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More than 30 seniors attended the Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition lunch at the Pateros-Brewster-Bridgeport Senior Center last Thursday, Oct. 11. The Center is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays for the OCTN meal.

# Senior Center plans third annual pumpkin decorating

By Mike Maltais Staff writer

BREWSTER – The Pateros-Brewster-Bridgeport Senior Center at 109 S. Bridge Street will hold its third annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest in conjunction with participa-

tion in the downtown core trick-or-treat festivities on Halloween Day, Oct. 31.

Participants who wish to enter in a decorated pumpkin need to have it at the Center by 1 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 30, and Wednesday, Oct. 31. Prizes will be awarded for

first, second, and third place and winners need not be present to win. Be sure to include name and phone number with entries, so winners can be notified.

Halloween refreshments will be available for a small donation.

## Pateros Council approves new Building Inspector

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – Barry Hansen, the current Reconstruction Project Manager for the Okanogan County Long Term Recovery Group, was confirmed by city council members as the city's new go-to official for building inspection and code enforcement responsibilities. Hansen was one of two candidates interviewed by mayor Carlene Anders, city clerk/treasurer Kerri Wilson, and council member Mike Harding.

Hansen's 20-plus years of building experience and his known capabilities through his work with the OCLTRG rebuilds were instrumental in the committee's decision.

In other business at the council's regular monthly meeting last Monday, Oct. 15, Anders reported that OCLTRG poured the final foundation on Phase 3 of its



Grace Larsen is a board member on the Pateros-Brewster Community Resource Center.

rebuilding campaign and the group will be completing the last three residences over the winter months.

Grace Larsen spoke to council members on behalf of

Holly Bange, Pateros Council member

the Pateros-Brewster Community Resource Center in connection with the pending loss of subsidizing at the 17unit Pateros Garden Apartments.

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## Council updates manufactured home ordinance, hears commissioner candidate

By Mike Maltais Staff writer

BREWSTER – The city council voted to revise the Brewster City Code to replace language in Chapter 15.20 referencing Trailer Coaches and Trailer Camps with a new version specific to Designated Manufactured Homes.

"There are no more trailer camps," explained Public Works Director Lee Webster. "They are either mobile home parks or you can put a doublewide on a lot, period." Webster said a manufactured home on a residential lot must be a double-wide with each section measuring at least 12 feet wide by 36 feet long.

Council members also approved the Halloween Harvest Carnival application requested by Heather Carrington, interim director of the Brewster Boys and Girls Club. The carnival will be the concluding event of costume contest and trick-or-treat festivities in the down business district on Oct. 31.



Heather Carrington, interim director of the Brewster Boys and Girls Club

Brewster Fire Chief Dylan Gamble declared the city burn



Sally Bull is running for County Commissioner, District 3.

ban lifted. Sally Bull, Independent candidate for Okanogan County Commissioner, District 3, held by Jim Detro, spoke during the public comment period. Bull explained her concerns over employment in the county and her main focus to maintain the county's three hospitals, including Three Rivers, as hubs of employment. Bull said her opponent favors downsizing the hospitals in Tonasket and Brewster and centralizing more services at the Omak hospital.

"I really like the idea that we're sharing the CEO between Tonasket and Brewster, "Bull said of the recent CEO arrangement.

Webster advised council that he recently revisited two city well sites about 15 feet apart dug between 1993-96 near the upper reservoir and was surprised to discover that water in both has tested quite usable as filtered backup sources.

"These were drilled, built, connected, switch-geared, electrical pump, motors, and the whole nine yards, then

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By Mike Maltais Staff writer

BREWSTER – Three Rivers Hospital unveiled two new clinics that have moved and opened on the upper level of the Hillcrest Building at 415 Hospital Way.

Three Rivers Orthopedics, the orthopedic surgery and specialty clinic, and Three Rivers Family Medicine, the General Surgery and OB/GYN surgical special clinic opened as of Oct. 8. Dr. Gordon Tagge,

Dr. Ty Witt, Dr. Jonothan Miller and Rob Lamberton, PAC will all be working in the new bright and comfortable spaces.

Patients will still have all the benefits of access to Radiology, Labs and other vital services by a connecting breezeway.

The space vacated by the two clinics at 507 Hospital Way will now be converted into the new Emergency Room thanks to funds made available through commu-

nity support of the levy lid lift that passed last August 2016. Work began on the new ER on Oct. 8, with the target of having the new facility operational by end of this year.

"This move is vital to the

Hospital's strategic objectives," wrote TRH Business Development Coordinator Chris Majors in a media release. "This is another way Three Rivers Hospital is striving to provide the ideal patient experience."



Photos courtesy of Three Rivers Hospital

ABOVE: Patients will be welcomed in a new airy lobby on the second floor of the Hillcrest Building. RIGHT: New Three Rivers Hospital orthopedic, general surgery and OB/GYN clinics opened for business earlier this month.





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## PATEROS

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Larsen said she has opened discussions with Chelan and Twisp-Winthrop about the Housing Trust concept to pursue the formation of a Housing Trust in the Pateros-Brewster communities as one measure to create and maintain affordable housing in the area.

Larsen said the Okanogan Housing Authority was unable to prevent the Pateros Gardens from transitioning to market-value rents but is providing vouchers to those residents who need to continue to look for subsidized housing options.

Larsen said that as she understands the future status of the Pateros Gardens property, it is zoned commercial with residential use grandfathered in. If and when the property is demolished and rebuilt, residential units would be included above the ground floor business use.

Taking up a discussion from last month's meeting, council approved a proposal researched by council member Holly Bange to allot a maximum of \$300 to purchase and install an air quality

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monitoring system. The new monitor is part of a network of monitors that provide real-time online air quality updates from Mazama to Pateros.

Following a no-comment public hearing council approved Ordinance 763 amending the Pateros Municipal Code and adding a Complete Streets chapter concerning safe access for all users of streets and rights of way. Members also adopted Resolution 2018-32 agreeing to terms of Memorial Tree Planting and Bench Policy.

Resolution 2018-31 also approved by council authorized the major to negotiate the purchase and sale of a water and sewer easement across Westco Orchards property.

Council members set the date for a public hearing to review the 2019 budget, fee schedule, property tax, and EMS tax to coincide with the Nov. 19 regular council

meeting. ROBERT DOUGLAS COUNTY

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## **Branden Platter runs for first term as** elected County Prosecutor

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

**OKANOGAN** – Incumbent **Okanogan County Prosecutor** Branden Platter was appointed to his position to fill the vacancy left when prosecutor Karl Sloan resigned in July 2017 to take a position with the state Attorney General's office.

Platter recently answered questions from the Quad City Herald regarding his campaign to be elected Okanogan County Prosecutor.

1. During your tenure as Prosecuting Attorney, what do you consider to be your best accomplishment or moment in the office?

I became a prosecutor for no other reason than to help people. I wanted to help victims and be their voice when they have been victimized. I wanted to help protect public safety and hold offenders accountable for their actions. What I feel to be my best accomplishment is the ability I have had to help victims and make a positive impact in their lives. There is no one case that I can point to, rather it is the collection of victims that I feel I have been able to help. I have handled around 50 child sex cases. That is around 50 kids who were horribly abused that I was able to get justice for. 50 kids that I got to stand up for and be their voice in this process; to help them say to their offender "you did this to  $\operatorname{me} \operatorname{and} \operatorname{we} \operatorname{are} \operatorname{going} \operatorname{to} \operatorname{hold} \operatorname{you}$ accountable." I have had the opportunity to see the positive impact this has had in their lives and their ability to begin to heal moving forward. I view my best accomplishments as my ability to help those kids and the hundreds of other victims that have come through this office.

2. What do you hope to accomplish during your next term if the voters choose you in November?

I hope to continue to help victims and kids. There are more victims that I can help and I hope to be able to remain in office in order to do so. Since taking over the position, I have also made improvements aimed at maximizing our stretched resources and the resources of the courts. I have opened up Drug Court and DUI Court to more participants in order to try to offer treatment to more offend ers. I hope to continue on this path- to stand up for victims, to hold offender's accountable, and to help get treatment to those who need it and are ready to accept the help. 3. You are in a unique in-



**Branden Platter** 

sider's position to evaluate the prosecutor's office. What would you identify as the greatest challenge(s) the position faces?

Our office's greatest challenge is the same challenge facing every department in the County-resources. Our office is understaffed and overburdened by cases. On average, the office files approximately 500 felony cases per year. Other than myself, who can only handle about a half-load of cases due to the other position requirements, we have only two other felony attorneys to handle this large number of cases. Our office handles approximately 1,500 misdemeanor cases per year and we have only two misdemeanor attorneys to handle that case load. Our office struggles to process these cases effectively given such a lack of resources. We are faced with the unfortunate requirement of having to decline prosecuting some cases simply because we do not have the personnel to handle any additional cases. Our priority goes to victim-crimes and we are forced to allow some crimes to go un-charged. I would like to see additional resources for the office so we can better serve the community.

4. How has your time in the office influenced or changed your views about how the justice process performs in **Okanogan County?** 

At times, the justice process in Okanogan County can be slow an inefficient. Much of this was due to the process tracking on as it always has without anybody taking a look at how the process can be improved. Since taking office, I have been

able to decrease the back-log

of cases. We are now taking

cases to trial, or resolving cases,

faster than we have since I

began working in the office in

2013. Previously it would often

als on cases that are sometimes only a few months old, and almost all cases go to trial well within a year. I have also eliminated some unnecessary court hearings and court processes that were taking time that just did not need to be taken. I hope to continue to work on the efficiency of my office and see how we can continue to improve the efficiency of the justice process in general.

5. What critical support services like Narcotics Task Force, Child Protective Services, Public Defender, etc., would you like to see strengthened or expanded to help you do your job, and why?

First and foremost, I would like to see the Support Center expanded. The Support Center is not a county or state-based service, but the program assists to support victims of crime. My office works closely with the Support Center to help serve and support victims the best we can. I would like to see more resources provided to the North Central Washington Task Force in an effort to combat our county's drug problem. The Task Force currently operates on extremely limited resources. This makes it very difficult to combat our county's vast drug epidemic. I will always support more resources for Child Protective Services. Child Protective Services has the ability to help kids in a way that my office often cannot. My office's authority is limited to that within the context of a criminal case. Not every offense against children rises to a criminal level and not every offense has sufficient evidence to be prosecuted. However, Child Protective Services has the ability to intervene in areas where criminal charges cannot be brought.

6. In what ways do you think that coming up through the local ranks in the prosecutor's office better equips you to perform the prosecutor's role than an opponent from outside the office?

