



TranGO addresses extended safety measures for passengers, drivers

Preparing for COVID-19

By MIKE MALTAIS
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OKANOGAN – Though there is not yet any known case of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Okanogan County, the epidemic is a topic of concern in every business, school, agency, and household in the county. That is certainly the case at TranGO, the Okanogan County Transit Authority where CEO Kelly Scalf said of the COVID-19 epidemic: “It’s been the major topic of the week.”

In remarks to The Quad last Friday, March 6, Scalf said her agency is still in the early stages of confronting the potential of passenger and driver exposure to COVID-19 on TranGO vehicles and how best to address that threat.

“People should be aware that cleaning happens all the time,” said Scalf who pointed out that vehicle cleaning and sanitization was a regular routine before the corona virus became an issue. “High-touch surfaces are sanitized overnight.”

Scalf said her team is conferring with partner agency Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition (OCTN) and the county health district as well as federal and state resources to determine the best measures to follow to extend their vehicle cleaning and sanitation even further. That is no easy assignment where a service like public transportation is concerned.

Differences in vehicle manufacture require different approaches to cleaning and sanitizing for such fixtures as cloth versus vinyl seats. Scalf said TranGO is evaluating the benefits of fogging systems that employ a disinfectant that is sprayed into a vehicle and allowed to

remain overnight.

“Prevention is the best thing we can do,” said Scalf. “We were just talking about posting information in our vehicles reminding passengers to wash their hands, and cover their mouths, etc.”

“We also have a supply chain issue and we’re are dealing with that,” Scalf said.

Federal agencies like the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and Transportation Security Administration (TSA) recommend extra care be taken with door-to-door transport vehicles where passengers using mobility devices like wheelchairs come into closer contact with drivers.

Unlike EMS personnel who respond to emergencies and have the appropriate protective clothing to wear when doing so, transit drivers are not so equipped and would probably find donning protective clothing incompatible with their repeated contact with passengers throughout a typical workday.

“We are planning for the worst and hoping for better results,” said Scalf who had just participated in an American Public Transportation Association webinar addressing passenger and driver safety measures.

Part of TranGO’s planning scenario is taking a longer view if the service needs to operate with a shortage of drivers or must designate priority routes in the event of some route cancellations. Screening passengers to help identify carriers of the virus another option if the epidemic’s spread so warrants.

“This is all evolving,” said Scalf. “We want to keep our passengers and drivers safe.”

No confirmed cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Okanogan County

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OKANOGAN - There are no confirmed cases of Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Okanogan County at this time (March 6). There is one individual who is being tested, however they are quarantined and pose no threat to the public.

Use the same procedures to lessen your risk of contacting the COVID-19 as you would any other contagious flu or virus.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water, use



alcohol-based hand sanitizer when soap and water aren’t available

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands
- Disinfect objects and

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Bass Tournament planned for Cherries Jubilee

By MIKE MALTAIS
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BREWSTER – The city has its annual Salmon Derby during the first week-end of August. This year it will add a bass tournament scheduled to happen this coming June.

The inaugural Cherries Jubilee 2020 Open Bass Tournament hosted by the Brewster Chamber of Commerce, organized by the Okanogan Valley Bass Club, and sponsored by Mauk Fishing Stuff, LLC. Chamber president Mike Mauk, owner of Mauk Fishing Stuff said the tournament will cover both Saturday and Sunday, June 20-21.

Following a drivers’ meeting



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Largemouth bass

at 5 a.m. Saturday morning the boats will blast off at 6 a.m. both days and fish until the official weigh-in times of 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday.

“If you have never seen 25 or 30 high-powered bass boats blast off, you need to come to the Brewster boat launch at 6 a.m. and check it out,” Mauk said.

Interest in the new tour-

namment venue is already building.

“We are hearing from local big-time bass tournament fishermen,” said Mauk. “We are predicting up to perhaps 30 boats with the Wenatchee Bass Club very interested.”

Mauk said the tournament boundaries will extend from Wells Dam to

Chief Joseph Dam and up the Okanogan River.

“The Okanogan River and the mouth of the Columbia and Okanogan are well known to be a super bass fishery,” Mauk said.

Trophies and prizes including biggest bass of the weekend plus first, second, and third places for total catch weight will be awarded following Sunday’s official weigh-in.

“This is the Chamber’s first ever bass tournament with plans to make it memorable and great for the fishermen to come back next year.”

As an added convenience for spectators, Cherries Jubilee will be held in the park where the bass boats will launch and return both days.

Community Food Bank Garden breaks ground

Applying for Katie’s Krops

By MIKE MALTAIS
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BREWSTER – Supporters gathered at the Hope Lutheran Church at 1520 Sunset Drive last Saturday, Feb. 28, to plan a new community garden now taking shape in ground adjacent to the church building.

The Community Food Bank Garden is providing an opportunity for volunteers of all ages to plant and grow food for the local Brewster Food Bank and families in need. The church is also applying to become a designated Katie’s Krops garden site (katie’skrops.com) of which there are currently 100



Courtesy facebook.com/BrewsterWA

The freshly tilled space shown adjacent to the hope Lutheran Church on Sunset Drive is the site of the new Community Food Bank Garden that will be providing fresh vegetables to the local food bank and families in need.

spread across 33 states.

Katie’s Krops was inspired in 2008 by nine-year-old Katie Stagliano from

Summerville, South Carolina who planted a cabbage seed as part of the Bonnie Plants Third Grade Cab-

bage Program. The result was a 40-pound cabbage

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Chamber votes to join NCWEDD Supernova program

New business tool

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BREWSTER – At the Brewster Chamber of Commerce February meeting, Alyce Brown, Marketing and Events Manager for the North Central Washington Economic Development District (NCWEDD)



H11 President Mike Mauk chairs last week’s regular monthly meeting.

introduced a program called the Supernova Business Launch Competition (BLC) designed to encourage for-profit small businesses to expand into the NCW area.

The BLC is offering a cash award and professional services to help the winning applicant get a foothold in the Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, or Ferry county area. Prospective

applicants submit their business plans to Supernova’s vetting board.

Communities have the opportunity to partner with Supernova to help promote and showcase their locations to prospective business ventures as a proactive step in attracting new businesses to their cities.

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Okanogan-Douglas Fire District rejects Pateros School District’s property offer

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – At their

regular meeting on Feb. 24, Pateros School District board members learned that the Okanogan-Doug-

las Fire District 15 declined the school district’s proposal regarding the sale of Methow School

District property a portion of which the fire district

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Free backyard fruit tree removal program for Douglas County residents

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WENATCHEE - The Chelan-Douglas Horticultural Pest and Disease Department kicked off our free Backyard Fruit Tree Removal Program on March 9. The program runs from March through October each year in both Chelan and Douglas Counties. Parties interested in having their fruit tree(s) removed can contact our main office at 509.667.6827 or email me directly at will.carpenter@co.chelan.wa.us.

