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Line up for Brewster parade, light fireworks at Pateros on July 4th

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – Area residents can enjoy an early evening parade in Brewster and light fireworks at Pateros Memorial Park on Wednesday, July 4.

The Brewster Chamber of Commerce is hosting the annual Independence Day parade that will march down the city's Main Street at 6 p.m.

Interested participants can find an entry form online at www.facebook.com.brewsterchamber/ or call parade coordinator Mike Mauk at 509-449-0605.

Entrants can check in with the parade coordinator at 5 p.m. to determine their place in the procession and line up in front of the American Legion and down Third Street to city hall.

The parade will last for about 45 minutes, leaving plenty of time for those who want to swing by Pateros Memorial Park and light up some fireworks.

Pateros clerk/treasurer Kerri Wilson said that per state RCW guidelines, fireworks will be allowed in the park only between the hours of 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. from June 28-July 4.

BBGC hosts New Old Time Chautauqua, World's Largest Swimming Lesson

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – The Brewster Boys and Girls Club was a busy place on Wednesday and Thursday, June 20-21, as the New Old Time Chautauqua complete with band, dancers and entertainers stopped by for a visit on Wednesday, and the kids participated in the World's Largest Swimming Lesson on Thursday.

The New Old Time Chautauqua (NOTC), billed as America's only traveling troupe of its type, brought its marching band, wildly eclectic costumes, and skilled entertainers to the BBGC. In addition to the music, kids got lessons in juggling, hula hoop, mime, dance and other skills.

The Chautauqua movement began in 1874 with a mix of education and entertainment to communities throughout the nation. Based on the idea that learning continued throughout life, a Chautauqua redirected a community's normal activities to several days of learning, entertainment and engagement.

NOTC joined forces with the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission in 2016 to bring the summer tour to state parks and nearby communities.

"The idea of the Chautauqua-Parks partnership is to renew ties and to foster goodwill between the town and their local state parks," said



Swimmers at the Brewster public pool pick up some pointers on proper kicking during the ninth annual World's Largest Swimming Lesson.

Paul Magid, founding member of the NOTC and The Flying Karamazov Brothers. "Chautauquas...promote community through education and

experience by being a catalyst for cultural and creative exchange surrounded by the

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Map Your Neighborhood project pushes local disaster readiness

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – One Of the informational booths at last weekend's River Run and Salmon Bake at Pateros Memorial Park was the Map Your Neighborhood (MYN) project being promoted by the Pateros-Brewster Community Resource Center and its director, Gene Dowers.

MYN is a campaign designed to enlist participation by neighborhood groups to inventory the skills and equipment available in the event a natural disaster strikes. Dowers was distributing a self-explanatory handout that prompts each resident to complete a roster of topics related to skills and knowledge and equipment and supplies. Working under the premise that in a disaster, your neighbors are your closest source of help, the information-gathering campaign requests feedback concerning Who knows what? Who has what? And Who can do what?

Under the banner of Skills and Knowledge, respondents are asked to list abilities including everything from first aid skills, child care skills, and firefighting skills, to HAM radio, carpentry, electrical, and plumbing skills.

Under the heading of Equipment and Supplies are tools such as chain saws, ladder and crow bar to generator, NOAA radio, and camp stove.

The instruction pamphlet includes a grid page for a sketch of neighborhood streets and structures, gas meter locations, building lots as well as residents who may need extra help.

In concise language, both English and Spanish the guide also includes nine steps that residents should take following a disaster. They include:

- 1.Take care of loved ones.
2.Dress for safety.
3.Check home natural gas and propane.
4.Shut off house water main.
5.Place HELP or OK sign attached to handout back page to front door or window.
6.Put fire extinguisher on sidewalk or someplace visible to neighbor.

The last three steps involve working with neighbors at a pre-arranged gathering site to form teams to handle various response actions.

PBCRC's MYN project includes some 60 neighborhood groups in the Pateros-Brewster school districts. Funding for the campaign was provided by a grant arranged through the Long Term Recovery Group's Unmet Needs Committee.

Those wishing to learn more about the MYN project can visit the Pateros-Brewster Community Resource Center Facebook site or stop by the office at 169 Pateros Mall, Suite A, in Pateros.

International Peace Run passes through Pateros for first time

By MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – For the first time in its 31-year history, the Sri Chinmoy Oneness-Home Peace Run, an international torch relay, passed through Pateros and Brewster last Wednesday as part of its 11,000-mile U.S. tour. A small contingent of citizens including two former Pateros mayors, Megan Sherrard and Libby Harrison, and current mayor Carlene Anders were on hand to welcome the team of relay runners who are shepherding the torch along its route through Washington state.

The Peace Run was inspired by the late East Indian spiritual leader, philosopher, poet and musician Sri Chinmoy as an avenue to give citizens worldwide a way to express their hopes for a more harmonious planet.

Since the inaugural run in 1987 more than six million people have participated. World figures including Pope Francis, Nelson Mandela, Mother Teresa and Mikhail Gorbachev have commended

the run and its goal.

For more than 30 years the Peace run has traversed more than 150 nations on six continents as a symbol of humanity's universal aspiration for a more peaceful world.

An international Peace Run team representing seven different countries left New York last April and passed the torch along an 11,000-plus-mile route linking Mexico, Canada and the U.S. The runners will complete the four-month circuit back in New York in mid-August. Along the way the team meets with schools, youth organizations and citizens. A European team started its run in Bulgaria last February and will cover 16,000 miles before ending its run in Portugal in October.

Each runner covers two miles before being relieved by another member on the team. In this way the group covered seven miles from Twisp to Grand Coulee on State Route 173 on the day they paused at Pateros. During their stop at Pateros

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Photos by Mike Maltais

Two team runners arrive at Pateros carrying the lighted Peace Run torch during their leg of the 78-mile route the group covered that day. RIGHT: Pateros Chamber of Commerce president and former mayor Libby Harrison, left, joins current mayor Carlene Anders and former mayor and current City Council member Megan Sherrard as the three city officials pose with the Peace Run torch in Pateros Memorial Park before the flame resumed its trip to Grand Coulee on Wednesday, June 20.



