

Dogs have their day, their say, their way at Brewster Council

By MIKE MALTAIS, STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – Pit bull dogs will no longer be banned from the City of Brewster after a majority city council members voted to once again allow pit bulls, or mixes thereof, within city limits – with restrictions and conditions.

Bridgeport resident, Eduardo Orozco, raised the issue of the pit bull ban as he addressed council members concerning Luna, the female mixed pit bull he owns. Orozco told council he was not aware of the ban and asked member to reconsider the ordinance banning them.

Council member, John Housden, spoke against lifting the ban and cited

newspaper accounts of bite incidents, including one in Brewster that occurred in July, 2002.

“The ordinance was adopted in Brewster after that,” Housden said.

Council member Tim Rieb also opposed lifting the ban and said when they attack “pit bulls don’t know when to quit.”

There have been few bite incidents in Brewster in recent years. Deputy city clerk, Desha Dawson, said the recent two of record were from a lab and a red heeler.

Council member Jan May asked Brewster Police Lieutenant Kelly Hook if he was aware of anyone else in town owned a pit bull.

Hook said he was not aware of another owner and under

the current ban the dog would have to be removed from town within a week.

On a split vote, Council voted to lift the ban subject to existing restriction in the city’s municipal code (Section 6.10.040) specific to Keeping of Licensed Pit Bull Dogs. Among those provisions:

- Designation of a pit bull as potentially dangerous.
- Purchase of a lifetime license.
- Proof animal has been spayed or neutered.
- Use of leash and muzzle.
- Secure confinement.
- Proof of vaccination.
- Microchip implant.
- Beware of Dog sign(s).
- Prohibition from city parks.

In other business related to dog ownership, city attorney Chuck Zimmerman recommended 10 additional measures to the four already enacted under the heading of Offenses Related to Safety and Sanitation. Among the new clauses are provisions for:

- Adequate shelter, bedding and shade for protection from extremes of heat and cold.
- Heated water dish for temperatures below 25 degrees.
- Proper tethering for access to food, water, shade and shelter.
- Collar and body harness guidelines.

Council approved the additional measures recommended by Zimmerman.



Photo by Mike Maltais
Eduardo Orozco appeared before the Council on behalf of his female mixed pit bull, Luna, who faced banishment from the city limits under existing ordinance provisions.

Vista Park Homes to be transferred to Okanogan Housing Authority

By MIKE MALTAIS, STAFF WRITER

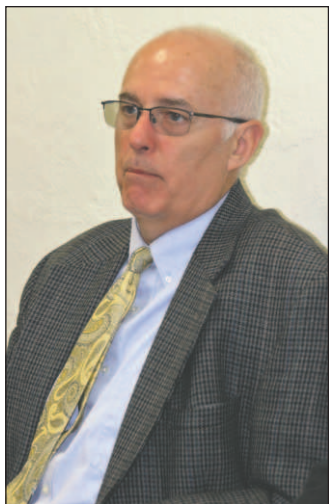
BREWSTER – Ownership of the Vista Park Homes Apartments, a 25-unit affordable housing community at 509 S. Fourth Street and the city’s only Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) property, will soon be transferred to the Okanogan County Housing Authority.

The Brewster City Council voted to approve the ownership transfer at its regular meeting last Wednesday, March 8, upon the recommendation of city attorney Chuck Zimmerman.

The city secured grant funding to construct the Vista Park Homes in 1998 as “the only viable action for a low-income housing project,” said Zimmerman, “so the city created the Brewster Housing Authority (BHA).”

The tax write-off that came with the development has expired “and we need to move it into another opportunity,” Zimmerman said. “It doesn’t make economic sense to have a one-property housing authority.”

United Marketing, Inc. of Bellevue, Wash, manages Vista Park Homes. The Brewster Housing Authority has no paid staff so city clerk Misty Ruiz and Zimmerman have been handling BHA duties for the



City attorney, Chuck Zimmerman, explained the resolution that transfers ownership of the Vista Park Home Apartments from the Brewster Housing Authority to the Okanogan County Housing Authority.

last several years.

About a year ago, the city entered discussions with the Okanogan County Housing Authority (OCHA) that has several properties under its umbrella and is a better fit for the Vista Park Homes development.

For its part, HAOC is eager to expand its presence in south Okanogan County.

“We’re very excited with this transfer,” said OCHA director Nancy Nash-Mendez. “It is a beautifully maintained property and it’s our mission



Photo by Mike Maltais
The Vista Park Homes Apartments is a 25-unit affordable housing community managed by the Brewster Housing Authority.

to acquire affordable housing for the elderly, disabled and low-income residents.”

There are many steps involved in the transfer of ownership and Zimmerman has been working with OCHA’s legal counsel on indemnification issues for the city.

“We want to make sure nothing changes for the residents and there are no consequences for Brewster,” said Zimmerman. “The more variables you can take out of the process, the better off you are.”

Nash-Mendez said OCHA

plans to keep United Marketing involved with Vista Park management to lessen any impact on residents there.

“The primary goal is that any changes do not affect the residents,” Nash-Mendez said.

It all proceeds as planned,

the transfer should be completed within 90 days, said Zimmerman.

“It’s hard to find money to build new units so it’s vital that we maintain those already in existence,” Nash-Mendez said.

Brewster seeks PUD reduction of city pool demand charge

By MIKE MALTAIS, STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER – When city council members weren’t grappling with issues of dog ordinances and affordable housing at their regular meeting on March 8, they had another item to address: a PUD demand charge for the

city pool.

City clerk Misty Ruiz said that even though the pool is only used three months out of the year, the city is saddled with a monthly demand charge from the PUD if usage spikes above 50 kilowatts (kW) in two or three incidents a month. That charge is a base rate of \$275 and is due and pay-

able every month thereafter even when the pool is empty and not in use.

Public Works Director, Lee Webster explained that each of the pool’s circulation pumps draw 48kW which is just below the demand threshold.

“If anything else kicks in, we exceed that limit and the

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Bridgeport school forms tournament chess club

By MIKE MALTAIS, STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT – Life happens while you are making other plans and the same can be said for chess at Bridgeport High School.

Last fall, high school English teacher – and now Chess

Club advisor – Corey Munoz, corralled some students, who were coming into his room to play other games, and challenged them to give chess a try.

“I grew up playing chess, so I thought it would be fun to play against some of my students,” said Munoz.

“I brought a board in and discovered that nearly all of them had never played the game.”

Soon, many students were hooked on the game.

“Two of our seniors were the brains behind turning chess into an actual activ-

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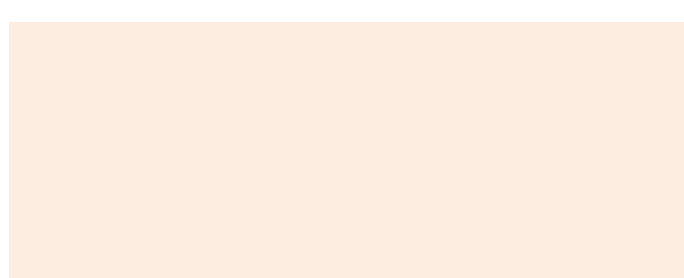
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Gamble Sands Golf, The Inn hold open house

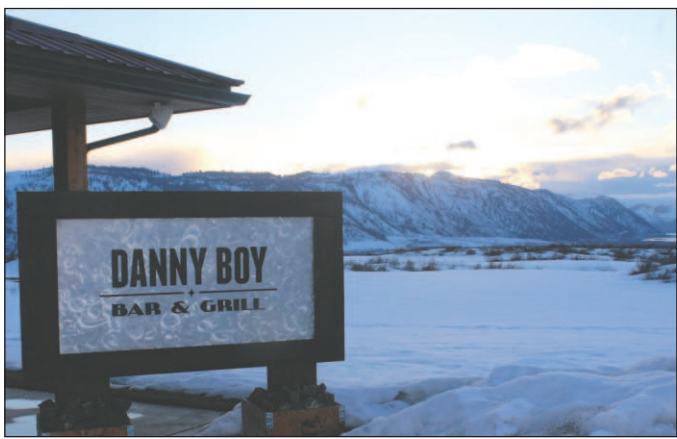


David Christenson, Gamble Sands General Manager.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BREWSTER –The award-winning Gamble Sands Golf and Inn held a special Open House Saturday, March 11, to introduce the site's many amenities to members of the local business community and promote the resort's meeting and retreat attractions.

