

Lady Bears host five-team Softball Jamboree



Photos by Mike Maltais

Lady Bears pitcher Cynthia Sanchez attempts a hurried throw to catcher Abby Urias as a Chelan runner approached home plate during the Brewster Softball Jamboree last Saturday.



The relay was too late to tag the runner out.



Chelan scored to tie the game, but the Lady Bears won, 5-2 on a three-run homer in the next inning.

Rep. Cary Condotta responds to his vote in favor of SB 6617

SUBMITTED BY CARY CONDOTTA, STATE REPRESENTATIVE, 12TH DISTRICT

OLYMPIA - I appreciate the opportunity to discuss my vote on SB 6617 and the events leading up to it. I believe many important details were left out of the reports coming from many media sources. Being that many of these sources were also plaintiffs in a court case regarding legislative records, I question their ability to report on this matter without bias.

Prior to the recent court ruling this past January, the Public Records Act applied to the Legislature in a limited fashion. The ruling effectively turned each legislative of-

...fice into an independent agency. That includes the potential to have rule making authority and require more staffing to receive and respond to requests. It also included no protections to the sensitive correspondence between my office and constituents and personal cell phone records. This had to be changed.

The truth is I voted to expand what we disclose to the

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Cary Condotta, State Rep., 12th District

From Pateros to Mansfield

School districts engage in proactive student safety measures

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER - Wednesday, March 14, marked the one-month anniversary of the school shooting in Parkland, Fla. that claimed the lives of 17 victims at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School. To mark the occasion, students in the Wenatchee School District will participate in a nationwide National School Walkout.

In the Quad City coverage area comprising Pateros, Brewster, Bridgeport and Mansfield high schools, conversations, training, upgrades and planning are all part of a continuing review of student safety practices throughout the districts.

Maurice Goodall, Emergency Manager of the Okanogan County Department of Emergency Management said he

has been working with several schools about emergency action plans and active intruder exercises similar to one held at Brewster High School last March.

"I can tell you that every single school in the district has been in discussion with their staffs (about student safety)," said Goodall. "How would we handle this? What would we do if it happened here?"

Okanogan County Sheriff Frank Rogers said that on the topic of school security cameras his office is hooked into the Okanogan School District network.

"We can monitor them in real time," said Rogers, "and go back review anything that happens."

Rogers said he has heard that Pateros and other schools are also discussing a similar linkup with his office.

"I think it is great and is a valuable tool to have," Rogers said.

Rogers said his office will continue to train with the schools and he is aware that several are planning for training as they explore additional ways to make the schools safer.

"Bottom line it is tough," said Rogers. "I really don't know what you could do, unless you totally lock down all the schools with only one or two ways in, but that really isn't feasible."

Pateros School District

Principal Mike Hull said the school district is currently working through its security company to sort out issues of legality and disclosure as it pursues a linkup of its school security cameras to the Okanogan County Sheriff.

"We have a safety plan and

chart of protocols and we are looking at what everybody else is doing to see what will work best for us," said Hull. "Why reinvent the wheel when we can get good ideas from other places?"

Hull said parents "send their kids to the school in hopes

that this is the safest place they can be, and we want to make sure it is. Whatever we can do to make the school safer, we want to do."

Bridgeport School District

The Bridgeport schools will take a couple of signifi-

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Bridgeport Superintendent Scott Sattler

Awards luncheon March 15

Brewster Chamber lays plans for first annual Cherries Jubilee



Photo by Mike Maltais

Three Rivers Hospital Business Development Coordinator Chris Majors address chamber members about techniques to promote small business on Facebook.

BY MIKE MALTAIS STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER - The annual Awards Luncheon honoring the citizen and businesses of the year and the first annual Cherries Jubilee celebration were the major topics of discussion at the regular monthly meeting of the Brewster Chamber of Commerce last Wednesday, March 7.

The Brewster Citizen of the Year and large and small business of the year will be announced at the awards luncheon scheduled for noon, Thursday, March 15, at Los Camperos Restaurant. Chamber president Anna Marie Dalbey put out a final call for votes or nominees for all categories for awards

consideration.

The first annual Cherries Jubilee, tentatively planned for Saturday, June 16, is a major project for chamber members in the weeks ahead. Chamber representatives were scheduled to appear before this week's city council meeting to request the requisite approval and cooperation of city officials.

"We used to have Bonanza Days," said Dalbey who wants to resume an event similar to Apple Pie Jamboree in Pateros and Bridgeport Daze in Bridgeport.

Plans calls for a Cherries Fun Run, a three-kilometer over-the-bridge-and-back, car show, parade, vendors, entertainment and more.

Dalbey said she has been overwhelmed with inquiries

from car owners who want to display their wheels. Based on that interest Dalbey anticipates some 10 categories for various vintages and models.

Cherry pie sales, a cherry dessert contest, three-on-three basketball and entertainment by Waterdog and singer Britney Jean are also in the works.

In conjunction with Cherries Jubilee the chamber is hosting a Cherries Jubilee logo design contest with an entry deadline of April 20. The winning design will be featured on the event t-shirt. The winner will receive a \$25 VISA gift card and will ride on the chamber parade float.

Entries can be mailed to P.O.B. 1087, Brewster WA

98812; emailed to brewsterwachamber@gmail.com; or left with Dalbey at Coldwell Banker on Main Street or with Martin or Manny Hurtado at The Armory in Brewster.

The chamber's guest speaker this month was member Chris Majors, Business Development Coordinator for Three Rivers Hospital and owner of Majors Creative. Majors, who developed websites for the TRH Foundation and the chamber, spoke to the group about the finer points of promoting their businesses on Facebook.

Dalbey also reminded listeners that one of the perks of chamber membership is free posting of employment openings on the chamber's website.

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Brewster man arrested for child abuse

By Mike Maltais, Staff Writer

BREWSTER – Brewster Police Chief Nattalie Cariker reported that on Feb. 18, Brewster Police Department responded to a child abuse complaint where a Brewster infant was treated for severe head trauma at the local hospital and transported to a Spokane hospital.

The police department was advised from medical staff that the injuries were consistent with abuse, Cariker said. Brewster police arrested a 23-year-old male on Feb. 26 for first degree assault of a child.

Man charged with rape of a child

By Mike Maltais, Staff Writer

BRIDGEPORT – Douglas County Sheriff Harvey Gjesdal reported that good detective work resulted in the arrest of a Brewster man on charges of second degree rape of a child on Jan. 18, 2018.

Gjesdal wrote that a Douglas County deputy was summoned to investigate the report of a child rape which had occurred at a residence in Bridgeport.

“The report was that a 19-year-old male had sexual intercourse with a 12-year-old female,” wrote Gjesdal. “A detective was assigned to the case and after collecting witness statements and DNA evidence, the male suspect was identified.”

Following the investigation, the suspect was arrested on March 8, and is being on \$100,000 bail at the Okanogan County jail.

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public. My calendar, lobbyist communications and cell phones (not personal ones) were fully accessible under 6617. What was not included is the personal and confidential correspondence I receive from constituents. I work on their behalf and want to ensure that their private communications to me will remain private.

The Democrats are in control of both chambers so Republicans really did not

have much to say about the process other than vote up or down on the policy changes. I voted in favor of the bill with many of my colleagues because it would have preserved constituent privacy. I believe the court ruling threatened that. Our caucus did present a bill early in session to address this issue but the majority party did not give it a hearing. With the governor’s recent veto of SB 6617 we are committed to finding a solution that balances transparency, but constituent privacy must be protected.”

SCHOOL SAFETY

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cant steps toward heightened school security with the completion of a new building in 2019 that will incorporate updated security features and a school resource officer who will be on premises in next year as well.

“All of our front office will be different,” said Bridgeport superintendent Scott Sattler. “There just won’t be free access to the building; there will be a secure vestibule at the entry.”

Sattler said visitors will be admitted from the secure area by office staff.

Sattler said that in addition to the video monitoring network the school has also considered scan cards for entry purposes.

“They are programmable throughout the district and log what card is coming into the building,” Sattler said.

The resource officer will be a proactive presence, trained and licensed to carry a weapon.

Sattler said the school has partnered with the Douglas County Sheriff’s Office and he is working on plans to allow DCSO to incorporate a summer security and intruder training program with the dismantling of the middle school building this summer.

Sattler graduated Brewster High School and has been superintendent at Bridgeport for the past 24 years so his roots and familiarity with the local community run deep.

“We haven’t discussed arming teachers,” said Sattler. We are not in a place to do that yet.”

Active school drills and staff training together with a close working relationship with North Central Educational Services District (NCESD) is another big part of safety

measures.

“They are very proactive about safety,” said Sattler of NCESD, whose representative recently did a school walk-through.

Sattler maintains an open line with parents as well and has been speaking with those concerned about school drills and staff training.

“I feel rooted here,” said Sattler. “Anything we can do safety wise, we will do.”

Mansfield School District

Mansfield, the Town at the End of the Rails, is almost 20 miles distant from neighboring Coulee City to the east and Bridgeport to the north and more than 30 miles from Waterville to the south. Mansfield school, with student body numbering less than 100 students, also serves as the community center, of sorts, for its residents.

“One of the challenges we have is that we are so small,” said first-year superintendent Mike Messenger. “We play a different role than larger districts where there are resources to hold events at other locations. Our folks don’t have that option.”

Making the school community accessible and safe for students at the same time is a dual priority that Messenger is considering. Messenger served as principal at Tonasket for the past six years before taking on the role at Mansfield, so he is familiar with the small school environment.