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Memorial Park, the team leader, Arpan D'Angelo explained the Peace Run mission, spoke with residents who turned out to welcome the team, posed for photos, and passed the torch among those assembled.

An estimated 50,000 children in more than 1,000 cities and town across the North American route are expected in the Peace Run's duration.

More information on the schedule and mission of the Peace run is available online at [peacerun.org](http://peacerun.org)

**ABOVE:** The Peace Run team and some young supporters pose with the movement's torch and banner.

**BELOW:** Arpan D'Angelo, right, from New York, lights the Peace Run torch held by Atul Arora from India prior to the commencement of ceremonies in Pateros Memorial Park last Wednesday, June 20.

**FAR LEFT:** The Peace Run torch was passed among participants who turned out at Pateros Memorial Park.



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**Love Washington pre-trip crew departs from Northport**

By MIKE MALTAIS  
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**PATEROS** – A crew for the Love Washington Project, a disaster resiliency fundraising campaign that will coincide with the Recovery Reunion and Celebration next summer, departed from Northport, near the Canadian border on Thursday, June 24, on the first leg of a pre-trip of the row, run, and ride ultra-marathon.

The purpose of the pre-trip is to plan the route of next year's event, meet with local leaders in the cities and towns along the way and to identify event venues for the start and finish lines each day.

Winthrop resident Ashley Thrasher, former candidate for Okanogan County Commissioner District 2, is in charge of the pre-trip campaign.

The Love Washington project is a "Pay it Forward" effort sponsored by the Okanogan County Long Term Recovery Group (OCLTRG) that formed as a result of the 2014 Carlton Complex wildfire.

"In order to promote preparedness in Washington

communities, Carlene Anders, Executive Director of OCLTRG, and her husband, Gene Dowers will be rowing the entire length of the Columbia River during the Love Washington Project pre-trip this summer," a media release said.

It's not the first time the couple have rowed to support a cause.

"In 1968, the year they married, Anders and Dowers rowed to raise money for the American Heart Association," the release said.

In 2008, for their 20th anniversary Anders and Dowers rowed to raise money for the University of Washington Medical Center and March of Dimes. This year for their 30th anniversary the pair is hitting the water again to plan the route and raise awareness for the 2019 Love Washington Project.

To learn more about the Love Washington Project and follow the progress and Anders and Dowers on the Columbia, visit [www.LoveVAProject.org](http://www.LoveVAProject.org) online.

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# Pateros River Run and Salmon Bake scores a big weekend in Memorial Park

By MIKE MALTAIS  
STAFF WRITER

**PATEROS**—It might be easier to list the activities that were not at the Bile Rally, Salmon Bake and Cultural Celebration at Pateros Memorial Park last Saturday and Sunday, June 23-24, rather than try to mention all that was there.

Motorcyclists from The Samaritan Riders of Washington gathered for their poker run fundraiser for 16-year-old cancer patient Lionel Valdez.

Salmon from three locations, the Queets River on the Olympic Peninsula, the Copper River in Alaska and from Astoria, Oregon, was a big draw for diners who formed a long line for the traditional flame-cooked delicacy.

Native American cultural demonstrations featured everything from basket weaving and beadwork to tipis and tule mats.

Arnold Cleveland on guitar and Native American flute entertained the crowd during the day and the Chelan band, Waterdog, took over in the evening.

A beer garden and food vendors provided everything needed in the way of food and refreshments.

Several political candidates were on hand with booth displays promoting their bids for elective office.

A raffle, silent auction and sales of Pateros-Brewster Community Resource Center t-shirts with the Monument to the Methow sketch provided visitors with a selection of mementos to remember the event.

The PBCRC manned a booth to promote its efforts to enlist more residents to join the Map Your Neighborhood project for natural disaster preparations.

The New Old Time Chautauqua, fresh from an earlier visit to the Brewster Boys and Girls Club marched through the park with its complement of musicians and entertainers.

A crew of Native American paddlers powered a traditional dugout canoe from a launching point up the Methow River to the park dock.

There was so much going on that visitors had to return to their weekday jobs just to get some rest.

**TOP RIGHT:** Aaron Naumann prepares choice fillets of salmon from the c, the Copper River in Alaska and Astoria, Oregon, during the fifth annual Salmon Bake at Pateros Memorial Park last Saturday, June 23.

**MIDDLE RIGHT:** Native American activist Randy Lewis, right, presented Pateros alumnus Barbara Borg with a hand-made basket as a gesture of thanks for her support of the Monument to the Methow project.

**BOTTOM RIGHT:** More than one set of fancy wheels could be seen lining Lakeshore Drive last weekend.

**BELOW:** The New Old Time Chautauqua brought its colorfully clad marching band and entertainers to the park.



Photos by Mike Maltais

Wearing her great aunt's traditional dress, Pateros sophomore Aleeka Smith, left, was presented with an eagle wing fan from Mr. St. Cloud.



Photos by Mike Maltais

Youngsters picked up some cool dance moves from a Chautauqua performer. **BELOW:** Three members of the NOTC entertained kids at the Brewster Boys and Girls Club.



## CHAUTAUQUAS

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beauty of nature.”

Each Chautauqua takes place over several days, with events occurring one day in the nearby town and another day in the state park. NOTC also made an appearance at the fifth annual Salmon Bake and Cultural Celebration at Pateros Memorial Park on Saturday, June 23.

The World's Largest Swimming Lesson (WLSL) coincided with the first day of summer. The ninth annual WLSL is a global event held in 44 U.S. states and 29 countries. Stateside, WLSL includes more than 45,000 kids in some 700 waterparks and pools where lessons are taught in water safety to prevent childhood drownings.