The program: Our department staff will perform a site

inspection and evaluate the trees to be removed. If the trees are accepted we will then schedule the removal, cut the trees down to ground level and apply herbicide to prevent any regrowth. We will then haul away any unwanted material to be later burned or chipped at our burn site. Acceptance is based on the amount of trees to be removed and the amount of bulk material to be hauled away.

As always, anyone can contact us to report unmanaged or wild fruit trees in Chelan and Douglas Counties that may be causing horticultural pest and disease problems to local growers.

Officer involved shooting investigation in Riverside March 3

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POLICE DEPARTMENT

RIVERSIDE - The North Central Washington Special Investigation Unit was requested by Okanogan County Sheriff Tony Hawley to independently investigate an officer-involved shooting that occurred on Main Street in Riverside, Washington on March 3.

Shortly after 11:30 a.m. Okanogan County Deputies and an Omak Police Detective had cause to contact a vehicle at the above location occupied by Ryan E. Bass, 39, from Okanogan County who had a confirmed felony warrant. When the Deputies and Detective contacted Bass he allegedly presented a firearm and shot several rounds towards the officers. Two Deputies and the Omak Detective returned fire striking Bass.

Officers performed CPR until relieved by EMS and Bass was transported to Mid Valley Hospital in Omak where he died as a result of his injuries. None of the Deputies or the Detective involved were injured. The Deputies and the Detective were placed on administrative leave as a standard procedure in this type of incident.

The officer-involved shooting portion of this incident is being independently investigated by the North Central Washington Special Investigation Unit. This is a multi-jurisdictional team with Chelan County Sheriff's Office, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, East Wenatchee Police Department, Okanogan County Sheriff's Office, Wenatchee Police Department, and the Washington State Patrol. Washington State Patrol is the lead agency for this incident.

DOUGLAS COUNTY PUD

Kristy Oules presented with 20 year pin

By DOPUGLAS COUNTY PUD

EAST WENATCHEE - Douglas County PUD Commissioners Molly Simpson, Ronald E Skagen and Aaron J. Viebrock executed the following actions during the Feb. 19 Commission meeting held at the District's Wells Hydroelectric Project:

- Awarded Office Engineer Kristy Oules with her 20 year service award. Commissioner Simpson thanked Kristy on behalf of the citizens of Douglas County for her years of service. Kristy thanked the Commission and talked about her previous assignments with the District.
- Awarded contract 19-33-D, construct Rapids Switchyard Phase 3 to Magnum Power, LLC the lowest responsive bidder.
- Authorized acceptance of work and final payment to Reeves Lawn and Spray Service, LLC under contract 16-29-W. 2017 grounds maintenance. All work is complete and determined to meet bid specifications.
- Approved change order No. 1 to contract 19-09-W, replacement 14.4 KV main generator breakers for the Wells Hydroelectric Project. The change will



Left for right: Commissioner Simpson, Commissioner Viebrock, Commissioner Skagen, and Kristy Oules, Office Engineer who received her 20 year service award

facilitate the installation of all ten breakers by an authorized installer, Olson Industrial Electric and extend the warranty to five years. This change will increase the not-to-exceed cost \$1,398,745.

- Authorized acceptance of work and final payment to Irrigation Technology and Control Inc. for the third year under contract 16-25-W, 2017 hatchery well and pump maintenance. All work is complete and determined to meet bid specifications.
- Approved acceptance of work and final payment to Clearwater Construction and Management, LLC under contract 19-02-W, Wells Hatchery dirt pond reconfiguration and liner replacement. All work is

complete and determined to meet bid specifications.

- Authorized award of contract 19-31-W, 2020 well drilling at Douglas PUD hatchery facilities to Holt Services, Inc. the lowest responsive bidder. (20-
- Authorized interconnection and service agreement with Pine Canyon Growers as required by the Customer Service Policies, Section 36. (20-
- Heard a report on the Douglas County Community Network. The network currently has 5,354 end users.

Feb. 3 meeting

Douglas County PUD Commissioners Ronald E Skagen, Molly Simpson and Aaron J. Viebrock executed the following actions dur-

ing the Feb. 3, Commission meeting held at the District's East Wenatchee office:

- Approved renewal of non-owned aircraft liability insurance with Starr Aviation.
- Authorized amendment No. 1 to the 2018 Interlocal Agreement with Grant PUD for the operation of the Carlton Acclimation Facility. This will extend the agreement for five years and defines the responsibilities of each party.
- Approved amendment No. 10 to professional service agreement 12-17-W, consulting engineering services for the Wells Hydroelectric Project with Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. This will extend the termination date to December 31, 2022. Necessary to complete two outstanding tasks.
- Authorized amendment No. 21 to Doble Service and Equipment Agreement. This will extend the contract three years to May 31, 2023. Douglas PUD has used Doble test equipment since 1981. Doble offers use of specialized test equipment and technical support. The contract is not to exceed \$31,220 per year. 20-032)
- Rescheduled the April 13 Commission Meeting to April 14 due to travel schedules. The meeting will be at 1:30 p.m. in the East Wenatchee office.

Free workshops scheduled for backpack, ATV sprayer use

Sponsored by Noxious Weed Office

By MIKE MALTAIS
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OKANOGAN - Landowners looking for some guidance regarding the types and quantities of herbicides to use to control the spread of noxious weeds on their properties can register to attend a free workshop later this month to help answer those questions.

The Okanogan County Noxious Weed Control Board is sponsoring a workshop called Spray Smart, a hands-

on tutorial for backpack and all-terrain vehicle (ATV) sprayer calibration. The sessions will discuss sprayer calibration rates so users can learn how much spray they are applying per acre of land to prevent over- or under-applications. The workshops will also focus on the quantity of herbicide to apply based on manufacturer label recommendations and how to calculate those rates.

Each workshop is scheduled to last two hours with a half-hour break between. Workshops will be held at 9-11 a.m., 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., and 2-4 p.m. on March 26, at the Okanogan County Noxious Weed Of-

fice (OCNWO) at 1224 South Second Ave., in Okanogan. Pre-registration is required and the OCNWO is applying for pesticide credits. The registration deadline is March 23. Each workshop is limited to a maximum of 10 individuals.

Participants can bring their backpack and ATV sprayers to practice with in the workshops. Please make sure the equipment is triple rinsed to ensure cleanliness.

For more information or to pre-register, contact the Noxious Weed Office at 509-422-7165, email noxiousweeds@co.okanogan.wa.us, or stop by the office



Courtesy kingcounty.gov
Dalmatian toadflax is a Class B noxious weed in Washington state.

at 1224 South Second Ave. in Okanogan.

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that helped feed more than 275 people at the local soup kitchen. From that beginning Katie's Krops was born and now involves 100 gardens across 33 states with a goal of establishing 500 gardens through the nation's 50 states.

"The mission of Katie's Krops is to empower youth start and maintain vegetable gardens of all sizes and donate the harvest to help feed people in need, as well as to assist and inspire others to do the same," reads the mission statement on its website katiekrops.com

If Hope Lutheran's application is selected the local Katie's Krops Garden

will be the responsibility of one 9-to 16-year-old who will receive a garden center gift card, support from the nationwide Katie's Krops team and Master Gardener, private website access, growing manual and scholarship eligibility. The designated grower is required to provide online records of harvest totals, photos and other details.

