemic. Anyone can have COVID-19 and not know they are contagious. COVID-19 is easily spread to close contacts, friends, family and loved ones before a person knows they are unintentionally spreading the virus. Please do your part to prevent the spread of COVID-19, continue to mask-up, social distance and avoid group gatherings.

Be a protector, not an infector! For more information, visit /covid-19

OLYMPIA – On Dec. 8 Gov. Jay Inslee announced additional economic supports for workers and businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Inslee also announced a three-week extension of the state's current restrictions which will now be in place until January 4, 2021.

The three-week extension of statewide restrictions come as the state's healthcare system nears dangerous occupancy levels. With the effects of Thanksgiving on infection and hospital numbers still unknown, the extension will grant the state's medical system much needed time to increase Intensive Care Unit (ICU) capacity before it's overwhelmed.

"What we do between now—when COVID activity is still at crisis levels—and the time when vaccines are widely available, is literally a matter of life and death," Inslee said at a press conference Tuesday morning.

Inslee was joined by Department of Commerce Director Lisa Brown who announced an additional \$50 million, doubling the number of Washington small businesses that will receive aid. Industries recently shut down, such as restaurants and fitness centers, as well as businesses that have been devastatingly impacted throughout the pandemic, like music and event venues, have been prioritized.

Residential tiered rates could be consolidated

New PUD rate structures proposed

SUBMITTED BY SHEILA CORSON, PUD COMMUNITY RELATIONS COORDINATOR

OKANOGAN - In continuing efforts toward more equitable rates, Okanogan County PUD commissioners discussed possible new rate structures Dec. 7.

The 2021 draft budget calls for a proposed 3.25 percent overall revenue increase, but how that will be applied to different customer classes is yet to be determined. Based on past cost of service studies, different classes will be adjusted individually.

Overall proposed changes to rate structures include:

- Base charges** would increase slightly to get closer to the actual cost of infrastructure in place (poles, wires, transformers, etc.) to serve a customer, even if that customer never used power.
- State taxes** could be designated on customer bills to reflect the state taxes the PUD already pays. Those would become additional line items on bill statements, similar to how city-based taxes are designated. This leads to additional transparency for the PUD, so that customers understand more specifically where their dollars go; the PUD pays a state privilege tax of 2.14 percent and state public utility tax of 3.8734 percent currently on all power sales, for about \$2.8 million per year.
- The COPA** (Cost of Power Adjustment) would be rolled into the current kilowatt-hour charge in 2021. From there out, the COPA would be revisited

every April 1 to reflect changes in power costs from the PUD's sources of power (such as Bonneville Power Administration, Wells Dam, etc.).

- Both the **kilowatt-hour charge** and demand charge (demand is only applied to non-residential classes) would change to achieve the amount of revenue needed per class. Many would decrease to reflect the new designation of state taxes.
- Tiered residential kilowatt-hour charges** are currently at about 4.5 cents for under 2,000 kWh monthly usage and 6.6 cents per kWh for usage above 2,000 kWh, originally used to encourage energy efficiency. However, in order to simplify the rates and give relief to low-income or fixed-income customers in the higher usage category, the tiers could be consolidated instead to one rate in-between the current tiered rates.

The PUD is working with FCS Group, the consulting agency that originally prepared the cost of service, equity management plan and rate study for the PUD in 2019 to create new rate structures. Overall, the proposed increases are:

- Residential: 4.5 percent increase (average of \$4.57 per month)
- Small general service: 3 percent increase (average of \$5.04 per month)
- Large general service: 1 percent increase (average of \$106.90 per month)
- Irrigation: 2.5 percent increase

- Industrial: 1 percent increase
- Frost control: 10 percent increase
- Area lighting: 3.2 percent increase
- Street lighting: 3.2 percent increase

Commissioners will continue to discuss the 2021 budget at the Dec. 21 meeting. Rate schedules will be approved at a later date, with the intention of new rates to go into effect April 1.

In other business, the board:

- Approved Resolution 1734, authorizing the surplus of old broadband and information systems equipment.
- Authorized staff to continue the four-day work week schedule through 2021. General Manager Steve Taylor said overtime hours were still comparable to those of five-day schedules, and customers have expressed appreciation for the longer hours of 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. As always, the district offices have drop boxes and on-line or phone payment options any time the offices are closed.
- Set regular board meeting dates in early 2021: Jan. 11 and 25; Feb. 8 and 22; March 8 and 22; April 12 and 26.