Gamble Sands General Manager, David Christenson, and Sales and Marketing Director, Corina Gebbers collaborated on the event to



The view from the Danny Boy Bar & Grill offers a sweeping panorama of the Columbia River and Cascade Mountains.

remind business clientele and the public that dining and lodging is available year-round at Gamble Sands and a great spot for that next meeting or retreat.

The meeting room is ideal for about 20 people," said Gebbers. "There is a \$50 fee for its use and that is waived with a \$200 food and beverage charge."

The 20 guests who took advantage of the promotional Open House were treated to a tour of the Inn and lodging facilities, a social hour and dinner.

The resort, situated on Gebbers family property on the

south end of the Colville Reservation, is easily accessible via a four-mile paved road that intersects State Route 17 near its junction with U.S. 97.

Lodging facilities include 24 double queen rooms, 10 with kings and three suites. The Inn is taking reservations now and a popular option is the Stay and Play Package for those who like to combine business with pleasure.

Packages for hunters, fishermen, skiers, and other outdoor enthusiasts are also an option.

Gebbers said snow is melting fast on the course and a target opening date is set for



Photos by Mike Maltais

Lodging at the Inn at Gambles Sands features spacious, well-appointed rooms.

April 8.

The Sands course was designed by David McLay Kidd, whose other projects included Bandon Dunes at Lake Bandon on southern Oregon's Pacific Coast

"My task was to create the first genuine Scottish-style links course in America," Kidd said of inspiration behind the Sands.

The Sands was among Golf Digest's Best New Courses when the site debuted in 2014.

The course is taking reser-

vations now and groups of 12 or more on the course receive the tournament discount, Gebbers said.

To learn more go to www.gamblesands.com

Gamble Sands Sales and Marketing Manager, Corina Gebbers, left, and Theresa Blackburn, Food and Beverage Manager are part of the team that welcomes guests to the golf, lodging, dining and meeting resort.



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ity for the school," said Munoz. "They spearheaded the formation of the club and recruited their peers into our ranks.

There are now have more than 30 students playing

chess at BHS.

"We had a tournament for just our students, which ended with a senior in first, a freshman in second, and sophomores in third and fourth," Munoz said. "With the help of our principal, Mrs. Jackson, we invited stu-

dents from Brewster, Mansfield, and Pateros to compete with us on Feb. 22.

The club ended up hosting a 32-student event with 16 games played at the same time.

"Each student had the opportunity to play against

someone from each of the schools," said Munoz. "In the end, Bridgeport had the most wins and was declared the winner."

The club hopes to continue competing with Brewster, Mansfield, and Pateros at least once a month.

"Next year we're hoping we can make this even larger," said Munoz. "We're excited about the prospect of involving even more schools or being able to travel to larger cities to compete against established clubs."

Munoz said that what his

student have built this year is truly remarkable.

"They have created something that has the potential to be a part of many lives for years," said Munoz. "I consider myself fortunate to be able to be a part of it."

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charge is due for the remaining 12 months," Webster said.

The city plans to have the pool filled by April 15 and the pool usually opens on the first Monday following the last day of school, or on June 12 this

year. The pool usually closes at the end of August.

As soon as water goes in the pool state code requires that the pumps run at regular intervals to circulate the water.

"We were chasing a solar grant last year to try to reduce the amount of power we use

and get rid of the demand charge," Webster said.

Council was advised that city pools in Tonasket, Omak, and Okanogan are subject to the same charge.

It was recommended that city representatives attend a future PUD board meeting

and request an adjustment to the recurring charge. Webster suggested that a delegation comprised of representatives from each of the city pools attend the PUD meeting together to make a stronger showing and increase their chances of getting results.

Free programs: Backcountry safety, Ghost Bears, plus more at local libraries



Photo courtesy of NCRL
Bill Gaines, will present Ghost Bears, a look at the elusive grizzly bear on April 18, 6 p.m. at the Winthrop Public Library.

SUBMITTED BY MICHELLE MCNIEL, NCRL

BREWSTER - TWISP - WINTHROP - NCW - As part of North Central Regional Library's annual Columbia River Reads initiative, several libraries will be hosting outdoors-themed programs this spring.

Speakers will talk on a host of topics, including hiking the Pacific Crest Trail, backcountry safety, grizzly bear recovery and native

plants of Central Washington.

Now in its third year, the Columbia River Reads program encourages everyone in NCRL's five-county library district to read the same book. This year, that book is Cheryl Strayed's memoir Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail. Strayed will speak at a public event in Wenatchee on April 13.

Free upcoming library events to support the pro-

gram include:

- Life on the Pacific Crest Trail, with Wenatchee Valley College sociology professor Rich Brinkman: March 25, 12:30 p.m., Curlew Public Library; March 30, 6 p.m., Twisp Public Library; April 8, 2 p.m., Brewster Public Library and April 22, 1 p.m., Okanogan Public Library.

- Ghost Bears, a look at the elusive grizzly bear in the North Cascades, with wildlife biologist Bill Gaines: Chelan Public Library, March 28, 5 p.m., Warden Public Library, and April 18, 7 p.m., Winthrop Public Library.

- Incredible, Unforgettable and Edible Wildflowers of the Methow Valley, with Dana Visalli: April 6, 7 p.m. Winthrop Public Library

- Native plants of Central Washington: April 18, Wenatchee Public Library (time still to be determined), and April 27, 6:30 p.m. Leavenworth Public Library.

For more information, please contact Angela Morris at 663-1117, ext. 119.

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The Flour Tower is a Wow!!!-er



Photo by Mike Maltais

The iconic Flour Tower, the 10,000 square-foot, five-story renovated residence owned and occupied by Scott Wright and Kathy Thompson, took on an altered appearance with the recent addition of a corrugated metal-clad caretaker's quarters seen here attached to the north side of the home. The Flour Tower is featured as the cover story in the March issue of The Costco Connection magazine.

Working in the trees



Photo by Mike Maltais

Orchard workers like these operating from elevated trailers and others toting ladders are heading out to work the trees as the snow recedes and spring approaches.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

Senior Center schedules first meeting of 2017

By HERALD STAFF
(WITH KATHY LOWRY)

BREWSER - The Brewster-Pateros-Bridgeport Senior Center will hold a Board meeting at 10:30 a.m. next Thursday, March 23, and its first general meeting of the year at 10:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 28.

"We will be discussing the upcoming year," said Senior Center president, Kathy Lowry, "And deciding what we want to accomplish this year for the Senior Center and its members, along with some events we will hold throughout the year."

The Senior Center will host a Mother's Day Tea, Saturday, May 13. The time and other details will be announced in the coming weeks.

A reminder that the OCTN meals will not be served on Monday, March 27, to allow all OCTN employees to attend a monthly training program.

S.A.I.L. exercise programs are still being held on Mondays and Wednesdays from 10

to 11 a.m. "We are slowly but surely building the attendance," said Lowry. "With spring around the corner, we are thinking about doing a walking program on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We will take a vote when the snow is melted."

Several seniors have "graduated" from Eagle Rock Physical Therapy and have received a t-shirt from the facility.

"We have been receiving some very nice donations in the past week," said Lowry, "Several pieces of furniture and lots of household items."

Senior Menu (through March 30)

Thurs., March 16

Corned beef, cabbage, potatoes, carrots, tropical fruit, whole wheat bread, dessert.

Mon., March 20

Sweet and sour pork, rice, spinach salad, applesauce, garlic bread, dessert.

Tues., March 21

Chicken cordon bleu, scalloped

potatoes, carrots, garden salad, Mandarin oranges, bread pudding.

Wed., March 22

Beef stroganoff, beets, tossed veggie salad, Oregon berries, whole wheat bread, dessert.

Thurs., March 23

French dip, garden salad, pea salad, fruit, dessert (birthday cake).

Fri., March 24

Clam chowder

Mon., March 27

Kitchen closed.

Tues., March 28

California chicken casserole, lettuce-tomato salad, apple-sauce, cheesy biscuit, dessert.