**RIGHT:** While other practice dance moves in the background, the young lady worked on her juggling skills.



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## OBITUARIES

## Catherine Olive (St. Clair) Kirk



Catherine Olive (St. Clair) Kirk, Age 69, of Brewster passed away peacefully in her sleep November 23, 2017 at the University of Washington Hospital with complications from her 35-year battle with a genetic liver disease. She was surrounded by family and friends who reminisced with her, prayed with her and sang her favorite songs and hymns.

Cathi was born January 16, 1948 in Coulee Dam. She moved to Brewster, WA at the age of 10. She was blessed to have four sisters and two brothers. Cathi attended the SDA Elementary School. While in school she volunteered as an aid at Okanogan Douglas District Hospital (Three Rivers Hospital) where several veteran nurses mentored her and sparked her interest in nursing. Of course,

volunteering at the hospital was her way of avoiding work in the family orchard! Cathi then went to high school at Upper Columbia Academy in Spangle, graduating in 1966. She entered nursing school at Walla Walla College and graduated in 1969 as an LPN. Cathi was in nursing for 40 years and began her career at Bellevue Convalescent Center. During that time, she married Ralph Smith on May 24, 1980 and they were married for 20 years. She later worked at a hospital in Portland before returning home to Brewster and ODDH again. She worked there a

short time when a very wise physician lured her away to work as his nurse at the Community Medical Center where she spent the rest of her nursing career until retirement. Along the way she formed wonderful lifelong friendships with staff and patients.

In 2001, with encouragement from friends, Cathi got to know a former neighbor boy from her childhood. Eventually, on June 23, 2002 married the love of her life Johnny Kirk.

Cathi had many hobbies including camping and hiking. Her faithful friend and constant companion was Brandi, a German Short haired Pointer who accompanied her on many of these adventures. Foggy Dew Campground is one place where the family had many fun times and made happy memories. Cathi loved the 4 "C's": Cooking, Canning, Collecting, and Card making. She always had a great home cooked dish to give to

a loved one or donate to a church event or fund raiser. She was known for her tasty apple pies and loved baking them and giving them away. Cathi enjoyed cooking for family and made every holiday and birthday special with her delicious dishes. If you weren't lucky enough to get one of her famous apple pies you may have received her other signature specialty, lemon or almond poppy seed bunt cake. Yummy! Cooking and canning was a joy for Cathi and a skill she learned from years of helping mother Ruth St. Clair. She got pleasure from stocking the pantry with several dozen quarts of applesauce, tomatoes, or peaches or a pint or two of pickled beets. Cathi always looked forward to her monthly gatherings with her "Stamp'n Up" family. She enjoyed learning to make cards and giving them to her family and friends. Of course, she collected every kind of card making gadget as well as paper, stamps, etc.

Cathi also loved to collect thimbles but her collections did not stop there. She had old salt and pepper shakers, tea pots, vintage dishes, table cloths and old cooking implements.

Fred and Ruth St. Clair encouraged Cathi's love of God and Church. They instilled in her many virtues including honesty, truthfulness, generosity, and kindness. Cathi was a very caring person and cared for many as if her they were her own children.

Cathi is survived by husband, John Kirk; sisters Shirley Goodlake of Wilbur, Marjorie White of Eugene, Gloria Wendel of Spokane, Karen Daniels (Jimmy) of Brewster; and brother Roger St. Clair (Sue) of Brewster. Many very loved nieces and nephews, cousins, great nieces and great nephews, step children, and step grandchildren. No matter if you were a biological relative or adopted by Cathi, she treated everyone as her own and gave all

very extra special acts of kindness and generosity.

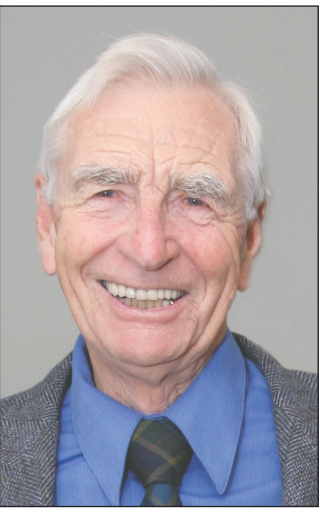
Cathi was preceded in death by her parents; siblings Robert "Sonny" Vaughn, Larry St. Clair, Abby Bradley (St. Clair); and great-nephew, Tyler Johnson.

A memorial service in Cathi's honor will be held at 2:00 pm on Friday July 6, 2018 at the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Brewster. Following the service, the Fellowship Hall at the church will be open for snacks and sharing memories.

Many loving thanks to all Cathi's family members as well as the Church family, Medical family, and "Stamp'n Up" family. She felt blessed to have so many loving people close to her, praying with her, and singing by her side.

John gives a special thank you to the wonderful caring and compassionate team of physicians, nurses, CNA's and staff at the University of Washington Hospital on the 7th floor.

## William (Bill) Angus Kerr



William Angus Kerr (Bill), 86, of Methow, WA passed away peacefully May 26, 2018 at Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee. Bill was born on November 14, 1931 in Oban, Scotland, to Alexander and Mary (Polly) Kerr. He was the middle of three children, older brother Donald and younger sister Helen. Bill attended St. Columbas Primary School and graduated in 1950 with honors from Oban High School. Bill was very athletic, participating in football (soccer), and a played on a nationally competitive shinty team. Bill then served in the British Army for two years. In 1953 with the bleak employment situation in Scotland Bill immigrated to Washington State to work for his uncle Angus MacKinnon at his

apple ranch on McFarland Creek, in the Methow Valley. Bill was adopted by several families- the Skylstads, the Danzls, the Stennes and Nordangs. If the ranch work was done these families kept Bill busy and out of trouble. Sixty-five years of adventures, laughs and discussions were enjoyed with Art Nordang. It was on McFarland Creek

