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include George Thornton of Oroville, Gina McCoy and Emily Sisson of Winthrop, Katie Haven of Methow, and support staffers Jan Young of Pine Forest, and Rick Gillespie of Chesaw.

Haven, who serves at the OCW webmaster said her motive for joining the OCW team was prompted by a decision to bet more involved in local affairs.

“I saw many people involved on the state and legislative level,” said Haven, “but the county is so personal where decisions really affect our daily life.”

Haven, who retired from a career as a merchant seaman and marine engineer for the Alaska State Ferry system, joined OCW early last year and took on the task of running its website.

“I just posted my first video on YouTube,” said Haven, who explained that she switched from Facebook postings to YouTube as an archive resource because videos remain on the latter site for an indefinite period.”

Haven takes time away from her sheep ranch and custom wool business at McFarland Creek Lamb Ranch (www.thelambbranch.com) to volunteer one day a month with OCW.

“There isn’t really anyone else doing this,” Haven said of monitoring the commission-

ers’ weekday meetings.

Newly elected Okanogan County Commissioners Andy Hover (District 3) and Chris Branch (District 1) join Jim DeTro (District 2) on the current board and OCW reports significant improvements in county government transparency and responsiveness.

In accepting the Key Award, OCW issued the following statement: “We are honored to receive the Key Award and to join an impressive list of citizens of all political persuasions who have been willing to act in defense of RCW 42.30.10: “The people of this state do not yield their sovereignty to the agencies which serve them. The people, in delegating authority, do not give their public servants the right to decide what is good for the people to know and what is not good for them to know.”

WCOG was founded in 2002 to promote greater public access to open government. The Key Award debuted in 2007 and since then fewer than a dozen has been awarded annually. A form for Key Award nominees is available on WCOG’s website at (https://washingtoncog.us8.list-manage.com/track/click?u=25995e8441cc933cc0de560d&id=aee03bbfbf&e=aff5c71fce).

For more information about WCOG contact Washington Coalition for Open Government, 6351 Seaview Avenue N.W., Seattle, WA 98107-2664, call 206-782-0393 or visit www.washingtoncog.org online.

Bridgeport School District is looking for Kindergarten students for the 2018-19 school year

SUBMITTED BY BRIDGEPORT SCHOOL DISTRICT

BRIDGEPORT - If you have a child in our school district or know someone who has a child who will be 5 years of age on or before August 31, 2018, please call the Elementary School for information on how to register, 509-686-2201.

Parent Informational Meeting will be April 26th 6:00 PM in the elementary library.

Kindergarten screening will be on May 1st from 1:00 – 6:00PM, by appointment.

El Distrito Escolar de Bridgeport está buscando estudiantes de kínder para el año escolar 2018-2019

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BRIDGEPORT - Si tiene un niño/a en nuestro distrito escolar o conoce a alguien que tenga un niño/a que tendrá 5 años para agosto 31, 2018, por favor llame a la Escuela Primaria para información en como puede registrarlo, 509-686-2201.

Reunión Informativa para Padres será el 26 de abril a las 6:00 PM en la biblioteca de la primaria. Inscripciones al kínder serán el 1 de mayo de 1:00-6:00PM, con cita.

Michele LaRue resurrects vintage voices at NCRL performances

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – The Pateros Public Library will be one among nine North Central Regional Library branches that will host performances by professional actress Michele LaRue over a 10-day period from April 26 through May 5.

LaRue is bringing her one-woman repertoire of narratives from some of America’s great story-tellers to the Pateros Public Library at 3:30 p.m., Friday, April 27. LaRue will perform two stories, The Apple Tree and A Pair of Silk Stockings from her selection of 30 Tales Well Told.

The Apple Tree is described as “a comic celebration of spring and poor housekeeping,” and “the collusion of two very different couples – one obsessively good at housekeeping and the other not so much,” according to an NCRL media release. Written by Mary El Wilkins Freeman in 1903, The Apple Tree “reveals the true value of a glorious spring day,” the NCRL release said.

LaRue’s second performance, A Pair of Silk Stockings, written by late 19th Century author Kate Chopin, tells the story of Mrs. Sommers who devotes the day to spending an unexpected windfall of money on herself rather than her family.

LaRue said her stories take the listener back to a time when “literature was written for the ear.”

“Long before radio, family members and friends shared stories aloud – reading by kerosene lamp in farm houses, or by gaslight in Victorian parlors,” said LaRue. “Over the years, during my performances, I’ve seen contemporary adults light up like children hearing a new story. Despite TV and films, the internet and special effects, we still crave to simply listen to a tale well



Photo courtesy of Pateros Public Library

Professional actress Michele LaRue is bringing her one-woman repertoire of narratives from some of America’s great story-tellers to the Pateros Public Library at 3:30 p.m., Friday, April 27.

told.”

LaRue will also perform at the following NCRL locations:

April 26, 6 p.m., Twisp Public Library, The Apple Tree and A Pair of Silk Stockings.

April 28, 3:30 p.m., Tonasket Public Library, Gettysburg.

April 29, 2:30 p.m., Omak Public Library, Someone Must Wash the Dishes.

April 30, 6 p.m., Quincy

Public Library, Someone Must Wash the Dishes.

May 1, 7 p.m., Chelan Public Library, The Apple Tree and A Pair of Silk Stockings.

May 3, 1 p.m., Cashmere Public Library, Someone Must Wash the Dishes.

May 4, 10 a.m., Waterville Public Library, Someone Must Wash the Dishes.

May 5, 11 a.m., Soap Lake



Public Library, Someone Must Wash the Dishes.

LaRue will also perform The Apple Tree on the Apple Blossom Festival stage, Memorial Park, Wenatchee, at 1 p.m. May 2.

For more information about LaRue, visit www.michelelarue.com. For more information about her library programs, contact Kim Neher at 663-1117, ext. 141

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Pateros attorney Arian Noma seeks County Prosecutor office

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – Pateros lawyer and former Carroll County, MD Assistant State’s Attorney, Arian Noma, has thrown his hat into the ring in the race for Okanogan County Prosecuting Attorney this fall.

Noma, who joined the firm of Thomason Law and Justice in Pateros last year, will challenge incumbent Branden Platter. The Okanogan County Commissioners appointed Platter last fall to fill the vacancy left by Karl Sloan, who resigned the county prosecutor’s post to take a position with the state Attorney General’s office.

Noma, a University of Washington graduate, taught school for three years at Mal-

com X Elementary School in southeast Washington, D.C., before obtaining his Juris Doctor from the University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law, according to his profile on www.thomasonjustice.com.

Noma clerked for the Honorable Judge Sheryl M. Long and practiced family law for a year prior to joining the Baltimore City States Attorney’s Office. He joined the Carroll County State Attorney’s Office in 2007 and during his tenure as an Assistant State’s Attorney he prosecuted misdemeanors and felonies ranging from trespass to armed robbery.

Noma left public service to form the NOMA Firm to focus on immigration, criminal and litigation issues. With rural

Mississippi roots, Noma said he believes that the nation’s rural communities are vital to the health and welfare of American. That’s what drew him to Okanogan County where he joined the Thomason firm in 2017 and specializes in civil and contract litigation, immigration, personal injury, criminal, family and landlord/tenant issues.

Noma’s campaign website, www.votenoma.com highlights the candidate’s views concerning the office of county prosecutor. He said he sees little difference between Okanogan County and Baltimore other than that the former is a farming community and the latter, a city.

“They both lost their main economies years ago,” said Noma,



Arian Noma, Pateros attorney and former Carroll County MD, Assistant States Attorney, is seeking the office of Okanogan County Prosecutor
Photo courtesy of Arian Noma

Ballots in mail for April 24 Special Election

OKANOGAN - Ballots for the April 24, 2018 Special Election for Brewster School District No 111-203J are in the mail.