Wed., March 29

Teriyaki beef, rice, mixed vegetables, spinach salad, tropical fruit, garlic bread, dessert.

Thurs., March 30

Vegetable lasagna, Italian vegetables, Caesar salad, cinnamon pears, bread sticks, dessert.

BULLETIN BOARD

March 17, 19, 25, April 8
American Legion events

BREWSER - American Legion Post 97 in Brewster has Friday night 8 oz. or 12 oz. sirloin steak dinners, from 5-7 p.m., every Friday. Served with salad, baked potato, vegetable, and bread. Also Sunday morning breakfast from 9 a.m.-noon every Sunday. Nice sized menu.

On March 17 during Friday night steak dinner, there will be Corn Beef and Cabbage dinner also. A limited amount will be available, so come early. Offered starting at 5 p.m.

On Saturday, March 25 there is an annual Chicken Feed. It is a memorial Chicken Feed for Betty Klamroth. Cost is by donation. There will be barbecue, baked, and fried chicken, various side salads and desserts. All proceeds benefit Betty's family.

On Saturday, April 8 there is an Easter Egg Hunt, starting at noon. There will be prizes for different age groups.

Members and bona-fide guests are welcome.

For more details contact the American Legion at (509) 689-3307.

March 22
Bingo
Wednesday

BRIDGEPORT - Bridgeport Eagles hosts bingo every Wednesday. Dinner is served at 5 p.m., bingo begins at 7 p.m., with dinner available until the bingo is over. Everyone is welcome.

March 22, April 11
Cancer Support Groups

CHELAN - Second Meeting Added: The Women's Wellness Group, cancer support group, now has two support groups, the second Tuesday (April 11) 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 (March 22) of each month at LaBrisa at 5 p.m. For more information, contact Anne at 682-8718.

March 17
State School Retirees Week observed

OKANOGAN - The Okanogan County School Retirees' Association will celebrate Washington State School Retirees' Week with a social at 10 a.m. Friday, March 17 at the Dawg House, 134 S. Second Ave. in Okanogan. For more information contact Jennie Hedington at (509)422-2954.

March 21
AA meeting

BREWSER - "Free At Last", an Alcoholics Anonymous group meets in Brewster. Meetings are Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m., at Brewster Grange Hall. All meetings are "open".

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DEATH NOTICES

Velma (Rosendahl) Birge

Velma (Rosendahl) Birge, 91, of Libby, Montana, passed away on March 2, 2017. She was born Oct. 25, 1925, raised in the Pateros, Brewster area and was a nurse for Dr. Harold Lambert. A Memorial Service was held March 11, 2017 in Pomeroy.

Ralph Lieser Jr.

Ralph Lieser Jr., age 82, and formerly of Pateros, Wash., died on March 4, 2017.

Services will be held at Immaculate Conception Church in Mount Vernon Wa. on March 18 at 1 p.m.

Donations can be sent to the Lewy Body Dementia at www.lbda.org

Weldon 'Red' Reynolds

Weldon "Red" Reynolds walked into the arms of the Lord on Friday March 3, 2017.

Services will be held Saturday March 18, 2017, at 2 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, Brewster Wash. Following the service, we invite you to gather at a potluck in the church reception area and share your memories of Red.

Jerry Henton

Jerry Henton of Bridgeport, Wash., passed away on Jan. 1, 2017 in Brewster, Wash. A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, March 25, 2017, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Bridgeport High School Gymnasium and Commons.

Arrangements by Barnes Chapel, Brewster, Wash.



Nyaho to perform at Omak PAC April 14

SUBMITTED BY VERA ZACHOW, OMAK PAC

OMAK - Audience will delight in the piano music of William Chapman Nyaho, who will perform at the Omak Performing Arts Center Friday, April 14 at 7 p.m. A unique cultural experience is guaranteed as this prize-winning pianist shares his African roots in an inspirational musical event. He has performed in Africa, Europe, The Caribbean and North America. Nyaho's love of music is expressed through his insightful technique, creating an exciting musical experience. Audiences leave concerts stating, "We don't often get the privilege of hearing such rhythmically exciting music." "Nyaho is a

very accomplished, gifted pianist." "The concert was a real treat-right up there with my most memorable experience. Thank you for hosting such a wonderful event."

William Chapman Nyaho was born in Washington D.C. When he was only 10 months old his parents returned to their native Ghana where he grew up graduating from Ghana's Achimota School. He studied piano with John Barham. He received his B. A. in Music from Oxford University in the United Kingdom. After studies in piano at the conservatoire de Musique in Geneva, Switzerland and with Henri Gautier he earned a Master of Music degree at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York.



Join us April 14 at the Omak Performing Arts Center at 7p.m. for a unique cultural experience with exciting technique and tremendous energy. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for students. Tickets are

available at Rawson's in Okanogan, Havillah Road Printing in Omak, Tonasket Interiors and online at www.omakpac.org. Call (509) 846-4773 for information.

OKANOGAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S REPORT/EMS

District Court

Denise Mae Caswell, 38, from Brewster, pleaded guilty to Violating a No Contact/Protection Order. He was sentenced to 364 days with 364 days suspended and fined a total of \$729.

Fernando Garcia Gomez, 26, from Brewster, pleaded guilty to third-degree Theft and Legend Drug-Possession No Prescription. He was sentenced to 364 days with 364 days suspended on count one and 90 days with 89 days suspended on count two. He was also fined a total of \$648.

Ricardo Hernandez-Luis, 44, from Bridgeport, pleaded guilty to Driving under the Influence. He was sentenced to 364 days with 362 days suspended and fined a total of \$43.

Ricardo Morales Mariscal, 21, from Brewster, pleaded guilty to third-degree Driving While License Suspended. He was sentenced to 90 days with 84 days suspended and fined a total of \$903.

Chance The Wind Smith, 27, from Brewster, pleaded guilty to Reckless Driving and Hit and Run of an Unattended Vehicle. He was sentenced to 364 days with 362 days suspended on count one and 90 days with 89 days suspended on count two. He was also fined a total of \$1,170.

Joel Vargas, 30, from Brewster, pleaded guilty to Driving under the Influence. He was sentenced to 364 days with 362 days suspended and fined a total of \$2,236.

Superior Court Criminal

The court found probable cause to charge Alberto Lopez-Flores, 36, from Bridgeport, with two counts of Delivery of a Controlled Substance and first-degree Unlawful Possession of a Firearm. Bail was set at \$30,000.

The court found probable cause to charge Alberto Lopez-Flores, 36, from Bridgeport, with first-degree Trafficking in Stolen Property, second-degree Possessing Stolen Property and third-degree Possessing Stolen Property. Bail was set at \$15,000.

The court found probable cause to charge Rachel Nicole Dechiara, 30, from Pateros, with four counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance and Use of Drug Paraphernalia. Bail was set at \$7,500.

The court found probable cause to charge Roberto Miguel Trejo Rios, 20, from Brewster, with nine counts of third-degree Rape, nine counts of third-degree Rape of a Child, Indecent Liberties, two counts of third-degree Child Molestation and Imitating a Witness. Bail was set at \$75,000.

Fabricio Lepez Franco, 34, from Brewster, pleaded guilty to Harassment and Hit and Run Attended Vehicle. He was sentenced to 364 days with 344 days suspended on count one and 364 days with 344 days suspended on count two. He was also fined a total of \$1,160.50. Ashley Pearl, 31, from Bridgeport, pleaded guilty to two

counts of Delivery of a Controlled Substance, two counts of Possession with Intent to Manufacture or Deliver Marijuana, Purchasing Food Stamps More than a Hundred Dollars, Unauthorized Use of Food Stamps and third-degree Theft. She was sentenced to 20 months on count 1, 20 months on count two, 20 months on count three, 20 months on count four, three months on count five, three months on count six and 364 days on count seven. She was also fined a total of \$807.04

911 Calls

Monday, March 6

A report from Highway 97, in Brewster, of a person driving while there license was suspended.

A report from Third Street, in Brewster, of a domestic dispute.

A report from Indian Avenue, in Brewster, an alarm going off.

A report from Ester Avenue, in Brewster, of a code violation.

A report from Highway 153, in Pateros, of an unknown injury accident.

Tuesday, March 7

A report from Virginia Place, in Brewster, of theft.