Coming up through the ranks of this office has given me a unique ability to assess the areas that the office and our local criminal justice system can be improved. I have been able to see both what has worked and what has not worked. I have what can be done, and what cannot be done within the budget. Unlike my opponent who makes blanket statements about how he will cut the budget without ever having seen the budget, I have first-hand knowledge of what can be done with the budget and how to operate within that budget. I have handled hundreds of cases of every type while being in this office. I have been through multiple felony trials over the years. My opponent has had only a handful of felony cases in this county in the last four years and has not had a felony trial in this county in at least the last three years. My time in this office has given me well-balanced experience in every facet of this position. I do not need to learn how to do the job as I currently do the job every day.

7. If you have any comments or observations you want to make that the above questions have not covered, feel free to add those.

One of the struggles that comes with this position is the difficulty in keeping the public apprised of what goes on in the office and explaining to the public what the office actually does. I believe in 100% transparency and honesty. I do my best to keep the public informed about the decisions being made in the office and the reasons for those decisions. Our office handles close to 2,000 cases per year. The public hears about only the few cases per year that the newspapers choose to publish stories about. It is difficult for us to convey to the public what we are truly doing in the office to try to serve them. We also get calls and emails frequently asking for help or advice that is simply outside the authority of the office to give. There is a misconception that our office represents individuals in the public or that our office makes decisions on civil matters before the Board of County Commissioners. Our office does the best we can to explain the role of the Prosecutor's Office. We do not represent individuals in the public, we represent the public at large. Our office also does not make the ultimate decision on civil matters. Our iob is to advise the Board of County Commissioners about their legal options on civil cases.

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aiready been able to institute changes that make the office and justice system function more efficiently. I am familiar with the budget and have already increased funding to our victim advocate program at no cost to the taxpayer and have saved the county over \$40,000 per year in the county's spending on outside counsel. I am in a unique position to know both

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abandoned," said Webster. "They can produce about 500 gallons of water per minute between them.

A valve failure at the Canyon Well site on Paradise

The ultimate decision on what action to take is exclusively up to the Board. Our job is then to defend that decision within the bounds of the law, regardless of our own personal opinions on those matters. I believe the public has a right to know what goes on in this office and the basis for the decisions being made. The difficulty is getting that information to the public.

Road, the source of the city's best water, turned up another bonus. In the course of repairs, Webster pulled the original ground well certificate only to discover that the cap of 500 gallons per minute is actually capped at 650 gallons per minute, allowing access to almost 25 percent more water.

## Give blood, dodge balls, tour open house Oct. 18

BREWSTER – Citizens can give blood, watch dodge ball and observe Fire Prevention Week all on the same day on Thursday, Oct. 18.

The Brewster Boys and Girls Club will host a Red Cross Blood Drive from noon until 5 p.m. at the BBGC headquarters at 601 E. Cliff Ave.

Hero's Dodge Ball will start at 6:30 p.m. in the BBGC gym and continue until one team is left.

The Brewster Fire Station will observe Fire Prevention Week by hosting an open house from 7-9 p.m. at 105 Third Street N. Visitors will have the opportunity to meet their local heroes, take a station tour, go on an engine ride, and enjoy barbecued hotdogs and goodie bags.

Y'all come.

Look in next weeks Quad City Herald for more **Okanogan** County **Candidate** profiles



## Arian Noma in the race for Okanogan County Prosecutor

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS - Arian Noma, an associate in the office of Thomason Law & Justice in Pateros is running for the Okanogan County Prosecutor's office against incumbent Branden Platter.

Noma recently answered some questions submitted by the Quad City Herald regarding his qualifications for the position and goals if elected.

1. You were one of the earlier candidates to announce your intent to run for office. Was there a particular circumstance(s) or individual(s) that influenced vour decision to declare? If so, what or who were they?

After 14 years of prosecution and defense litigation spanning Okanogan County, Maryland, and Washington, D.C., I observed firsthand through my cases that a number of individual's Constitutional Rights were being violated by Karl Sloan, and currently Branden Platter's office. I firmly believe that the Government cannot and should not stretch the law in order to punish violators of the law and especially those who were falsely accused and innocent in the first place. Client after client, and citizen after citizen conveyed their stories of injustice to me regarding the current administration and Karl Sloan who hired and trained Mr. Platter. After living in Okanogan for only four years, it is shocking to know that the prosecutor's office is being sued in court for violating people's constitutional rights. My observations and the community's experiences encouraged me to run for office in an effort to bring change and reform to the system.

2. What would you identify as the principal areas where you take issue or disagree with your opponent?

• I believe in fair trials and the full protection of the Bill of Rights for all accused. • I believe all serious crimes should be prosecuted, and common sense should be employed regarding less serious offenses that occur based on conduct that we as a society did not consider criminal even 10 or 20 years ago. • I know how to employ proven methods that will help prevent crime and reduce recidivism, saving the taxpayer money.

I do not believe in seeking excessive bails from the court



**Arian Noma** 

offenses such as driving with a suspended license. • I believe that the prosecutor's office and law enforcement should be in constant communication. The current candidates for Okanogan County Sheriff feel that communication should be improved as well. • I believe that all Defendants have the Constitutional Right to confront those who accuse them of crimes and I will not rob people accused of crimes of this trial right.

3. Are there current practices in the principal areas of concern that the prosecutor should address?

Yes. The prosecutor should:

A. Ensure finite resources are devoted to the most important law enforcement priorities, i.e. murders, sex offenses, etc. B. Promote fairer enforcement of the laws and alleviate the disparate impacts of the criminal justice system through the exercise of discretion. C. Ensure just punishments for low-level, nonviolent offenses such as community-based programs and therapeutic courts; we will attempt to correct behavior for these offenses without incarceration. D. Bolster crime prevention and reentry efforts to deter crime and reduce recidivism. E. Strengthen protection of vulnerable populations such as children, the senior community, and victims of crime.

4. In Okanogan County what do you see as the principal areas of concern that the prosecutor should address?

Property and Drug related crimes need to be addressed immediately. The drug epidemic has attacked America for the past 40 years. Over incarceration for these offenses as opposed to aggressive treatment, has led to an explosion of the national and local incarceration rates, and after forty years of paying for it, the taxpayer can no longer afford to continue to waste tax dollars on the revolving door of prison stays for low level drug offenders. Furthermore, as long as the addicted population cannot self-sustain basic necessities such as housing, food, and healthcare, and law enforcement does not focus directly on these. 5. As a former Assistant State's Attorney from a large metropolitan area, what do you believe are the strongest qualities you will bring to a rural county on the opposite side of the country? I practiced all over the state of Maryland, including prosecuting as an Assistant State's

Attorney's in Carroll County, Maryland. Carroll County is an agricultural community much like Okanogan. However, whether in the large metropolitan areas, Carroll County, Okanogan, or any other city or county in America, everywhere has the same problem; Drug Crimes and Property Crimes related to those drug crimes. Cutting my teeth as a prosecutor in Baltimore City, I am extremely familiar with major drug crimes and the problems and conditions that flow from drug crimes. I know how the problem affects entire families; not just the addict. I know how difficult it is to help a loved one taken by addiction. I know punishment is only one small facet to helping a drug addict take the road to recovery and abstinence. I also know and understand that our

criminal system was never

designed to house drug addicts at a rate higher than violent offenders, which strains our prison resources causing the tax burden to sky rocket. I know that property crimes need to be a major focus in our community and victims deserve reimbursement for their losses when criminals damage or steal their property. It is imperative that we begin to employ actual strategies that work to reduce property crimes, and we must develop community supervision to supervise property crime offender's behavior upon release from incarceration.

6. Do you see particular local cases or problems that your legal background makes you especially equipped to address?

I believe that State v. Jon Devon, No. 24958-1-III and other cases involving murdered children and other serious violent offenses should be retried and

not pled down to manslaughter with sentences of time already served. If elected, I will not make any plea deals with any persons convicted of murdering children. I believe that Senate Bill 6550 involving new laws encouraging prosecutors to find any alternative means to incarceration for juvenile offenders in order to reduce recidivism. With extensive experience in all criminal prosecutions including juvenile offenses, I am qualified to handle any cases in the prosecutor's office. Whether prosecuting or defending in Maryland, Washington, D.C., or Washington, I have prosecuted or defended about every type of criminal case pertinent to Okanogan County. My experience makes me not only tough on crime but smart on crime.

7. Finally, do you have any observations or comments to add about the Okanogan Prosecutor's Office that have

not been addressed in the above questions?

My opponent's tour of duty demonstrates a pattern of overcharging small crimes, ignoring serious crimes like the murder and rape of children, and aggressively prosecuting minor crimes, while violating people's Constitutional Rights in order to achieve convictions by way of plea agreement. My opponent claims to care about victims, vet the victims that I have spoken to often state that they did not feel involved in their cases and that they never really spoke to the prosecutor. Whether true or not, I vow that if elected, I will change this perception. All people will feel listened to and treated fairly as the ultimate goal is to promote public safety by reducing and preventing crime through avenues that allow for punishment while also allowing rehabilitation and redemption.

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for persons with the sole goal of forcing people to plead guilty simply to get out of jail because they cannot afford bail. • I do not believe in withholding evidence from the defendant and their lawyer at any time and will provide all evidence as soon as it can be turned over to the defense. • I believe that we should do everything we can to follow Senate Bill 6550 by encouraging the resolution of as many juvenile cases as possible without affecting the child's record. • I believe that the current costs of the justice system are economically unsustainable and we cannot afford to pay \$40,000/year for each person housed in our jail, especially for less egregious

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ABOVE: Joe Taylor, wearing red, stopped a Soap Lake pass receiver inches from the goal line with the clock ticking down to halftime. Backing him up is No. 55. Alfredo Nila. BELOW: Some of the 23 Brewster High School seniors with family members took over Champion Field at halftime on Senior Night last Friday.

BELOW RIGHT: Ernie Nanamkin takes the ball around left against the Eagles.



Face unbeaten Raiders Oct. 26

## Bears go to 4-0 in CW2B with 54-32 win over Soap Lake

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

**BREWSTER** – The Bears varsity football team took another step closer to a shot at the Central Washington B-2B League championship with a 54-28 win over Soap Lake on Senior Night last Friday, Oct. 12.

Following a strong threetouchdown start in the first quarter Brewster allowed the Eagles to close the gap to within nine points with a TD in the final 30 seconds of the second quarter that made the halftime score 28-19.

A 20-point unanswered rally in the third quarter put the Bears all but out of reach despite a two-TD effort by Soap Lake in the final quarter.