that he met his future bride and Canadian, Catherine Ann Ritchie who was visiting the MacKinnons. On July 26, 1962 he married Cathie in London, Ontario Canada. The Couple made their home at McFarland Creek. Four children, Alex, Neil, Sheila, and Angus graced their marriage. After the orchard froze out in 1968 Bill worked for Bert Stennes at his apple warehouse on Squaw Creek in the winters. In 1970, Bill applied for and was hired by Northwest Wholesale Inc to manage the Brewster branch. He grew the branch by serving the local orchardists and warehouse operators for twenty-five years. Many lower Methow students (the four of us included) caught rides home from the Pateros school in the brown Chevy pickup from sport practices. With the family and help from the Armstrong family, Bill replanted a smaller or-

chard. We all learned the value of hard work through the orchard. Including hoeing the trees, sprinkler changing (twice a day!), thinning, propping, mowing, finally picking and hauling the crop in the pickup and later the old red two ton GMC to the Squaw Creek Ranch shed. Bill was a lifetime student, becoming fluent in Spanish, and proficient in French and Russian. Bill began running road races in his fifties, running up to 35 miles a week for training. With Cathie as his number one fan and co-pilot Bill traveled all over as far away as Scotland competing in community festival runs collecting blue ribbons and cups. Among his many running accomplishments is completing the Montreal Marathon in 1995 while on vacation with Cathie. Bills final race at age eighty-one was the Spokane Lilac Bloomsday run where he

collected his fourth 1st place medal in his age group! Bill was a practicing Roman Catholic who started as an altar boy in the cathedral in Oban then moved to the choir as he loved to sing. Bill sang in choirs of the Brewster and Twisp Catholic Church Parishes. We would like to thank the village of caregivers who made it possible to have our father at home the past five years, most especially Sheila, Neil, and Angus. The other members of the village include Becky Bennett, Willie Guffey, Anisa Oros, Julie Johnson, and Edna Covey. The family would like to thank the staff of North Central Hospital for their outstanding compassionate care for dad. Bill was preceded in death by his parents, brother Donald, wife Cathie of 38 years. He is survived by his four children, Alex of Methow, Neil of Spokane, Sheila of Methow, and

Angus of East Wenatchee; sister Helen Menzies (Robert) of Oban, numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family in Scotland, Canada, and Washington. A funeral will be held on Friday, June 29 at 11:00 am at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, 214 S. 5th St. Brewster, Wash. Reverend Bishop Emeritus William Skystad officiating. A private inurnment will follow at a later date. A potluck and slide show will follow the funeral at the parish hall. In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to the Methow (The Town of) Community Club - C/O R. Tonseth PO Box 476 Methow, WA 98834 or to a charity of your choice.

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## Joan Hanford

Joan Margaret (Beard) Hanford, longtime resident of Bridgeport passed away Sunday, June 17, 2018.

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Weapons violation at 1513 Tacoma Ave. in Bridgeport.

## June 20

Suspicious incident at 1509 Fairview Ave. in Bridgeport.  
Agency assistance at State Route 173, milepost 10 on Bridgeport Bar.

Property incident at State Route 173. Milepost 5-1/2 on Bridgeport Bar.

Parking/abandoned vehicle at 1505 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.

## June 21

Traffic offense at State Route 173, milepost 8 on Bridgeport Bar.

Suspicious incident at State Route 173, milepost 6 on

Bridgeport Bar.  
Unknown accident at 10th Street and Douglas Ave. in Bridgeport.

Agency assistance at Brewster Police Department in Brewster.

Agency assistance at 520 Osprey Dr. on Bridgeport Bar.

## June 25

Traffic offense at Crane Orchard Road on Bridgeport Bar.

Property incident at 2149 Tacoma Ave. in Bridgeport.

Traffic offense at 200 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.

Agency assistance at 1751 Rd. K NE in Mansfield.

## June 26

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# Straub vies for Douglas County Commission seat

*Family, church and civic duty highlight his career*

By GARY BÉGIN

NCW Media Managing Editor Gary Bégin sat down with Building NCW\* Executive Director Marc Straub recently to ask him a few questions about his candidacy for Douglas County Commissioner. This is what he had to say:

**NCW: How many years have you been executive director of BNCW?**

Marc Straub: I've been extremely proud to help lead BNCW and the North Central Home Builders Association since 2002.

**NCW: Can you tell the readers a little bit about your personal life?**

Straub: Well, let's see, I will be 50 in December. I have been happily married for 30 years to my best friend, Juli Straub (Davis). Together, we've raised four children on the same land where Juli and her father (Ron Davis) were raised, and her grandfather (Erly Davis) began farming in the early forties. Our children are Katlyn - 28, Teagan - 25, Jakob - 23, and Erick - 21. We're grateful that Katlyn was recently able to move back home to take a position with a consulting firm after living in St. Louis for the last few years. Teagan has just completed her first year of teaching elementary school in Pateros. We're excited that Jakob just completed his Fisheries program studies in Bellingham and is getting married on June 1. Our youngest, Erick, is fulfilling his childhood dream of serving our country in the United States Marine Corps, and we simply couldn't be more proud of him. And, yes, our Christian faith is very important to our family.

**NCW: What are your hobbies?**

Straub: In my spare time, I very much enjoy spending time with my family, camping, fishing, hunting, traveling and day trips with my wife on the motorcycle. My wife and I have



Marc Straub

enjoyed raising goats, pigs, chickens and the rural lifestyle in general.

**NCW: Are you a veteran?**

Straub: I am not a veteran, but the extremely proud father of a U.S. Marine!

**NCW: Do you belong to any clubs or organizations?**

Straub: Currently, I serve on the advisory council for the Construction Trades Program at the Wenatchee Valley Technical Skills Center. In addition, I serve on the Douglas County Planning Commission and represent Douglas County as a board member on the Greater Wenatchee Regional Public Facilities District. I'm also proud to serve as a Precinct Committee Officer (PCO) for the Douglas County Republican Central Committee. I've also had the privilege of serving on my Church's board of directors, as well as being a previous Lion's Club member.