A report from Seventh Street, in Brewster, of malicious mischief

Thursday, March 9

A report from Highway 97, in Brewster, of theft.

A report from Seventh Street, in Brewster, of trespassing.

A report from Fourth Street, in Brewster, of suspicious conduct.

A report from Seventh Street,

in Brewster, of malicious mischief. A report from Griggs Avenue inn, Brewster, of a runaway juvenile.

Friday, March 10

A report from Bruce Avenue, in Brewster, of a code violation.

A report from Hadley Road, in Brewster, of suspicious conduct.

A report from Third Street, in Brewster, of a code violation.

A report from Cliff Avenue, in Brewster, of Harassment.

A report from Ansel Avenue, in Brewster, of a traffic hazard.

Saturday, March 11

A report from Second Street, in Brewster, of a domestic dispute.

A report from Fifth Street, in Brewster, of a code violation.

Sunday, March 12

A report from the corner of Highway 97, and Unger Road in Brewster, for an agency assist.

A report from Highway 97, in Brewster, of a citizen assist.

A report from the corner of Highway 97 and Old Highway 97, in Brewster, of an animal problem.

Marriage Licenses

Rocio Cruz Farias, 21, from Bridgeport, will wed Rosembert Morales Saucedo, 22, from Bridgeport.

Rocio Cuin Angel, 22, from Brewster will wed Aaron Montalvo Sosa, 25, from Brewster.

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March 7

Property incident at Bridgeport Middle School, 1300 Douglas Ave. in Bridgeport.

March 8

Alarm at 213 Davis Ave. in Bridgeport Bar.

March 9

Graffiti at State Route 173 and Grange Road in Bridgeport Bar.

Graffiti on Grange Road and Moe Road in Bridgeport

Bar.

Theft at Bridgeport Plaza, 1106 Columbia Ave. in Bridgeport.

March 10

Vehicle theft at 2200 Monroe Ave. in Bridgeport.

Burglary at 15 Moe Rd. in Bridgeport Bar.

Suspicious incident at Richards Avenue and Moe Road in Bridgeport Bar.

March 11

Agency assistance at 400 Bruce Ave. in Brewster.

Burglary at 43 Buckingham Alley in Bridgeport Bar.

Agency assistance at State Route 173, milepost 5 in Bridgeport Bar.

Civil incident at 1617 Douglas Ave. in Bridgeport.

911 at The Steakhouse, 1011 Foster Ave. in Bridgeport.

March 12

Warrant at State Route 173,

milepost 127 in Mansfield.

Parking/abandoned vehicle at 410 23rd St. in Bridgeport.

Traffic offense at the 2600 block of Foster Creek Avenue in Bridgeport.

Noise at 315 20th St. in Bridgeport.

March 13

Welfare check at 335 E. Railroad Ave. in Mansfield.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Trumps travel restrictions

Recently Tracy Warner wrote an anti-president Trump article that is full of falsehoods, emotional hyperbole, incorrect information, wrong analysis, conclusions and anti-Trump prejudice. I will be charitable to Tracy and assume that he is just ignorant of the constitution and the below law that allows any president to control immigration, instead of mendacity. Even some judges try to change the law instead of upholding it, such is not their legal role. Some facts to ponder;

1. The McCarran-Walter act of 1952 aka the Immigration and Naturalization Law gives any president the complete authority to ban any individual or any class of individuals from entry

into the USA if he deems it to be a detriment to this country. If you don't believe me then go look it (and the constitution) up for yourself. You can google it if you like.

2. President Jimmy Carter banned all Iranians from immigrating here under this law after Iran's takeover of our embassy in Iran and they were all Muslims.

3. American constitutional rights do not extend to or apply to foreign nationals and they do not have a "right" to come here and can be legally denied under this constitutional law. Once we descend down the slippery slope of substituting emotional analysis for the laws passed by Congress we are in deep trouble and firmly on the road to chaos, tyranny and violence. President Trump has fully complied with the

applicable law and it will be upheld on appeal. A politically biased three judge panel of the "ninth jerkit court of schlemiels" illegally ruled against Trumps ban without even considering the law and they will surely be overturned again on appeal, Jay Inslee and Bob Ferguson notwithstanding.

4. President Obama designated these seven countries (now six) as "hotbeds of terrorism that cannot be effectively vetted" as they can make phony emigration documents and ID's and they support radical Islamic terrorism. ISIS has publicly warned us that they will infiltrate the refugee emigrants coming here to kill us.

5. President Trump is right and has the law on his side. Trumps executive orders are legal. Trumps travel restriction is not a Muslim ban, it is

to protect our country from being attacked by these "radical Islamic terrorists".

Even if President Trump or any other president banned all Muslims from coming to the USA they would be acting within the scope of the McCarran - Walter immigration law and our constitution.

Islam is not a religion of peace, it is a "religion" of war and submission to it by force. The actual definition of the word "Islam" is submission. Only 14% of Islam is about religion, the rest of it dictates every aspect of a Muslims life (political, military, educational, dress code and everything else). Islam is in fact a violent governmental cult that propagates itself by violence, it is not a legitimate "religion" and I can prove it to you if you will listen.

I strongly urge you to go

to HYPERLINK "http://www.koomeministries.com/"www.koomeministries.com and you will understand Islam from the viewpoint of Kamal Saleem who was raised as a radical Islamic terrorist from the age of six years old and engaged in jihad, killing Jews and Christians in the Mideast. As a young man he immigrated to America to kill more Christians, Jews and Americans. After an almost fatal car crash he was helped by Christians and he converted to Christianity, after he became suicidal and was visited by Jesus Christ in a vision. Kamal Saleems' story is a very compelling one and is extremely important in educating non Muslims (that's infidels like you and me) about just what Islam really is. Islam's holy book, the Koran, demands that Muslims convert all infidels or kill them.

Please-- don't believe me, but do go to Kamals' website and learn the truth, as the truth shall set you free, instead of the emotional propaganda.

Trumps idea of creating defended safe zones in Syria so the innocent people can be protected there instead of bringing them here is the right one. His opposition to bringing Syrian Muslim refugees here is common sense. Hopefully Trumps approach will dump cold water on the galactically stupid and asinine idea of bringing these refugees to Leavenworth, WA, as is promoted by two local churches. Please go to HYPERLINK "http://www.koomeministries.com/"www.koomeministries.com and learn the truth.

God Bless you.
Bill Cowles

Draining the swamp is dangerous work

The swamp is full of alligators and as Pat Robertson said this week, when you're trying to drain the swamp don't let the alligators drag you back in."

Republican's announced their plan to repeal and replace Obamacare this week. Clearly, they aren't ready to address such a huge and complex mess. It's unfortunate but true that after 8 years of promising to repeal the Un-Affordable Care Act they have no real alternative plan to offer as a replacement.

The current effort to replace Obamacare looks like the alligators are trying to drag us back into the swamp. Some critics have been inspired to call the proposed new bill Obamacare lite.

I have written much about health care over the years. The problem is that unless we begin to address the underly-



IN MY OPINION
Bill Forhan
Publisher

ing structural problems of health care nothing is going to change. All of the efforts that have been submitted so far suffer from the same basic problem. That is we continue to insist on modifying an outdated insurance model that was developed during WWII.

At that time wage controls caused employers to offer health insurance benefits to employees to replace raises. Ever since, employer provided health care has become the way most people received health insurance.

The problem is as benefit

levels increased and large employers with large groups were able to negotiate lower costs small employers and individuals had to make up for the discounts insurance companies provided to the large employers. To make matters worse, when employees retired they discovered they could no longer afford the plans that had been provided by their employer. The government stepped in with Medicare to help individuals get health insurance they could not afford on their social security income.

Medicare actually made the problem worse since the government doesn't pay the providers for the full cost of services. The result was providers increased their fees to cover the discounted payments from the government. The result was medical costs spiraled out of control and once

again individuals and small businesses were left to pick up the tab.

If President Trump wants to fix health care he has to engage his deal making tactics and end the current system of employer/government provided health care. It will undoubtedly take a plan that phases in over time so individuals can adjust but it is far past time to look at new models that don't carry the same built in problems of the old WWII system.

I have said before that insurance companies need to sell the policies directly to individuals and premiums must be the same for all policyholders. They can sell different types of plans for different prices, but the premiums for the plans must be the same regardless of age, sex or health.

