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things to do this week

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Eastside Cycleworks hosts inaugural bike swap



TAYLOR CALDWELL / WARD MEDIA Eastside Cycleworks, a downtown ski and bike shop, sells gear and accessories, as well as specializing in repairs.

Stevens Pass to host first Women's Day event

By QUINN PROPST Ward Media Staff Reporter

specific event, and the plan is to have it reoccur every year during the month of March," Stevens Pass

By Taylor Caldwell Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH – Eastside Cycleworks will be hosting its first ever Bike Swap on Mar. 30. The community event will serve as a platform for local riders to easily sell their bikes without hassle, and for those in the market for an affordable bike. Colchuck Consignment will also have a pop-up store at the event.

"I just kind of like the community aspect of it, keeping the bikes local. It's a pretty cool way especially for riders who have either kids or new riders looking to get on a bike cheap. Usually the prices are far superior to what you'd find online or at a store," said owner Pat Donahue.

Potential sellers can drop off their bikes at Eastside Cycleworks between Mar. 23 and Mar. 29. The shop will be accepting all kinds of bikes, including kids, electric, cruiser, road and mountain bikes. Bikes must be in safe, riding condition, such as having functioning brakes or tires that hold air. Sellers can choose between receiving 100 percent store credit, or 85 percent of the sale value.

Sellers will be able to set their price upon drop-off, but the shop will be encouraging reasonable pricing. While the swap will help riders sell their used bikes hassle free and locally, Donahue hopes the affordable bikes will lower the barrier of entry for potential riders.

"We hear all the time about people who want to ride but can't stomach the \$2500 bike to start out on, and if you can score a decent \$800 mountain

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Grizzly Bears one step closer to returning to North Cascades

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SEDRO-WOOLLEY - Federal agencies have taken a major step towards reintroducing grizzly bears to the North Cascades ecosystem in Washington state, where the bears have been functionally extinct for decades.

On Thursday, the National Park Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service released their final environmental impact statement (EIS) evaluating options for restoring a grizzly bear population to the 6 million-acre North Cascades region. The agencies identified

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Speak Up for Grizzly Bears!

Grizzlies roamed Washington's North Cascades for thousands of years, but now none remain. Hunted, trapped, and poisoned, the bears were extermi-

nated. We now have a plan-and a responsibility-to bring them back.



SCAN ME

Scenic Mai BlumenLauf blooms as new running highlight of Leavenworth's Maifest

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LEAVENWORTH. - Leavenworth is rolling out the flowers and red carpet for runners with a new event during its famous Maifest celebration. The Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce announced its presenting sponsorship of the inaugural Mai BlumenLauf (May Flower Run) - a series of scenic running events happening Sunday, May 12.

"The addition of Mai BlumenLauf only sweetens the pot for both locals and visitors during what many already consider to be one of the most beautiful times of the year in Leavenworth," says Ernest Palmer, Director of Events and Entertainment for Leavenworth Chamber of Commerce. "There are very few if any occasions when runners and walkers have the downtown streets and riverfront trails of Leavenworth all to themselves like they will during Mai BlumenLauf. If that alone isn't reason enough to sign up, the added benefit of raising crucial funds for TedDriven and Cascade Medical Foundation certainly is.'

Organized by TedDriven, a group using athletic events to support cancer research since 2005, the Mai BlumenLauf offers three distances to appeal to casual and competitive runners alike - a 5K, 10K and half marathon.

The USA Track & Field sanctioned courses will take participants on a unique and spectator-friendly circuit format through the best of Leavenworth's spring scenery. The 5K consists of one lap, the 10K two laps, and the half marathon features four laps plus a separate prologue loop. After kicking off in downtown Leavenworth, the routes pass through Front Street Park before winding along the shores of the Wenatchee River and Waterfront Runners also traverse Park. Blackbird Island and Enchantment Park, taking in stunning views of the river, mountains, and blossoming flora. "This is a fresh new concept designed by TedDriven, who has been using running events as a means to support cancer research since 2005," stated a press release announcing the event. Wave starts will help spread out the field, with the half marathon beginning at 8 am, followed by the 10K at 9 am and 5K at 9:05 am. All finishers receive a commemorative cowbell medal to celebrate their accomplishment. The 5K registration fees will directly benefit the Cascade Medical Foundation, which raises funds to purchase critical medical equipment for the Cascade Medical Center, which serves Leavenworth and the Upper Valley communities. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes, embodying the joyful spirit of Maifest and spring's blooming beauty. Age group and overall awards will also recognize the fastest runners. The Mai BlumenLauf joins TedDriven's roster of events aimed at merging athletic accomplishment with philanthropy, including the Wenatchee Marathon on April 20 and the Leavenworth Marathon on October 5.

STEVENS PASS - Stevens Pass will celebrate its first Women's Day event on Saturday, March 30, as a fitting way to close out International Women's Month.

The event is through a partnership with Helly Hansen and features a catered lunch, yoga, skiing/riding, and more.

"This is our first year hosting this

Field Marketing Manager Samara Davis said.

"This event to highlight our female and female identifying employees by having employee ambassadors that will lead ski and snowboard groups, a built for women by women terrain park with an afternoon How-To

See STEVENS PASS Page B4

Parking Advisory Committee reconsiders parking rates and options for locals

By Taylor Caldwell

Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH - The Parking Advisory Committee considered simplifying parking rates and revisited potential options for locals, employees and contractors at its monthly meeting on Mar. 21. However, no final decisions were made, due in part to low attendance and the need for further discussion.

Parking Program Manager Shannon Lemons proposed a simplified rate system with only three rates: festival, busy and active. The rates would be assigned to multiple day blocks. The current system has these three rates in addition to calm and quiet rates, and assigns rates to individual days, based on previous traffic.

"It takes us months to get our rates put in and I can only put in about six months [at a time], because it's very, very complicated. Each day has its own line of code instead of saying, "Mondays through Thursdays," which is kind of how other cities operate," said Lemons.

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Rural communities have coexisted and thrived alongside grizzly bears. Let's help bring back this iconic native species to the North Cascades.

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Grizzlies Need our Help to Bounce Back



ndangered in southern British Columbia and the population there is not healthy enough to

and on its own

tat Fraamentation Female Home Range nent and Female grizzlies stay close to geographical features their mother's home range making it very unlikely they'll move back into the North nt route

Wildlife biologists hav already successfully relocated grizzlies and covering bears in rn Montana

Learn more at: www.northcascadesgrizzly.org/action

Scammers targeting Chelan PUD customers with aggressive tactics

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WENATCHEE - Chelan PUD is warning customers about an aggressive wave of scammers attempting to extort payments through intimidation and deception this week. Over a dozen customers have reported receiving calls, made in both English and Spanish, that demand immediate bill payment and threaten to shut off their electric

service if they refuse.