“We have been having conversations going in lots of different directions, from

training to procedures,” said Messenger. “We are carefully measuring our options and will be deliberate in our response.”

Messenger said the Douglas County Sheriff’s Department is a proactive partner and a deputy met with him at the school just last Monday.

“If we have a question or challenges, they are more than willing to make recommendations,” Messenger said.

Messenger said Mansfield school is also part of the consortium of the NCESD.

“They help a lot,” said Messenger. “I just recently had an ESD representative in my office.”

Messenger said there has been an abundance of good, productive conversation on safety issues as the school works its way to decisions it will make in the future.

“We are carefully measuring our options and will be deliberate in our response,” Messenger said.

Brewster School District

Brewster superintendent Eric Driessen is the closest to home as a 1980 graduate of the school he is responsible for keeping safe.

While he acknowledges his deep roots in his home town Driessen is first to admit that “the community has changed a lot over the past 30 years.”

Brewster School District hosted its own multi-agency training exercise (MATE) last March 27 that involved the Brewster Police Department, Washington State Patrol, Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan law enforcement, Douglas-Okanogan Fire Dis-

trict 15, local EMS first responders, Three Rivers Hospital, WADOT, and Brewster Public Works, along with school staff.

“Our staff really learned a lot,” Driessen said.

The school district hopes to begin work on a new middle school later this spring followed by a remodel of the elementary and high schools.

“When it’s done, security will be state of the art,” said Driessen. “Buzz-in key cards and a single entry where users will be buzzed through the next door.”

A new security camera system will upgrade those already linked to the Brewster Police Department.

“All officers have the ability to log onto our camera system,” said Driessen

Brewster Police Department Brewster Police Chief Nattalie Cariker graduated Tonasket High School and now has school-age children of her own attending Brewster.

“I have been to all the schools for sports,” said Cariker who wants her officers to know the layout as well.

“We have a new officer check out the main entry and access points at the Pateros school,” said Cariker. “We want out staff to know about the other schools.”

Cariker organized last year’s MATE project and is planning another such scenario for next year because “it can help us to realize what we need to work on,” Cariker said.

“Whenever the school has a lockdown drill or fire drill, they notify me, and I am there,” Cariker said.

“There is no true easy solution,” said Sheriff Rogers to the challenge of school safety. “One that does help us is if you hear or see something, report it. We can’t do anything if we don’t know about it.”

“No threat is too small,” Rogers said.



Mansfield Superintendent Mike Messenger



Brewster Superintendent Eric Driessen

Three Rivers Hospital reflects on 2017 year of achievements

By Mike Maltais, Staff Writer

BREWSTER— “2017 has been a really great year.”

Those words from Chris Majors Business Development Manager for Three Rivers Hospital (TRH) sums up a year of goals met, and a solid groundwork laid for 2018.

“We have made strides in achieving our strategic priorities: Quality & Safety, Culture, Community Partner, Financial Viability, and Collaboration,” said Majors. “All of these objectives help achieve our three Wildly Important Goals to provide the ideal patient experience, to bring our best every day and operational break-even.

A real financial bench-

mark for TRH was to be out of registered warrants to Okanogan County as of the end of June 2017 and remain out of them into 2018.

When CEO Scott Graham began his tenure in mid-2014, TRH was more than \$2 million in warrants, and it has been a long hard road to positive cash flows.

“Scott is particularly proud of the team effort in keeping costs down even during the busier months,” said Majors, “which has helped carry us through the recent lower patient volume months of November and December.”

Graham is also pleased to hear more and more people say they choose TRH because of the quality of care they receive.

“That we’ve had such a good year is a real tribute to our community; it’s a real tribute to our staff. We are really proud of what they have been able to accomplish. The challenge is not to have just one good year, but to build each year,” said Graham.

TRH expanded its Orthopedic team, hiring Dr. Jonathan Miller, Dr. James Lambertson, and Rob Lambertson PA-C. The hospital has also initiated a major upgrade of its electronic medical records system with Evident, an EMR service.

“This upgrade will lead to more streamlined workflows, better care, and help us to better communicate with other health care providers across the region,” Majors said.

Said TRH Chief Operating Officer Melanie Nedd: “I am very proud of the work we accomplished in 2017, upgrading our patient hospital rooms with new furniture and TVs, growing our Orthopedic practice, enhancing our care delivery through our partnership with the Providence Tele-stroke

Program, and crossing the threshold into a position of positive cash.”

Hospitals are one of the most regulated industries in the United States, said Majors.

“It takes constant effort to comply with regulations from federal and state entities such as Medicaid, Medicare and the Department of Health,” said Majors, “and the cost of compliance is significant.”

“TRH is not out of the woods yet, and we know there will be some challenges in 2018,” said Majors, “so we will continue to manage as efficiently as possible, while also continuing our work to improve the care we offer our community.”

“Because we cater to those in our community who are sick or need other medical services, they don’t just need them when it’s 8 to 5,” said Graham, “they need them any time of the day or night, and in order to provide those services 24-7 in a competent and safe way we have hired very very smart, educated, and dedicated people.”

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Pateros to hold Kindergarten registration and screening

SUBMITTED BY PATEROS SCHOOL DISTRICT

PATEROS - Kindergarten registration and screening for the 2018-2019 school year will be held on Tuesday, April 17, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Pateros School Library.

If you are planning on enrolling your child in kindergarten for the upcoming school year please call the school at 923-2343 ext. 2 to schedule an appointment for you and your child. To enroll in Kindergarten, your child must not be less than 5 years of age prior to September 1, 2018.

Please bring the following items with you: Your child, and their birth certificate, immunization records and Social Security Card.



Pateros Elementary honors Students for February



Photo courtesy of Pateros School District

Pateros Elementary School Students of the Month for February included three fifth graders who received the Being Dependable Award and seven students, K-fourth grade who received the Being a Good Kid Award. Pictured in the front row, left to right is Logan Zahn (first grade), Valeria Loyola (second grade), Gael Gutierrez (K), and Lainey Nehls (K). Back row, from left is: Daniela Espino (fifth grade) Kaitlin Lindquist (fourth grade), Edwin Abrego (fifth grade), Alexis Jimenez (fifth grade), Henry Miller (Third grade), and Jayden Cordero, (third grade).

Fire units contain blaze on B&O Road



Photos by Mike Maltais

Fire units from the Okanogan and Omak fire departments responded to a brush fire near the intersection of the B&O Road North and State Route 20 north of Malott last Saturday and had the flames contained by mid-afternoon.

Book-It Repertory Theatre of Seattle will perform the book Whoosh! at area libraries

SUBMITTED BY MICHELLE MCNIEL, NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL LIBRARY

OMAK / CHELAN - Book-It Repertory Theatre of Seattle will perform the book Whoosh! Lonnie Johnson's Super-Soaking Stream of Inventions at several North Central Regional Library branches during Spring Break week.

The free performance brings to life the children's book by Chris Barton which

tells the story of Lonnie Johnson, who's love of rockets, robots and inventing became the cornerstone for a career as an engineer. Among other things, he is the inventor of the Super Soaker water gun, an idea he came up with by accident while trying to create a new cooling system for refrigerators and air conditioners.

The theater group will perform the show at the following libraries:

- Cashmere, April 5, 11 a.m.
 - Chelan, April 4, 3 p.m.
 - Curlew, April 3, 2 p.m.
 - George, April 5, 11 a.m.
 - Leavenworth, April 4, 11 a.m.
 - Manson, April 2, 1 p.m.
 - Moses Lake, April 6, 3 p.m.
 - Omak, April 2, 6:30 p.m.
 - Republic, April 3, 10 a.m.
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Monday-Thursday

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

BREWSTER - Hours at the Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center are 8 to 11:45 a.m. Monday through Thursday; and every other Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Donations will be accepted during store hours at the back door or just knock or come on in. They take just about everything except children's clothing. The Center will also take "small pieces of furniture and sometimes larger items. S.A.I.L (Stay Active and Independent for Life) classes are on every Tuesday and Thursday from 10-11 a.m. 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.

March 14

Author and naturalist will discuss Bigfoot

WATERVILLE - Northwest author and naturalist David George Gordon will talk about the mythical and iconic Sasquatch on March 14 at the Waterville Public Library, 3 p.m. Gordon has spoken at the American Museum of Natural History, The Philadelphia Academy of Sciences, Yale University, the Smithsonian Institution, and Ripley's Believe It Or Not! museums in San Francisco, Hollywood and Times Square.

March 15

Okanogan County Child Development Association to hold stakeholder meeting

BREWSTER - Okanogan County Child Development Association (OCCDA) is holding community stakeholder meetings during the month of March. These meetings help them to gather feedback on the services they provide and to find out the needs of children and families in the community. All community members are invited to attend. A meetings will be held on Thursday, March 15, at 6 p.m. at Brewster Early Head Start Classroom, Brewster Community Center, 601 W. Cliff Ave., Brewster, WA 98812

DEATH NOTICES / SERVICES

James William "Bill" Windle

James William "Bill" Windle passed quietly at home on February 6, 2018 at 78 years of age. Services will 1 p.m., on March 17, 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.

Catherine Ann Rawson (Swindal)

Catherine Ann Rawson (Swindal) of Okanogan, died Feb. 14, 2018 (St. Valentine's Day) at The Caring Cottage in Wenatchee, Wash.