If you have not received your ballot, please contact the Auditors Office at (509) 422-7240.

Remember your ballots must be signed.

The Auditors Office, 149 3rd Ave N, Okanogan, is open Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Election Day only from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the following services.

- Voter Registration • Drop off voted ballots • Obtain replacement ballots • Disability Access Voting Units

The drop box will be open April 6 – 24, 2018. The drop box will be open until 8:00 p.m. on April 24, 2018.

Drop box location for the April 24, 2018 Special Election:

Pateros -180 Pateros Mall in parking lot

If you mail your ballot, sufficient first class postage (.50) must be attached and it must be postmarked by the day of the election, April 24, 2018. Check with your local post office for cut off times.

If you need to find out information about the issues you can use the following sources.

On line voters’ guide – myvote.wa.gov
vote.wa.gov/Okanogan
sos.wa.gov/elections/
Newspapers and radio

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Auditors Office. (509) 422-7240

DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFFS REPORT

April 10
Burglary a 2227 Columbia Blvd. in Bridgeport.
Suspicious incident at Columbia Avenue and 24th Street in Bridgeport.
Warrant at 204 Arden Ave. on Bridgeport Bar.

April 11
Welfare check at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.
Extra patrol at 510 State Route 173 on Bridgeport Bar.
Animal problem at the 1300 block of Douglas Avenue in Bridgeport.

April 12
Traffic offense at Bridgeport Hill Road, milepost 9 in Mansfield.
911 at Bridgeport High School, 1220 Kryger St. in Bridgeport.
Animal problem at 826 Fairview Ave. in Bridgeport.
Traffic offense at 320 Ninth St. in Bridgeport.

April 13
Parking/abandoned vehicle at McCormack Street and Whitlam Avenue on Bridgeport Bar.

April 14
Public assistance at 2150 Road G N.E., in Mansfield.
Traffic offense at 200 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.
Warrant at 422 Columbia Ave in Bridgeport.
Noise at 929 Maple St., No. 144, in Bridgeport.
Noise at 11 Street and Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.
911 at 3049 Kropp Rd., in Bridgeport.

April 15
Public assistance at 108 Arden Ave. on Bridgeport Bar.
Traffic offense at 100 block of Fir Avenue on Bridgeport Bar.
Property incident at 911 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.
Suspicious incident at 88 Washburn Ave. on Bridgeport Bar.

April 16
911 at 2055 N. Division Rd., in Mansfield.
Civil incident at 935 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.
Suspicious incident at 1020 Columbia Ave, 2, in Bridgeport.
Civil incident at 935 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.

OKANOGAN CTY SHERIFFS REPORT

911 Calls

Monday, April 9
A request from Columbia Avenue in Bridgeport for an agency assist.

Tuesday, April 10
A report from Bridge Street in Brewster of a civil issue.

Wednesday, April 11
A report from Third Street in Brewster of a code violation.
A report from Seventh Street in Brewster of lost property.
A report from Seventh Street in Brewster of information.
A report from River Trail in Brewster of malicious mischief.
A report from Columbia River in Brewster of an animal problem.

Thursday, April 12
A report from Bridge Street in Brewster of fraud.
A report from Pateros Mall in Pateros of assault. A male subject is in the bar, he pushed a customer.

Friday, April 13
A report from Seventh Street in Brewster of suspicious conduct.
A report from Warren Avenue in Pateros of malicious mischief. Someone slashed the tire on a dump truck, there are foot prints in the area. The tire was slashed sometime since yesterday.

Saturday, April 14
A report from Indian Avenue in Brewster of a citizen assist.
A report from Highway 97 in Brewster of an alarm. A motion sensor went off.
A request from Schnibbe Road in Brewster for an agency assist.
A request from Lakeshore Drive in Pateros of an agency assist. There was a two-vehicle collision in the parking lot.
A report from Bridge Street in Brewster of a person driving under the influence.
A report from Monse Bridge Road in Brewster of a wanted person. Male subject has been detained.
A report from Schnibbe Road in Brewster of a wanted person.

Sunday, April 15
A report from Highway 97 in Brewster of suspicious conduct. An older white male tried to come into the business after hours.
A report from Hanson Avenue in Brewster of a code violation.
A report from Highway 97 in Brewster of a welfare check. A female subject is acting extra out of it. she is walking in and out of traffic.
A request from Foster Avenue in Bridgeport of an agency assist.
A report from Old Highway 97 in Brewster of a welfare check.

Brewster Chamber plaques hang in City Hall



Photo by Mike Maltais

The Brewster Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year plaque, one of three awards introduced this year by the chamber, hangs in its new home at the Brewster City Hall following a presentation ceremony last month. Large Business of the Year and Small Business of the Year plaques are also displayed with this award.



The Brewster Chamber unveiled its new Cherries Jubilee poster.

Photo by Mike Maltais

Good fire planned on over 10,000 acres across eastern Cascades



Photo courtesy of USFS

Excluded from the ecosystem for nearly 100 years, frequent, low-intensity fire is essential for healthy forests and better protected communities.

SUBMITTED BY HOLLY KRAKE,
OKANOGAN-WENATCHEE
NATIONAL FOREST

WENATCHEE - Starting this month, fire managers from Naches to the Okanogan Highlands will be returning fire to dry, fire adapted landscapes along the east slope of the Cascades. Excluded from the ecosystem for nearly 100 years, frequent, low-intensity fire is essential for healthy forests and better protected communities.

“Summer after summer megafires teach us that there is no future in eastern Washington without fire and smoke” said Forest Fire Staff Officer, Rob Allen. “Prescribed fire is a large part of the solution for how we need to live with fire in our forests and communities.”

While more than 10,000 acres are planned this spring, fewer acres may be completed if conditions are not favorable. Conditions include correct temperature, wind, fuel moisture and ventilation for smoke. When these criteria are met, firefighters implement, monitor, and patrol each burn to ensure

it meets forest health and public safety goals including air quality.

“Clean air is important to everyone,” added Allen. “Each spring and fall burn helps reduce the intensity of future wildfire smoke while increasing firefighter and public safety.”

Residents and visitors can expect to see and smell some smoke each day during burning operations. For more information on smoke and public health, please visit: wasmoke.blogspot.com

Real-time prescribed fire information, maps, and updates:

- Facebook: [facebook.com/OkaWenNF/](https://www.facebook.com/OkaWenNF/)
- Twitter: twitter.com/OkaWenNF
- Text message updates: text ‘follow OkaWenNF’ to 40404
- Interactive map: tinyurl.com/harqnw8

Spring 2018 priority prescribed fire by Ranger District:

Project Name	Acres	Location
Goat	884	Mazama
Urchin	132	Winthrop
Eightmile Bottom	479	Winthrop
Upper Rendezvous	683	Winthrop
Ortell	1,066	Winthrop

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respond.

“Because we want to keep this project moving I think it’s in our best interests to award this,” James said, adding again that the bid was under budget.

Council member approved the bid award and James said the test wells should be finished by June.

Once we have test wells we’ll know if we have low manganese water and really what we’re looking at,” James said adding that work on production wells will probably begin sometime in October.

In other business, council members approved the Brewster Chamber’s Cherries Jubilee event application for the June 16 celebration.

Chamber president Anna Marie Dalbey also unveiled the new poster advertising the first annual event.

Let's Play Tag!

All market animal exhibitors must pick up registration forms, ear tags and submit a photo of the tagged animals for pre-registration at the Planning Department in the Grainger Administration Building, 123 North 5th Ave Suite 130. NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!!!