These scammers are becoming increasingly bold, utilizing more forceful threats and even manipulating caller ID technology to make their calls appear as if they are coming from Chelan PUD's actual phone numbers. Their tactics are designed to catch customers off guard and pressure them into making hasty payments.

Chelan PUD advises that these calls are likely scams if the caller

demands immediate payment via payment over the phone nor unconventional methods like cash, credit card, wire transfer or prepaid cards. Requests for extensive personal information like account numbers, addresses or social security numbers are also red flags. Evening and weekend call times and blocked or out-of-area caller ID numbers are other indicators of potential scam activity.

The utility company states it will never demand immediate request alternative untraceable payment methods from customers. If customers receive such a call, they are instructed to hang up and call Chelan PUD directly at the published number (509) 661-8002 to inquire about the legitimacy of the request.

Chelan PUDencourages customers to visit chelanpud.org for more information on recognizing and avoiding utility scam tactics that are on the rise.



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Live music with Sergio Cuevas The WooHoo Winery Tasting Room in Leavenworth will host live music by Sergio Cuevas on Friday, March 29 from 5-7 p.m. 'Join us for a fun evening of live music with Sergio Cuevas at the Leavenworth Tasting Room wine, cider and snacks available for purchase.

For more information visit woohoowinery.com.

Bloody Mary-Fest

Icicle Village Resort will host a Bloody Mary-Fest on Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. March 30 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm "Join us for the ultimate

Bloody Mary Showdown," the

event page states. "Indulge in a morning of delicious fun as we challenge local mixologists to compete for the "Best Bloody Mary in Town" title. You get to be the judge and taste seven flavor-packed concoctions and cast your vote for the champion."

For more information visit *iciclevillage.com*.

Cashmere Community Concert

The Cashmere Community Concert Series is back with a live performance by Caleb Klauder and Reeb Willms on Saturday, March 30 at 7 p.m. at the Cashmere Community Church.

The cost is \$5 at the door. There will be a "pass the hat" for the musicians with a suggested donation of \$8 to \$15.

For more information call (509) 421-0494 or visit www. cashmereconcerts.com.

Easter egg hunt

The Blue Elk Inn will host an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, March 31 from 1-3 p.m. with the egg hunt at 2 p.m.

"The Blue Elk Inn is hosting a community Easter party on March 31 and we would love to see you there," the event page states. "Bring the whole family for Easter crafts, snacks, and an egg hunt.'

For more information visit blueelkleavenworth.com.

Easter egg hunt

THINGS TO DO

THIS WEEK

The Leavenworth Lions Club will host an Easter egg hunt on Sunday, March 31 from 1-2 p.m. at the Alpine Lakes

Elementary School. "Children ages one to 12 years old, come join the Leavenworth Lions club Easter egg hunt at Alpine Lakes Elementary School," the event page states.

For more information visit leavenworthlions.com.

WRI opens registration for Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest, seeks award nominees

By Taylor Caldwell Ward Media Staff Reporter

LEAVENWORTH As the Wenatchee River Institute's (WRI) annual Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest gets closer to its May celebrations, registration has opened to attend field trips as well as the keynote presentation. WRI is also now accepting nominations for its Leavenworth Spring Bird Fest Founders' Award.

Pre-festival activities will begin with birding field trips to Ohme Gardens and Waterfront

By QUINN PROPST

Ward Media Staff Reporter

Registration is now open for

Cascade Market's Cashmere

and Leavenworth Kids Makers

Market. The Makers Market

provides an opportunity for

local children to learn about

selling at the farmer's market,

counting and managing money,

"The Kids Makers Market

is a long-standing tradition

of ours where we set up a

and using their creativity.

Park from May 13 to 15. These trips are free to attend and will have binoculars on loan, making them ideal for beginner birders.

Bird Fest will be held May 16 - 19, with birding field trips, workshops, and community events offered from sunup to sundown nearly every day. Bird enthusiasts will have the opportunity to view birds via foot, bike, and boat across the region. The festival will also offer workshops that focus on

geology, flora, and art. Saturday night's keynote presentation "Wild is

Stories from the History of Bird Migration Research," presented by Walla Wallabased science writer Rebecca Heisman. Heisman is the author of Flight Paths, a book about the creative techniques scientists have used to study migration and its importance to bird conservation. The presentation will be a hybrid event, offered in person and via Zoom at 7 p.m. on May 18. Bird Fest participants

will also be able to make nominations for the Founders'

Award until Apr. 21. The award celebrates dedicated volunteers and will be considered for anyone who has provided significant time and energy to support Bird Fest goals and tasks, developed a policy or process changes that contributed to event expansion or efficiency, has been a longtime Bird Fest volunteer, or contributed through community science efforts such as field trips or data collection and analysis. Nominations are open for two

categories: individual and professional.

Prices for each event vary, but registration is required for most Bird Fest activities. More information. registration, and the nomination form can be found at wenatcheeriverinstitute. org/bird-fest/. Questions about the event can also be directed to programs@ wenatcheeriverinstitute.org.

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Peshastin-Dryden Elementary to hold kindergarten welcome, registration event

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PESHASTIN - Peshastin-Dryden Elementary will offer two upcoming kindergarten welcome sessions.

The Kindergarten Welcome will include a morning of introduction and information about kindergarten for the 2024-25 school year.

The events will be held on April 10 and 17 at 8:30 a.m. at the Peshastin-Dryden

Elementary School.

Children must be five years old by Aug. 31, 2024, to attend kindergarten in the fall.

"We are so excited to meet our new cubs and families," the event page states. "Please come to PD to tour the kindergarten classrooms and meet our wonderful teachers and staff. Kindergarten is a special milestone and we are thrilled to partner with you at the start of your student's educational journey."

Please bring your future kindergartener, their vaccination records, and their birth certificate or proof of age.

Questions are encouraged and welcome during this time.

Peshastin-Dryden Elementary is at 1001 School St., Peshastin.

Office hours are Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be closed from June 19 to August 19.

Studded tires must come off by March 31 deadline

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approaching.

of

waiver" to the studded tire travelers moving. dates. Tickets could be issued

"We know that studded tires

Registration open for Kids Makers Market in Cashmere, Leavenworth

> the summer, the number of makers is closer to 20.

Last year, the farmer's market hosted eight maker's markets, and it plans to host nine this year. Registration is accepted on a rolling basis.

"As long as our young vendors comply with the rules, they can sign up as little as 24 hours before an event." Osborne said. "We have lots of space at both markets, so the more, the merrier."

The Leavenworth Kids Makers Markets will be on June 22, July 20, Aug. 17 and Sept. 21.

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kids-only market adjacent to the Farmers Markets once a month from May to September," said Cali Osborne, **Executive Director of Cascade** Community Markets.

"They get to practice customer service skills, learn to count change, and learn what it takes to prepare for a market, set up, and host a vending booth," Osborne said.