'Trees4 Joy' brings tradition to non-profits, elderly



Gary Bégin/NCW Media

The Wenatchee Valley Humane Society was the recipient of a beautiful Christmas tree courtesy of Augustedge Real Estate. The tree was delivered to the shelter at noon, Thursday Dec. 10. The program, "Trees4 Joy," was developed by JBe Marketing Group and features Country Financial as the overall program partner as well as the Colville Confederation of Tribes (12 Tribes Casino). Humane Society and Augustedge staffers pictured from left: Renee Parkins, Shannon Gahimer, Star Montgomery, Beth Beebe, Thea Cooper (with puppy), Anel Ramirez, Spencer Brown, and JBe Marketing namesake, Jennifer Bushong. Additional Christmas tree gifts to the Humane Society were provided by PetSmart and Kuranda Shelter bed. Several assisted living facilities throughout Chelan and Okanogan counties received trees courtesy of the Colville Confederation. Bushong said she handmade the pillows for each location and spent three months working on the program.

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Suspicious incident at 21 Galbraith Rd. in Bridgeport.
Warrant at Okanogan County Jail in Bridgeport.
Welfare check at 1402 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.
Burglary at 606 State Route 173 on Bridgeport Bar.
Trespass at 1524 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.

Dec. 5
Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.
Agency assistance at Quik-E-Mart, 2606 Foster Creek Ave. in Bridgeport.
Civil incident at 700 Fairview Ave., #9A in Bridgeport.
Noise at 2116 Foster Creek Ave. in Bridgeport.

Dec. 6
Attempt to locate/attempt to contact at 1395 Rd. C N.W. in Mansfield.

Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.
Harassment/threat at 1419 Tacoma Ave. in Bridgeport.
Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.

Dec. 7
Alarm at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.
Harassment/threat at 2400 Tacoma Ave., #39 in Bridgeport.
Non-injury accident at Foster Creek Avenue and State Route 17 in Bridgeport.

Dec. 8
Fraud/forgery at 2011 Fisk Ave. in Bridgeport.
Child protective services/adult protective services at 2400 Tacoma Ave., #40 in Bridgeport.

Dec. 11
Traumatic injury at 404 S. Mansfield Blvd. in Mansfield.
Littering at 1011 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.
Domestic disturbance at 410 23rd St. in Bridgeport.

OBITUARIES

Ivan ‘Ike’ Eugene Vallance

Ivan ‘Ike’ Eugene Vallance, was reunited with his wife and his Lord and Savior on December 4, 2020.

Ike was born March 14, 1929 in Spokane, WA, where he grew up and lived until 1950 when he met his companion for life, Doris Pulsipher. Ike and Doris were married on January 27, 1951 and made their lifelong home in Brewster, Washington. Ike, along with Doris, bought the local small-town newspaper in 1972 and quickly turned the “Quad City Herald”, into a must-read weekly paper. Ike worked tirelessly to cover and report community stories that ranged from humorous, spiritual, joyful, and tragic. Before the technical age of instant news, the communities of Pateros,

Brewster, Bridgeport, and Mansfield routinely looked to the Quad City Herald for a dose of wholesome news and entertainment.

Ike was a 2nd generation apple orchardist and spent most of his adult working life managing and cultivating quality fruit that was distributed to consumers via MAGI Inc.

Ike was a lifelong community volunteer and was a participating member of several groups, including the American Legion, Active Club, and Bridle Club to name a few. Ike also served as president of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce for many years. Ike also was enormously proud to have served as a Fire Commissioner for Douglas/Okanogan



Fire District 15 for over 30 years.

Faith in God was very important to Ike. He was a highly active participant in his church, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, serving as a Deacon and a Eucharistic Minister, something he felt incredibly

special about.

Ike enjoyed taking family vacations, playing billiards and cards with friends, doing puzzles and crosswords, and he was an avid golfer.

Ivan is preceded in death by his wife of 61 years, Doris.

Ike leaves a very large family legacy including his six children and spouses: Cathy, Helen, Deanna (Gregg), Bill (Tonya), James (Corie) and John.