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Financial toll hard on families

The Alzheimer’s Association 2018 Alzheimer’s Disease Facts and Figures report reveals that, for the second consecutive year, the total national cost of caring for people with Alzheimer’s and other dementias will exceed a quarter of a trillion dollars, amounting to \$277 billion in 2018.

In Washington state, there are over 110,000 people living with Alzheimer’s dementia. One of those people was my father who passed away in 2016. Throughout my life, I have watched many other friends and family members suffer and die because of this cruel disease. Now, I am a concerned citizen and I join the Alzheimer’s Association in advocating for more attention to this public health crisis.

Alzheimer’s is the most expensive disease in the country. Medicare and Medicaid cover the lion’s share – \$186 billion, or 67%,

of the total health care and long-term care payments for people with Alzheimer’s and other dementias. Protecting these programs is vital. Finding a treatment that delays the onset of Alzheimer’s will prevent the cost of the disease from engulfing Medicare and Medicaid.

National Institutes of Health scientists in their Professional Judgment Budget recommended that Congress increase funding of Alzheimer’s and dementia research by over \$425 million in fiscal year 2019.

The financial toll of this disease – on individuals living with the disease, their families, and the community – is too high. I urge Congressman Dan Newhouse, to continue his support for people with dementia and those who care for them by working to pass these needed funds.

Valerie Halvorson
Omak



It just doesn’t pass the smell test

James Comey said, “ I’d find some-- I don’t know what it would be, sitting here. Find some other way to convey it. I wanted to be honest and transparent.” That was his answer to the question about why he used the term “Extreme Carelessness” to describe Hillary Clinton’s use of a private email service to handle her confidential email. He also said during the in interview that he didn’t expect the complete story to come out for decades after the information was declassified.

There is no doubt that Clinton’s carelessness compromised much of our con-



IN MY
OPINION
Bill Forhan
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fidential information. Any other individual who did this would be prosecuted and do jail time.

The problem here is Comey’s decision not to prosecute was a perfect example of the dangers of a double standard of applying the law to public officials over private citizens.

Public officials cannot exempt themselves from the laws they make. The unfortunate truth is it happens more and more creating a ruling class that our Constitution does not allow. It is supposed to be government of the people, by the people and for the people. Comey even admitted that in his interview. It is not of the people and for the people. We elect our representatives to do just that – represent us the people. Not the politicians or the unelected bureaucrats.

Comey says he was interested in exerting leadership. But what kind of leadership is he exerting when he ex-

onerates an elected official. What are the lower ranking FBI representatives to conclude when the boss excuses a presidential candidate of playing fast and loose with confidential government information?

The FBI is not a separate branch of the government. President Theodore Roosevelt established the Bureau of Justice, as the FBI was first known, in 1908 to bring police powers into the Justice Department. He used executive fiat because of both public and congressional resistance, including concerns that a national police force

would enable federal overreach.

Apparently, the citizens were right because the FBI has grown into a growing menace to our individual freedoms. And under Comey the agency works tirelessly to protect the top leaders.

It is not just the Federal Government that has this misconception. A few years back I had a Douglas County Commissioner tell me his job was to protect the employees of Douglas County. It doesn’t matter who he was he is not longer in office. But I reminded him his first job is to represent the citizens of Douglas County.

When conservatives talk about the “deep state” they are referring to the agencies and bureaus that make policies that impact all of our lives. The problem is they have no accountability. It is far past time to reign in this immense bureaucracy.

We could start by shutting down agencies that have no Federal constitution authority. For example, the Department of Education, Department of Ecology. Others could be drastically cut. Agencies like the Department of Energy were formed to make us energy independent.

It far past is time to reign in the Federal Bureaucracy.

Good riddance to old, outdated tax system

‘And don’t let the door hit you on your way out,’ one might say to the old tax code that allocated more of American families’ earnings to the federal government. Tuesday, April 17 is the final filing day under the outdated federal tax system, thanks to successful tax reform efforts that have been signed into law.

Next tax season, 80 percent of Central Washington families who claim the standard deduction will be able to take advantage of raising it from \$6,350 to \$12,000 for individuals and \$12,000 to \$24,000 for married couples. Doubling the child tax credit to \$2,000 will put more money in parents’ pockets to use as they



Dan
Newhouse
U.S. Cong.

see fit to provide for their children. Taxpayers who make \$75,000 or less who have been hit by the Affordable Care Act individual mandate penalty – which make up the 88 percent of all penalty payers in Central Washington – will be able to breathe a sigh of relief with the repeal of that onerous mandate.

Local businesses large and

small have announced that the reduction of the corporate rate from 35 percent to 21 percent will help them provide bigger paychecks, bonuses, benefits or increase hiring.

In Moses Lake, small businesses like Cacchiotti Orthodontics announced hourly raises for employees.

Local businesses such as Irwin Research and Development and Abbott’s Printing in Yakima have expressed optimism to the Yakima Herald at the prospect of increasing investment and giving earnings to workers rather than the federal government.

The ability to fully write-off the full value of equipment and other business assets

will also help local businesses such as Buhrmaster Baking Co. in Yakima plan equipment upgrades. Chukar Cherries in Prosser has announced a \$1.8 million 12,000-square-foot in part due to tax reform.

Pacific Power, which serves Yakima County, announced that it will pass on savings to customers. Washington Federal – which has branches in Moses Lake and Quincy – announced five percent merit-based increase in wages for all employees earning less than \$100,000 as well as an investment in employee training programs.

The list of benefits goes on for employees of Pacific Northwest companies Alaska

Airlines, Boeing, Premera Blue Cross, and Starbucks, which have announced millions in increased benefits, raises, employee education, nonprofit donations, and more.

The improvements to the tax system have been made law, and this week, the House of Representatives will consider legislation to further reform the Internal Revenue Service and improve accountability. H.R. 5444, the Taxpayer First Act, would reorganize the IRS to make the agency focus more on taxpayer customer service. H.R. 5445, the 21st Century IRS Act, would establish requirements for the IRS to

improve cybersecurity and taxpayer identity protection through upgrades in information technology and electronic systems.

Paying taxes is one of the inevitabilities in life, but passage of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act has simplified the process for filers, lowered rates for families, and allowed businesses to pass benefits onto employees. After April 17, say goodbye to the outdated tax system. Our tax code should foster opportunity and boost economic growth and competition, and with our reforms kicking in for the next filing season, Americans will continue to see the benefits.

Newhouse receives Guardian of Seniors’ Rights Award from 60 Plus Association

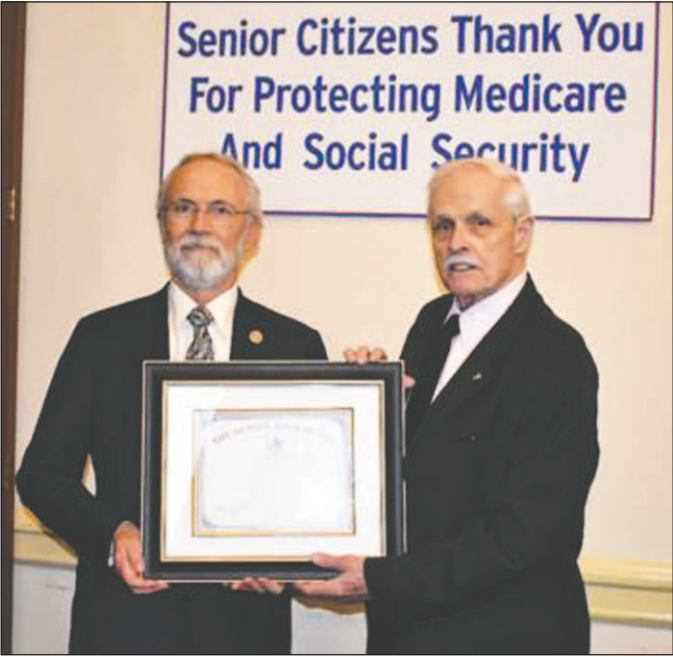


Photo courtesy of office of Rep. Dan Newhouse

Rep. Newhouse receives the Guardian of Seniors’ Rights Award from 60 Plus Chairman Jim Martin.