"This is an opportunity for any artist, crafter, or entrepreneur under the age of 18 to sell their works to the public for real money," she said. "Every year, we are more and more impressed by what our local children create."

Makers can sell anything they made with their own hands or designed independently. Common products include paintings, jewelry, duct tape wallets, nature crafts, and even slime.

However, they are not allowed to sell anything edible, such as baked goods, jams, etc.

Osborne said the market is a lot of fun for kids.

"At every Kids Makers Market, we see the young entrepreneurs shopping at each other's booths, bartering and trading, and even trading with the Farmers Market vendors, too," she said.

Osborne said the number of participants in the Kids Makers Market during the school year is usually smaller, with about five to ten kids. During

The Cashmere Kids Makers Markets dates are May 26, June 23, July 21, Aug. 18, and Sept. 22.

Cascade Community Markets is the organization that operates the Leavenworth and Cashmere Community Farmers Markets. The Leavenworth Community Farmers Market was founded in 2008.

In 2021, the organization began managing the new Cashmere Community Farmers Market. In 2022, the Cashmere Market was gifted to the organization by the community members who founded it. That prompted the name change to Cascade Community Markets to represent both communities.

"The Leavenworth and Cashmere Community Farmers Markets are truly for all families," Osborne said. "We have family friendly music, a play mat with books and toys for littles, a Kids Education Booth with a rotation of kids activities hosted by local nonprofits, and we accept these food access benefits: SNAP EBT, Senior & WIC FMNP, and Summer EBT. We even double the value of both EBT programs up to \$25/ market day.'

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OLYMPIA - Springtime in the Pacific Northwest often signals blooming flowers and warmer days ahead. It also

means Washington's deadline

to remove studded tires is fast

Studded tires must be

removed by the end of the day

Sunday, March 31, to avoid

a potential fine of \$137. The

removal date falls on a holiday

this year which could mean

some shops are closed, so the

Washington State Department

travelers to plan ahead now.

Transportation urges

Studded tires are legal in

Washington from Nov. 1 to

March 31. There is no individual

exception or "out of state

by the Washington State Patrol as soon as Monday, April 1. WSDOT does not issue tickets.

State law gives WSDOT the authority to extend the deadline when circumstances call for it, most commonly when a forecast indicates widespread snow and ice. While late season storms are possible in the mountain passes, there are no forecasted statewide conditions that would call for an extension to the deadline this year. For mountain travel, WSDOT recommends drivers use approved traction tires and carry chains to have handy if necessary. WSDOT crews will also watch weather closely and respond quickly to any scattered spring snow to keep

cause between \$20 million to \$29 million in damage to stateowned roads in Washington each winter and also damage and county roads,' citv WSDOT Maintenance said **Operations Manager James** Morin. "We urge travelers to explore all their traction options, including non-stud, winter-tread tires which are different from all-season tires. These tires are legal year-round and don't damage our highways.'

Washington and Oregon share the same studded tire removal deadline. Other states may have different studded tire removal dates, but the Washington law applies to all drivers in the state, even visitors.





Community Calendar

Wednesday

- Children and Youth Program, 6:30-8 p.m., 4th-12th grade, Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene, 509-548-5292.
- Alpine Water District, meets at the Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue, 1 p.m. Contact Anne Mueller, 425-238-3935.
- Senior Center, Lunch, noon, \$8 per meal. RSVP 509-548-6666. Ukulele Circle, 5:30- 6:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the Peshastin Library. Please come 15 minutes early to tune and get sheet music.
- Cascade Medical Board, 4th Wednesday of every month (with a couple exceptions), September 27, October 25, November 15, and December 20, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday

- Leavenworth Lions Club, For more info. President Steve Alford, 509-548-4505, or email leavenworthlionsclubwa@gmail.com
- Peshastin Community Council meeting, 7 p.m. Peshastin Memorial Hall. (2nd Thurs.)
- Caregiver Support Group, 2-3:30 p.m. For Caregivers of those with Memory Loss. The Henry Building, 120 Cottage Ave. Cashmere. Contact Carmen Gamble, 509-393-0789. (1st & 3rd Thurs.)

Friday

- Veteran Service Office, For information contact Tony Sandoval, 509-664-6801 or email: tony.Sandoval@co.chelan.wa.us
- Leavenworth Rotary Club, In person at Kristall's Restaurant at Noon. Call President Mahala Murphy-Martin, 206-227-1576, for more information.
- Senior Center: Bingo 6 p.m. Call 509-548-6666. Facebook & website: leavenworthseniors@gmail.com

Monday

- Upper Valley Free Clinic, open every Monday to evaluate urgent health needs. Downstairs at Cascade Medical, 6:30 -8:00 p.m. Call UVMEND, 509-548-0408 for more information.
- Leavenworth Mosquito District board meeting 1st & 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm via ZOOM link posted at https:// leavenworthmosquitocontrol.org/notices-updates/
- Cascade School board meetings, 7 p.m., Agenda can be found at https://www.cascadesd.org/Page/166. (2nd & 4th Mon.)
- Chelan Douglas Republican Women, Monthly meeting and luncheon 1st Monday of the month (unless it's a holiday). \$21. for lunch, \$8. for sitting only. 11 a.m. check in starts, noon for meeting and speaker. Wenatchee Convention Center 121 N. Wenatchee Ave. For information and reservations, please call, Angela Dye, President, 509-668-1105 (1st Mon.)

Tuesday

- Peshastin Water District, 5:30 p.m. For meeting location, contact Steve Keene, 509-548-5266. (2nd Tues.)
- Icicle & Peshastin Irrigation Districts Meeting Current meeting time is 8 a.m. at 5594 Wescott Drive. Call Levi Jantzer, cell 509-607-0278, 509-782-2561, or levi.ipid@nwi.net (2nd Tues.)
- Cascade Education Foundation, Contact: CEF@cascade.org LWSC Alpine Committee, 7 p.m., Ski Hill Lodge. Call 509-548-5477. (1st. Tues.)
- Leavenworth Masons, 7:30 a.m., Zarthan Lodge No. 148, Leavenworth Senior Center upstairs. www.leaveworthmasons. org. (1st Tues.)
- Cascade Garden Club, 1 p.m., at a member's home or other venue. Call President Claudia, 509-662-7706. (3rd Tues.).
- The Chelan County Cemetery District #2 (Peshastin) meets monthly at 6 p.m., at the Memorial Hall, located at 10204 Main Street. (2nd Tues.)
- Senior Center, Exercise, 11 a.m-Noon. Tues & Thurs. 509-548-6666. Facebook & Website: leavenworthseniors@gmail.com Music, call Steve, 509-548-7048. (1st and 3rd Tues.)

meeting Greater Leavenworth Museum board 5-7 p.m. Everyone is invited as a guest. Contact info@ leavenworthmuseum.org for meeting information. (1st Tues.)