The entire harvest must be donated to people which locally could include the Food Bank, Senior Center, Boys and Girls Club, CareNet Center, schools, and veterans, among others.

To follow the progress of the Community Food Bank Garden visit facebook.com/BrewsterWA. For more information call or text Sue at 509-429-6416.

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expressed an earlier interest in purchasing. Pateros Superintendent Greg Goodnight had proposed to keep the property whole as opposed to dividing it. While the fire district

is still interested in purchasing a portion of the Methow parcel, school board member Parker Barth, seconded by Marc Armstrong, moved to keep the Methow property intact and wait until the best use of the property is found as one that meets the needs of the Methow

community, the fire district and the school district. The motion was carried unanimously.

In other business the board, approved this year's sixth grade Outdoor Education Field Trip planned for April 27-May 1 in Alta Lake State Park.

The board also approved the school's spring coaching staff as follows:

High school track: Erik Romero.
Junior high track: Marcus Stennes.
Softball: Head coach

John Slater, Assistant Katarina Wilson.

Baseball: Head coach Shane Kelly, Assistant Matt Coffman.

Boys soccer: Jesse Vilalobos.

Boys/Girls tennis: Sean Hiltz.

Junior High girls volleyball: Head coach Teagan Straub, Assistant Erika Varrelman.

Twenty-one of the school's 23 seniors are on track to graduate while two are working on credit retrieval.

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• ******(Depending on loading conditions, an attempt to switch these customers to alternate substations will be made to restore power; however, customers should prepare for an outage.)
For all residence using medical equipment requiring electrical power, you will need to make provisions for a 6-hour power outage.
The PUD will be performing maintenance and making repairs to equipment on the Brewster to Twisp 115kV transmission line.
The PUD appreciates your patience and regrets any inconvenience this outage may cause.

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The Compassionate Friends meet March 14 in Brewster

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – A support group designed to help those who have lost a loved one will meet at the at 1 p.m., Saturday, March 14, in the Brewster Ambulance Hall at 412 W. Indian Ave.

The Compassionate Friends (TCF) is a non-

profit, self-help support organization for families that have experienced the death of a child or loved one, at any age, from any cause, the group's media release said. Brewster is hosting the meeting with Wenatchee Valley Chapter leader Carol Sunada, M.S.

TCF, an international organization, was founded

more than 50 years ago by a British chaplain and is today spread across 30 countries. It has more than 660 chapters serving all 50 states plus Washington, D.C. Puerto Rico and Guam. TCF has no religious affiliations, membership fees or dues, and no employees. Volunteers fill the leadership roles.

Bereaved individuals and families can gather to discuss their experiences and emotions with those who have endured similar losses.

For further information or to inquire about establishing a local group, contact Shan Miller at 509-632-5327, email sweets@frontier.com, or visit the TCF website at tchwenatcheevalley.org

Sen. Hawkins meets with Bridgeport FFA students



Courtesy Brian Zylstra

Cutline: Sen. Brad Hawkins met with three Bridgeport FFA students earlier in this year's Legislative session. Pictured from left Federico Colin, Sen. Hawkins, Citlaly Guzman and Rebecca Hernandez.

Give 1 dog a bone

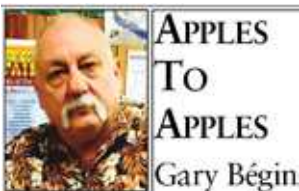
It has been said that if you give one dog a bone, you end up feeding the whole kennel. Arf! Arf! to that.

Where in the blue blazes am I going with this? I am aiming at the Heart of Darkness and we aren't talking Joseph Conrad either. The heart of darkness in this story is one of selfishness.

If, God forbid, President Donald Trump should not be re-elected, I would prefer Joe Biden any day of the week over Bernie Sanders.

Biden lost a Marine Corps veteran son to brain cancer. Biden co-ran the country for eight years. Biden was a United States senator from Delaware for 36 years and before that a county commissioner.

If I can't have Trump, I'd gladly settle for Biden, but we must look down ballot to ensure conservatives get elected to keep Washington, D.C. in check vis a vis overtly and covertly liberal policies being enacted. To me and many fellow "compassionate conservatives", it isn't a matter of not wanting to help certain groups, but how to help them and pay the bills associated with that help, that is the question.



Do I want homelessness, hunger, bad living conditions and unemployment to continue? No one does silly rabbit. No one is actually "for" anything negative and if they are it would never be admitted publicly.

We have already learned some important lessons in running a democracy and that is always a good thing. Despite his wealth, Mike Bloomberg couldn't buy his way to victory.

Despite her midwestern appeal, Amy Klobuchar couldn't do it. Neither could fresh-faced Beto O'Rourke or openly Gay Mayor Pete. If Biden wins I wouldn't like it, but I would always support "my" president whomever that is.

Now if I were Biden, after enjoying the Gatorades shower of the so-called Super Tuesday, I would soon be selecting a woman as his running mate.

If he wants to go "bi-coastal" he could select

Kamala Harris. That would help capture Blacks, Californians and Women all in one shot, plus some liberals who are left of Lunch Pail Joe. His obvious problem with that choice is that the entire country between California and Delaware would not be represented on that ticket and that he would probably win California anyway without Harris on the ticket.

He could select the aforementioned Midwesterner Klobuchar. That might be a nice dovetail fit as both can claim moderate policies. Biden might elect to go for youth and select O'Rourke and that might guarantee a Texas victory and also drag some of the Hispanic vote.

I already have the ultimate answer for "Sleepy" Joe. A Black female midwesterner named Oprah Winfrey. America elected a television personality named Trump in 2016, why not another TV star named Winfrey as VP?

With a Biden-Winfrey ticket, he would get more midwestern votes and still get liberal wingers, Blacks and Women as well as someone personally wealthy enough to give every mem-

ber of her studio audience a free car a few years back.

At least Winfrey didn't ask or demand that the American taxpayers pay for those cars.

As a note of caution, my headline comes back into focus: Give a dog a bone (or anyone a free car) and pretty soon you will be feeding the whole kennel. The problem with filthy rich folks with liberal policies is simple, no one that has ever lived in the history of the world, including all the kings and queens and corrupt generals and Saudi Royals, could afford to buy all Americans anything of value, let alone a car or a free education or free medical care forever.

Therefore, as usual, if the left wing of the Democrat Party wins the 2020 presidential election, we can be sure of a recession or absolute crash of the economy because all of us will be paying for the extreme socialistic policies of the left --- just as we are doing in Washington state.

I am saddened by divisive politics, but who in Olympia cares what I think anyway? Signed, A Blue State Whiner.