**NCW: Why did you decide to run for Douglas County Commissioner?**

Straub: My wife and I have always felt strongly about serving our community whenever and however we can. We strove to instill this ethic in our children, too. I've always respected the commitment that local elected officials lend to their communities when they step up to serve. Over the last fifteen-plus years, I've been actively engaged in the public process in jurisdictions throughout north central Washington—helping to address land-use issues; affordable housing issues; economic development and private property rights to name a few. Through this experience, I've not only been able to develop a working knowledge of these

and other important issues, but a strong desire to play a role in helping to develop solutions. When Commissioner Jenkins made his decision to retire, he encouraged me to consider running for the seat. Over the course of several months, I gave it a tremendous amount of thought, consideration and prayer. I consulted with my wife and others that I trust and respect, before ultimately arriving at the decision that it was the right endeavor to pursue. I absolutely love where we live and am grateful to have had the opportunity to raise our family in Douglas County. My wife and I want all four of our children to have the opportunity to return home to raise their families—something that I'm sure most families want for their children and grandchildren. The work that our local leaders are doing now is instrumental in helping to ensure that the values and traditions we enjoy remain intact, and that our county will be rich with opportunity 10, 20 and more years down the road. In my professional career, I've learned how to be a good listener; how to strike a balance between varying and at times competing perspectives; how to budget and utilize limited resources in a way that provides for the greatest value; how to approach complex issues and distill them down in order to create solutions and make decisions. I have a strong work ethic and the temperament I believe it takes to effectively fulfill the responsibilities of a county commissioner. I believe that I would work well with the other commissioners and would bring complimentary skills to the commission.

**NCW: Are there certain areas of the county government that you feel need "fixing"?**

Straub: While I wouldn't classify it necessarily as something that needs "fixing", I do feel strongly that it's incumbent upon elected officials to ensure they foster an environment within local government that promotes an atmosphere of accountability to the citizens they serve and, always approaching county business with a spirit of friendly service. County staff,

from the department heads to part-time, seasonal employees, are a county's greatest asset. I wholeheartedly agree with the Douglas County Commissioners in that we need to ensure that Douglas County is remaining competitive in attracting and retaining high-caliber staff to best serve our citizens—now and in the future.

**NCW: Are there particular issues that need addressing from your point of view?**

Straub: As a casual observer, I've been watching smaller, rural counties like Douglas County continue to be burdened, year-after-year, by growing mandates handed down by the State -- many of which are unfunded or grossly underfunded. Consequently, counties are left scrambling to stretch operating budgets to fund mandates such as indigent care. In some cases, smaller counties are having to move funds away from critically important responsibilities like road construction and maintenance in order to meet these required mandates. These unfunded mandates are increasingly putting significant pressure on smaller counties in being able to continue providing essential services. This simply is not right and needs to be corrected!

**NCW: Agriculture is the main "industry" in the county so are you thinking of introducing any ideas to help the farmers & orchardists?**

Straub: Agriculture and ag-related activities are without a doubt a most critical piece to Douglas County's economic engine—serving as our number one industry and accounting for nearly a third of our workforce. Moreover, the rich history, values and quality of life that we enjoy in Douglas County is intricately intertwined with ag. Currently, we're seeing farmers, ranchers and growers being challenged in a whole host of ways—be it by ever-growing regulatory requirements; domestic and international policy changes; a shrinking labor market and all of the typical challenges that any small business faces. I believe that the County can best support our farmers, ranchers

and growers by ensuring that we're not adding to their regulatory burden; that we're doing all we can to provide them with as much flexibility in the utilization of their property as is possible, while continuing to place an emphasis in maintaining county roads that serve as an invaluable link between the farm to market process. I come from a farming background and I wholeheartedly support our farmers, ranchers and growers.

**NCW: Knowing about your many years at BNCW, how will you help the construction industry if you get elected?**

Straub: One of the biggest issues facing the construction industry right now is very similar to that challenge facing the ag industry—access to good, reliable labor. Ironically, one of the contributing factors to a challenging labor force is the growing housing affordability crisis we have in North Central Washington. It's counterproductive to attracting and retaining workers when area rentals and entry-level homes are beyond the reach of so many. Instead of keeping our workforce here, they're slowly being pushed out. This poses a significant threat to our overall vitality and quality of life in Douglas County. I want to continue tackling, head-on, the underlying and contributing factors to the housing affordability crisis with meaningful, effective solutions that go beyond studies and talk.

**NCW: What was your thinking regarding the Hirst decision at first and now that it has been modified?**

Straub: The Hirst decision was a Washington State Supreme Court decision that was born out of Whatcom County in 2016, and essentially changed state law and how rural property owners could—or more accurately—COULD NOT use their property. Frankly, in my opinion, this effort was nothing more than a thinly-veiled attack on rural counties and rural property owners by Western Washington elites that have absolutely no understanding of our rural way of life, but who ultimately seek

to "herd" everyone into cities. The leverage or tool they are using to pursue their objectives just so happens to be water. While I certainly would have preferred that the Legislature would have effectively reversed the Hirst decision, the work that Representative Taylor and others did in passing SB 6091 provided immediate and necessary relief. Make no mistake, rural counties like Douglas County will need to remain vigilant in pushing back against this continuing assault on rural Washington moving forward.

**NCW: Cary Condotta is not running again. Do you support anyone?**

Straub: Cary has done a tremendous job in representing our interests in the 12th District and he leaves some very big shoes to fill. With the filing period in the rearview mirror, I believe that Keith Goehner is the candidate best suited to serve us in Olympia.