Lauded for commitment to elderly

SUBMITTED BY WILL BOYINGTON, REPRESENTATIVE
DAN NEWHOUSE OFFICE

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The 60 Plus Association announced in March that Representative Dan Newhouse (R-WA) has earned the Association’s Guardian of Seniors’ Rights award.

“I am honored by the recog-

nition from 60 Plus for efforts to protect senior citizens,” said Rep. Newhouse. “The federal government has made promises to senior citizens to provide Medicare and Social Security, and we are responsible for keeping the nation in fiscal order to fulfill those promises.”

Rep. Newhouse receives the Guardian of Seniors’ Rights Award from 60 Plus Chairman Jim Martin

Entertainer Pat Boone, National Spokesman for the 60 Plus Association, announced

that Washington Representative Dan Newhouse has earned the Association’s Guardian of Seniors’ Rights award.

In a statement released by 60 Plus Association, spokesman and noted American singer Pat Boone remarked, “I’m still singing at concerts, but today I’m singing the praises of Congressman Dan Newhouse. Seniors can depend on Dan.” Boone, 82, and his wife of 61 years, Shirley, reside in California.

On behalf of the American Association of Senior Citizens,

60 Plus Chairman Jim Martin was on hand at an event in the nation’s capital to present Rep. Newhouse with the award:

“The Guardian Award is given to members in appreciation of their tireless efforts on behalf of senior citizens, as so many of our elderly struggle on a fixed income,” said Jim Martin. “Seniors have to live within their means and so should our government. Rep. Newhouse will fight to end the ‘Death Tax,’ which negatively impacts small businesses, farmers and ranch-

ers throughout the Nation We also particularly appreciate the efforts by Rep. Newhouse to assure the financial stability of Social Security and Medicare.

“That’s why Representative Newhouse has earned the Association’s highest award, and it’s my honor to personally present it,” Martin emphasized.

The 60 Plus Association is a 26-year-old nonpartisan organization working for death tax re-

peal, saving Social Security and Medicare, affordable prescription drugs, lowering energy costs and other issues featuring a less government, less taxes approach as well as a strict adherence to the Constitution. 60 Plus calls on support from over 7 million activists. 60 Plus has been called, “an increasingly influential senior citizen’s group,” and recognized as the alternative to the AARP.

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BIRTHS

Shaniece Dinna Flores

A girl, Shaniece Dinna Flores, was born on April 9, 2018, to parents Eduardo and Dianna Flores of Brewster, Wash. at Mid-Valley Hospital in Omak. She weighed six pounds, 9 ounces and was 20 inches long. She joins a brother, Damian Daniel Flores.

DEATH NOTICES

Leah Margaret Brumbagh Wagg

Leah Margaret Brumbagh Wagg former longtime Brewster, Wash. resident of Irrigon, Oregon, was born on January 24, 1931 in Republic, Wash. She died on April 15, 2018 in Hermiston, Oregon at the age of 87 years. A private family gathering will be held.

Please sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuary-hermiston.com Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon is in care of arrangements.

James William “Bill” Windle

James William “Bill” Windle passed on February 6, 2018 at 78 years of age. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on April 28, 2018, at the Methow Cemetery.

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

Gregory Richard Sellers

Gregory Richard Sellers died of natural causes in his home on March 9, 2018 at the age of 62. A celebration of Greg’s life will be held at 2 p.m., April 28, at the Hillcrest Memorial Center in Kennewick. Memorial donations may be given to the Greg Sellers Memorial Fund (WSU Tri-Cities campus) at wsu.edu/ give or sent to the WSU Office of Advancement, 2710 Crimson Way, Richland, 99354.



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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. Please check with the Center to confirm this schedule. The Center is hosting Okanogan County Transportation and Nutrition (OCTN) meals Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The suggested donation is \$4.

April 19

Chamber Meet and Greet

PATEROS - The Pateros Chamber of Commerce Meet and Greet will be held at the Central Building at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 19.

April 20, 21

Story Time at library

Friday, Saturday story times
BRIDGEPORT - The Washington Reading Corps Program holds two story times at the Bridgeport Public Library. Story Times are Fridays 3:15-4:15 p.m., for Kindergarten through second grade; and most Saturdays, 10:30-11:30 a.m. and 1-2 p.m. for Kingergarten through fourth graders. Story Times will be for the school year and reading will be in English. For more information call Molly Westlund at (509) 449-2009.

April 19

Red Cross Blood drive

BREWSTER - An American Cross Blood Drive will be held Thursday, Thurs., April 19, 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 Red-CrossBlood.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.

April 20, May 11

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 May 11. 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, April 20, 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 su ==ggested donation Seniors (60 plus).Call (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

April 20 Deadline

Cherries Jubilee Logo Contest

BREWSTER - The Brewster Chamber of Commerce is having a logo contest for their 1st Annual Cherries Jubilee. The winning logo will be featured on the back of their event t-shirt.

The contest winner will receive a \$25 VISA gift card and ride on the Chamber float in the parade on June 16. Entries are due by April 20. Please send your entry via mail to P. O. Box 1087, Brewster, WA 98812 or email to brewsterwachamber@gmail.com, or drop your entry off with Anna Marie at Coldwell Banker on Main Street or with Martin or Manny at The Armory in Brewster. Please include your name, address, phone number, and email address with your entry.

April 25

Community Action Council board to meet

OKANOGAN - The Okanogan County Community Action Council Board of Directors will hold their Regular Board Meeting Wednesday, April 25, at 5:15 p.m. at Community Action, 424 S. 2nd Avenue, Okanogan. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. OCCAC is a community building organization. They work with community members of all groups to raise the poor out of poverty, to feed the hungry, to provide affordable housing for all, to empower community members through education, and in the process to return prosperity and hope for the future to our county. If you have questions or need additional information please contact Lael Duncan at OCCAC, (509) 422-4041.

April 25, May 8

Cancer Support Groups

CHELAN - The Women’s Wellness Group, cancer support group, has two support groups. The second Tuesday of each month for lunch, with lunch provided by the Wenatchee Wellness Place, at the Lake Chelan Community Hospital Board Room at 11:45 a.m.; and the fourth Wednesday of each month at LaBrisa, at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Anne at 682-8718.

April 27

Arbor Day Celebration

PATEROS - Arbor Day will be observed at Pateros Memorial Park from 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, April 27.

April 27

OCSRA to meet

Okanogan County School Retirees’ Association meets 11 a.m., Friday, April 27 for a general meeting and no-host lunch at Koala Street Grill, 914 Koala St., Omak. Program: Sergio Duarte: My Citizenship Journey. For information Jennie Hedington, (509) 422-2954.

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Simple strategies to stay on trend in your garden

(BPT) - Life is just better with the perfect accessories, isn't it? A modern space looks amazing with a bright rug and your favorite piece of art. At work, strategically placed plants and family photos breathe life into any cubicle.

Accessories enhance your home and add personality. But what about your outdoor living space? A beautiful garden is easy to create and can fit into any size footprint. Gardening with a variety of textures and colors brings an instant wow factor. Best of all, you don't have to commit to a single trend. You can change trends with the seasons, adding bold, colorful new looks throughout the year.