A visitation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m., on March 16, with a rosary commencing at 7 p.m. at the Precht-Harrison-Nearents Chapel located at 2547 Elmway in Okanogan. Her life will be celebrated at mass at 11:00 a.m., Saturday March 17, 2018, at St. Mary's Mission Church in Omak. A luncheon reception will follow the service at the Omak Elks Lodge located at 110 S. Ash, Omak (across from Wells Fargo Bank).

OCCDA has been providing services to children and families for over 50 years. OCCDA provides Head Start and ECEAP funded pre-school programs, home visiting programs for expectant mothers and children ages birth to three, and a home visiting and classroom combination model for toddlers. During the 2016-2017 Program Year, OCCDA served 358 children and families.

If you have any questions on the services OCCDA provides, please contact our main office at (509) 826-2466.

March 16, 17

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 Kindergarten 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.

March 16, April 13

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 April 13. 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, March 16, riders will be taken to Omak for the day. Again, riders request their destination(s) and make a day of socializing, shopping and errands. Wenatchee: \$12/boarding for General Public, \$6 suggested donation/day for Seniors (60 plus). Omak: \$5.50/General Public, \$2.75 suggested donation Seniors (60 plus). Call (509) 826-4391 to reserve your seat.

Rhapsody in Blue featured in OVOC Spring Concert with guest pianist, Kathryn Castrodale

SUBMITTED BY OVOC

OMAK - When Okanogan Valley Orchestra Director, Matt Brown, decided to tackle the monumental Gershwin classic, Rhapsody in Blue, for the Spring Concert, he immediately contacted Chelan's Kathryn Castrodale to invite her to perform the piece with the OVOC orchestra. His dream of presenting this stirring composition will come true on March 24 at the Omak Performing Arts Center. Several Lake Chelan musical luminaries participate in this concert. Both music directors, Matt Brown and Jonathan McBride, live in Chelan and both have developed highly effective music programs for the schools they teach for.

The concert takes place at 3 p.m. March 24, at the OPAC, 20 S. Cedar, Omak. Tickets can be purchased at the door: General Admission \$12, Seniors \$10,

Youth (13-18) \$8, children 12 and under free.

Rhapsody in Blue is considered George Gershwin's most groundbreaking composition. It was written in only a few days at the request of 1924's "King of Jazz", Paul Whiteman, who promoted it as a jazz concerto. What Gershwin produced was not a "jazz concerto" but a rhapsodic work for "piano and jazz band" incorporating elements of European symphonic music and American jazz. Gershwin scored a triumphant success with the work which today is hailed as a landmark in American music. In 1931, Gershwin told his biographer Isaac Goldberg "I heard it as a sort of musical kaleidoscope of America, of our vast melting pot, of our unduplicated national pep, of our metropolitan madness." In the many essays written to analyze the piece it has been said that Gershwin's own in-

March 21

Celebrate School Retirees' Week

OMAK - Okanogan County School Retirees' Association will celebrate School Retirees' Week with a pizza lunch at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 21 at St. Anne's Church, 639 W. Ridge Drive, Omak. Evon LaGrou will present a travelog on meeting the Komod.

March 28, April 10

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.

March 29, 31

Easter Egg Hunt and Egg Coloring

BRIDGEPORT - On Saturday, March 31 the American Legion, along with the Quad City Eagles and Bridgeport City council will be sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt at the Berryman Park beginning at 10 am. There will be 3 age groups with 3 prize baskets for each age group. Walking age through 11 years old welcome. They will set up an egg dying station at the Quad City Eagles in Bridgeport so the children can come help dye eggs on Thursday, March 29, starting at 5 pm. For more information call Stacey at (509) 733-2700.

March 30

School Retirees Association to meet

OMAK - Okanogan County School Retirees Association meets 11 a.m. Friday, March 30 for a general meeting and no-host lunch at Koala Street Grill, 914 Koala St, Omak. Program: Methow Valley Arts Association. Information: Jennie Hedington: (509) 422-2954



Kathryn Castrodale

los and chamber music at noon concerts, accompanied the choir and is the pianist in the orchestra. Kathryn was invited by Elma Curry to perform at the first concert OVOC presented in the new Performing Arts Center in 1990. She first performed Rhapsody with the OVOC orchestra under the direction of Gary Dahl during the '90's, was invited back for a second performance of the piece by Terry Hunt in the 2000's and is thrilled to return for this performance with Matt Brown, a musician she admires and enjoys working with very much.

Also, from Chelan, Bob Soost will participate as guest oboist, playing the signature melody line most associated with the piece. Bob heads the elementary music program for Chelan Schools and is a well-known performer in the valley. Chelan Valley residents Kerry Travers and Rowan Evig also join the orchestra in the violin section.

In addition to Rhapsody in Blue, the OVOC orchestra will perform two movements from Mussorsky's Pictures at an Exhibition and combine efforts with the chorus on another Gershwin standard, Porgy and Bess, a Medley. The Chorus under the direction of Jonathan McBride presents a variety of colorful, spring inspired songs including "O My Luve's Like a Red, Red Rose", "Over the Rainbow" and "Blue Moon".

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Newhouse seems to have a blind spot

Congressman Dan Newhouse is one of the sponsors of H.R. 3144, which would maintain the operational status quo at the four lower Snake River dams in the Columbia River Basin. These dams are bad-actors for their negative effects on 13 runs of threatened and endangered salmon and steelhead. Newhouse says opposing the legislation is putting politics over science when it comes to improving fish recovery efforts. He seems concerned, legitimately, about possible impacts to ratepayers, but it shows he does not understand the historical record of Columbia River dam operations and the current science behind fish recovery. This is the fifth time in over two decades that a federal judge has called for an overhaul of the Columbia River hydropower

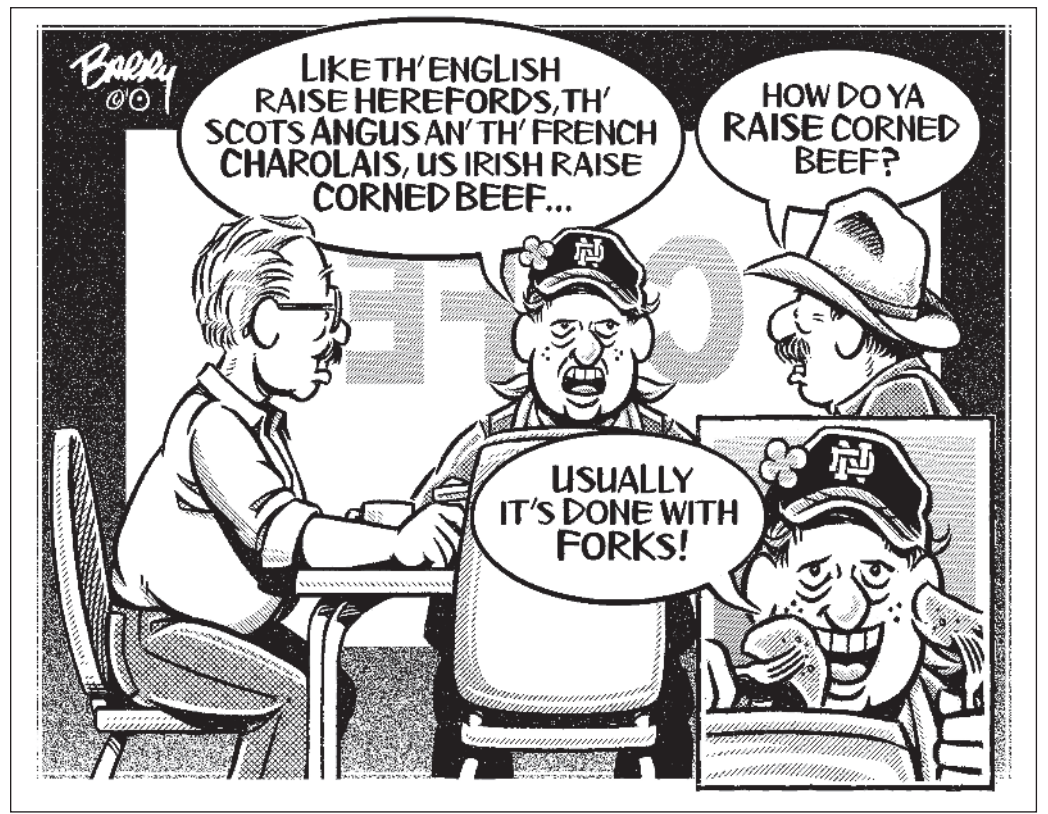
system. This recent court ruling requires that all options be on the table, including spill and dam breaching of the four Lower Snake River dams. We've seen this movie before. Fifteen years have gone by since new spill and other operational "fixes" ordered by the federal courts, have been tried at the four lower Snake River dams. During this time several generations of salmon and steelhead have gone through the hydropower system yet none have shown any meaningful improvement in survival to return as adults. This despite hundreds of millions of dollars invested in recovery efforts.

Newhouse chides our democratic governor and west-side representatives for their opposition to his legislation. Could it be that they are willing to face up to the reality that without considering all alternatives, we stand not a snow-balls chance in hell of saving

our Columbia-Snake river salmon and steelhead from eventual extinction? It's truly sad that Newhouse rushes to judgement and fails to inform those who pay his salary of the true costs of maintaining the "do nothing more" that this bill would promote.