The price of coverage can only vary based on the level

of coverage. In other words, a plan that provides full coverage will cost the same for all who select that type of coverage, and a catastrophic coverage plan would be priced the same to all buyers as well.

Under the current system of health insurance networks, buying across state lines will not do much to reduce the cost of insurance and will most likely result in less coverage than the buyer expects.

Health savings accounts make great sense in helping individuals manage their health care costs but to be truly effective they need to be part of a massive overhaul of our tax system. Taking a deduction on your tax return for a contribution to a health savings account will not work when half of the population is not paying taxes. Especially when it is that half that needs the most help.

Obamacare is not the only alligator in the swamp. Eight years of failed foreign policy has left us a world where America is no longer respected or feared by third world dictators who could not stand up to American military power but who could do serious damage trying.

Government regulations on banking and the environment are killing small business - the engine that drives economic growth. Misguided energy policies are wasting enormous sums of money on failed green energy and killing good paying American jobs. And our tax policies are driving private sector employers to move their operations to more favorable tax havens.

Trump promised to drain the swamp. He will need to kill a few alligators if he expects to have any lasting impact on the swamp in DC.

Progress on repairing America's Health Care

Throughout my time representing the people of Central Washington in the U.S. Congress, constituents from across the 4th District have shared with me their deeply personal stories about the struggles and hardships they've faced under the Affordable Care Act (ACA), or Obamacare.

In late 2016, a gentleman from Yakima wrote me in distress as his insurance provider was pulling out of his county: "My wife and I are losing our healthcare coverage. Our financial lives are about to radically change



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and a literal risk to our health is upon us. The challenge to find affordable, acceptable healthcare insurance will be immense."

In early 2015, a woman from Grandview wrote to describe her dire situation after being forced onto the

ACA exchange: "I was paying \$231 a month for a policy that had a \$500 deductible with a \$10 co-pay." However, under the ACA, she said her healthcare costs skyrocketed: "I now pay \$475 a month for a policy that has a \$5,500 deductible. This is not affordable healthcare. It is the middleclass American who has worked hard to have a good retirement who is being hit hard by this."

A gentleman from West Richland recently pleaded that the many middle class workers, like him, must not be forgotten as we repeal

and replace this broken law: "Do not forget us when fixing. We liked our plan, and we lost it."

Very recently, a farmer from Moses Lake called my office and said that before the ACA he was paying less than \$200 a month for catastrophic coverage for his family. Yet he is now forced to pay \$1,000 per month with high deductibles discouraging his family from even being able to use and access their care.

As Congress debates the best way to repeal and replace the ACA, I am commit-

ted to ensuring we protect the most vulnerable—and also to providing relief for the majority of everyday, middle class Americans who have been devastated by this misguided and broken law.

The American Health Care Act currently being considered in House committees is draft legislation and subject to amendments, so the final bill that will be voted on the House floor and sent to the Senate for consideration and possible amendments remains to be seen. This is the beginning of the debate, and it is a good start to fix

the failed status quo.

While I have heard some stories from people who feel like they have better coverage under the ACA, I have heard many more stories from my constituents who are struggling under this failed law. To those who have been hoping for relief: I hear you, I will not forget about you, and I will keep your stories at the forefront of my mind as we work to fix this failed system.

This column is adapted from remarks Rep. Newhouse delivered on the floor of the U.S. House on March 10, 2017.

Cantwell calls for action to defend our critical energy infrastructure against cyberattacks

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Today, Ranking Member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.) called for action to defend our critical infrastructure against cyberattacks during a committee hearing. Modernization of the electric grid brings tremendous benefits, but it also makes the grid more vulnerable to cyberattacks.

"There is the issue of cybersecurity that keeps me up at night, thinking about potential hacks from Russia or foreign actors, as we see large-scale attacks happening in other places. If we do not make the necessary investments to prevent, defend against and minimize the impact of these cyberattacks, our enemies may succeed in causing a widespread blackout and devastation to our economy," Sen. Cantwell said.

Given the importance of this issue, Sen. Cantwell will send a letter to President Trump later today to clarify the Department of Energy's (DOE) role as a lead agency in our nation's cybersecurity matters. The letter also urges the president to direct DOE to consider Russia's capabilities and efforts to hack into our energy infrastructure. "Today, I am calling on the Trump administration to pro-



U.S. Senator
Maria
Cantwell

tect the public from growing cyber threats that Russia and other foreign actors pose to our energy assets," she said.

According to a recent NBC News report, the Russians have conducted more than a dozen significant cyberattacks against foreign countries. In 2015, the Russians hacked into three Ukrainian distribution utilities, knocking power out to more than 225,000 customers for several hours. And it appears the Russians reportedly may have recently done it again; two months ago, a utility in northern Kiev reported that their grid was brought down as a result of a cyberattack that was very similar to the alleged Russian attack in 2015.

Fortunately, the grid in the United States has not yet been successfully attacked. But we do know that there have been attempts to hack into our utility systems. It is increasingly clear that the Russians and

other foreign actors have the capability, and possibly the intent, to do significant damage to our economy by attacking our grid.

Sen. Cantwell is drafting legislation that would provide sufficient funding, develop the 21st century energy cyber-workforce, secure the energy

supply chain and help small utilities better protect against cyberattacks.

Last year, Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Cantwell passed a bipartisan energy bill out of the Senate to invest in our energy infrastructure and cybersecurity. Unfortunately, Speaker Paul

Ryan (R-Wis.-01) blocked the legislation as we were completing work in conference. "I hope this year the Speaker will finally realize that protecting our electricity grid from attack and making needed investments in our energy infrastructure need serious attention," Sen. Cantwell said.

After all, the World Economic Forum recently estimated that the digital transformation of electricity technology will create \$1.2 billion in economic value in the next 10 years. "To me, it is imperative that the U.S. lead in this effort," Sen. Cantwell said.



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EAST WENATCHEE - Douglas County PUD Commissioners Ronald E Skagen and Molly Simpson executed the following actions during the March 13, 2017 Commission meeting held at the District's East Wenatchee office:

- Awarded Wells Chief Engineer Ken Pflueger with his 30 service award. Commissioner Skagen thanked Ken on behalf of the citizens of Douglas County for his years of service. Ken thanked the Commission and said "I consider it a great fortune to have spent 30 years here. I appreciate the opportunity to be involved in professionally rewarding work. The utility is a well-managed and respected organization."



Photos courtesy of Douglas County PUD
Commissioner Ron Skagen, Ken Pflueger and Commissioner Molly Simpson.

- Awarded Service Lineman Jeff Carrow with his 25 year service award. Commissioner Skagen thanked Jeff on behalf of the citizens of Douglas County for his years of service. Jeff thanked the Commission and said "I appreciate working at Douglas

PUD. It is an honor and a privilege and I love my job."

- Authorized a professional service agreement with Grette Associates, LLC for the Joint Aquatic Resource Application process for the Northern Mid-Columbia



Commissioner Ron Skagen, Jeff Carrow and Commissioner Molly Simpson.

Joint Project. Necessary to provide assistance working through the Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application process for the Colockum Creek and two Columbia River crossings associated with this project. This agreement is not to exceed \$13,000. (17-037)

- Approved amendment No. 2 to professional service agreement with ESSA Technologies LTD. to complete phase 2 of the renewal and modernization of the Fish Water Management Tool. This amendment will extend the term of the agreement to August 31, 2017. (17-038)

- Authorized approval of land use permit 4-05, Alex Group LLC. The permit is for continued use of Project lands previously permitted for commercial orchard, lawn, landscaping and reservoir shoreline access. (17-039)

- Approved land use permit 27C-03, Bonnie and Marc Hallen. The permit is for continued use of Project lands previously permitted for irrigation pump and intake. (17-040)

- Heard a report on the Douglas County Community Network. The network currently has 3,482 end users.

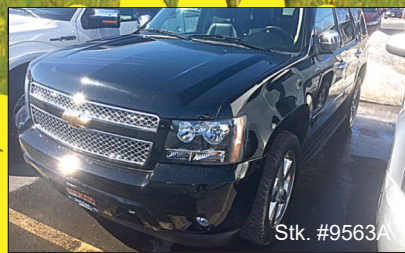
The next meeting of the Commission is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. March 27, 2017 at the District's East Wenatchee office.