Legislature approves Hawkins' bill creating Washington apple license plate

By BRIAN ZYLSTRA OF SEN. BRAD HAWKINS OFFICE

OLYMPIA - A bill sponsored by 12th District Sen. Brad Hawkins that would create a Washington apple license plate has received legislative approval. The House today voted 92-5 to approve Senate Bill It now goes to Gov. Jay Inslee for signing. "I am very excited that the bill made it all the way through the process and is now on its way to the governor's desk," Hawkins said. "In addition to funding a good cause, we promoted our tree fruit industry in the process and had a lot of fun doing so. I'm very proud of everyone involved."

Hawkins credits the Washington Apple Commission and Washington Apple Education Foundation staffs, who worked hard alongside him to get the bill approved. He also appreciates the support and team effort shown by his 12th District seatmates, Reps. Keith Goehner and Mike Steele, Yakima-area legislators, and many others who assisted with the bill as it moved through the House.

Officials with the Washington Apple Commission and Washington Apple Education Foundation testified in support of SB 6032 at its Jan. 22 public hearing in the Senate Transportation Committee and on Feb 24 before the House Transportation Committee. They are thrilled that the bill has received approval.

"We celebrate the passage of the bill creating a Washington apple license plate, as it recognizes the apple industry's contributions to our state and will be an excellent fundraising source for youth within our communities pursuing a higher education," said Washington Apple Commission President Todd Fryhover. "We are deeply appreciative of our legislative sponsor, Senator Brad Hawkins, and his diligent work to guide SB



Courtesy Sen. Brad Hawkins office

Left to right: Washington Apple Commission President Todd Fryhover, WAC Communication Outreach Coordinator Toni Lynn Adams, Sen. Hawkins, and Washington Apple Education Foundation Executive Director Jennifer Witherbee.

6032 through the legislative process. This new scholarship funding resource is possible in thanks to the supportive legislators in our eastern Washington communities, Senators Short and King, and Representatives Goehner, Steele, Dufault and Corry, and two amazing ladies, Toni Lynn Adams (WAC) and Jennifer Witherbee (WAEF), who worked tirelessly to move this across the finish line."

"Passage of SB 6032 creates deserved recognition for the apple industry and a big win for central Washington students," said Jennifer Witherbee, executive director of the Washington Apple Education Foundation. "We are truly appreciative of our primary sponsor, Senator Brad Hawkins, the tremendous support we received from our Wenatchee and Yakima area legislators, and for all of the legislators from across the state who encouraged the license plate bill's passage. We are excited for July 1st when we get to see the new Washington apple specialty license plates on Washington state

highways!"

A \$40 fee would be charged for an initial Washington apple special license plate, and \$30 for an annual renewal. As part of the process for creating a specialty license plate, the Washington Apple Commission will contribute \$6,300 in start-up costs.



Courtesy Sen. Brad Hawkins office

Washington apple license plate.

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Applications being accepted for Mike Watkins Memorial Scholarship

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CHELAN – Applications are now being accepted for the Mike Watkins Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship is open to any graduating senior from the Pateros, Brewster, Bridgeport, Chelan and Manson school districts or a former student of any of these school districts who has successfully completed their GED, or the son or daughter of a current Wells Dam Employee. The scholarship will provide financial assistance to an individual attending a trade/technical/vocational program.

The Mike Watkins Memorial Scholarship was created by employees of the Wells Hydroelectric Project, in honor a fellow mechanic Mike "Fluffy" Watkins, to offer financial support to high school seniors seeking skilled jobs training after graduation.

Requirements are: com-

plete at application, a personal letter from the applicant stating why they wish to further their training, including yo ur aspiration in selected field, and need for the scholarship, three letters of recommendations (other than relatives) two from teachers, third from community member such as employer, pastor, personal friend of family etc. Also needed are Official Transcript, signed and dated from the applicants high school; Program Acceptance Letter or confirmation notification that is has been submitted; and summary of academic awards, leadership, school/community activities, volunteer work/ community service and work experience.

To get an application for the Mike Watkins Memorial Scholarship, call 509-923-2226 or email MikeWatkinsMemorialScholarship@gmail.com

Applications must be postmarked by March 31.

COVID-19

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Okanogan County School Retirees' Association cancels March 13 luncheon

OKANOGAN - The Okanogan County School Retirees' Association has canceled their March 13 luncheon, which was to be held to celebrate Governor Inslee's designation of March 8-14 as Washington State School Retirees' Week. The meeting was cancelled to avoid COVID-19 illness. Information: Jennie Hedington: 509-422-2954.

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Feb. 28 Warrant at 16th Street and Foster Avenue in Bridgeport. Parking/abandoned vehicle at Fireman Park in Bridgeport. Domestic disturbance at 2 Richards Ave. in Bridgeport.	Child protective services/adult protective services at 1960 Monroe Ave. in Bridgeport.
March 4 Theft at 116 Fir Ave. on Bridgeport Bar. Trespass at 2412 Highlands Dr. in Bridgeport. Suspicious incident at 2412 Highland Dr. in Bridgeport.	
March 5 Warrant at Cross Street and Second Street in Bridgeport. Juvenile problem at 2331 Monroe Ave. in Bridgeport.	
March 3	

Brewster Youth Baseball signups March 17

BY QUAD CITY HERALD STAFF
BREWSTER - Signups for the 2020 Brewster Youth Baseball will be held at the Brewster High School Commons on Tuesday, March 17, 5-6 p.m. Must be no younger than 5 and no older than 12 on May 1, 2020.

CHAMBER

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"The biggest takeaway, in my opinion, that a chamber receives from being a partner is the ability to obtain the business plans that have gone through a serious vetting to review and potentially uncover new businesses that make sense for Brewster," said Brown. "These are solid leads that will be provided to the chamber and leads who have shown interest in locating their business in your county."

Chamber president Mike

Mauk recommended that the Chamber pay the \$250 annual membership fee to have the opportunity to evaluate the competing business applicants to determine which ones might be a good fit for Brewster. The board approved the motion.

The 16 semi-finalists in the BLC program will participate with local officials in a May familiarization tour with TranGO to visit communities that have partnered with Supernova. Part of the tour will highlight available and vacant spaces for purchase of lease in the city.

DEATH NOTICE

Elaine Ann Dahl

Elaine Ann Dahl, 88, formerly of Bridgeport, Wash. passed away on Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2019 in Sonora, California.

A funeral mass will be held in Yakima, Wash. on March 28 at 10 a.m., at St Paul's Cathedral, 15 S. 12th Ave. with a reception to follow. On March 29 at 11 a.m., a graveside service will be held in Entiat, Wash. at the Entiat Cemetery, 18199 Entiat River Rd. with a reception to follow.

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Cost of the obituary/ memorial is due at the time of placement. Funeral homes and chapels can submit obituaries by Noon on Monday, unless a holiday.

Obituaries are priced per word while Memorial ads are per column-inch.

For info call Ruth 509-682-2213, or email ruthk@lakechelanmirror.com

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Brewster Senior Center Rummage Room

BREWSTER - Hours at the Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center are 8 to 12:45 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday. Donations will be accepted during store hours at the back door for the Rummage Room. No children's clothing. They will take "small pieces of furniture and sometimes larger items."