This guide will show you how.

Spring into gardening season

This is where it all begins, when that first breath of fresh spring air brings life to your garden.

Because spring days - especially mornings - can still be frustratingly cold, you'll



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It's easy to get creative for any event with Wave Petunia's Plug & Play Combos because they make tailoring your garden for any occasion a breeze.

want to start your garden off with a hardier flower that can withstand the cooler mornings and warm afternoons. Cool Wave Pansies have the resilience you need to keep your garden looking great throughout the early spring until those warmer temps finally arrive. Planting these durable flowers is easy and they don't require constant care.

But what if you don't have a large space? No problem! Add these beautiful blooms to hanging baskets and patio containers to give your outdoor area a simple facelift everyone will notice.

Solutions for summer celebrations

Summertime is full of party possibilities, so why not use your garden to make your event the envy of your stylish friends? Wave Petunias are perfect for Mother's Day and the Flying the Flag combination of red, white and blue is a must for the Fourth of July. It's easy to get creative for any event with Wave Petunia's Plug & Play Combos because they make

tailoring your garden for any occasion a breeze.

This is also a great time of year to branch out and add some fun new twists to your already amazing garden. Fresh herbs and tomatoes, anyone? The Italian Bistro container recipe gives you the best of both worlds - a beautiful patio statement and delicious summer salad, all in one pot.

Delightful options for the dog days of summer

Things are heating up this time of year, but keeping your garden bright and fresh is simple. Bold tropical colors like the Easy Wave South Beach combo and Tidal Wave Red Velour are all heat lovers and easy to maintain. They'll grow quickly to fill out any container or basket, and you can watch it happen from the comfort of your air-conditioned home.

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Farm-to-table: The hot food trend you can enjoy without leaving home

(BPT) - Farm-fresh eggs. Locally grown tomatoes. Herbs sourced onsite.

If you've eaten out recently, you've probably noticed the menus feature locally sourced ingredients. The farm-to-table movement continues to flourish at restaurants throughout the country.

In fact, rather than the exception, it's become the expectation. According to the National Restaurant Association, farm-to-table is quickly becoming the new norm. Diners are so attracted to the freshest fare possible, it's inspiring some restaurants to start their own gardens, on a rooftop, terrace or simple outdoor plot. Hyper-local culinary concepts like these represent the top trend on the annual "2018 Culinary Forecast" report.

You can take a cue from this hot trend by starting your own farm-to-table concept garden at home. Just imagine plucking ruby red tomatoes and rich green basil straight from your garden to make a farm-fresh, scrumptious caprese salad without ever leaving home. An at-home take on the farm-



Photo courtesy of Bonnie Plants

Whether you choose big, juicy slicers or sweet cherry-sized snackers, caged tomatoes are easy to grow and offer endless cooking opportunities.

to-table trend can easily be translated to a convenient "garden-to-table" concept in your own backyard. Growing your own at home will elevate your cooking and you'll feel good about being able to produce your own food while lowering your grocery bill (and certainly save by not dining out as much).

No matter the size of your garden space, you can grow fresh foods that are readily available right at your fingertips, even if you just have a small patio or balcony. What's more, some of the most popular produce to eat

is also easy to grow.

The experts at Bonnie Plants offer some easy-to-grow, space-saving suggestions to encourage a garden-to-table trend at home.

Caged tomatoes

Whether you choose big, juicy slicers or sweet cherry-sized snackers, caged tomatoes are easy to grow and offer endless cooking opportunities. Determinate varieties of tomatoes are container favorites because the vines are relatively compact yet bear a productive harvest. Or create your own container garden using to-

mato varieties especially bred for small spaces.

Caged peppers

Try popular and versatile Green Bell, a heavy yielder of large fruits and a good all-round pepper for slicing and stuffing. Or, spice up your recipes with jalapeño chile peppers, which yield a bountiful harvest.

Strawberries in hanging baskets

Sweet, juicy strawberries add loads of flavor to salads, dressings, drinks and desserts. Think you need a plot to grow a productive strawberry patch? Think again. Maximize space with Bonnie Plants' strawberries in hanging baskets, which are everbearing and produce cascades of berries throughout the growing season.

Herbs in combo pots

Want to raise the flavor profile of any culinary dish? Fresh herbs are your best bet. Herb gardens can be grown in compact spaces, which means you can fit your favorites in no matter how much space you have.

For example, a kitchen herb combo container featuring sweet basil, cilantro and

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Rabbits running rampant in your backyard? Smart tips to keep them at bay

(BPT) - You may never see them. They sneak in silently once the sun goes down. They ravage your delicate garden and stunning landscape. If you do happen to catch a glimpse, they'll run fast as lightning to safety so they can dine in your yard while you're not around.

No, this isn't a plot from some cinematic thriller; it's a daily occurrence for homeowners with outdoor space. Rabbits can quickly take a toll on any size yard, and can easily climb into raised beds and nibble away at your painstakingly planted container creations.

Wild rabbits have a big appetite and your garden and landscape is like a tempting, bottomless salad bar. And where there's one, there's more: The gestation period for a rabbit averages just 30 days.



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There's factual truth behind that old saying, "multiplying like rabbits"!

You may enjoy bunnies in storybooks or even as domesticated pets, but wild rabbits can be a devastating problem for your yard. These four-

legged foragers can eat your fabulous flowers and prized produce, literally overnight.

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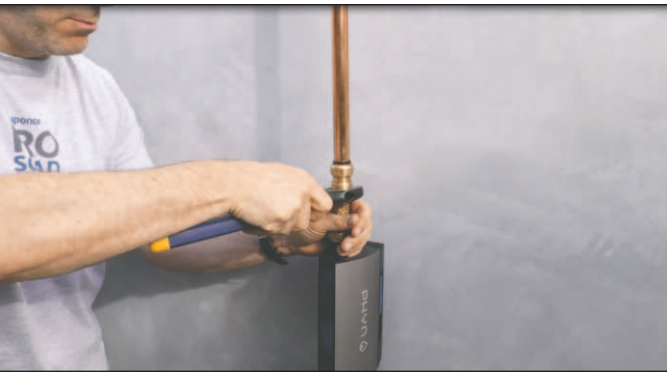
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gerous. Leaking pipes within walls can cause mold. Dripping faucets behind appliances can be a fire hazard. Leaking irrigation can cause significant lawn damage. And that's just the tip of the iceberg. In a national study of more than 300 homes, intelligent-water industry leader Phyn found that 17 percent of homes have some type of leak. Of those leaks, half were from a broken toilet flapper. This type of common leak wastes 800 to 1,100 gallons of water each day! Uncovering hidden leaks is important for your budget, your safety and to protect your property investment. Here are some ways to easily detect hidden leaks so you don't have to worry: Proactive inspections: Look where hidden leaks commonly occur before you see signs of a problem. Early detection could prevent costly damage. Even new homes need this approach, since human error during construction could lead to hidden leaks later. Inspect systems: First check your irrigation system by walking around the yard,

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R&R in the great outdoors: 3 ways to transform your outdoor living space

(BPT) - As Americans increasingly appreciate the therapeutic benefits of nature, they're putting more thought and effort into creating beautiful, comfortable and functional living areas outside their own homes. These days, such outdoor havens are considered valuable home extensions rather than underutilized corners of your yard. More than 70 percent of U.S. households now incorporate outdoor living spaces, reports one survey, and nearly 70 percent use those areas at least weekly in season. A favorite material for such havens is Western Red Cedar, a stunning and fragrant wood species that incorporates beautifully into decks, porches, furniture and other functional elements of your home. Not surprisingly, Western Red Cedar has many fans in the construction world. Colin McAllister and Justin Ryan of HGTV's "Colin and Justin's Home Heist" recently broadcast an online episode featuring the building of a lakeside cabin pergola that features the finely grained wood. "It smells incredible," notes Ryan. "Honestly, you are transported to the center of a forest ... it feels escapist, it feels luxurious and it looks amazing. If you brought lots of plastic or man-made materials into this environment, it