**NCW: Congressman Dave Reichert is not running - do you support anyone to replace him to represent the East Wenatchee area of the county within the 8th District?**

Straub: East Wenatchee falls within the 8th Congressional District and I believe without a doubt that Dino Rossi is THE best equipped candidate to serve the folks of the 8th Congressional District. He has a track record that speaks for itself and I believe he best represents the values and traditions of those constituents in Eastern Washington.

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## Ninth Circuit rules in favor of common sense: wildfires are emergencies

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PORTLAND, OREGON – Last week, the Ninth Circuit ruled in favor of logic and common sense: massive wildfires on public lands are emergencies that often threaten lives, property, and natural resources. The Court's ruling backed a decision by the Forest Service to build a community protection line – a fuel break – to safeguard families and homes near Lake Chelan during the Wolverine Fire.

The Wolverine Fire was a severe fire that lasted over two months, burning over 62,000

acres along Lake Chelan. The fire threatened 936 homes and structures and resulted in a series of evacuation orders. The months-long wildfire smoke choked the surrounding recreational areas.

In the interest of public safety, fire managers decided to remove vegetation along a 300-foot-wide community protection line to help stop the fire's spread. The Forest Service relied on emergency authority to construct the protection line to ensure people could get to safety if the fire continued to spread and to protect homes. The emergency authority allows the Forest

Service to act when necessary before preparing lengthy and duplicative environmental paperwork. Without this authority, the Forest Service could have been forced to divert resources, personnel, money, and time away from immediately responding to the fire.

After the fire was out, the Forest Service was sued for its proactive efforts. The plaintiff, Forest Service Employees for Environmental Ethics (FSEEE), argued with a straight face that wildfire events are not "emergencies" and thus cannot enable the use of emergency authori-

ties that explicitly allow for the Federal Government to respond quickly in times of crisis. FSEEE also argued forest fires are viewed as a common occurrence in the western United States, therefore FSEEE reasoned that they are not "unforeseen."

"First responders and firefighters deserve our thanks and appreciation for helping protect families and homes from these dangerous wildfires – not lawsuits," said AFRC president Travis Joseph. "This lawsuit was a slap in the face to the brave, hardworking women and men who face extraordinary

threats in real time. Retroactively suing the Forest Service over the definition of the word 'emergency' to force the agency to do more paperwork during legitimate crises is pathetic."

The Ninth Circuit rejected FSEEE's argument and concluded, "While it is true that fires happen every year, it defies plain language and common sense to conclude that no individual fire – or its course, intensity, or duration – could be unforeseeable. It is unreasonable to argue that forest fires can never present emergency situations when viewed at the time the fire is

raging."

"We are pleased that the Ninth Circuit issued its ruling acknowledging the common sense understanding that wildfires can be emergencies," stated AFRC staff attorney Sara Ghafouri, who submitted an amicus brief on behalf of Lake Wenatchee Fire & Rescue. "With the upcoming wildfire season approaching, it is critical more than ever for the Forest Service to have the ability to rely on its emergency regulation authority and act quickly when attempting to mitigate harm to vulnerable, nearby communities."

## Facts trumped by crying babies

The cover of Time magazine last week offered a doctored photo showing President Trump standing over a crying baby with a tag line - Welcome to America. It has inspired outrage by the Trump Derangement Syndrome crowd. Problem is it is factually flawed. In other words it is fake news. News deliberately created to inspire a visceral emotional response.

Here are the inconvenient facts of the story. The mother and baby were never separated. The 2-year-old baby was put down while border agents patted the mother down. Moments later the mother picked the baby back up and they were taken away in a van together. The baby's father and the Honduran Deputy foreign minister confirmed that fact.

This is just the latest example of how the truth of the issue is irrelevant to the TDS crowd. Facts do not matter to these people despite their



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constant cry, "you are entitled to your own opinion but not to your own set of facts." They rarely bother to examine the facts of any issue.

Tearing families apart is not an option any of us find desirable. But the reality is it happens all of the time. American citizens are regularly separated from their children when they are incarcerated for committing a crime. Why should the children of illegal immigrants be treated differently? The parents have committed a crime by crossing into this country illegally.

Some have argued that the families should be kept together until the parents have been arraigned in a court

of law. There are a number of problems that make that a difficult option. First, the parents have already demonstrated disrespect for our laws by coming here illegally so there is no guarantee they will show up in court when required. Second a court has already ruled that the children cannot be held indefinitely.

Failing to get any traction with Stormy Daniels or the Russia collusion stories the anti-Trump media has fanned the flames of emotional unrest over ripping children from their mother's arms. Their stories are couched in terms of keeping the children in cages and placing them in "concentration camps". USA Today ran a story with the headline, "Hundreds of immigrant children wait in cages." CNN tried to justify the Time cover photo saying, "...it shows the compassion gap that exists between the Trump administrations zero-tolerance border policy and

the real life people that are affected."

The problem with this type of sensational journalism is it creates false narratives that do not allow us to confront and resolve difficult real world issues. Worse, it empowers the misinformed and factually limited to act in ways that could be harmful to those who are working hard to address the issues.

It is far past time that the Trump Delusion Syndrome crowd got over their hatred of the Donald and resolved themselves to the fact that most Americans are fed up with business as usual in Washington. The voters have chosen to elect an outsider in an effort to overturn the corrupt and ineffective programs that are bankrupting our country and turning average Americans against each other.

While the country is focused on babies being separated from their law breaking parents. No one is paying

attention to the real scandal in Washington. Our entire justice system has been corrupted. There is no longer equal justice for all. There is substantial evidence that government employees conspired to influence the outcome of an election. Forget the fake Russian collusion investigation. There are Federal government employees that need to be terminated immediately.

When our justice system favors any political party, individual or group over another then clearly we are course to becoming another third world dictatorship. What's worse in this case is FBI officials were willing to ignore clear violations of the law by one candidate in order to prevent the other candidate from getting elected.

Hillary Clinton should have been charged with gross negligence in the way she handled her email and electronic messages. To make matters worse she obstructed justice by destroying evidence.