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

Senior meals

BREWSTER - The Brewster-Pateros-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. All diners are welcome.

Thursday, March 12

Lemon Baked Fish, Wild rice, Brussels Sprouts, Green Salad, Waldorf Salad, WW Roll, Dessert

Tuesday, March 17

Corned Beef & Cabbage, Boiled Red Potatoes, Carrots, Tropical Fruit, WW Roll, Pistachio Pudding

Wednesday, March 18

Chicken Salad on a Croissant, Vegetable Soup, Grapes, Dessert

Tuesdays and Thursdays S.A.I.L. classes

BREWSTER - S.A.I.L. (Stay Active and Independent for Life) classes are Tuesday and Thursday, 10-11 a.m. at the Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center.

Wednesdays

Brewster Senior Center Bingo

BREWSTER - Bingo is back at 10:15 a.m. every Wednesday morning at the Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center at 109 S. Bridge St. Cost is 25 cents per card.

March 11

Lilac Services for the Blind meetings

WENATCHEE - The Wenatchee Valley Chapter of the Lilac Services For the Blind meets every second Wednesday of the month at 4 Kittitas St. across the street from the bus station in Wenatchee, second floor, at noon. All with sight impairment are welcome. For information: Rae Hail, (509) 888-7597.

On Mondays and Tuesdays call (509) 423-5178.

March 12-13-14-15

"My Girlfriend's Closet" fundraiser League

WENATCHEE - The Women's Service League of NCW (WSL) is holding its premier fundraising event, "My Girlfriend's Closet" (MGC), on March 13, 14, and 15, located in former location of Hastings at 315 9th Street in Wenatchee across from Confluence Health. The MGC Preview Party will be held on Thursday, March 12, from 5:30-8 p.m. There are limited tickets still available at the UPS Stores for \$40 - cash or check - for this event that gives women an all access pass to exclusive shopping for new and gently used, quality women's clothing, shoes, handbags and jewelry. Wine from Horan Estates Winery and hors d'oeuvres from Ravenous Catering will be served. There will also be a silent auction featuring select designer name brand items.

MGC is open to the public for shopping on Friday, March 13 from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Saturday, March 14 from 9 a.m. - 7 pm, and Sunday, March 15 from 1-3 pm. There is no charge for admission. New items hit the racks daily.

March 13, 20

Brewster area monthly bus trips to Omak and Wenatchee

BREWSTER - OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee, second Friday of the month. Next trip is March 13 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, March 20, riders will be taken to Omak for the day. Riders request their destination(s).

Wenatchee: \$12/boarding for General Public, \$6 suggested donation/day for Seniors (60 plus). Omak: \$5.50/General Public, \$2.75 suggested donation Seniors (60 plus). (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

March 13

VFW Auxiliary to meet

CHELAN - VFW Post #6853 Auxiliary meets the second Friday of the month at the Heritage Heights Assisted Living meeting room, 505 E. Highland

Avenue, at 1 p.m. Anyone interested in joining can call Carol Palmbush at (509) 682-5624.

March 16

Compassionate Friends to meet

WENATCHEE - The Compassionate Friends is an organization offering friendship, understanding and hope to bereaved parents and their families. They are bereaved parents reaching out to bereaved parents. Anyone who has had a child or loved one die in their family is invited to their monthly meeting on Monday, March 16, 7-8:30 p.m., Grace Lutheran Church, 1408 Washington Street. For information: Carol, 509-860-3620.

March 16

OKANOGAN - The Okanogan County Art Association will meet Monday, March 16 at 10 a.m. in the United Presbyterian Church, 429 W. Oak, Okanogan. Artists will share their 'series' paintings for evaluation and comment. A business meeting will follow at 11 a.m. Anyone interested is invited to attend. For info: tharp49@gmail.com or Karyl Hubbard, 826-3385.

March 16

TOPS meeting

BREWSTER - TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets Mondays, 10 a.m., 600 W. Indian Avenue. Preteens, teens, adults - male, female welcome. First meeting is free. TOPS Club, Inc. ® is an affordable, nonprofit, weight-loss support and wellness education organization. Learn about nutrition, portion control, food planning, exercise, and motivation. For info: Joyce Anderson, Coordinator, (509) 922-8820, visit www.tops.org, call TOPS Headquarters, (800) 932-8677.

March 17

Help available for Douglas County veterans

BRIDGEPORT - Sarah Simonson the Veterans Service Officer for Douglas County, sets up an outreach/satellite office in Bridgeport once a month on the third Tuesday of the month, in the town office's conference room 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can find her on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/douglascountyyvso

April 1

American Legion Auxiliary to meet

BREWSTER - American Legion Auxiliary meeting is Wednesday Marchj 4 at 6 p.m. For info: Kim Patterson 509-689-3137 or if you are unable to attend the meeting.

April 1

American Legion to meet

BREWSTER - American Legion Post 97 of Brewster will meet Wednesday, March 4 beginning at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Post.

April 1

North Cascades Sportsman's Club

CHELAN - The North Cascades Sportsman's Club Board meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. Meetings take place at the Chelan PUD located at 1034 E. Woodin Ave. in Chelan.

April 2

Brewster Chamber to meet, meeting day, time changed

BREWSTER - The regular Brewster Chamber of Commerce meeting will be held Thursday, April 2, 1 p.m. at the Columbia Post 97 American Legion building at 102 N. Third Street in Brewster. Lunch is available. All are welcome to join them for community updates, lively discussions and business education opportunities. For info: Mike Mauk, 509-593-0771.

April 7

VFW Post #6853 to meet

CHELAN - VFW Post #6853 will meet at the Clubhouse at the Horse shoe Pits (near Chelan Valley Hope) at 6:30 p.m. To join the VFW call Post Commander Steve Palm-bush at (509) 670-3346 or email: chelanvfw@gmail.com

April 14

Cancer Support Group

CHELAN - The Women's Wellness Group, cancer support group, meets the second Tuesday of each month with lunch provided by the Wenatchee Wellness Place, at the Lake Chelan Community Hospital Board Room at 11:45 a.m. For more information, contact Anne at 682-8718.

LIBRARY EVENTS AT PATEROS & BREWSTER

March 11

Toddlers & Waddlers Storytime

BREWSTER - Looking for an exciting way to start off the day for your little ones? Join us at the Brewster Public Library for rhymes, stories and playtime every Wednesday at 11 a.m. For more information, Rebecca Zion at (509) 689-4046, email brewster@ncrl.org

March 11

ALTAS Program

PATEROS - Every Wednesday, the Pateros Public Library will hold their Atlas (At the Library after School), at 3:30 p.m. for children Kindergarten through 6th

grade. There will be Fun activities, Games, Arts & Crafts, Lego's, Stem and more.

March 13

Toddler story time

PATEROS - The Pateros Public Library Toddler Story Time is held every Friday at 11 a.m. Join other toddlers for story and craft time.