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would just be wrong." The unique characteristics of the sought-after cedar allow it to weather into a gorgeous silver patina even as it resists rot, decay and insects. Further, the durable wood is a dream to work with because it's lightweight, lays flat, stays straight and is free of pitch and resin. Bonus: The forests harvested for the wood are carefully and sustainably replanted. Dreaming of a private, well-appointed outdoor space where your family and guests can relax while enjoying nature? Consider how these other suggestions might also help put those wheels in motion. • Cover your bases: Make your space easier to use through the seasons by adding a gazebo, pergola, pavilion or three-season porch that can protect you, your guests and your furnishings from sun or rain. Consider draping curtains or netting that can be pulled back at will, allowing greater privacy and/or protection from bugs. Ideally, your new oasis will merge the best of both worlds, bringing the comforts of home outside while still offering the benefits of fresh air, fragrant breezes, sunshine, birdsong and positive interactions with flora and fauna. • Eat, drink and be merry: The old adage about guests gravitating toward the room that has the food? It's absolutely true, and incorporating cooking into your outdoor haven can lend a fun and informal entertaining element

that just can't be replicated indoors. Options for equipment include grills, smokers, pizza ovens, fireplaces, bars or full kitchen set-ups with ovens, sinks, refrigerators and prep areas. Make sure to choose weather-resistant finishes for everything, install effective lighting and make sure you have plenty of comfortable seating for foodie friends. McCallister notes on his show how rewarding it can feel to transform unused outdoor areas into havens of fun and relaxation, "transforming dead space into valuable life space." That same feeling can be achieved by do-it-yourselfers who embark on their own outdoor projects. "Outdoor patio spaces have sure changed in the last few years with the onset of new outdoor materials, furnishings, fixtures ... and the homeowner's desire for more outdoor living and entertaining space," notes Audra Slinkey in a recent report by the National Association of Realtors. "Today's yards are multi-functional and serve to entertain, lounge and maximize lot square footage." It's beautiful, it's practical and it's easy to use. Western Red Cedar can be an ideal building material for your next home improvement project. For more information about the building material and its guest appearance on "Colin and Justin's Home Heist," check out RealCedar.com.

RABBITS

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they often come out at dawn and sunset, you may rarely see them. According to the animal repellent experts at Bobbex, these are the top signs that you've got rabbits: 1. Plant damage low to the ground, often a few inches above the soil 2. A clean, 45-degree angled cut on the end of stems and leaves 3. Woody plants debarked up to 16 inches from the ground 4. Piles of rabbit droppings (dark pea-sized pellets) 5. Tracks: Wild rabbits have five toes on their front feet and four toes on their much longer hind feet. Check, check, and re-check. If you do catch a glimpse of the furry intruder, you may be able to identify the most common

wild rabbit species. Cottontails are common throughout North America, identified by their short tail that resembles a tuft of cotton. Snowshoes are typically found in rocky, mountainous terrain and are identified by their large feet with white fur during winter and rusty brown fur during warmer months. Finally, the speedy jackrabbit is found in the Western U.S. and is known for its incredibly long ears and powerful hind legs. Once you know you have rabbits ravaging your yard, it's time to take action. There are a few ways to safely repel them before the damage is done. Step 1: Build and bury barriers Fencing can be an effective way to keep rabbits at bay. If you're targeting rabbits, the

fence only needs to be 3 feet tall as they are unlikely to jump over it. However, you'll have to bury the fence underground since rabbits are experts at burrowing up to a foot below the surface to access a tasty food source. Step 2: Repel and remove temptation Bobbex-R Repellent is all natural, environmentally friendly and proven effective at protecting ornamental plantings from small, four-legged garden critters such as rabbits. Usable in any weather, it won't burn plants or wash off. Use it as a bulb dip to deter underground damage or spray it at the mouth of burrows to prevent animals from re-entering. It's safe for humans, pets, birds and aquatic life. Step 3: Remove the crea-

ture's comforts Many homeowners are surprised to find rabbits have made a home under stairs or in a shed. If you don't want rabbits nesting and raising families in your yard, remove brush and other debris that could provide them easy shelter and spray a repellent in those areas to maintain rabbit-free hiding places. These three simple steps will help you safely repel rabbits so you can fully enjoy the beauty and bounty of your outdoor space. To learn more, visit www.bobbex.com where you'll also find repellents for other common wild foragers such as deer. Try Bobbex Deer, compared to nine other repellents in category, it was rated 93 percent effective, second only to a fence at 100 percent.

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home-grown, fresh-picked produce that will shake up your supper and then some. For more inspiration for easy at-home gardening, visit bonnieplants.com. This recipe for a classic caprese salad is sure to hit the spot as a light lunch or satisfying start to dinner. Caprese salad Ingredients: 1 fresh tomato

1 ball fresh mozzarella cheese
Basil leaves
Olive oil
Balsamic vinegar
Salt and pepper to taste
Directions:
Slice tomato in 1/4-inch thick slices. Do the same for the mozzarella. Alternate layers between the tomato, mozzarella and basil. First, a tomato slice, then a mozzarella slice, then a few leaves of basil; begin and end with tomato. Drizzle with olive oil and balsamic vinegar, or your favorite Italian dressing. Add salt and pepper to taste.

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Insider tips and tactics for buying a home in a seller's market

(BPT) - Whether you're a millennial looking to buy your first home or a boomer thinking about downsizing your empty nest, you're probably aware that it's a seller's market out there.

Homes are selling at lightning speed, bidding wars are commonplace, buyers often have little to no room for negotiation and the price of those homes keeps rising.

But don't worry! Just because it's a seller's market doesn't mean you can't get a good deal on the home of your dreams. Here are some insider tips and tactics from the pros at RE/MAX, LLC to help you get your slice of the American dream at a price you can afford.



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Just because it's a seller's market doesn't mean you can't get a good deal on the home of your dreams.

Work with a full-time, experienced agent. This is critical, vital and non-negotiable. Things move so fast and offers are made within minutes of seeing a home. If you don't

have a real estate agent, you can easily be overwhelmed by this thrill ride. Your agent can help you with negotiation, serve as your champion, and can guide you through this process as a pro.

Get pre-approved with a lender. When you're pre-approved, you've done all the paperwork upfront. The bank has decided what you can afford to spend. This tells the seller you mean business and are ready to roll.

Use technology. If you aren't using technology, you are missing out. Hop on remax.com and view homes within your price range or in your desired school zone or neighborhood. You can also get a sense of what's selling at your budget, and

even calculate your estimated mortgage payment.

Don't wait to request a showing. If you're checking out houses online, ask your agent to request a showing as soon as you see one you like. Don't wait until the weekend. You know what they say about he who hesitates ...

Don't wait to make an offer. If you like it, jump on it. Make your offer clean (no contingencies such as the sale of another property), if possible, and consider offering favorable concessions to the seller such as a flexible closing date.

Think outside the box. You might have come into your home search wanting to live in a specific neighborhood. What if you expanded your horizons

a bit? Cast your net wider into areas you hadn't considered. A lovely gem might be waiting out there for you.

Don't make a major purchase between offer and closing. If you do, it could upset your debt-to-income ratio. Your lender could run the numbers again, and you'd be sunk. Hold off buying furniture or ordering new appliances until after closing documents have been signed and the place is yours.