The family also includes 15 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. If you would like to leave any thoughts or memories for the family please do so at www.barneschapel.com. Services are entrusted to Barnes Chapel of Brewster.

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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, Dec. 17, 22-23

BREWSTER - The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center hosts the Okanogan County Transportation & 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.

Thursday, Dec. 17
Lemon Pepper Fish, Garden Rice, Normandy Veggies, Coleslaw, Chilled Peaches, Garlic Bread, Dessert

Tuesday, Dec. 22
Grilled Chicken Breast Sandwich Deluxe, Sweet Potato Fries, Chilled Peaches, Dessert

Wednesday, Dec. 23
Roast Beef, Baked Potato, Green Bean Casserole, 7 Layer Salad, Fruit Ambrosia, WW Roll, Special Dessert

Thursday, Dec. 24
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Friday, Dec. 25
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Dec. 17, 22

‘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.zoom.us](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86358564972) 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 CVCVSO, DCVSO, Wenatchee Valley College and the Washington State Veteran Corps Navigation project.

Dec. 18, Jan. 8

Brewster bus trips

BREWSTER - OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Friday of the month. Next trip is Jan. 8. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request destination(s); medical appointments etc.

On the third Friday of each month Dec. 18, 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.

Dec. 19

Encouraging Words Holiday events

WENATCHEE - Join us for Kids’ Day on Saturday, Dec. 19, at Encouraging Words Bible Books and Gifts at 529 S. Wenatchee Ave., or call 509-664-3250. 11a.m.-2 p.m. Book signing with Author, Julie Zielinski, MATT’S LAST CALL; SURVIVING OUR PROTECTORS: About surviving the suicide death of her son, Matt, a US Marine Corps Sergeant and

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An Obituary is a way for family member(s) to commemorate a loved one’s life and to notify the community of the passing of the loved one. Obituaries are also used for historical and ancestral data.

Memorials are another way to let the community know about the life and memories of the person who has passed. A Memorial is different from an Obituary. An Obituary is usually current, while a Memorial can be written later.

Obituaries and Memorials need to be typed and emailed to be placed in the next available issue. They can be placed in one or more of our NCW Media papers: Lake Chelan Mirror, Quad City Herald, Cashmere Valley Record and Leavenworth Echo. All publish on Wednesday.

Obituaries are priced by the number of words and include one color photo. Memorials are priced per column inch. Please call for cost. Payment is due at the time of placement. Deadline is 4 p.m. on Friday.

Please call Ruth at 682-2213 for more information
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www.brewsteradventistschool.com
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Pastor Greg Thorn

COMMUNITY LOG CHURCH

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509-689-2224 • 501 W. Indian Avenue
www.communitylogchurch.com
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“With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.”
~ Matthew 19:26

Introducing ‘Care Connect Washington’ – A new way to get COVID-19 relief

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

OLYMPIA – The Washington State Department of Health is announcing a new service to help people who have to isolate or quarantine at home after testing positive for COVID-19 or being exposed.

Care Connect Washington, working with local health jurisdictions and their partners, will provide critical resources to people who need support when they're staying home. Care coordinators will connect people to community-based services such as medication delivery, health care, help applying for unemployment, local housing agencies, food banks, childcare providers and more.

“People who receive help meeting essential social and health needs are more likely to complete home isolation and quarantine successfully,” said Lacy Fehrenbach, deputy secretary of Health for COVID-19 response. “Care Connect Washington will help to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and help families get through what could be a hard time by making sure they have what they need.”

Care Connect Washington will be available to people who qualify for it via referral. Referrals come from a variety of sources, including case investigators or contact tracers, who ask about each person's ability to successfully home isolate or quarantine. Help will be made available based on need.

Care Connect Washington will expand by region. Each region will deploy a community-based workforce to support people who need help while in isolation or quarantine. The regions will work with local vendors to supply needed goods and services, helping to contribute to local economic

recovery. Care Connect Washington began providing services to Yakima County in July and now provides services to Benton and Franklin counties. Today, we welcome our first two regional hubs:

Southwest Washington Accountable Community of Health (SWACH) will extend Care Connect Washington services to Clark, Klickitat, and Skamania counties. SWACH's infrastructure of 40 community health workers in 11 partner agencies connects community members to health care, social services, and other support they need.