Newhouse seems to have a blind spot when it comes to supporting dams that are a bad idea. In the case of the Enloe Dam on the Similkameen River, Newhouse is not even supporting the ratepayers. In the Okanogan PUD's dogged pursuit of renewing the long defunct Enloe Hydropower project, Newhouse is ignoring the dubious economics of this poorly conceived hydropower project, that could end up saddling PUD ratepayers with decades of debt on the cost and operation of the dam.

Stephen Ralph
DeeAnn Kirkpatrick
Winthrop



Pay no attention to the man behind the curtain

That famous line from the Wizard of Oz rushed into my consciousness when I considered the responses of our local legislators to the firestorm they created by voting for the bill to exclude them from the public records act.



IN MY OPINION
Bill Forhan
Publisher

Their responses fell into two general categories. First, it is too difficult. And second, that they were concerned about private matters they often discuss with their constituents.

For purposes of this editorial we'll ignore their comment that they were really trying to increase transparency. I am getting tired of politicians who make claims about legislation that are clearly farcical. I wish they would show more respect for their constituents.

Yes, being a legislator is difficult. They ran for the job. If it's too difficult they should go find a job that better suits their temperament. Insuring all of their constituent's interests are represented and not just the interests of some "special group" like campaign contributors is critical to our system of representative government.

The second excuse is much more troubling to me. This is

where the real problem with our government begins. Our elected representatives work for all of us. They don't work for any single constituent and no individual constituent should expect special treatment.

We claim our government is of the people, by the people and for the people. But when our elected representatives claim any of their communications need to be held behind a curtain of secrecy that is where the mischief begins.

Individual citizens, corporations and organizations that are petitioning their elected representatives should not have any expectation that their appeals will not be disclosed.

When our representatives

can keep their discussions secret that opens the door to backroom deals, bribes and other nefarious activity.

This legislative session gives us a perfect example of this problem. SB6199 was passed by the legislature despite all of the Republicans refusing to vote on the bill. When they attempted to debate the bill on the floor they were gavelled down by Speaker Pro-Tem Rep. John Lovick, D-Mill Creek. Lovick said the Republicans were impugning the motives of their colleagues. Ultimately, all of the Republicans in the House refused to vote on the bill and were recorded in the roll call as "absent" (You can find the complete news story under state news on our web site).

The Republicans were attempting to argue that this bill was nothing more than a payback for union support of Democrat candidates. Wouldn't you like to know what the representatives who supported the bill promised the union?

In recent years there has been increasing pressure to make union negotiations open to the public. Several cities have passed ordinances requiring union negotiations to be open, but the state still insists they must be held in secret.

Bills like SB6199 are nothing more than an attempt by legislators to require all state employees to join a union despite numerous court decisions that have ruled no one can be com-

elled to join a union.

We need more transparency in government not less. In the case of the legislative attempts to exempt themselves from the open meetings act we are fortunate that the governor vetoed the measure. The problem is too many of our current representatives voted for this bill. They could easily have overridden the governor's veto had it not been for the firestorm of negative publicity from the state media.

When our elected representatives exempt themselves from the laws they make for the rest of us our representative democracy has begun to fail. It is already too prevalent on the national level. We need to make sure it doesn't happen on the state level.

Reforms needed to improve school safety

Something that has been lacking in the current national debate on firearms is trust and good faith.



Dan Newhouse
U.S. Cong.

Responsible gun owners mourn the innocent victims of mass shootings. Responsible gun owners want to keep our communities safe. Parents on both sides of this debate worry about our children's safety.

All of us agree that mentally unstable or dangerous individuals should not have

access to firearms. We must ensure that laws are effectively enforced - especially considering that there were clear signs that the Parkland, Florida shooter had

mental health issues yet fell through the cracks.

In January, someone close to the shooter reported concerns about him to the FBI's tip line. The FBI was provided with information about the shooter's gun ownership, his desire to kill people, his erratic behavior, his disturbing social media posts, and the potential that he would conduct a school shooting.

The FBI admitted that protocols were not followed.

Additionally, local law enforcement in Broward County in Florida responded 39 times to emergency calls at the shooter's home over a seven-year period. This is a case where national and local law enforcement had the information necessary to intervene based on the shooter's threats and tragically did not. There was a failure to enforce laws that are already in place to protect the public.

Since the shooting, the national debate has largely split on cultural lines. It seems as though the perspective of rural America has practically been ignored.

We want to defend against and deter attacks on all children. The purpose of the Second Amendment is for individuals to possess the means to protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our communities. Infringing on the constitutional rights of law-

abiding Americans simply will not make anyone safer.

Many of us have grown up responsibly using firearms to defend ourselves, to hunt, or for sport. In rural communities like many in Central Washington, the response time of law enforcement from the nearest town may make the difference between staying safe and becoming a victim of crime. We exer-

SEE NEWHOUSE ON PAGE A6

Sometimes bureaucracy needs bypass surgery

Throughout a persons life there comes a need and a time to be bold, make waves, color outside the lines, tell your master you need a chance to fail in order to succeed.



APPLES TO APPLES
Gary Bégin

When that day and time come, we will celebrate your new skin, new demeanor, new spirit, new façade and honor the internal chi.

That's what happened when I showed up in traffic court with two expert opinions from mechanics that were more than happy to provide them.

I also had plenty of insurance to cover the palm tree of no small height, that my Dodge Ram tore out of the soft and rain-soaked Florida soil.

The state trooper wasn't happy. He was used to not having a fight in traffic court, but this wasn't just a speeding ticket, it was a careless driving ticket.

I told the guy the lights on the well-used truck had a short somewhere in the wires and that, along with the rainy night, caused me to not see the curve.

The family that used to own the tree was quite nice to me and offered me hot tea. Everyone involved knew I was insured and that alone calmed the scene down to an enjoyable sup of Tetley's.

They felt badly for me and had no reason to think my version of events wasn't

true.

The state trooper wrote me a ticket anyway and so in court the judged sided my way and the case was dismissed. His main concern was that my insurance covered the poor palm tree, which it did.

President Trump is showing up at a meeting with the North Korean tyrant, probably in Beijing or some other fairly neutral place and the liberals are going crazy that he is doing so.

No American president since Eisenhower has gone to Korea and yet the soft-bellied left-wing crowd is angry because we are getting a real shot at a breakthrough in diplomacy instead of a nuclear war.

Therefore we are facing a real dilemma if you are anti-Trump: Nuclear war or unprecedented Presidential Summit for the first time in history. The liberal crowd hates him either way, but my orange-haired septuagenarian is crazy like a fox. He will meet with the ugly-hair-cutted midget Un along with Dennis Rodman (perhaps the next ambassador to North Korea after we officially end

the Korean War).

Rodman can be the unofficial coach to the North Korean basketball team while simultaneously teach their high school boys how to apply rouge, eyeliner, wigs and slip into heels without tearing the gown for that nights "Transgender and Lovin' It" ball.

My letter to my own "dear leader" would go like this:

Dear dear leader (mine uber Don),

Please don't forget Dennis' make-up box or your stash of orange hair dye. We know looks matter. Watch out for the kimchi and don't drink anything you didn't bring yourself.

I would hate to see photos or videos of you and Den-Den in a compromising position with one of those high school boys as directed by Stormy OhMy Danielsson.

The news conference, broadcast live from Beijing, will be nothing more than a lovefest as Trump announces a new Ford factory will be built on the site of a former prison camp in North Korea ... what's that?

Oh, my secretary corrected me, the prison camp workers would become the auto workers and would work for free as long as they got a carton of Marlboros, a case of Coors, a box of Hershey's and a free Kia (donated by the South Koreans) at the end of one year of work. (Unless they

call in sick in which case they will be sent to Chicago and be forced to work as a drug dealer.)

Of course they would eat, sleep and work in the same factory that will also have dormitories, a clinic, movie theater and a super WalMart attached.

Mr. Un, the only 'dear leader' people look down to, will ask Trump to stage the next Miss Universe pageant in PingPong-Bang - near his Sicilian mafiosa-like palatial family retreat.

Tell me patriots, what's not to love?

BTW - My friends in the Pentasquare tell me by 2020 American, Russian, Chinese, North and South Korea will hold multilateral talks on trade, immigration, environmental and even military affairs. The Japanese, Taiwanese, Australian and Filipino governments will have seats at the table if desired.

Indeed Trump haters, Trump has just begun to transform the world into his image. Although most of us would rather be transformed into Melania's image even if just for the pure aesthetics of it. But seriously folks,

she has always exhibited more compassion and level-headed sense than her television star husband. Melania was a success in her own right and didn't need his help. She's also 24 years younger than the President and, I doubt, has as many inbred-racial hatreds as he.

She seems genuinely beautiful as a human being and not merely as the super-model. She has a degree and speaks many languages. If the law would allow foreign born Americans to become president, she'd make a better one than The Donald.

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cise our Second Amendment rights responsibly because they allow us to defend innocent life. For us Second Amendment supporters, this right is as equally fundamental as the rights of free speech, free exercise of religion, and due process.

I support needed improvements to secure schools better and make them safer while safeguarding the Second Amendment.

I cosponsored H.R. 4811, Securing Our Schools Act, to improve communication between schools and law enforcement in the case of

a medical emergency, active shooter incident, or natural disaster. I cosponsored H.R. 4909, the Student, Teachers, and Officers Preventing (STOP) School Violence Act. STOP would create a grant program to train students, teachers, school officials, and local law enforcement how to identify and intervene early when signs of violence arise, create a coordinated reporting system, and implement FBI and Secret Service-based school threat assessment protocols to prevent school shootings before they happen.