The 4-0 Bears have just one undefeated rival, Lake Roosevelt, standing between



them and the league title but Brewster will have to take its they meet the Raiders in two

weeks. Lake Roosevelt has been playing strong, consis-A-game on the road when tent football with double-digit shutouts over league rivals Tonasket (48-0), Liberty Bell (46-0), and Oroville (47-0), and non-league opponents Okanogan (44-0), and Kettle Falls (69-0). It was Senior Night on Champion Field last Friday, and Brewster honored a busload of senior athletes including eight on the cheer squad, seven football standouts, five soccer stars, two cross country specialists, and a volleyball leader. Acknowledged at halftime were cheerleaders Alondra Huerta, Lube Fabian, Irene Riggan, Giselle De La Paz, Thania Dorantes, Karina Reyes, Shakira Guzman, and Yucilen Valdez; football players Juan Garcia, Alfredo Nila, Justin Knowlton, Miguel Chacon, Ernie Nanamkin, Joe Taylor, and Jeff Sonneman; soccer players Betty Martinez, Julissa Olvera, Kim Nila, Alexia Escalera, and Alondra Torres; cross country runners John Benetiz, and Victor Abrego, and volleyball player Bizzy Stam. Brewster: 21-7-20-6 54 Soap Lake: 6-13-0-13 32

## **Shockers** down Fillies, stay alive in volleyball race

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

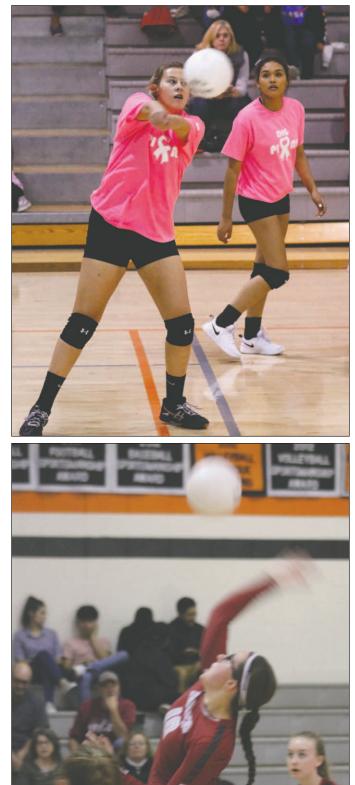
BRIDGEPORT - The Waterville-Mansfield Shockers kept their hopes alive for a post-season playoff berth with a three-set win at Bridgeport last Thursday, Oct. 11. Playing the Fillies who were clad in pink jerseys for Cancer Awareness Night, the Shockers took all three sets, 25-22, 25-11, and 25-18.

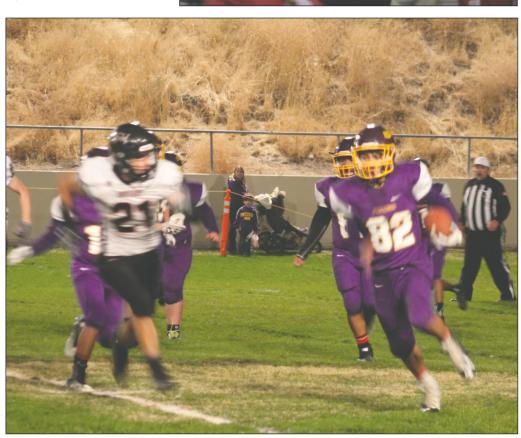
The win puts 2-3 Waterville-Mansfield in sixth place in the Central Washington B-2B League. A game behind 3-3 Liberty Bell and one ahead of the Fillies. Three more wins would put the Shockers at 5-3, and in contention. However, two of those games are against third place Lake Roosevelt (3-2), and Manson (6-0) tied for first place with Brewster.

Waterville-Mansfield were scheduled to host the Raiders on Tuesday, Oct. 16, before traveling to Oroville to play the Hornets on Thursday, Oct. 18.

Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport School District **TOP: Bridgeport's Taylor** Munson, clad in cancer awareness pink jersey, bumps the ball toward Waterville-Mansfield during last Thursday's 3-0 loss to the visiting Shockers.

Photo by Mike Maltais BOTTOM: Ari Saucedo, the only Mansfield player on the Shockers varsity volleyball squad, goes up for a kill against the Fillies.











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Ivan Ceniceros, 82, scored the only touchdown for Pateros against ACH last Friday, Oct.

## **Almira-Coulee-Hartline rolls** over Pateros by a bunch

#### BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – Defending state 1B champion Almira-Coulee-Hartline brought its state experience along with big players and a deep team on the road to roll over host Pateros 70-6 last Friday, Oct. 12. The Warriors wasted little time showing their dominance and racked up a

42-point first quarter. "ACH is ranked No.2 in

the state for a reason," said Pateros head coach Marcus Stennes. "We didn't come out ready to go in the first quarter and gave up 42 points."

ACH, whose only loss has been a 34-point decision to Odessa, put up six points in the second quarter, eight in the third and 14 in the

fourth.

Ivan Ceniceros, in his first start as quarterback for the Billygoats, got Pateros on the board with a TD scramble for six points in the final quarter.

The Billygoats, tied for third place in the CWB-1B with 3-2 Bridgeport, will take on the Mustangs on the road at 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 19.

## Lady Lions best Lady Bears in battle of unbeatens

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER - With var-

final quarter of regular season games, the two remaining unbeaten teams in the Central Washington B-2B League,

Brewster and Liberty Bell, came toe-to-toe last Thursday, Oct. 11, to see which would have a shot at ending the regular season



undefeated.

So far, that team is Liberty Bell, who managed to pull a 2-0 victory out over the Lady Bears and stand at 8-0 with four opponents left, including a rematch with Brewster.

The Lady Bears soothed their wounds with a decisive 5-2 win over visiting Tonasket last Saturday, Oct. 13. Brewster was scheduled to take on the Fillies at Bridgeport, Tuesday, Oct. 16, and host Manson at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18.

Liberty Bell will face Tonasket and Oroville before hosting the Lady Bears at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20.

### LETTERS TO EDITOR

#### Cast your vote for Tony Hawley

As many of you know, my family has called Okanogan County our home since the first settlers came in the 1800's. Generations of pride and commitment to taking care of our community are some of the things that make this county and its small towns great.

#### Cari Hall is uniquely qualified for auditor

I am endorsing Cari Hall for Okanogan County Auditor. I have known Cari for many years, I had the pleasure of working with her in her previous position as Chief Financial Officer for a large non-profit entity the County has connections with. And, more important to me, I have had the pleasure of working with Cari on a daily basis for

Some of you have gotten to know me throughout the vears working for Food Services of America as a truck driver. I started my work in public service with the Tonasket Fire Department in 1993. I then continued my volunteer work with the Okanogan Fire Department and the Omak Fire Department. I am currently the Okanogan Fire Chief and I have served in that position since 2014.

three years now, after given the opportunity to hire her as our Finance Manager for the County.

Cari is uniquely qualified for the important position of Auditor. She has the accounting background and experience to help guide the County in budgeting and financial matters as a member of the County Finance Committee, the members of which, by Statute, is the County Treasurer, Auditor and Chairman of the Board of County Com-

I started my career in law enforcement with the Omak Police Department in 2006. where I currently serve as a patrol officer. After 25 years in emergency services, and seeing many unimaginable things, there are certain public servants who stick out to you. One of these people is Sergeant Tony Hawley, who is currently running to be our Sheriff. Over the past several years

missioners. She currently attends the monthly Finance Committee meetings to present the financial reports and answer questions. Her advice and comments during these meetings, budget meetings, and throughout the year is respected and well received by the County Commissioners as well as other Department Heads and Elected Officials. Cari's qualifications for the

job include the knowledge and capability to understand the mandated requirements **Paid Political Advertising** 

as a police officer and as Fire Chief, I have responded to countless critical incidents where Tony was present. I have always found comfort in knowing that Tony was either leading the way, beside me, or watching over me commanding an incident. I have always been able to count on Tony for reasoning and advice and positive corrections, as have other young cops fighting to learn their

and work in every department of the Auditor's office, Recording, Elections and Licensing as well as Finance. This knowledge stems from her willingness to help wherever needed, whenever she can. Her eagerness to work and learn has resulted in WA ST Dept of Licensing Certification, not an easily achieved accomplishment.

Cari's customer service is unsurpassed! She is exceptionally good with people. She listens and is willing to

way in an ever-changing job. Tony is very humble, gives credit where credit is due, and does not grandstand for simply doing his job. Tony is always approachable and he listens with compassion. Tony has worked in all aspects of the position he is running for. Tony is a great instructor and mentor as my SWAT commander. These are just a few of the reasons why Tony Hawley should be

go the extra distance to assist in whatever task, transaction or problem needs to be addressed and completed. Cari has the respect and is well liked by everyone in the office, and I believe by most, if not all of the people she comes in contact with on a regular basis.

Please join me in supporting Cari Hall for Auditor, she is the best candidate, and the only qualified candidate in the race!

Please feel free to contact

our next Sheriff.

I look forward to continuing my commitment to public service as Fire Chief and as a Senior Patrolman with the Omak Police Department with Tony as our next Sheriff. When casting your vote on Nov. 6, vote with confidence and Vote Tony Hawley.

#### Jerod Gavin Okanogan

me if you would like to hear more of my thoughts. As Auditor, I have worked with, and supervised both of the candidates. Cari's opponent has not been accurate in portraying his experience and qualifications. The outcome of this race is crucial to the success of Okanogan County.

Thank you!

#### Laurie Thomas, **Okanogan County** Auditor

many died to protect.

Sincerely yours,

initiative.

is not the enemy; neither are

law abiding gun owners. Let's

work on real, effective answers

together, not pass legislation

that mocks the freedoms so

I-1639. Please join me in defeat-

ing this faulty and dangerous

We all deserve better than

#### I-1639 is a faulty and dangerous initiative.

If you are a Washington State resident your second amendment rights are in immediate danger. Ballot Initiative I-1639, if passed, would cause owners of any type of semi-automatic rifle or handgun to be subjected to onerous new restrictions and taxes, with the intent to discourage

#### Enloe Hydroelectric project defies economic logic

I attended the recent ratepayer "listening session" in Brewster hosted by the three Okanogan County PUD (OPUD) commissioners. The only issue raised was redevelopment of the Enloe Hydroelectric Project. Despite hearing a wall of opposition at this meeting and the previous session held in Tonasket last spring, the commissioners

Face unbeaten Trojans Oct. 18

their possession and use while doing little to nothing to fight crime. Some of these new restrictions would be:

A requirement that gun owners lock up their guns to newly imposed standards or face criminal charges. This would surely resulting in police knocking on doors to come into your home to see if your guns are legally stored. And woe to those who fail.

appeared steadfast in their determination to continue spending ratepayer money on a project that defies economic logic. The estimated cost of power produced by the project could be nearly three times the current market rate for electricity. And the additional cost of power generation due to lower than anticipated streamflows resulting from climate change, and the State requirement to provide aesthetic flows over the dam, have not even been included in these cost estimates. The need to pur-

A requirement that individuals applying to acquire a semi automatic rifle waive the confidentiality of their medical records. The act of applying to purchase "shall constitute a waiver of confidentiality.'