Cascade Pacific Action Alliance's Community CarePort is the hub for COVID-19 care in the region. Community CarePort provides community-based care coordination to Cowlitz, Wahkiakum, Pacific, Grays Harbor, Mason, Thurston, and Lewis counties. Early in the pandemic, Community CarePort used its network of 50 care coordinators across the seven counties, piloting new ways to help people stay home. Community CarePort will leverage and expand this network as a part of Care Connect Washington.

As DOH builds the program out, we expect more regions to begin providing services by January 1.

Care Connect Washington has been funded by federal COVID-19 relief money to provide services at no cost to the person receiving help. Fehrenbach added, “If there are barriers to successful isolation and quarantine, Care Connect Washington can help bridge the gap so that people can stay home when they are sick with or a close contact of someone with COVID-19.”

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COVID

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to approve emergency use authorization to expedite the distribution of a COVID vaccine,” said Mark Parkinson, president and CEO of AHCA/NCAL.

“The delivery of a safe and effective vaccine can't come soon enough,” said Parkinson. “More than 100,000 in long term care have died from this virus in the U.S. and our nursing homes are now experiencing the worst outbreak of new cases since last spring with more than 2,000 residents succumbing to this virus each week.”

North Valley is targeted to receive some of the first shipments of vaccine in the county. Parkinson said that given

the asymptomatic and pre-symptomatic spread of COVID combined with the significant increase of community spread across the U.S., time is of the essence and that vaccines will literally be a lifesaver for thousands of residents.

“A one-month delay in distributing the vaccine to all long-term care residents and caregivers, could result in more than 20,000 of our residents losing their life when a vaccine could protect them,” said Parkinson. “We're in a life or death race against the clock.”

At press time Lauri Jones, OCPH Community Health Director, was unavailable to comment on whether and when additional vaccine shipments will be distributed through her agency.

Health

Best remedies from 2020

With the year 2020 nearly over, it's time to share the remedies I've found most helpful this past year.

1.Humor.
The pandemic took over the year 2020. My co-workers and I wear masks from morning until night, double-masking when caring for COVID patients, often from their cars. We're restricted access to exercise, traveling, and visiting with friends and family, all due to COVID.

There's a small Christmas tree in the reception area of our clinic administration offices. Instead of using the star tree-topper this year, my co-worker Chanda substituted a roll of toilet paper instead, partially unrolling it to mimic a garland. When I saw it, I busted up, laughing. “THAT is SO appropriate, on so many levels!” Smile and laugh, as this too shall pass.

2.Cerave® for dry skin.
I don't know why, but wearing a mask 8-10 hours a day at work makes my eyes, mouth, and skin dry. Cerave® eases my dry and itchy hands and skin with absolutely NO greasy or slippery feel after applying it. I love how quickly and completely it soaks into my skin, better than other hand creams or body butter I've tried.

3. Voltaren® gel for pain and stiffness.
Voltaren® is the same



strength as the prescription version. It can give you concentrated relief of muscle and joint discomfort and stiffness. To avoid overdose, don't use it on your skin while taking one of its close cousins: ibuprofen (Motrin-IB®) or naproxen (Aleve®).

4.Butterfly bandages to avoid stitches.

Last month I caught my middle finger between two bars of steel, crushing it and splitting the skin wide open on both sides of my fingernail, almost to the bone. Too deep for a skin sealer like New Skin®, I used butterfly bandages to hold the skin edges tightly together. I keep them in their box already cut in half, using twice as many, which holds the skin together better. The adhesive doesn't always stick very well, so I cover the “wings” with ribbon fabric tape and leave the rest open to the air. It healed without a scar!

5.Actifed® for both runny and stuffy nose.

I'm allergic to ragweed, which makes my nose congested and runny at the same time. Luckily for me, Actifed® works like a charm. The antihistamine triprolidine found in Actifed® dries up my runny nose AND relieves both my

itchy eyes and stuffy nose. Because it contains the decongestant pseudoephedrine, I have to buy it from the pharmacist. Many younger pharmacists have never heard of it, so you'll need to ask them to order it for you or find a pharmacy that stocks it.

6.Vaseline® (petroleum jelly) or coconut oil to prevent nosebleeds.