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State veterans and school record-holders lead Bridgeport varsity track



Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport High School

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT -- Nearly 50 Mustangs and Fillies, including state veterans and school record-holders, will give the high school varsity track and field team a large and well-spread representation at meets this year.

Coach Mike Selle said he has state veterans in David Ochoa, Nicanor Palacios, Jenny Gomez, Emily Saucedo, Maura Morales, Jasmine LeDuc, Lupe Cancino, Karina Craig, and Anayeli Trejo.

LeDuc set the school record in the long jump last year with a leap of 15 feet, 4.75 inches.

Palacios holds the second-best school time in the 300-meter hurdles and third-best in the 110M hurdles.

Ochoa has Bridgeport's fourth longest shot put distance and sixth in discus.

Junior Lesly Velasco is another one to watch. Velasco ran the school's best time in the 300m hurdles and second-best in the 100M hurdles.

"Ronaldo Ubaldo and Itzel Muniz are two athletes that should be going to state this year as well," Selle said.

"They have so much talent and all in all, they should be participating at state."

The Mustangs lost two of their state stars, distance runner Oren Cox and girls' throwing specialist, Jordan Peart to graduation last year.

The Mustangs were scheduled to host the Bridgeport Jamboree, Thursday, March 16, and compete in the Oroville Invitational on Saturday, March 18.

Bridgeport will travel to Ephrata for the Ray Cross Invitational next Saturday, March 25.

The Bridgeport High School 2017 varsity track and field team members include, front row, from left; Mateo Martinez, Nicanor Palacios, Ethan Skiff, Rubi Galvan, Edgar Alcantara, Josias Lucas, Leonardo Sanchez, Jose Lopez, Luis Cervantes, and Jenny Gomez. Pictured in the second row, from left, are: Maura Morales, Samantha Martinez, Emily Saucedo, Elizabeth Landin, Jesse Gomez, Ana Trejo, Catalina Martinez, Alondra Jimenez, Liliانا Medel, Yareli Palacios, Yojaira Velazquez, Karina Craig, Itzel Muniz, Lesly Velasco, Jesus Alameda, Steven Bucio, Jesus Bravo, Raquel Hernandez, and Maria Silva. Third row, from left, includes: Esmeralda Garcia, David Ochoa, Ivette Orozco, Yohana Velazquez, Kaiden Morris, Brevin Evenson, Kobe Oregon, Lupe Cancino, Jonathon Taizan, Clay Morris, Ivan Munoz, Joshua Villegas, Ronaldo Ubaldo, Jordi Hernandez, Ian Dodson, Issac Ochoa, Juan Trejo, and Jasmine LeDuc.

2017 Bridgeport Soccer Schedule

Thu, Mar 16	Bridgeport Jamboree		Home	
Thu, Mar 30	NCW Bridgeport/Brewster/Soap Lake/Omak/Pateros/Bridgeport (Host)Omak	3:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Apr 11	Brewster Co-Ed- JV Relays Bridgeport (Host) Chelan		Home	
Tue, Apr 25	Cashmere Meet Cashmere (Host)	4:00 PM	Away	CHS
Fri, May 5	Bridgeport (Host)/Entiat/Omak/Thorp-Easton		Home	

Fillies return six veterans to varsity softball ranks



Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport High School

Members of the Bridgeport High School varsity softball team include, first row, from left: Maria Santana, Carmen Gomez, Jaqueline Aguilar, Anabella Valdovinos, Anissa Bustos, Amy Huerta, Sobeida Rodriguez, Natalie Cruz, Melissa Rodriguez, and Marisol Hernandez. Pictured in the second row, from left, are: Coach Samantha Torres, ShayLee Polvos, Birdie Ekenbarger, Angelica Cruz, Alexia Hurtado, Bianca Torres, Citlaly Guzman, Lesly Melgoza, Rae Anne Dodson, Becky Hernandez, Belen Rosas, Irene Jimenez, Leona Esquivel, and Coach Caitlyn Huber.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT -- The Fillies varsity softball team has 22 players on the roster this year, eight more than the year previous and many of them new faces. Graduation claimed three seniors in 2016, but two juniors from last year, Shaylee Polvos and Anabella Valdovinos are returning to give the younger players some leadership. A

third senior who played last year, star hitter and third baseman, Samantha Martinez, is going out for track this season.

The Fillies have four returning sophomores who round out the team's six veterans. They include Angelica Cruz, Sobeida Rodriguez, Rae Anne Dodson and Carmen Gomez.

Last season's assistant coach, Samantha Torres, is taking the half as head coach

this year.

The Fillies were scheduled to travel to Brewster for their season opener, a doubleheader against Liberty Bell on Saturday, March 18, followed by the Bears at Brewster, Tuesday, March 21.

Bridgeport will play a doubleheader against the Raiders at Lake Roosevelt, Saturday, March 25, and the Bears at Brewster on Tuesday, March 28.

2017 Bridgeport Softball Schedule

Sat, Mar 18	Liberty Bell	11:00 AM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 18	Liberty Bell	1:00 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Mar 21	Brewster	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 25	Lake Roosevelt	11:00 AM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 25	Lake Roosevelt	1:00 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Mar 28	Brewster	4:30 PM	Away	Webster
Sat, Apr 1	Soap Lake	11:00 AM	Away	SLHS
Sat, Apr 1	Soap Lake	1:00 PM	Away	SLHS
Tue, Apr 11	Waterville-Mansfield	4:30 PM	Away	
Fri, Apr 14	Pateros	4:00 PM	Away	PAT
Fri, Apr 14	Pateros	6:00 PM	Away	PAT
Tue, Apr 18	Waterville-Mansfield	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Apr 25	Oroville	4:30 PM	Away	TTF
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Sophomore veterans carry the weight of Mustangs varsity soccer



BY MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT – The Mustangs varsity boys' soccer team got their first taste of competition against 1A Chelan and 2B Manson at Chelan Falls last Monday, March 13.

Playing abbreviated 25-minute games against the Goats and Trojans, Bridgeport came up short, 2-0, in both matches, but coach Gabe Gonzalez said he was largely satisfied with his young team's performance.

"We got four or five shots on goal against Manson, and a couple against Chelan" Gonzalez said.

Though 35 players turned out this year, only 18 are returning veterans but still young.

"Most of my team is made up of freshmen and sophomores," Gonzalez said. "I have just one senior – Florentino Martinez - back this year."

The team breakdown includes 22 sophomores, six freshmen, six juniors and one senior.

Of the limited number of juniors on the varsity squad this season, three have never played varsity soccer before, Gonzalez said.

Gonzalez, who has been coaching varsity boys and girls soccer at Bridgeport for 17 years, said he tried to

focus more on his freshmen last season knowing that they would help provide a core of experience for the team this season.

"We had about a 50-50 record," Gonzalez said of the 2016 Mustangs "and came within one point of making the post-season competition."

The Mustangs were scheduled to be on the road at 2A Ephrata Thursday, March 16, to play the Tigers junior varsity.

Saturday, March 18, will find the Mustangs at Cashmere.

Bridgeport will play its first home game starting at 4:30 p.m. next Thursday, March 23, when the Mustangs host Liberty Bell.

Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport High School

Members of the Bridgeport High School 2017 varsity boys' soccer team include, back row, from left, Kevin Cervantes, Luis Mendoza, Carlos Mariles, Richie Torres, Hugo Santana, Rafael Martinez, Dustin Garcia (manager), Kevin Moreno, Freddy Valdovinos, Samuel Garcia, Juan Garcia, Fernando Garcia (manager), and Omar Ibarra. Pictured in the third row, from left, are: Alex Zarate, Osvaldo Orozco, Ramiro Espino, Diego Martinez, Daniel Valdovinos, Santiago Moreno, Luis Campos, Leonel Espinoza, and Gustavo Garcia. Second row, kneeling, from left, are: Sergio Penaloza, Jose Garcia, Tony Ruiz, Beto Dominguez (manager), Gustavo Galvez, Florentino Martinez, Edward Martinez, John Hernandez, Tommy Gutierrez, Raul Martinez, and Alexis Valdovinos. Reclining in front are Carlos Ruiz and Edgar Meza. Not pictured are Elvis Gomez, Kevin Torres, and Oscar Gomez.