Chelan County Sheriff's Report

This report is compiled from records provided by the Chelan County Sheriff's Office and RiverCom. The publisher cannot certify the complete accuracy of the information provided.

March 15

- 7:11:15 911, Stevens Pass Parking B, St
- 8:36:49 Alarm, 980 Us Hwy 2; Cashmere Valley
- 14:22:39 Civil, 9239 Lone Pine Orchards Rd
- 15:43:00 Assist Public, 100 Ward Strasse # 8432
- 16:50:40 Traffic Offense, 12704 Prowell St
- 17:49:21 Civil, 9099 Anderson Canyon Rd, Peshastin
- 18:07:31 Domestic Disturbance,
- 10144 Main St# 1, Peshastin 20:29:21 Disturbance, 100
- Enchantment Park Way,
- 20:39:07 Theft, 12704 Prowell St 23:03:54 Disturbance, Stevens Pass, Stevens Pass 1

March 16

- 0:45:28 Disturbance, 920 Us Hwy 2 # A; Subway L 10:56:30 Harass/Threat, 12413
- Chumstick Hwy 11:57:53 Welfare Check, Icicle
- Rd & E Leavenworth
- 12:47:47 Property, 10570 Fox Rd 13:09:5 Disturbance, 9255 Foster

13:30:53 Trespass, 10395 Chumstick Hwy 14:09:32 Domestic Distur, 3833

Rd; Bjs Food A

- Mckee Ln, Monitor 15:12:47 Animal Problem, 24608
- Spur St, Plain 15:36:59 Off Road Vehicle, 3664
- Allen Ln, Peshastin 15:57:06 Atl/Atc, 18183 Winton Rd, Lake Wenatchee
- 16:23:12 Harass/Threat, 8935 E Leavenworth Rd
- 17:13:03 Harass/Threat, 100 Ward Strasse # A221 21:01:13 Assist Public, 116 River
- Bend Dr; Safeway

March 17

- 00:10:25 Theft, 221 8th St# B; Ducks And Drake 08:29:52 Alarm, 10875 North Rd 10:25:07 Civil, 17326 Chumstick
- Hwy
- Valley Ln, Plain
- Ward Strasse
- Hotel
- 10:29:40 Assist Agency, 56 River
- 12:15:23 Lewd Conduct, 200
- 14:12:30 911, 309 8th St; Post

March 18

- 0:05:37 Alarm, 22552 Alpine Dr, Lake Wenatchee
- 10:49:18 Civil, 10788 Us Hwy 2, Peshastin
- 11:05:51 Hazard, Us Hwy 2 & 3rd St\
- 15:18:58 Trespass, 921 Front St; King Ludwigs
- 15:30:02 Accident No Inj, 980 Us Hwy 2; Cashmere Valley
- 16:07:11 Property, 520 Pine St# Main: Lofc.
- 17:31:17 Assist Public, 8859 Josephine Ave, Dryden

March 19

- 03:17:20 Domestic Distur,10851 Chumstick Hwy
- 09:53:53 Assist Public, 12290 Meacham Rd, Plain
- 11:43:31 Theft, 3969 Us Hwy 97, Peshastin
- 12:23:45 Alarm, 10755 North Rd 13:53:56 Civil,1300 Commercial St# 111
- 17:42:14 Harass/Threat,8558 Larson Rd, Peshastin 17:46:35 Assist Agency, 404
- Cedar St

19:12:53 Assist Agency,9501 Jeske Rd; Big Y 19:47:35 Assist Agency, 3664

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Allen Ln, Peshastin 20:13:53 Noise, 24607 Spur St, Plain 20:53:39 Sex Offense, 6940 Us

March 20

Hwy 97, Peshastin

- 0:02:53 Theft, 116 River 7:52:33 Civil, 9099 Anderson Canyon Rd, P 6 14:15:32 Assist Public, 8751 Icicle Rd; All Season 6 15:56:36 Suspicious, Us Hwy 97 & Old Blewett Rd 6
- 16:32:24 Scam, 418 Cedar St, 18:54:24 Alarm, 960 Us Hwy 2

March 21

- 9:33:19 Scam, 149 W Benton St 12:47:55 Scam, 231 Whitman St 13:04:18 Miscellaneous, 1571
- Alpensee Strasse
- 15:26:37 Harass/Threat, 9820 Eagle Creek Rd
- 22:29:33 Domestic Distur, 211 W Whitman St

Leavenworth **Lions Club hosts** Easter Egg Hunt The Leavenworth Lions Club children ages 1 to 12 years

will host their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 31, at Alpine Lakes Elementary School, located at 500 Pine Street in Leavenworth. The free egg hunt is open to all

old. Festivities begin promptly at 1:00 pm. Participants are encouraged to bring their own baskets to collect eggs. All are welcome to join in this eggciting community event!



Forest Service seeks nominees for Pacific Northwest Recreation Advisory Committee

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PORTLAND, Ore. - The U.S. Forest Service is seeking nominations for its newly formed Pacific Northwest Region Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (RRAC). The nomination period opened on March 18 and will remain open until May 17, 2024.

The 11-member advisory committee will provide recommendations to the Forest Service on recreation fee programs for federal lands in

implementing or eliminating fees for amenities, special recreation permits, and other aspects of the fee program.

"The Pacific Northwest Region Recreation Resource Advisory Committee will play a vital role in shaping the future of recreation fee programs for federal lands," said Sally Butts, Director of Recreation, Lands, and Minerals, for the Forest Service's Pacific Northwest Region. "This committee will contribute to the development of inclusive and impactful recommendations that reflect

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Note: Some meetings or events may be rescheduled due to holidays or other closures. Please call and check with that organization listed.

Please note that if your organization changes dates, or hours please send us your updates to reporter@leavenworthecho.com or call 509-548-5286. Otherwise we are not responsible for any misinformation.

Meeting Schedules For AA, Alanon, Celebrate Recovery

AA Meetings:

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Renewed Celebrate Recovery, Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Leavenworth Church of the Nazarene. 111 Ski Hill Drive. Come experience God's grace for all of life's hurts, habits and hang-ups. For more information: CelebrateRecoveryLCN@ gmail.com or 509-596-1510.

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nomination form can be found at www.fs.usda.gov/goto/r6/

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Keeping preschoolers safe from fire dangers

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OLYMPIA—Young children. with their curiosity and limited understanding of risks, face particular dangers from fires and burns in the home. Local fire officials are urging parents and caregivers to take proactive steps to protect preschool-aged kids.

"It is important to have a plan when there are children in your home, because during

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emergencies children sometimes need help getting out of the house. Their ability to escape may be dependent on other occupants," advised the State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO).