None of that mattered to her supporters. But more importantly, it didn't matter to the FBI investigators who should have recommended charges be brought against her.

The Justice Department scandal is proof that there is still much work to be done in draining the swamp in Washington. And the controversy over how to deal with children of illegal immigrants at the border is just another diversion from the more significant problem of out of control bureaucrats in our nations capital.

The TDS crowd doesn't care about compassion for immigrant children. What they care about is their loss of power. True American patriots must not allow themselves to be distracted by fake news and false narratives.

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  24. Bud holder
  25. "For a jolly..."
  28. Like the White Rabbit
  30. This hot!
  35. In the middle of
  37. Acid gritty-textured apple
  39. Star bursts
  40. Apple's apple, e.g.
  41. Provide with ability
  43. \*Brangelina partner
  44. \_\_\_ vs. paths
  46. "CliffsNotes," e.g.
  47. Dissenting clique
  48. Unquestioning ones
  50. College party chant
  52. Like a wallflower
  53. Whiskey without water
  55. Scheduled to arrive
  57. \*Jermaine, Michael, or LaToya
  61. \*Bobby or Jack
  65. \_\_\_ acid
  66. \*O'Shea Jackson Jr.'s father \_\_\_
  - Cube
  68. \*Donny and \_\_\_
  69. Revolving mechanism
  70. mL
  71. Cruising
  72. Place at an angle
  73. "\_\_\_ drink, and be merry"
  74. Required things

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1. Coalition of countries
  2. Make over
  3. At the summit
  4. C in ROTC
  5. Imbue with soul
  6. "It's fun to stay at the \_\_\_"
  7. Bar association
  8. Deserved consequence
  9. Capital of West Germany, 1949-1989
  10. Against, prefix
  11. Horse control
  12. Fortune-telling coffee remnant
  15. Go to NPR, e.g.
  20. Renter's paper
  22. Pharaoh's cobra
  24. Judge's pronouncement
  25. \*Kunta Kinte's descendant and author
  26. Be theatrical
  27. Bridge of \_\_\_, Venice
  29. Chinatown gang
  31. \*Blackish dad's dad
  32. Brown, Dartmouth and Yale, e.g.
  33. Naturally, in slang
  34. \*All the Money in the World\* family
  36. Gloom partner
  38. \*Family with two former Presidents
  42. Chopin's composition
  45. Metal detector, e.g.
  49. New, prefix
  51. Armed robber, e.g.
  54. \*PokEmon," e.g.
  56. Related on mother's side
  57. Jelly holders
  58. Every which way
  59. Make a reference
  60. Be savvy
  61. Same as Celt
  62. Gaelic
  63. Cashed in one's chips
  64. Those not opposed
  67. Langley, VA agency

**THE LEAVENWORTH ECHO**

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The Leavenworth Echo is looking for an outgoing person to serve as a receptionist-administrative assistant, full-time, Monday-Friday in our Leavenworth office. This qualified individual will answer phones, take classified and legal ads, and assist the advertising director. Must have good customer service skills, adept at utilizing computer systems and software including Excel and Word, with good math skills and the ability to use a ten key adding machine --a big plus.

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**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF STENNES POINT ORCHARDS, INC.** RCW 23B.14.030 This Notice is given pursuant to RCW 23B.14.030. On May 29, 2018, STENNES POINT ORCHARDS, INC. (the "Corporation"), filed Articles of Dissolution with the Secretary of State. Any person having a claim against the Corporation must describe the claim in writing with reasonable particularity and present the written claim by delivery to the address below within one hundred twenty (120) days of the date of first publication of this Notice. A claim may be rejected by the dissolved Corporation, in which case the holder of the claim will have a limited period of ninety (90) days from the date of such rejection to commence a proceeding to enforce the claim. If not timely asserted, the claim may be barred in accordance with Chapter 23B.14 RCW. Date of Dissolution: May 29, 2018 Date of First Publication: June 21, 2018 Address for Mailing or Service of Claim: Speidel Bentsen LLP 7 North Wenatchee Avenue, Suite 600 P.O. Box 881 Wenatchee, WA 98807-0881 Dated this 12th day of June, 2018, at Pateros, Washington **STENNES POINT ORCHARDS, INC.** By: ESTATE OF BERT S. STENNES, Sole Shareholder By: /s/ cody Gunn CODY GUNN, Personal Representative Its Director Published in the Quad City Herald on June 21, 28 and July 5, 2018. #82307

**PUBLIC NOTICES**

**Notice of Primary Election Okanogan County, State of Washington Tuesday, August 7, 2018**

A Primary Election will be held in the below mentioned districts for the purpose of submitting to the voters for their approval or rejection the following: United States Senator, United States Representative 4th District, State Senator 7th Legislative District, State Representative District 7 Position 1, State Representative District 7 Position 2, State Representative District 12 Position 1, State Representative District 12 Position 2, County Assessor, County Auditor, County Clear, County Commissioner District 3, County Coroner, County Prosecuting Attorney, County Sheriff, County Treasurer, Grand Coulee Dam School District No. 301-304J Capital Levy. The registration deadline for on-line registrations, mail-in registrations and transfers is July 9, 2018. Any qualified elector who is not registered to vote in the State of Washington may register to vote in person at the Auditor's Office up to and including July 30, 2018. You can register or obtain registration forms at the Auditor's Office, on line at [www.vote.wa.gov](http://www.vote.wa.gov), and Department of Licensing. The Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3rd Ave N, Room 104, at the County Courthouse, will be open so voters may obtain replacement ballots, drop off voted ballots, obtain provisional ballots, and use the Accessible Voting Units, at the following times: Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM July 19 - August 6, 2018 On Election Day only, August 7, 2018, 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Drop box locations around the county for this election. Tonasket - Tonasket City Hall/Library Complex, 209 S Whitcomb Ave, Tonasket Omak - Next to Police Station, 8 N Ash, Omak Twisp - City Hall/118 S Glover St, Twisp Pateros -180 Pateros Mall in parking lot, Pateros Coulee Dam - City Hall/300 Lincoln Ave, Coulee Dam Drop boxes will close at 8:00PM on Election Day