Required statewide registration for every law-abiding citizen owning a handgun or semi-automatic rifle, necessitating a massive state-level bureaucracy to monitor.

I-1639 would turn you into a

sue this expensive power is hard to understand when the PUD has recently signed a power purchase agreement with Douglas County PUD for power from Wells Dam that will provide up to 134 MW of power into the OPUD. This is nearly twice what the OPUD currently supplies to its nearly 20,500 customers at peak demand.

Why do the commissioners cling to this dream of re-development of Enloe dam when so many other cost effective and sustainable alternatives exist? Is it that they can't admit felon if a criminal steals your gun and uses it to commit a crime.

It robs adults aged 18 to 20 of their Constitutional Right to self defense and the use of most hunting rifles (which are semi-automatics) for sports or other purposes. It forbids law-abiding young adults to purchase or receive such a rifle as a gift. Yet these young people can be sent to war.

These are just a few of the

that the \$16 million already invested in the project was a waste of money? Or is it truly their concern about the liability the OPUD might face to remove the dam and clean up the accumulated sediments above the dam (which may or may not be contaminated with heavy metals from mining in the upper watershed)? If it is the latter, why do they refuse to gather any actual facts to support or refute this possible alternative? Private, State and federal funding are available to largely offset the financial costs for removal and oppressive infringements on the rights of Washington residents that would become a sad reality with the passage of I-1639.

Please consider carefully before you participate in voting away any part of our Constitutional freedoms. There are practical and meaningful answers to protecting our children and schools; I-1639 isn't one of them.

Our Constitutional heritage

remediation, yet the OPUD fails to fully explore these opportunities.

This behavior seems illogical if not irresponsible given the opposition from ratepayers. They are, after all, our representatives in the OPUD, and we expect that they will fulfill their responsibilities to present and future generations by scrupulously evaluating the alternative to the project of removing the dam as a least expensive alternative to forging ahead with development at all costs.

These relatively new com-

#### **Richard Tingelstad** Twisp missioners and a new general manager were not involved in the earlier decisions to invest in the project. And it would seem easy enough to walk away from the project before committing ratepayers to pay untold millions more

(estimates range from \$35M to \$50M+) to fully develop the project. It was not, after all, their decision to come this far, but their thumb prints are all over the decision to go further.

#### **Stephen Ralph** Winthrop

## Brewster volleyball girls in hunt for CW2B title

BREWSTER - The Lady

BY MIKE MALTAIS

STAFF WRITER

by two points, 25-27, the team missed six serves in that set.

control the match," said Boesel. "We also had our best passing "We're doing a better job of effort of the season off servereceive

kills, 1 dig, 1 block, 1 assist Karste Wright: 19/20 serving, 9 aces 5 digs, 1 block, 5 kills, 14 assists Elizabeth Stam: 5/6 serving, 5 digs,

Emerson Webster: 1 kill Brewster was scheduled to host winless Oroville on

aces, 9 digs, 1 assist

16. The Lady Bears will take on unbeaten Manson on the road Thursday, Oct. 18, for the Central Washington B-2B

Bears varsity volleyball team met one of their two toughest rivals in Lake Roosevelt on Thursday, Oct. 11, and except for a lapse in service during the second set, handed the Lady Raiders only their second league loss while keeping their undefeated streak alive, with three wins in four sets. Brewster took the first set, 25-12, lost the second, 25-27, and won the final two, 25-18, 25-16.

"Lake Roosevelt made us work hard for our win," said coach Marcy Boesel. "Serving made a huge difference for us."

Boesel underscored the serving factor by noting that in the single game the Lady Bears lost

ompeting," said Boesel. "It's fun to see the girls be hungry to win."

#### Stats:

Brooklynne Boesel: 14/15 serving, 2 aces, 16 digs, 19 assists, 12 kills Sammi Emigh: 16/18 serving, 2 aces, 7 digs, 6 kills, 1 block Anah Wulf: 16/17 serving, 4 aces, 5 digs, 1 assist, 1 kill Karste Wright: 20/22 serving, 6 aces, 3 digs. 14 assists. 16 kills. 3 blocks Elizabeth Stam: 13/15 serving, 1 ace, 12 digs, 4 kills, 1 block Emerson Webster: 1 kill. 1 block Karina Martinez: 12/12 serving, 8 digs, 2 assists

Brewster hosted Bridgeport on Cancer Awareness Night on Tuesday, Oct. 9, and beat the Fillies, 25-7, 25-5, and 25-10, in the course of a good cause that made everyone winners in the end.

"We had an evenly distributed offense that helped us

"Our Cancer Awareness Night honored the courageous cancer battles of both Alexsandra Vasquez and Yahir Corona," said Boesel. "Yahir is currently at Children's Hospital in Seattle receiving his cancer treatment."

The Bridgeport and Brewster communities came together with a donation of \$537.94 to help with the medical expenses for the Corona family.

"We are very grateful to both communities for their generous support of Yahir and his family," Boesel said. Stats:

Brooklynne Boesel: 14/15 serving, 6 aces, 5 digs, 10 assists, 8 kills Sammi Emigh: 5/6 serving, 2 aces, 4 kills Anah Wulf: 9/10 serving, 2 aces, 3

Karina Martinez: 17/17 serving, 3

Senior Night, Tuesday, Oct.

League title.



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### **OBITUARIES**

## Lorena **Charlotte** Lang

Lorena Charlotte Lang, a resident of Chewelah, Wash. passed away in Chewelah, Wash. on Oct. 11, 2018 at the age of 100. Lorena was born on August 27, 1918 in Leahy, Wash. the daughter of George Andrew and Ruth Adell (Campbell) Nilles.

Lorena was raised on the family ranch in Del Rio, Wash. a small farming community west of Grand Coulee, Wash.. She attended school through the 8th grade. At the age of 19, she caught the eye of a young school teacher, Jacob "Jakie" Jay Lang, who was working as a summer ranch hand. In 1938 they exchanged wedding vows in Waterville, Wash. Lorena and Jakie moved to Gackle, North Dakato where they began a family with the birth of a son, Allen Kenneth. Their world drew heavy and their love persevered when he passed in his infancy. A year later, Gloria, their first daughter was born. In 1942 they relocated to Spokane, Wash. where they welcomed their daughter Dorothy and then Linda entered the world while residing for a time in in Lind, Wash. Lorena stayed home and took great pride in raising her growing family. In 1948, Lorena and Jakie bought a farm near Mansfield. Lorena worked alongside Jake on the farm while tending to the needs of her children. While on the farm, their family "grew-by-two" with the births of Patty and Darrell. Lorena and Jakie worked long days, provided for their family's needs and saved all that they could. Eventually, they purchased a house in Brewster, Wash. and resided in town while working the farm. Following the passing of Jakie in 1991, Lorena moved to Chewelah, Wash. where she enjoyed Saturday shopping trips and working at the Chewelah Food Bank.

Lorena had a very strong Catholic faith life and even as her health faded, she made it a point to attend both weekday and weekend masses as often as possible. She loved her family and cherished their visits.



Lorena had the opportunity to cruise the Carribean with her dear friend and walking partner, Wilma Schanzenbach and Wilma's family. Lorena hoped to see and inspire happiness in those around her with her gentle and loving character. She was a caring and considerate mom who watched over her family with a loving diligence and devotion.

Lorena is survived by five children: Gloria Schanzenbach (Dennis) of Chewelah, Wash., Dorothy Freimuth (Douglas) of Lacey, Wash., Linda Vercoe (Sam) of Vancouver, Wash., Patty Olsness (Doug) of Spokane, Wash., Darrell Lang (Kristi) of Prosser, Wash.; siblings, Mary Eidsen of Mansfield, Wash. and Benny Nilles of East Wenatchee, Wash.; grandchildren, Michael Peterson (Roberta), Anne Blodgett, Donna (Neil) Gueirtson, Patrick Vercoe, Kimberly Vercoe; great-grandchildren; Christopher and Nicholas Peterson, Alanis and Samantha Vercoe and Isaac Blodgett; one great-great-grandchild, Cinsere, and a host of extended family and friends.

Services for Mrs. Lorena Charlotte Lang will begin at 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 16, 2018 followed by the Funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 17, 2018 both at the St. Mary of the Rosary Catholic Church in Chewelah. The graveside service and vault interment will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at the Mansfield Cemetery in Mansfield, Wash. Memorial contributions will be given to St. Mary of the Rosary Catholic Church.

Please visit the online memorial and sign the guestbook at www.danekasfuneralchapel. com. Danekas Funeral Chapel and Crematory is entrusted with the arrangements.

### **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD**

#### Monday-Thursday

#### Senior Center S.A.I.L classes, lunch

BREWSTER - Hours at the Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center are 8 to 11:45 a.m. Monday through Thursday; and every other Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Donations will be accepted during store hours at the back door or just knock or come on in. They take just about everything except children's clothing. The Center will also take "small pieces of furniture and sometimes larger items. S.A.I.L (Stay Active and Independent for Life) classes are on every Tuesday and Thursday from 10-11 a.m. The Center is hosting Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition (OCTN) meals Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The suggested donation for those over age 60 is \$4. For those 60 and under the cost is \$8.50. All diners are welcome.

#### Oct. 18

#### **Red Cross Blood drive**

BREWSTER - An American Cross Blood Drive will be held Thursday, Thurs., Oct. 18, Noon-5 p.m. at the Brewster Boys and Girls Club, 601 Cliff Ave. How to donate blood: Simply download the American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to make an appointment or for more information. All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

#### Oct. 19, Nov. 9

#### Brewster area monthly bus trips to **Omak and Wenatchee**

BREWSTER - OCTN takes Brewster area residents to Wenatchee for the day, every second Friday of the month. Next trip will be Nov. 9. The bus starts picking folks up at their homes at 7:30 a.m. Riders may request the destination(s); typically, it will be medical appointments, the mall, Walmart, a restaurant and so on. On the third Friday of each month, Oct. 19, riders will be taken to Omak for the day. Again, riders request their destination(s) and make a day of socializing, shopping and errands. 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). Call (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

#### Oct. 20

#### Story Time at library

Saturday story time

BRIDGEPORT - The Washington Reading Corps Program holds a story time at the Bridgeport Public Library every Saturday morning at 10 a.m. Story Times will be for the school year and reading will be in English. For more information call Molly Westlund at (509) 449-2009.

#### Oct. 20

#### Illuminate Women's Conference

WENATCHEE - Join us for Illuminate Women's Conference for a day of motivation, empowerment, and pampering for the women of North Central WA. Participants will hear from exceptional female speakers, enjoy some retail therapy, take time for themselves in the Taking Care

### **DEATH NOTICES / SERVICES**

### Thomas S. Sutherland

Thomas S. Sutherland, 87, of Brewster, Wash. passed away on Oct. 13, 2018.