March 14

Half Stitch - calling all crafters

PATEROS - Every Saturday at the Pateros Public Library at 11 a.m. bring your knitting, cross stitch, and meet other like minded individuals and show off your skills. This is a free event and beginners are welcome.

March 17

ALTAS program

BREWSTER - Join us at the Brewster Library for our At The Library After School Program, every Tuesday, 3:45-5 p.m. It is geared towards children K-6th grades. Activities include crafts, STEM, games, snacks, and stories. For more, contact Rebecca Zion at (509) 689-4046 OR email brewster@ncrl.org.

March 11, 25

Teens At The Library

BREWSTER - Join us for our Teens At The Library Program (TATL), geared towards teens ages 12 and up, every second and fourth Wednesday of the month at the Brewster Library, 5-6 p.m. Each meet-

ing we will host programs requested by teens. Activities include games, crafts, STEM, and special programs just for teens. For more, contact Rebecca Zion at 509-689-4046 or email brewster@ncrl.org.

About North Central Regional Library (NCRL): NCRL is a rural library district with 30 branch libraries, a couple of bookmobiles, and a mail order library serving five counties. Established in 1960, NCRL currently has a collection of more than 700,000 books and other materials. The library district maintains this wonderful collection and provides the staff for each branch. The mission of the North Central Regional Library is to promote reading and lifelong learning.

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Bears bring home the Gold Ball in 58-57 nail biter win

Ninth state title

By Mike Maltais
Staff Writer

SPOKANE – When the Bears varsity basketball team lost its Regional tournament game to Life Christian Academy, 78-65, last Feb. 28 in Wenatchee, it appeared there was at least one team in the state 2B playoff brackets that could give fourth-ranked Brewster a serious challenge for the state title. As it turned out the fifth-ranked Eagles did.

While both teams moved from the 16-team Regionals through the Elite Eight, and the Final Four to last Saturday's championship game in Spokane Arena the stage was being prepared for both to meet again to see which team had what was needed when it counted most.

Life Christian never let an opponent closer than 11 points as it defeated No. 6 Lake Roosevelt, 57-46, in the quarterfinals and more than doubled its winning margin over No. 10 Willapa Valley, 65-32, in the semifinals. Meanwhile Brewster stayed alive with a 74-48 win over Kettle Falls in a loser-out first round at state, double up the win over Toutle Lake, 51-27, in the Elite Eight, and slew the Dragons of St. George's, 60-57, in the semis.

If the 23-3 Eagles thought they had Brewster's number in the title game, they came up a digit short as the Bears held off a last-second surge and tie game with less than 10 seconds on the clock to earn the gold ball, 58-57. It was Brewster's ninth state championship, the first since 2007 and the first 2B title since 1985.

Looking for their ninth state championship and first since 2007, the Bears entered the state 2B title game intent on avenging an earlier loss to LCA in Regional play two weeks ago and avenge they did. Brewster defeated the Eagles, 58-57, in a last-second nail biter to win their ninth state title since 2007 and their first as a 2B team since 1985.

Led by junior Cade Gebbers who hit six three-point



Courtesy Brewster Sports Facebook

The Bears pose with the state trophy in Spokane Arena moments after defeating Life Christian Academy, 58-57, to win the state 2B basketball championship

baskets as part of his game-high and season-high 34 points, the Bears scored first in the opening quarter on a Connor Ashworth basket. The Eagles caught the Bears late in the first and briefly led by a point, 11-10, before a pair of Cade Gebbers three balls put Brewster up, 19-13 and the end of the quarter.

Life Christian started the second quarter with seven unanswered points to take their second lead of the game, 20-19, before freshman Kelson Gebbers joined his brother for a combined eight-point run to put Brewster back on top with its largest lead, 27-20, that the Bears protected to halftime.

Brewster's 6' 7" Connor Ashworth played strong defensive ball against 6'5" Eagles scoring threat Chae Haynes as the Bears extended their lead by eight point, 45-37, at the end of the third.

In the final quarter Kelson Gebbers and Kade Kelpman combined for seven points to give Brewster its largest lead, 52-42 before Life Christian rallied to whittle away at Brews-

ter's lead. The Eagle strung together 10 unanswered points to tie the game 52-all. Cade Gebbers then sank his sixth clutch three-pointer to give the Bears some breathing room at 55-52.

With less than a minute remaining to play Life Christian began fouling Bears in hopes of getting rebounds off missed 1-1 free throw opportunities. After a rare miss, Cade Gebbers, an 80-plus percentage shooter, hit two free throws to put the Bears up, 57-53. With 30 seconds left on the clock the Eagles hit a free throw and a three-point shot to tie the game 57-all. Cade Gebbers was again fouled, sank his first free throw to put Brewster up 58-57. Gebbers missed his second attempt but Life Christian was unable to get past the center line before the game ended, giving Brewster the title.

The win gives first-year coach Michael Taylor a shiny gold ball to defend in the 2020-21 season.

Kettle Falls falls

The Bears survived the first round of state 2B tournament competition in commanding style, handing the Kettle Falls Bulldogs a 74-48 loss in a loser-out game on Wednesday night, March 4.

Kade Kelpman got the Bears on the board first in the opening quarter and Brewster led their rivals, 14-11 at the end of the first. Kettle Falls tied the game 14-all early in the second quarter before the Bears settled in and began to build a 33-19 lead by halftime behind the double-digit scoring of Connor Ashworth and Corey Jarrell with 10 points each.

Mid-way through the third quarter sophomore guard Adaih Najera found his range to score seven of his nine points and help the Bears build a 56-39 margin going into the final quarter.

In workmen-like fashion the Bears gradually increased their lead through the fourth quarter that allowed the reserves to see some state floor time during the last half of the quarter. Freshman Reese Vassar made the opportunity count with his first bucket in a state game to add to the Bears final 26-point win.

Connor Ashworth led the Bears with 17 points with three teammates scoring in double figures including Cade Gebbers 15, and Corey Jarrell and Kade Kelpman with 10 apiece.

The win advanced Brewster to the Elite Eight against Toutle Lake on the following evening March 5.

Toutle Lake swamped

The Bears got off to a slow start in the first quar-

ter against the Duck only scoring in single digits and actually trailed Toutle Lake 11-7 at the end of the period. A Ducks' eighth grader, Zack Swanson, one of three on the varsity squad, led Toutle Lake in scoring with eight of the team's 11 first quarter points.

The momentum changed in dramatic fashion at the start of the second quarter when a pair of back-to-back three-pointers by Cade Gebbers and a bucket by Connor Ashworth gave Brewster a 15-11 lead that was never threatened for the remainder of the game. The Bears ramped up their defense and rebounding, held Toutle Lake to just four points through the second quarter and led the Ducks by 10, 25-15 at halftime.

Kelson Gebbers opened the third quarter with six unanswered points to put Brewster up 31-15. AJ Woodward came off the bench near the end of the third to sink a pair of shots and give the Bears a 40-22 heading into the fourth quarter. The Gebbers brothers combined for a trio of three-pointers as Brewster coasted to a 51-27 final. Both ended the

game in double figures with Cade scoring 17 and Kelson 13.