We can come together to make our schools and communities safer. We can achieve this goal without tak-

ing away fundamental rights from law-abiding Americans. We can make schools safer by enforcing the law while safeguarding our rights.

Mineral Withdrawal the Right Option for Methow Headwaters

The Pacific Northwest, and especially Central Washington, is rightfully famous for our abundance of natural beauty. The Methow Valley in the northwestern corner of Okanogan County is a spectacular example of the pristine Washington landscape that we have the privilege to enjoy. The scenic valley serves as a gateway to the North Cascades National Park and attracts hundreds

of thousands of visitors each year to fish, hunt, and hike. Recreation and tourism underpin the local economy.

Working together, the local community in the Methow has actively sought to preserve the valley's unique rural character. Residents, the local Chamber of Commerce, hunters and anglers, farmers, and more than 150 businesses have joined in support for a 20-year withdrawal from mineral exploration in the Methow Headwaters area.

Okanogan County and the Okanogan Highlands region have historically cultivated a significant mining and resource-based economy, but there is clearly broad support among residents in the

Methow Valley to support this proposal. As the 4th Congressional District's representative, I support giving more control to local communities. The federal government should listen and respect local decisions, whether those decisions support development or conservation efforts.

Last week, I requested that federal agencies, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and U.S. Department of Interior, act in accordance with local desire to remove the roughly 300,000 acre region from mineral development for the next 20 years. These federal agencies are responsible for evaluating the mineral withdrawal process, so I requested that they

complete the environmental review and final recommendation before the required deadline of December 30, 2018.

The USDA and Department of Interior support initiatives to create a conservation stewardship legacy, promote agriculture and rural prosperity, and to be a good neighbor. I believe that the proposed withdrawal is entirely consistent with those goals. I support Methow Valley residents' request for a 20-year mining exploration withdrawal, and the federal government should not only respect that desire, but work in an efficient way to make that desire a reality.

Annual NCW Regional Economic Forum April 25

SUBMITTED BY NCWEDD

WENATCHEE - Please join us at the Annual Regional Economic Forum, which will convene economic development stakeholders and innovators across Chelan, Douglas, and Okanogan counties on Wednesday, April 25, 10a.m.-2 p.m. at the Confluence Technology Center in Wenatchee.

The forum will create opportunities for community stakeholders to: (1) learn about successful strategies and useful resources

within our region; and (2) work with each other in order to efficiently advance economic development initiatives, with minimal redundancy in efforts.

- Highlight innovative and replicable projects from across North Central Washington

- Feature strategies and resources that could be put to use in our region

- Foster structured networking opportunities

- Provide hands-on workshops

Session and Plenary Keynote Topics will include:

- Innovative Technology and Partnerships in NCW

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Registration includes a catered boxed lunch, sponsored by The Port of Douglas County and will include a plenary about Blockchain and Economic Development.

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State Health Assessment details priority health issues for Washingtonians

SUBMITTED BY WASHINGTON STATE DEPT. OF HEALTH

OLYMPIA -- The Department of Health released the Washington State Health Assessment today, which identifies and prioritizes issues that affect the health of Washingtonians.

"This report identifies pressing health issues and health disparities we're facing as a state," said Cathy Wasserman, state epidemiologist for non-infectious conditions.

The report's findings help

guide and align prevention and intervention efforts and shape the upcoming State Health Improvement Plan.

The report identifies population, environment, and social changes that impact health and lists 27 key health issues such as infant mortality, drug overdose and nonmedical use of pain relievers, and access to health care.

While Washington has

similar or better health outcomes than the U.S. overall,

when we look more closely, the data show important disparities across race and ethnic groups, and

by income and education.

The DOH website is your source for a healthy dose of information. Find us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter. Sign-up for the DOH blog, Public Health Connection.



DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF

March 6
Agency assistance at the 1000 block of Columbia Avenue in Bridgeport.

Agency assistance at Whitlam Avenue and McCormack Street on Bridgeport Bar.

March 7
Theft at 1544 Foster Ave. in

Bridgeport.
Civil incident at 1717 Foster Ave., 1, in Bridgeport.

March 8
911 at 1411 Tacoma Ave. in Bridgeport.

Littering at 2525 Foster Creek Ave. in Bridgeport.

Civil incident at 106 Sage St. on

Bridgeport Bar.
Warrant at 12th St. and Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.

Traffic offense on the Brewster side of the bridge in Brewster.

March 9
Theft at 106 Sage St. on Bridgeport Bar.

Civil incident at 106 Sage St. on Bridgeport Bar.

March 10
Unknown accident at 13356 State Route 17, just south of Bridgeport.

Animal problem at Mini Farm Lane and State Route 173 on Bridgeport Bar.

March 11
Welfare check at 32 Wilmont St. in Mansfield.

Warrant in the alley at the 1400 block of Fairview Ave. in Bridgeport.

March 12
Suspicious incident at 108 Arden Ave. on Bridgeport Bar.

Harassment/threat at Town Bar & Grill, 34 Main St. in Mansfield.

Noise across the street from 108 Arden Ave. on Bridgeport Bar.

Suspicious incident at 1150 Highland Orchard Rd. area in Bridgeport.

OKANOGAN COUNTY SHERIFF

Superior Court Criminal

Ronny Valdovinos, 27, from Brewster pleaded guilty to Possession of a Controlled Substance Other than Marijuana. He was sentenced to six months and fined a total of \$3,260.50.

The court found probable cause to charge Gudiberto Deleon-Bail, 23, from Brewster with First Degree Assault of a Child. Bail was set at \$50,000.

The court found probable cause to charge Krystal Lee Carson, 33, from Brewster with second-degree Unlawful Possession of a Firearm, Use of Drug Paraphernalia and two counts of Possessing Another's Identification. She is not to be released without further order of the court setting additional conditions.

911 Calls

Monday, March 5
A request from Highway 97 in Brewster for an agency assist. Driver at location is refusing to get back into his vehicle.

Tuesday, March 6
A report from Highway 97 in Brewster of a person driving while their license was

suspended.
A report from Timothy Lane in Brewster of an animal problem. Reporting party was bit by a Rottweiler earlier today trying to break up a dog fight.

A report from Indian Dan Canyon Road in Brewster of threatening.

A report from the corner of Jack Wells Road and Pariseau Road in Bridgeport of suspicious conduct. Ongoing issue of cars parking on both sides of the roadway when it gets dark.

A report from Chinook Way in Brewster of a runaway juvenile. Reporting party's foster son did not return from a shopping trip to Wenatchee.

A report from Starr Road in Pateros of suspicious conduct. A person with a flashlight run from the corner of the house up the hill. There was a sloshing sound like they may have taken gas from a vehicle.

Wednesday, March 7
A report from Third Street in Brewster of a code violation.
A report from Bridge Street in Brewster of a code violation.
A report from King Rock Road in Brewster of assault. Reporting party was struck by a vehicle driven by his wife, no medical is needed.

Thursday, March 8
A report from Bridge Street in Brewster of a code violation.

A report from Highway 9 in Brewster of a 911 hang up call. The line was busy on call back.

A report from Plata Road in Brewster of intoxication.

Friday, March 9
A report from Seventh Street in Brewster of threatening.
A report from Highway 97 of a wanted person. Female subject is at location with no

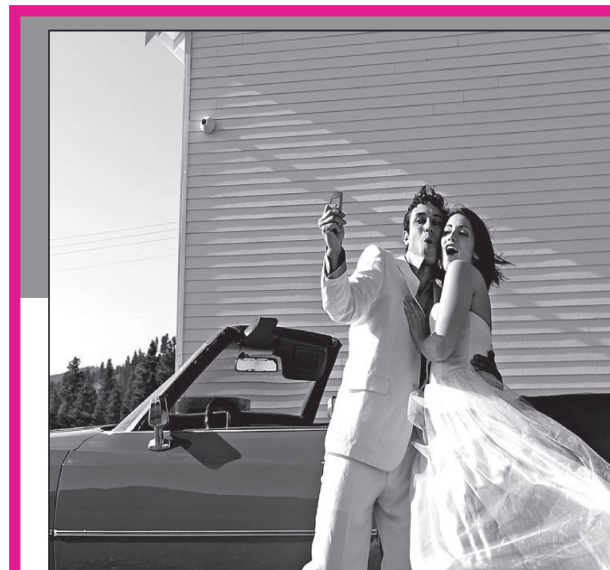
power. There is a hole in the floor that she can hide in.

A report from Indian Dan Canyon Road in Brewster of a suicidal person.

Sunday, March 11
A report from Florence Street in Pateros of trespassing. Neighbors kids keep going through the reporting party's yard on their way to sleep.

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State veterans Wright, Nanamkin lead Bears into 2018 track season

Brewster High School 2018 varsity track and field team



Photo by Mike Maltais

Members of the Brewster High School 2018 varsity track and field team include, front row, from left: Kylee Clune (9), Maria Ruiz (9), Kimberly Nila (11), Maritza Silva (11), Adriana Orozco (11), Rosa Tinoco (12), Julissa Olvera (11), Miriam Garcia (9), and Javier Whitehouse (10). Middle row, from left: Chisato Motowaki (10), Esther Ponce (9), Brisa Aparicio (9), Victoria Torres (9), Melissa Garcia (9), Betty Martinez, (11), Kelsey Ochoa (10), Mario Guzman (9), Angel Clune (10). Back row, from left: Hanna Williams (9), Karste Wright (10), Ernie Nanamkin (11), Ubaldo Arellano (12), Anthony Talavera (9), Juan Garcia (11), Rodolfo Madrid (10), Giovanni Nila (9), and Oscar Guzman (9).