Following the advice of your agent is always critical, but it's even more important in a seller's market. He or she will guide you through the process, and you'll be unpacking boxes in your dream home in no time!

5 musts for a low-stress, on-budget DIY home project

(BPT) - Owning your own home is a life accomplishment for many adults, and keeping it looking sharp and adding your personal touches brings a sense of pride. It seems there are always things you want to improve, so don't let a limited budget or lack of know-how hold you back from dreaming. There are plenty of ways to enhance a room or remake a space without breaking the bank, along with many resources out there to show you how.



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With a little research and a weekend or two of elbow grease, your budget and your abilities are more than enough to take on many smaller jobs.

stressful when you have solid planning behind it. Set a realistic schedule, gather your supplies in advance and be sure and review instructions before starting. If you're making an improvement for a special event or out-of-town guests, give yourself ample time to complete it so you're not adding stress to the project.

2. Find creative ways to cover costs

Make a budget for your project that includes a list of expected expenses and add padding for the unexpected.

Assess what funds you have available, and if you don't have enough, consider a savings plan so you can avoid paying interest and fees on a credit card. To speed up your progress, grab your change jar and bring it to a Coinstar kiosk where you can select cash or a no-fee eGift card from retailers including Amazon.com, Lowe's, Home Depot and Sears. You'll be surprised at how quickly a jar of coins can add up to purchase needed supplies on your list.

3. Learn through many available resources

If you're like most DIYers, you'll find online videos and home improvement websites are great sources for how-to tips and information. And if you're a novice, take advantage of the vast information that's available at your fingertips and review several sources so that you completely understand the process and are confident before your dive in. Don't be afraid to tap friends, family members and neighbors who have completed similar projects, as they can be good advisers and may even offer to help! You can reward them by inviting them back to your newly improved home to just relax and enjoy.

4. Keep it light

Doing DIY projects with a spouse or a family member can be fun if you take the right approach. When working alongside each other, it's all too easy to take a frustration out on each other. Two-thirds of those surveyed in a recent Coinstar survey said they do projects with others in their household, and 65 percent said they got into a disagreement during a home DIY project. Minimize tension by creating

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5 deep-cleaning jobs that are oddly satisfying

(BPT) - Whether it's scrubbing through grime to reveal a sparkling surface, cleaning dust bunnies from under appliances or organizing your pantry, there's something oddly satisfying about a deep clean.

According to a recent survey conducted on behalf of Clorox, lots of people get the good vibes flowing when it's cleaning day. Seventy-one percent say it makes them feel relaxed, while 57 percent say they feel accomplished.

Of the most oddly satisfying places to clean in the house, 34 percent say they find their bliss after cleaning the countertops, while a clean microwave lends that special feeling to another 30 percent.

To reach that spring clean-



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ing joy, try some of these not-so-obvious cleaning jobs that will transform the look and feel of your space into a springtime sanctuary.

Grout: Over time, mold and mildew buildup can make your bathroom grout look dingy, but with the right approach, the grout stains will disappear. Start by wetting

the tile with a cloth. Then, dip a sponge into a gallon bucket of water with 3/4 cup of bleach and wipe down the tile. Wait five minutes for disinfecting, rinse and viola! Your tiles will shine, offset by the clean lines of white grout.

Microwave: We don't like to

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HIDDEN LEAKS

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looking for signs of leaks, like puddles of water or depressions in the ground near sprinkler heads or lines. Also, inspect around your water heater for moisture. Remember to watch the water meter, too. An unexpected spike in a water bill could indicate a problem.

Technology: New advancements help detect leaks using intelligent-water technology, such as the Phyn Plus smart water assistant + shutoff. Installed right after the meter on the main water line, this device analyzes your home's water use by measuring tiny changes in pressure at 240 times per second. This allows the device to shut off the water automatically, so the owners

can rest assured that they won't come home to surprise water damage from a burst pipe.

Keep age in mind: Older homes have older pipes and systems that may be more prone to leaks, so it's important to keep close attention on your home as it ages. That being said, new homes aren't immune to water leaks. You may have heard stories of new homeowners hanging a picture on their wall, only to find a puddle on the floor the next day right below where the nail had punctured a pipe. Pipes and soldering can fail at any time, whether your home is brand new or 100 years old.

Use the pros: When in doubt, hire a professional to get expert insight and workmanship. For example, the

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Personalize your ride with a new set of wheels

(BPT) - The idea of a new car or truck is exciting. What's even more exciting is making that new vehicle your own. There are countless ways to personalize a vehicle, but one of the easiest ways to spruce up a vehicle is by adding a new set of wheels. In fact, wheels are typically the first thing vehicle owners upgrade on a car or truck after purchasing it from the dealership.

According to the Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA) in its 2017 Market Research Report, wheels are among the most purchased items by consumers in the \$42 billion aftermarket industry. Because there are many wheel options, SEMA recommends researching the various wheel types available for your specific vehicle and learning about the different wheel finish options, each of which has its advantages and disadvantages.

Here are basics about wheel finishes to keep in mind: **Painted:** Opting for painted wheels will give you an endless amount of options when it comes to colors and effects, allowing you to personalize your vehicle exactly how you desire. Painted wheels are typi-



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cally primed before wet paint is applied, and they are finalized with a clear topcoat to protect the paint. To minimize damage or discoloration due to heat or dust brought about by daily use, painted wheels should be cleaned with a non-acidic and non-abrasive soap that should not be allowed to dry onto the wheel.

Polished: Polished wheels are great if you want a wheel with a shiny look or mirror-like finish that is not heavy, which could aid in fuel economy. The wheel is polished to a high

luster by buffing it using a machine or by hand before being protected with a high-gloss clear coat. Polished wheels can be cleaned with mild soap and dried with a microfiber towel, then coated and hand-polished with a non-abrasive wax to help it maintain its luster.

Chrome: If you want the shiniest look possible, opt for a chrome wheel. This popular and classic type of wheel finish is achieved by adding layers of metals, such as copper, nickel and chromium, to create a very reflective finish. You can easily

clean chrome wheels with soap and water, then dry them with a soft cloth. To prevent dirt and dust from sticking to the wheels, add a layer of wax after cleaning them.

Powder-coated: For an extremely durable wheel finish that is resistant to scratches and fading and comes in many color options, go with a powder-coated wheel. To achieve this finish, a wheel is grounded and sprayed with a powder-coat (usually a polyester or epoxy), then exposed to heat (usually in a heating oven), essentially baking on the smooth finish. Like their painted counterparts, powder-coated wheels can be cleaned with a mild soap that should not be allowed to dry on the wheel finish. You can further protect the finish by applying a wheel sealant or coating solution.

These are but a few of the many types of finishes available in the wheel segment of the automotive aftermarket industry that can help give your vehicle an updated look. Every type of wheel finish provides variations in shine, color and required maintenance, so take the time to research what's

available. Regardless of the wheel you decide to go with, it will surely help get you on the road to creating a vehicle that meets your unique, individual needs.

Manufacturers introduce new wheels and many other products annually at the SEMA Show, the leading trade-only show for businesses in the automotive industry. Consumers can connect with

some of these businesses at the official SEMA Show after-party, also known as SEMA Ignited, where one-of-a-kind custom vehicle builds featuring the newest aftermarket products, including wheels, parade out of the convention center before making their way to the ultimate car show open to the public. For more information, visit www.semaignited.com.

What's driving car care and purchases this spring

(BPT) - As the weather starts to warm up, Americans will hit the road more often for destinations ranging from family outings to spring vacation destinations. Because cars are such an important part of our daily lives, Hankook Tire examined what drives Americans to keep up with car maintenance, as well as what matters when maintenance can do no more and it's time to visit the dealership.