Nosebleeds range from inconvenient, to annoying, to scary. People who use oxygen at night are often plagued by frequent bloody noses episodes, especially during the fall and winter months. Many of my patients have reported great success in reducing winter nosebleeds by GENTLY applying a thin layer of petroleum jelly (Vaseline®) or petrolatum to the inside of their nose every evening with a Q-tip swab.

If you don't have any petroleum jelly or petrolatum, you can substitute coconut oil on the Q-tip swab. Please avoid petroleum jelly entirely if you breathe oxygen through tubing with prongs that go into your nose because it can dissolve the prongs' plastic tubing! Instead of petrolatum, you can use coconut oil instead or a saline gel for the nose like Ayr®.

7.Afrin® nasal spray to stop nosebleeds.

Afrin®, or oxymetazoline, relieves nasal congestion by shrinking blood vessels in

your nose, which reduces stuffiness and is also quite helpful in stopping a nosebleed. Suppose you show up at the Emergency Department with a nosebleed. The first thing many ER doctors will do for you is to squirt several sprays of Afrin® on a gauze pad, roll it up, then shove the soaked roll of gauze right up your nose. The combination of the pressure and blood vessel shrinkage from the Afrin® can often stop a nosebleed dead in its tracks.

8.New Skin® to seal cuts and hangnails.

When using an alcohol-based hand sanitizer, I can always tell if I have a cut on my hands because it really STINGS. New Skin® Liquid Bandage is a clear, waterproof liquid with an applicator brush. It protects hangnails, paper cuts, and minor abrasions from the sting of soap and water and alcohol sanitizing gels. New Skin® is better than regular bandages because it's waterproof and contains an anti-infective.

Dr. Louise Achey, Doctor of Pharmacy, is a 40-year veteran of pharmacology and author of *Why Dogs Can't Eat Chocolate: How Medicines Work and How YOU Can Take Them Safely*. Check out her NEW website **TheMedicationInsider.com** for daily tips on how to take your medicine safely.
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More than 1 million users enable WA Notify within first four days

The more people who use the technology, the more effective it is

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

OLYMPIA – The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) has announced that in just four days, more than 1,000,000 users activated WA Notify, a simple, anonymous exposure notification tool that uses smartphones to help stop the spread of COVID-19. More Washington residents opted in within the first 24 hours than any other state using this technology. As of 10 a.m. on Dec. 4, the number of phones with WA Notify is more than 19% of the number of Washington adults.

“Opting into exposure notification is something almost every Washington resident with a smartphone can do to help stop the spread of COVID-19, so we are

gratified to see so many people adopting it quickly,” said Secretary of Health John Wiesman. “If you haven't activated WA Notify yet, please consider doing so. Studies from Oxford University and Stanford show that the more people who use a tool like WA Notify, the more effectively it will protect our communities.”

On Monday, Nov. 30, WA Notify launched in more than 29 languages so as many Washington residents as possible can access this tool. By adding WA Notify to their smartphones, Washington residents will be alerted if they spent time near another user who later tests positive for COVID-19. WA Notify uses privacy-preserving technology jointly developed by Google and Apple and works without collecting or revealing any location or personal data.

When voluntarily activated, phones with WA Notify use Bluetooth technology to exchange random codes with the phones of other users they are near. It does this without revealing a user's

identity or location. Users who test positive for COVID-19 can enter a verification code provided by public health into WA Notify, so that other users who have been near them within the last 14 days can be anonymously alerted and take appropriate action.

WA Notify is free and can be enabled in iPhone settings or downloaded as an app from the Google Play Store for Android phones. Users can opt out at any time.

To learn more:
Visit WANotify.org to see how easy it is to add WA Notify to your smartphone or to learn more.

Information about WA Notify is available in multiple languages—choose from the full list at WANotify.org/languages.

View a video that describes how WA Notify works.

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Minimize the spread of COVID-19 this holiday season

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

OLYMPIA – Given the high rates of COVID-19 in Washington and around the country, our winter holiday celebrations need to look different than in years past. Many of the ways we traditionally celebrate the holidays include contact with non-household members in large group settings. The Department of Health (DOH) strongly urges everyone to limit their holiday celebrations to only members of their immediate households.

Regardless of how you choose to celebrate, it is important to keep the following in mind:

Avoid close contact with people outside of your household. Stay at least 6 feet away from all other people who are not part of your household.