In the game between No. 8 White Swan and No. 2 St. George's immediately following the Bears and Ducks, Saint George's pulled out a two-point 55-53 win to advance into the semifinal round against the Bears on Friday, March 6

Bears scoring:
Cade Gebbers: 17
Kelson Gebbers: 13
Connor Ashworth: 8
Corey Jarrell: 7
AJ Woodward: 4
Adaih Najera: 2

Saint George's flames out

In a semifinal game that saw three lead changes and two ties, the Brewster Bears edged St. George's, 60-57 in a down-to-the-wire battle that hinged on a missed three-point shot in the final seconds.

The Bears took a 21-16 lead in the first quarter before the Dragons rallied to tie the game 23-all midway through the second quarter and gain a five-point 38-33 lead going into halftime.

St. George's extended its lead by seven points, 40-33 early in the third quarter before Connor Ashworth ignited a Brewster comeback that saw the Bears regain the lead. With the Dragons up 42-38, Ashworth hit back-to-back baskets to tie the game at 42 before he and Corey Jarrell combined for a pair of buckets that gave Brewster a 46-42 lead. Kelson Gebbers then stepped up with five points to help Ashworth put the Bears ahead 53-46 at the end of the third quarter.

St. George's threatened throughout the fourth quarter, coming as close as a single point of the leaders before Cade Gebbers hit two free throws with less than a minute remaining to ice the game, 60-57.

Ashworth led the Bears with 19 points joined in double digits by Cade Gebbers with 14 and Jarrell with 11.

St. George's placed third in state with an 80-52 win over Willapa Valley, and Lake Roosevelt finished fourth over Toutle Lake, 49-46.



Mike Maltais/QCH

Bears junior guard, Cade Gebbers, shown here shooting over Lake Roosevelt defenders, had the best night of his high school basketball career to this point, scoring six, three-point shots to lead Brewster with 34 points against Life Christian, equaling a season high he scored against Bridgeport in the regular season.

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WDFW plans controlled burns on six Eastern Washington wildlife areas

By WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

OKANOGAN COUNTY - Annual controlled burns on Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) lands in eastern Washington start in March, as conditions allow. Prescribed fire on WDFW wildlife areas reduces the risk of wildfire, reduces risks to community safety and health, and improves habitat for animals such as deer, elk, and big-horn sheep.

WDFW provides active management for more than one million acres of public lands and operates the state's only prescribed fire management teams. The teams include four full-time foresters and 18 burn-team members. Their past work with controlled burns can help prevent larger wildfires later.

"It's not a question of whether we'll have wildfires on these lands, but rather the degree to which we can reduce the damage they do," said WDFW Prescribed Fire Manager Matt Eberlein. "By burning off accumulations of vegetation, we can reduce the risk of high-intensity wildfires that destroy wildlife habitat." With funding from the state's 2019-2021 Capital Budget and other grant funds, WDFW intends to treat 10,000 acres by 2021. The work will preserve ecosystems, which helps people to enjoy continued access to Fish and Wildlife public lands.

Restoration fires in the following popular areas begin in the coming month, weather permitting:

Sherman Creek Wildlife Area, 524 acres in Ferry County, 10 mile west of Kettle Falls

Rustlers Gulch Wildlife Area, 523 acres in Pend Oreille County, 15 miles southwest of Newport

Methow Wildlife Area, 248 acres in Okanogan County, 10 miles northeast of Winthrop

Colockum Wildlife Area, 500 acres in Chelan County, 10 miles southeast of Wenatchee

Oak Creek Wildlife Area, 120 acres in Yakima County, 15 miles west of Naches

Grouse Flats Wildlife Area, 400 acres in Asotin County, 40 miles southwest of Clarkston

Additional burns on WDFW eastern Washington lands could be announced as conditions allow.

Public safety is a high priority with any prescribed fire. WDFW staff post signs to inform recreationists, but smoke can still cause visibility issues.

"We work to minimize smoke, but smoke from planned fires can reach populated areas. Please slow down if you experience reduced visibility on roadways, particularly at night or in the early morning," Eberlein said. "Given that fire personnel and their equipment may be working in the area, it's just a good idea." According to Eberlein, the WDFW burn team also protects public safety by monitoring controlled fires continuously until they are out and past any likelihood of unintentional spread. By actively managing lands, restoring habitats, and preserving wild places, WDFW serves as steward for Washington's natural places, protecting the state's land and water for its human and wildlife populations.

For more on prescribed fire, as well as other information about how WDFW manages for healthy forests, see the WDFW forest management story map, which outlines the projects conducted throughout the state.

The WDFW *is the state agency tasked with preserving, protecting and perpetuating fish, wildlife and ecosystems, while providing sustainable fishing, hunting, and other recreation opportunities.*

WDFW seeks public help in reviewing status of 19 wildlife species

Agency seeks data from external researchers, non-profits and naturalists

SUBMITTED BY WDFW

OLYMPIA - The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is seeking the public's help to provide information on 19 wildlife species as part of a periodic review of native wildlife populations.

WDFW's review process includes the following species: Steller Sea Lion, Killer Whale, Lynx, Western Gray Squirrel, Woodland Caribou, Columbian White-tailed Deer, Brown Pelican, White Pelican, Bald Eagle, Peregrine Falcon, Greater Sage-grouse, Sandhill Crane, Snowy Plover, Marbled Murrelet, Northern Spotted Owl, Streaked Horned Lark, Oregon Vesper Sparrow, Western Pond Turtle, and Taylor's Checkerspot butterfly. For a preliminary schedule of presentations to be made to the Fish and Wildlife Commission on these species by year, please visit our webpage.

The species have all been listed, have been recently de-listed, or are being reviewed for listing as endangered, threatened or sensitive by the State of Washington.

"We are interested in obtaining information from the public, including non-governmental organizations, universities, private researchers and naturalists, to supplement current data," said Hannah Anderson, listing and recovery section manager for WDFW's Wildlife Diversity Division. "We're fortunate to have people in Washington who care deeply and engage on these issues," she added. "Such groups and individuals likely have valuable data, such as annual population counts or privately developed habitat management plans."

WDFW is specifically looking for information on:

- Species demographics
- Habitat conditions
- Threats and trends
- Conservation measures that have benefited the species

New data collected since the last status review for the species

Public input is an important part of gathering the best available scientific data for any species, said Anderson. "We greatly value this information and all the people who work with us to conserve and protect species," she added.

Wildlife managers will use the information to help update status reports for each species. More information on the process is available on WDFW's website.

The public may share information by email via TandEpubliccom@dfw.wa.gov, or by mail to Hannah Anderson, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, P.O. Box 43141, Olympia, WA 98504-3141.

WDFW will seek additional public comments, complete a draft status review and make updated status reports available on the department's website as they are completed. The public will be able to view the most recent species reports and past reports online.