Voters needing additional information or assistance with voter registration forms or voting may call (509) 422-7240. Voters unable to use the mail-in ballot may use the Accessible Voting Unit available at the County Auditor's Office. No postage is required to return your ballot for this election. Return postage is prepaid. Ballots must be postmarked by the day of the election. Check with your local Post Office for deadlines to have your ballot postmarked properly. For additional information on the election or regarding voter registration, [vote.wa.gov/okanogan](http://vote.wa.gov/okanogan) [myvote.wa.gov](http://myvote.wa.gov), Local newspaper, radio, and TV [www.pdc.wa.gov](http://www.pdc.wa.gov)

Meetings of the Okanogan County Canvassing Board are open, public meetings and shall be continued until the activities for which the following meetings are held have been completed. Canvassing Board meetings are held in the Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3rd Ave N, Room 103, at the County Courthouse, in Okanogan. Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 11:00 AM to determine the status of any provisional or challenged ballots Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 11:00 AM to canvass the votes cast and certify the election This notice is in accordance with RCW 29A.52. Dated at Okanogan, Washington this 11th day of June, 2018. Laurie Thomas, Okanogan County Auditor and Ex-Officio Supervisor of Elections

By Mila M Jury, Chief Deputy and Certified Election Administrator. Published in the Quad City Herald on June 28, 2018. #82246

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**Okanogan shoreline management plan finalized**

*New regulations support land uses, prime habitat in state's largest county*

SUBMITTED BY DEPT. OF ECOLOGY

OMAK- A long-awaited update on how shorelines will be regulated in Okanogan County has been approved by the Department of Ecology. Shorelines in the state's largest county provide prime habitat for a multitude of species and support many land uses. Okanogan County's Shoreline Master Program <https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Shoreline-coastal-management/> Status-of-local-Shoreline-

Master-Programs-SMP/ Okanogan-County will improve the use, management and restoration of shorelines along the Chewuch, Methow, Okanogan, Similkameen and Twisp rivers, and lakes Pateros, Osoyoos and Palmer. Ecology's approval completes an 11-year process that involved hundreds of people, a science advisory panel, non-profit organizations, tribal governments, and state and local government staff. Early in the process, the county developed a set of environmental designations for different categories of shoreline. A key part tailors vegetation conservation areas and setbacks to respond to specific shoreline conditions. For example, where impacts to vegetation conservation areas are identified, new de-

velopments are required to implement a habitat management and mitigation plan to ensure no net loss of ecological function. The program specifically protects ecologically intact shorelines. It also includes locally developed policies and regulations to protect all designated critical areas within shoreline jurisdiction. Washington's 262 cities and counties with regulated shorelines must periodically update their programs, a requirement of the state's Shoreline Management Act, <https://ecology.wa.gov/Water-Shorelines/Shoreline-coastal-management/Shoreline-coastal-planning/Shoreline-Management-Act-SMA>. Okanogan County's shoreline program now becomes a part of the state's overall Shoreline Master Program.

**CF of NCW accepting applications for Regional Impact Grant**

SUBMITTED BY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF NCW

WENATCHEE - The Community Foundation of NCW is now accepting applications for its Regional Impact Grant (RIG) open to 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations and government agencies in Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan Counties (excludes organizations in the Methow Valley and all public schools, as those entities have other dedicated grant programs). The RIG is an annual, competitive grant - only 25 recipients will be chosen to receive awards, and last year the foundation received 60 applications. There is no maximum funding request, however RIG awards are

not likely to exceed \$10,000. Request can be for specific projects or general operations. Award recipients will receive a portion of their grant request, and the remainder will be promoted on Give NCW, an online crowdfunding campaign that invites the public to learn about the nonprofits and donate to help fully fund their grant request. RIG awards are funded based on the foundation's resources and the grant's potential impact in the community. "This is the foundation's largest grant opportunity for nonprofits in our region, and we want to help make the biggest impact with the resources we have" said

Claire Oatey, director of community grants. "The Give NCW campaign is a great way for nonprofits to raise awareness about their work in our communities, and with a \$10 minimum donation, anyone can help support some of the programs that are directly impacting quality of life in their community and region." Applicants must apply online, deadline is August 1, 2018. Site visits with each applicant are scheduled through the end of October and Give NCW starts Thanksgiving Day through Dec. 31. Grants are awarded in January 2019. To learn more and apply, visit [www.cfnew.org/regional-impactgrant](http://www.cfnew.org/regional-impactgrant).

**Opioid prevention campaign kicks off in Washington**

*Initiative shines light on the risks of prescription opioid addiction and overdose*

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

OLYMPIA - The Washington State Department of Health will launch a statewide campaign this summer to warn about the dangers of opioid prescriptions. Since 2000, over 10,000 people in Washington have died from an opioid overdose and there have been more

than 17,697 opioid overdose hospitalizations. "This crisis is tragically affecting our family members, friends and communities. We need to do everything we can to make sure people understand that prescription opioids can quickly lead to dependence, addiction, and deadly overdose," says Dr. Kathy Lofy, state health officer. Through compelling personal accounts, the campaign helps make everyone aware of the risks and dangers of prescription opioids and delivers a thought-provoking message: "It only takes a little to lose a lot."

With funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the campaign will focus on the hardest hit and most rural counties. Find more information on Washington's Opioid Response Plan, overdose prevention, or treatment resources or the upcoming campaign. The DOH website is your source for a healthy dose of information. Find us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter using #WAOpioid-Prevention. Sign up for the DOH blog, Public Health Connection. After hours and on weekends, call 360-236-4440.

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