While the relative risk of children 14 and under dying in a fire was 70 percent less than the general population in 2020 according to a U.S. Fire Administration report, officials say continued education is crucial. In Washington state

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last year, three children under age 10 perished in fires, accounting for 3.7 percent of fire fatalities.

The Secretary of Agriculture

will approve committee mem-

bers to represent various

recreation and environmental

interests, including motorized

and non-motorized users,

hunters and anglers, outfitters

and guides, tribes, tourism

officials, and local governments.

Members will serve two-or

The Forest Service is

encouraging self-nominations

and recommendations for

qualified candidates repre-

senting underserved com-

munities. Nominees should

three-year terms.

The SFMO offers these messages for preschoolers:

· Firefighters are community helpers - They wear special clothes and equipment to help them stay safe from smoke and fire. Do not be afraid of firefighters even though their equipment can look

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and sound scary.

- When you hear a smoke alarm, get outside, and stay outside. A smoke alarm will let you know if there is a fire in the home and make a loud 'beep, beep, beep' sound if there is smoke. Get outside until a grown-up says it is safe to go back inside.
- Parents are also advised to practice fire drills using smoke alarm sounds and tell kids: Stay away from hot things. Do not touch matches or lighters, or any other items that can be hot, as they are dangerous. Walk away and tell a grown-up if they see them.

For more fire safety information for families, contact the SFMO at (360) 596-3929.

Leavenworth Library showcases Tanya Hough's artistic talents in Fireside Room exhibit

Leavenworth Library is currently hosting an art exhibit featuring the works of Tanya Hough in the Fireside Room, which began on March 5 and will run through April 12. Hough, who pursued art after retiring from teaching, works with a range of mediums including acrylics, colored pencil, watercolor, multimedia, and collage. The exhibit is open to the public.

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Governor signs bill expanding property tax exemption for seniors and disabled

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OLYMPIA - Governor Jay Inslee signed House Bill 2375 into law on Friday, expanding a property tax exemption to senior citizens and disabled individuals living in detached accessory dwelling units (ADUs). The legislation,

introduced by Representative Keith Goehner (R-Dryden), aims to increase affordable housing options for vulnerable populations in Washington.

Under the new law, qualified seniors and disabled persons residing in detached ADUs will now be eligible for the same property tax exemption previously available only to

or the primary residence.

"Washington state has an affordable housing issue. This new law increases housing options for those who may be struggling to find affordable housing," said Rep. Goehner. "It is important to note it does not affect property taxes. This also makes the

those living in attached ADUs exemption policy more uniform. Attached ADUs already receive a property tax exemption."

> The bill was inspired by one of Goehner's constituents, who is on a fixed income and providing housing to a relative with limited financial means. Goehner emphasized the importance of acting on such

By Aspen Anderson

Washington State Journal

OLYMPIA - Sen. John

proposals from constituents to address pressing issues like the state's housing crisis. "Many of the best ideas

for legislation come from our constituency," he stated. "I am pleased the Legislature took action and is giving those who may be struggling with finances or housing costs some additional options.

Building trust in law enforcement a key goal, Lovick says

If we have the opportunity to provide more affordable housing for low-income individuals, we need to take action given our state's housing crisis."

The property tax exemption expansion under House Bill 2375 will take effect on June 6, 2024, 90 days after the legislative session adjourned.

Parental authority initiative approved, but concerns linger

By Aspen Anderson And MARY MURPHY

Washington State Journal

OLYMPIA - The "Parent's right to know," a citizen-led initiative regarding parental authority over kids in public schools, will become law in June.

While the measure won bipartisan support, wide some legislators say they are monitoring its implementation closely.

Sen. Jamie Pederson, D-Seattle, who voted in favor of the initiative, said he has some concerns about its passage affecting student access to things like birth control or mental health services. He believes parts of the initiative are ambiguous and unclear.

"Does it mean that a parent would have to consent for some health-care decision that older children have the right to make on their own?" Pederson said. "I think it's safe to expect that it will be misused by someone to try to achieve that outcome."

This initiative does not amend any current state laws but adds additional language detailing parental rights. Legislators say the courts should refer to it narrowly with

current law taking precedence. The Superintendent of Public Instruction is required to provide schools with guidance on how the initiative should be adopted.

"This initiative declares 15 rights that parents and guardians of public-school children have, including the right to receive or be notified of academic, medical, safety, and law enforcement matters, the right to access certain materials and records, the right to opt their children out of various activities. It shows that parents are involved," Wellman Lisa (D-Mercer

Island) said.

Wellman, who previously wrote the Parents Bill of Rights and worked as a public-school kindergarten teacher, backs the initiative but thinks the language could be clearer.

"The Legislature and our allies will be keeping our eyes on implementation so that we can come back immediately, should interpretation by districts cause any harm to young people because that is not what this is about," Claire Wilson, D-Federal Way, said.

Dawn Land, a signature

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Demonstrators carry signs calling for passage of a parental notification initiative during a protest in Olympia. The initiative was approved by the Legislature.

Lovick describes himself as a Black man with brown skin who wore a blue uniform for a combined 37 years as a former state trooper and Snohomish County Sheriff.

'Not everybody understands that I've been on both sides of the badge. And I've been at both ends of the barrel,' Lovick, a Democrat from Mill Creek, said. "And I let people know that I'm Black, I'm brown, and I'm blue."

Lovick spent 31 years as a Washington State Trooper, nine years in the House of Representatives, and was appointed to the Senate in 2021. In the 2024 Legislative session, he was the primary sponsor of numerous bills related to policing and public safety.

One of his most notable accomplishments is his Primary Seat Belt Law, which increased seat belt usage from 81% to 97%.

From where he sits, Lovick observes a pervasive sense of distrust toward law enforcement, particularly within communities of color. He acknowledges that while some reasons for distrust are warranted, others may not.

But for Washington to move forward in policing, he says it's imperative to reach a place of absolute trust in one another.

According to Lovick, defunding the police never should have happened and should never be classified as a "movement." He said money should never be taken away from the police. Instead, new ways to do policing should be considered.

"I always say that 99.9% of our men and women in law enforcement do a great job," he said. "But it's the ones that don't that spoil it for all of us."

He thinks increasing trust in law enforcement goes hand in hand with diversifying it. He has a 3030 initiative to have 30% of our law enforcement be female by 2030. Lovick is particularly proud of SB 5424, a bill that would allow certain officers to work overtime. which he believes will help achieve this goal.

"I think that it's going to



COURTESY PHOTO Sen. John Lovick

change the culture of policing," Lovick said. "We're going to have men and women in the profession that maybe could not have stayed at a full-time job. Maybe they could have two kids at home."

A new police training facility, which many refer to as a "cop city," just announced its opening in Lacey, Washington, which many people protested, arguing that these facilities are military indoctrination centers.

But Lovick says the scariest thing we will ever have in this state is un-trained police officers.