2017 Bridgeport Soccer Schedule

Thu, Mar 16	Ephrata-JV	6:00 PM	Away	EHSSoc
Thu, Mar 23	Liberty Bell	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 25	Manson	11:00 AM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Mar 28	Tonasket	4:30 PM	Away	THS
Thu, Mar 30	Manson	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Apr 1	Okanogan	11:00 AM	Away	CVSC
Tue, Apr 11	Oroville	4:30 PM	Away	ORO
Thu, Apr 13	Brewster	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Fri, Apr 14	Omak	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Apr 18	Liberty Bell	4:30 PM	Away	LBHS
Thu, Apr 20	Tonasket	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Apr 22	Manson	10:00 AM	Away	MHS
Thu, Apr 27	Oroville	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Apr 29	Cashmere	11:00 AM	Away	CSF
Tue, May 2	Brewster	4:30 PM	Away	BSP

Bridgeport baseball rebuilds after "drastic turnover" last year



Photo courtesy of Brad Skiff, Bridgeport High School

Members of the 2017 Bridgeport varsity baseball team include, front row, from left, Jesus Torres, Cristian Duran, and Brandon Valdovinos. Middle row, from left, Andrew Gaines, Francisco Torres, Miguel Mendoza, Daniel Ibarra, Erik Gomez, Leo Razo, Brandon Medel, David Valdovinos, and Axel Martinez. Back row, from left, Jonathan Flores, Carlos Flores, Jose Flores, Zachary Gonzalez, Miguelangel Orozco, Daniel Galvan, David Garcia, Bryan Flores, and Karim Martinez. Not pictured are Isai Acevado and Tano Martinez,

BY MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

BRIDGEPORT – With just three veterans returning to its 2017 lineup, the Bridgeport High School varsity baseball team will be heavily into rebuilding this year, according to new coach, Jesse Macy.

"We've had a drastic turnover from this year to last," said Macy. "We have three returning veterans, Isai Acevado, Tano Martinez, and Miguel Mendoza."

Macy only has five players above the grade level of freshman on this year's roster so it's going to be a big retrenching year for the Mustangs.

"I'm counting on our senior veterans, Acevado and Martinez to help lead our guys this season," Macy said.

Along with five freshmen who will be competing for positions is a team's worth of eighth graders.

"We had to bring up eighth graders this year," Macy said. "And we have 11 of them playing with us. This is

definitely a rebuilding year."

The Mustangs were scheduled to open their season on Saturday, March 18, with five consecutive home games through Saturday, March 25. A doubleheader against Liberty Bell was on deck March 18, followed by Brewster, Tuesday, March 21, and a second DH with Lake Roosevelt, March 25.

Then, apart from hosting Waterville-Mansfield on April 18, Bridgeport will be on the road for nine games through April 25.

2017 Bridgeport Baseball Schedule

Sat, Mar 18	Liberty Bell	11:00 AM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 18	Liberty Bell	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Mar 21	Brewster	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 25	Lake Roosevelt	11:00 AM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Mar 25	Lake Roosevelt	1:00 PM	Home	BPHS
Tue, Mar 28	Brewster	4:30 PM	Away	Linder
Sat, Apr 1	Soap Lake	11:00 AM	Away	SLHS
Sat, Apr 1	Soap Lake	1:00 PM	Away	SLHS
Tue, Apr 11	Waterville-Mansfield	4:30 PM	Away	
Sat, Apr 15	Pateros	11:00 AM	Away	PAT
Sat, Apr 15	Pateros	1:00 PM	Away	PAT
Tue, Apr 18	Waterville-Mansfield	4:30 PM	Home	BPHS
Thu, Apr 20	Omak	4:00 PM	Away	EOP
Thu, Apr 20	Omak	6:00 PM	Away	EOP
Tue, Apr 25	Oroville	4:30 PM	Away	ORO
Thu, Apr 27	Manson	3:00 PM	Home	BPHS
Thu, Apr 27	Manson	5:00 PM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Apr 29	Tonasket	11:00 AM	Home	BPHS
Sat, Apr 29	Tonasket	1:00 PM	Home	BPHS
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Seniors look to guide softball team



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By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

Hernandez, Samantha White, Ashlyn Gonzalez, and eighth-grader Aleeka Smith.

Members of the Pateros High School varsity softball team include, front row, from left: Valeria Mendivil, Alondra Hernandez, Valeria Angel, Jahaira Hernandez, Kiera Austin, Ashlyn Gonzalez and Andrea Baird. Pictured in the back row, from left, are: Emily Garcia, Veronica Morales, Vanessa Estrada, Taylor Harrild, Anna Schluneger and Aubrey Miller. Not pictured are Samantha White and Aleeka Smith.

PATEROS – A core of four seniors – Valeria Angel, Veronica Morales, Anna Schluneger and Aubrey Miller – will lead the 15-player roster of Nannies on the varsity softball team this season.

Coach John Slater also has several athletes just coming off post-season basketball competition who should be in good physical shape for the rigors of the fast-pitch diamond.

Along with seniors Schluneger and Miller other basketball transfers are sophomores Andrea Baird, Jahaira

The 1B Nannies will play eight Central Washington 2B league opponents this season including the always-tough Brewster Bears, Bridgeport Fillies, Lake Roosevelt Raiders, Liberty Bell Mountain Lions, Manson Trojans, Oroville Hornets, Soap Lake Eagles and Tonasket Tigers.

Bridgeport opens its season Saturday, March 18, with a doubleheader at Tonasket.

The Nannies first home stand is against Soap Lake at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 22.

2017 Pateros Softball Schedule

Sat, Mar 18	Tonasket	11:00 AM	Away	THS
Sat, Mar 18	Tonasket	1:00 PM	Away	THS
Wed, Mar 22	Soap Lake	4:30 PM	Home	PAT
Sat, Mar 25	Liberty Bell	11:00 AM	Away	LBHS
Sat, Mar 25	Liberty Bell	1:00 PM	Away	LBHS
Tue, Mar 28	Soap Lake	4:30 PM	Away	SLHS
Sat, Apr 1	Oroville	11:00 AM	Home	PAT
Sat, Apr 1	Oroville	1:00 PM	Home	PAT
Tue, Apr 11	Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Away	LRHS
Fri, Apr 14	Bridgeport	4:00 PM	Home	PAT
Fri, Apr 14	Bridgeport	6:00 PM	Home	PAT
Wed, Apr 19	Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Home	PAT
Fri, Apr 21	Brewster	4:00 PM	Away	Webster
Fri, Apr 21	Brewster	6:00 PM	Away	Webster
Tue, Apr 25	Manson	4:30 PM	Home	PAT
Sat, Apr 29	Waterville-Mansfield	11:00 AM	Away	
Sat, Apr 29	Waterville-Mansfield	1:00 PM	Away	
Tue, May 2	Manson	4:30 PM	Away	MHS
Thu, May 4	Curlew	3:00 PM	Away	
Thu, May 4	Curlew	5:00 PM	Away	

Young Pateros tennis team will focus on fundamentals



Photo courtesy of Sean Hiltz

Members of the Pateros High School varsity tennis team include, front row, from left: Aidan Hall, Macayla Buchmann, Lupe Martinez, and Monse Hernandez. Pictured in the back row, from left, are: Luis Solis, Connor Hernandez, Fiona Maitland, and Jesus Mota. Not pictured are Ivan Cenicerros and Sam Larsen.

By MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – When young athletes are getting their first exposures to a sport and their first experiences with varsity competition, a focus on fundamentals of the game and improvement is often a sound

choice for a coach.

That's what Pateros High School varsity tennis coach, Sean Hiltz plans to do with the bulk of his young players this season now that warmer weather allowed the team to begin practice on all three school courts just recently.

"We have 10 turning out,

five boys and five girls," said Hiltz, and many are younger, first-time players.

"We had five or so seniors and juniors last year, several of whom graduated or moved on to other sports," Hiltz said.

While he is left with a few upper classmen, Hiltz will

keep to the basic for his newer players as they face some stiff competition from some of the larger and tougher 1A schools on the schedule like Okanogan, Omak, and Cashmere.