Leave it to me
Two-thirds (69 percent) of drivers perform their own car maintenance, according to the latest Hankook Tire Gauge survey. Among those who do so, the main motivator is to save money (54 percent). Others like doing it to save time (28 percent), because they prefer knowing exactly what's going into their vehicles (26 percent), or it's a fun task for some who simply enjoy it (22 percent). In fact, about one-third (35 percent) of drivers started taking responsibility for car maintenance as soon as they earned their licenses.

The air in the spare
When asked the most elaborate car maintenance they've



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performed without help from a mechanic, most Americans said that they have either changed the oil (21 percent) or changed a tire (21 percent). But being able to change your own tire won't do much good if the spare doesn't have any air in it! Twenty-nine percent of Americans never check their spare tire's air pressure, which could be deflating if it's flat too. Fortunately, checking the air in the spare is part of a regular maintenance routine for more than half of drivers (57 percent).

Remind me
Generally, Americans agree

that they welcome a nudge to check their tire pressure, and 44 percent say that automatic tire pressure monitors ensure they check it regularly. Experts suggest checking your tire pressure once a month. Even new tires with minimal wear and tear lose air due to factors like temperature change, driving distance or carrying added weight in your vehicle. Now is a good time to check your air pressure, as temperature fluctuations reduce tire pressure by about 1 psi for every 10 degrees Fahrenheit the outside air temperature drops.

Purchasing power
Should the time come to purchase new tires, money talks. The Hankook Tire Gauge Index found that price influences nearly two-thirds (63 percent) of tire purchases, and similarly, 38 percent of drivers report that rebates, like Hankook Tire's Great Catch rebate, also impact their purchase decision. When it comes to the brand, however, drivers maintain an open mind. While nearly half of drivers (43 percent) say they have a brand in mind when they enter the dealership, they are flexible on what they ultimately buy - only 16 percent of Americans go into the dealer set on a particular brand.

Price also impacts vehicle purchases (41 percent). When shopping for a new car, drivers focus on price more than twice that of safety (18 percent) or performance (15 percent). And women are more price-conscious than men, as 45 percent of women consider the price when buying a new car, as opposed to only 37 percent of men.

Whether you are driven by price or performance, regular maintenance and vehicle knowledge is key to avoiding unexpected bumps in the road.

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think about it, but a lot of hard-to-remove food residue accumulates in our microwaves and we rarely spend the time to give it a thorough clean. Microwave a cup of water and in five minutes the steam will help loosen the stains. A Clorox Disinfecting Wipe will take care of those extra stubborn messes.

Dust: In addition to moving aside the beds, appliances and other heavy pieces of furniture to get those dust bunnies, make sure you're tackling the not-so-obvious places. Use the

vacuum's brush attachment to clear your HVAC register vents and don't forget to dust the tops of fan blades!

Windows: Those panes have taken quite a beating over the months. It's time to get a soft sponge and a bucket of warm, soapy water to defeat the smudges and layers of dirt, and then wipe them clean with a squeegee. You'll love how sparkling clean glass transforms the room.

Outdoor surfaces: Right outside your back door is a golden opportunity for a deep clean. Rent or borrow a pressure

washer, and once it's set up, you can enjoy watching the blast of water and degreaser effortlessly turn your concrete walkways and driveway into bright clean surfaces - like a magic wand. To easily remove the mold and mildew off your deck and patio furniture, add 3/4 cup of bleach to a gallon of water and swipe away the stains from seasons past.

Try these tips and enjoy basking in the satisfaction of a deep-cleaned house. To find the cash you need for the job, visit Clorox.com/satisfyingspringclean/.

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clear expectations and give everyone a defined role. Take needed breaks and acknowledge accomplishments along the way. Keeping things calm and positive ensures everyone feels good about their contribution.

5. Permission to make mistakes

Most homeowners are not professional contractors and projects can and do go wrong. If you make a mistake, do your best to correct it and don't beat yourself up. Focus on the fact you're making progress in getting your house just the way you want it and saving money by doing it yourself. Next time, you will be that much more

proficient! According to the survey, 90 percent of homeowners say they feel a sense of pride after completing a DIY project. Pat yourself on the back and plan your next DIY endeavor!

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Cascade Weed & Pest Management, Chelan, needs a Seasonal Spray Technician. Clean driving record, professional appearance. Must pass WSDA Pesticide Applicators license. Send resume to dirk@cascadeweed.com (509) 682-1249



The Cascade School District is seeking qualified applicants for the following position:

• Substitute Bus Drivers

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Fast Track application process and additional information can be found on our website at: www.cascadesd.org EOE

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PATEROS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 122-70J BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING LOCATION CHANGE Monday, April 30, 2018

As directed by the Board of Directors of the Pateros School District 122-70J; the Regular April School Board Meeting will be held as scheduled on Monday, April 30, 2018 in the **Methow Community Center, 6 Arkansas Ave, Methow, WA 98834**; starting at 6:00 pm.

The Pateros School District is a barrier free facility accessible to persons with disabilities. Additional information is available in the superintendent's office 509-923-2751 ext. 4.
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Public Notice

Brewster School District, Eric Driessen, PO Box 340 Brewster, WA 98812, is seeking coverage under the Washington State Department of Ecology's Construction Stormwater NPDES and State Waste Discharge General Permit.

The proposed project, Brewster Elementary School, is located at 503 S 7th St, in Brewster in Okanogan County. This project involves 5.3 acres of soil disturbance for Commercial, Utilities construction activities. All discharges and runoff goes to ground water.

Any persons desiring to present their views to the Washington State Department of Ecology regarding this Application, or interested in Ecology's action on this Application, may notify Ecology in writing no later than 30 days of the last date of publication of this notice. Ecology reviews public comments and considers whether discharges from this project would cause a measurable change in receiving water quality, and, if so, whether the project is necessary and in the overriding public interest according to Tier II antidegradation requirements under WAC 173-201A-320.

Comments can be submitted to: Department of Ecology Attn: Water Quality Program, Construction Stormwater P.O. Box 47696, Olympia, WA 98504-7696
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NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL NONSIGNIFICANCE

The Public Utility District No.1 of Douglas County has entered a determination of environmental non-significance, (DNS), for the proposed action under the State Environmental Policy Act, (RCW 43.21C), as amended. The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the subject action does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under 43.21C.030(2)c. This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency shall not act on this proposal for 15 days from the date below. Written comments must be submitted by May 11, 2018. Written comments should be submitted to John M. Brown, SEPA Official, Public Utility District No.1 of Douglas County, 1151 Valley Mall Parkway, East Wenatchee, WA 98802. Copies of the DNS, and Environmental Checklist can be obtained from the Public Utility District No.1 of Douglas County, 1151 Valley Mall Parkway, East Wenatchee, WA 98802 and on Douglas PUD's website; www.douglaspubd.org.

The issuance of the determination of environmental nonsignificance, for which notice is hereby given, is for the following action:

PUD #1 of Douglas County proposes to develop a 17 space RV Park in the City of Bridgeport adjacent to a Douglas PUD boat launch. The site is currently undeveloped. The project would include 17 paved RV spaces, a public restroom, a picnic shelter, and parking. The project is outside of the 200 ft shoreline zone.


The location of the proposed project is at the intersection Columbia Avenue and 2nd Street within the City of Bridgeport. The project will occur on Douglas County Parcel Number 00200200001, in Section 15, Township 29N, Range 25E; EWM., 48.017181° N Lat. / -119.686383° W Long.

Dated this 12th day of April, 2018

Public Utility District No.1 of Douglas County, WA
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There is no agency/administrative appeal.
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