"We need more, but we need better-trained police officers," Lovick said. "We open those facilities so that we can train officers. That is the worst thing that we will ever do is not have properly trained police officers.'

Lovick said sometimes you need guardians, and other times you want warriors. Usually, he said people want more guardians to keep people safe and not be at war with the community.

But he says if someone steps on a school campus and tries to hurt a child, he wants a warrior.

"I want to be that warrior, because I don't want it to be a fair fight," Lovick said. "We need guardians all the time.

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Cascade High School Skiers Race at U.S. Ski Association's **Junior National Championships**



ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Jasper Bard Tennis Senior

There are too many reasons to list why Jasper should be this weeks Athlete of the Week.. He is hard working, kind, helpful, a great role model, well rounded and simply a good friend and player. Jasper and Blue placed 4th in state last year and are looking forward to even a better performance this year.



BEYOND THE COURT

Paige Runions **Publications** Class Junior

Paige currently serves as a junior editor for Publications. Next year, she will be an editor-inchief. She recently won the recognition of "Excellent" at the Washington State Journalism Education Association's annual writeoff competition. To earn this designation, Paige first sat through a press briefing on the use of AI in journalism, then she took part in a Q&A with panel members. Afterwards, she wrote a yearbook feature article about the event in ninety minutes. She competed against students from all over the state, many of whom came from 4A and private schools. Of all these students, Paige was the



student who received the highest commendation. **Official Recognitions Received:**

Junior Editor - WJEA "Excellent" rating in Yearbook Feature Writing (2023; 2024); ASPA 1st Place Kodiak Chronicle; 2nd Place "Through the Eyes of a Kodiak" Yearbook (2023); **Emerald Awards: Honorable** Mention for 2022-2023 Newspaper Website & Yearbook; Published 2x in Leavenworth Echo; ASPA first place (2023 yearbook; 2nd place Kodiak Chronicle)

Boys Soccer

Kodiaks blank Bulldogs in rivalry opener

LEAVENWORTH - The Kodiaks kicked off their league schedule with a decisive

en route to the shutout win. "It was a well-rounded night. First home game, a great crowd, and a 3-0 win",

head coach Sandoval. "What

else can we ask for? The team

showed some exceptional

soccer tonight. Angel's first goal clearly reflected the things

we have been working on

during practice. Karsten had a solid performance, scoring two

beautiful goals and assisting

While pleased with the

strong start, Sandoval knows

bigger challenges await. "It

said

COURTESY OF ANDREW MOWRY Cascade High School sophomore Micah Saugen (#25) chases down the leader of a classic technique sprint heat on a warm, late

winter afternoon in Lake Placid, N.Y.

The resort village of Lake Placid, New York, nestled in the heart of the Adirondack Mountains' High Peaks Region and named after its eponymous lake, has played host to two Winter Olympic Games (1932 and 1980) and countless other international and national winter

tournaments

Group matches including, earlier this month, the United States Ski Association's 2024 Cross Country Junior National Ski Championships (JNs).

and

The week-long, four-event affair is the annual encounter among the nation's best young skiers representing the ten Nordic ski racing divisions across the country from Alaska to Maine and Michigan to California. This year's Championships consisted of more than 450 qualified racers competing, from March



By Isabel

Menna

CHS

distance race, a sprint tournament, a mass start distance race, and mixed gender relays. Racing under the

banner of the greater Pacific Northwest's team (PNW), comprised of six race clubs from Washington and Oregon, were seven Cascade High **Publications** School (CHS) students, all members

of the Wenatchee Valley's senior race outfit, the Plain Valley Nordic Team (PVNT): sophomores Tarin Warden, Quinten Koch, Olaf Saugen, Avery Houghton, and Micah Saugen; junior Caroline Menna; senior Isabel Menna. The seven were joined by their head and assistant coaches Pierre Niess and Gabe Norby and their teammates: Icicle River Middle School eighth-grader Kolston Breaux, homeschooled high school junior Silas D'Atre,

and Wenatchee High School's Kirsten Jarmin, Addie Loewen, and Kian Reid. (Cashmere's Annika Peterson declined an invitation.)

Through a series of inter-divisional competitions, aptly called Junior National Qualifiers, that run from early December through late February, in the PNW at Mt. Bachelor, OR, Park City, UT, the Methow Valley, WA, and Mt. Spokane, WA, skiers qualified to race at Lake Placid.

"It's an important opportunity for them to challenge themselves and learn from it, independently from their level of development," asserted Niess, who continued: "Challenge, Learn, and Repeat. The team 'mojo' is still the same, whether you climb a hill for the first time or display your skills around the nation's best skiers. It's an adherence to that 'mojo' over time that allows for so many of our skiers to elevate to that level . . . I sure am proud to



COURTESY OF ISABEL MENNA Caroline Menna stands in front of the Mt. Van Hovenburg mountainside sports complex, affectionately known as "Van Ho," a host of the 1932 and 1980 Winter **Olympic Games** and the 2024 U.S. **Cross Country Ski** Junior National Championships.

be witnessing it."

Before they could display their skills, a nor'easter, one of the infamous, ferocious northern Atlantic based storms, greeted arrivals to the Adirondacks on the Saturday Sunday preceding and Monday's race, the latter of which began amidst fierce winds, cold temperatures, and almost two feet of fresh snow. Bythe next fixture on Wednesday. afternoon temperatures, in the fickle upstate New York climate, had risen to almost sixty degrees, leading racers to don mere t-shirts under their race bibs. Thursday, at the affectionately known "Van Ho," brought warm, blue-bird skies and a carnival-like atmosphere, with some teams training in regional wear (e.g., jeans and cowboy hats for the High Plains Division). Fog and tricky ski track conditions, that saw multiple crashes and delayed starts. dominated Friday's races and Saturday's relays.

By the time the JN closing awards and banquet took place Saturday evening, Caroline Menna had led CHS, PVNT and PNW in accolades with three All American honors, achieved by landing in the top ten in all three individual races. Following close behind were Koch who reached the top ten in Wednesday's sprints and Friday's classic distance race, and D'Atre who glided into Monday's individual skate race decenary.

Reflecting on the week as a whole, Houghton recounted that while "most of [her] teammates have been to JNs, this was the

3-0 victory over rivals the Cashmere Bulldogs in an intense matchup.

The scoring opened in the 15th minute when Angel Sandoval finished a through ball from Karsten Bowles to give the Kodiaks a 1-0 lead. Bowles then took over, charging downfield and blasting a 25-yard shot off the crossbar to double the advantage.

The Kodiaks created many scoring opportunities from set pieces in a physical affair. In the 38th minute, Bowles capped his performance by hammering home a free kick, giving the Kodiaks a 3-0 lead into halftime.

Despite being reduced to 10 players for a stretch of the second half, the Kodiaks maintained control throughout



Angel."