Pateros was scheduled to take on the Raiders at Lake Roosevelt last Tuesday, March 14, followed by Chelan, March

15. The Billygoats' first home match will be against Cascade at 4 p.m. Monday, March 20. Pateros will be at Tonasket on Tuesday, March 21, and Okanogan, Thursday, March 23, before returning home to host Omak at 4 p.m. Friday, March 24.

Hiltz served as Pateros

assistant coach for the last couple of years and volunteered with the team before that. A 2006 Pateros graduate, Hiltz attended college at Central Washington where he played club tennis since the school did not have a collegiate team.

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Confluence Club Volleyball



Confluence Club Volleyball draws players like these seven girls from Omak, Brewster and Pateros to practice in the Pateros High School gym. Pictured front row, from left are: Catie MacDonald (eighth grade, Omak), Cassidy Coffell (sixth grade, Omak), and Emerson Webster (eighth grade, Brewster). Back row, from left, are: Mariah Campos (eighth grade, Omak), Jessi Hixon (freshman, Pateros), Taylor Harrild (freshman, Pateros), and Jessica Contreras (freshman, Pateros). Club volleyball begins after the high school season ends in mid-November and ends at the Evergreen Region (Eastern Washington, Northern Idaho, Montana) Championships in mid-April.

Photo By Mike Maltais

Pateros Spring Sports Previews

Core of veterans return to Pateros baseball lineup



Members of the Pateros Billygoats varsity baseball team include, front row, from left: Andrew Gonzalez, Jess Ginter, Zane Dodge, Kobe Thixton, Slade Ginter, Osvaldo Amaya, and Lucas Miller. Back row, from left are: Dakota Poole, Logan Robinson, Max Ewing, Tag Easter, Jeremy Piechalski, Alex Vargas, and Doug Viebrock. Not pictured are Dan Rossman and Scott Moore.

STORY AND PHOTOS BY MIKE MALTAIS
STAFF WRITER

PATEROS – Long-time Pateros High School varsity baseball coach, Bob Van Lith lost one senior to graduation and has the core of his experienced veterans back for another season of Billygoats varsity baseball.

All of Van Lith's returning players are multi-sport athletes including Dakota Poole, Jeremy Piechalski, Jess and Slade Ginter, Logan Robinson, Tag Easter, Scott Moore, Doug Viebrock, Zane Dodge, Alex Vargas, Max Ewing, Osvaldo

Amaya, Andrew Gonzalez, and Kobe Thixton.

The Billygoats are a 1B team playing in a 2B league, Van Lith said about the reality of facing opponents from larger schools.

Pateros was near 50-50 in win-loss last year and ended its season in district competition with a first-round loss.

The Billygoats were scheduled to host Omak on Tuesday, March 14 in their season opener. Pateros will travel to Tonasket on Saturday, March 18 to play a doubleheader against the Tigers. On Tuesday, March 21, Pateros will host Soap Lake at 4:30 p.m.

2017 Pateros Baseball Schedule

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Tue, Apr 18	Lake Roosevelt	4:30 PM	Home	PAT
Fri, Apr 21	Brewster	4:00 PM	Away	Linder
Fri, Apr 21	Brewster	6:00 PM	Away	Linder
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Sat, Apr 29	Waterville-Mansfield	11:00 AM	Away	
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 23. Sigma Alpha Epsilon
 24. *Birdwatching site
 25. Prohibit
 28. *Coin collectors amass it
 30. Red Sea nation
 34. ___ Andrews, sportscaster
 36. ___ meter or ___ scope
 38. Caterpillar hairs
 40. Cogito ___ sum
 41. *Collector's item to a philatelist
 43. One of deadly sins
 44. Respected Hindu
 46. Boris Godunov, e.g.
 47. Buenos ___
 48. Spaghetti ___
 50. In a frenzy
 52. Actor Stallone
 53. Quiet time
 55. Lamb's mother
 57. *Crossword, e.g.
 60. *Hobbyist, technically
 64. East Asia country, pre-1945
 65. Grass bristle
 67. Cagey
 68. Abraham's sacrifice
 69. Be a witness
 70. *Siddhartha" author
 71. "Don's ask, don't ___"
 72. Shape with an ax
 73. Domains

DOWN
 1. Practice in the ring
 2. Opposite of sun-kissed
 3. Most populous continent
 4. Storage place, pl.
 5. *"Flashdance" song
 6. *Vexillology subject
 7. Underwater electricity generator
 8. *Model-builder's wood
 9. Let it stand, to proofreader
 10. Cleopatra's necklace
 11. Egyptian hieroglyph for "life"
 12. Turkish title of respect
 15. Kerri Walsh's moves
 20. Some tides
 22. "___ your hand at..."
 24. ___ verb, like "ask around"
 25. *What an apiarist likes
 26. Woven wall hanging
 27. *When backyard astronomers gaze
 29. Cobblestone
 31. Mix together
 32. Tiny purses
 33. Like Flonase
 35. Type of film
 37. Mosque V.I.P.
 39. *Crafters' e-outlet
 42. Preface
 45. Novelist HonorÉ de ___
 49. 1/100 of afghani
 51. Zambian or Malawian money
 54. Fido's restraint
 56. Olden day anesthetic
 57. Assume a posture
 58. Russian mountain range
 59. Eagerness
 60. Again
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CITY OF PATEROS PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Council for the City of Pateros, Washington will hold a public hearing to discuss a variance application for 128 W. Warren Ave, Monday March 20, at 6:00 pm at Pateros City Hall, 113 Lakeshore Drive, Pateros, WA. All interested persons are invited to attend and provide testimony. Pateros City Hall is accessible to all persons and person requiring translation or other special services are requested to contact Pateros City Hall at 509-923-2571 at least one day prior to the meeting. Published in the Quad City Herald on March 9 and 16 of 2017. #00078105

Recognize heroes who bring hope to people in need during Red Cross Month

SUBMITTED BY AMERICAN RED CROSS

WENATCHEE - The American Red Cross is recognizing the country's everyday heroes during Red Cross Month.

"March is Red Cross Month, the perfect time to honor our Red Cross volunteers, blood donors and financial contributors who bring hope to people facing life's emergencies," said Megan Snow, Executive Director of the Greater Inland Northwest Chapter. "During Red Cross Month, we thank them for their tremendous support."

March has been recognized as Red Cross Month for more than 70 years. All of our presidents have designated March as Red Cross Month to recognize how the American Red Cross helps people across the country and around the world.

The Red Cross depends on local heroes to fulfill its mission. Every eight minutes, Red Cross disaster workers respond to a community disaster, providing shelter, food, emotional support and other necessities to those affected. It provides 24-hour support to members of the military, veterans and their families at home and around the world. It must collect nearly 14,000 donations of blood every day to meet patient needs. It trains millions of people in first aid, water safety and other lifesaving skills. And it supports the vaccination of children around the globe against measles and rubella.

Since the start of fiscal year 2017 (July 1, 2016), the Red Cross serving the Greater Inland Northwest has assisted 211 families impacted by disasters, installed over 600 free smoke alarms, trained 3,100 people in lifesaving skills and supported 200 military families facing various crises.

The Greater Inland Northwest Chapter has activities planned for Red Cross Month, including:

March 23, 2017; 6-7:30 p.m. - Honoring Hometown Heroes Celebration - honoring local acts of heroism and service in Grant, Douglas, Chelan and Okanogan counties. Wenatchee Convention Center, 121 N Wenatchee Ave, Wenatchee. Free and open to the public, although RSVPs are requested: (509) 663-3907

Multiple bloods drives will also be occurring throughout the month in Wenatchee, Okanogan, Mattawa and other locations. For a full list of Red Cross blood drives, visit www.redcrossblood.org

More information about how people can support the organization is available on redcross.org. The Red Cross is not a government agency and relies on donations of time, money and blood to do its work. An average of 91 cents of every dollar the Red Cross spends is invested in humanitarian services and programs.

About the American Red Cross

The American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to victims of disasters; supplies about 40 percent of the nation's blood; teaches skills that save lives; provides international humanitarian aid; and supports military members and their families. The Red Cross is a not-for-profit organization that depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public to perform its mission. For more information, please visit redcross.org or cruzrojaamericana.org, or visit us on Twitter at @RedCross

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