BY MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – State track veterans Karste Wright and Ernie Nanamkin are among a near-three-dozen athletes who comprise the Bears varsity track and field team this season.

Nanamkin, a junior, placed sixth in the javelin and eighth in the 400 meters as a sophomore at the 2017 state championships in Cheney. Wright, now a sophomore, turned in a sixth-place high

jump as a freshman. Assistant coach Nancy Rios said that about half of the roster is new to the team from last year. The grade breakdown includes three seniors, 11 juniors, nine sophomores, and 12 freshmen.

Seniors include Rosa Tinoco, Marta Martinez, and Nayeli Ortega.

Juniors are Ernie Nanamkin, Victor Abrego, Maritza Silva, Breanna Clune, Julissa Olvera, Adrianna Covarrubias, Kimberly Nila, Juan Garcia, Alfredo Nila,

Betty Martinez, and Giselle De La Paz.

Sophomores include Karste Wright, Ubaldo Arellano, Javier Whitehouse, Kylee Clune, Nila Sutherland, Miriam Garcia, Kelsey Ochoa, Chisato Motowaki, and Rodolfo Madrid.

Freshmen are Victoria Torres, Brisa Aparicio, Anthony Talavera, Angel Clune, Maria Ruiz, Cuahtemoc Arellano, Esther Ponce, Melissa Garcia, Giovanni Nila, Mario Guzman, Jennifer Hernandez, and

Oscar Guzman.

Among the returning veterans from 2017 are seniors Martinez and Tinoco. Returning juniors, besides Nanamkin, include Abrego, Olvera, Kim Nila, Martinez, Garcia, De La Paz, and Alfredo Nila. Sophomores back for another year, besides Wright, are Torres, Sutherland, Ochoa, and Arellano.

The track team began practice on Feb. 26 to get ready for its first competition scheduled for Tuesday,

Track and Field				
Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Bus
February 26 Monday - First day of Practice				
Tuesday March 13	4:00	Jamboree	Bridgeport	2:30
Saturday March 17	10:00	Papa Wells Invite	East Valley Yakima	6:00
Thursday March 29	4:00	8-port, S. Lake, Omak, Pateros	Bridgeport	2:45
Tuesday April 10	4:00	Brewster Co-Ed Relays	Bridgeport	2:45
Saturday April 14	9:00	Manson Invite	Manson	7:00
Tuesday April 17	4:00	Entiat, LB, Chelan, Ton	Tonasket	2:00
Tuesday April 24	4:00	Water, B-port, Cash.	Cashmere	1:30
Saturday April 28	10:00	NCW Invite	Wenatchee	8:00
Tuesday May 1	4:00	Bridgeport Invite	Bridgeport	2:45
Friday May 4	4:00	Liberty Bell Invite	Liberty Bell	2:00
Wednesday May 9	4:00	CWB League Championships	Manson	1:30
Friday May 18	4:00	Bi-Districts	Kittitas	11:00
Thursday May 24	TBD	State	Cheney	TBD
Friday May 25	TBD	State	Cheney	TBD
Saturday May 26	TBD	State	Cheney	TBD

March 13, at the Bridgeport to the Papa Wells Invite at Jamboree. On Saturday, East Valley High School in March 17, the team will travel Yakima.

Made it to 2017 Elite Eight

Bears baseball team ready for another run at state

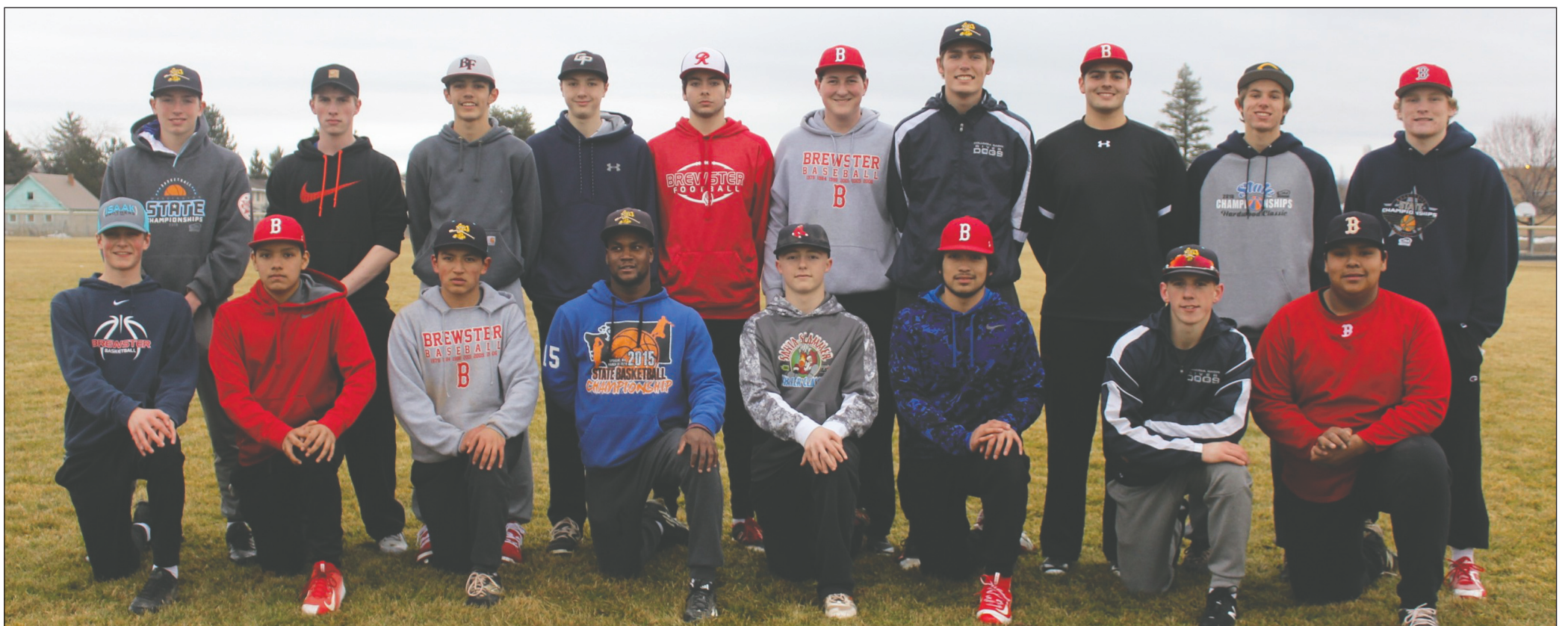


Photo by Mike Maltais

The Brewster Bears 2018 varsity baseball team is back with most of its players from last year who made it into the state's Elite Eight state championship round. Players include, back row, from left: Logan McGuire, David Stewart, AJ Woodward, Turk Riggan, Kade Kelpman, Ben Witt, Isaac Baker, Caiden Riggan, Corey Jarrell, and Quincy Vassar. Front row, from left: Cade Gebbers, Jesus Pahua, Jorge Ramirez, Jeff Sonneman, Zane Madden, Arnie Arevalo, Joe Taylor, and Anthony Olvera.

BY MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – A young Bears' varsity baseball team comprised largely of freshmen and sophomores made it to

the Elite Eight in the state baseball championship last year. Now they are back for another season, following the loss of their only senior, Eric Martinez, to graduation.

The Bears are still a young

team, with just a single senior on the roster this year. About half the team just came off the state basketball hardwood in Spokane with a fourth-place state trophy.

The Bears have their work cut out for them to exceed last year's record, but most of those who made that happen are returning with a season of experience plus a "been there" look at what state competition involves.

Last year's Central Washington 2B league champions finished 14-2 in the regular with their only losses to Lake Roosevelt and Liberty Bell.

In District 5/6 play the Bears

defeated Kittitas but fell to Tri-Cities Prep to place second. After downing Northwest Christian, 8-2, in the first round of loser out play at state, Brewster lost to Colfax in the quarterfinals.

Brewster has made it to the state playoffs for the past four consecutive years and into the quarterfinals for the past three years in a row.

The Bears were scheduled to play at Okanogan on Tuesday, March 13, and will face Oroville in a doubleheader on Saturday, March 17. Brewster will host Bridgeport in its home opener at 4:30 p.m. next Tuesday, March 20.

Baseball

Date	Time	Opponent (Games)	Location	Bus
February 26 Monday - First day of Practice				
March 13, Tuesday	4:30	Okanogan (1)	Away	3:00
March 17, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Oroville (2)	Away	8:30
March 20, Tuesday	4:30	Bridgeport (1)	Home	
March 24, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Soap Lake (2)	Away	7:30
March 27, Tuesday	4:30	Bridgeport (1)	Away	2:50
March 29, Thursday	4:30	Cashmere (1)	Away	2:15
March 31, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Waterville (2)	Home	
April 5, Thursday	11:00/1:00	Lake Roosevelt (2)	Home	
April 7, Saturday	1:00	Zillah	Away	7:00
April 10, Tuesday	4:30	Liberty Bell (1)	Away	2:30
April 14, Saturday	2:00	Cedar Park Christian (1)	Away	9:00
April 17, Tuesday	4:30	Liberty Bell (1)	Home	
April 24, Tuesday	4:30	Tonasket (1)	Away	2:30
April 28, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Manson (2)	Away	9:00
May 1, Tuesday	4:30	Tonasket (1)	Home	



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Lady Bears handle Chelan at home Jamboree



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Members of the Brewster High School varsity girls' softball team include, back row, from left: Bizzy Stam, Michau Kelpman, Mikenna Kelpman, Yvette Sanchez, Marlisa Garcia, Maret Miller, Abby Urias, and Sammi Emigh. Kneeling, from left: Anah Wulf, Vicky Sanchez, Halle Aparicio, Cynthia Sanchez, and Ana Aparicio.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – The way the Brewster varsity softball team played in its five-team Jamboree last Saturday, March 10, one would think the Lady Bears had been away from the ball diamond for the past 10 months.