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Low spring Chinook returns expected to again constrain Columbia River fishing seasons

By WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

PORTLAND, OREGON - Fishery managers from Washington and Oregon on Wednesday approved a sport fishery for spring Chinook salmon on the Columbia River that reflects continued low numbers of fish available for harvest this year.

According to preseason projections, about 81,700 upriver spring Chinook will reach the Columbia this year, which is up 12 percent from last year's return, but just 43 percent of the 10-year average. Those fish return to hatcheries and spawning areas upriver from Bonneville Dam.

This year's projected return of 81,700 upriver spring Chinook would be the second lowest since 1999 (last year's return was the lowest at 73,100), but still well above the record-low return of just 12,000 fish in 1995.

In addition, fishery managers are also expecting lower returns similar to last year for several major lower Columbia River tributaries, particularly the Cowlitz and Lewis rivers. This year's spring Chinook run is projected to fall short of broodstock goals for the Cowlitz and Lewis rivers by 10 percent and 16 percent, respectively.

Ryan Lothrop, Columbia River policy coordinator for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), said poor ocean conditions continue to play a sizeable role in lower projected returns.

"There should still be some good fishing opportunities in the Columbia River Basin this spring, but this run so far is looking similar to 2019," Lothrop said. "We'll be closely monitoring returns to make sure we can meet Endangered Species Act requirements and support future runs."

Salmon fishing is currently open from the mouth of the Columbia River to the Interstate-5 bridge through the last day of February, but spring Chinook usually don't arrive in large numbers until late March and April. The new fishing regulations approved Wednesday will take effect in the following areas:

Columbia River below Bonneville Dam: Fishing will be open 7 days a week from March 1 through March 31 on the Columbia River upstream from Warrior Rock boundary line to Bonneville Dam. Anglers will also be able to fish Thursday, Friday, and Saturday each week beginning April 1. Anglers may retain two hatchery salmonids (Chinook or steelhead) per day, but only one may be a Chinook. The lower river downstream from Warrior Rock will be closed to fishing beginning March 1 until further notice to conserve spring Chinook returning to the Cowlitz and Lewis rivers.

Columbia River above Bonneville Dam: Waters from the Tower Island power lines (approximately 6 miles below The Dalles Dam) upstream to the Oregon/Washington state line above McNary Dam, plus the Washington banks between Bonneville Dam and the Tower Island power lines will open to salmon fishing April 1 through May 5. Anglers may retain two hatchery salmonids (Chinook or steelhead) per day, but only one may be a Chinook.

In all open waters, only hatchery salmon and steelhead identified by a clipped adipose fin and healed scar may be retained.

The expected harvest for the fishery below Bonneville Dam is approximately 2,500 adult Chinook and above Bonneville Dam is 340 adult Chinook. Managers will monitor the fisheries and dam counts and make adjustments as necessary.

"Though we were hoping for some relief in 2019, it looks like warm ocean waters are once again likely to impact this fishery," Lothrop said. "Conservative management is critical when ocean conditions are having a detrimental impact to Chinook survival like they have in recent years."

Under an agreement reached earlier this month by the directors of WDFW and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, barbless hooks will again be required for anglers fishing for salmon and steelhead on the Columbia River mainstem from the mouth to the Washington/Oregon state line upstream of McNary Dam.

Anglers are strongly advised to review the rules for the waters they plan to fish in WDFW's sport fishing pamphlet at <https://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/regulations>, as well as emergency rule changes, available at <https://fortress.wa.gov/dfw/erules/efishrules/>

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Year round relief for allergies

One of my favorite authors is Ilona Andrews, a husband and wife team who live in south-central Texas and write great fiction. This week in their blog they mentioned how Gordon was struggling with his chronic allergies, and how he was hoping they could eventually move to a place where he could get a break from them.

From my 40 years as a pharmacist, I remember the days when we had far fewer options to relieve symptoms of "hay fever" or allergic rhinitis. Today we have steroid nasal sprays and non-sedating antihistamines. Back 20-30 years ago, people needing antihistamines every day of the year to tame their stuffy nose, runny nose, itchy eyes and sinus pressure had a dilemma.

While some folks could take same antihistamine all year long, others got good results at first, then the medicine would just stop working. Most of the time, they could fix that by just switching to another antihistamine. Which worked for a while, until THAT one quit working for them, too.

The medical term for this is tachyphylaxis, which means being effective for a short time, then suddenly no long working at all. If you only take an antihistamine for 2 months, like I do during ragweed season, you aren't likely to notice it, but if, like Gordon, you need to take antihistamines year-round, you'd have to switch to a different antihistamine every time the one you were on stopped working.

But here's the weird thing. After being off an antihistamine for several months, when you restart it, it would work! Back then, it was not unusual for people with year-round allergies to cycle through 2 or 3 different antihistamines through the year, on each one for 3-6 months.

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they rarely quit working on you. But rarely doesn't mean never. It's possible that Gordon could improve his allergy symptoms just by switching his current antihistamine for a different one.

My personal favorite allergy medicine is an older one called Actifed® (triprolidine and pseudoephedrine), which doesn't cause much drowsiness and really helps dry up a runny nose. It has the original Sudafed® ingredient that you have to sign for. Unfortunately, when my husband ran out of it while in Dayton, Ohio, he went to pharmacy after pharmacy and the pharmacists looked at him like he was loony because they had never heard of it!

Another strategy for relieving symptoms is desensitizing yourself to what you're allergic to. If most of your allergies are from plant-based pollens, eating local raw honey can make a difference. The trick is to get locally sourced honey, usually available at your local farmer's market.

Here are 5 Suggestions for Relief of Year-Round Allergies:

1. Rotate your antihistamines. Try switching to another antihistamine whenever you notice an increase in your symptoms. If you are taking Claritin®, try Zyrtec® or even Actifed® instead. Benadryl® causes more drowsiness than other antihistamines, and is sold as a sleep aid.
2. Use a steroid nasal spray. Nasal sprays are the most effective treatment for your round allergies, and nearly all of the nasal sprays that used to be prescription are available without a

prescription at their full strength.

3. Try Actifed® (triprolidine/pseudoephedrine).

This antihistamine and decongestant combination that works for both a stuffy AND a runny nose at the same time. You'll probably need to go to an independent pharmacy and ask them to special order it for you.

4. Stick to the original formula of Sudafed®.

Sudafed® did a big switch a few years ago to a different medicine, phenylephrine instead of pseudoephedrine. If Gordon has switched to the over-the-counter Sudafed® that you find on the shelf, he could be suffering needlessly because that stuff doesn't work! The federal government restricted pseudoephedrine because it was widely used for methamphetamine manufacturing. Phenylephrine is the weak substitute on the shelf in its place, which is only 1/3 as potent as pseudoephedrine. If you are serious about allergy relief, it's worth it to sign for products with pseudoephedrine.

5. Try raw local honey. This can be very helpful for some people, it's relatively inexpensive and tastes great. The suggested dose is 1 teaspoon once up to three times daily. I do NOT recommend substituting bee pollen or other concentrated bee products, because they can trigger your allergy instead of calming it down.

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