No services will be held.

Please leave any thoughts and memories for the family at www.barneschapel.com. Barnes Chapel of Brewster is entrusted with the services.

#### of Me Spa, get pumped up with DJ Manny, visualize their goals with our interactive vision board, and capture memories with our photo booth. Participants can extend the fun with a VIP experience. Join them on October 20, for the Illuminate Women's Conference at the Wenatchee Convention Center. Empower Develop Grow. For tickets and more details at www.illuminatewenatchee.com

#### Oct. 22

#### TOPS<sup>®</sup> meeting

BREWSTER - TOPS® (Take Off Pounds Sensibly®) meets every week on Monday at 10 a.m. at Brewster Boys and Girls Club, located at 601 Cliff Ave W., Brewster. Visitors are always welcome (preteens, teens, and adults - male and female). First meeting is free. TOPS Club, Inc. ® is an affordable, nonprofit, weight-loss support and wellness education organization with thousands of associate chapters in the United States and Canada. Members learn about nutrition, portion control, food planning, exercise, motivation, and more at weekly meetings. According to independent studies published in major medical journals, TOPS® weight-loss support has been proven just as effective as more expensive commercial programs. For details: Joyce Anderson, Coordinator at (509) 922-8820, visit www.tops.org or call TOPS Headquarters at (800) 932-8677.

#### Oct. 24

#### **Retirement Planning Seminar**

OKANOGAN - Okanogan County School Retirees' Association is sponsoring a free Retirement Planning Seminar for all school employees (PERS, SERS, and TRS) at 4:30 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the Okanogan High School Library. For information call Penny Garrison at (509) 422-3393.

#### Oct. 26

#### School Retiree's Assn. to meet

OMAK - Okanogan County School Retirees' Association meets Friday, Oct. 26 at Roadhouse 97, 914 Koala St., Omak. Order lunch at 11:15 a.m. Meeting begins at 11:30. Peter Diedrick, WSSRA Legislative Director, and Rohn Rutledge, AMBA Representative, will speak. Information: Jennie Hedington: (509) 422-2954

### DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

Oct. 9	Road and Road 15 N.E. in
Warrant at 16th Street and	Bridgeport.
Fairview Avenue in Bridge-	Property incident at Road 14
port.	N.E. and Road K N.E. in Mans-
911 at 22 AMC Rd. on Bridgeport	field.
Bar.	Trespass at Road 17 N.W. and
Traffic offense at 2400 Tacoma	Road C N.W. in Mansfield.
Ave. No. 9 in Bridgeport.	Theft at 316 Fairview Ave. in
Injury accident at 17th Street and	Bridgeport.
Douglas Avenue in Bridge-	Noise next door to 613 Columbia
port.	Ave. in Bridgeport.
I	Trespass at the 800 block of
Oct. 10	Central Ferry Canyon Rd. on

- Public assistance at 1255 Fairview Bridgeport Bar. Ave., No. 17 in Bridgeport.
  - Noise at the corner of 12th Street and Foster Avenue in Bridgeport.

#### Oct. 14

- Trespass at Road 19 N.E. and Road K N.E. in Mansfield. Oct 15
- Alarm at Brewster Mfg., 62 Bailey Way on Bridgeport Bar.

#### Oct. 15

- Harassment/threat at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger Way in Bridgeport.
- Missing person at 1424 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.
- Warrant at Ninth Street and Columbia Avenue in Bridgeport.

#### Oct. 16

Property incident at DCSO, 1206 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.

Oct. 13 Non-injury accident at Pearl Hill

Animal problem at 386 Edson St.

Alarm at 1041 Rd. 16 N.E. in

Vehicle theft at 15 Buckingham

Traffic offense at 2600 Foster

Disturbance at 580 N. Jameson

Traffic offense at Douglas Avenue

Traffic offense at State Route 173,

Alarm at 206 12th St. in Bridge-

milepost 5 on Bridgeport Bar.

and 10th Street in Bridgeport.

Creek Ave. in Bridgeport.

Lake Rd. in Mansfield.

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Obituaries and memorials need to be typed and emailed no later than Friday by 4:00 p.m. to be placed in the next available issue(s). Please call for cost of an obituary and which NCW paper(s) that it will be placed in to.

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.

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

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#### BREWSTER

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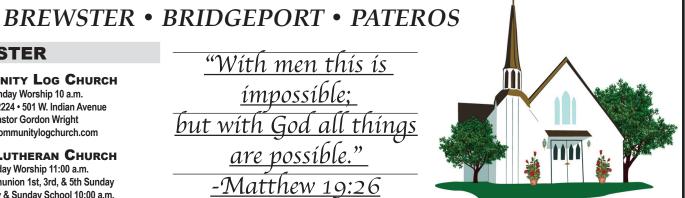
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STATEPOINT Photo Beware of under-inflation. Even when tires look properly inflated, they may be underinflated

## 9 things all drivers need to know about their tires

(STATEPOINT) - Today's cars are packed with impressive features. Stability control. Ride assist. Ever-more-powerful engines. But no matter what technology makes its way into your car -- it's your tires that connect it to the road, making their construction and maintenance critical for safe, effective driving.

So, what do you need to know? The experts at Cooper Tires are offering these helpful insights.

• Valve stems are crucial. Those little caps on the valve help to keep out moisture and dirt, as well as provide an additional seal to the valve core, holding air in the tires and helping maintain tire pressure

• Check the manual. Proper tire pressure is important for safety, performance and fuel economy, and can extend the life of your tires by reduc-

ing the chance of uneven wear. But don't check the tire sidewall for this information. That's where the maximum pressure allowed for the tire is listed. The proper inflation pressure can be found by checking the vehicle's owner's manual or the placard found on the driver's side doorjamb, glove box or fuel door.

• Beware of under-inflation.

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## **Traveling with pets? What to know**

(STATEPOINT) - Do your upcoming travel plans include pets? Whether you're flying to an exciting destination or hitting the road, these suggestions can make the journey easier for animals and humans alike.

• Prep your pet: Traveling can prove stressful to animals, so don't catch your pet off-



## Key to healthy yard starts with fall and winter care

(STATEPOINT) - The key to a healthy year-round yard is in how you care for it during the fall and winter months. Ignoring your lawn when the temperatures change can mean even more work for you when the springtime rolls around again. So get ahead of the game now to help yourself in the long run.

Mow and rake

Even when the cool air enters your neck of the woods. it's still necessary to continue mowing your yard. If your grass is still growing, you should still be mowing.

Raking and lawn sweeping your yard after you mow is necessary to prevent sun deprivation from impacting your yard.

By neglecting the areas of your lawn with built-up grass on top, you're ensuring you'll end up with unattractive brown spots peppered throughout.

Keep the clippings in check by raking and removing your grass after every mow. This not only helps your lawn look great but prevents overworking your mower.

#### Create a compost pile

The fall season is an excellent time to start your own compost pile and can help you put your yard waste to good use.

Start a pile of green leaves, clippings and non-meat kitchen scraps close to your garden. Add a second layer of brown material such as garden soil, leaves and coffee grounds before adding another layer of greens. Finally, add some garden soil to the top and turn it throughout the season. You'll end up with a rich, black pile of fertilizer for next year's garden.

Tend your garden

You may think your gardening is done once you pull the last carrot or onion form the ground, but your garden needs regular maintenance just like the rest of your yard.

Remove any damaged annuals and clear out debris from flower beds. This freshens up the appearance of your garden and helps prevent mildew and mold from taking over.



There's still plenty of time to savor some of the garden's best flavors before you close your door on the season.

**Fabulous fall flavors: Why** 

guard. Before leaving town, practice taking short rides in the car or spending time in a carrier. This will help your pet get used to the experience.

If you haven't already microchipped your pet, this may be a good opportunity to do so. This is also the time to ensure your pet's collar is up-to-date with your current contact information.

• Pack right: Pack plenty of food and fresh water and a sufficient supply of any medications your pet is taking, as getting refills away from home could be difficult. To alleviate anxiety, bring along pet blankets and toys as reminders of home. Also pack a pet-specific first aid kit, which should include non-stick bandages, adhesive bandages, towels, gauze and your veterinarian's phone number.

· Follow rules: Do your research to ensure you're following rules along the way and at your destination. Check airline policies, as well as hotel and campsite restrictions and accommodations. Travel across state or international borders requires a health certificate. Some locations

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Prep your pet: Traveling can prove stressful to animals, so don't catch your pet off-guard. Before leaving town, practice

require more information and documentation. Give yourself plenty of time to handle these details. Your veterinarian can be a good resource in learning what to expect. To that end, a check-up is also a good idea before a trip, as vaccinations or preventive medications may be needed before traveling.

• Safety first: While seatbelts alone can keep a dog from moving about the cabin of the car, they are not your safest option. To help protect pets in a crash, anchor a crate using a seatbelt or other secure means. When flying, opt to keep your pet in the cabin of the plane if possible. Temperatures and air quality in cargo can put a strain on pets. If your animal is too large to fly in the cabin, speak to your veterinarian about what you can do to keep your pet safe and relaxed in-flight.

 Prepare for anything: Even the best laid plans can hit snags. Be prepared for the

possibility that your pet will www.carecredit.com for pet your vacation destination.

when traveling with a pet. With a little care, you can make your travels with furry friends safe, fun and memorable.

## autumn is ideal for gardening, plus timely tips for success

taking short rides in the car or spending time in a carrier.

become accidentally injured or develop an unexpected illness while traveling, prompting an unplanned trip to the vet. To prepare, consider solutions like the CareCredit credit card, issued by Synchrony Bank, which features special financing options (subject to credit approval) that can allow you to focus on getting your pet better while making monthly payments. More than 200,000 health care providers and health-focused retailers, including over 20,000 veterinarians accept the CareCredit credit card nationwide, which also sponsored the distribution of the tips in this article. Go to healthcare providers closest to

Advance planning is key

(BPT) - For any gardener, fall is bittersweet. The exuberance of summer's bounty has started to fade, while cooler nights and less daylight signal the approach of cold, dark winter.

However, there's still plenty of time to savor some of the garden's best flavors before you close your door on the season. In fact, now is the perfect time to plant what are collectively known as "cool weather" crops tasty favorites that thrive in autumn's chill.

Bonnie Plants grows a wide variety of cool-weather veggies and herbs, perfect for fall planting. Availability of Bonnie's fall varieties is limited to specific regions, so check your local garden retailers to find plants near you.

Select some hardy favorites to get weeks of crisp cabbage slaws, healthy kale bowls, crunchy cauliflower and broccoli or even hearty greens like collards or Swiss chard, perfect to pop

in a long-simmering winter braise.