The Lady Bears hosted 2A Sumner from the South Puget Sound District, 1A Chelan and Okanogan from the Caribou Trail League, and Liberty Bell from the Central Washington 2B league in a day of abbreviated inning games.

Brewster dropped its first game against a strong Sumner Spartans team, 4-2, and rebounded to beat Chelan, 5-2.

Any hopes the Lady Goats entertained of catching Brewster in the final inning went over the fence with sophomore Yvette Sanchez's three-run homer that gave the Lady Bears a 5-2 lead and the game.

The Lady Bears swept the Central Washington 2B league and went undefeated through the District 5/6 playoffs with wins over Tri-Cities Prep, Kittitas and Dayton to claim the District title.

In the first round of the state championships, Brewster blanked Asotin, 13-0, and advanced to the Elite Eight in the playoffs. The Lady Bears lost to Napavine



LEFT: Brewster second baseman Maret Miller takes a late throw as a Chelan runner reaches base safely. The Lady Bears were ahead 2-0 and won the game 5-2.

but defeated Liberty Bell to take fifth place.

The Lady Bears lost one senior to graduation so most of the players are back with four seniors, Marlisa Garcia, Maret Miller, Abby Urias, and Ana Aparicio. Bizzy Stam is the only junior on the roster this year. Sophomore veterans include Cynthia Sanchez, Michau Kelpman, Yvette Sanchez, and Mikenna Kelpman. Freshmen Halle Aparicio, Anah Wulf, and Vicki Sanchez round out the varsity.

Brewster will play a doubleheader at Oroville, Saturday, March 17, and host Bridgeport at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 20.



BOTTOM LEFT: Brewster softball head coach Rick Miller gives a high-five to Yvette Sanchez as the Lady Bears heads for home plate following a base-clearing home run that scored three and gave Brewster a 5-2 win over Chelan.

Softball

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Bus
February 26 Monday - First day of Practice				
March 10, Saturday	11:00	Jamboree - Brewster, Sumner, Okanogan	Home	
March 17, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Oroville (2)	Away	8:30
March 20, Tuesday	4:30	Bridgeport (1)	Home	
March 22, Thursday	4:30	Cashmere (1)	Away	2:30
March 23, Friday	4:00/6:00	Soap Lake (2)	Away	1:45
March 27, Tuesday	4:30	Bridgeport (1)	Away	3:15
March 31, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Waterville (2)	Home	
April 10, Tuesday	4:30	Liberty Bell (1)	Away	2:45
April 13, Friday	4:00/6:00	Lake Roosevelt (2)	Home	
April 17, Tuesday	4:30	Liberty Bell (1)	Home	
April 20, Friday	4:00/6:00	Pateros (2)	Away	2:50
April 24, Tuesday	4:30	Tonasket (1)	Away	2:30
April 26, Thursday	4:30	Cashmere (1)	Home	
April 28, Saturday	11:00/1:00	Manson (2)	Away	9:00
May 1, Tuesday	4:30	Tonasket (1)	Home	

Brewster Varsity Softball 2018

No.	Player	Year	Pos
1	Marlisa Garcia	12	SS
2	Cynthia Sanchez	10	3B, P
3	Vicky Sanchez	9	UT
5	Maret Miller	12	2B, 1B
6	Ana Aparicio	12	OF
7	Mikenna Kelpman	10	CF
8	Sammi Emigh	10	1B, P
10	Anah Wulf	9	UT
11	Michau Kelpman	10	LF
14	Halle Aparicio	9	IF
15	Yvette Sanchez	10	P, 3B
20	Bizzy Stam	11	RF
21	Abby Urias	12	C

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Finished third in 2017 District 5/6

Leaner Bears varsity soccer team will defend CW2B league title



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Members of the Brewster High School 2018 varsity boys' soccer team include, back row, from left: Ramiro Rincón, Miguel Chacon, Ariel Perea, Ricardo Gallaga, Rodrigo Gomez, Alexis Pio, Carlos, García, Juan Diego Carrillo, Noe Soto, Angel Maldonado, Juan Diego Ruiz, José Tinoco, Brian Talavera, Daniel Sahagon, and coach Jenner Sanon. Front row, from left: José Gómez, John Benitez, Michael Perea, Ricardo García, Florentino Perez, Javier Rosario, Felix Nava, Carlos, Najera, Juan Oscar Cázares, Jesus Arevalo, Luis Hernandez, Juan Perez, José Jaime Ortega, Ricardo Ruiz, and Santiago Salazar. Not pictured: coach Felipe Torres.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – Coming off a Central Washington 2B league championship and third-place finish in District 5/6 last year, the Brewster High School varsity boys' soccer team is leaner after losing a dozen seniors to

graduation last June. Despite the loss of a leadership core of the team, the Bears have three returning All-League First Team players including Most Valuable Player Felix Nava. Joining Nava are First-Team players Rodrigo Gomez and Ricardo Gallaga.

The Bears won 18 straight

games last season the Bears fell to Connell in the first round of loser-out state playoffs.

The Bears started practice on Feb. 26 and were scheduled to host 1A Chelan of the Caribou Trail League in a non-league game on Tuesday, March 13.

Brewster will travel to

Cashmere on Thursday, March 15, followed by Okanogan on Saturday, March 17. The Bears home opener will be against Manson at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 22.

The Bears' head coach is Jenner Sanon and assistant is Felipe Torres.

Varsity Boys Soccer

Date	Time	Opponent	Location	Bus
February 26 Monday - First day of Practice				
March 13, Tuesday	4:30	Chelan (JV at 6:00)	Home	
March 15, Thursday	4:30	Cashmere (JV at 6:00)	Away	2:30
March 17, Saturday	11:00	Okanogan (JV at 12:00)	Away	9:30
March 22, Thursday	4:30	Manson (JV at 6:00)	Home	
March 27, Tuesday	4:30	Oroville	Away	2:00
March 29, Thursday	4:30	Tonasket (JV at 6:00)	Away	2:30
March 31, Saturday	1:00	Cascade (JV at 11:00)	Home	
April 3, Tuesday	4:30	Chelan (JV at 6:00)	Away	3:00
April 10, Tuesday	4:30	Liberty Bell	Away	2:45
April 12, Thursday	4:30	Bridgeport (JV at 6:00)	Home	
April 17, Tuesday	4:30	Manson (JV at 6:00)	Away	2:45
April 19, Thursday	4:30	Oroville	Home	
April 21, Saturday	11:00	Cashmere (JV at 1:00)	Home	
April 24, Tuesday	4:30	Tonasket (JV at 6:00)	Home	
April 26, Thursday	4:30	Liberty Bell	Home	
May 1, Tuesday	4:30	Bridgeport (JV at 6:00)	Away	3:15

Lady Bears bow out early

Brewster Bears take fourth in state basketball

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

SPOKANE – The Brewster Bears parlayed a 16-0 league and 23-5 overall record into the fourth-place state championship trophy at the WIAA State Basketball Championships in Spokane, March 3.

Brewster lost its opening regional round to eventual state champion Kittitas, 72-48, but battled through four state opponents to capture fourth place.

The Bears eliminated Life Christian Academy, 60-55, in the first round of state play, Feb. 28. The win advanced Brewster against St. Georges on March 1, where the Dragons, who would claim second place at state, outgunned the Bears by 14 points, 54-40.

That was the final loss for Brewster that powered past Morton-White Pass by three points, 63-30 on March 2, and won the right to face Toutle Lake on March 3 for fourth or sixth place. The Bears were no strangers to the Ducks who bested Brewster by seven points, 47-40, at the SunDome Classic in Yakima last Dec. 28.

Brewster dialed in on the Ducks at Spokane. The Bears took a four-point, 15-11 lead into the second quarter only to have Toutle Lake tie the game at halftime. However, the third and fourth quarters were all Bears as Brewster held the Ducks to single digits in both quarters to cruise to a 57-41 win.

The Lady Bears were unable to get past Napavine in the opening round of loser-out play at Spokane, Feb. 28. The Tigers ended Brewster's state hopes with a 62-51 loss.



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ABOVE: A happy Brewster Bears varsity basketball team hoists the fourth-place state trophy won at the state basketball championships in Spokane March 3.



RIGHT: Sammi Emigh goes up for a shot against Napavine.

Waterville-Mansfield baseball opens season with seven seniors



Colin Poppie moves left to make a running catch and land on mats to cushion his fall.



Photos by Mike Maltais

Jordan Davis stretches to glove a ball during indoor practice last Friday.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

WATERVILLE - The Waterville-Mansfield varsity baseball team will take to the diamond absent any Mansfield players this year, according to coach Cody Brunner.

Brunner, in his first year as head coach for the Shockers, said the team's strength this season

will come from its senior leadership.

"We have seven seniors led by Jacob Stibal," said Brunner, "and a pretty strong group of juniors and sophomores."