COURTESY OF ISABEL MENNA

The CHS contingent representing the PNW at the opening ceremonies of the U.S. Cross Country Ski Racing's Junior Nationals. Those ceremonies were held in Lake Placid's Herb Brooks Arena, site of the "Miricle on Ice," the iconic 1980 Winter Olympics hockey game in which an amateur United States side beat the professional Soviet Union team and went on to win gold.

first time for me. It was a lot to take in to travel across the country and line up against the very best juniors on a world class course in some challenging conditions. I loved it though and can't wait for next year."

Utah's Soldier Hollow, the famed ski venue located just south of Park City, and a site of the 2002 Winter Olympics, will play host to the 2025 JNs. In between now and then, CHS/PVNT athletes will take a few weeks rest before taking in some spring skiing at Mt. Bachelor and beginning to train again in earnest.

Lovick

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We also need warriors at

times. Lovick is the third Black and male State Senator ever and

the first since 1991. He says this is just the way it is.

"They say you can't be what you can't see," he said. "Maybe

Parental

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gatherer for the initiative, said she pulled her kids out of public school because she disagreed with some aspects of the curriculum.

She said her third-grade daughter came home crying after learning that polar bears, listed as endangered 16 years ago, were dying because of environmental changes. Land said she felt like that information might be pushing a political ideology.

Teachers shouldn't be able to have any political agenda in the classrooms," she said.

Other parents shared stories of teachers and students having private conversations regarding mental and physical health and gender identity, and they said they felt like that shouldn't happen.

some young kid.... that's walking through here, sitting watching me speak, sitting watching me walk across the campus, and hearing people call me senator, it might inspire them to maybe go home and say, this is something that I want to do...that is kind of how I became a police officer." Lovick says he is having a

However, teachers say such conversations often are routine, especially in the early grades. When a child acts out or seems depressed, or is failing to thrive in a classroom, teachers nearly always will have a private conversation to determine how they can help the child succeed. Also, teachers also are required by law to report suspected emotional or physical child abuse, and finding out if that is happening often requires a

personal conversation. Semi Bird, a Republican candidate for governor and a former school board member, spoke in favor of the bill.

"Parents are the primary stakeholders in their children's education," Bird said. "Science has proven that when parents are more involved in their children's education, children perform better academically, and acclimate to great time serving as a senator and has no plans to retire. "Quite often, the voters

decide how long they want you to serve." The Washington State Journal is a non-profit news website funded by the Washington

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better." Members of both parties supported support widely for parents being actively involved in the education of their children, but some wary Democrats say they won't allow the initiative to be used to limit student rights.

"If some conservative parent brings a case against a school district and gets a conservative local superior court judge to violate the rights of a child, we're both going to have some work to do to protect the rights of that child, and then also, that will be a reason for us to consider getting rid of that language that's being abused," Pederson said.

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WDFW opens applications for Wildlife Diversity Grants

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OLYMPIA - The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) announced that it is now accepting applications for Wildlife Diversity Grants to fund projects aimed at protecting the state's most vulnerable wildlife species.

With approximately \$1 million available for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, WDFW plans to award between 8 to 12 grants ranging from \$20,000 to \$200,000 each. The grants are open to public, nonprofit, academic, and tribal organizations working on projects to benefit imperiled species in Washington state.

"WDFW's new Wildlife Diversity Grant Program is an

exciting step forward in our ability to support recovery actions for a suite of at-risk species in Washington," said Jenna Judge, WDFW wildlife diversity assistant division manager. "We're thrilled to have the opportunity to fund projects that accelerate our work with conservation partners to implement recovery actions for Washington wildlife and gather necessary data to inform land use and habitat management decisions."

Grant applications are due by May 5, and project work will take place between July 1, 2024, and June 30, 2025. WDFW will host a virtual information session for prospective applicants on March 28.

The new grant program was made possible by funding

from the Washington State Legislature aimed at restoring biodiversity. WDFW anticipates this will be an ongoing funding source for continuing the grant program in future years.

"By increasing the scope and scale of conservation actions, we can recover imperiled wildlife and may prevent the need to list a species as threatened or endangered," said Hannah Anderson, WDFW wildlife diversity division manager. "Through this grant program, we're excited to fund actions that will help stem the tide of biodiversity loss and contribute to healthier wildlife populations.'

The WDFW website provides full details on eligibility, the application process, and the March 28 webinar.



Peshastin Water District acquisition moves forward

The Leavenworth Echo Ward Media

WENATCHEE - Customers of the Peshastin Water District will see little change in their monthly bills when Chelan County PUD acquires the community water system on March 26.

In a 3-1 vote on Monday, PUD commissioners approved creating a temporary rate equalization charge for the 240 homes and businesses served by Peshastin Water District. The charge aims to have customers pay about the same amount as they currently do under Peshastin Water District rates.

Chelan PUD's standard water rates are slightly lower than

Peshastin's, from less than \$5 per month for residential customers to under \$700 for industrial users. The equalization charge, estimated at \$33,000 annually, will help cover planned water system upgrades in Peshastin as the PUD takes over operations.

The consolidation process began in 2016 when Peshastin Water District requested to join the larger PUD system for improved efficiency. Chelan PUD already operates the wastewater system in Peshastin.

Under an agreement signed last September, the PUD will assume the water system's debt

and fund about \$2.6 million in upgrades, including drilling a \$2 million replacement well. Other benefits for Peshastin customers include faster outage response, more payment options, and discounts for lowincome seniors and disabled residents.

The rate equalization charge taking effect June 1 is a temporary measure. The PUD plans to reassess it in three years as part of an annual rate review process. Officials also continue seeking grant funding to help offset system improvement costs in Peshastin.

PUD currently Chelan operates five other water systems serving over 6,500 connections in Wenatchee. Chelan Falls, Chelan Ridge, Dryden and Ollala Canyon.



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OLYMPIA The Washington State Department Agriculture (WSDA) of announced it is accepting applications for \$2 million in grants to strengthen local food supply chains and market access across the state. The Local Food System Infrastructure grants will provide funding from \$10,000 to \$75,000 to farmers,

ranchers, food businesses. and organizations working to expand Washington's regional food systems.

food business entrepreneurs play an important role in maintaining Washington's vibrant and robust local food system," said WSDA Director Derek Sandison.

Eligible projects include those focused on post-harvest handling, aggregation, processing, manufacturing, storage, distribution, and sales of locally sourced food products. Grant funds can be used for physical infrastructure like processing facilities and business planning. The state legislature

approved the \$2 million funding pool to bolster

across Washington's local and regional food supply chains. An additional \$1.5 million in federal coronavirus relief funds is also available for specific meat processing projects.

"Small farms, ranches, and collaboration and linkages

Applications are open now through April 17. Full program details and application materials are available at agr. wa.gov/grants or by emailing localfoodinfrastructure@agr. wa.gov. The grant program is part of WSDA's broader Focus on Food Initiative, which promotes safe, sustainable food production and distribution statewide.