Other fall favorites include Brussels sprouts - delicious roasted with slivers of garlic, olive oil and a touch of balsamic vinegar - or any of the versatile salad greens like lettuce and spinach or flavorful herbs like cilantro that tend to suffer and bolt prematurely in sweltering summer sun.

Here's six timely tips from Bonnie Plants to help you make your fall garden as enjoyable as your summer harvest.

1. Go big at home

Plant pre-started vegetable or herb transplants rather than seeds to squeeze every last moment out of fall's compressed growing season. These plants love warm soil coupled with cool air and will start to grow quickly. Using transplants instead of seed also means you'll be gathering tasty produce weeks earlier than you would with seed-sown varieties.

#### 2. Stretch the season

While you can certainly plant cool-season veggies and herbs in pots or in the

ground, a simple, commonly available garden product, a "cold-frame", can help you extend your fall season by providing some added protection. A cold frame is a four-sided, clear box - open to the soil at the bottom with a hinged lid. Because the ground inside stays warmer than the ambient air temperature, a cold frame protects plants long after unsheltered veggies start to fail. (On warm, sunny days, be sure to crack the lid open to prevent too much heat from building up inside.)

3. Prepare you plot or pot

If planting in-ground, be sure to clear the area of previous planted crops and weeds, as they may decay and harbor bacteria. Always bag, tie and discard debris. Turn up the soil's top layer and add some bagged compost, and mulch. If planting in a pot, be sure to sanitize pots and use fresh, new potting soil, specifically formulated for containers.

4. Proactively patrol for pests

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## 5 tips to bring your home's Wi-Fi 'Dead Zones' to life

(STATEPOINT) - Whether it's to stream a movie from the bedroom or lock the front door using smart home technology, you've likely come to expect Wi-Fi to reach every corner of your house. The reality is that there are certain locations in many homes where Internet-connected devices and smartphones are unable to receive a steady Wi-Fi signal (or any signal at all) from the router. These sad places are called "dead zones.'

"Dead zones typically include bathrooms, second and third story bedrooms, attics, basements, garages and back patios -- and they can drive everyone in the house absolutely crazy," says Jeff Parker, the "Wi-Fi Guru," and editor of the Milo Wi-Fi Blog, a source for practical advice, new products, and leadingedge technology dedicated to enhancing the Wi-Fi experience.

So, given today's basementto-attic demand for Wi-Fi access, what is the most eco-

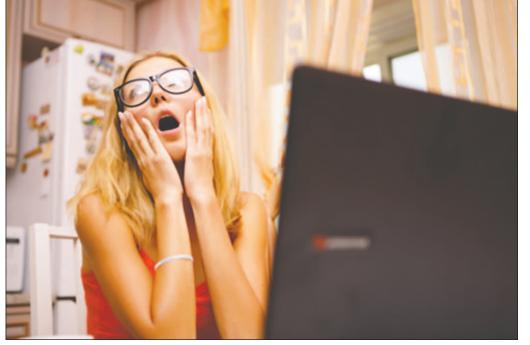


PHOTO SOURCE: (c) nuclear\_lily / stock.Adobe.com There are certain locations in many homes where Internet-connected devices and smartphones are unable to receive a steady Wi-Fi signal (or any signal at all) from the router.

nomical and effective strategy for winning the battle against dead zones in your home? Parker offers five no-cost/

low-cost suggestions:

1. Keep your router away from metal. Objects such as mirrors, televisions, appli-

ances or anything large made primarily of metal (i.e. decorative furniture, filing cabinets, even fish tanks!) have the potential to impair your network's signal strength. If possible, move such items and your router apart.

2. Switch to a less crowded frequency. In living spaces like apartment buildings, too many broadcasting networks can interfere with each other and impact Wi-Fi quality. Because routers broadcast across two wireless frequency bands, 2.4 and 5 GHz, when one is too crowded it acts like a highway packed with cars. The good news is you can usually switch frequencies within your mobile device settings to use the less crowded channel.

3. Reboot regularly. Routers asked to complete many requests, such as handing out multiple IP addresses to different devices and handling large downloads, can end up slowing down because of the heavy workload. You can think of rebooting your router as basically refreshing it and clearing any memory or stalled tasks.

4. Get the latest hardware.

If you're still using that dinosaur router from the early 2000s, it's probably time for an upgrade. Outfitting your home with a smarter and more advanced router could be the solution to your Wi-Fi woes, especially if your existing router is a very old model with limited capabilities. Internet service providers often provide router upgrades by request for no charge.

5. Consider a distributed mesh Wi-Fi system. For Wi-Fi that reaches farther, consider a mesh Wi-Fi system, which consists of a main router connected to a modem and a series of satellite Wi-Fi distribution modules placed throughout the house. Those from Milo provide a strong uninterrupted signal to every Wi-Fi device in the home, from attic to basement. To learn more, visit milowifi.com or call 1-877-426-6456.

Don't just live with the dead zones in your home. By taking a few simple steps, you can enjoy a more satisfying Wi-Fi experience.

## Weatherization myths – Debunked!

(STATEPOINT)-Weatherizing your home for each season can make it more comfortable but how to do it can be confusing. Here are four common weatherizing myths – busted! - to help get your home ready for cooler weather to come.

Myth 1: It doesn't matter where your thermostat is placed.

Truth: Location, location, location! You may be spending more on heating and cooling than you need to be if your thermostat is in the wrong place. Placed in direct sunlight, you run the risk of getting false readings, as it can "think" the room is warmer than it actually feels, causing vour air conditioner to turn on when it isn't needed. Similarly, a thermostat placed near the kitchen often reads that the home is far warmer than it truly is due to the stove and oven. The best location is on an interior wall, centrally located and near areas where you spend the most time, ensuring these rooms are the most comfortable. Myth 2: Closed curtains and blinds in cold weather prevent

heat escape. Truth: According to the Department of Energy, shades and drapes can reduce heat loss from a warm room by up to 10 percent. However, opening curtains and blinds during the day when direct sunlight hits can also allow for a warming effect. In winter, draperies should be closed at dusk but opened at dawn.

In addition, heat escape through windows can be prevented with window insulation products such as Duck brand Roll-On Window Kits, which create a barrier between outdoor air and a home's interior. helping block drafts and air leaks. And, it's also a myth that these are hard to install: A pre-taped edge makes for easy roll-on application, requiring no measuring, while fitting snuggly to indoor window frames to provide an airtight, crystal-clear seal.

Myth 3: It's expensive to



Windows and doors are the two largest draft sources in any home and should be top priorities for homeowners.

draft-proof your home.

Truth: Homeowners can actually save hundreds of dollars annually on heating and cooling costs with proper weatherization early in the

season. How do you do it? There are many inexpensive, do-it-yourself weatherization products that are easy on the wallet and easy to install, requiring minimal -- if any

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Windows and doors are the two largest draft sources in any home and should be top priorities for homeowners. Duck brand MAX Strength Silicone Weatherstrip Seals are quick to install and seal various size gaps around windows and doors that may be allowing air to escape.

Myth 4: It's cheaper to keep your home at a constant temperature.

Truth: A common misconception is that it's better to keep your home at a constant temperature, even when you're not home. However, if the system runs less during the day, it uses less energy. According to Energy.gov, you can save as much as 10 percent a year on heating and cooling by turning your thermostat back 7-10 degrees from its normal setting for eight hours a day.

Still need more help? For additional tips and information, text "Weather" to 84444 to access Duck brand's Project Selector, an online resource for project guides, instructional videos and more, or visit DuckBrand.com.

Don't let common myths scare you. Weatherizing can be an affordable, easy do-ityourself project -- especially if you plan ahead.

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### TIRES

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Even when tires look properly inflated, they may be underinflated by as much as 50 percent. Under-inflation can lead to tire failure, and tires that are under-inflated by 8 pounds per square inch (PSI) or more can increase your fuel consumption by 4 percent.

• Weather matters. Outside temperature can affect tire pressure more than you might expect. On average, experts say that tire pressure decreases by about 1 PSI for every 10-degree Fahrenheit drop in

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While pest numbers naturally decline in the cooler days of fall, they don't disappear entirely. Common pests of cool-season plants include



temperature. The changing is visible at any point around the tire, it's time to replace seasons are a good reminder the tire.

> Off-road adventures require off-road tires. Road tires may be able to handle the occasional jaunt down a gravel driveway or dirt road, but when you're heading offroad you'll need something more rugged, such as the Cooper Discoverer STT Pro, which has been designed for off-road use.

• Tires should be checked regularly. Every month and before long road trips, perform this DIY routine: check tire pressure, check tread depth, check the overall con-

from plants and dispose of them or use a strong blast of water from a hose to dislodge aphids.

5. Embrace cooler, carefree comforts

With the warm days and cool nights of fall, less moisture evaporates from your garden or pots, so you'll need to water less often. (Only water when the soil 2" deep is dry.) In addition, many cool weather crops handily survive light frosts, growing well until a very hard freeze ends their productivity. Better yet, chilly weather improves the flavor of many late-season varieties, including members of the cabbage family, kale, Brussels sprouts and chard, by turning their starches into natural sugars,

dition of the tires for cuts, cracks, splits, punctures, irregular wear and bulges.

• Know the limits of your tires. If you're the type of driver more likely to use the gas pedal than the brake, choose tires designed for high-performance, such as the Cooper Zeon RS3-G1, which features great grip and handling.

More tips and information can be found at coopertire. com. As cars go high-tech, don't forget that selecting the right tires and keeping them in good shape are two of the most important things you can do to stay safe on the road.

making them a sweet and healthy treat.

#### 6. Take time to relax

Just like plants, gardeners enjoy a break from the stifling heat of summer. With the leisure of cool days, fewer chores and less weeding as the garden begins to wind down, you'll be able to enjoy the garden more while you wait to harvest your fall favorites to boost your recipes and brighten your table.

If you don't want to give up on your garden's bounty, pick up a selection of coolseason favorites from Bonnie Plants now - and keep your garden growing!

For more information on fall gardening and varieties, please visit www.bonnieplants.com.

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## Is your family prepared for an emergency?

(STATEPOINT) - With wildfires, floods, earthquakes, tornadoes and hurricanes occurring around the world, having access to safe drinking water in the event of an emergency should be top of mind no matter where vou live.

Natural disasters can contaminate and disrupt water supplies, making it difficult to access safe drinking water at home. Emergencies also force families out of their homes, making it necessary to hydrate from natural water resources where harmful contaminants like bacteria, chemicals, microplastics and heavy metals may be present.

"The everyday public health concern of water contamination is elevated during emergencies, when water can be unreliable for drinking," says Alison Hill, managing director of LifeStraw, a manufacturer of water filtration systems that is often involved in disaster relief both in the U.S, and around the globe.