Wear a cloth face covering anytime you are with people not from your household. This includes family members and close friends who do not live with you. Make sure the face covering fits snugly over your nose and mouth.

Avoid confined indoor spaces. Outdoor activities are safer than indoor activities. If participating in an

outdoor event is not possible and you choose to attend an indoor event, avoid crowded poorly ventilated, and fully enclosed indoor spaces. Increase ventilation by opening windows and doors if possible.

Wash or sanitize your hands (and the hands of little ones) often.

Stay home if you are sick or were recently exposed to someone with COVID-19. If you are sick, have symptoms of COVID-19, or have been in contact with someone who has been diagnosed with COVID-19, stay home and away from others.

“As the state continues to experience very high COVID-19 activity, now is not the time to let our guard down” said Lacy Fehrenbach, Deputy Secretary of Health for COVID-19. “We understand that people want to gather with friends and extended family in-person for the holidays, but that just isn't possible to do safely this year. Many of us discovered creative and unique ways to celebrate Thanksgiving, and we are asking everyone do the same when planning their winter holiday celebrations.”

It is important to plan

early and identify safer alternatives to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19. Some ideas include:

Organize online holiday gatherings/contests (cookie decorating, gingerbread houses, etc.)

Host a virtual holiday movie watch party

Online caroling

Online shopping

Holiday hikes

Bake goods at home

Door drop gift or treat deliveries for friends and family

Outdoor activities like snowball fights, sledding, snowshoeing. If done with members outside your household, wear a mask, keep your distance, and keep it small.

Avoid gatherings, events, or parties with people outside of your household that violate the governor's statewide restrictions that went into effect on November 16, 2020. Also, check in with your local health jurisdiction as they may have additional guidance or requirements.

We are all tired of limiting contact with those we love but this is not forever. With COVID-19 vaccines around the corner, our ability to socialize is very likely to start slowly improving in the

spring and may come sooner if we all can interact with each other safely.





For more tips on having a fun and safe holiday season visit: [Tips for Safer Winter Gatherings and Holidays](https://www.wa.gov/health/safer-winter-gatherings-and-holidays).

Have more questions about COVID-19? Call our hotline: 1-800-525-0127, Monday – Friday, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Weekends: 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. For interpretative services, press # when they answer and say your language. For questions about your own health, COVID-19 testing, or testing results, please contact a health care provider.

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NORTHWEST FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, a corporation,
Plaintiff,
vs.
WELTON ORCHARDS AND STORAGE LLC, a Washington limited liability company; MELVIN E. WELTON JR., and his marital community; LILLIAN I. WELTON, and her marital community; and ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE OR FIXTURES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN, Defendants.
NO. 20-2-00215-09 SUMMONS

The State of Washington to Defendants ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL ESTATE OR FIXTURES DESCRIBED IN THE COMPLAINT HEREIN: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to wit, within sixty days after the 11th day of November, 2020, and defend the above entitled action in the above titled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff NORTHWEST FARM CREDIT SERVICES, FLCA, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for the plaintiff Lukins & Annis, PS, at its office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. This action arises from a breach of contract by Welton Orchards and Storage LLC, Melvin E. Welton Jr., and Lillian I. Welton and seeks to foreclose or satisfy a mortgage and fixture filing granted by Welton Orchards and Storage LLC, on real property located in Douglas County, Washington. Dated this 6th day of November, 2020. LUKINS & ANNIS, P.S. By /s/ Trevor R. Pincock TREVOR R. PINCOCK, WSBA# 36818 Attorneys for Plaintiff 717 W. Sprague Ave., Ste. 1600 Spokane, WA 99201 (509) 455-9555 Published in the Quad City Herald Nov. 11, 18, 25, Dec. 2, 9, and 16, 2020. #1132



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Hawkins pre-files bill to promote hydrogen-powered vehicles

12th District senator emphasizes North Central Washington as continued leaders of clean energy

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SEN. BRAD HAWKINS

OLYMPIA - The first bill of the upcoming legislative session has been introduced. Following his successful effort with Senate Bill 5588 in 2019 to authorize public utility districts to produce and sell “renewable hydrogen,” Sen. Brad Hawkins has pre-filed a bill for the 2021 legislative session to establish an eight-year statewide pilot project for the reduction of sales tax on purchases of fuel-cell electric vehicles. The bill so far has gained commitments of bipartisan support from nearly 20 co-sponsors.