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aloud shortly after the time and date stated above. Proposals are to be submitted only on the form provided with the Bid Documents. All Proposals must be accompanied by a certified check, postal money order, cashiers check, or Proposal bond payable to the "City of Leavenworth" and in an amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the total Proposal amount. This Contract provides for the Citywide pavement preservation, including, but not limited to, surface preparation, application of emulsified asphalt and aggregate for Scrub Seal, application of emulsified asphalt for fog seal, temporary pavement

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markings, striping, and other work all in accordance with the attached Contract Plans, these Special Provisions and the Standard Specifications.

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the Upper Skagit Tribe looks

forward to the day the great

bear returns to the rugged

North Cascades which our

people previously shared

with grizzlies for thousands

of years," said Scott Schuyler,

policy representative for the Upper Skagit Tribe, whose

territory lies within the

recovery zone. "We thank

leaders at the National Park

Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife

Service, and Department of

Interior for their intention to

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Grizzly bears once roamed

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century by excessive hunting

and habitat destruction. The

last confirmed grizzly sighting

in the U.S. portion of the

excited to hear this news,

and to know that this hard-

fought effort to bring home

grizzlies is close to becoming

a reality," said Snoqualmie

Indian Tribe Tribal Chairman

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"This is a critical moment in

history, with governments,

organizations, and individuals

working together to welcome

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"The Snoqualmie Tribe is

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Leavenworth, Washington 98826, up to 2:00 PM: local time on

Wednesday, April 3, 2024, for furnishing the necessary labor, materials, equipment, tools, and guarantees thereof to construct the 2024 Scrub Seal. The Proposals will be publicly opened and read

Grizzly

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translocating small а number of bears from other populations to kickstart a new population as their preferred alternative.

"Today we celebrate our national parks as places where wildlife thrives and ecosystems are made whole," said Theresa Pierno, president and CEO of the National Parks Conservation Association. "For years, NPCA has worked tirelessly to bring grizzlies back to their historic homeland. The planned return of the grizzly bear to North

Cascades National Park is a symbol of the power of perseverance."

Under this proposed plan, biologists would capture grizzly bears from healthy source populations and release them gradually in remote areas of the North Cascades over several years until an initial population of around 25 bears is established. The reintroduced population would be designated as an "experimental" population under the Endangered Species Act, giving wildlife managers more flexibility in bear management.

"After years of advocacy

Bike swap

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bike, that'll get you going to find out if you like the sport. That's super helpful," said Donahue.

Donahue hopes to have at least 50 to 75 bikes for the swap, but won't have a confirmed number until the day before. He expects to have at least a few full-suspension mountain bikes selling for several hundred dollars, and has confirmed a few Santa Cruz bikes, as well as Specialized stump jumpers for the event.

New items, such as tires, clothing, knee pads, and helmets, will be 10 percent off inside the store. Because the preowned bikes will be sold as is, the discount will also apply to any needed parts for repair. Donahue says the shop will be happy to help fix any bikes bought at the swap. For those interested in buying new, a

surprise sale on inventory bikes is also to be expected on the day of the event. The swap is intended to offer something for every type of rider.

"I'm just really excited to see what happens. I'd love to have like a gaggle of people there and shake their hands and meet new people, especially because I think we've met a lot of people our age who are in the scene. but for some older folks and younger folks who may not be hardcore cyclists, it's cool to get the opportunity to to work with them too," said Donahue.

The bike swap will begin at 9 a.m. in the parking lot behind Eastside Cycleworks, which is located at 215 14th Street in Leavenworth. Sellers must drop off their bike prior to the day of the event. Questions about the swap can be directed to pat@ eastsidecycleworks.com.

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Stevens Pass

North Cascades."

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terrain park and rail session, a yoga class taught by one of our incredible ski patrollers, and some other fun additions throughout the day," she said.

The free event starts at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m.

The day starts with a meet and greet, light fare breakfast, and ability/interest group from 8:30-9:30 a.m. From 9:30-11:30 a.m., attendees will participate in a ski/ride with a Stevens Pass ambassador. A catered Lunch and Learn in partnership with Helly Hanson goes from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. After lunch, there will be an open ski/ride and Terrain Park how-to/Rail Session until 3:30. a Yoga For Sport Recovery is also offered from 2:45-3:30 p.m. However, space is limited for the yoga class. Then, from 3:30-4 p.m., there will be a wrap-up and thank yous.

"We want to celebrate all the women that make Stevens Pass the community that it is," Davis said. "This event will offer an opportunity to make connections with other women who ski or snowboard and experience Stevens Pass in a different way."

"We are incredibly thankful for our partnership with Helly Hansen at this event, and we are so excited for the 30th," she said.

For more information and to reserve a spot, visit the events calendar at stevenspass.com.

A Lift ticket/pass is not included in the event. Event attendees must bring their season pass or purchase a lift ticket for Saturday online or at the ticket window upon arrival.

There is no registration deadline, but Davis said there is a high level of interest in the event.

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action removed them from their home. Snoqualmie thanks the leadership of our congressional leaders, the National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Department of Interior for their persistent work and advocacy."

The release of the final EIS does not constitute a final decision to reintroduce bears. Federal agencies must next issue an official record of decision in the coming weeks after a 30-day waiting period. Supporters say reintroducing a predator like the grizzly is key to restoring the ecological integrity of the vast North Cascades wilderness.

"The agencies have shown that they are listening to local communities by including necessary management flexibility for a successful reintroduction effort in the long run," said Jasmine Minbashian of the Methow Vallev Citizens Council. noting that 85% of Americans support grizzly restoration according to a recent poll.

While celebrating the longawaited progress, advocates vowed to continue pushing for grizzly reintroduction to finally become a reality in the North Cascades after decades of absence.

Parking

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Lemons said the standardization would not only help the staff's workload, but also make rates easier to understand for the public. Committee members saw the value in standardization, but saw a need to keep the calm and quiet rates.

"I do think that there's value in continuing to have that or somehow wrapping that in so that it really encourages our locals to go downtown, use downtown businesses, and shop, and that sort of thing, when businesses are really slow during those shoulder seasons," said Council Member Anne Hessburg.

The concern prompted another discussion of parking for locals and businesses, with another consideration of free parking for everyone on a specified quiet day of the week.

The committee also discussed the city's recent efforts to promote and expand its permit program for businesses to reserve downtown parking spaces for employees.

However, there was nothing set forth for contractors that periodically service downtown businesses, who need to park downtown but do not require a full-time spot. The committee recognized the need for establishing clear regulations and permitting, in order to reduce confusion between enforcement, contractors, and the public.

"It is a bigger conversation that is a big need in our town right now," said Lemons.

The Parking Advisory Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

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