"If an emergency has your family on the move, being able to hydrate safely from any fresh water source -fountains, streams, rivers and ponds is key," points out Hill.

When building your emergency supply kit, be sure to include a portable filter to help eliminate harmful contaminants from your drinking source.

LifeStraw makes it easy to hydrate safely at home and outdoors. LifeStraw Go is a refillable bottle that incorporates a two-stage filter removing bacteria, chemicals, microplastics and bad



Hydrating safely from any fresh water source is key during emergencies.

Another good option for personal use is LifeStraw Flex, a multi-use filter that removes heavy metals including lead as well as bacteria and parasites. Finally, those traveling in groups may find it more efficient to use a filter specifically designed for a crowd, such as the brand's Mission model, a high-volume gravity-powered purifier that also filters viruses, available in a 12-liter compact roll bag.

Being prepared for any situation will help keep your family safe and healthy, for whatever comes your way. Gain the confidence of knowing that you will have access to safe water for days, weeks and even months should your water supply be compromised by a natural disaster or other emergency.

## Vinyl siding cleaning and maintenance tips

(STATEPOINT) - The type of siding you have on your home can affect how you spend your weekends, as some options require more maintenance and upkeep than others.

"While stucco, wood siding, fiber cement siding and engineered wood all require regular painting and caulking to look their best, today's vinyl siding needs only periodic cleaning with mild soap and water from a garden hose to achieve the same result," says Kevin Mickle, product manager at ProVia, a manufacturer of siding and other exterior building products.

For maximum curb appeal, the experts at ProVia are offering the following tips for maintaining and selecting vinyl siding.

• To clean vinyl siding, use a soft cloth or ordinary longhandled, soft bristle brush. For textured surfaces, use only a soft bristle brush to keep the grooves in the texture stainfree. For best results, start at the bottom of the house and work your way up, taking care to rinse the cleaning solution completely before it dries.



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instructions carefully, as well

as the recommendations of the

siding manufacturer. Some

manufacturers advise against

the use of pressure washers

on their products or have

limitations on the amount of

During this process, cover any brick facing so it's not affected by the runoff. To remove mold and mildew, use a solution of 30 percent vinegar and 70 percent water.

• Before using a power washer, read the washer's

can be used. If you do choose to use a power washer, hold it at eye level to keep water on top of the siding where it can clean most effectively.

choice won't harm your siding. Spot check a small area first.

Never use cleaners containing organic solvents, undiluted chlorine bleach, liquid grease remover, nail polish remover or furniture polish.

• When doing any home maintenance project involving stains, sealants and wet concrete, or when spraying the lawn with insecticides or herbicides, cover vinyl siding to protect its color.

 Keeping siding away from significant heat sources -- do your barbecuing many paces away from the house and keep readily ignitable materials such as dry leaves, mulch and trash away from the structure.

• Whether you're building a home or upgrading your current exterior cladding, make an informed selection. Look for the VSI Product Certification Program label.

This means the vinyl siding has gone through a thirdparty inspection process and was independently verified to meet or exceed the industry standard for quality. One brand meeting these rigorous standards is ProVia, which specializes in elegance and endurance and offers three types of professionalclass vinyl siding to choose from: insulated, traditional and decorative. All of their cladding is created with a Super Polymer Formulation for enhanced durability. To learn more, visit provia.com/ siding

Want to take your weekends back? By selecting vinyl siding for your home, you can get all the charm and curb appeal that traditional materials offer with a simpler maintenance routine.



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5 ways to get your home ready for the season

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seasons often means it's time to make home decorating updates, entertain friends and family, and more. Want to make all of this happen affordably?

To help, the discount experts at Dollar General are offering some essential shopping tips to save time and money while finding the items you need to live it up in style this season and beyond.

**Refresh Your Home** Refresh home décor on a budget any time of the year. Explore your creative side as you pick out new curtains, throws, pillows, wall art and more. To avoid getting overwhelmed, you may want to start out by updating spaces one at a time, rather than giving your whole home a complete overhaul all at once. Shop at a discount retailer to find the perfect decorating solution for your style and budget, in an easy and convenient way.

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## How to keep pests out of your chimney

(BPT) - As temperatures drop, many people will start spending more time in the warmth of their homes. Animals don't have the luxury of extra heating and take whatever refuge they can find, making chimneys a convenient place for pests to seek shelter. The team at Terminix has some helpful information to share so that homeowners can be better prepared to address critters that find their way into chimneys.

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What kinds of pests can

end up in your chimney?

If you hear rustling or scratching coming from your chimney, some type of rodent may be the culprit. Your visitors could be squirrels, which are excellent climbers and can be found in all sorts of places within your home, from attics to crawl spaces to wall voids. Or your chimney might become the den of choice for a female raccoon birthing her voung

Rats are yet another option. Norway rats can enter

this area of your home from the ground floor and nest on little shelves inside your chimney. And while roof rats, a different species of rat found mostly found along the coasts, are more likely to nest in your attic, they can also find their way into your chimney.

Rodents aren't the only animals that can end up in this space, either. Flapping sounds or chirps indicate that a bird may be nesting in your chimney. It may not look much like a tree to you, but to

certain species of birds, your house's chimney could look very similar to the hollow trees in which they like to build their nests

How do you keep pests out of your chimney?

Ideally, you'll want to set up some preventative measures to reduce the chances of a mother raccoon or other pest in your chimney. Installing a chimney cap can help keep birds, raccoons and other large pests out. When it comes to pests like rats and mice, you should focus on sealing smaller entry points, as a rat can squeeze through a hole the size of a quarter! It can be difficult to spot these access points from the ground, so you should have a professional inspect your roof and chimney for possible holes.

What do you do when a pest is already inside?

Pest control measures vary depending on what kind of animal has entered your chimney, but the general rule is that you shouldn't light a

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wow factor. The boldness of

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"A lot of homeowners want

the clean kitchen look, so

they're afraid to bring in a

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DeBoe Harper. "In reality,

incorporating black cabinets

or fixtures into an all-white

kitchen can give it an upscale,

current feel that's still stream-

lined -- and doesn't require

cluttering your countertops

Consider combining a matte

black faucet, such as Moen's

Sleek kitchen faucet, with a

white backsplash and coun-

ters, or mixing black bentwood

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fire or try to smoke the animal out. Pests like raccoons can attack when they feel threatened, and rodents can spread ectoparasitic insect pests like ticks and fleas, so you don't want to come into direct contact with whatever animal has decided to seek shelter in your home. Leave the actual removal to professionals, as Terminix's trained technicians can safely and effectively remove pests that have taken up residence in your chimney.

can give your bathroom a

clean, crisp look. Infuse black

accents through a matte black

faucet and coordinating ac-

cessories, like those from

Moen's Genta bathroom suite,

or through black and white

floor tiles in a geometric print.

Towels also provide an op-

portunity to add texture and

visual interest, whether it's a

modern floral or traditional

For a seriously eye-catching

shower, install black and white

striped tile. Keep the bath-

room's walls white, so the

tiles really pop, expanding

the stripes to the ceiling to

emphasize the height of your

bathroom walls and make it

feel bigger -- the thinner the stripes, the bigger the state-

"Integrating black and

white makes your space feel

sophisticated, yet playful and

on trend," adds DeBoe Harper.

"Use these tips to achieve the

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## Black and white: a reemerging home design trend

(STATEPOINT) - Black and white always has been a classic color pairing, and this neutral palette has resurged as one of today's hottest design trends.

Whether your look is modern or traditional, knowing how to properly use black and white can provide balance and boldness to a home. Here are some tips to help integrate this trend into your space.

 Create a Luxurious Living Room. They say the darker the wall color, the smaller the space feels -- but that's not entirely true when black walls are paired with the right light accents. In the right instances, black and white go together like yin and yang, transforming living rooms into pictureperfect spaces.

"You can either go heavy on the black, with black painted walls or wallpaper, or make it the accent color and opt for white walls," says Danielle De-Boe Harper, interior designer and senior creative content manager at Moen, a leading manufacturer of kitchen and bath fixtures. "In a whiteheavy room, include touches like artwork in black frames.



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In modern homes, DeBoe

a black fireplace or a black boho feel." Harper recommends incorporating a pair of bold buffalo check chairs or large scale black and white photos. For

café chairs around a modern white tulip table for a more eclectic approach. Shower Your Bathroom accents to create a unique

painted floor and ceiling moldings. In a black-heavy area, use white trim and rugs to offset dark walls for a contemporary look, or organic wood

a more traditional approach, she suggests using silk black and white striped curtains, or painting the ceiling in a black and white herringbone

## Simple steps for smart storage and easy moves

(STATEPOINT) - Did you know 66 percent of Americans have difficulty finding things in household storage? And more than half are frustrated by the task.

Instead of stressing, consider using smart, tech-based storage solutions, like the Duck Pack & Track app-based

Other things you can do to improve your storage skills? Turn stacks of paperwork into digital files by scanning them or snapping photos. Take advantage of vertical space by installing shelving and hooks. Also, some pieces of furniture, like ottomans, can pull double-duty as extra





labeling system to keep things organized. It uses a smartphone app and labels with unique QR codes to help you keep track of your boxes' contents. Additional information is available at DuckPack-AndTrack.com.

places to store books, photo albums, blankets, pillows and more.

Don't let your next move or seasonal cleaning be overly stressful. Smart solutions can keep you organized from start to finish.

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## How a pressure cooker can save you time and energy in the kitchen

(STATEPOINT) - Pressurecooking may sound intimidating, but it's important to keep in mind that it's actually a simple process that can save

you time, energy and money. Not only does a pressure cooker use up to 70 percent less energy than a stove, it combines high pressure and



STATEPOINT PHOTO Not only does a pressure cooker use up to 70 percent less energy than a stove, it combines high pressure and high heat to dramatically reduce cooking times,



high heat to dramatically reduce cooking times, saving you as much as two-thirds the time it takes to cook with a conventional stove. Another benefit? More vitamins and minerals are retained by pressure cooking vegetables as opposed to boiling and steaming.

Using a pressure cooker is different than cooking on a stovetop or in the oven, so the first few times, follow a recipe

to get the feel for liquid ratios and cooking times. Recipes for all occasions, as well as tips and pressure-cooking advice can be found on Crock-Pot. com.

Don't let inexperience prevent you from trying a pressure cooker. Once you have a few strategies down, it can become a useful tool to prepare convenient, quick meals for your family.