"Stibal will lead us at the catcher's position and with the bat," Brunner said.

Brunner expects his most experienced pitchers from the last few seasons, Will Osborne, Ethan Peterson

and Angel Lucero, to give the Shockers some stability on the mound. Back-ups include Colin Poppie, Jordan Davis and Tristen Marden.

As usual the Shockers have indoors since opening day of practice last month. Last week the players were taking turns in the batters' cage and working on diving infield catches in the gym. Brunner would throw the ball to the left or right and

players would make diving attempts to catch the ball while landing on mats padding the gym floor to break their fall.

Weather already has caused a reschedule of the Shockers' first game. A doubleheader scheduled at Waterville will be moved to a dry field at Soap Lake. Weather permitting, Waterville is scheduled to host Manson at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, March 22.

Date	Opponent	Time	Place	WHS
Sat, Mar 17	II Soap Lake	11:00 AM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 17	II Soap Lake	1:00 PM	Home	WHS
Thu, Mar 22	II Manson	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 24	II Tonasket	11:00 AM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 24	II Tonasket	1:00 PM	Home	WHS
Thu, Mar 29	II Manson	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 31	II Brewster	11:00 AM	Away	Linder
Sat, Mar 31	II Brewster	1:00 PM	Away	Linder
Tue, Apr 10	II Bridgeport	4:30 PM	Away	BPHS
Fri, Apr 13	II Oroville	3:30 PM	Away	ORO
Fri, Apr 13	II Oroville	5:30 PM	Away	ORO
Tue, Apr 17	II Bridgeport	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Apr 21	II Liberty Bell	11:00 AM	Home	WHS
Sat, Apr 21	II Liberty Bell	1:00 PM	Home	WHS
Tue, Apr 24	II Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Apr 28	II Pateros	11:00 AM	Away	PAT
Sat, Apr 28	II Pateros	1:00 PM	Away	PAT
Tue, May 1	II Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Away	LRHS

(Head coach: Cody Brunner)

(Schedule courtesy of CWBathletics)

Lady Shockers head into the season with young team



Photo by Mike Maltais

This year's Waterville-Mansfield High School varsity softball team includes, in no particular order, Makalya Kelley, Jordan Adams, Alyssa Hansen, McKenna Gurnard, Elianna Silva, Claire Ashley, Codee Fry-Reid, Breana Ballmes, Cithlali Chavez, Ari Salcido, and Ella Osborne.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

WATERVILLE - MANSFIELD -- The Lady Shockers finished in the middle of the Central

Washington 2B league last season and made it as far as the first round of District 5/6 competition before elimination in the loser-out game.

Coach Ruben Salcido lost half of his team, six seniors, to graduation last June and has a young crew to rebuild in 2018. This season's lineup

includes one senior, four juniors, five freshmen, and a single eighth grader.

Mansfield players include Ari Salcido and Breana

Ballmes.

The Lady Shockers first game had to be rescheduled owing to unfavorable field conditions. The previously

scheduled game for Saturday, March 17, has been moved up to Friday, March 16, and will be a doubleheader at Soap Lake.

Date	Opponent	Time	Place	WHS
Sat, Mar 17	II Soap Lake	11:00 AM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 17	II Soap Lake	1:00 PM	Home	WHS
Tue, Mar 20	II Manson	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 24	II Tonasket	11:00 AM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 24	II Tonasket	1:00 PM	Home	WHS
Thu, Mar 29	II Manson	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Mar 31	II Brewster	11:00 AM	Away	Webster
Sat, Mar 31	II Brewster	1:00 PM	Away	Webster
Tue, Apr 10	II Bridgeport		Away	
Fri, Apr 13	II Oroville	3:30 AM	Away	TTF
Fri, Apr 13	II Oroville	5:30 PM	Away	TTF
Tue, Apr 17	II Bridgeport	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Sat, Apr 21	II Liberty Bell	11:00 AM	Home	WHS
Sat, Apr 21	II Liberty Bell	1:00 PM	Home	WHS
Tue, Apr 24	II Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Home	WHS
Thu, Apr 26	II Pateros	4:00 PM	Away	PAT
Thu, Apr 26	II Pateros	6:00 PM	Away	PAT
Tue, May 1	II Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Away	LRHS

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PUBLIC NOTICES

Legal Notice An ordinance to reclassify zoning on one parcel of Residential to Public Use for city wells.

CITY OF PATEROS Public Hearing

A Public Hearing will be held on an ordinance reclassifying the zoning of parcel No 2310040100 from residential to public use for city well site. The meeting will be held on Monday March 19, 2018 at 6:00 pm at city hall. Notice will be published for two consecutive weeks in the Quad City Herald. The public is invited to come and give testimony. Send written comments to the Clerk-Treasurer, PO Box 8, Pateros WA 98846. Published in the Quad City Herald March 8 and 15, 2018. #81377

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY YAKIMA, WASHINGTON

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO ADD THE POINT OF DIVERSION AND TO ADD A PORTION TO THE PLACE OF USE AS AUTHORIZED UNDER G4-148991CL TAKE NOTICE: That on September 19, 2017, GEBBERS FARMS, INC. of Brewster, WA, applied to change the point of diversion and to change a portion of the place of use as authorized under the above-referenced claim number.

That said claim authorizes the withdrawal of water from a point located within the SW1/4NW1/4 of Section 14, T. 30 N., R. 24 E.W.M., Okanogan County. That said water is authorized for the purpose of irrigation within the SW1/4NW1/4 and SW1/4SE1/4NW1/4 of Section 14, T. 30 N., R. 24 E.W.M., Okanogan County. That the applicant proposes to add a point of withdrawal also located within the SW1/4NW1/4 of Section 14, T. 30 N., R. 24 E.W.M., Okanogan County.

That the applicant proposes to add a portion to the place of use authorized under CG4-148991CL to include lands within the S1/2SE1/4 of Section 15, T. 30 N., R. 24 E.W.M., Okanogan County. Protests or objections to approval of this application must include a detailed statement of the basis for objections. All letters of protest will become public record. Cash shall not be accepted. Fees must be paid by check or money order and are nonrefundable. Protests must be accompanied by a \$50 recording fee payable to the Department of Ecology, Cashiering Unit, PO Box 47611, Olympia WA 98504-7611, 30 days from: March 22, 2018. Published in the Quad City Herald on March 15, and 22, 2018. #81465

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PATEROS CITY COUNCIL
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Pateros shall hold a public hearing on a 2018 budget amendment for the City of Pateros. Said public hearing shall be held on Monday, March 19, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council chambers, Pateros City Hall, 113 Lakeshore Drive, Pateros, Washington, at which time and place all interested persons may appear and be heard. Published in the Quad City Herald on March 8 and 15, 2018. #81376

Notice of Application
The City of Pateros has prepared and submitted an application for changing the land use designation and zoning for city-owned parcel #2310040100.

Date of permit application: February 28, 2018
Date of determination of completeness: February 28, 2018
Date of this notice of application: March 5, 2018
Comment Period end: April 5, 2018
Project Description: The City of Pateros proposes to amend the Comprehensive Plan Land Use Designation Map to change the land use designation of the subject property from Single-Family Residential to Public Use and amend the official Zoning Map to change the zoning from R1 to PU.

Copies of the complete application file may be viewed at City Hall with a copy available for the cost of reproduction.

Project Location: The subject property is located within the City limits of Pateros, WA, at 101 Edna Street in Section 36, T 30 N, R 23 EWM.

Project Applicant: City of Pateros

Required Permits: None

Required Studies: None

Existing Environmental Documents: City of Pateros Critical Areas Ordinance, SEPA checklist and DNS for water project and SEPA Checklist and DNS on rezone request.

Comments: Written comments on the application may be made in writing to the City of Pateros City Clerk, PO BOX 8, 113 Lakeshore Drive, Pateros, WA 98846 by 4:00 pm April 5, 2018. Any person wanting to obtain standing for appeal of any final action by the City must submit comments in writing. Published in the Quad City Herald on March 8 and 15, 2018. #81378

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Special Election Okanogan County, State of Washington
Tuesday, April 24, 2018

A Special Election will be held in the below mentioned districts for the purpose of submitting to the voters for their approval or rejection the following:
Brewster School District NO. 111/203J, Special Election - Proposition 1
Replacement of Expiring Educational Programs and Operations Levy

The registration deadline for on-line registrations, mail-in registrations and transfers is March 26, 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 April 16, 2018. You can register or obtain registration forms at the Auditor's Office, on line at 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 - 4:30 PM
April 6 - April 23, 2018
On Election Day only,
April 24, 2018
8:00 AM - 8:00 PM.

Drop box locations around the county for this election. Pateros -180 Pateros Mall in parking lot, Pateros
Drop boxes will close at 8:00PM on Election Day

Voters needing additional infor-

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mation 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. Ballots require sufficient first class postage and 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
myvote.wa.gov,
Local newspaper, radio, and TV
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. Canvass Board meetings are held in the Okanogan County Auditor's Office, 149 3rd Ave N, Room 104, at the County Courthouse, in Okanogan.

Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at 11:00 AM
to determine the status of any provisional or challenged ballots
Friday, May 4, 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 26th day of February, 2018.
Laurie Thomas, Okanogan County Auditor and Ex-Officio Supervisor of Elections
By Mila M Jury, Chief Deputy and Certified Election Administrator
Publish in the Quad City Herald on March 15, 2018. #81339



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