“The people of North Central Washington have been leaders in clean energy for decades and new state efforts to promote renewable hydrogen and zero-



12th District Senator Brad Hawkins, sponsor of SB 5588 in 2019 and the 2021 hydrogen vehicle pilot project bill, SB 5000.

utilize its surplus hydropower to do just that, creating renewable hydrogen from excess renewable hydropower and possibly also building hydrogen fueling stations.

Hawkins’ proposal, Senate Bill 5000, eligible for legislative consideration in January, aims



Courtesy office of Sen. Brad Hawkins
Toyota brought its Mirai to the state Capitol in Olympia in 2019 for the bill signing of Senate Bill 5588.



The Toyota Mirai is a zero-emissions fuel cell electric car and only discharges water.

emissions vehicles will help us continue our innovative work,” said Hawkins.

Hydrogen can be created from a process that separates the hydrogen and oxygen molecules in water. The Douglas County PUD in Hawkins’ district plans to

to extend a similar exemption in vehicle sales tax that purchasers of traditional electric vehicles receive. With the first hydrogen fueling stations in Washington state expected to be operational by 2022, the bill would allow a total of 650 vehicles to receive a 50 percent sales tax exemption in

fiscal years 2023 through 2029. Even though hydrogen vehicles are newer to the market and slightly more expensive due to having not been in mass production nationwide, they have shown tremendous promise given how quickly they refuel and the limited infrastructure

required to get the fuel to the station. Hawkins mentions that his bill would help establish important parity between fuel-cell electric vehicles and traditional plug-in electrics.

“In our efforts to promote carbon-free vehicles, our state policies should be technologically neutral” so that we can give ourselves varied opportunities to reduce emissions and not unintentionally bias ourselves in the process,” Hawkins said. “Similar to diesel and gas, maybe there will always be multiple fuel sources for next-generation cars or maybe someday hydrogen vehicles will be the preferred choice.”

The lead co-sponsor of the bill is 40th District Sen. Liz Lovelett (D-Anacortes). Supporters of the bill include Douglas County PUD, Renewable Hydrogen Alliance, Western States Hydrogen Alliance, and Toyota.

What the bill’s supporters are saying:

“We are thankful for Senator Hawkins’ leadership for

renewable hydrogen. His support has created an opportunity for us to increase efficiencies at our Wells Hydroelectric Project and increase value for our customers,” Molly Simpson, Douglas County PUD Commission President

“The Renewable Hydrogen Alliance is proud to support the expansion of clean vehicle incentives to fuel cell electric cars just as Washington begins creating clean hydrogen from the state’s ample supply of renewable electricity,” Ken Dragoon, Executive Director of the Renewable Hydrogen Alliance

“Hydrogen fuel cell vehicles will be critical to the future of a decarbonized transportation sector. This bill is a meaningful step to ensuring the state incentivizes a portfolio approach to electrifying Washington’s transportation sector. WSHA could not be more pleased to support Senator Hawkins in this effort,” Roxana Bekemohammadi, Executive Director of the Western States

Hydrogen Alliance

“Senator Hawkins’ pilot incentive program is an important first step to help accelerate the adoption of hydrogen, fuel cell and electrification accessibility in Washington state. Paving the way for emissions-free technologies will further generate awareness, interest and acceptance in communities seeking cleaner options,” Doug Murtha, Group Vice President of Corporate Strategy and Planning at Toyota Motor North America

“As we work to reduce transportation emissions in Washington state, incentivizing clean energy through an increased use of hydrogen could play a significant role toward accomplishing our climate goals. I look forward to working across the aisle with Senator Hawkins on this policy, and to continue protecting our state’s incredible natural environment,” Sen. Liz Lovelett, 40th District, D-Anacortes, Lead Co-Sponsor



The Wells Hydroelectric Project, located near Pateros in the 12th District, is owned and operated by Douglas County PUD. The PUD plans to use surplus electricity from this facility to produce renewable hydrogen. RCW 54.04.190 defines “renewable hydrogen” as “hydrogen produced using renewable resources both as the source for the hydrogen and the source for the energy input into the production process.”

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