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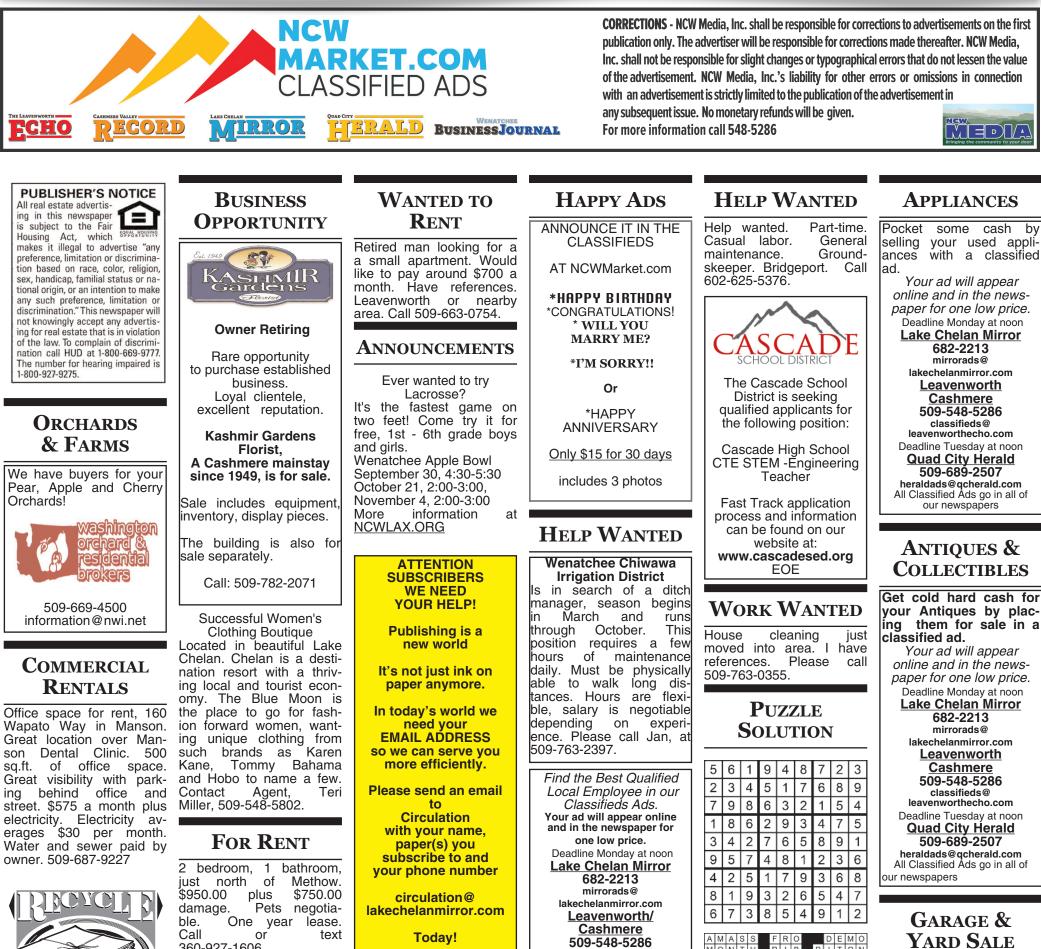
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#### PUBLIC NOTICES Bridgeport School District to Hold Child Find Event

Bridgeport School District hold its annual fall Child The will Find event on November 1, 2018. Child Find is a process designed to locate and evaluate children ages birth through 21 who may have a suspected developmental delay or disability. Child find offers free developmental screening including a brief assessment of a child's communication, fine/gross mocognitive. social/emotional tor. and self-help skills. Early identidisabilities assists fication of parents, students and schools in the design of appropriate educational services.

To schedule a free screening, please contact the Special Programs Department at 509-686-5656 or etorres@bridgeport.wednet.edu. If your family is living in a temporary situation, you may contact the district where you are currently staying for a screen-

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# Musical Pursuit concert invites you to challenge yourself with a trivia quiz

SUBMITTED BY JUDY JOHNSTON, OVOC

OMAK - Okanogan Valley Orchestra & Chorus present the season premier concert at the Omak Performing Arts Center on October 20, 2018 at 3:00 pm. The concert is planned as an audience participation event, a musical quiz that will keep you engaged as you go on this "Musical Pursuit".

Matt Brown and Jonathan McBride, musical directors for the orchestra and chorus, have chosen an eclectic mix of music. The chorus will perform a Chopin Prelude, a Beethoven spoof called "Beethoven's Wig", a choral piece from HMS Pinafore, the rock anthem "Bohemian Rhapsody", plus some modern movie music from "La La Land" and "The Lord of The Rings". The orchestra will perform "Hall of the Mountain King" from Peer Gynt Suite, "Mars" from The Planets, "Sleeping Beauty Waltz" and "March to the Scaffold" by Berlioz.

Not a musical trivia buff? "No problem", says OVOC Publicist, Judy Johnston. "Quiz questions are designed to let the music give you the answers, those delicious AHA moments that are so fun." Audience members who wish to participate may use cell phones to access the simple app that allows them to play along by choosing among multiple choice possibilities shown on the projection screen. Directions will be given at the concert and it is promised to be easy even for the technologically challenged!! "We have the most fun at our concerts when the audience is actively engaged. Young people who 'play' along will learn some

interesting facts and we know everyone will walk away with a smile, especially the winners of some great prizes!"

Season tickets are still on sale for a savings on all the OVOC events this year. The season ticket provides admittance to all four concerts plus the community musical in May. Contact Judy at judy@ovocmusic.org for information or plan to purchase the season ticket at the concert. Single ticket admission is \$12 with a senior rate of \$10 and all youth 14 and under, free. Tickets are for purchase at the door.

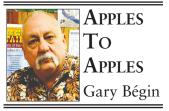
## Journalist Jamal Khashoggi murdered by 'ally' Saudi Arabia

Is one life worth losing billions of dollars in munitions sales? That is the question in the murder of Jamal Khashoggi, a prominent Saudi journalist and critic of the dynastic regime that rules that nation with an iron grip.

Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman is the man in the center of it all. Apparently his men lured the journalist to the Saudi Turkish Consulate where he was killed.

Billions of dollars of aircraft and other military deals with American companies are at stake if Trump clamps down on the Arabs with sanctions.

Trouble is, a bipartisan Congressional effort is underway to impose just that - sanctions in some form against the kingdom. Why do we care about a foreign journalist?



Khashoggi was not just a journalist, but he was also a "permanent resident" of the United States, i.e., a so-called "green card" holder entitled to almost all the exact same privileges as an American citizen. It is the step before actual citizenship.

He was also a Washington Post columnist, a position hated by both the Saudis and Trump for its unabashed commentary on all things foreign and domestic.

The president and many others lauded the recent Saudi arms deal as a way of bringing hundreds if not thousands of jobs to American arms and plane manufacturers including companies like Northrup Grumman, Boeing, Raytheon, Lockheed Martin, General Dynamics and many more as huge deals like this are ultimately jobbed-out, or subcontracted, to a hundred or more smaller companies.

Everyone gets to feed at the trough of Saudi money. Thanks to our never-ending thirst for oil, that trough is about as deep as any on the earth and the Saudi's are willing to part with \$110 billion of it to secure state-of-the-art equipment.

America is friends with Salman and Co., mainly because it sees the kingdom as a firewall against continued Iranian interference and influence in the region. With Trump overtly calling journalists he doesn't like the "enemy of the people," it is no wonder other countries feel they have the green light to kill them at will.

Google "arms manufacturers" and be prepared to be astounded. They exist from sea to shining sea. When there's a war, America makes serious bank.

The killing of Khashoggi will be pushed aside with a wink and a nod as the money pours in. It's called collateral damage by the most callous of us and that would probably include the president and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

The answer to the question about the worth of a single life? It has been answered by Crown Prince Salman - beware to those who claim the emperor has no clothes.

### DOUGLAS COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

EAST WENATCHEE - Douglas County PUD Commissioners Ronald E Skagen, Molly Simpson and Aaron J. Viebrock executed the following actions during the October 8, 2018 Commission meeting held at the District's East Wenatchee office:

• Held the scheduled hearing for the Distribution System 2019 budget and the Wells Project 2019 budget.

• Adopted the 2019Distribution System budget which includes a 1.5% increase in KWH charge for the two highest KWH usage tiers of the general service schedule. There is not an increase to the first tier usage for average residential customers. Working capital is expected to increase \$5.8 million. The preliminary capital budget is \$17.58 million, of which \$12.6 million is for electrical facilities. The balance of capital spending is for improvements and new connections to the Douglas County Community Network, for new equipment, and for right-of-way easement costs. (18-167)

• Adopted the 2019 Wells Hydroelectric Project budget. The Wells Project Revenue Budget estimate is equal to the Operating Expense Budget at \$41.2 million. The preliminary Capital Budget totals \$56.1 million. Major items include generating unit refurbishment, 300T gantry crane replacement, recreation action plan items and generator circuit breaker replacements. (18-168)

• Approved the Environmental Reviews for the 2019 Distribution System Capital Budget and the 2019 Wells Hydroelectric Project Operating, Capital and Extraordinary Expense Budget. (18-169)

• Authorized acceptance of work and final Payment to Cascade Cable Constructors, Inc. under contract 17-09-D, provide traffic control services. All work is complete and determined to meet bid specifications. (18-170)

• Approved acceptance of work and final payment to Galvanizers, Inc. under contract landsen and Associates, Inc. This amendment will extend the term to December 31, 2020 and incorporate a revised rate schedule. (18-174)

• Approved amendment No. 4 to Professional Service Agreement 13-03-W with Erlandsen and Associates. This will allow for continued engineering and construction support, increase the not to exceed limit \$500,000 for a total not to exceed amount of \$2,840,000, incorporate a revised rate schedule and extend the term of the agreement to December 31, 2020. (18-175)

• Affirmed change order No. 17 to contract 14-19-W, Wells Hatchery Modernization. Necessary to address intent of the mitigation programs and provides a safe working environment for District personnel. This change order increases the contract \$61,533 bringing the total not to exceed limit to \$37,866,185. (18-176)



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18-09-D, supply and deliver bus support steel for the Lone Pine Substation. All work is complete and determined to meet bid specifications. (18-171)

• Authorized change order No. 1 to contract 18-28-D, supply and deliver control and relay panels for the Lone Pine Substation. The change will include a component of the control and repay panels that was left off the original specifications. This change will increase the cost \$472 bringing the total not-toexceed cost to \$98,470. (18-172)

• Approved notice to proceed for the fifth unit generator work under contract 06-41-W with Toshiba American Energy Systems Corporation. (18-173)

• Authorized amendment No. 3 to professional service agreement 12-23-W, with Er• Approved renewal of Information Security and Privacy Liability Insurance with Beazley. (18-177)

• Authorized renewal of Fiduciary Liability Insurance with AIG. (18-178)

• Approved the renewal for Directors and Officers and Employment Practices Liability Insurance with AIG. (18-179)

• Heard a report on the Douglas County Community Network. The network currently has 4,514 end users.

• The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. Oct. 22, 2018 at the District's East Wenatchee office.

